FORM F - STRUCTURE

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no. 18

Address Northampton

Present use Dairy Barn

Present owner Comm. of Mass.

Type of structure (check one)

dge pound

tal powder house

n street

out tower

gate tunnel

kiln wall

lighthouse windmill

other barn

5. Description

Date

Source Annual Report

Construction material concrete blocks

Dimensions 25' x 100'; 25' x 120'

Setting western edge of farm

Condition good

6. Recorded by Ed Lonergan

Organization Northampton Historical Comm.

Date February, 1981

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USGS Quadrant

MHC Photo no.

Original use dairy barn

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

- Aboriginal
- Agricultural X
- Architectural
- The Arts
- Commerce
- Communication
- Community development
- Conservation
- Education
- Exploration/settlement
- Industry
- Military
- Political
- Recreation
- Religion
- Science/invention
- Social/humanitarian
- Transportation

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

In 1960 the main dairy barn, which had been located in the rear of the Main Complex, was destroyed by fire. For a number of years it had been suggested that the farm buildings be relocated at a greater distance from the main hospital buildings, and the blaze provided a partial opportunity. The new, fireproof dairy barn was built at the western edge of the State Hospital property, and consisted of two, concrete-block structures, one a "loafing barn", the other for feeding, separated by a common yard.

10. Bibliography and/or references such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.

Annual Reports: 1960, 1961 - NSH Library