

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

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

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

See attached map.

2437
AREA
Town Worcester

Address 7 Stanton Street

Historic Name Paul Johnson Three-Decker

Use: Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1908

Source Worcester House Directory

Style Queen Anne

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Wood clapboard and shingle

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) porch

balustrade probably enclosed, 1920s

Condition very good

Moved _____ Date _____

Acreage less than 1/4 acre

Setting Early 20th century, urban, multi-family, residential neighborhood.

UTM REFERENCE 19/270230/4683640

USGS QUADRANGLE Worcester North

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Michael Steinitz

Organization for MHC

Date December 1988

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Paul Johnson Three-Decker possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant for its association with the working-class, Scandinavian, multi-family residential district that developed along Belmont Street in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. It is also a remarkably well-preserved example, representative of locally popular versions of Queen Anne style three-decker design. The Johnson Three-Decker thus meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

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

Architecturally, 7 Stanton Street is an unusually well-preserved example of the last forms of Queen Anne style three-deckers built locally. The house has the characteristic hip roof, side-hall plan, and asymmetrical main facade. A three-tier front porch is flanked by a shallow, three-story bay window. The porch is supported by lathe-turned posts with heavy, decorative brackets. A second shallow bay window projects from the side wall. The house is clad in wood clapboard, with shingle bands between stories on the bay windows. The roof cornice overhang shelters regularly spaced brackets. Windows have 2/1 sash with simple surrounds. Overall, the house represents well the more modest, simplified forms of Queen Anne three-decker popular in the first decade of the twentieth century.

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

Built ca. 1908, the Johnson Three-Decker was located in the eastern area of the ethnic, working-class, multi-family residential area that developed along Belmont Street in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The area was dominated during this period by families of Swedish, Finn-Swede, and Finnish extraction, and many residents were employed as skilled metalworkers by local manufacturing firms. The first owner of 7 Stanton was Paul Johnson, a patternmaker. Tenants in 1908 included Axel Kinglof, a machinist; and Peter Pederson, a draughtsman. By 1920, the building owner was listed as John Johnson. Residents included Richard Johnson, a machinist; Erick Johnson, a salesman; and Carl Larson, a machinist. By 1930, the building was owned by Konstant Simkonis, a machinist at the Norton Company, who lived here with several other adult members of the Simkonis family: Edward, an electrician; John, also a machinist at Norton; and Gustave, a clerk. Other residents included Frank Lindstrom, a dropforger; and John Bergerholtz, a carpenter.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Worcester Directory, Worcester House Directory, 1908, 1910, 1920, 1930.
L.J. Richards, Atlas of the City of Worcester, 1911, 1922.
J. Callahan et al., Worcester Three-Decker Survey; 1981.

12/24/89

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Date Listed

41. Johnson, Paul, Three-Decker

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44. Larson, Swan, Three-Decker

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45. Levenson, Morris, Three-Decker

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Beth Savage 02-09-90

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Johnson, Paul, Three-Decker
NAME:

MULTIPLE Worcester Three-Deckers MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 12/26/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/09/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 1/25/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/09/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89002437

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 2/9/90 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
☐ UTM's ☐ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

☐ sketch maps ☐ USGS maps ☐ photographs ☐ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Signed _____ Phone _____

Date _____

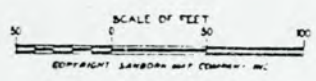


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7 STANTON STREET
WORCESTER, MA
MHC # 1845





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7 Stanton St., Worcester
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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