

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

DATA SHEET

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

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State Armory

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 29 Howard Street

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

2nd

STATE

Massachusetts

CODE
025

COUNTY

Hampden

CODE
013**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☒ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ OTHER: Community Center**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STREET & NUMBER

State House

CITY, TOWN

Boston

VICINITY OF

STATE

Massachusetts 02133

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

Hampden County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

STATE

Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE

1975

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

—EXCELLENT

☒ GOOD

—FAIR

—DETERIORATED

—RUINS

—UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

—UNALTERED

☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

—MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The State Armory in Springfield is located on Howard Street, just off Main Street, and extends through the block to Union Street. In 1895, when the Armory was built, Howard Street still consisted almost entirely of brick and wood frame Greek Revival residences. St. Joseph's Church was at the opposite end of the block. However, within three years a brick, four-story apartment building went up less than twenty feet east of the Armory, and within fifteen years another four-story apartment building was erected less than twenty feet west of the Armory. Further replacement of the earlier structures was brought about by the construction of an elementary school just east of the church and the YMCA directly across the street from the Armory. Today there remains but a single reminder of Howard Street's residential past.

Certainly the dominant feature of Howard Street is the bold and towering figure of the Armory head house. This section of the building is constructed of granite blocks with brick and brownstone embellishments. All of the windows are arched over or encircled with brick, as is the crenellated parapet which connects the two front towers. Each tower is topped with a crenellated brick battlement. The northeast tower rises sixty feet above the ground and has the state coat of arms framed in brownstone on the third floor level. Each of the other towers is fifty feet tall. The entrance is finished off in brick with two side towers, each fifteen feet high, connected by a parapet of the same crenellated design as that connecting the two larger front towers. All interior finish is in ash.

The attached drill shed originally had dimensions of 75 feet by 144 feet. It is of brick construction with brownstone trim and has a slate roof supported by iron framework.

The only major alteration to the Armory occurred in 1914-1915 when the head house and drill shed were each increased fifty percent in depth with consistent design.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION	
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE	
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE	
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☐ EDUCATION	☒ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
☐ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER	
☒ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION	
☐ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		☐ INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1895

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Robert Wait and Amos Cutting

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The State Armory was Springfield's first building erected for the local volunteer militia, and is a fine example of the work of Boston architects Robert Wait and Amos Cutting.

As reported in the Springfield Republican of December 28, 1895, the State Armory was over a year in construction. Its architects Wait and Cutting designed a number of state armories and county courthouses in the eastern part of the state during the late 19th century. The supervising architects, the firm of Gardner, Pyne and Gardner, were local men whose senior partner, Eugene C. Gardner, was well known nationally for his many books on domestic architecture, as well as the art of building schools and churches. Locally the firm's work spanned the full spectrum of building, and included parts of Mattoon Street's row housing (National Register district), the J. H. Appleton home on Maple Street, the Hotel Worthy, Faith Church, Technical High School and the YMCA complex across the street from the Armory.

Today the Armory remains one of the most distinct and outstanding features of the area. With its large mass set squarely on the street and its massive towers looming over nearby buildings, it dominates the area and contrasts sharply with its surroundings.

Western Massachusetts volunteers first marched from the portals of the Armory for military service during the Cuban campaign in 1898. At present the building serves as headquarters for all National Guard units in western Massachusetts.

In addition to its military functions, "the armory floor furnished the largest available space for social functions, fairs, and expositions in the City, and many of the most brilliant social events in the history of Springfield were staged in the old drill shed."¹ In times of flood or fire the spacious drill hall has served the homeless well. Currently the Armory is serving as a community center for South End area residents.

¹ Dedicatorial of Enlarged and Remodeled State Armory, Springfield, Massachusetts.
May 21, 1915.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Springfield Daily Republican, 12/28/1895

Springfield Sunday Republican, 4/23/1967

Dedicatorial of Enlarged and Remodeled State Armory, Springfield, Mass. 5/21/1915

Catalogue of an Exhibition of Photographs Illustrating Springfield Architecture, 1800-1900, Henry Russell Hitchcock, Jr., 1934.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY One acre

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 699580 4663320
ZONE EASTING NORTHING
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ZONE EASTING NORTHING
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Edward Lonergan, Springfield Historical
Commission Researcher

Judy D. Dobbs, National Register Editor, and

ORGANIZATION

Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

December 8, 1975

STREET & NUMBER

294 Washington Street

TELEPHONE

617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN

Boston

STATE

Massachusetts 02108

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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

Elizabeth Reed Amadon

TITLE

Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE

Dec. 9, 1975

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting

DATE

5/3/76

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

5.3.76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property

State Armory

Hampden

State Mass.

Working Number

12.12.75.2154

TECHNICAL

Photos 2

Maps 2

Brief, but

CONTROL

OK pl
12.18.75

HISTORIAN

Accept
W. R. Lee
1/20/76

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Accept
Lebowitz
1-28-76

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Colz
4-27-76

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Hung
5.3.76

National Register Write-up

6-1-76

Send-back

Entered

MAY 3 1976

Federal Register Entry

Re-submit

INT:2106-74



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HISTORIC State Armory

AND/OR COMMON
Same

2 LOCATION

CITY, TOWN Springfield VICINITY OF COUNTY Hampden STATE MA

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT Kathleen Morehead DATE OF PHOTO 1975

NEGATIVE FILED AT Morehead Photographers, 37 Old Acre Road, Springfield, MA

4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT, GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

Howard Street facade (north side).

PHOTO NO 1 of 2

Morehead
PHOTOGRAPHY
SPRINGFIELD MASSACHUSETTS



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STATE MA

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PHOTO NO 2 *1/2*

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Union Street facade (south side) looking north along west elevation.

(north side)

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CITY, TOWN Springfield

____ VICINITY OF

COUNTY Hampden

STATE MA

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE USGS, Springfield South Quadrangle

SCALE 1:24000

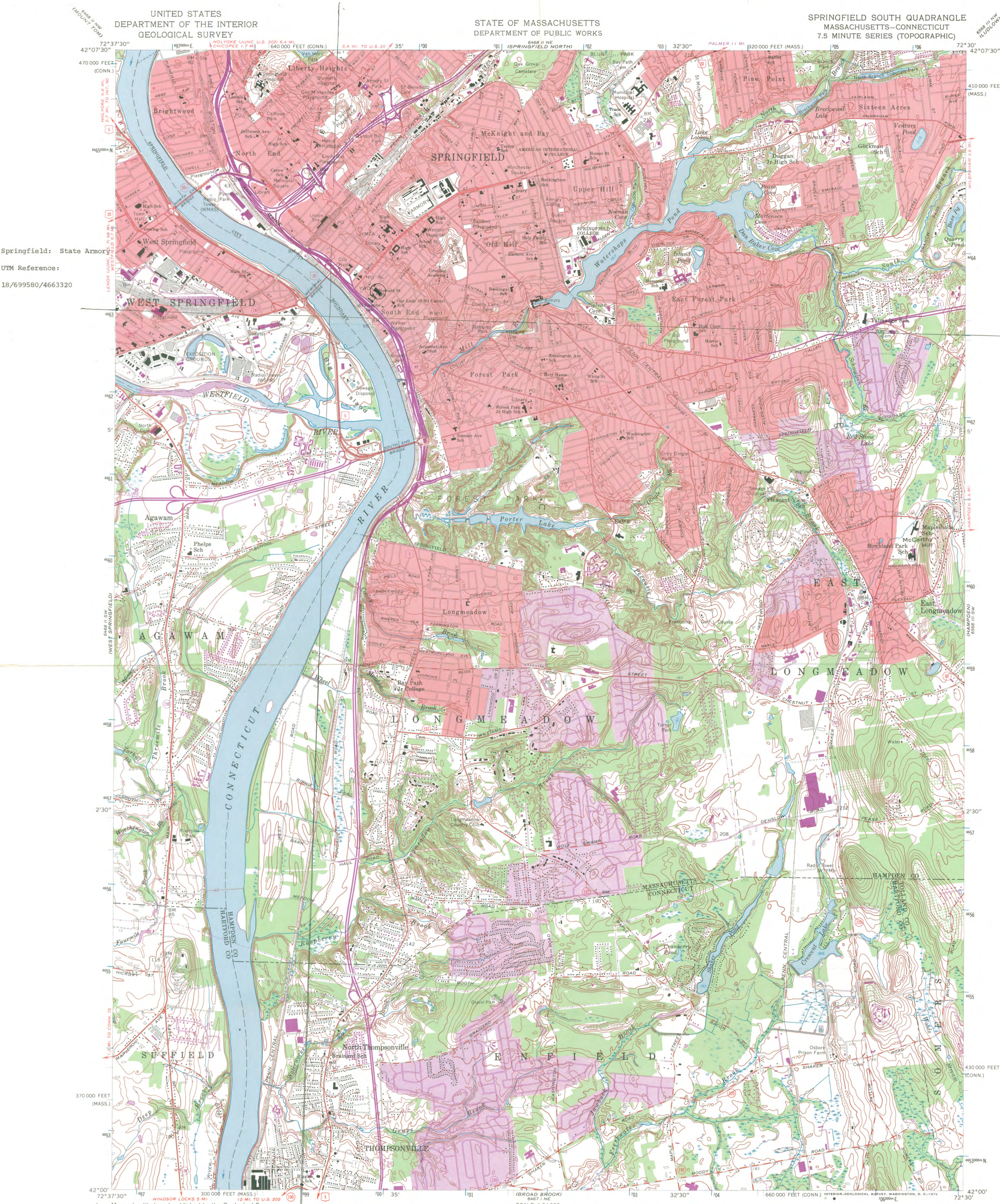
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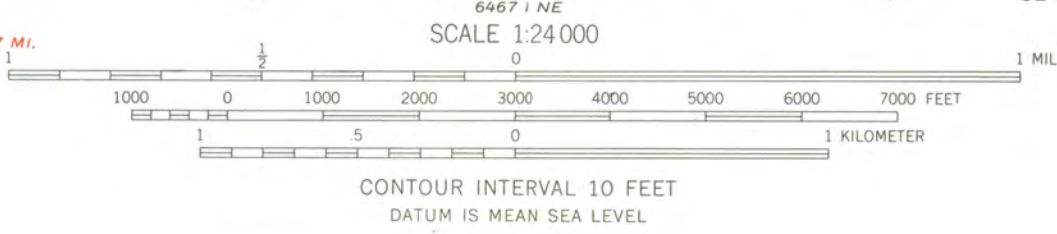
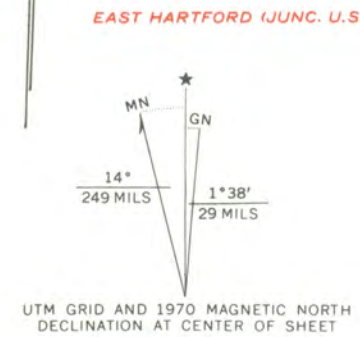
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

Springfield: State Armory
UTM Reference:
18/699580/4663320



Maped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, Massachusetts Geodetic Survey,
and Connecticut Geodetic Survey
Topography by planimetric surveys 1933 and 1942
Culture revised from aerial photographs by photogrammetric
methods. Aerial photographs taken 1957. Field check 1958
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Massachusetts coordinate system,
mainland zone, and Connecticut coordinate system
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only
landmark buildings are shown
Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with
Connecticut Highway Department from aerial photographs
taken 1970. This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
U.S. Route ——— State Route ———
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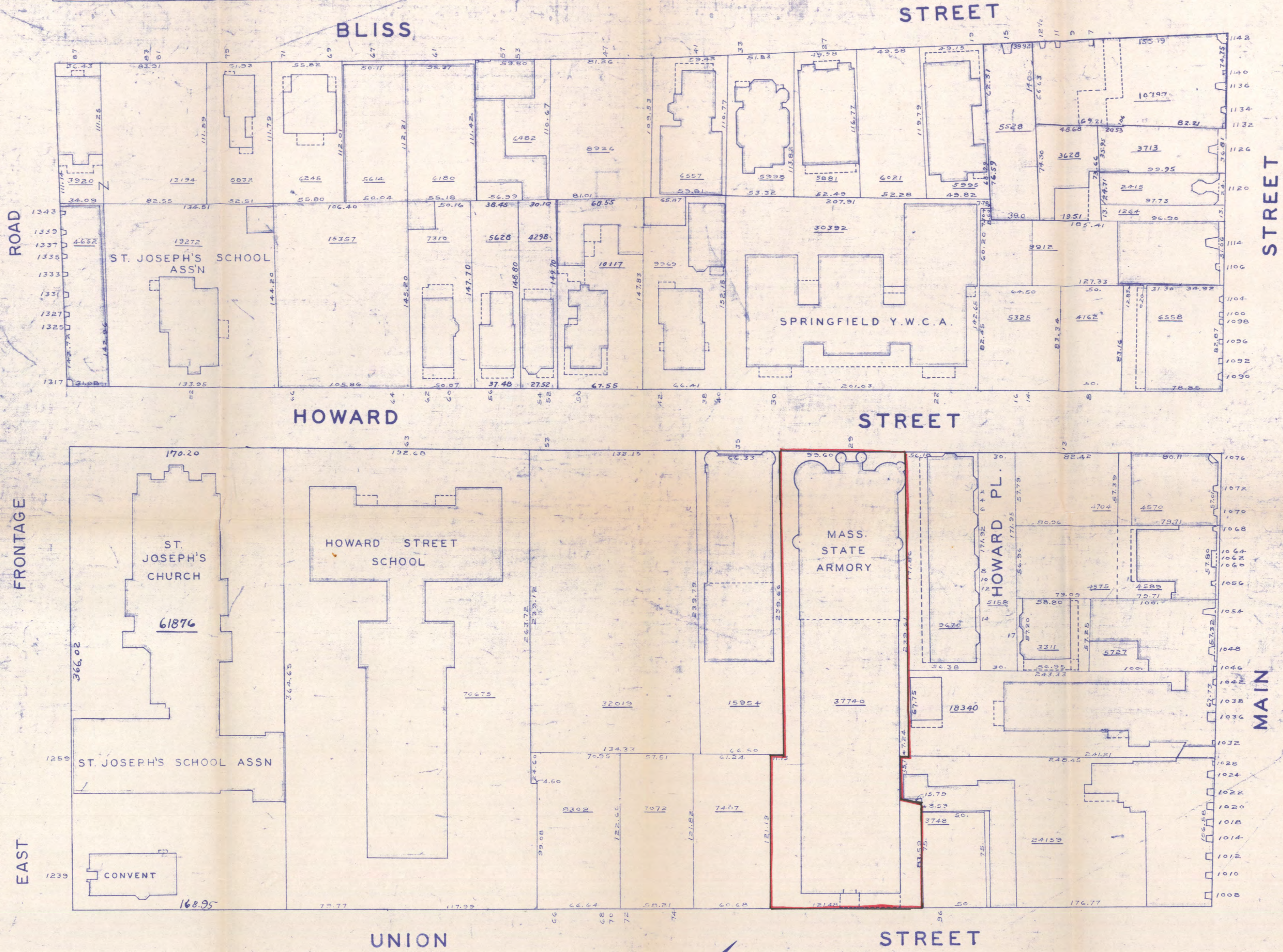
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REVISED BY
SCALE 1"=50'
REVISED BY



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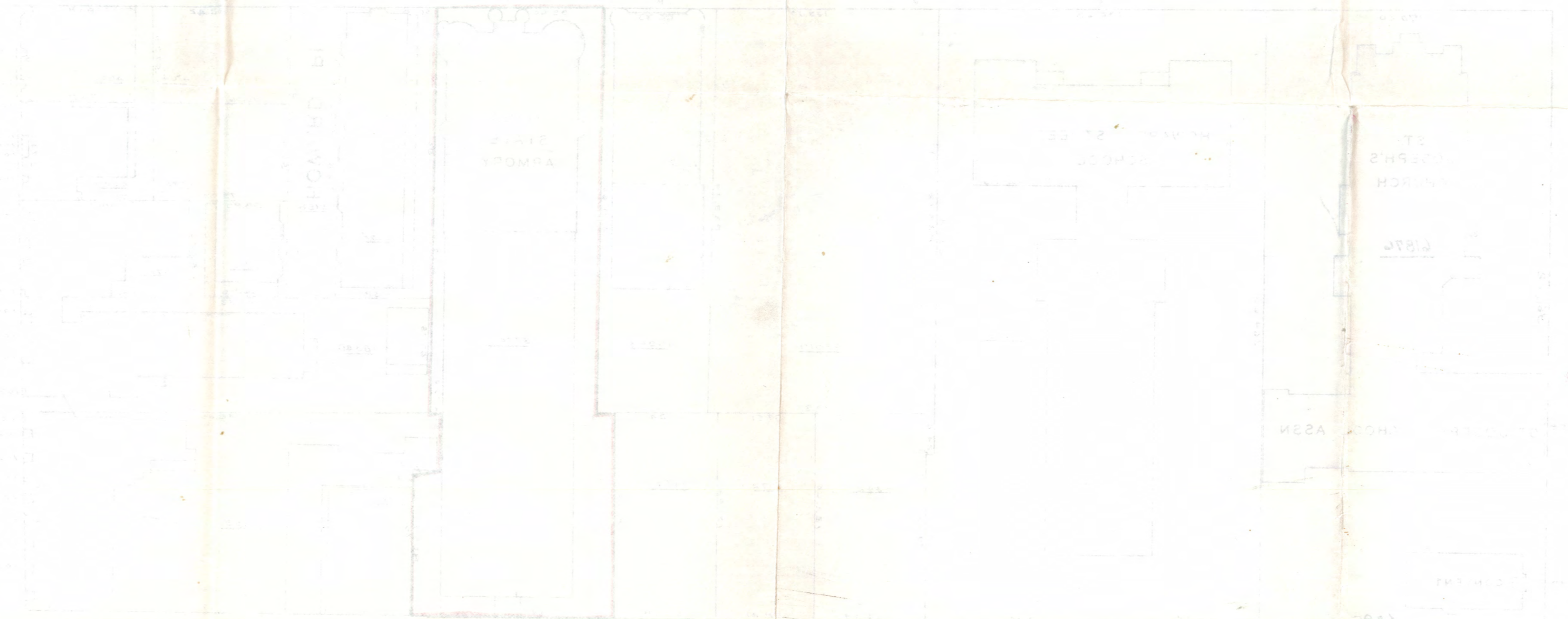
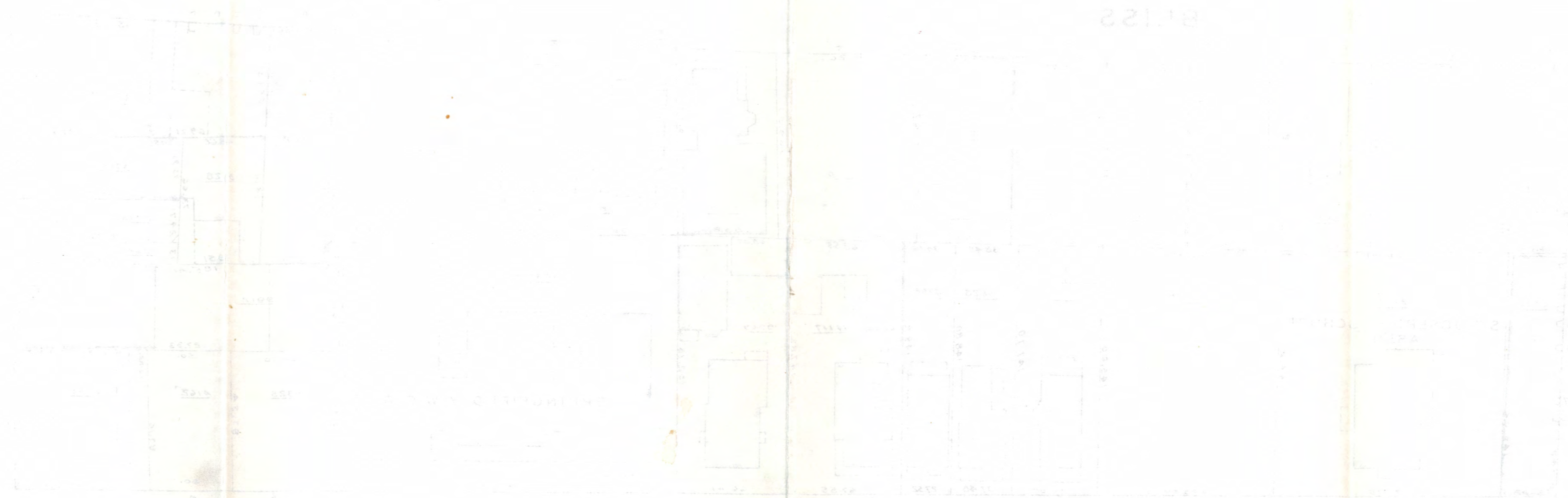
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PARK ST

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CITY/TOWN Springfield

____ VICINITY OF

COUNTY Hampden

STATE MA

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE Assessors Block Plans

SCALE 1:50

DATE 1940

4 REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

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2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE **MASSACHUSETTS**

Date Entered **MAY 3 1976**

Name

Location

State Armory

**Springfield
Hampden County**

Lothrop, Caleb, House

**Cohasset
Norfolk County**

Also Notified

**Hon. Edward M. Kennedy
Hon. Edward W. Brooke
Hon. Edward P. Boland
Hon. Gerry E. Studds**

**Regional Director, North Atlantic
Region**

**State Historic Preservation Officer
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon
Executive Director, Massachusetts
Historical Commission
294 Washington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108**

PR MOTT:djb 5/5/76

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE		2. APPLICANT'S APPLICATION		a. NUMBER 802	3. STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER		NUMBER 77060882		
1. TYPE OF ACTION (Mark appropriate box) ☐ PREAPPLICATION ☒ APPLICATION ☐ NOTIFICATION OF INTENT (Opt.) ☐ REPORT OF FEDERAL ACTION		b. DATE 19 78 8 14		b. DATE Year month day 19 78 8 14		b. DATE Year month day 19 77 07 29		b. DATE Year month day 19 77 07 29	
4. LEGAL APPLICANT/RECIPIENT		5. FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.		6. PRO-GRAM (From Federal Catalog)		a. NUMBER 1 5 • 9 0 4		b. TITLE Historic Preservation	
a. Applicant Name : Commonwealth of Massachusetts		b. Organization Unit : Massachusetts Historical Commission		c. Street/P.O. Box : 294 Washington Street		d. City : Boston		e. County : Suffolk	
f. State : Massachusetts		g. ZIP Code : 02108		h. Contact Person (Name & telephone No.) : Patricia L. Weslowski, S.H.P.O. (617) 727-8470		7. TITLE AND DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT		8. TYPE OF APPLICANT/RECIPIENT	
State Armory Development Project, Springfield, Hampden County		The State Armory was Springfield's first building erected for local volunteer militia and stands as a fine example of the work of Boston architects Robert Wait and Amos Culting. The project objective is preservation. The property will be used as a community center.		10. AREA OF PROJECT IMPACT (Names of cities, counties, States, etc.) Commonwealth of Massachusetts		11. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING 5.7 million		12. TYPE OF APPLICATION	
13. PROPOSED FUNDING		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:		15. TYPE OF CHANGE (For 12c or 12e)		16. TYPE OF ASSISTANCE		17. TYPE OF APPLICATION	
a. FEDERAL \$ 15,000 .00		a. APPLICANT 9		b. PROJECT 2		A-Basic Grant D-Insurance		A-New C-Revision E-Augmentation	
b. APPLICANT 16,680 .00		16. PROJECT START DATE Year month day 19 77 6 1		17. PROJECT DURATION 40 Months		B-Supplemental Grant E-Other Enter appropriate letter(s) [A]		B-Renewal D-Continuation Enter appropriate letter [A]	
c. STATE .00		18. ESTIMATED DATE TO BE SUBMITTED TO FEDERAL AGENCY Year month day 19 78 8 14		19. EXISTING FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER		C-Loan		F-Other (Specify): N/A	
d. LOCAL .00		20. FEDERAL AGENCY TO RECEIVE REQUEST (Name, City, State, ZIP code) Dept. of the Interior, Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service Washington D.C. 20240		21. REMARKS ADDED		e. OTHER .00		22. THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT	
f. TOTAL \$ 31,680 .00		23. AGENCY NAME Department of the Interior		24. ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service		25. APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE Patricia L. Weslowski		26. DATE SIGNED Year month day 19 78 8 14	
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a. AWARDED		a. FEDERAL \$ 15,000 .00		19 78-9-18		Stephen D. Newman 202-523-5472		25-8B64	
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c. RETURNED FOR AMENDMENT		c. STATE .00		38. FEDERAL AGENCY A-95 ACTION		39. FEDERAL AGENCY A-95 OFFICIAL (Name and telephone no.) Same as #35		40. REMARKS ADDED	
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Section 1 - Item 16

The project start date reflects the date that the Massachusetts Historical Commission requested grantee to prepare plans and specifications for project initiation.
No construction work has been or will be undertaken prior to project approval date.

APPROVED

Signature Dan. Durett

Date 9-8-78

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: **State Armory** 2 OTHER NAMES: 3 date of entry: **5-3-76** 4 county code: **013**

5 LOCATION street & number **29 Howard St.** city / town **Springfield** vicinity of state **MA** county **Hampden** 6 NPS REGION **North Atlantic**

7 OWNER ☐ PRIVATE ☒ STATE ☐ MUNICIPAL ☐ COUNTY ☐ MULTIPLE ☐ FEDERAL (agency name): 8 ADMINISTRATOR: 9 EXISTING SURVEYS ☐ HABS ☐ HAER ☐ NHL 10 FUNDED? ☒ YES ☒ NO 11 CONGRESS. DISTRICT **2nd** 12 SOURCE OF NOMINATION ☒ STATE ☐ FEDERAL 13 IF state who prepared form? 14 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☒ YES, NAME: 15 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? ☒ YES, NAME: 16 ACRES **1** 17 LOCAL ☐ PRIVATE ORGANIZATION ☐

18 CONDITION ☐ deteriorated ☒ altered ☒ original site ☐ excellent ☐ ruins ☐ unaltered ☐ moved ☒ good ☐ unexposed ☐ reconstructed ☐ unknown ☐ fair ☐ unexcavated ☐ excavated 19 features: ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 ☒ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 ☐ SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 ☐ NOT INTACT-1 ☐ NOT INTACT-2 ☐ NOT INTACT-3 ☐ UNKNOWN-4 ☐ UNKNOWN-5 ☒ UNKNOWN-6 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-7 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-8 ☐ NOT APPLICABLE-9

20 ACCESS ☒ YES-Restricted ☐ YES-Unrestricted ☐ No Access ☐ Unknown 21 ADAPTIVE USE ☐ YES ☒ NO 22 SAVED? ☐ YES ☐ NO 23 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? ☒ yes ☐ no

24 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ☐ ENGINEERING-11 ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 ☐ POLITICS/GOVT.-21 ☐ RECREATION-28 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-DI-HISTORIC-2 ☐ COMMERCE-6 ☐ ENTERTAINMENT-25 ☐ LAW-16 ☐ RELIGION-22 ☐ SETTLEMENT-29 ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC-1 ☐ COMMUNICATIONS-7 ☐ EXPLORATION-12 ☐ LITERATURE-17 ☐ SCIENCE-23 ☐ URBAN PLANNING-31 ☐ AGRICULTURE-3 ☐ CONSERVATION-8 ☐ HEALTH-27 ☒ MILITARY-18 ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN-24 ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY) ☒ ARCHITECTURE-4 ☐ ECONOMICS-9 ☐ INDUSTRY-13 ☐ MUSIC-19 ☐ SOCIAL/CULTURAL-30 ☐ TRANSPORTATION-25 ☐ ART-5 ☐ EDUCATION-10 ☐ INVENTION-14 ☐ PHILOSOPHY-20

25 CLAIMS: explain 'first' ☐ 'oldest' ☐ 'only' ☐

26 functions WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: **Military / Community Center** 27 dates of initial construction: **1895** 28 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION CURRENTLY: **Military / Community Center** major alterations: **1914--1915** historic events:

29 architectural style(s): **Eclectic** 30 architect: **Robt. Wait and Amos Cutting** 31 master builder: 32 engineer:

33 landscape architect / garden designer: 34 interior decorator: 35 artist: 36 artisan: 37 builder/contractor:

38 NAMES give role & date PERSONAL: EVENTS: INSTITUTIONAL:

39 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP **BRICK, GRANITE RANDOM ASHLAR, BROWNSTONE; 2 1/2 AND 3-STORY SECTIONS, RECTANGULAR, GABLED AND FLAT ROOF SECTIONS, FRONT CENTER ENTRANCE IN 1-STORY PROJECTING SEGMENTAL-ARCHED PORTAL WITH SMALL CORNER TURRETS; FLANKING 4- AND 5-STORY CORNER TOWERS WITH CARVED BROWNSTONE PANELS, NARROW ROUND-ARCHED OPENINGS, AND ROUNDELS; REAR CENTER ENTRANCE IN ROUND-ARCHED RECESS WITH SPANDRELS AND STONE VOUSOIRS, ROUND AND SEGMENTAL-ARCHED OPENINGS, LOUVERED MONITOR, CORBELED CRENELATED PARAPET; DRILL SHED AND HEAD HOUSE ADDITIONS, 1914-1915. ECLECTIC. CITY'S FIRST BUILDING ERRECTED FOR VOLUNTEER MILITIA; EXAMPLE OF THE WORK OF PROMINENT BOSTON ARCHITECTS ROBERT WAIT AND AMOS CUTTING.**