

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	24C-77

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1. Town Northampton

Address 16 Massasoit St.

Present use residence

Present owner E. Oliver and Martha Fowlkes

Description:

1895-1915

Source Atlases

Reference

Architect

4. Map. Draw sketch 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

Approximate distance of building from street

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date March 1980



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) _____

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)

Massasoit St. was laid out in 1869 but most of the development took place between the mid 1880's and mid 1890's. By 1895 most of the present residences had been constructed, and any further building took place by filling in the gaps.

The house was probably built early in the 20th century and first appears on the 1915 atlas. The house has a one-story clapboard base with large gambrel roof and front and back shed dormers. The two-story facade has an entrance with pedimented portico. The portico is supported by slender Tuscan columns on brick piers and has a turned balustrade.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)
 1895 and 1915 Atlases.
 Northampton Directory: 1915 and 1918.