

FORM B - BUILDING

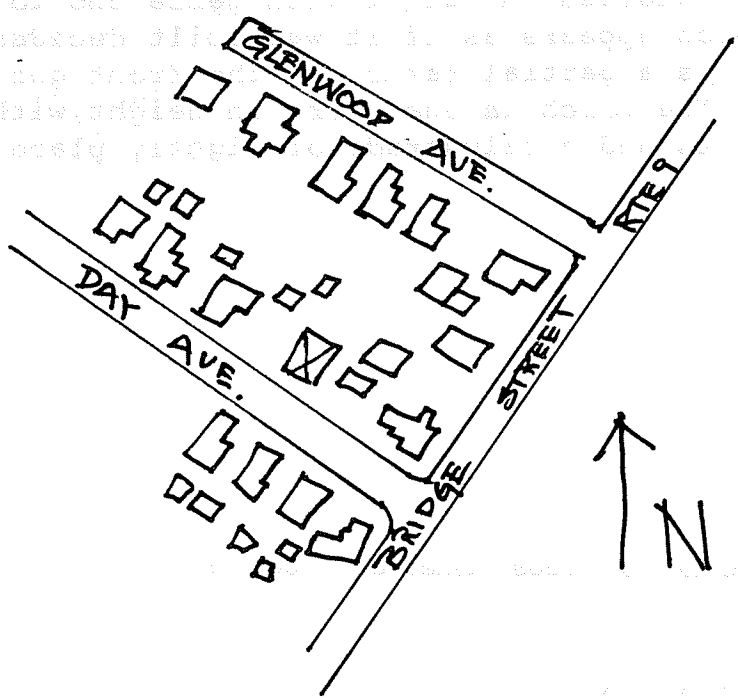
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston



1 Northampton  
 Address 15 Day Ave.  
 Name W. Keating House  
 Present use residence  
 Present owner Boleslaw Zacharzewski  
 Description: Zacharzewski  
1887-89  
 Source Reg. of Deeds

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



Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exterior wall fabric clapboard  
 Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other features \_\_\_\_\_  
 Altered -- Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:  
 One acre or less \_\_\_\_\_ Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate distance of building from street \_\_\_\_\_

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan  
 Organization NHC  
 Date May 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Ann and William Keating

Original use residence

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

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	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 1886 Myron Day filed a subdivision plan for this street and residential lots on both sides, Later that same yaer, Henry and Dena Warner bought lot no. 9 for \$350. The lot remained undeveloped however and they sold it to Benjamin Cook and his son, Benjamin Cook, Jr., for \$400 in 1887. The Cooks were prominent developers in Northampton and the son had just finished hi stint as the city's first mayor. In 1889 lot no. 9, with this house, was sold to the Keatings for \$1700.

The house is two and a half stories in height with gable end to the street, and except for the front porch appears as if it was built decades earlier than its late 1880's date. The is a partial return to the front gable and a round-headed sash window within. The porch is one story in height, with hipped roof, square posts, carved brackets and a balustrade of tightly placed square balusters.

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

- 1884 and 1895 Atlases.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 426-P. 276, 413-349, 405-51, 403-61.
- Northampton Directory: 1895-96.