

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

(Winchester, Mass. M.R.A.)

Town WINCHESTER

Address 223-225 Cambridge Street

Historic Name Henry Grover House

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

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date 1880s

Source Deeds

Style Vernacular

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings three barns / C

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition Good

Moved no Date _____

Acreage 9.29 acres 0019-0124

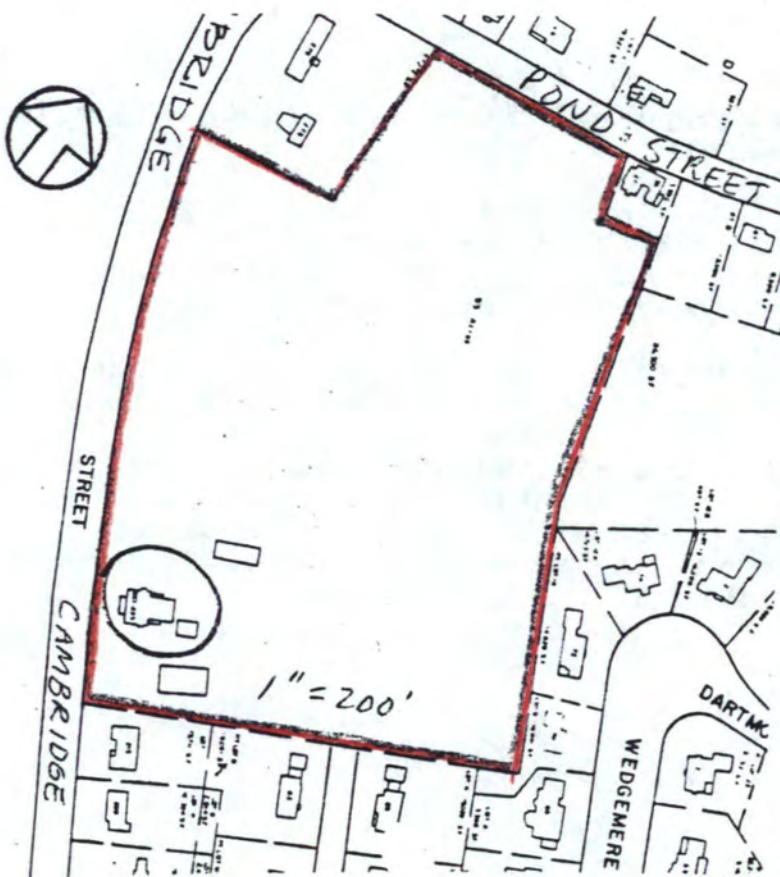
Setting Open rural setting along early road from Cambridge. Presently mixed commercial/residential use.

Recorded by Carol Ely

Organization Winchester Historical Comm

Date 9/78; revised 10/87 by H. White

Formerly: 179-181 Cambridge Street (before 1928)



UTM REFERENCE 19, 3 22490.47 02190

USGS QUADRANGLE LEXINGTON, MASS.

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Henry Grover farm is notable as a rare surviving ensemble of agricultural buildings preserved in their original open rural setting. Therefore the Henry Grover farm meets Criterion A of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

The Henry Grover House is a double house consisting of two side-by-side identical units. The Grover House is two-and-one-half stories, and based on a rectangular plan with a two-and-one-half story rear ell. The four-bay facade is symmetrically arranged, with paired center entrance doors set within an open porch. There is a one-story polygonal bay on each side elevation. The gable roof is of moderate pitch, with the ridge parallel to the street. Window sash is of two-over-two configuration throughout. Twin interior chimneys are placed on the rear slope of the roof.

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

On this site stood a house built circa 1823, by a well-known local housewright/carpenter Dana Fay. The Dana Fay house was moved in two sections circa 1884: the main block of the house was moved to 37-39 Pond Street (q.v.) and the rear ell appears to have been moved directly across Cambridge Street (236 Cambridge Street).

Henry Grover, a farmer, bought the property from Charles Mason in 1884, and had the old Fay house moved, making way for the present house, which he shared with Frank Grover until 1912. Other structures listed on the farm of almost 25 acres, were a barn, two greenhouses, two henhouses.

The house came under the ownership of the Purcell family in 1923. The house and 9.5 acres of the surrounding land were retained as a parcel. The Purcell family continues to farm some of the acreage, and sells flowers from a roadside stand known locally as "Purcell's Pansy Patch".

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Deeds.

History of Winchester, by H. Chapman, 1936, pp.98, 182.

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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 Winchester MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Entered in the National Register	Date/Signature
21. Gardner, O.W. House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
22. Ginn Gardener's House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
23. Grover, Henry, House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
24. Hovey--Winn House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
25. Hutchinson--Blood House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
26. Johnson--Thompson House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
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28. Locke, Asa, House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
29. Mann, James H., House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____
30. Mason, John, House	Entered in the National Register	Keeper <u>Shelous Byers 7/5/89</u> Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Grover, Henry, House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Winchester MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/22/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/06/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000641

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 7/5/89 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
 UTMS boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Grover, ^{Harry} House

223-225 Cambridge St.

Winchester, Ma. MRA

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

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