

FORM B - BUILDING

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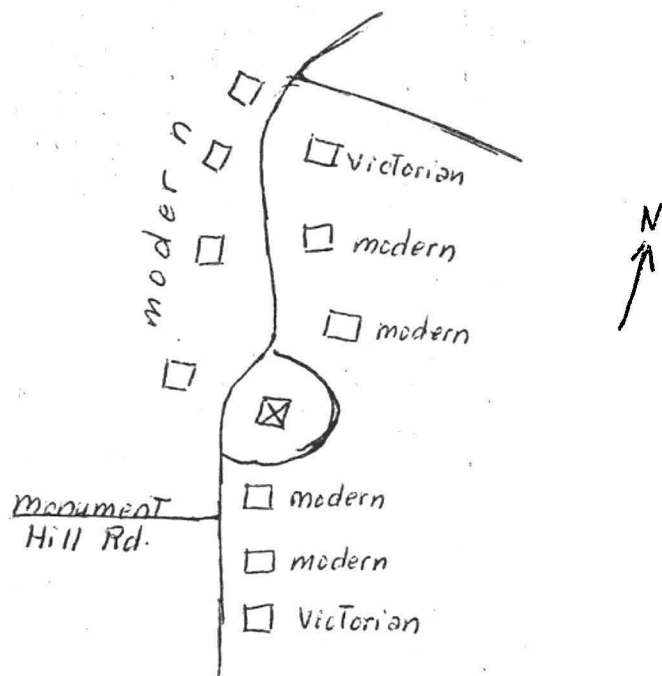
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston



1. Town Chelmsford
 Address 108 School Street
 Name Reis House
 Present use dwelling - single family
 Present owner Edwin & Roberta Mahon

3. Description:
 Date 1868 - 1874
 Source real estate/tax lists
 Style _____
 Architect _____
 Exterior wall fabric asbestos siding
 Outbuildings (describe) none
 Other features _____

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



Altered see attached very little Date 1971
 Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size: 40,000 sq. ft.
One acre or less x Over one acre
 Approximate frontage 205 ft.
 Approximate distance of building from street: ca 32 ft.

6. Recorded by Jane B. Drury
 Organization Chelmsford Hist. Commission

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE
 USGS Quadrant _____
 MHC Photo no. _____

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) George H. Holt
 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	Military	Transportation
Communication	Political	
Community development <u> x </u>		

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

This house was built for George H. Holt, who manufactured pumps on the premises, probably in a shop erected to the rear of the house in 1877 (unattach) Construction of the house began in 1868 and was completed 6 years later. Between 1911 and 1955 it was owned by the Reis family, having been purchased from the Holt's. Andrew Reis was a stone cutter, probably for the nearby granite quarries in West Chelmsford/Westford. His widow Hulda died about 1943, and ownership passed to one of their sons, Oscar E. Reis. In 1955, 3 years after his death, Oscar's widow, Helen, sold it out of the family, ending 44 years of Reis ownership (Holt ownership covered 43 years.). In 1965-67 the original 10 acre lot was subdivided by a developer.

The barn & shop built to the right and rear of the house 1876-77 apparently was replaced by a new barn & henhouse in 1939. This was torn down ca 1965-66 probably by Robert Hicks, a real estate developer, who owned the property for 1½ years. The foundation can still be seen.

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

Middlesex North District Reg. Deeds: Bk. 73, pg. 106 (1867)
 Chelmsford Assessors' records; Town Clerk's records
 1856 Walling's map, 1875 Beers atlas, 1889 atlas
 Chelmsford Directory: 1898/99, 1915/16, 1922
 Chelmsford real estate valuation/tax records
 Chelmsford Building Inspector's records
 M.N.D. Reg. Deeds: 1912 - Plan Bk. M, Plan 76, sheet 10
 1962 - Plan Bk. 97, Plan 116B
 1965 - Plan Bk. 103, Plan 2B

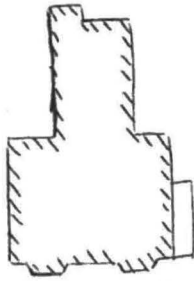
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Community: Chelmsford	Form No: 301 255
Property Name: Reis House	

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

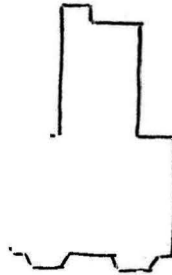
3. Altered

1912 Plan



40 FT. = 1 inch

1962 Plan



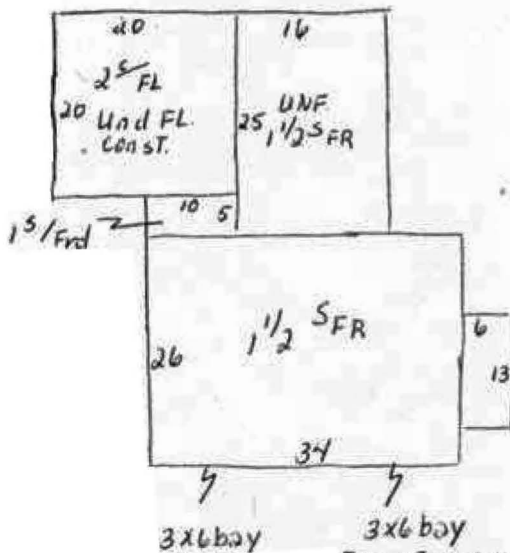
1965 Plan



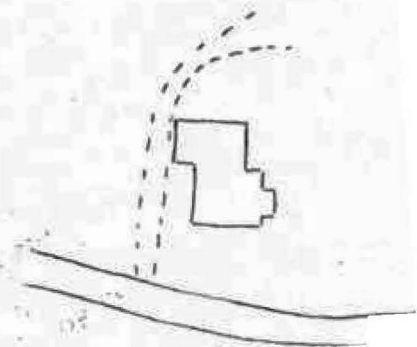
1963: remodeling of attached garage into room with shed dormer

1971: 2 car, wooden garage added - left rear
1 story; 12 ft. high; 20x25 ft. (planned dimensions);
foundation - block; roof - pitched with asphalt covering;
cement floor.

2/17/1972
Revaluation card



4/14/1976
Aerial photo map



Staple to Inventory form at bottom

108 School Street
Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds

Bk. 1935, pg. 246	9/25/1970	Edward J. Finn, Westford, to Edwin A. & Roberta J. Mabon land & buildings thereon \$23,000
Bk. 1931, pg. 785	8/27/1970	Robert K. & Mary Adams to Edward J. Finn, 1 Hemlock Rd., Nabnasset land & buildings thereon \$20,000
Bk. 1783, pg. 35	1/17/1967	Robert M. Hicks, Inc., Westford, to Robert K. & Mary Adams land & buildings thereon
Bk. 1715, pg. 182	9/ 8/1965	Francis G. & Irene M. Fisher to Robert M. Hicks, Inc., Westford 10 acres & buildings thereon
Bk. 1516, pg. 265	6/ 8/1961	Irene* J. & Mildred Ouelette to Francis G. & Irene M. Fisher, Westford 10 acres & buildings thereon
Bk. 1282, pg. 373	1/21/1955	Helen Reiss, widow, Lowell, to Irene* J. & Mildred Ouelette 10 acres & buildings thereon
Bk. 994, pg. 250	7/19/1943	Doris Stevens, Lowell, to Oscar E. & Helen Reis 10 acres & buildings thereon
Bk. 994, pg. 249	6/25/1943	Alice V. Reis to Doris Stevens, Lowell 1/7 part - 10 acres & buildings thereon \$210.71
Bk. 994, pg. 248	4/26/1943	Herbert C. & Oscar E. Reis, Martha J. Branch, Elna L. Forrest; Waldo F. Reis of Ridgewood, N.J.; George L. Reis of Inglewood, Cal. to Doris Stevens, Lowell 6/7 part - 10 acres & buildings thereon
Bk. 468, pg. 584	6/16/1911	Mary A. Holt to Hulda C. Reis release of dower - 10 acres & buildings thereon \$1

Bk. 468, pg. 583	6/16/1911	George H. Holt to Hulda C. Reis 10 acres & buildings thereon \$3700
Bk. 73, pg. 106	10/18/1867	Robert Lord, farmer, to George H. Holt & Samuel Gill 2 lots of land: 1. 10 acres: east side of road 2. 13 acres: west side of road, nearly opposite first lot. \$1175



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