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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
A	95

Town Wakefield

Address 8 Park Street

Historic Name NA

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

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

DESCRIPTION

Date 1852-1856

Source map 1857

Style Italianate

Architect NA

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings barn contributor
c. 1856

Major Alterations (with dates) storm porch
at front door; 2 windows east;
stained glass stair window

c. 1880-1910
Condition Good

Moved NA Date NA

Acreage Less than one acre

Setting Set close to street, faces north, behind well-developed wood ballustrade fence. Barn to rear and east.

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 19/329800 14707680

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 well preserved Italianate vernacular house features some unusual detailing for this area of Wakefield. At one time it was owned by Harland Perkins, a local architect responsible for the distinctive trio of craftsman style houses on Prospect Street. The building retains integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association, and meets criterion 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 2½ story cross gabled frame house is an excellent example of the ornate, suburban vernacular Italianate style. Set gable end to the street with a side-hall plan, a two story ell at the rear and a piazza to the west expand the house. The entry is marked by a flat arched protico which is seen on several more developed Italianate examples in Wakefield. Long first floor windows with entablature surrounds, elaborate piazza pillars with bracketed heads, and a baluster fence are features seen infrequently on the east side of the lake.

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 home of Dr. Josiah Poland. Park Street was accepted by the Town in 1852, and the house was probably built for the Doctor between that date and 1857, when a map shows him owning the property. Dr. Poland apparently did not practice long in town.

By 1874 it was the home of James H. Carter, who was instrumental in erecting the Rockery on the Wakefield Common. The house was famous for its large hemlock on its grounds. Around the turn of the century it was purchased by Harland H. Perkins, the architect who designed the interesting trio of Craftsman houses on Prospect Street for Elizabeth Boit, part owner of the Harvard Knitting Mills. He may have renovated the interior of this house.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

maps 1857, Dr. Poland
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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
61. House at 8 Park Street Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> 7/6/89 Attest _____
62. House at 88 Prospect Street Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> 7/6/89 Attest _____
63. House at 9 White Avenue Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u><i>Delores Byers</i></u> 7/6/89 Attest _____
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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 8 Park 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: 89000689

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

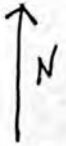
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Signed _____ Date _____



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8 Park St.

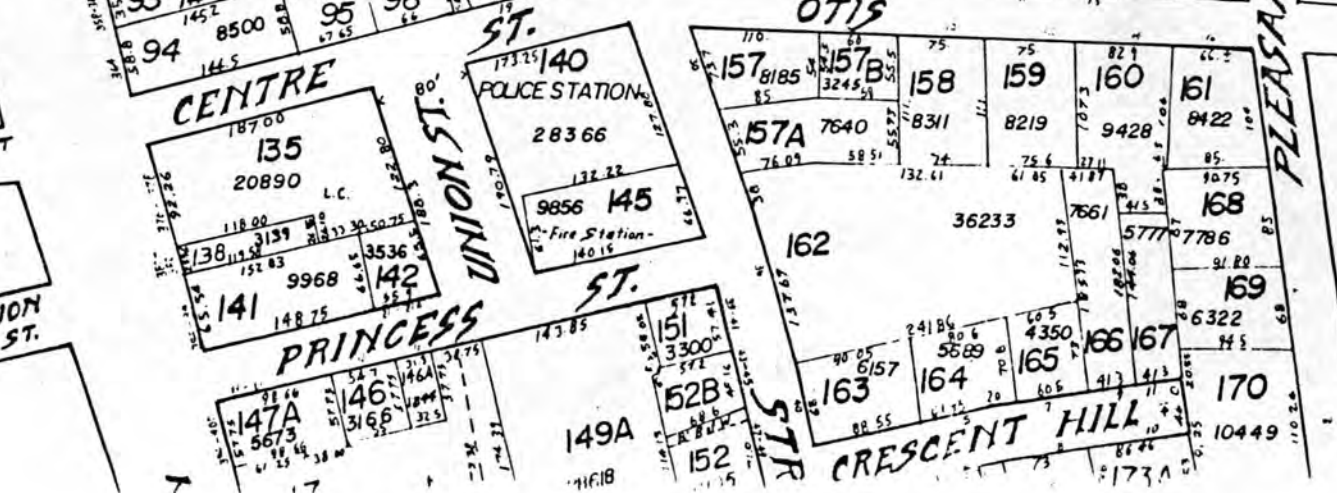
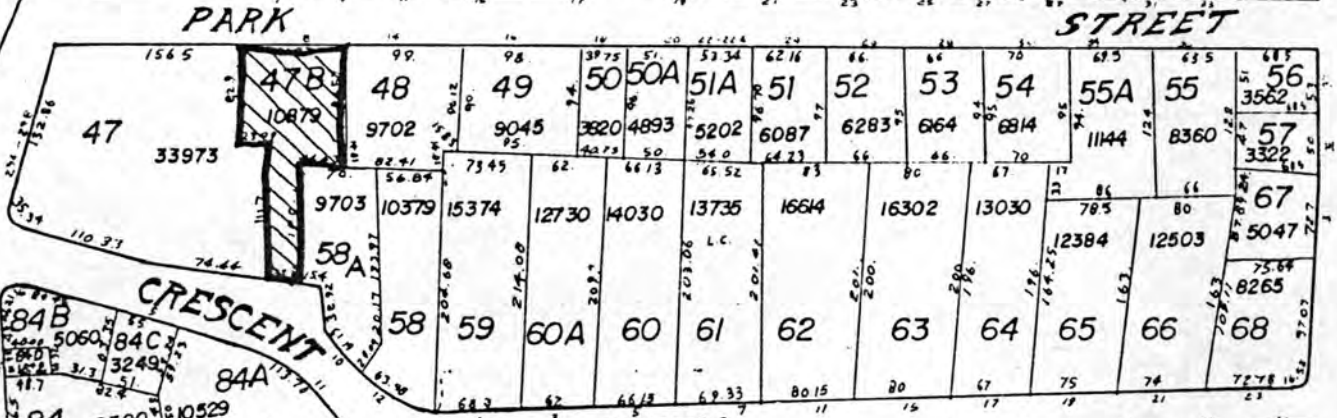
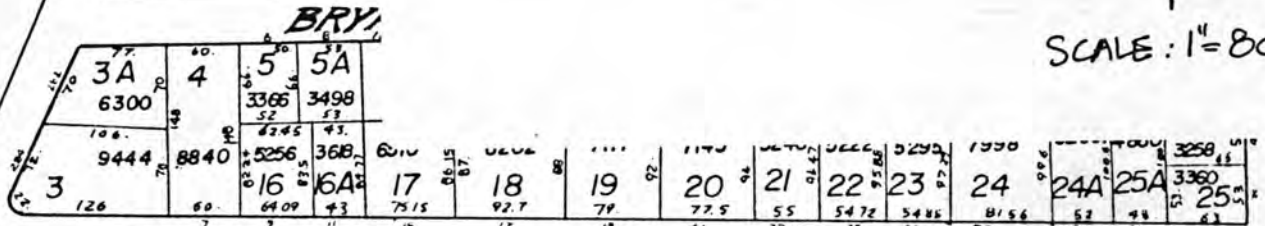
8 PARK ST.



SCALE: 1" = 80'

2.5 ACRES

COMMON



STREET

AVON ST.

CHESTNUT ST.

ALBION ST.

UNION ST.

PRINCESS ST.

CRESCENT HILL ST.

PLEASANT ST.

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

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