

FORM B - BUILDING

MAY 15 1989

SOUTHBRIDGE, MASS

MRA

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

528

AREA	FORM NO.
D	42

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

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

Town SouthbridgeAddress 915 West Main StreetHistoric Name William McKinstry, Jr.

House (Monitor Roof House)

Use: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1815Source Quinebaug Historical Society LeafletStyle FederalArchitect unkExterior Wall Fabric brickOutbuildings NoneMajor Alterations (with dates) addition offront porch (1890's) rear porches (early - 20th cCondition good-fairMoved No Date n/aAcreage less than one acre

Setting on main thoroughfare opposite 20th century commercial structures, some 18th- and 19th-century residential on either side

UTM REFERENCE 18/774 220/4662/820USGS QUADRANGLE Southbridge, Mass-ConnSCALE 1:25,000Recorded by H. Walkowiak, S. Ceccacci

Organization Southbridge Historical Com- mission
ed. S. Ceccacci

Date May 1986

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The William McKinstry, Jr. House is significant as rare surviving housing associated with Southbridge's early mill development at Globe Village, meeting National Register criteria A and C at the local level. It retains integrity of location, materials, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The boundaries indicated on the attached assessors map are those of current ownership.

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

Its origin shrouded in mystery, this unusual two story, five bay structure is distinguished by its brick fabric, fanlight entrance and monitor roof. Built sometime before it was shown in an 1822 painting of Globe Village by Francis Alexander, the building appears to have been originally intended as a residence. The reason for the use of the monitor roof, more typically associated with mill buildings, is not known. At the time the building was built no mill buildings in Globe Village were known to have had monitor roofs. The first known use of the monitor roof for a mill was in 1809 at the Lippitt Cotton Mill in Lippitt, R.I.

Sometime during, or just before, the mid-19th century the building apparently began to be used to house workers from the Hamilton Woolen Mill across the street. When the Girls' Boarding House was built around mid-19th century for the mill, it was also designed with a monitor roof.

It seems that the idea for putting a monitor on the Girls' Boarding House was very likely suggested after it was found that the monitor on this earlier structure provided an extra floor of liveable space for little additional expense.

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

The 1812 Ammidown map of Southbridge^{in 1796} shows no building on this site. An 1822 painting of Globe Village documents its existence by that date. Who the original owner might have been is unclear. Maps showing ownership of buildings are not available prior to 1855. However, William McKinstry, Jr. was named in the Quinebaug Historical Leaflets as having lived here in 1836. Nineteenth century maps, beginning in 1855, indicate that the house was the property of the Hamilton Woolen Mill.

William McKinstry, the son of the early Southbridge settler, William McKinstry, was born in 1791 in a farmhouse built by his father on Pleasant Street (form #A-146). In 1846 William McKinstry, Jr., a tailor, married Mary Ann Kitchen. According to a statement in the Quinebaug Historical Society Leaflets, he was the father of John A. McKinstry.

Numerous descendants of the original William McKinstry lived in the northwest portion of Southbridge around Pleasant Street and northern Globe Village all during the 19th-century. During this same period several members of the family were engaged in business in Globe Village.

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maps, atlases

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Southbridge MRA
State Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
51. Kinney, A., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
52. LaCroix--Mosher House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
53. LaRochelle, Napoleon, Two-Family House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
54. Maple Street Historic District Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
55. Marcy, Mrs. R., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
56. McKinstry, William, Jr., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
57. McKinstry, William, Farmhouse Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
58. Morse, H., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
59. New York, New Haven & Hartford Passenger Depot Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____
60. Notre Dame Catholic Church Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Delores Byers</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: McKinsty, William, Jr., House

MULTIPLE NAME: Southbridge MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 5/15/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/31/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/16/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/29/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000528

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 6/22/89 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 _____

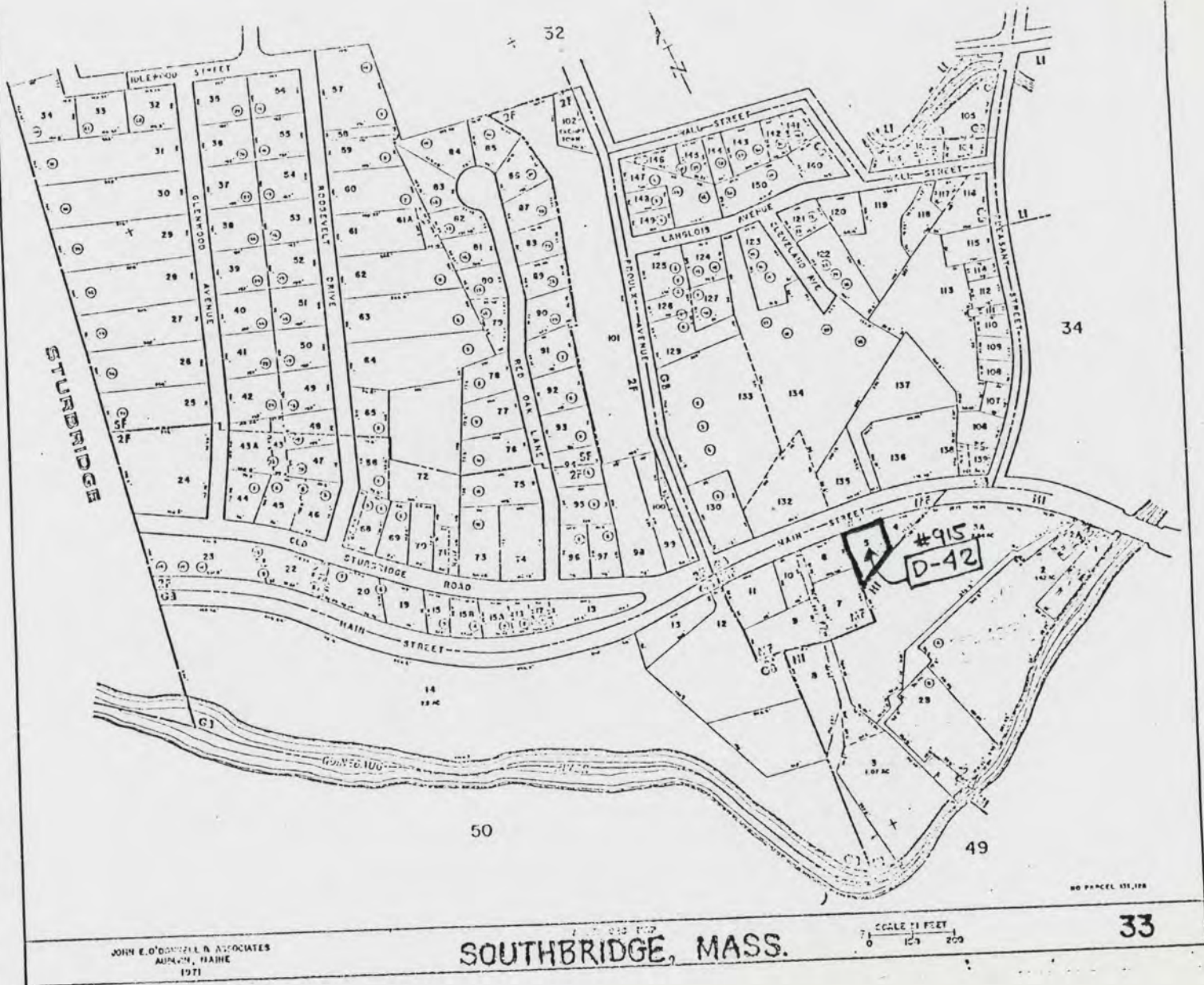


915 West Main Street (D-42)
William McKinstry Jr. Hse. (Monitor Roof Hse.)
Southbridge, MA MA
1986

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

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