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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Town Lynnfield 009

Address 300 Main Street

Historic Name Henfield House
(Little-Spears House)

Use: Present Residence
Original Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1700

Source Deeds, documentation, visual analysis

Style First Period / saltbox (1st Period)

Architect None

Exterior Wall Fabric Clapboard

Outbuildings 20th c. shed

Major Alterations (with dates) Shed dormer added early 20th c. More sheds added c. kitchen around same time. West side of

house added early 18th c. Attached garage
Condition Good 20th

Moved No Date N/A

Acreage 1.95 acres

Setting House sits on hill, set back from winding suburban road with large lots - houses of mixed date

Recorded by Katherine H. Fax

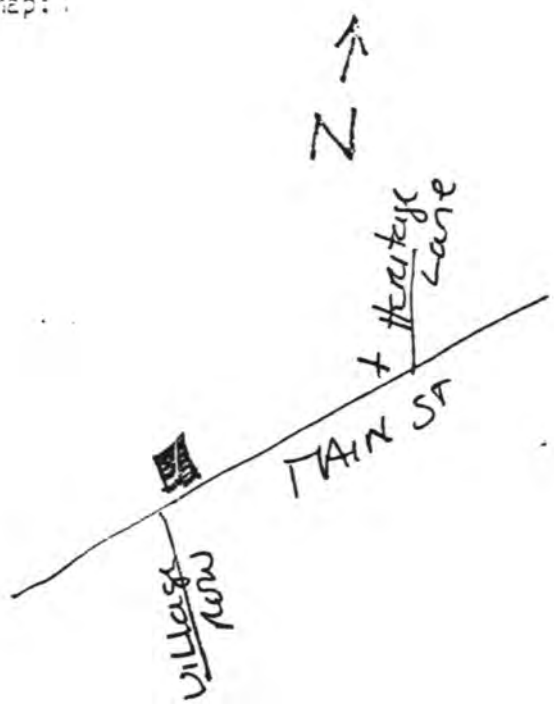
Organization Boston University

Date December 13, 1985

PHOTOGRAPHS:

- 75:32 Front and left facades
- 75:30 Rear principle rafter receiving collar beam in right side of attic; rear slope later raised (right - first-phase)
- 75:31 original end chimney wall of single-cell, first-phase as seen from left-side, second-phase of attic; original riven clapboards still in situ in the peak of the gable

Sketch Map:



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UTM REFERENCE 19 / 330-860 / 4711-010

USGS QUADRANGLE Reading

SCALE 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

JAN 24 1990

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: LYNNFIELD	Form No: 85
Property Name: Henfield House (Little-Spears)	

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

SIGNIFICANCE

The Henfield House retains integrity of location, design, materials, and workmanship in the survival of its chamfered First Period frame, planked walls, and early roof construction, making it eligible under criterion C. The original gable-end clapboards preserved within the present attic represent a rare survival of First Period exterior finish. In addition, because the frame of the earliest section is now boxed, it has the potential to yield further information about First Period building practices, making it eligible under Criterion D.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Henfield House is a five bay, 2 1/2 story central chimney structure with an integral rear lean-to raised in the 20th century to a shed dormer. The original (eastern) section was a half house 2 1/2 stories high with a lean-to and a chimney to the left (west). The west section was added some time in the early 18th century. During the 20th century, a shed dormer was built on the sloping rear roof, and two one story additions were added on the east rear. The house is clapboarded, with a reconstructed cove cornice on the main facade and a Greek Revival doorway.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

The east side of the house exhibits ca. 1700 chamfers and the original rafters and exterior clapboarding preserved within the present roof. In the first floor east room, all original woodwork is covered by later boxes and panels. The second floor east chamber has exposed transverse summer and end tie beams with bevel chamfers and lamb's tongue stops. The attic preserves substantial evidence of the original roof. Underneath the slope of the east part of the present shed dormer are the upper portions of principal rafters, collar beams, and vertical planking. On the west side of the chimney, some of the vertical planks from the original gable wall survive in place. There are four original exterior clapboards still attached to the west face of the planks, under the peak. Abbot Lowell Cummings observed that cuts had been made in the front plate to allow for a plaster cove, and oversaw the reconstruction and installation of the cove cornice now on the building.

SIGNIFICANT LATER FEATURES

The post-1730 date of the west end of the house is clearly indicated by the unfinished condition of the now exposed longitudinal summer beam in the first floor room. The fireplace wall is covered in field paneling

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

JAN 24 1990

Community: LYNNFIELD	Form No: 35
Property Name: Herfield House (Little-Spears)	

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with a simple mantel. In the front hallway closet there is a two foot wide opening at floor level in the chimney stack which leads into an approximately 5' by 5' arched brick chamber, probably formed when the chimney stack was enlarged to accommodate the western addition.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The house is named after the family who occupied it for most of the 18th century; the original builder is presently unknown.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Henfield House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Essex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000240

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: Y SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 3/9/90 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

*Re: VBD and Tax map 33.
where is map 33? please provide.
As discussed w/ Ann Saut by
telephone.*

RECOM./CRITERIA Return
REVIEWER Saut
DISCIPLINE Architectural History
DATE 3/9/90

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
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 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
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 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone (202) 343-9540

Signed Beth L. Sarge

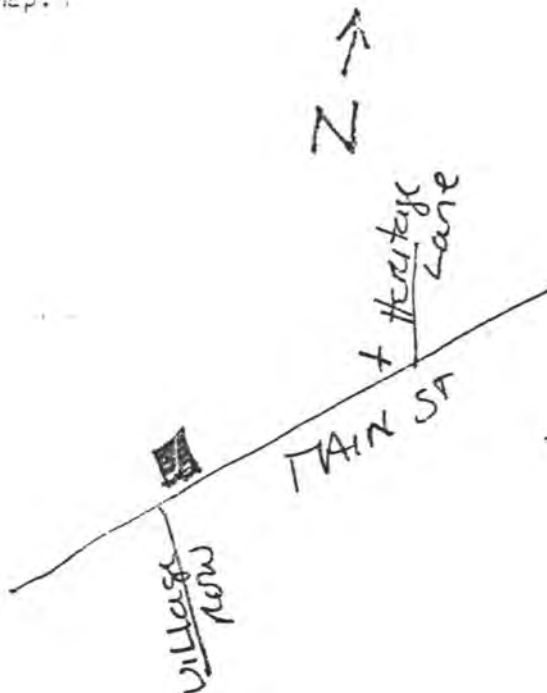
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Office of the Secretary, Boston

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LYNNFIELD	85
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BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Situated on a 1.95 acre parcel, the total acreage of the Henfield House parcel is under 10 acres and is included in the thematic nomination.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

	Date Listed
1. Old Garrison House	<u>Beth L. Savage</u> 3/4/91
2. Henfield House	<u>Beth L. Savage</u> 3/4/91 for keeper

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: RESUBMISSION

PROPERTY NAME: Henfield House

MULTIPLE NAME: First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Essex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/29/91 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/15/91
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000240

NOMINATOR: STATE

DETAILED EVALUATION: Y

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 3/4/91 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Rare surviving chamfered First Period
frame plank walls, and early roof
construction, as well as remnants of
original clapboards combine to convey
architectural significance under C, and
potentially D.
The boundary issue has been
rectified.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C + D
REVIEWER Savage
DISCIPLINE Architectural History
DATE 3/4/91

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- ___summary paragraph
- ___completeness
- ___clarity
- ___applicable criteria
- ___justification of areas checked
- ___relating significance to the resource
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- ___justification of exception
- ___other

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

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Signed _____ Date _____



~~300~~ Main Street,
Lynnfield, MA
Henfield House

75:32

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR

1985



Lynnfield, MA
300 Main St.

75: 30

Henfield House

1st Floor Drawings of E. May, TR

1985



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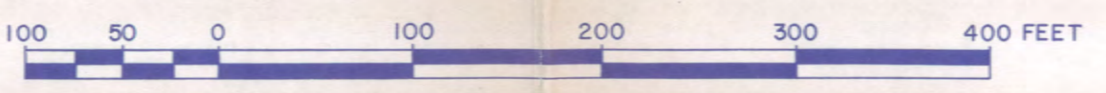
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- SPECIAL DISTRICT LINE
- ROAD OR RAILROAD R/W LINE
- PROPERTY PARCEL LINE
- EASEMENT LINE
- FILED PLAN LOT LINE
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LYNNFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

*300 Main Street
 Henfield House
 Tap 28
 Parcel 2342*

TAX MAP
 SCALE 1" = 100'

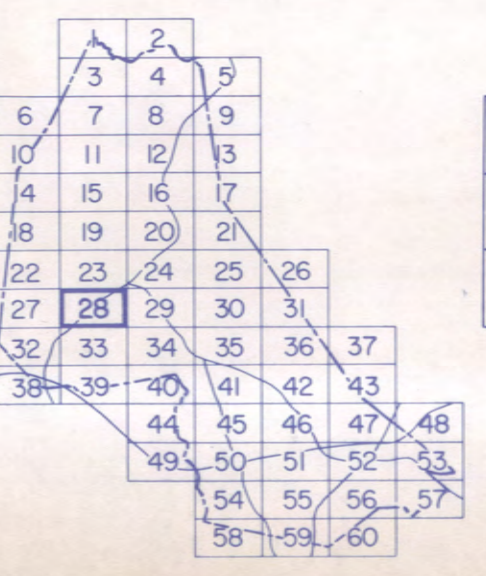


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- AREA (CALCULATED) 10.5 AC. (C)
- DIMENSION (FROM DEED OR SURVEY) 100.50'
- DIMENSION (SCALED) 50'S
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- FILED PLAN LOT NO. (A)
- STREAM

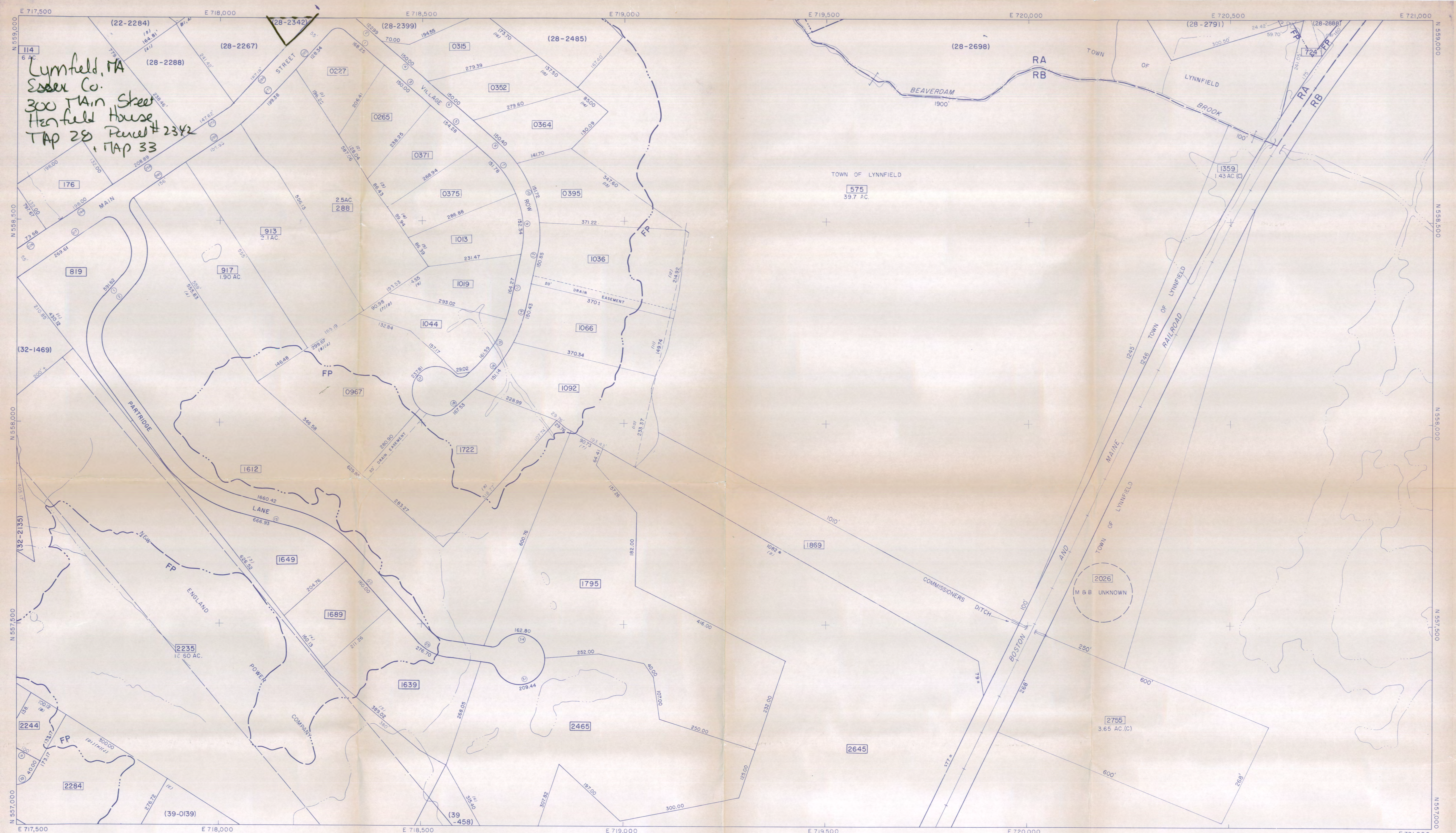
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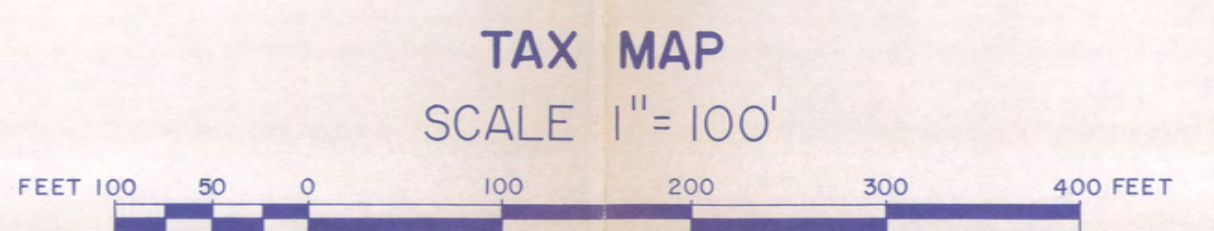


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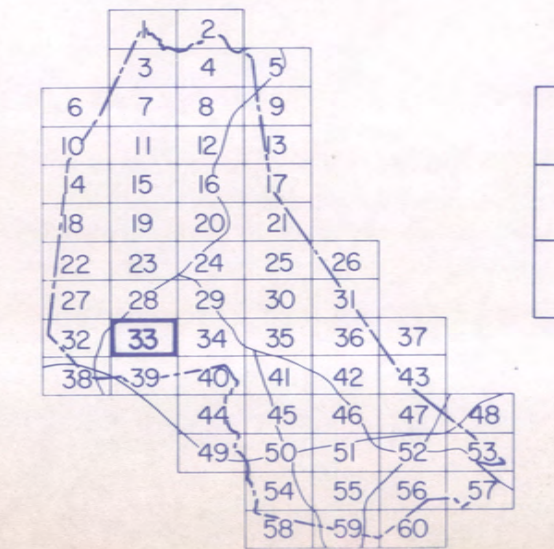


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