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FORM NO.

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
30 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photos

2:19 exterior

2:22 first floor, right-hand room

2:23 front hall

2:24 first floor, left-hand room

Town Stow

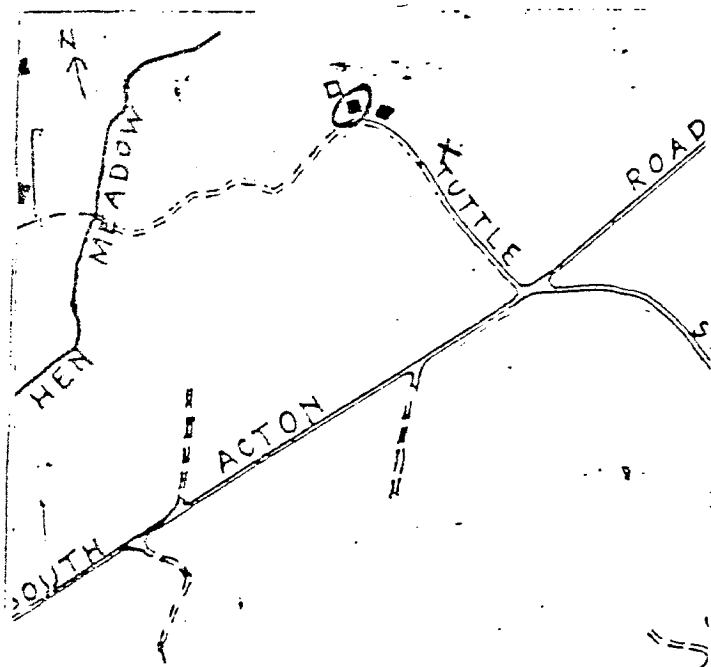
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Address 137 Tuttle LaneHistoric Name Walcott-Whitney HouseUse: Present ResidenceOriginal Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1720-1730Source Visual analysisStyle First PeriodArchitect UnknownExterior Wall Fabric ClapboardOutbuildings Large (90' x 35') shingled 19thbarn with cupola: tool shed - 20th c.Major Alterations (with dates) early 20th c.attached garage converted from small 19th c.
barn.Condition GoodMoved no Date N/AAcreage 5½ acresSetting Rural - faces south at end oflane leading from major road; surrounded by
woods.Recorded by Nora Pat SmallOrganization Boston UniversityDate August 1985

Sketch Map:



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REFERENCE 19 / 295-550 / 4702-670TRANGLE Maynard

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: STOW	Form No: 114
Property Name: Walcott-Whitney House	

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

SIGNIFICANCE

The Walcott-Whitney House is a good example of a transitional First Period frame which retains integrity of design, location, materials, and workmanship under Criterion C. The house even retains considerable integrity of setting in its rural location at the end of a small lane.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Walcott-Whitney House is a 2 1/2 story, central chimney clapboarded structure with an asymmetrical 5 bay facade and a deep boxed overhanging cornice on the front facade. There is an added 18th century lean-to to the rear, a 1 1/2 story 19th and early 20th century addition to the left rear, and a small single story addition wrapping around the right rear corner. The main facade has a Federal door surround with half-length sidelights and parallel pilasters supporting a high entablature and projecting lintel.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

In the main first floor rooms, as is characteristic of "transitional" First Period houses, the Walcott-Whitney House exhibits late transitional First Period framing combined with contemporaneous early Second Period finish. The right hand room has exposed and quirk-beaded summer beam, front, rear, and end girts. The left room has exposed, quirk-beaded longitudinal summer beam, front, rear, chimney and end girts.

The front lobby retains its original transitional staircase, similar to one at the Brown-Stow House at 172 Harvard Road, (#115,) with simple rectangular newels, and hand rails molded on the outside only.

The only First Period features visible on the second floor are the quirk-beaded transverse summer beam, front plate, and chimney girt in the right hand chamber. The attic reveals a principal-rafter roof with purlins only in the chimney bay.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

Early Second Period finish appears in the first floor right-hand room, where there is feather-edged sheathing on the three walls, while the fourth, the fireplace wall, has a boxed chimney girt, dentilated cornice over the fireplace, and raised-field paneling. The fireplace opening is surrounded by bolection molding.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The late date of the house seems to be confirmed by the fact that the earliest known owner, Deacon Jacob Whitney, came from Bolton in 1800 to carry on the farm of his wife's father, a Walcott. The Walcotts first came to Stow in 1735/36, and could have built the house at that time. Further deed research will be necessary to date the building more precisely.

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4/24/90

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

111. Walcott--Whitney House Entered in the
National Register

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112. Winthrop, Deane, House
Entered in the
National Register

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Walcott--Whitney House
NAME:

MULTIPLE First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000183

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 3/19/90 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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Walcott-Whiting House

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Stow, MA

137 Tattle Lane

Walcott-Whitney
House

1st Period Buildings of B. Ma., TR

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Stow, MA

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Walcott-Whitney House

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR

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137 Tuttle Lane

Walcott-Whitney House

1st Period Buildings of E. Ma., TR

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358°

340°

346°

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STOW, MA
WALCOTT-WHITNEY HOUSE
137 TUTTLE LA.

$$1'' = 230'$$

A survey map of a property with the following boundary measurements:

- Top boundary: 597.22'
- Right boundary: 180.1'
- Inner right boundary: 393.53'
- Inner left boundary: 348.47'
- Bottom boundary: 174.72'
- Left boundary (top to bottom): 131.35', 15.16', 375.60', 52.1'

A section line labeled "1-1" is shown, with a distance of 5.28 AC. The bottom right corner is labeled "TUTTLE" and "538.37'".

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TUTTLE

2
2.84 AC

240.14'

107.12'

283.91'

207.17'

692.18'

LANE



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281