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Inventory No: CON.O

Historic Name: Lang Street Area

Common Name:

Address:

City/Town: Concord

Village/Neighborhood: Concord Center

Local No:

Year Constructed:

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s):

Use(s): Residential District

Significance: Architecture; Community Planning

Area(s):

Designation(s):

Building Materials(s):

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addresses for buildings that are shown. Staple them
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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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Town	CONCORD
Place (neighborh	bood or village)
	Concord Center
Name of Area	Lang Street
Present Use	residential
Construction D	Dates or Periodca. 1910-35
	fair to good
Major Intrusion	ns and Alterations modern houses interspersed
Acreage	ca. 4.5 acres
	A. Forbes
Organization _	for Concord Histor. Comm.
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AREA FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

see continuation sheet

Describe architectural, structural and landscape features and evaluate in terms of other areas within the community.

Although many of the houses here have been altered by additions, changes in siding and windows, etc., Lang Street retains considerable character an early-twentieth-century residential neighborhood of modest houses in a mixture of types and styles. The buildings here include two 2 1/2-story gable-end houses--one, at #51, retains its Tuscan-columned facade porch and glass-and-panel entry door, as well as a polygonal bay window on the east side. The other, #25, is the only building in Concord to use one of the experimental stone sidings popular during the 1920's. There are two American Four-Squares here, one clad in stucco at #20, the other in clapboard and shingle at #73. #s 30 and 52 are modest Dutch Colonial Revival houses, a type which was being built at scattered locations throughout Concord from the mid-1920's to the early 1930's. A hip-roofed double house at #31/33 is of a type seen in other sections of town, especially West Concord, in the 1910's-early '20's. Adding to the variety here are a Craftsman/Colonial Revival bungalow with shed dormer and overhanging front porch at #38, and a large, deep two-story Colonial Revival house with sidelighted and transomed entry at #61. (Cont.)

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

— see continuation sheet

Explain historical development of the area. Discuss how this area relates to the historical development of the community.

Lang Street, like Bow Street to its west, was laid out shortly after the Middlesex Central Railroad was extended from Bedford to Concord in 1871-2. For several years its terminus was at Lowell Road. A depot, turntable, and engine- and car-houses stood there, some of them converted to other uses after 1879, when the tracks were continued to the Mass. Reformatory at West Concord.

Both Bow and Lang Streets were accepted by the town in 1876. By that time William Munroe, Jr., had already constructed three houses on Bow Street. D. Goodwin Lang, however, who laid out Lang Street on property he owned opposite his house at #140 Monument Street, apparently did not follow suit, and the street was not built upon until after his death in 1907.

The first four buildings were constructed sometime between 1910 and 1927. Six of the buildings here were houses; the seventh, at #25, was the Norwegian Free Evangelical Church, one of two churches organized by Concord's sizeable Scandinavian community. It apparently remained active into the 1940's. (Cont.)

Maps and Atlases: 1889, 1906; Sanborns from 1927.

Joslin, Elmer. "Notes on the Acceptance or Layouts of Public Ways in the Town of

Concord." Unpublished manuscript, 1956.

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Recommended as a National Register District.	If checked, you must attach a completed National Register
Criteria Statement form.	

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE, cont.

#46, evidently an 1882 cottage moved from Liberty Street, is a well-preserved early Queen Anne house with decorative-paned windows, a wraparound veranda, and patterned shingle siding on the upper story.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, cont.

Three houses, #s 46, 52, and 61, were constructed between 1927 and the mid-1940's. At least one house was moved here from Liberty Street in about 1926-7. It had been built in 1882 by Edwin Barrett for a gardener's cottage. Further research should determine just which house it is; stylistically the most likely candidate is #46.

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AREA DATA SHEET

MHC #/ Parcel #	Address	Description A	pprox. Date	Condition
510 H8-1275	20 Lang Street -	Four-Square Stucco; rubble foundation.	1910-25	excellent
STI H8-1284	25 Lang Street -	vernacular gable-end Clapboard, stucco, and textured sto siding. Textured-concrete-block fo		fair
512 H8-1276	30 Lang Street -	Dutch Colonial Revival Clapboard; altered by large west wi	1925-27 ng.	fair
513 H8-1283-2	31/33 Lang Stree	et - Colonial Revival/Craftsman doubl Synthetic siding.	e-house 1910-2	25 fair
514 H8-1277	38 Lang Street -	Craftsman/Colonial Revival bungalow Clapboard.	1910-20	good
515 H8-1278	46 Lang Street -	Queen Anne gable-end cottage Clapboard and patterned shingle.	1882	good
576 H8-1282	51 Lang Street -	Vernac./Col. Revival gable-end Clapboard; fieldstone foundation.	1910	fair
517 H8-1279	52 Lang Street -	Dutch Colonial Revival Shingle; rubble foundation.	1927-35	good
518 H8-1281	61 Lang Street -	Colonial Revival Clapboard; rubble foundation.	1927-30	fair
519 H8-1312	73 Lang Street -	Four-Square Clapboard and shingle.	1910-20	fair

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511-	25	LANG ST	
512-	30	LANG ST	



Lang Street, looking East from # 73



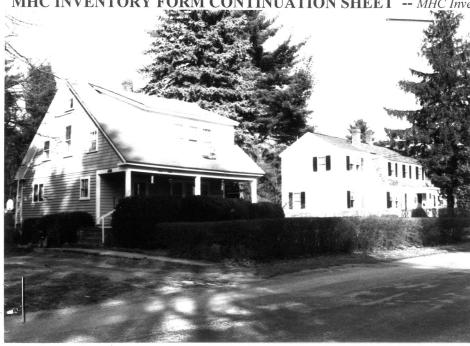
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25 and 33 Lang Street (10N.541 and (ON. 513)



38 and 30 Long Street (CON. 514 and CON. 512)



46 Lang Street (10N.515)



46 and 38 Lang Street (CON. 515 and CON. 514)



51 and 61 Lang Street (CON. 516 and CON. 518)

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52 Lang Street (CON. 517)



Lang Street, North side

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Additional information by Anne Forbes, November, 2000:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE, cont.

Current and former owners on Lang Street report that the house at 61 Lang Street (MHC #518) was the carriage house to the Old Block House (see #337, 57 Lowell Road) at its former location on the site of the present Middlesex Savings Bank at 64 Main Street (#18). When the bank, then the Middlesex Institution for Savings, was being constructed in 1928-29, the Block House was moved across the ice of the Mill Brook to Lowell Road, and the carriage house was relocated to Lang Street, where a second story was added.

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Interview with owner, 2/4/94.

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