

AREA	FORM NO.
	152



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
 MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 80 BOYLSTON STREET
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116

town Arlington, MA
 address 68,70,72,74 Franklin Street
 historic Name Warren Rawson Building

use: Present Residential complex
 Original Farm laborer housing

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1895

Source Arlington maps and directories

Style late 19th c. Frame Vernacular

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings None

Major alterations (with dates) None

Moved No Date N/A

Approx. acreage Less than one acre

Setting The Warren Rawson Building is located in a densely settled residential neighborhood.

UTM: 19/323350/4697970

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 Betsy Friedberg
 Organization Mass. Historical Commission
 Date January, 1985

(Staple additional sheets here)

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

Multi-unit farm laborers' housing, such as 68-74 Franklin Street, may represent a building type that is unique to Arlington. This building is composed of a long rectangular main block with its eastern gable facing Franklin Street. Access to this structure is gained via a pair of porches projecting from its southern facade and four enclosed entrances that project from the rear of the building (northern facade). This house culminates in a steeply pitched gable with return eaves. A regimental row of chimneys appears along the roof's ridge. Thin pieces of wood define this building's corners and windows simply.

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

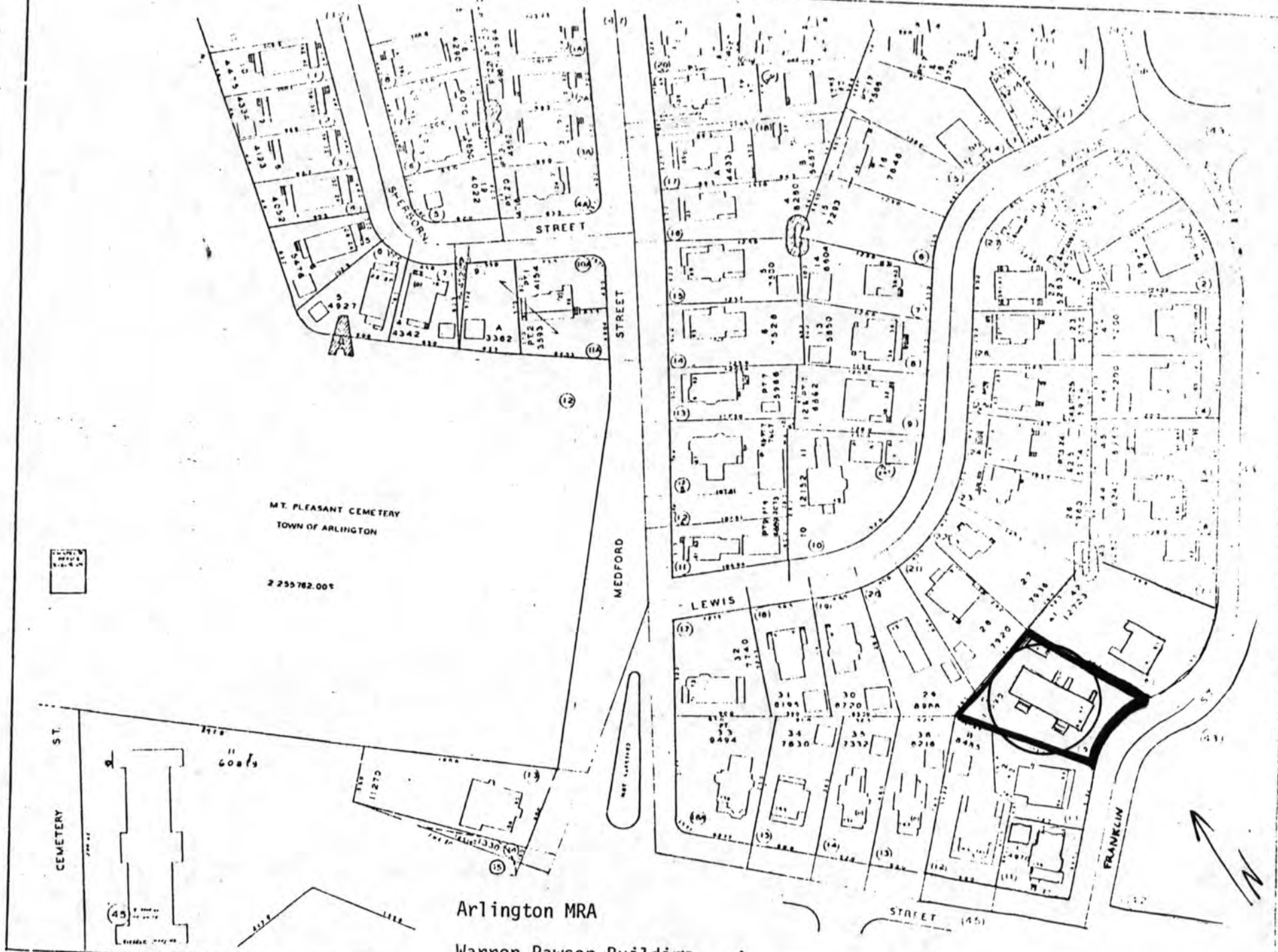
This house was built ca. 1895 to house laborers employed by Warren W. Rawson, one of Arlington's leading market garden farmers during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Although farm workers' duplexes are scattered throughout the town, this building and 37-49 Park Street, also built by Rawson, are the only workers' dormitories still extant in Arlington.

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

The Warren Rawson Building possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. It meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places as a well-preserved example of an unusual form perhaps unique to Arlington, farm laborers' housing, and reflective of a significant phase in the town's development, the heyday of market gardening.

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

Arlington Directories of 1890, 1898, 1923.
1884 Bird's Eye View of Arlington, Arlington Advocate
1898 Stadly & Co. Atlas



Arlington MRA

Warren Rawson Building
68-74 Franklin Street

BLOCK PLAN (170)

12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Rawson, Warren, Building (Arlington MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. MAR 6 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4/7/85 - 4/20/85
Action: ACCEPT
 RETURN 4-18-85
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- 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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use

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"/> unaltered
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
		<input type="checkbox"/> 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)*

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- 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 *Poor copy of map used for defining boundaries - cannot read scale.*
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed *W. Byers* Date *4/18/85* Phone: _____

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116

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

Photo number _____

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.

Recorded by Betsy Friedberg
Organization Mass. Historical Commission
Date December 1984

Town Arlington

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Historic Name Warren Rawson Building

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Original Farm laborer housing

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1895

Source Arlington maps and directories

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Architect Unknown

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Major alterations (with dates) None

Moved No Date NA

Approx. acreage less than one acre

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UTM References: 19/323350/4697970

(Staple additional sheets here)

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

Multi-unit farm laborers' housing, such as 68-74 Franklin Street, represents a building type that is unique to the Boston area, and documented poorly outside of Arlington. This building is composed of a long rectangular main block with its eastern gable facing Franklin Street. Access to this structure is gained via a pair of porches projecting from its southern facade and four enclosed entrances that project from the rear of the building (northern facade). This house culminates in a steeply pitched gable with return eaves. A regimental row of chimneys appears along the roof's ridge. This piece of wood defines this building's corners and windows in a simple

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

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CRITERIA OF EVALUATION

The Warren Rawson Building possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. It meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places as a well-preserved example of an unusual form that is possibly unique to Arlington--farm laborers' housing--and has strong associations with a significant phase in the town's development, the heyday of market gardening in Arlington.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Item number

Page

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Arlington Multiple Resource Area
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Locke School

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 9/27/85

Attest

32. Milestone

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 9/27/85

Attest

33. Prentiss-Payson House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/14/85

Attest

34. Prentiss, William, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 9/27/85

Attest

35. Proctor, William, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/18/85

Attest

36. Rawson, Warren, Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 9/27/85

Attest

37. Rawson, Warren, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/8/85

Attest

38. Robindreau, Alfred E.,
House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/8/85

Attest

39. Robinson House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/14/85

Attest

40. Robinson-Lewis-G.F.,
Fessenden House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melona Byers 4/18/85

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REF #
85002686

Rawson, Warren, Building (Arlington MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 3/6/85
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 9/28/85
Action: ACCEPT 9-27-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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National Register

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- ruins
- unexposed

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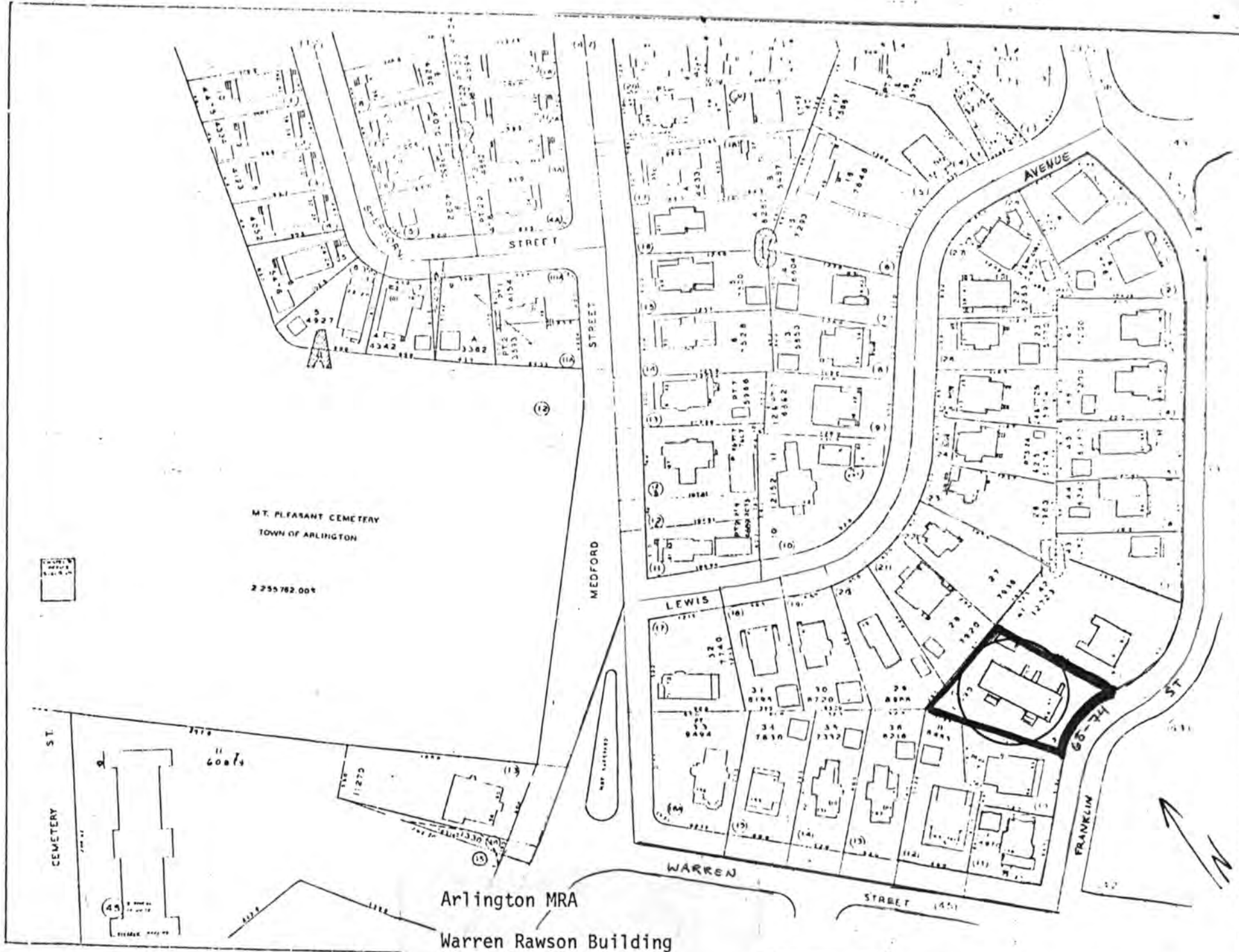
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Rawson, Warren, Building

68-74 Franklin St.

Arlington MRA, MA

3220



Arlington MRA
 Warren Rawson Building
 68-74 Franklin Street

Scale: 1" = 120'
 Arlington Town Assessors Map 1960

BLOCK PLAN NO 40
 Arlington Assessors Map