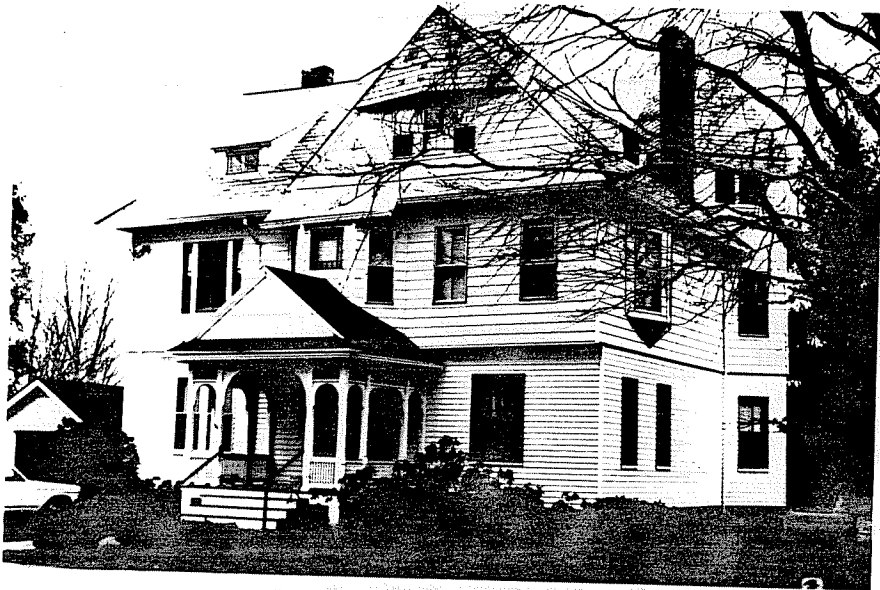


FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	31B-10

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1. Town Northampton

Address 27 Crescent St.

Historical Name Rev. R. Underwood House

Present use residence

Present owner Margaret Deyette

Description: _____

Year 1894

Source S.D.R.

Architect Putnam and Bayley

Exterior wall fabric vinyl siding

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered sided Date mid 20th c.

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:
One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

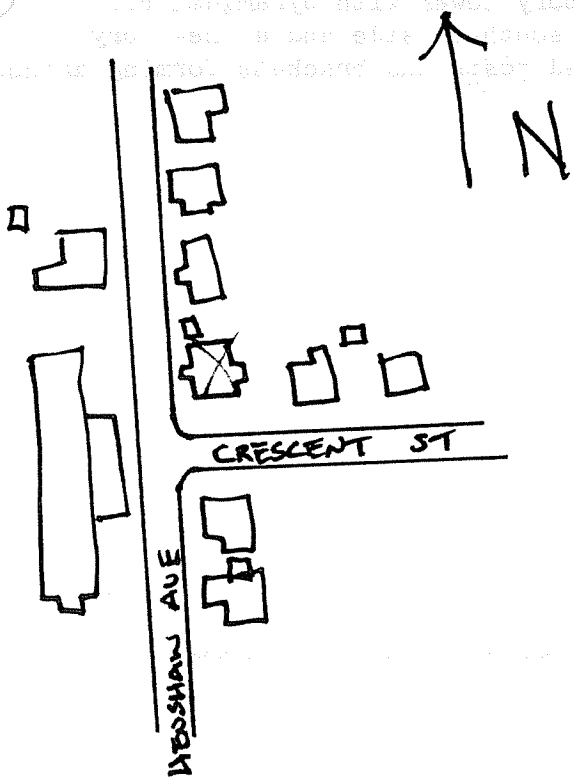
Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date March 1980

in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Rev. Rufus S. Underwood
 Original use residence
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| 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 | _____ | | | | |

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

This large house was built for the Rev. Rufus S. Underwood in 1894 from the designs of Putnam and Bayley. This form had been formed the previous year and consisted of R.F. Putnam, a native of the area and Lewis Bayley, from Louisville, Ky. In 1897 Mr. Bayley left the area and Mr. Putnam continued practicing here. His son, Karl S. Putnam, was also an architect in Northampton.

The house features a three-story tower with pyramidal roof at the southeast corner, a small oriel window on the southern side and a one-story entry porch with gable roof, spindle frieze, chamfered posts and brackets forming arched openings and a turned balustrade.

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