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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116

USGS Map #21

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number 68-29A

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.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Town Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge MRA

Address 27 Everett Street

Historic Name The Jarvis

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1890

Source building permit

Style Queen Anne

Architect J.R. & W.P. Richards

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings NA

Major alterations (with dates) no

Moved no Date NA

Approx. acreage .3147 acres

Recorded by T. Alduino

Organization Cambridge Historical Com.

Date 1985

Setting The Jarvis is surrounded by institutional complexes: Lesley College to the east and the Harvard Graduate Center to the south. To the west are several apartment building

UTM 19/325560/4693540

USGS Quad: Boston North (Staple additional sheets here)

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

The Jarvis is a red brick Queen Anne apartment house with polychromatic trim. Orange brick corner quoins and window surrounds contrast with the rusticated ground level, belt courses and window ledges. The asymmetrically placed arched entrance with large wooden doors is flanked by pilasters and follows Richardsonian precedents. Queen Anne details include a projecting gable over the entrance, corbelled brick at the cornice and massive end chimneys. The roof is hipped and slated with two dormers surrounding the turret. The side elevations feature elliptical bays. Continued

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

The Jarvis was the first apartment house constructed in the area surrounding the northern half of Massachusetts Avenue. This area had contained primarily large estates until 1860 when a building boom began. Unlike other parts of Cambridge, lots were available for new development. Although constructed on a street of single family homes, as were most apartment buildings, the Jarvis fits in better than most because of its domestic appearance. Indeed, the Jarvis was organized much like a large single family house with rooms for the servant on the top floor, storage rooms in the basement, and suites of five to ten rooms. The site plan, published in American Architect & Building News in 1891, also showed a tennis court in the rear. The feasibility of such a luxurious apartment building was apparently fleeting as no imitators were constructed locally. French flat apartment buildings like the Montrose and the Dunvegan developed later along Mass. Ave and provided a much more economic use of space.

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

SEE ATTACHED BIBLIOGRAPHY

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:	Form No:
Cambridge, Mass. Cambridge MRA	II B 32A
Property Name: The Jarvis	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

Architectural Significance con't.

J.R. & W.P. Richards were a father/son team, the younger studying both under his father and in the office of Peabody & Stearns. In 1880, he joined his father's office and continued to work there after his father's death in 1900. Together, the Richards designed many Queen Anne buildings in Cambridge including such other significant multi-family structures as 19 Ware Street (1887) and 382-392 Harvard Street (1889). Of these three, the Jarvis is the most elaborate and is significant under Criterion C as embodying the distinguishable characteristic of the Queen Anne style.

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Property Name: *The Jewell's*
27 Everett St.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Cambridge Multiple Resource Area
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 250yrs 171. Cambridge Common Historic District
(Boundary Increase)
Substantive Review

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

automatically
listed

1/26/88

172. Dana-Palmer House
Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

Patrick Andrews 5/19/86

Beth L. Sarge 5-14-88

173. Dunvegan, The

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

174. Eliot Hall at Radcliffe College

Entered in the
National Register

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

- 250yrs 175. Follen Street Historic District
Substantive Review

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Patrick Andrews 5/19/86

Beth L. Sarge 5-14-88

176. Fogg Art Museum

Entered in the
National Register

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

177. Gray Gardens East and West H. Dist.

Entered in the
National Register

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

178. Harvard Union

Entered in the
National Register

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179. Hapgood, Richard, House

Entered in the
National Register

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

180. Jarvis, The

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National Register

Keeper

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Melvyn Byrum 5/19/86

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Jarvis, The (Cambridge MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. APR 4 1986
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 5/1/86 — 5/19/86
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 5-19-86
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in ~~the~~
National Register

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

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	☐ original site
		☐ moved date _____

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

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: _____

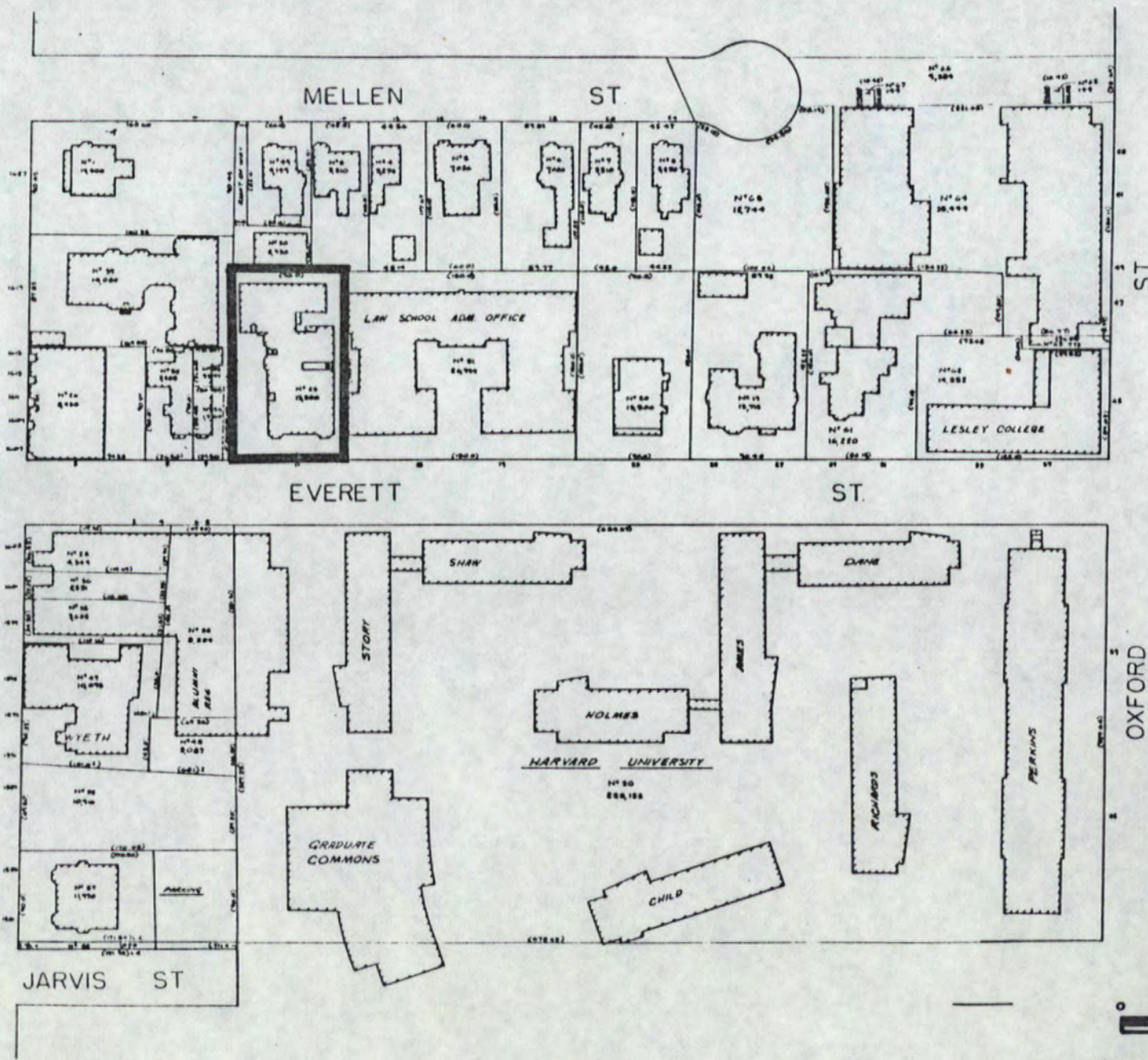


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27 Everett Street

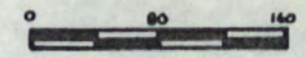
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Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge MRA
THE JARVIS



Base: City of Cambridge
Assessor's Plans
January 1983

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275