

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Vorthampton

s 149 Ryan Road

ic Name \_\_\_\_\_

riginal residence

resent residence

hip:  Private individual  
Private organization \_\_\_\_\_

Public \_\_\_\_\_

riginal owner \_\_\_\_\_

PTION:

Date c. 1900

Source 1895 Atlas and visual evidence

Style \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

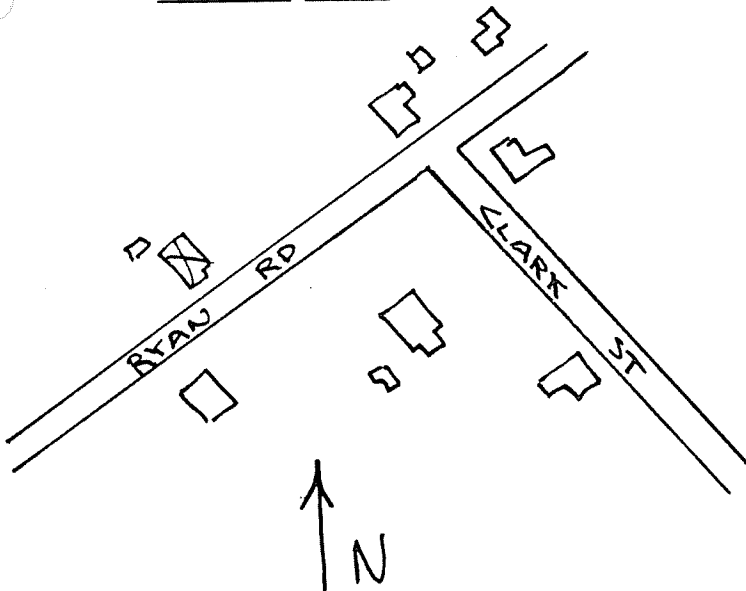
Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Approx. acreage less than one acre

Setting \_\_\_\_\_

cross streets and other buildings  
or geographical features.  
Indicate north.



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(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

*The house features decorative shingles in both gables, a one-story hipped roof porch with projecting cornice, turned posts and fancy brackets, balustrade and lattice base, and a hipped roof by window on the facade.*

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

*Ryan Road connects the village of Florence to the rural community of West Farms, both within the city boundaries of Northampton. The road first appears on the 1831 map of Northampton, but only as a connecting route. Not until the 1873 atlas does any development show up along the road. By the turn of the century the northernmost third of the road, near Florence, had been almost completely lined with small houses on both sides. During the twentieth century, particularly after WW II the rest of the road was developed as part of the suburban movement.*

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- 1794, 1831 Town Maps.
- 1860 County Map.
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.