

FORM B - BUILDING

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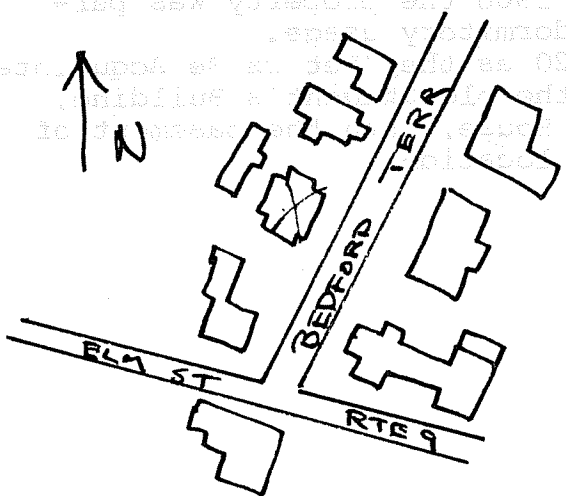
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



Town Northampton  
 Address 5 Bedford Terrace  
 Historic Name Hampshire House  
 Use: Original carriage house  
 Present lounge for off-campus students  
 Ownership:  Private individual  
 Private organization Smith College  
 Public  
 Original owner Mary L. Southwick

SKETCH MAP

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



DESCRIPTION:

Date c. 1900  
 Source S.D.R. and Atlas  
 Style \_\_\_\_\_  
 Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exterior wall fabric brick  
 Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_  
 Major alterations (with dates) interior remodeled- 1968-9  
 Moved --- Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approx. acreage one acre or less  
 Setting \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded by E. Lonergan  
 Organization NHC  
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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The building is two stories in height with hipped roof, a wall gable on the facade and a 2½ story gabled projection also on the facade. Black brick is used to outline the arched lintels of the projection's openings, while brownstone is used for the sills of all the windows.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This large brick structure first appears on the 1915 atlas. At that time it appears to be a carriage house for the large house which was situated in front of it at 6 Bedford Terrace. This house was built in 1898-99 for Mary and Elbridge Southwick. Mr. Southwick was a commercial traveller for the Belding Brothers & Co., silk manufacturers. The brick carriage house was probably built at the same time. About 1920 the property was acquired by the Burnham School and seems to have served as a laboratory. In 1968 the property was purchased by Smith College and converted to dormitory usage.

Hampshire House was founded in 1920 as the "Let Us Be Acquainted" (L.U.B.A.) Club. Originally situated in the old Student's Building, the Club moved to the basement of Hubbard House, then the basement of Albright House, and in 1969 to its present location.

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