

FORM B - BUILDING

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

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ie C. P. Worth House

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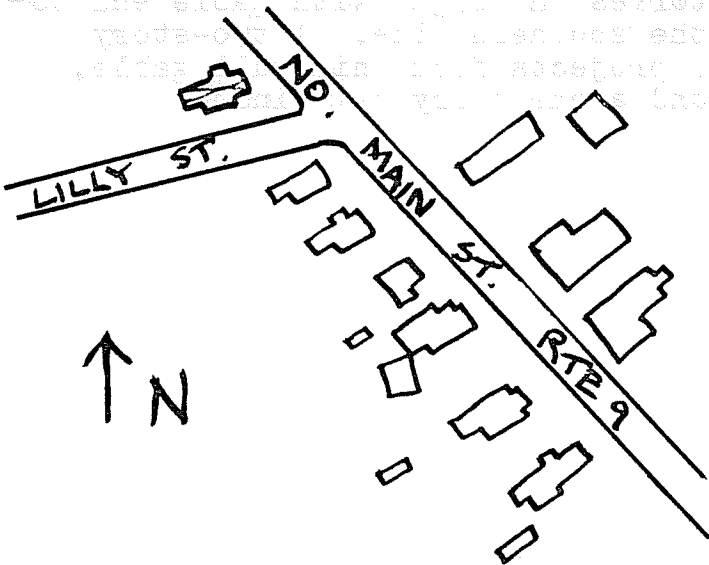
1870-1873

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in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered _____ Date _____

Moved - - - Date - - -

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 90'

Approximate distance of building from street 20'

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____
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6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date January 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) C.P. Worth

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| 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 | <u>X</u> | | | | |

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

In 1870 Charles Worth, a carpenter, bought one-third of an acre fronting on North Main St. He probably built this house himself and it's shown on the 1873 atlas. After his death in the early 1880's his widow sold the property to Harry Otis, who was the superintendent of the Northampton Emory Wheel Co. Mr. Otis was the son of General John Otis, the founder of the NEW Co. and a prominent local politician. He later rose to become secretary and treasurer of the Company, as well as being president of the Norwood Engineering Co.

The house is one-and-a-half stories in height with gable end to the street and a large wall gable on the southern side. A two-story bay window with flaring polygonal roof projects from this wall gable. The facade has a very plain entrance and a one-story bay window.

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. 411-P. 259, 272-8.
 Northampton Directory: 1888-89, 1875-76.