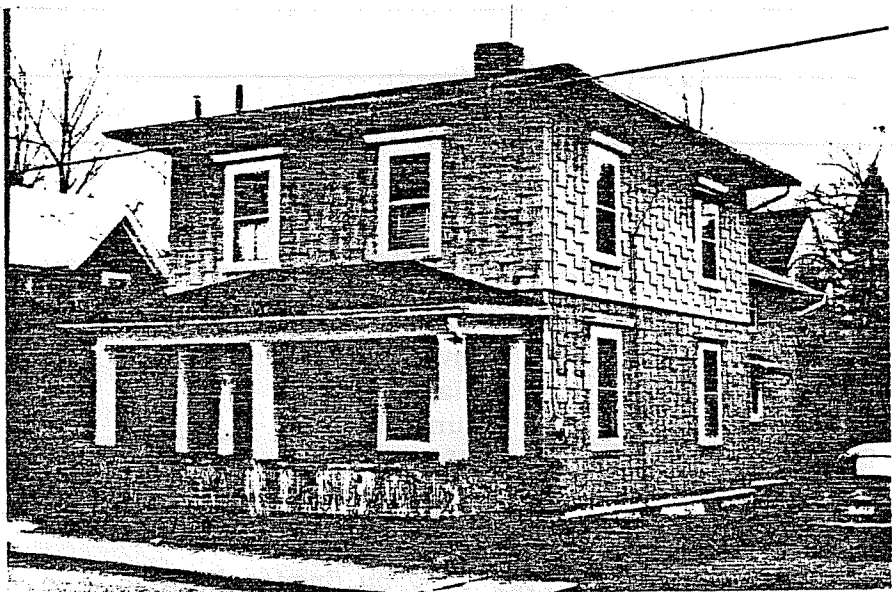


FORM B - BUILDING

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

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In Area no.	Form no.
	32A-114



1 Northampton

Address 80 Market St.

3 O. Wright House

Present use residence

Present owner Anthony and Helen Zygmunt

Description:

1850's

Source Map and visual evidence

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

Architect Orange Wright- carpenter

Exterior wall fabric asphalt shingles

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features _____

Altered early 20th c
porch sided Date mid 20th c

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size:

One acre or less Over one acre _____

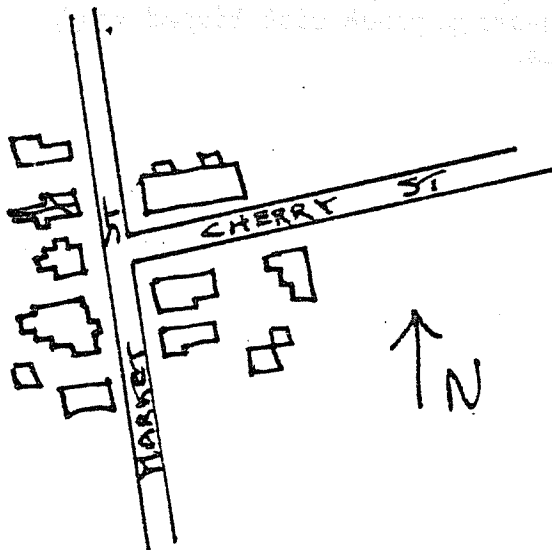
Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by E. Lonergan

Organization NHC

Date April 1980



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Orange Wright (?)

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 | <u> x </u> | | | | |

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

This house appears to have been built shortly after 1850 by Orange Wright, a carpenter. Mr. Wright is listed on Market St. in the first Northampton directory, published in 1860, and he maintains his residence here at least until 1875. The 1831, 1854 and 1860 maps all seem to show a house located near this site, but it's doubtful the house predates the early 1850's and was probably built by Orange Wright. Mr. Wright's family had owned the homestead at no. 65 Market St. for many generations.

The house is two stories in height, with flat roof and widely projecting eaves. It is basically square in shape, two bays on each side and has a 1½ story gabled ell in the rear. Asphalt siding has covered up most of the detail but the heavy cornices of the windows still remain. A one-story porch with hipped roof, fluted square posts and balustrade covers the facade.

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

- 1831 Town Map. 1854 and 1860 County Maps.*
- 1873, 1884 and 1895 Atlases.*
- Northampton Directory: 1860-61, 1868-69, 1873-74, 1875-76, 1885-86.*