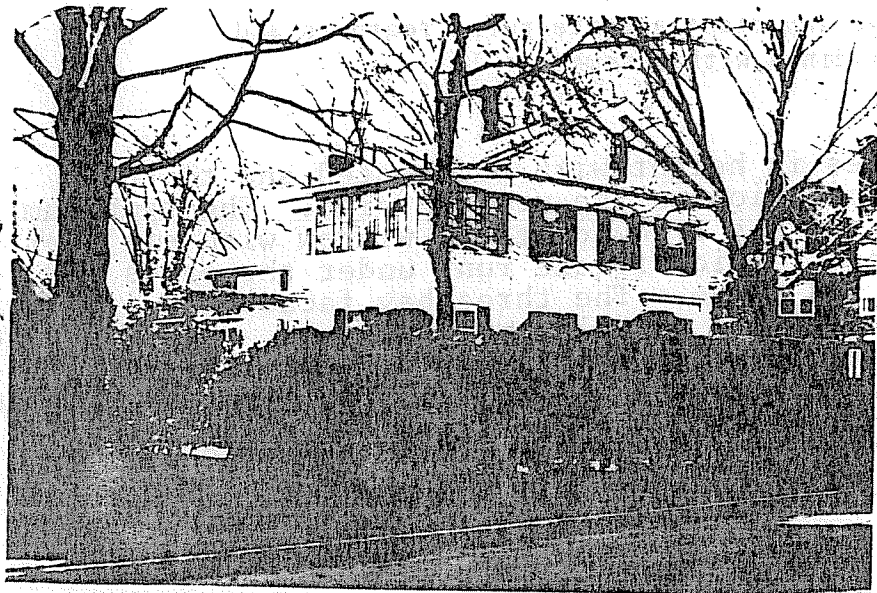


FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
	31A-71

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Northampton

218 Elm St.

Historic Name D.W. Clark House

Original residence

Present residence

Ownership: Private individual
Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Daniel W. Clark

DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1850

Source Reg. of Deeds and Maps.

Style Greek Revival

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings _____

Major alterations (with dates) _____

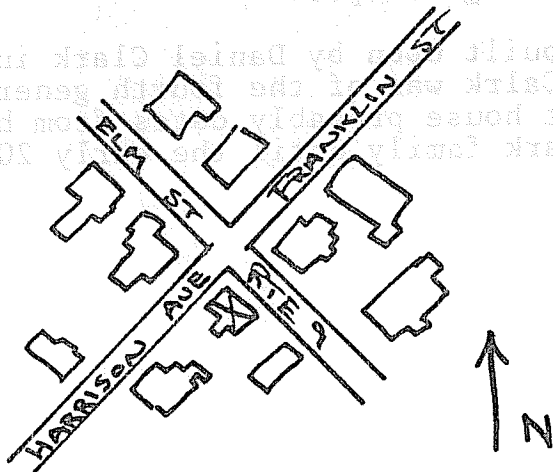
side porch- mid 20th c.

Moved --- Date _____

Approx. acreage one acre or less

Setting _____

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



Recorded by E. Lincoln and E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date Oct. 1977 and June 1980

(Staple additional sheets here)

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

The house is 2½ stories in height with pedimented end to the street and a 2½ story gabled projection on the western side. The tympanum is covered with flush boarding and has a round-headed window with six over six sashes and a molded surround. A wide frieze runs under the eaves and pilasters adorn the corners of the house. The three-bay facade has a side entrance which is flanked by sidelights and slightly recessed. This entrance is flanked by pilasters and crowned by an entablature with projecting cornice. A two-story porch, the first floor of which is enclosed and the second floor of which is glass-in, is located on the eastern side at the corner of the facade.

In 1847 Daniel W. Clark acquired land on the western side of Elm St. from his father Allen Clark. The Clark family had been the first to settle on Elm with Lt. William Clark receiving a 12 acre allotment in 1659. This was on the west side of Elm St. and extended to the Mill River, incorporating most of what is now the Smith College campus.

This parcel of land was first built upon by Daniel Clark in 1739 at the time of his marriage. Daniel W. Clark was of the fourth generation to live on this homestead and the present house probably dates from his occupancy. The house remained in the Clark family until the early 20th century.

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