

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

WN-0116

NEWTON, MA MRA

Town Newton (West Newton)

Address 271 Chestnut Street

Historic Name Charles W. Noves House

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 residential

Original same

DESCRIPTION

Date 1914

Source Building Dept. Records

Style Craftsman

Architect Hubert G. Ripley

Exterior Wall Fabric stucco

Outbuildings garage-C

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

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition good

see attached map

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage 30,000 sq.ft. C .69A

Setting located on a busy north-south thoroughfare in a residential neighborhood of mixed 19th and 20th century date.

UTM REFERENCE 19|316760|4689700

Recorded by Candace Jenkins/Susan Abele

USGS QUADRANGLE NEWTON

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

SCALE 1:25000

Date 6/1987; rev. 3/88

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Charles Noyes House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant as an unusual example of the English Craftsman style by Boston architect and local resident Hubert G. Ripley. It is also representative of Newton's early 20th century suburban growth which resulted in infill of established areas as well as in development of new subdivisions. It meets criteria A & C of the NRHP.

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

The Charles Noyes House is an unusual example of the Craftsman style with strong similarities to 47 Windsor Road in Waban and to 72 Dalton Road in Newton Centre. It is a 1 and 1/2 story stucco clad house enclosed by a broad clipped gable roof. The gable end facing the street features banks of small paned windows at both the first and second story. The entry is located on the left side beneath a porte-cochere. The driveway leads to a garage at the rear of the property.

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

The house at 271 Chestnut Street, West Newton, was built in 1914 for lawyer, Charles W. Noyes about whom little is known. It was designed by architect Hubert G. Ripley (1869-1942), who was born in Melrose and studied architecture at M.I.T., receiving his degree in 1890. Ripley worked first in the offices of Daniel Burnham on the Columbian Exposition and later as a draftsman for Peabody & Stearns before opening his own offices in 1906. He entered into a partnership with Addison LeBoutillier in 1917 and practiced with him until 1942. Besides the Chestnut Street house, Ripley also designed his own house at 36 Birch Hill Road (1914; Newtonville H.D. (expanded)), and the Parish House for St. John's Church at 297 Lowell Avenue. The firm of Ripley & LeBoutillier was known for this design of a number of schools, one of which was the Warren Junior High School at 1600 Washington Street in West Newton (1926-7; WN-0134).

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Building Department Records: 271 Chestnut Street
City Directories and Atlases, *Biographical Dictionary*, *Withy*

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

151. Luke, Arthur F., House ^{Entered in the}
National Register

Keeper *Helene Byers* 2/16/90

Attest _____

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION
152. Newton Catholic High School
Substantive Review
TO: OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANSH.D.

Keeper *Betty L. Savage* 02-16-90

Attest _____

153. Newton Centre Branch Library
Substantive Review

Keeper *Betty L. Savage* 02-16-90

Attest _____

154. Newton City Hall and War Memorial
Substantive Review

Keeper *Betty L. Savage* 02-16-90

Attest _____

155. Noves, Charles W., House
Entered in the National Register

Keeper *Helene Byers* 2/16/90

Attest _____

156. Pierce, F. Lincoln, Houses
Entered in the National Register

Keeper *Helene Byers* 2/16/90

Attest _____

157. Plummer Memorial Library
Entered in the National Register

Keeper *Helene Byers* 2/16/90

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158. Riverside Concrete Company--Lamont's Market
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159. Sawyer, C. A., House (Second)
Entered in the National Register

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160. Schraft, George F., House
Substantive Review

Keeper _____

Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Noves, Charles W., House

MULTIPLE NAME: Newton MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/02/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/16/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/01/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/16/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000030

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 2/16/90 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
 UTMs 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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271 Chestnut St.
Newton, MA

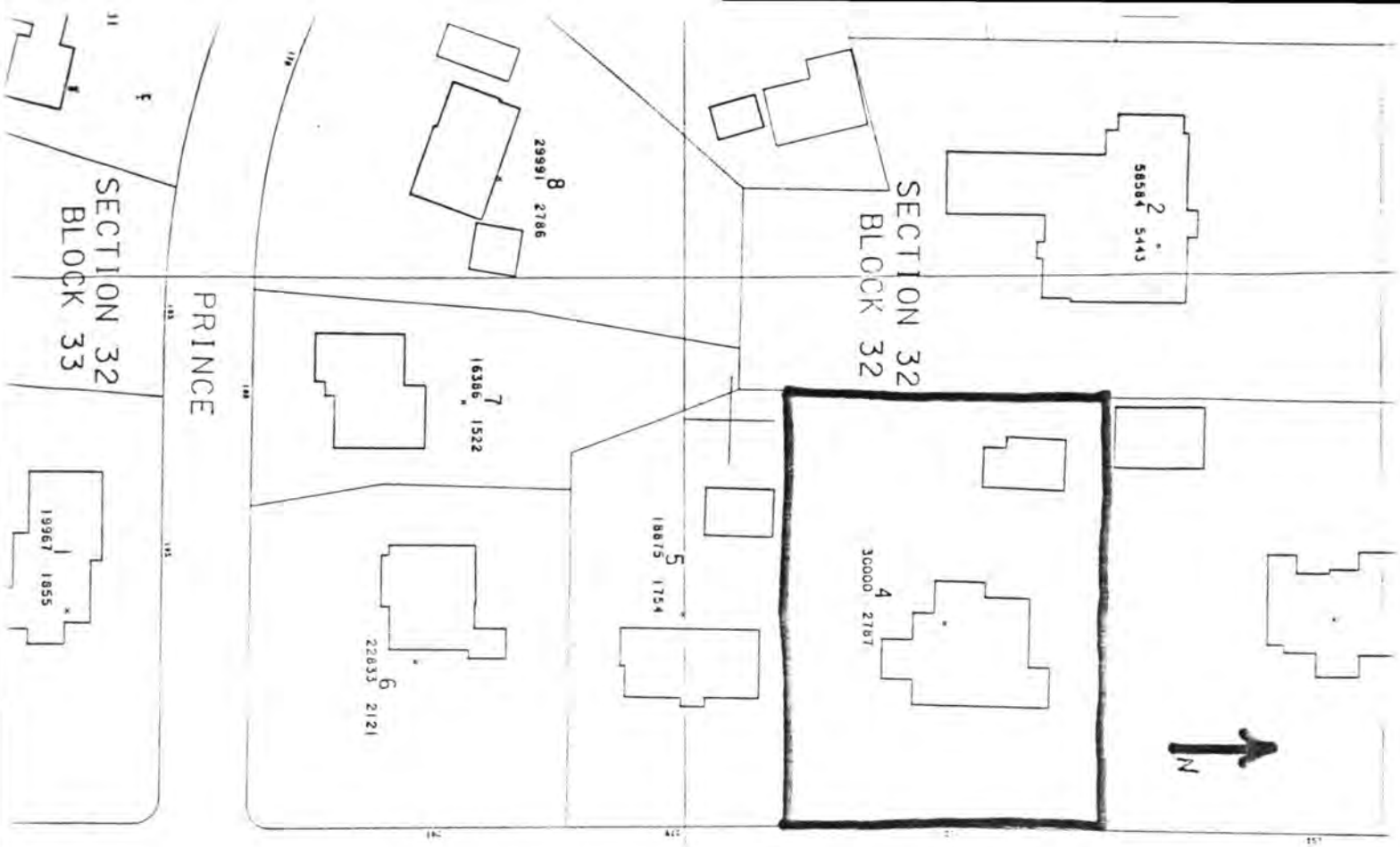
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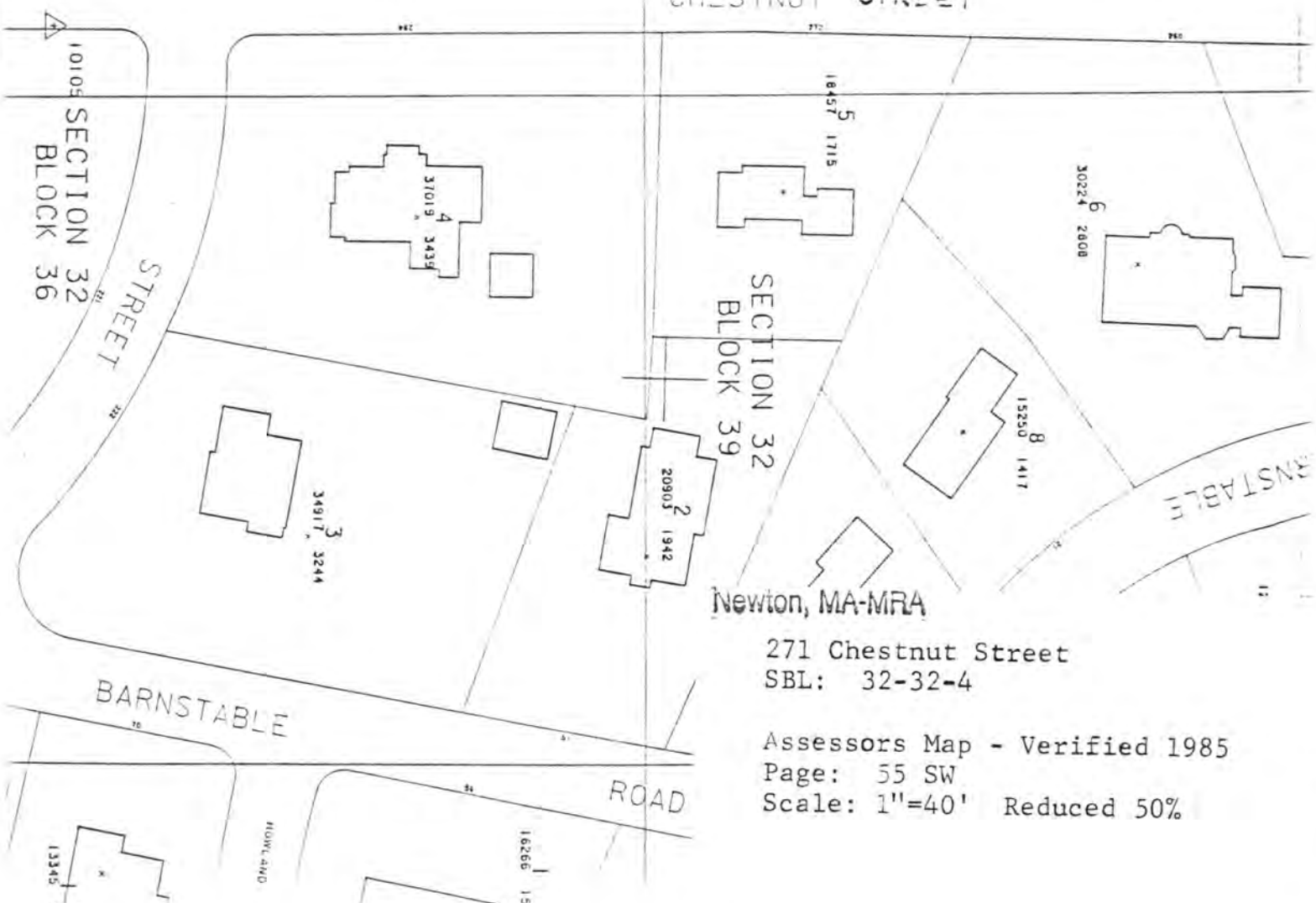
req. @ Jackson Homestead
New - West

WN-0116

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CHESTNUT STREET



Newton, MA-MRA

271 Chestnut Street
 SBL: 32-32-4

Assessors Map - Verified 1985
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 Scale: 1"=40' Reduced 50%