

FORM B - BUILDING

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



Northampton

Address 29 Munroe St.

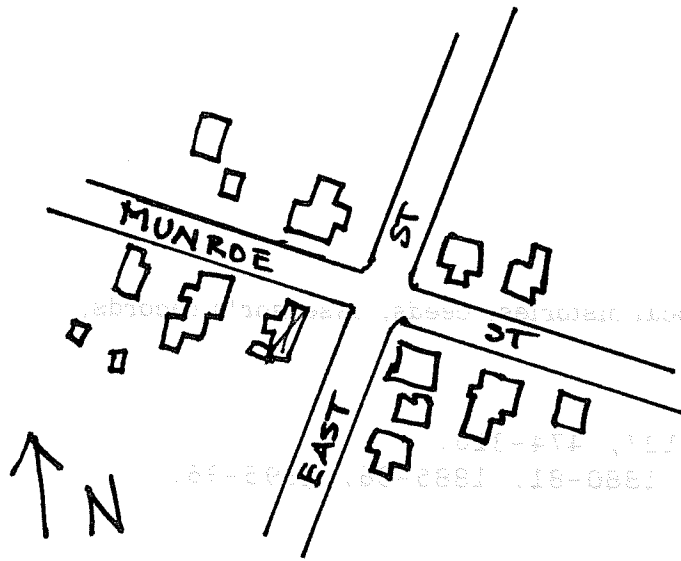
Present use residence

Present owner Howard Bancroft and Ruth Frenier

Construction date 1876-80

Source Reg. of Deeds

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric asbestos shakes

Outbuildings (describe) frame garage

Other features _____

Altered sided Date mid 20th c.

Moved -- Date --

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 80'

Approximate distance of building from street 20'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Waldo H. Lamb

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>x</u>				

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

Munroe St. was laid out in the early 1870's, and was originally known as Franklin Ave. The street was laid out along the northern edge of David M. Clapp's homestead on South St. and extended southeasterly to the edge of the bluff overlooking the Connecticut River meadows.

Waldo Lamb was an owner, with Horace Lamb, of the Horace Lamb & Co. wire manufactory on Clark Ave. He was listed as first living here in the 1880 directory.

The house is two and a half stories in height, with gable end to the street. A small entry portico has chamfered posts and a low balustrade. A small two over two sash window with "Gothic" upper sash and a raking cornice hood decorates the facade's gable. In the rear is a two-story ell which has a two-story porch on the eastern side. The eastern side also has a one-story, three-sided bay.

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

- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 484-P. 127, 474-316.
- Northampton Directory: 1875-76, 1880-81, 1885-86, 1895-96.