

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	CON.223
Historic Name:	Concord District Schoolhouse #7
Common Name:	
Address:	1234 Monument St
City/Town:	Concord
Village/Neighborhood:	North Quarter
Local No:	I4-1372
Year Constructed:	c 1850
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Colonial Revival; Greek Revival
Use(s):	Public School; Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture; Education
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Slate Wall: Brick; Wood; Wood Clapboard Foundation: Granite; Stone, Cut; Stone, Uncut



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FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

Form Number

Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Bay State Street

I4-1372

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neighborhood or village)

North Quarter

PO

1234 Monument Street

District #7 Schoolhouse

ic Name

dwelling

Present

schoolhouse

Original

ca. 1850 (school)

f Construction

early 20th C. (house)

visual assessment;
town records

Greek Revival/Georgian
Revival

Form

Architect/Builder unknown

Exterior Material:

granite;

Foundation

fieldstone/rubble

Wall/Trim

brick and clapboard

Roof

slate

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

garage; shed

Major Alterations (with dates)

no sig-
nificant alterations. (See p. 2).

Condition

good

Moved

X

no

yes

Date

N/A

Acreage

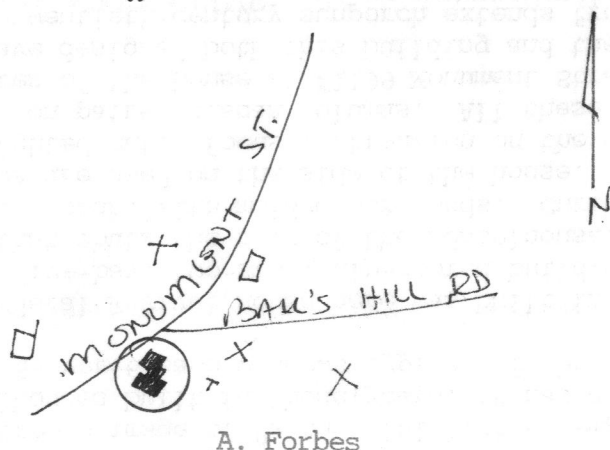
7.67 acres

Setting

House faces south overlooking
pastures and wooded front yard. Cir-
cular drive in front. Schoolhouse faces
west, close to street.

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.



A. Forbes

Recorded by for Concord Hist. Commission

Organization June, 1992

Date (month/day/year)

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ see continuation sheet

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

This house is made up of two architecturally significant buildings, one from the mid-nineteenth-century, the other from the early twentieth. Facing its gable end to the road is the little one-story brick District #7 Schoolhouse of ca. 1850. A vernacular building of the Greek Revival period, it truly fulfills the School Committee's image of "a tasteful little temple of learning." Like the other schoolhouses built in those years, it has a symmetrical three-bay facade, and the large 6-over-6-sash windows typical of the times. Its eaves are unboxed.

The Federal Revival house here was built in the early twentieth century. It is a large five-bay, two-story hip-roofed building, facing south, with a two-story rear wing that abuts the rear of the schoolhouse. Its windows are also primarily 6-over-6-sash, with molded surrounds. Curiously, however, large 6-over-9-sash windows are used on the side of the house. A tripartite window over a fully-sidelighted entry focuses attention on the center of the facade, as does the entry porch, on paired tuscan columns. All these details are similar enough to some features of the house at #1199 Monument Street to suggest that the same architect may have designed both this building and the remodeling there. A typical early-twentieth-century sunporch extends from the east end of the house.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ 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.

Further research will be necessary to determine for whom the early-twentieth-century house here was built. The little brick building it abuts, however, is extremely significant as the most intact of Concord's mid-nineteenth-century district schoolhouses, and the only one built of brick. This was the District #7 School (North Quarter), and was built in about 1850. (All Concord's district schoolhouses were replaced between 1847 and 1858.) According to Keyes it was Capt. Nathan Barrett, "Sr.", who had the foresight to specify that it be in brick, but it is not clear which of the three Nathan Barretts he is referring to (see Barrett/Hutchins Farm.) Three decades later all the district schools were closed, and replaced by a centralized system that brought the town's schoolchildren to the center for instructions in graded classrooms. District #7 was one of the first to be shut down, in the early 1870's, and stood abandoned for many years. It was eventually bought by Alfred H. Howe of 1199 Monument Street, who converted it for use as a residence. It may have been he who had the large house built in the 1920's, possibly for a family member. Street lists indicate that this was the home of George Eberlein in the 1930's.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ see continuation sheet

Maps, atlases: 1852, 1856, 1875, 1889, 1906.
Keyes/Tolman. "Houses in Concord." 1885; rev. 1915 and 1920's.
Town Directories and tax lists.

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