

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	38B-148



1 Northampton

Address 47 Columbus Ave.

Name H. and A. Marsh House

Present use residence

Present owner Violet Peltz

Description:

1900-02

Source Reg. of Deeds and Directory

Style Colonial Revival

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric asbestos shakes

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features \_\_\_\_\_

Altered sided Date mid 20th c.

Moved -- Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage \_\_\_\_\_

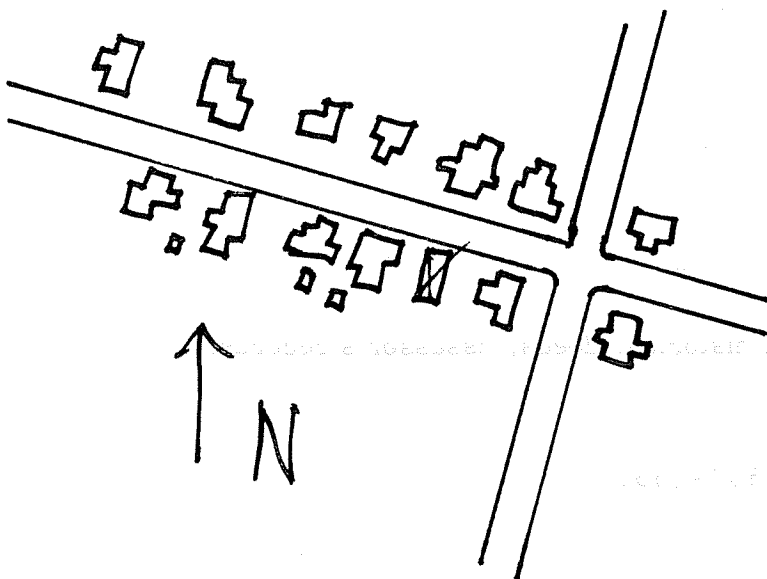
Approximate distance of building from street \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

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Date April 1980

7. Map. Draw sketch of lot in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Herbert and Albert Marsh

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

In 1892 a subdivision plan was filed for Columbus Ave. This street was opened through a portion of the Clapp family's SouthSt. homestead. In 1900 Herbert Marsh purchased a lot for \$500. He and Albert Marsh, both of whom were clerks at a grocery on State St., are first listed as living here in the 1902 directory.

Two stories in height, the house is capped by a slate hip roof with pedimented gables. The tympanums are decorated with low relief sculpture. A one-story bay is on the southeastern side, while a one-story porch with gabled entrance extends across the facade. The porch has been enclosed but still retains its fluted cornerposts, dentilled cornice and low-relief sculpture in the tympanum.

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

- 1895 Atlas.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk 449-P 410, 537-256.
- Northampton Directory: 1902.