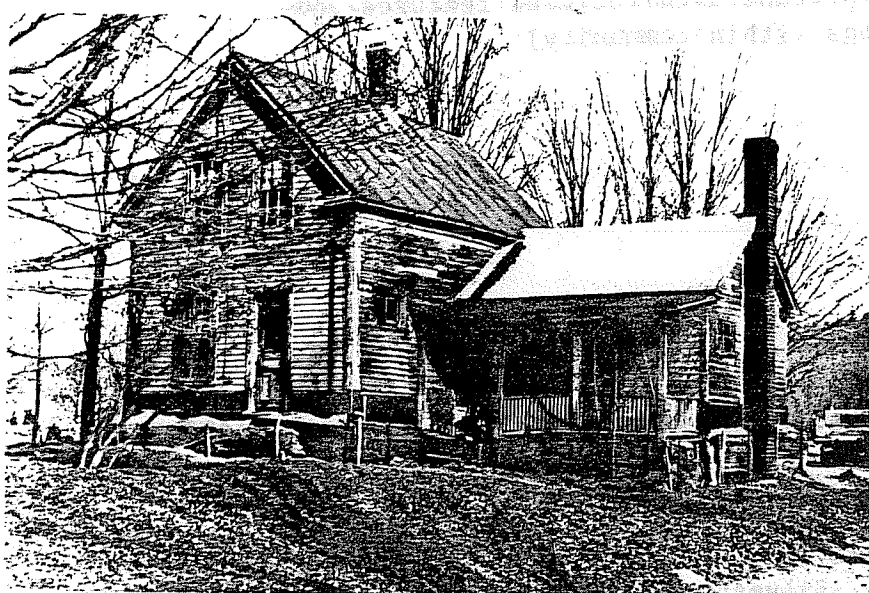


FORM B - BUILDING

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



Northampton

205 Sylvester Rd.

Name

Original residence

Present residence

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization

Public

Original owner

Construction:

mid 19th c.

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

Date

Source visual evidence

Style

Architect

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

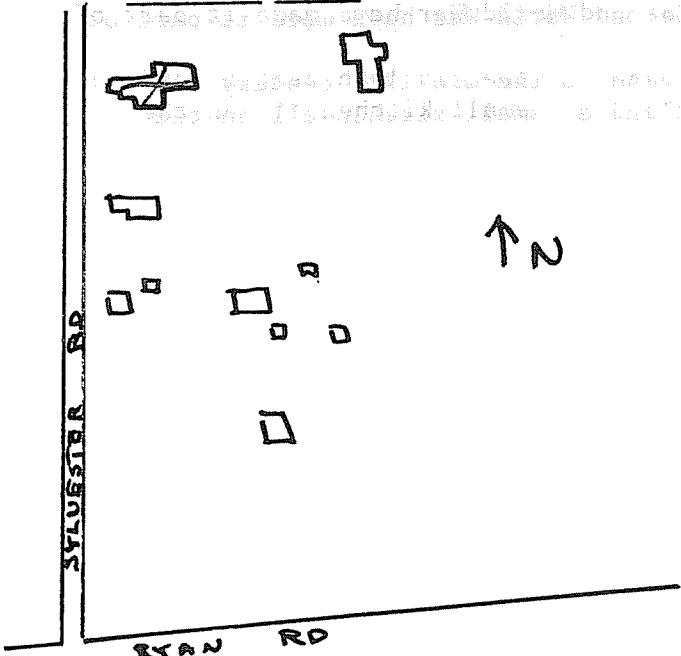
Outbuildings

Major alterations (with dates)

Moved Date

Approx. acreage over one acre

Setting



Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980

(Staple additional sheets here)

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

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

Sylvester Rd. is part of a back valley road running north-south between the Mineral Hills on the west and Saw Mill Hills and Roberts Hills on the east, composed of Glendale Rd., West Farms Rd., Sylvester Rd. and Kennedy Rd. Originally known as the Williamsburg- Southampton Rd., this road appears on the first map of Northampton, made in 1794.

West Farms was settled about 1780 and is located about four miles west of the center of Northampton. Until recently it has remained a rural farming district, but residential development after the Second World War have made it part of suburban Northampton.

This house appears to date to the mid 19th century and is 1½ stories in height with gable end to the street and a small kitchen ell on the southern side.

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