

FORM B - BUILDING

In Area no.	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston



City Northampton

Address 61 Henshaw Ave.

Name C. Walker House

Present use residence

Present owner W. Bruce and Ruth Ann

Description: Hawkins

Year 1909

Source Reg. of Deeds and Atlas

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric clapboard and wood shingles

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered -- Date _____

Moved -- Date _____

5. Lot size:

Less than one acre _____ Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

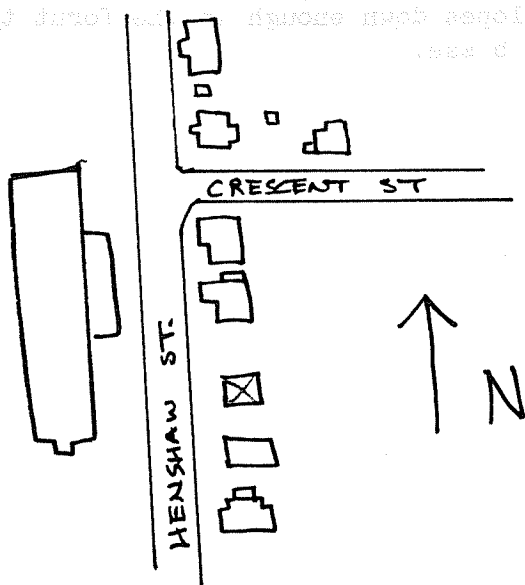
Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date March 1980

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



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
USGS Quadrant _____
MHC Photo no. _____

7. Original owner (if known) Charles W. and Edith Hodges Walker
 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 house was built in 1909 for Charles and Edith Walker at an approximate cost of \$6000. Mr. Walker was in the insurance and real estate business with his father Oliver Walker. This portion of Henshaw Ave., north of no. 37 was opened in the late 1880's through the Hinckley homestead, which was known as "The Manse"

The house has a one-story clapboard base capped by a 1 and 1/2 story steeply-pitched ridge roof with unique ridge line. The line is recessed into the body of the house giving a jagged double line appearance. A large pedimented dormer breaks the front roof line and the roof slopes down enough in the front to enclose a recessed porch with stucco columns and base.

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

- 1895 and 1915 Atlases.
- Registry of Deeds: Bk.649-P. 289, 580-321, 574-129.
- Northampton Directory: 1905 and 1915.
- Springfield Daily Republican Jan. 3, 1910.