

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

For NPS use only  
received **AUG 31 1982**  
date entered

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic Wollison-Shipton Building (Preferred)

and/or common Wollison Block

**2. Location**

street & number 142-156 North Street N/A not for publication

city, town Pittsfield N/A vicinity of ~~congressional district~~

state Massachusetts code 025 county Berkshire code 003

**3. Classification**

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| <b>Category</b>                                 | <b>Ownership</b>                            | <b>Status</b>   | <b>Present Use</b>                             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <input type="checkbox"/> public             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied          | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture           | <input type="checkbox"/> museum            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> park              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | <input type="checkbox"/> both               | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress             | <input type="checkbox"/> educational           | <input type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                   | <b>Accessible</b>                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment         | <input type="checkbox"/> religious         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | <u>N/A</u> in process                       | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted              | <input type="checkbox"/> government            | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific        |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial            | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation    |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> no                           | <input type="checkbox"/> military              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: |

**4. Owner of Property**

name Mr. Robert F. Hatch

street & number P.O. Box 373, Lenox Road

city, town West Stockbridge N/A vicinity of state Massachusetts

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Middle Berkshire Registry of Deeds

street & number Bank Row

city, town Pittsfield state Massachusetts

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth #2001 has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1978  federal  state Pittsfield 01-2001  
 county  local

depository for survey records Massachusetts Historical Commission

city, town Boston state Massachusetts

## 7. Description Wollison - Shipton Bldg., 142-156 North St., Pittsfield, MA

### Condition

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

### Check one

unaltered  
 altered

### Check one

original site  
 moved date N/A

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Wollison-Shipton Building is located on an 85' x 200' lot on the east side of North Street (142-156 North Street), in the block bounded northerly on Eagle Street and southerly on Fenn Street and East by Renne Avenue in the heart of Pittsfield's business district. Abutted to it on either side are 20th century commercial buildings of similar scale.

The original front, main section of the building, built in 1887, has a rectangular plan measuring 85' wide and 100' deep. The central portion rises four storeys or 65' and is flanked by two three storey wings. It is constructed of Philadelphia pressed brick trimmed with hewn dark freestone. The facade is symmetrical and has a smooth surface appearance with minimal decorative features. The central block consists of a slightly projecting three storey central entrance bay flanked on the first floor by plate glass store fronts and on the second and third floors by tightly spaced trios of 2/1 double hung sash windows with freestone lintels and sills. The fourth floor is marked by a row of eight round-headed windows, also 2/1. The hipped roof is sheathed with original slate shingles. A delicate cast iron balustrade emphasizes the roofline. The two flanking wing facades are identical, consisting of plate glass store fronts on the first floor and evenly spaced pairs of 2/1 double hung sash windows on the second and third floors. Freestone trim is restricted to the store fronts and upper storey lintels. Original copper downspouts outline the flanking wings' rooflines and the edges of the central block. The only exterior alterations that have occurred to the facade are the removal of three small attic dormers about 1900. As a result the wing roofs are sheathed with asphalt shingles. At the rear of the building, a three storey brick commercial warehouse addition with a center entry and court was added circa 1900.

The Wollison-Shipton Building incorporated a patented cellular steel fire-proof flooring invented by Mr. Wilson, built by the Cincinnati Corrugating Company, and used here for the first time in the east. The building, in addition to its fire proof construction, utilized the most modern features including large plate glass window storefronts which were rare at the time, sky lights and an "Otis Brother Improved elevator" from the second floor up. The total cost of construction was \$35,000. Originally, the first floor was divided into four stores each 100' x 20' connected in the rear. The second floor was divided into two equal apartments, one of which originally housed Pittsfield's YMCA. Accounts of the YMCA opening on Thursday, April 12, 1888, indicate that the suite left of the main staircase contained an office for the general secretary, a parlor, reading room, a hall, and gymnasium. These rooms remain even today. It also mentions elaborate wallpaper, tinting, carpets, open fireplaces, pictures and rich brass chandeliers (likely gas). The original woodwork and fireplace tiles remain. The third floor was comprised of four spaces similar to the first floor, and the fourth contained a large meeting hall and a photographic studio.

Since a smoky fire in March of 1980, the building is being restored by its present owner. Extensive efforts were made to retain all interior woodwork, fireplaces, windows, and salvageable pressed iron ceilings. The original office space layout remains viable without major alterations. Even today, it stands as a tribute to H. Neil Wilson's original design.

## 8. Significance

Wollison-Shipton Bldg. 142-156 North St., Pittsfield, MA

| Period  | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below    |   |   |  |  |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric          | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric  | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning     | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion            |  |  |
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**Specific dates** 1887, completed 4/1888 **Builder/Architect** H. Neil Wilson (1855-1926)

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Builder: D.C. Munyan; Mason: George D. Foote; Heating System: Robbins, Gamwell & Co.

The Wollison-Shipton Building retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is a major local example of Victorian commercial architecture and incorporates many innovative decorative and structural features as testimony to the collaboration between the owners/financers, Wollisons, Interior Decorators, and the architect, Henry Neil Wilson. It is the only commercial building designed by this prominent midwestern and local architect to have been built in Pittsfield. In addition to the Wollison's decorating firm, the building has housed a variety of businesses and the first Pittsfield YMCA. The Wollison-Shipton building thus meets criterion A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

Ruben D. Wollison and his son Herbert S. Wollison, both well known merchants and real estate owners, built the Wollison-Shipton Block at what was then known as 74 North Street in 1887-1888. The Pittsfield Academy of Music, built 1878-9 and burned 1912, and the Wollison Block became the major features of the east side of North Street in the last quarter of the 19th century.

Ruben, a paper hanger by trade, came to Pittsfield in 1848 from Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. He established himself in the painting and interior decorating business which he carried on for over forty years and retired from active business in 1887. Ruben married the daughter of Abner Stevens, a Pittsfield store keeper and drum maker, August 1, 1852.

Herbert S. Wollison entered his father's business as a young man and later spent two years with a decorating firm in New York City. He returned to Pittsfield in 1889 opening a salesroom on the second floor of the Block. As business increased, he expanded to a store on the ground floor as well. He employed about 40 men, in season, painting and paper hanging in many of the larger Berkshire estates. He stocked shades, matting, and picture frames as well as wallpaper and paints. Socially, Herbert Wollison belonged to many of the same organizations as H. Neil Wilson, his architect. Both were Vestrymen of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and members of the Berkshire Commandry of the Knights Templar.

Some of Mr. Wollison's tenants in the building were Mr. S.S. Wheeler, a photographer, located in the studio on the fourth floor; F.C. Kiptland, an electrician in Room 4, who specialized in annunciators, bells, speaking tubes, gas lights and telephone and telegraph equipment; H.P. Lucas, who dealt in agricultural supplies on the north end of the building; and Kingman and Loveless, who sold Steinway Pianos and music from the store on the south end.

Henry Neil Wilson was the son of architect James Keys Wilson of Cincinnati, Ohio. The elder Wilson graduated from the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris and became a partner in the architectural firm of Walter & Wilson in Cincinnati. He was noted for his Gothic Revival designs. H. Neil Wilson was born in Glendale, Hamilton County, Ohio, near Cincinnati on May 1, 1855. He followed his father's interests and joined the firm in 1873. In 1879 he

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Biographical Review of Berkshire County, Henry Neil Wilson, p.314.  
"Pittsfield Sun, April 19, 1888, p.1, February 2, 1888.  
Pittsfield Historical Survey.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 14,148 sq. ft.

Quadrangle name Pittsfield West, 1973

Quadrangle scale 1:25,000

### UMT References

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Book 1048-768, 769, 770, #237520 (continued)

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Virginia H. Adams, Program Assistant, Massachusetts Historical Commission, with James N. Parrish, Historic Preservation Planner, Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission

organization Mass. Historical Commission date July 1982

street & number 294 Washington Street telephone (617) 727-8470

city or town Boston state Massachusetts

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Valerie Ann Talmage

title Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission date Aug 24, 1982

For NPS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the  
National Register

date

9/30/82

for Melvin Byers  
Keeper of the National Register

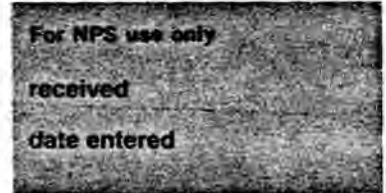
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Chief of Registration

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founded his own business in the growing city of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

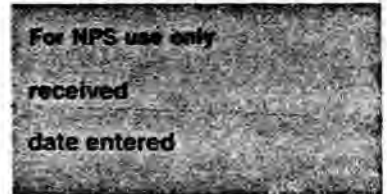
He was brought to Pittsfield in 1885 to supervise the construction of a residence he had designed for William Russell Allen, better known as the Allen House on East Housatonic Street (NR). Wilson settled there, opening an office in the Berkshire Life Insurance building at 3 North Street, Rooms 26 and 27. Before his death in 1926, he designed over thirty buildings in the region, a large number of which survive today. The Wollison family worked closely with Wilson on some of his major residential designs, including "Shadowbrook" (1892-1894), the residence of Anson Phelps Stokes and the largest of the great Berkshire estates. It was later owned and used as a summer home by Andrew Carnegie and was destroyed by fire in 1956. Major surviving buildings designed by Wilson include the Red Lion Inn in Stockbridge (1892); the Dalton Town Hall and Library; the Berkshire County Home for Aged Women, Pittsfield; and the State Normal School now North Adams State College.

Use of the Wollison-Shipton Building as commercial and office space has continued uninterrupted to the present day. It became known as the Shipton Building when the Shipton Realty Co. took over ownership in the early 19th century. They sold the building to the present owners in 1980.

Current restoration is designed to retain the building's architectural integrity as far as possible under the direction of Terry Hallock, architect.

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Beginning at a point in the westerly sideline of the town way known as Renne Avenue, said point being the northeast corner of a parcel of land conveyed by Olympia Theatres, Inc. to Western Mass. Theatres, Inc. dated October 10, 1935, and recorded in the Berkshire Middle District Registry of Deeds in Book 475, Page 58, said point is further described as being the northeast corner of the brick building known as the "Palace Theatre", and is further described as being the southeast corner of the premises herein conveyed;

running thence North 81 degrees 25 minutes 48 seconds West along the seam between the "Shipton Building", so-called, and the "Palace Theatre Building" and being also along the north line of land conveyed to said Western Mass. Theatres, Inc., a distance of 201.93 feet to a point in the easterly sideline of North Street, said point being further described as being North 81 degrees 25 minutes 48 seconds West a distance of 0.04 feet from the northwest brick corner of the said "Palace Theatre Building";

running thence North 09 degrees 55 minutes 59 seconds East along the easterly sideline of said North Street and along the brick face of the said "Shipton Building" a distance of 85.02 feet to a point, which point is further described as being North 81 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds West a distance of 0.34 feet from the southwest corner of the brick building known as the "Miller Building";

running thence South 81 degrees 25 minutes 11 seconds East along the southerly line of land conveyed by Richard B. Shipton to Floyd Passardi et ux by deed dated July 29, 1977, and recorded in the Berkshire Middle District Registry of Deeds in Book 992, Page 347, and along the seam between the "Miller Building", so-called, and the said "Shipton Building" a distance of 80.24 feet to a brick corner of said "Miller Building";

running thence South 82 degrees 18 minutes 43 seconds East along the southerly line of land of said Floyd Passardi et ux and along the north face of the said "Shipton Building", so-called, a distance of 20.20 feet to a brick corner of the said building;

running thence South 81 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds East along the south line of land conveyed to the said Floyd Passardi et ux and along the north face of the said "Shipton Building" a distance of 100.13 feet to a point in the westerly line of Renne Avenue, said point being further described as being South 81 degrees 33 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 0.15 feet from the northeast brick corner of the said "Shipton Building";

running thence South 09 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds West along the said westerly sideline of Renne Avenue a distance of 85.52 feet to the point and place of beginning.

The above-described parcel of land contains 17,148 square feet and is the parcel of land conveyed by L. Locke Larkin Trust to Robert F. Hatch and Suzanne Hatch by deed dated February 11, 1980, and recorded in the Berkshire Middle District Registry of Deeds in Book 1030, Page 136.

The above-described premises are further shown on a plan entitled "Survey of Land in Pittsfield, Mass., Prepared for Shipton Development Co.", Scale 1"=20', dated July 16, 1981, Dennis C. Drumm, RLS, which plan is recorded in the Berkshire Middle District Registry of Deeds in Drawer D-37.

(Please also refer to attached assessor's map)

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Wollison-Shipton Building  
Berkshire County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 9/31/82-2376  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83  
Date Due: 9/30/82 - 10/15/82  
Action:  ACCEPT 9/30/82  
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National Register  REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

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| Category | Ownership          | Status     | Present Use |
|          | Public Acquisition | Accessible |             |

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

## **8. 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
- \_\_\_\_\_ relating significance to the resource
- \_\_\_\_\_ context
- \_\_\_\_\_ relationship of integrity to significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of exception
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## **9. Major Bibliographical References**

### **10. Geographical Data**

Acres of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_  
USIT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

### **11. Form Prepared By**

### **12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is  
\_\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **13. Other**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Maps
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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North Street, Pittsfield  
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James N. Parrish 10/16/81  
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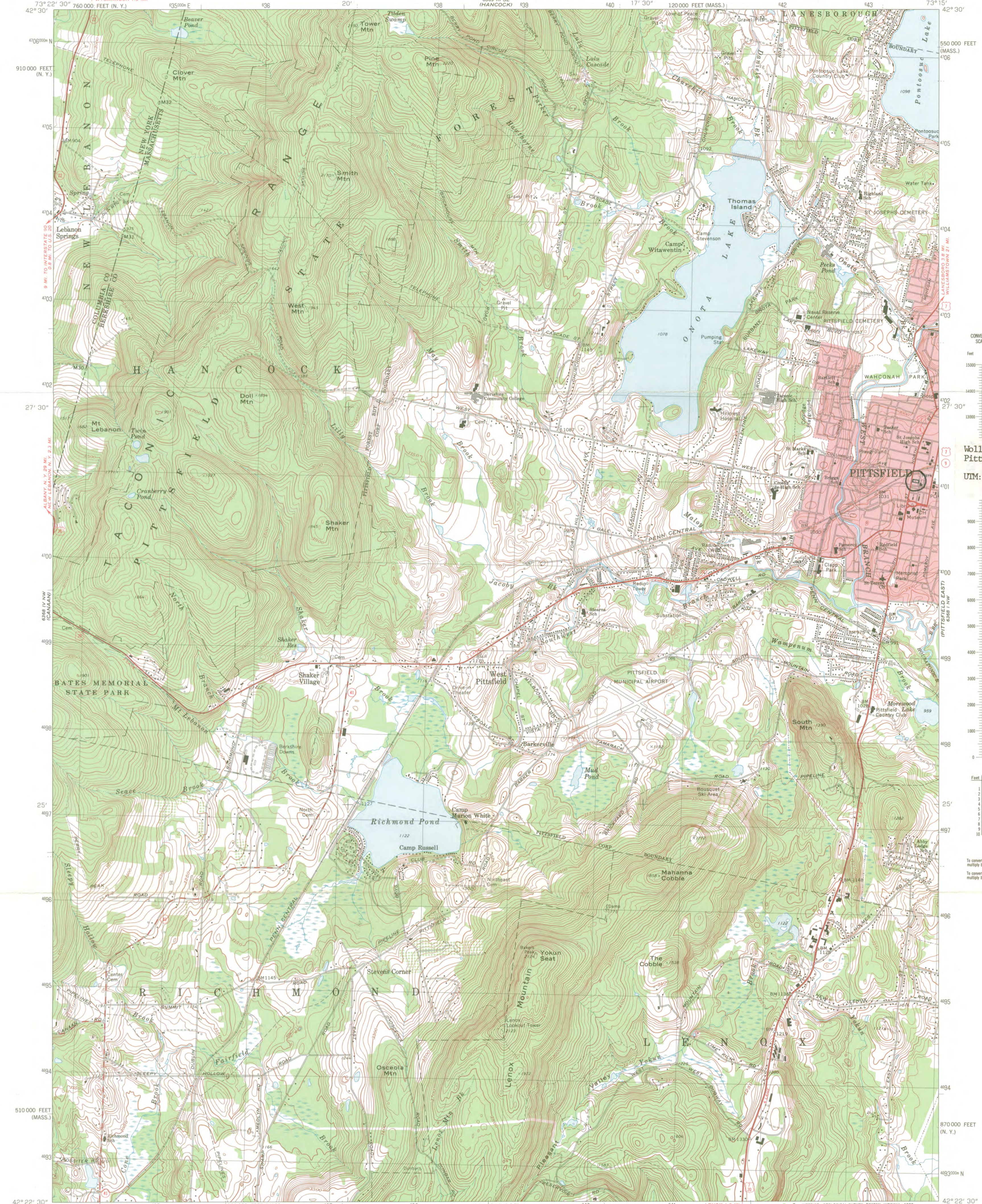


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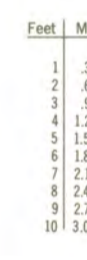
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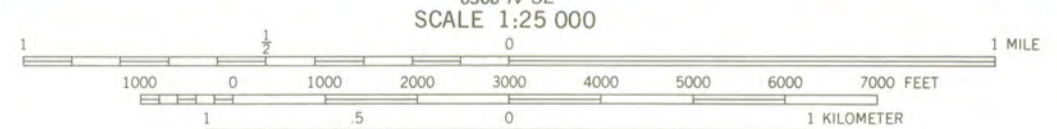
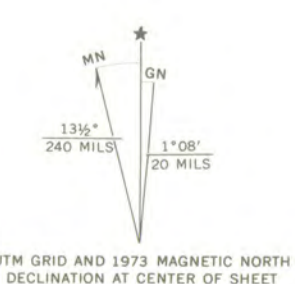
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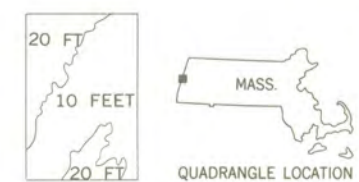
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generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown



CONTOUR INTERVALS 10 AND 20 FEET (SEE DIAGRAM)  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929



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Secondary highway, hard surface  
Unimproved road  
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U. S. Route  
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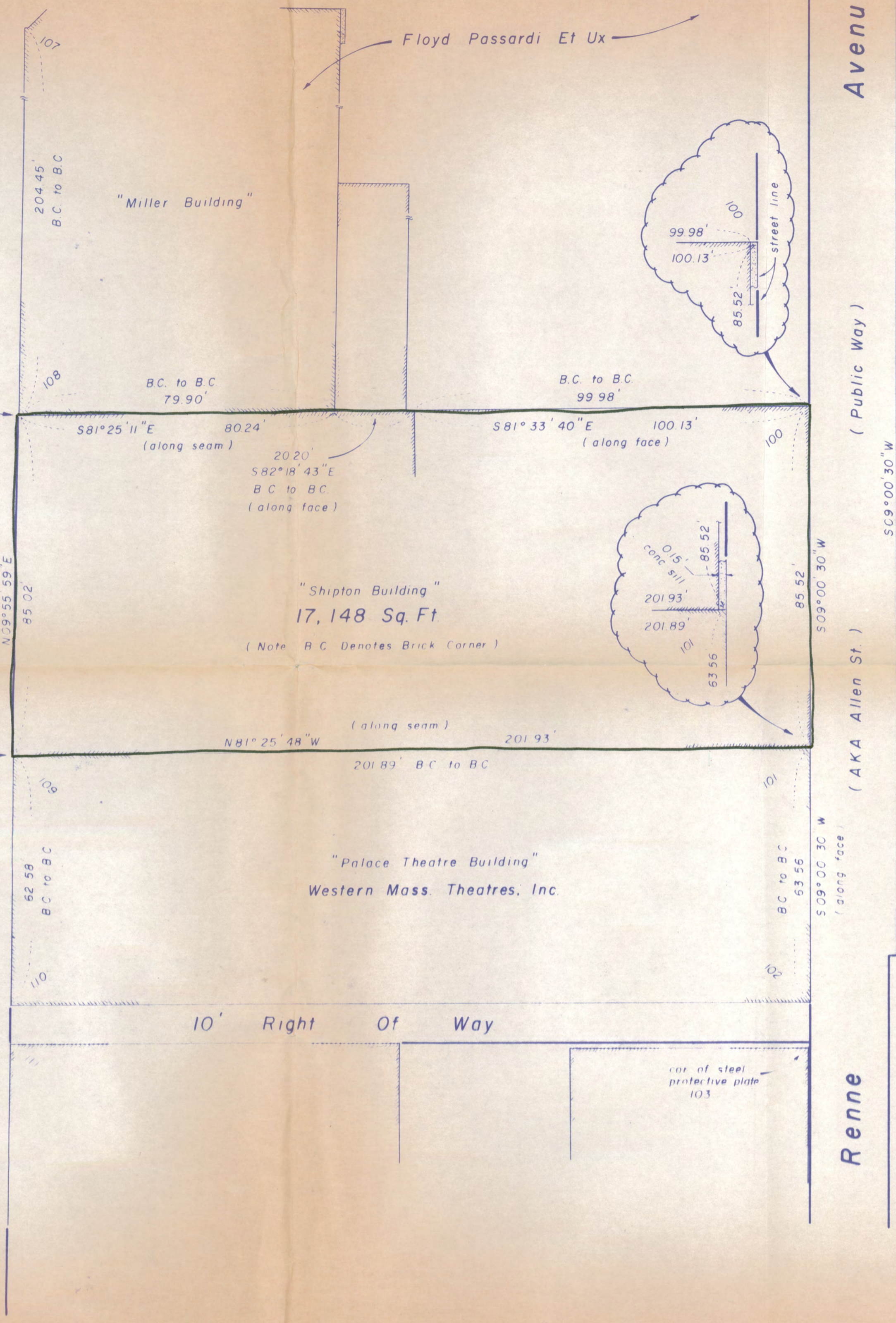
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Avenue

North



Computed Meridian Of City Gov't  
Street Plan For Cottage Row,  
(AKA Eagle St.), By Order No. 116,  
Series Of 1906.

I Certify That This Plan Shows The Property Lines That  
Are The Lines Of Existing Ownerships, And The Lines Of  
Streets & Ways Shown Are Those Of Public Or Private Streets  
Or Ways Already Established, And That No New Lines For  
Division Of Existing Ownerships Or For New Ways Are Shown

Dennis C. Drumm 7/16/81  
Reg. Land Surveyor Date

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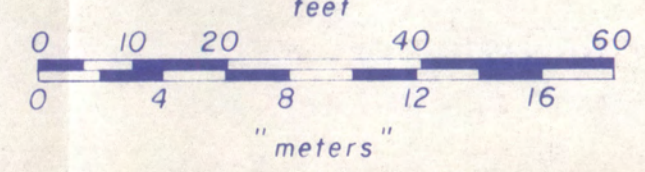
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| 101   | Brick | 4915.51 | 4986.75 |
| 102   | Brick | 4852.74 | 4976.80 |
| 103   | Steel | 4841.58 | 4974.27 |
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| 109   | Brick | 4945.60 | 4787.12 |
| 110   | Brick | 4883.93 | 4776.50 |
| 111   | Brick | 4874.20 | 4774.87 |

I Certify That This Plan Has Been Pre-  
pared In Conformity With The Rules And  
Regulations Of The Registers Of Deeds  
Of The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts

Dennis C. Drumm  
Reg. Land Surveyor

Survey Of Land  
In Pittsfield, Ma  
Prepared For  
**Shipton Development Co.**

Scale 1" = 20'  
Dennis C. Drumm  
184 North St.  
July 16, 1981  
Reg. Land Surveyor  
Pittsfield, Mass.





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CHARLES L. SMITH  
MAYOR

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July 21, 1982

Ms. Patricia L. Weslowski  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Executive Director  
Massachusetts Historical Commission  
Office of the Secretary of State  
294 Washington Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Dear Ms. Weslowski:

I am writing in support of the nomination of the Walliston Shipton Building in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, to the National Register of Historic Places.

The City has been working very closely with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hatch, owners of the building, to process an orderly and sensitive restoration of a downtown landmark which unfortunately suffered severe fire damage.

Nomination to the National Register is desirable for the protection of the building which lends grace and a certain majesty to the central portion of North Street, (our main street).

Again, I would like to register my full support for the nomination of the Walliston Shipton Building to the National Register.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles L. Smith".

Charles L. Smith  
Mayor, City of Pittsfield

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Pittsfield Historical Commission  
City Hall - Pittsfield, Massachusetts - 01201

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BERKSHIRE COUNTY  
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
January 29, 1982

Mr. James Parrish  
Historic Preservation Officer  
Berkshire County Regional Planning Commission  
10 Fenn Street  
Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201


Dear Jim:

On behalf of our Commission I write to strongly support you in your application for National Register status for the Wollison-Shipton Building located at 150 North Street in Pittsfield.

Constructed in 1888 by noted local architect H. Neil Wilson the building has been an impressive landmark within our city's downtown for nearly 100 years. Its exterior of Philadelphia pressed brick with dark freestone trim help to make it an unusual yet most impressive building complimenting the more modern structures surrounding it.

I urge you to push for a quick review of the Wollison-Shipton Building's application for its National Register status is well deserved.

Sincerely,

  
Tony King  
Chairman



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HISTORICAL  
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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
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294 Washington Street  
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MICHAEL JOSEPH CONNOLLY  
Secretary of State

August 24, 1982

Mr. Jerry Rogers  
Keeper, National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Mr. Rogers:

Enclosed you will find the following nomination forms:

Adams - Phillips Woolen Mill (local)  
Adams - Renfrew Mill #2 (local)  
Belchertown - Walker Collis House (local)  
Hudson - Col. Adelbert Mossman House (local)  
Lenox - Lenox Academy (state)  
Lenox - The "Church on the Hill" (local)  
New Bedford - Dawson Building (local)  
New Marlborough - New Marlborough Village Historic District (local)  
North Andover - Machine Shop Village (state)  
✓ Pittsfield - Wollison- Shipton Building (local)  
Rockport - Sewall-Scripture House (local)

All have been voted eligible by the State Review Board and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer. Owners were notified of pending State Review Board considerations 30-75 days before the meeting and were afforded the opportunity to comment. Comments received to date are attached to the nomination forms.

Sincerely,

*Candace Jenkins*

Candace Jenkins  
Registration Director  
Massachusetts Historical Commission

Enclosures

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