

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

Town Methuen ✓

Address 50 Brown Street ✓

Historic Name Urias Hardy House ✓

Present Owner: Alfred Harris

Use: Present private residence

Original same

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1900

Source v/a; (cf. bibliography)

Style Shingle Style/Colonial Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric shingles

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) none

Moved no Date n/a

Approx. acreage one acre or less
 7500 sq ft.

Setting residential

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
 staple to left side of form

Photo number 4-4

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



Recorded by Gail Hunton/Carole Zellie

Organization Landscape Research, Ltd.

Date May, 1978/May, 1983

Assessor's Data: Block 11, Lot 1

UTM Reference: Lawrence Quad 1:25,000
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(Staple additional sheets here)

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

The Urias Hardy House is a well preserved example of the substantial residences built for managers and professionals in Methuen at the turn of the century. The gambrel-roofed, Shingle Style building has a projecting two-story portico with a gabled pediment supported by two Corinthian columns; an elliptical window is set into the gable. The shingle-clad building rests on a granite foundation.

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

The Urias Hardy House is significant as an example of the single-family dwellings constructed in Methuen's newly-developing areas at the turn of the century for individuals such as Hardy, an overseer at the nearby Arlington Mills. In contrast to the workers' houses of the Arlington District directly to the south, the Hardy House is stylish, spacious, and was built at considerable expense. The Hardy House was built during a period when Methuen became established as a "bedroom" town for nearby Lawrence, and is associated with the last period of single-family house building prior to World War II.

The Hardy House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials and workmanship and meets criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

The Town of Methuen Pictorial Souvenir. (Methuen, 1903).

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Methuen Multiple Resource Area
State Essex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Cover ——— OIC

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Barker, Stephen, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

2. Buswell, J. E., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

3. Daddy Frye's Hill Cemetery

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

4. Dolan, Terence, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

5. Double-arch Sandstone Bridge

Keeper

for [Signature] 1/20/84

Attest

6. Emerson House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

7. Emerson, Capt. Oliver,
Homestead

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National Register

for Keeper

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8. Emmons, G. B., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

9. First Baptist Church

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 1/20/84

Attest

10. Hardy, Urias, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

for [Signature] 1/20/84

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Substantive Review

Hardy, Urias, House (Methuen MRA)
Essex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. DEC - 7 1983
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85
Date Due: 1/5/84 - 1/21/84
Action: ACCEPT 1/20/84
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*THE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE IS
CLEANED FROM SECTION 7+B OF THE
COVER NOMINATION AND 7+B OF THE FORM.
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER TO HAVE*

Recom./Criteria Accept
Reviewer [Signature]
Discipline [Signature]
Date 11-20-89
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below 1 STRONG SUMMARY RE STATEMENT SIGNIFICANCE.
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

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
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

Henry, United States (Section 106)
Bass & County
HARRISBURG

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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: _____



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Hardy, U-102, Heise

Methuen MPA, Ma

724A

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000284