

Kid-Chandler and Kid-Physick Houses
323-325 Walnut Street
Philadelphia
Philadelphia County
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-1436

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PHOTOGRAPHS
HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
PENNSYLVANIA	PHILADELPHIA	PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME)		HABS NO.
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SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
323 Walnut Street (Kid-Chandler House) and 325 Walnut Street (Kid-Physick House), formerly 99 and 101 Walnut Street respectively		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
No. 323- ca. 1810-15		
No. 325- ca. 1811-12		
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)		
The adjoining brick houses, built as speculative properties, are a good example of an early Philadelphia use of the first floor as commercial space and second floor as main living quarters. The man responsible for their construction was Robert Kid.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
Both houses: Brick with marble trim. Brick and wood frame structural system		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
No. 323: 21' (three-bay front) X 42', three-and-a-half stories. No. 325: 18' (two-bay front) X 42', three-and-a-half stories.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
Both houses, as originally built: paneled front doors with transoms and sidelights on either side of the front facade, flanked by a window; common double-hung windows with marble sills and lintels with corner blocks; one arch-head front dormer window.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
Both houses, as originally built: usual 2-room per floor plan with hallway, door and window trim with corner blocks; fireplaces with plain marble mantelpieces; interior folding shutters; stucco cornices; pine flooring.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
No. 323: Altered ca. 1840, ca. 1870, ca. 1880, ca. 1909; kitchen wing demolished 1959; restored 1963-64. No. 325: Altered ca. 1865, ca. 1909, rear wing demolished 1959; restored 1963-64. With addition of 18th century garden in rear yard.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
Both houses are presently leased to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
Field record folder filed under both houses contain additional information, field photos and field notebooks. See also separate HABS documentation-- Kid-Chandler House, HABS No. PA-1436-A and Kid-Physick House, HABS No. PA-1436-B		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
Webster, Richard. <u>Philadelphia Preserved</u> . Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1976. Old insurance surveys-- Philadelphia Contributionship for No. 323, issued 1817; and Mutual Assurance Company for No. 325, issued 1824		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION	DATE	
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ADDENDUM TO:
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