

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM

For Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

TOWN NO.:

SITE NO.:

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QUAD:

DISTRICT: S NR: ACTUAL
POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME: Common: _____ Historic: _____
- 2. TOWN/CITY: New Haven VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: New Haven
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 245 Dwight Street
- 4. OWNER(S): William C. and Simone G. Howe PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Single Family Historic: Same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain _____ no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Greek Revival with Queen Anne elements DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1845/1895/19
- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
 clapboard 1st asbestos siding brick foundation
 wood shingle 2nd asphalt siding fieldstone
 board & batten stucco cobblestone
 aluminum siding concrete: type: _____ cut stone: type: _____
 other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____
- 10. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
 material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____
- 11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2½ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 25' x 35'
- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
 Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated
- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when:
 Alterations: no yes, explain: Extensive Queen Anne alterations; interior 1968
- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed garage other landscape features or buildings: _____
 carriage house shop garden
- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density
- 16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This building sits in a neighborhood of similarly scaled residential structures. It is bounded on the east by a 10 storey apartment complex and, more immediately, by that structure's parking lot.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

This building consists of a 3 bay, 2½ storey "L"-shaped Greek Revival house which has been expanded southward and extensively remodelled. The plain cornice with return (now closed as a full pediment), gable window and entablature frames remain. An octagonal tower with steep conical roof and bell finials stands on the southwest corner. The 2nd storey lips over the 1st on the north side, while the 1st floor has been extended approximately 3 feet on the front facade. A Colonial Revival porch sweeps around to the south to meet the rear of the "L". The 1st storey light and sliding porch doors are 20th century alterations. A 1 storey rear addition was made.

SIGNIFICANCE

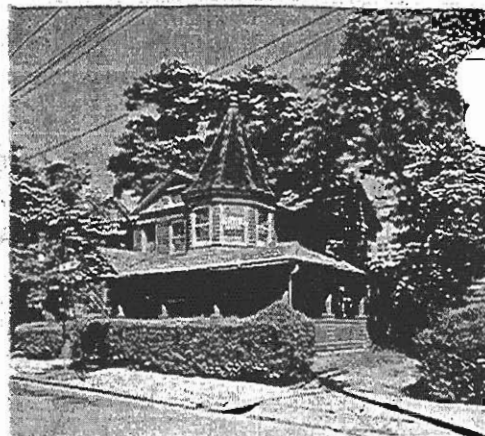
Architect: Charles Moore (1968) Builder:

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This standard Greek Revival house was given a spirited change by Queen Anne style alterations. In 1968 Charles Moore performed an equally dramatic (though less obvious from the exterior) change by creating "a coolly beautiful re-working of inner spaces and an outdoor room at the back." The energy of these changes remains evident in this tight little package.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Thomas Hahn
date: Summer, 1979 view: Southwest corner
negative on file: CHC; CTHP



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19. SOURCES:

Maps and Atlases
New Haven City Directories
Brown p.75

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other:
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: