

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
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City Northampton

Address 390 Bridge Street

Structure Bungalow

Present use Residence

Present owner Joseph Belz

Description: 1911 according to owners
1915-1920
Source Registry of Deeds 669.145

Structure Bungalow

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric stucco over ?

Outbuildings (describe) none

Other features 1 story w/dormers; single
chimney rising from center of hipped
roof; porch w/stone foundation;

Altered no Date _____

Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less x Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 56 feet

Approximate distance of building from street
20 feet

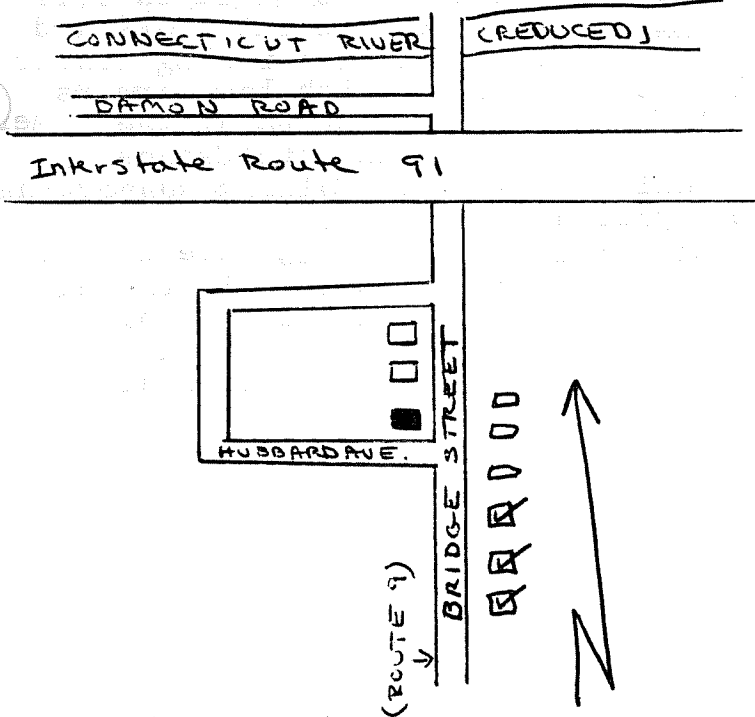
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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7. Original owner (if known) Marie N. Tessier
 Original use Residence
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Residence

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)

This bungalow was built on Bridge Street after 1910, probably about 1920. In 1911 Maire Tessier purchased the tract for \$800; buildings are mentioned but would not have included the bungalow. An earlier (1900) map shows the subdivision on upper Bridge Street.

According to the present owners, the bungalow was built in 1911 by Mr. Tessier, who was a cabinetmaker and did both the interiors and exterior. The bungalow incorporates many of the distinguishing features of the style: it is a single full story in height, with low dormers projecting from a hipped roof. Included beneath the sweep of the roof is a generous front porch whose foundation is the fieldstone often used for chimneys in these casual residences. Columns supporting the porch roof are trapezoidal and Egyptian in feeling.

The exterior wall surface is stuccoed; small stones are used in the foundation as in the porch. The projecting eaves reveal framing and elaborate on the variety of materials revealed in the design. Interiors are finished in dark wood; columns in the living area echo those on the porch. A garage incorporated into the original design is located in the rear.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.) Registry of Deeds, Hampshire County, 997.316, 669.145, 535.110-111.