

United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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1. Name

historic SWETLAND-PEASE HOUSE

and/or common same

2. Location SE of East Longmeadow at

street & number 191 Pease Road not for publication

city, town East Longmeadow vicinity of congressional district 2nd.

state East Longmeadow code 025 county Hampden code 013

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
☐ district	☐ public	☒ occupied	☐ agriculture
☒ building(s)	☒ private	☐ unoccupied	☐ commercial
☐ structure	☐ both	☐ work in progress	☐ educational
☐ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	☒ private residence
☐ object	☐ in process	☐ yes: restricted	☐ religious
	☐ being considered	☐ yes: unrestricted	☐ scientific
		☒ no	☐ transportation
			☐ other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. & Mrs. Ernest H. Page

street & number 191 Pease Road

city, town East Longmeadow vicinity of state Massachusetts

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Hampden County Registry of Deeds, (Springfield, MA.)

street & number 50 State Street

city, town Springfield state Massachusetts

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Inventory of the Historic Assets of
title the Commonwealth #D-450

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☒ no

date 1973 ☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Massachusetts Historical Commission

city, town Boston state Massachusetts

7. Description

Condition

☒ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Swetland-Pease House stands on the south side of Pease Road at the base of Spook's Hill in East Longmeadow. The house is located in a rural area, and is immediately surrounded by woods on the east and west and by a field on the south. Extending along the property's street frontage is a Virginia rail fence made of chestnut wood.

In its present state, the house consists of a Vernacular/Federalist style main house flanked by two lateral wings which were added in the mid or late nineteenth century. All sections of the building are covered with clapboard and enclosed by pitched roofs. Except where noted otherwise, all windows contain 12/12 sash set in moulded surrounds. All elevations are asymmetrical.

The main house is a two story structure of timber frame construction. Possessing a rectangular floor plan with a central chimney, the house rests on a dry wall foundation of locally quarried red sandstone. The Facade (north elevation) contains an entry slightly west of center, flanked by one window on the west and two windows on the east. The entry is framed by narrow Doric pilasters supporting an entablature. The front door is concealed by a stormdoor made of vertical boards and hung on strap hinges. At the Facade's second story are four windows, set in vertical alignment with the windows and entry of the first story.

The main house's east and west elevations are largely blocked by the building's wings; however, both ends contain a single 9/6 window centered on the gable. The rear (south) elevation of the main house contains three unevenly spaced windows at both stories; the second story of this elevation is covered with wooden shingles. Near the southwest corner of the main house is a square plan shed addition; this addition contains three windows on its south elevation and is blank on its east and west elevations.

The house's west wing is one story high, has a rectangular floor plan with a recessed porch on its north elevation and is of apparent early or mid-nineteenth century construction. Set beneath the porch are two windows and an entry, while west of the porch is a set of double doors which lead to a carriage shed. The wing's west elevation contains two 6/6 windows, one in the gable and one set near the wing's northwest corner.

The house's east wing appears to date from the mid or late nineteenth century. The east wing is one and one half stories high with a rectangular floor plan. Extending out from the wing's north elevation and enclosed by a shed roof are a rectangular bay and porch, which have been designed to create the impression of symmetry with the house's west wing. The north elevation of the east wing contains two windows at the first story and a shed dormer with paired 8/8 window at the second story. The wing's east elevation contains one window at the first story and one in the gable, while the south elevation contains two windows and an undecorated doorway.

The house's interior retains many of its original features, including a kitchen fireplace built of red sandstone. Also located on the property are a square plan, one story pump house and a shed.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
☐ prehistoric	☐ archeology-prehistoric	☐ community planning	☐ landscape architecture	☐ religion
☐ 1400-1499	☐ archeology-historic	☐ conservation	☐ law	☐ science
☐ 1500-1599	☒ agriculture	☐ economics	☐ literature	☐ sculpture
☐ 1600-1699	☒ architecture	☐ education	☐ military	☐ social/
☒ 1700-1799	☐ art	☐ engineering	☐ music	☐ humanitarian
☐ 1800-1899	☐ commerce	☒ exploration/settlement	☐ philosophy	☐ theater
☐ 1900-	☐ communications	☐ industry	☐ politics/government	☐ transportation
		☐ invention		☐ other (specify)

Specific dates ca 1793; 19th c. add. **Builder/Architect** unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Swetland-Pease House retains integrity of location, design, materials, setting and association with the agricultural settlement of East Longmeadow. One of a small number of eighteenth century houses remaining in East Longmeadow, the Swetland-Pease House is an excellent example of Vernacular Federalist architecture. Along with the Elijah Burt House (NR), it is the best preserved example of this period in the town. The house retains important elements of its original design in its entry, surround, mouldings, sash and dressed sandstone foundation facings. An unusual detail is the house's kitchen fireplace which is built of locally quarried red sandstone, a feature which has regional association in the Vernacular building tradition of the state of Connecticut. Currently, the house's site retains much of its original rural setting, being surrounded by fields and woods.

The house is believed to have been built by Benjamin Swetland, a farmer, around 1793. In the nineteenth century, the farm passed into the possession of the Pease family with whom it is most closely associated. Members of the Pease family who occupied the property include Mervin Henry Pease (1860-1933), who was born in the house. Pease, who was a school teacher and farmer, was active in civic affairs, serving as a member of the town's school committee (1904-1917) and as a town assessor for eleven years. In 1919, the property, then including a barn, shed and milk-house, was sold out of the Pease family.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Goodlatte, J. East Longmeadow Massachusetts, 75 Years a Town.

Springfield: New England Blueprint Paper Company, 1969

Page, D. Research Report and Supplement, 191 Pease Road, E. Long., 1969, Historical File of Old Homes, East Long. Library

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1.32 acres

Quadrangle name Hampden

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

A 19 707340 4657470
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification Beginning at an iron pipe in the northerly line of Pease Road distant seven hundred fifteen and 99/100 (715.99) feet westerly of the intersection of the northerly line of said Pease Road with the westerly line of Lee St., as said Streets existed in 1949, thence NORTH 88 degrees 02 degrees WEST along said northerly line

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries (see continuation sheet)

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Brian Pfeiffer, Consultant

Jeanne P. Goodlatte, chairman, East Long.H.C.
and Dorothy H. Page

organization Massachusetts Historical Commission

date 12/79

street & number 294 Washington Street

telephone (617) 727-8470

city or town Boston

state Massachusetts

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

 national state X local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Patricia H. Weslow

1/24/80

title Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

for James M. Douglas
Keeper of the National Register

date April 9/80

Attest: Patrick Andrews

date 4/8/80

Chief of Registration

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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CONTINUATION SHEET Boundaries ITEM NUMBER 10 PAGE 2.

of Pease Road two hundred fifty (250) feet to an iron pipe; thence NORTH 1 degree
58 feet EAST two hundred fifty (250) feet to an iron pipe; thence SOUTH 88 degrees
02 feet EAST 223.73 feet to an iron pipe; thence SOUTH 4 degrees 02 feet EAST 251.37
feet to the point of beginning.

Property Sweetland - Pease House

State Ma - Hampden

Working Number 2-12-80454

TECHNICAL

Photos 1

Maps 1

new prop

CONTROL

This house is eligible for architecture - built c. 1793 this is a two story timber frame vernacular Federal style farmhouse. Two 19th cent. wings were added. This is one of a few 18th cent. houses in the town and ranks (with one more) as the best example of Federalist architecture in the town. Much original interior fabric remains. 1.3 acres, nominated for agric. settlement - no enough info. provided to justify these areas.

HISTORIAN

*accept
Patricia Andrews
4/8/80*

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

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Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up 2.3.81

Send-back _____

Entered APR 9 1980

Federal Register Entry

Re-submit _____



Swetland-Pease House
191 Pease Road
East DLongmeadow, Mass.

Hampton Ct.

Ms. Theo G. Heald 1978
East Longmeadow Library

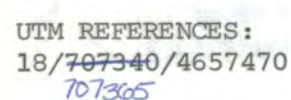
Photo #1 of 1
Facade facing south

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*Swetland Pease House
191 Pease Road
East Longmeadow, Mass*

HAMPDEN QUADRANGLE
MASSACHUSETTS-CONNECTICUT
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, Massachusetts Land and Harbor Commission,
and Connecticut Geodetic Survey
Topography by planetable surveys 1938 and 1943. Revised 1958
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum.
10,000-foot grids based on Massachusetts coordinate system,
mainland zone, and Connecticut coordinate system.
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with
Connecticut Highway Department from aerial photographs taken 1970
This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

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**MASSACHUSETTS
HISTORICAL
COMMISSION**

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Office of the Secretary of State**

294 Washington Street
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MICHAEL JOSEPH CONNOLLY
Secretary of State

January 28, 1980

Ms. Carol Schull, Acting Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
Heritage, Conservation & Recreation Service
440 G Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Ms. Schull;

Enclosed you will find the following nomination forms:

Attleboro- First Parsonage of the Second Church (local)	Medford- John McGill House (local)
* Bedford- David Lane House (local)	Middleborough- C. P. Washburn Grain- mill (local)
* Boston- Charles Street Jail (national)	Middlefield- Stone Arch Railroad Bridge District (state)
Dartmouth- Hill School (local)	Natick- Rev. Stephen Badger House (state)
* East Longmeadow- Swetland-Pease House (local)	Newton- St. Mary's Church & Cemetary (local)
Framingham- First Baptist Church (state)	New Bedford- Central New Bedford Historic District (local)
Lancaster- Founders Hall (state)	Newton- Echo Bridge (state- resubmission)
Marlborough- Peter Rice House (local)	Sharon- Stoneholm (local)
Medford- Edward Oakes House (local)	(These are enclosed under separate cover)
(All of the above are enclosed)	

These have been voted eligible by the State Review Board and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Sincerely,

Christine Boulding
Christine Boulding
Survey Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

CB/cj



*These properties were notified under the new procedures.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered APR 9 1980

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Echo Bridge	Town of Needham, City of Newton Norfolk and Middlesex County
Swetland-Pease House	East Longmeadow vicinity Hampden County
Rice, Capt. Peter, House	Marlborough Middlesex County
First Baptist Church	Framingham Middlesex County
Oakes, Edward, House	Medford Middlesex County
McGill, John H., House	Medford Middlesex County
Dillaway School	Boston Suffolk County
Berger Factory	Boston Suffolk County

Also Notified

Honorable Paul Tsongas

Honorable Edward M. Kennedy
Honorable John J. Moakley
Honorable Robert F. Drinan
Honorable Edward P. Boland
Honorable Joseph D. Early
Honorable Edward J. Markey

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mrs. Patricia L. Weslowski
Executive Director, Massachusetts
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NR

Byers/bjr 4/17/80

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.