

7. Original owner (if known) Leslie Richardson Davis
 Original use residence
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal		Conservation		Recreation
Agricultural		Education		Religion
Architectural		Exploration/ settlement		Science/ invention
The Arts		Industry		Social/ humanitarian
Commerce	<u>X</u>	Military		Transportation
Communication		Political		
Community development	<u>X</u>			

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

This two-story, four room house was erected in 1904 for Leslie Davis, who had purchased the land from his aunt, Miss Mary Elizabeth Richardson, who lived next door at 1-2 North Rd. (#36). Mr. Davis resided here for a few years, but he was an accountant for United Fruit Co. in Boston, and by 1908 he had moved to Boston and was renting out the house. He sold it in 1915 to Alma & James Ogilvie, a salesman who bought for occupancy, but they remained there for only three months before selling to George Goodchild. Mr. Goodchild was an engineer for the Saco Co. of Lowell, which made mill machinery, and he resided here between 1915-1951. In the fall of 1970 it was purchased by Edward Krasnecki, owner of the "Chelmsford Newsweekly." The next January a 1 story addition (former porch) was added to the front of the building, which since has been used as an office for the newspaper.

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

Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds: Bk.2065, p.419; Bk.362, p. 397;
 Plan Bk.M, Plan 119.
 Chelmsford Assessors' records & real estate valuation lists
 1889 Atlas
 Lowell Courier-Citizen: 4/1/1908; 5/31/1912; 5/4/1914; 4/11/1915; 7/26/1916
 Eleanor Parkhurst
 Harold J. Davis
 Chelmsford Directory: 1915-16, 1922.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

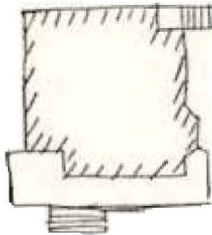
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Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: Chelmsford	Form No: 242
Property Name: Leslie Davis House	

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

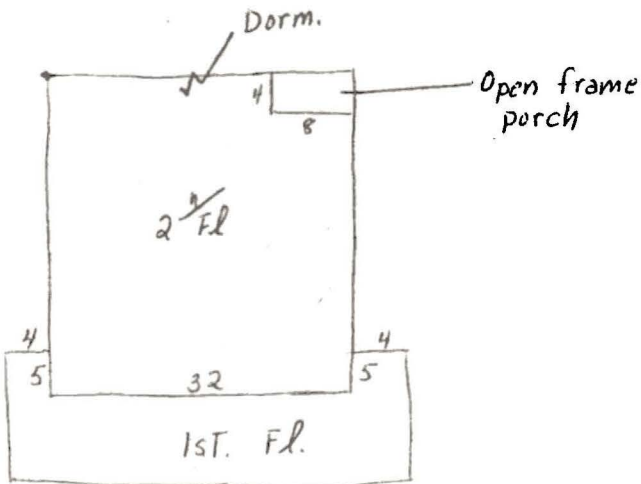
3. Description

Altered:



1919 Plan

Scale: 1 inch = 40 feet



Chelmsford Assessors' Records
1972

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5 North Road - Lot 75

1974 Owner: Edward G. Krasnecki
9,853 sq. ft.

Built 1904 - 1907
First owner: Leslie Richardson Davis

Sources:

1. 1889 Atlas: no
2. Chelmsford Assessor's Office 10/3/1974
Plat 104, Block 31, Lot 75
1974 owner: Edward G. Krasnecki 9,853 sq. ft.
5/17/1973 deed, Book 2065, Page 420 title from Edward G. & Josephine
Krasnecki.
3. Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds
Book 2065, Pg. 419 5/17/1973 Josephine E. Krasnecki from
Edward G. & Josephine E. Krasnecki
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 1930, Pg. 453 8/13/1970 Josephine E. & Edward G. Krasnecki
from Walter I. Bell
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 1163, Pg. 137 2/27/1951 Walter I. Bell from
Nina B. Goodchild, widow
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 662, Pg. 380 7/12/1922 George and Nina B. Goodchild from
Hazel A. Hill
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 662, Pg. 379 7/12/1922 Hazel A. Hill from
George Goodchild
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 558, Pg. 466 7/28/1915 George Goodchild from
Alma S. Ogilvie
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
~~Leslie~~
Book 536, Pg. 91 4/12/1915 Alma S. Ogilvie from
Leslie Richardson Davis of Watertown
9,853 sq. ft. & buildings
Book 441, Pg. 492 10/30/1909m Leslie Richardson Davis from
Mary Elizabeth Richardson
4,453 sq. ft.
Book 382, Pg. 397 2/ 4/1904 Leslie Richardson Davis from
Mary Elizabeth Richardson
5,400 sq. ft. - no buildings
4. Lowell Courier- Citizen
April 1, 1908: break-in at Leslie Davis house, occupied by Mrs. Hartshor
May 31, 1912: F.W. Hogg family rents Leslie Davis House.
May 4, 1914: F.W. Hogg family leaves Leslie Davis house; goes to Lowell.
April 11, 1915: James Ogilvie purchases Leslie R. Davis residence.
July 26, 1916: James M. Ogilvie sells his residence to George Goodchild.

Tues. July 17, 1900 Chelmsford Disturbers

The trial of William Fletcher, Harry Ward, Jeremiah Coughlin, and Joseph Mason for breaking a church door in Chelmsford on the early morning of the 4th occupied the police court's attention for two hours yesterday morning.

Lawyer Burke brought the janitor of the church, Ferdinand Patten, as his first witness. By him he showed that Fletcher and Ward were recognized; he showed how the churchdoor was broken and the words and acts pertaining to the breaking. He then brought on Charles E. Holt, who testified as to Fletcher's whereabouts, also that he had not joined the crowd.

Lawyer Donahue then called up as his witnesses the remaining three of Mr. Burke's witnesses and the defendants. From Leslie R. Davis he learned that Fletcher had been with him until after the door was broken. From the remaining two, both town officers, he learned that Patten had spoken to them of recognizing a man with a hook on his arm, a fact which Patten had denied in his statement.

.....Joseph E. Mason stated he was not at the church, but about 1/8 of a mile away at the time.

Jeremiah A. Coughlin stated that he was not there but circumstances and other statements made it doubtful.

.....Fletcher and Ward and Coughlin were found guilty, and the first two were sentenced to pay \$10 fines, the last a \$5 fine. Mason was found not guilty.

The case was appealed to the higher court, to meet in October.

April 1, 1908 - Chelmsford Centre had some breaks again yesterday. Nothing all sensational happened, only a couple of estimable residents, when they awake had the rather unpleasant sensations of knowing that they hadn't known when burglars were prowling around.

The first break was in the home of F. I. Tuttle. There entrance had been made through a pantry window, in the rear of the house. The window is some seven feet from the ground and the man or men who entered removed a wire netting over the window. Food was eaten, as was considerable milk drunk. There some dishes with food on them were removed from the pantry and allowed to remain on the outside of the house, just under the window. Nothing else, so far as can be learned, was touched.

The other break was in the Leslie Davis house in Centre street, now occupied by Mrs. Hartshorn. The panel on an outside cellar door was removed, and entrance was gained in this manner.

In the cellar things were ransacked well, but nothing of any value was stolen. Both breaks were made early in the morning. It was nearly 1 o'clock before the residents of either house retired.

Lowell Courier-Citizen

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Mar. 4, 1914 - F.W. Hogg and family, who have been occupying the Davis house on North street, have removed to Lowell.

Apr. 11, 1915 - James Ogilvie of the Westlands, formerly living in Bridge street, has purchased the Leslie R. Davis residence in North road and is to occupy it at once.

July 26, 1916 - James M. Ogilvie has sold his residence in North road to George Goodchild, who buys for occupancy. Mr. Ogilvie is to remove in the near future with his family to Newton.





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