

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

1839

AREA

Town WorcesterAddress 26 Louise StreetHistoric Name David Hunt Three-Decker

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Use: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1900Source Worcester House DirectoryStyle Queen Anne Three-DeckerArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric wood clapboard andOutbuildings none shingle

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

See attached map

Major Alterations (with dates) Porchprobably rebuilt ca. 1925Condition good

Moved _____ Date _____

Acreage less than 1/4 acreSetting Late 19th and early 20thcentury, urban, multi-familyresidential neighborhood.UTM REFERENCE 19/269300/4680120USGS QUADRANGLE Worcester SouthSCALE 1:25,000Recorded by Michael SteinitzOrganization for MHCDate December 1988

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The David Hunt Three-Decker possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant for its association with the early development of a multi-family, working-class, ethnic neighborhood on the southern slope of Vernon Hill. It is also an unusually well-preserved and well-detailed example of local Queen Anne three-decker design. The Hunt Three-Decker thus meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

Architecturally, 26 Louise Street is a well-preserved and well-detailed example of local Queen Anne style three-decker design. The house has the characteristic side-hall plan with side-wall jog. The hip roof has a wide cornice overhang with paired decorative brackets and larger corner brackets. The asymmetrical main facade has a three-tier entry bay porch supported by solid, square columns and with central balustrades, probably the result of a circa 1925 rebuilding. The porch is flanked by a three-story, curved bay window. The house is clad by wood clapboard, with shingle bands between the stories. Windows have 2/1 sash, and many have caps with decorative rope molding.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

Built ca. 1900, the Hunt Three-Decker was located on the southern slope of Vernon Hill, the city's most concentrated and extensive district of 20th century three-decker development. The stimulus for multi-family residential development on the southern and southwestern parts of the neighborhood came from the south: many residents were employed as wireworkers at the nearby South Works and Quinsigamond Village Works steel mills. Working-class families of both Irish and Swedish heritage located here. The first known owner of 26 Louise Street was David Hunt, a wireworker. Tenants in 1902 included Peter McGee, a fireman; and Thomas Murray, a helper. Ten years later the house was still owned and occupied by Hunt, and tenants included August Lundblad, a machinist; and Carl Fors, who ran a brass foundry. In the 1920s, the building was owned by Frank and Danicilia Aniusiancia, who were not local residents. Tenants in 1920 were Frank Savage, a laborer; William Freeburn, a fireman; and Theodore Strand, a machinist. Residents in 1930 included Frank Savage; William Barry, a laborer; and Peter Gavin, a wireworker.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Worcester Directory, Worcester House Directory, 1902, 1912, 1920, 1930.

L.J. Richards, Atlas of the City of Worcester, 1911, 1922.

J. Callahan et al., Worcester Three-Decker Survey, 1981.

12/26/89

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Date Listed

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| 31. | Hall Charles A., Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ | _____ |
| 32. | Hirst, Samuel, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ | _____ |
| 33. | Houghton Street Historic District | Substantive Review | Keeper | <u>Bob Savage</u> | <u>02-09-90</u> |
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| 34. | Hunt, Daniel, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 35. | Hunt, David, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 36. | Ingleside Avenue Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 37. | Ingraham, Harry B., Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 38. | Johnson, Edwin, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 39. | Johnson, John and Edward, Three-Decker | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>Helene Byers</u> | <u>2/9/90</u> |
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| 40. | Johnson, John, Three-Decker | Entered in the
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Hunt, David, Three-Decker

MULTIPLE NAME: Worcester Three-Deckers MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 12/26/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/09/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 1/25/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/09/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89002412

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: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 2/9/90 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

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
☐ 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

Signed _____ Phone _____

Date _____



Worcester Three Decks MRA

DAVID HUNT THREE DECKER

26 LOUISE STREET

WORCESTER, MA

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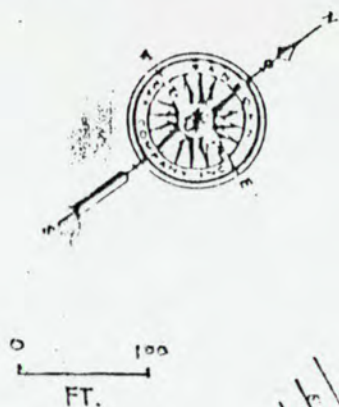
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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