Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No: CON.31

Historic Name: Tuttle, Horace Livery Stable

Common Name:

Address: 35-45 Walden St

City/Town: Concord

Village/Neighborhood: Concord Center

Local No: H9-7
Year Constructed: 1891

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): No style; Not researched

Use(s):

Gas Station or Service Station; Other Commercial; Other

Transportation; Showroom

Significance: Architecture; Commerce; Community Planning;

Transportation

Area(s): CON.DU: Main Street Historic District

Designation(s): Local Historic District (03/12/1962)

Building Materials(s):

Roof: Asphalt Shingle

Wall: Wood; Wood Clapboard



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(neighborhood or village)

Concord Center

35-45 Walden Street

Tuttle's Livery ric Name _____Stable

Present <u>commercial</u>

Original <u>livery stable</u>

of Construction ______1891

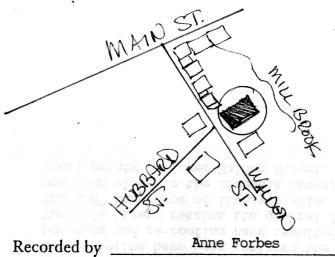
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Sketch Map

Draw a map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate North.



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Date (month/day/year) July, 1992

Exterior Material:

Foundation (not visible)

Wall/Trim _____clapboard

Roof _____asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures _____

#33 Walden Street on same parcel

Major Alterations (with dates)_____

largely rebuilt 1980's (see page 2)

Condition _____fair

Acreage ____less than one acre

Setting ____In_commercial district_ opposite Hubbard Street. In area of

19th-early 20th-century stores and institutional buildings of varying

design

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

— see continuation sheet

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

Although all the windows and doors of this building have recently been replaced, new galleries have been replaced the old ones along the sides, and re-clap-boarding and re-roofing have resulted in nearly all new exterior material, Tuttle's Livery retains its general form as a large 2-story gable-end "New England" barn type of livery stable. Its great bulk, cupolaed roof, and imposing position close to the sidewalk opposite Hubbard Street still make it one of the focal points of lower Walden Street.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE \(\sigma\) see continuation sheet

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

This building, though highly altered, is a rare survival of a late-nineteenth-century livery stable in the heart of town. It was built in 1891 by Horace Tuttle, who bought out the smaller livery stable of George Penniman, which had been located from about 1880 just to the north on the site of #29/31 Walden Street. (Penniman had moved the former building from Monument Square where it is said to have housed the horses for the Wright Tavern. After the sale of his business he worked for Mr. Tuttle until his death in 1915. His old stable, which was subsequently converted to a grain and feed store, was torn in 1912.)

The Tuttle Livery Stable was both a rental and sales business, and was soon expanded back to the Mill Brook by the construction of a carriage storehouse behind the main building. The storehouse or "repository" stood until the middle of this century. Other outbuildings on the property included a small "horse clipping shed" where horses were sheared and, according to one longtime Concord resident, boys were given their summer haircuts as well. That building, which later was used as an auto repair shop for #33 Walden Street, was torn down between 1927 and 1942. (Cont.)

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

see continuation sheet

Keyes/Tolman.
Concord directories.
Maps and atlases: 1893, 1906; Sanborn maps from 1892.
Concord Chronicle.
Strawberries and Streetcars.

Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Community

Property

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Tuttle's Livery Stable

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HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, cont.

With the surge of tourism in Concord at the turn of the century, Tuttle's Livery carriages drove visitors to see the local historical sites, often including a long ride to the Wayside Inn in Sudbury. For many years horses for the fire company were also kept here.

When the automobile replaced the horse and carriage, the building was converted to a car dealership, and a long brick and concrete store— and garage—front was added across the width of the facade. Much of the building was used for auto repair. Later a filling station, with gas pumps located between it and #33, was operating here as well.

