

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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| In Area no. | Form no. |
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1 Northampton

Address 12 Bedford Terrace

Name Depuy-Fitts House

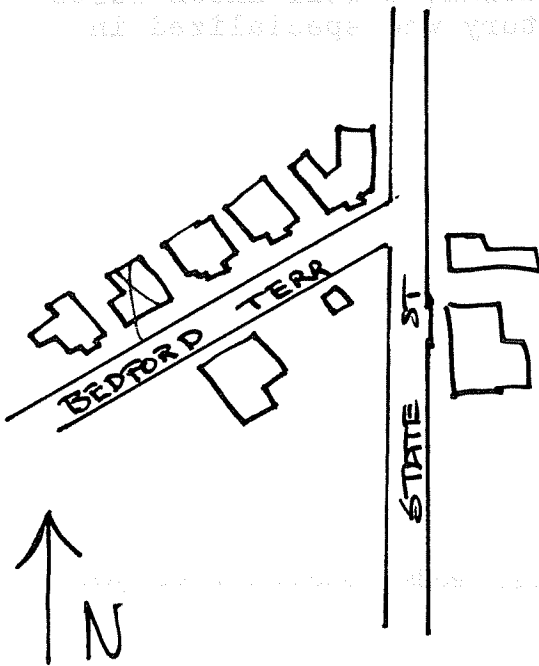
Present use residence

Present owner Smith College

Description: 1895

Source Spfld. Daily Republican
Colonial Revival

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



Architect R.F. Putnam

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered — Date _____

Moved — Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street 20'

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date May 1980

(over)

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/ 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 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.