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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

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AREA	FORM NO.
A	83

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

Town Wakefield

Address 113 Salem Street

Historic Name NA

Use: Present dwelling

Original shoe shop

DESCRIPTION

Date c. 1840-1857

Source map 1857

Style Mid-19th century vernacular

Architect NA

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) c.1920 ell rear, 1 story, ell east, 1 story (c.1900)

Condition Fair

Moved NA Date NA

Acreage less than 1/2 acre

Setting Faces southeast near and behind early house

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

UTM REFERENCE 19/330220/4708380

USGS QUADRANGLE Reading, MA

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Architectural Preservation Associates
Organization Wakefield Historical Commission
Date March 1985

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

This structure is a well preserved example of a significant local building form and represents Wakefield's 19th century cottage industry of shoemaking. The building retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association, and meets criterion A and C of the NRHP on the local level.

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

This 1½ story former shoe shop is a good example of an important local building form which in the 19th century was to be found dotting the south and west sides of the town. It has been added to and converted into a residence, but its original simplicity has been retained. The high peaked gable roof is placed with the ridge parallel to the street; three bays are squeezed into the small front facade, with the door in the first bay. The whole, with one story ell, is set on very high brick foundations. A door in the basement area suggests that the basement was used for storage.

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

This was the shoe shop of David Nichols, a shoemaker, who is listed on the map of 1857 as living at the old Patch house at 103 Salem Street.

Before 1862, when the McKay sewing machine was introduced to Wakefield, a large number of town residents made shoes in such shops in their yards. In the main, the individual shoemaker was in charge of producing the shoe: he cut the leather, his wife and daughters bound, and his sons and apprentices finished up the work. The finished product was sometimes marketed by "manufacturers" like L.B. Evans, and others, who trucked the shoes to Boston at so much a mile, sold them, and credited the maker with groceries at his company store. Even after 1862, this practice continued in this and surrounding towns.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

map 1867, D. Nichols
Eaton, Chester W., in Hurd, Middlesex County, 1890

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Wakefield MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. House at 11 Wave Avenue Entered in the
National Register

✓ Keeper Melores Byers 7/6/89

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~~22. House at 11 Salem Street~~ Entered in the
National Register

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23. House at 118 Greenwood Street Entered in the
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24. House at 12 West Water Street Entered in the
National Register

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25. House at 13 Sheffield Road Entered in the
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26. House at 15 Chestnut Street Entered in the
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27. House at 15 Lawrence Avenue Entered in the
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28. House at 15 Wave Avenue Entered in the
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29. House at 18 Park Street Entered in the
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30. House at 18A and 20 Aborn Street Entered in the
National Register

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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 House at 113 Salem Street
NAME:

MULTIPLE Wakefield MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/23/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/07/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000688

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 7/6/89 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

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



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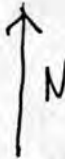
113 Salem St

House

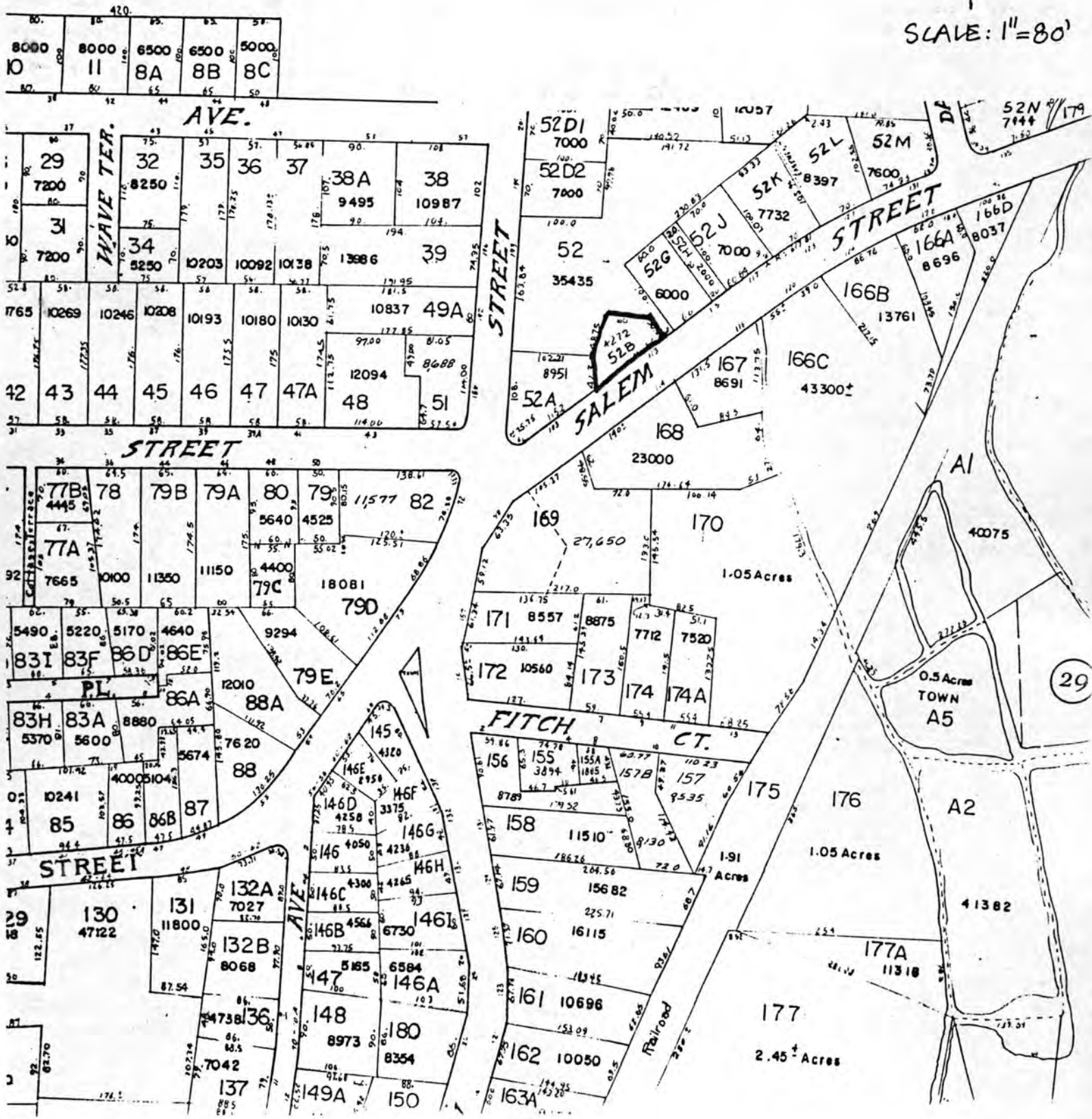
Waterfield MRA, Ma

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113 SALEM ST



SCALE: 1"=80'



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000300