

FORM B - BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
	17-C

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

Roll 17

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.

UTM
19/267740/4688370

1. Town Worcester
Address 24 Brattle Street
Name Charles Newton House
Present use residence

Present owner A.F. & A.C. Cronin

3. Description:
Date ca. 1833-1845
Source maps, exterior architecture
transitional Federalist to
Style Greek Revival
Architect unknown (if any)
Exterior wall fabric clapboard
Outbuildings (describe) none significant
Other features rock-faced granite found.
side-hall plan, pedimented gable,
corner boards, entry with corner &
corner blocks
Altered no Date _____
Moved no Date _____

5. Lot size: Assessor's Book 49, p.45
Lot A 3.93 acres
One acre or less _____ Over one acre X
Approximate frontage 140'
Approximate distance of building from street
25'

6. Recorded by W.&M. Seaman
ed. B.R. Pfeiffer
Organization Worc.Heritage Pres. Soc.
Date December 1977

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Charles Newton

Original use residence

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

An early example of the popular side-hall type of Greek Revival style house, the Charles Newton House is a two and one-half storey frame structure set on a foundation of rock-faced granite. Although the building's pedimented facade is characteristically Greek Revival, some elements, such as its narrow corner boards, window trim and narrow cornice are holdovers from Federalist architecture. Particularly fine and rare in Worcester is the house's entry consisting of an original six-panel door set between sidelights and surrounded by an architrave with corner and center blocks. Derived from patterns published in Asher Benjamin's builders' companions of the 1830s, this doorway is one of two of its type existent in Worcester (The other is on the Ezra Rice House - Form 4A)

Located north of the city's center, the Newton House is in an area which was not listed in Worcester directories until the 1850s, when the house was occupied by Charles Newton, a farmer. Later, the house was owned by Calvin Foster, a hardware dealer and president of the City National Bank of Worcester. In 1890, Foster rented and later sold the house to James Fuller, a partner in the locally prominent architecture firm of Fuller and Delano. Fuller, 1836-1901, a native of Warwick, Massachusetts, practiced architecture in Worcester from 1867 to 1901; between 1867 and 1876, Fuller was a member of the firm of Earle and Fuller. In 1879, Fuller entered into partnership with Ward Delano (Fuller & Delano) with whom he designed many well-known buildings, including the Worcester State Armory (corner of Grove & Salisbury Streets), the Chase Building (Front Street), part of the campus of Worcester Academy (Providence Street) and the Old South Church (716 Main Street). After Fuller's death, the firm continued

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

city atlases and directories

Nutt, C., History of Worcester, Vol. 1V, pp 658-659.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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Community: Worcester	Form No: 17-C
Property Name: CharlesNewton House	

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

9. Historical significance

as Fuller and Delano Co. under the direction of Fuller's son, Robert, who also lived at #24 Brattle Street in the first decades of the twentieth century.

Inventory	17-0
Worksheet	
Property Name: [illegible]	

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

9. Historical significance

as Fuller and Deane Co. under the direction of Fuller's son, Robert, who also lived at 424 Brattle Street in the first decades of the twentieth century.

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos 383 + 13
Maps 2, 63

HISTORIAN

Call/Accept
Lightner
10-30-79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

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REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

KEEPER

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Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description or statement of significance & the individual inventory sheets are well done. Each type of property included is well justified, & reasons are listed for not including others at this time (e.g. 3-deckers). ^{Owner} opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.

Concur with Bruce's comments on 102-L-3, 116-CBD-11, 117-E, and 130-CBD-50 and 44. Integrity and/or boundaries need to be addressed specifically on individual forms. DOUBLE

116-CBD-11 - Destroyed, cannot be listed.
130-CBD-44 - I am not convinced this has lost integrity. See attached.
102-L-3 - Period of significance and categorization of 1 bps need to be discussed with State.

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. ~~Both~~ ^{both} technically and to determine significance. Although some of the forms did not contain strong statements of significance the resource categories were thoroughly discussed in the body of the nomination; therefore significance was established. VBDs were not necessary because of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. ~~Reference was missing~~ ^{reference was missing} in some properties but ~~is~~ ^{is} now included after the 2/11/corrections. The only properties that I do not recommend listing are:
✓ 116-CBD-13 - destroyed by fire ~~MD~~ - 116 CBD-11
130-CBD-44 - does not retain integrity for individual eligibility
✓ 102-L-3 I ~~was~~ ^{am} not convinced about boundaries but believe they could be OK. ~~based~~ ^{based} on additional documentation submitted - I defer judgement.

Recommend listing all ^{now} properties ~~except~~ ^{except} these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~to discuss further~~ ^{to discuss further} w/NR staff + State. DOUBLE
Return 102-L-3 to state for correction;
HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from state

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below:
Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & claim from State), 102-L-3 (returning to state for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (holding from state)

National Register Write-up _____ Send-back _____ Entered MAR 5 1980
Federal Register Entry 2.3.81 Re-submit _____



by Berkeley



JAN 1977

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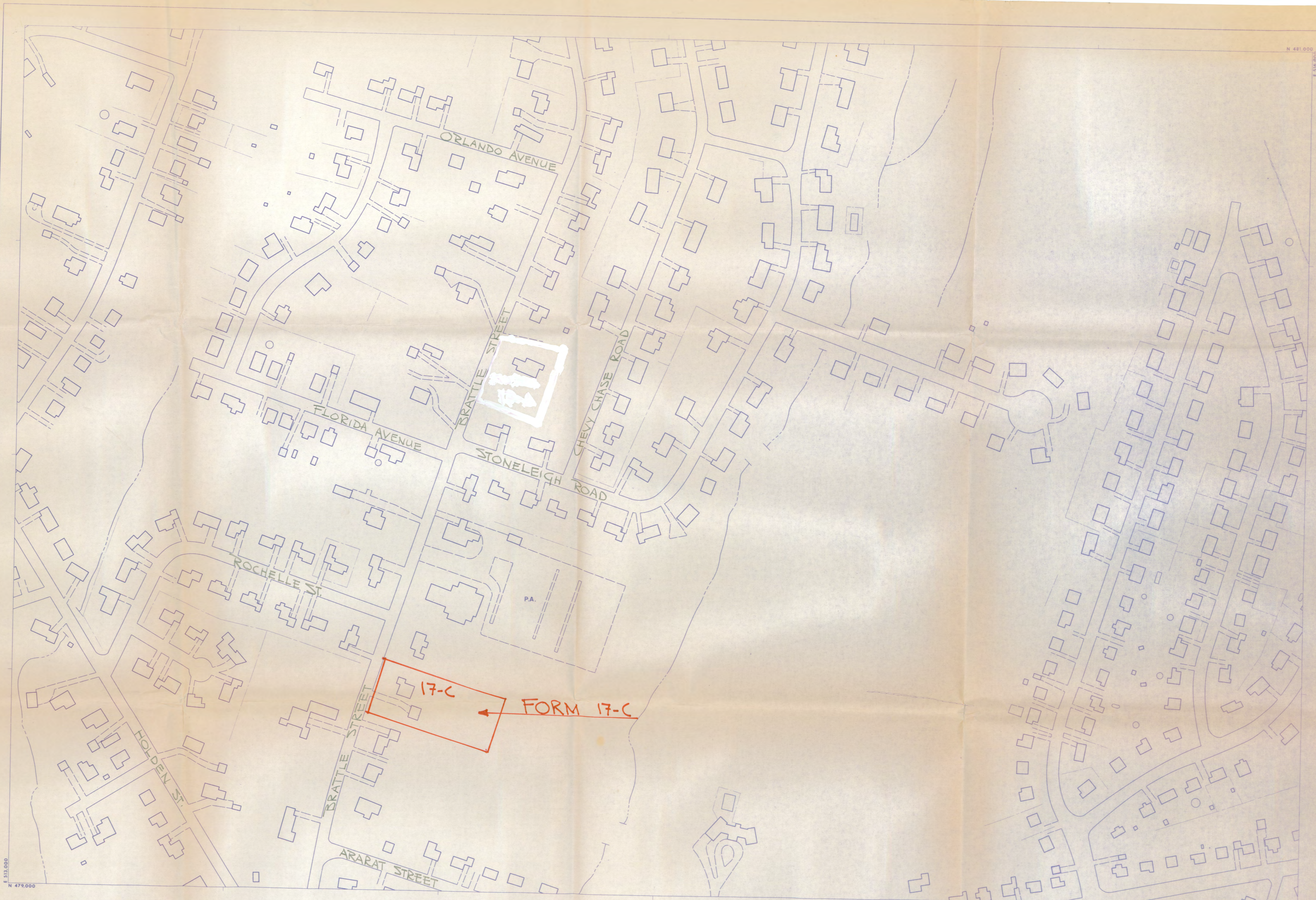
17-C MAR
Newton, Charles, House
24 Brattle St.

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west elevation.

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Worcester MRA, Ma

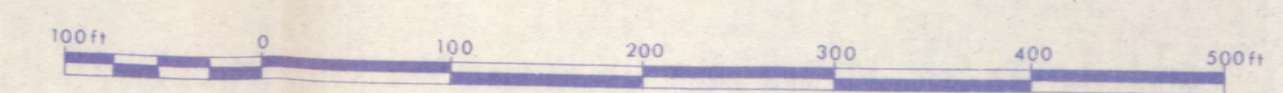


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THIS MAP REPRODUCED FROM AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY MEETING NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS AT A SCALE OF 1"=200'



500 FOOT GRID BASED ON MASS. RECTANGULAR COORDINATE SYSTEM

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CITY OF WORCESTER
 MASSACHUSETTS

PLANIMETRIC BASE MAP

PROJECT: M.S.M. 2517 DATE OF PHOTOGRAPHY: _____ SHEET 17 OF 220 SHEETS



