

FORM B - BUILDING

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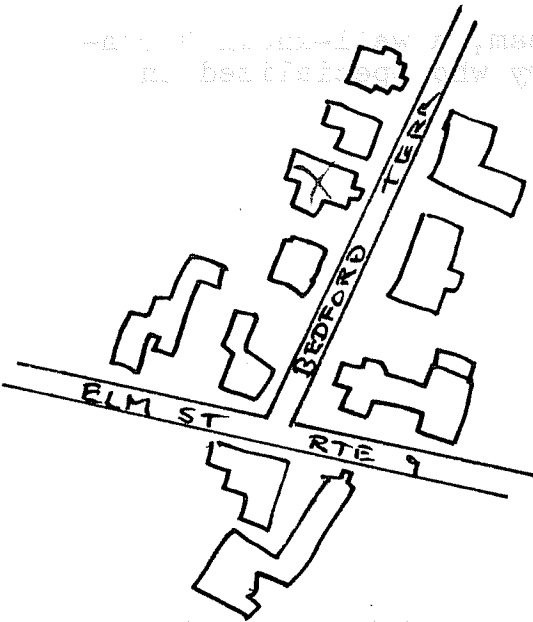
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Town Northampton  
 Address 8 Bedford Terrace  
 Historic Name M. Brewster House  
 Use: Original residence  
 Present graduate student housing  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization Smith College  
 Public  
 Original owner Mary J. Brewster

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1899  
 Source S.D.R.  
 Style Gergian Colonial Revival  
 Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exterior wall fabric clapboard  
 Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
 Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_  
rear additions- 20th c.  
 Moved -- Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded by Ann Gilkerson and E. Lonergan  
 Organization NHC  
 Date 3-24-77 and 1980

Setting \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Original owner (if known) Rhoda Depuy  
 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         | _____          | Exploration/<br>settlement | _____ | Science/<br>invention   | _____ |
| The Arts              | <u>x</u> _____ | Industry                   | _____ | Social/<br>humanitarian | _____ |
| Commerce              | _____          | Military                   | _____ | Transportation          | _____ |
| Communication         | _____          | Political                  | _____ |                         |       |
| Community development | _____          |                            |       |                         |       |

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

This is one of four large Colonial Revival houses built on Bedford Terrace around the turn of the century. This house was built in 1895 at a cost of \$8000 for Mrs. Rhoda Deouy. Through directory information it appears she was the mother-in-law of Charles N. Fitts, the owner of a furniture, carpet and undertaking business on Court St. in Northampton. Mr. Fitts also lived at this address.

The design of the house is from R.F. Putnam, a well-known Northampton architect around the turn of the century who specialized in Colonial Revival plans.

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

1895 and 1915 Atlases.  
 Northampton Directory: 1895-96, 1900, 1905, 1915, 1918.  
Springfield Daily Republican Dec. 28, 1895, p. 4.  
Hampshire Daily Gazette, Nov. 30, 1895.

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Northampton	Form No: 31B-225
Property Name: M. Brewster House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

Architectural Significance

"three over three" pattern, in which each second floor window is aligned with a matching opening at the first floor level. The Main entryway, fanlit with flanking sidelights and pilasters, is supported by white Doric fluted columns. A second story room was later added above the porch roof. Two other side porches (east-service, west-formal) were added at a later date. A polygonal bay window which projects from the west side of the parlor interrupts the taut rectilinear massing of the rest of the house.

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