

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	31A-44

Northampton

Address 267 Crescent St.

Present use residence

Present owner Amelia Ripa and Anna Camposeo

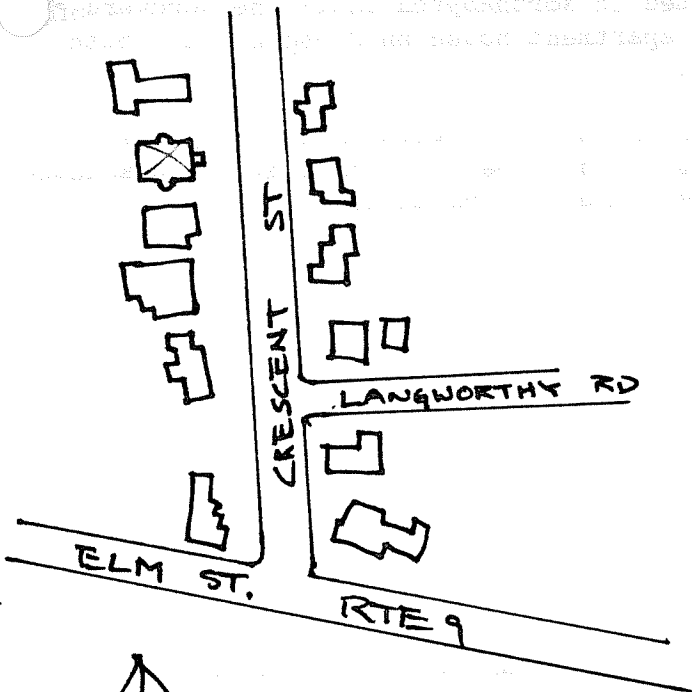
Description:

1911

Source Springfield Daily Republican



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



Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features 6-unit apartment building

2-story balconied porch with paneled piers and balustrade.

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) J.L. Mather

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	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This apartment house was built in 1911 by John Nather at a cost of \$12,000. Mr. Mather was one of the most prominent masons and builders in the city and served three terms as mayor during the 1890's.

"One of the most interesting features of the building season... the definite appearance of the apartment building in Northampton No new buildings of the true apartment house type were erected in Northampton until the Woodward apartment house on Elm St., and the Mather apartment house on Crescent St., both recently completed, made their appearance".

The block is three stories in height with three-story bay windows on both sides and a two-story front porch topped by a balcony. A bracketed cornice and parapet crowns the facade. There are six apartments within.

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

1895 and 1915 Atlases,
Springfield Daily Republican Jan. 1, 1912.