

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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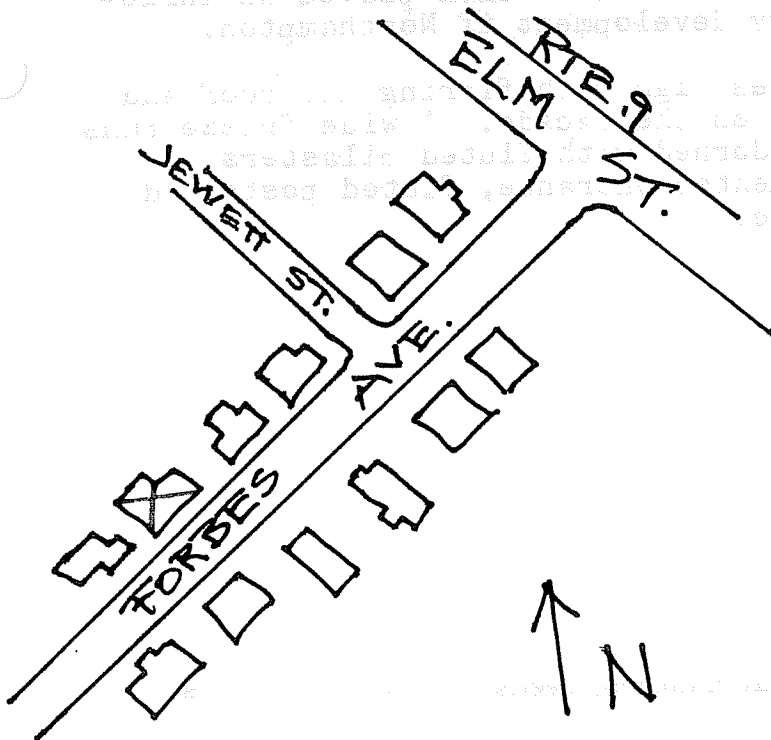
In Area no.	Form no.
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Northampton
 Address 35 Forbes Avenue
 Name E. Barrett House
 Present use residence
 Present owner Margaret & George Barrett
 Description: 1895 - 1905
 Source Atlas & Directory
 Architect _____

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



Exterior wall fabric clapboard
 Outbuildings (describe) _____
 Other features flaring hip, slate roof with front pedimented gable, 1-story front porch with fluted piers and pedimented entrance
 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 March 1980

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Edward T. Barrett

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)

Forbes Ave. was opened in 1887 by local developers J.C. Hammond and J.A. Sullivan. Development was slow and by 1895 there were only four houses constructed. This house was built early in the 20th century for Edward Barrett, a partner with James O'Brien in a general insurance and real estate agency. Barrett and O'Brien played an influential part in the turn of the century development of Northampton.

The house is two stories high with flaring hip roof and central, 2½ story pedimented pavilion on the facade. A wide frieze runs under the eaves and the corners are adorned with fluted pilasters. A one-story porch with shed roof, pedimented entrance, fluted posts and balustrade covers the three-bay facade.

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

- 1895 & 1915 Atlases
- 1905 Directory
- Registry of Deeds: Bk. 427-P. 541.