

NEWTON LOCAL LANDMARK REPORT

Cate Funeral Home (NWT.4710)

1253 (1251) Washington Street

**Prepared for: Newton Historical Commission, September
2020**

1. *Historic Name of Property:* Cate Funeral Home (NWT.4710)

2. *Common Name:* Brezniak Rodman Funeral Home

3. *Location*

a. Street address: 1253 Washington Street

b. Zip code: 02465

c. Assessors' #: 31005 0002

4. *Classification*

a. *Ownership of Property:* Private

b. *Type of Property:* Commercial

c. *National Register Status:* Listed on the State Register as contributing resource to West Newton Village National Register Historic District

5. *Function or Use*

a. *Historic Functions:* Founded 1861 as an undertaker and livery business. A new front façade was constructed in 1926 designed by Lewis H. Bacon. This building was constructed for a commercial use. There are currently no outbuildings.

b. *Current Functions:* This building continues to serve the funerary business.

6. *Zoning*

The Zoning District is Business 1. This is an Old Lot per Chapter 30 of the Newton Zoning Code.

7. *Description*

Neighborhood Description: This property is located on the north side of Washington Street in a historic section of West Newton Village. The building stands as a freestanding structure in a row of single-story commercial buildings facing south on Washington Street. A contributing property to the West Newton Hill National Register Historic District, this property forms a portion of its southern border on the east end of the District.

8. Architectural Description:

(1) Materials:

Foundation: Not visible

Walls: Brick

Roof: Asphalt

Windows: 9/9 sash and 6/6 sash windows are symmetrically hung on the front façade and sides, with four 9/9 windows on the second story centered over the front pedimented entrance.

Ornamentation: Colonial Revival

Landscaping: The lot is paved at the rear allowing hearses access to two rear loading doors. The front façade is flush to the sidewalk.

Building Permits:

April 5, 1915. No permit number. ‘Repair after fire.’

Owner: Lillian J. Cate

Architect: None

June 4, 1926. Permit #1058: “New brick front to present wood office building and a new fireproof building 28 x 30 in place of old barn in rear.”

Owner: Henry F. Cate

Architect: Lewis H. Bacon

April 5, 1932. Permit #336: “creating two openings for garage door. 26 x 30 gar.”

Owner: Henry F. Cate

Architect: None

August 4, 1937. Permit #1059: “replace present side door with new doors replace door to alley and minor repairs cut one door from work room to lavatory.”

Owner: H. F. Cate

Architect: None

April 23, 1959. Permit #722: “To alter interior first floor rear into new chapel, relocate preparation room to basement, extend on right a new foyer entrance, add new men’s room on left side, install new fire escape on rear.”

Owner: Henry F. Cate, Jr

Architect: Albert Kreider

(2) *Description:*

Historical appearance: The historical appearance of this building matches its current appearance (see below) with respect to the 1926 façade addition and construction of a rear-entry garage.

Current appearance: This free-standing, brick-front building rises two stories from its street-front presence on Washington Street. Its flat roof is trimmed by a classical entablature supported by paired Doric fluted pilasters, two on each side, which bracket four, centrally placed 9/9 sash windows. What appear to be two former window openings are encased between the pairs of pilasters. The front entrance in the center of the building is topped by a matching classical entablature in a smaller dimension and supports a shallow pediment. The doorway is centered by a small keystone. Paired fluted pilasters flank the entrance on either side, as well as single 6/6 sash windows and single six-pane casements on either side. The first-story windows are supported by a plinth-style foundation with inset panels. The brick is painted white.

Single 9/9 sash windows flank the front façade on the west and east facades at the second-story level. The rear façade is covered by a garage addition, likely built in 1926, with two ground-level garage doors leading into the building. A gated path leads to the back of the property on the west side of the building.

9. History of Property

a. *Deed History:*

March 22, 1957: B.11913 p.316 (Mortgage)

March 22, 1957: B. 8934 p. 375 (Quitclaim)

April 26, 1905: B.3158 p. 132 (Lawrence Bond to Lillian I. Cate)

This transaction set aside the Cate property from a much larger parcel owned by Bond.

Middlesex Probate Court #336108: title included as part of Henry F. Cate Estate

Middlesex Probate Court #246763: title included as part of Lillian I. Cate Estate

10. Significance of Property

a. Period of Significance

The period of significance for 1253 Washington Street is 1926 to 1970. This period encompasses the Cate family ownership of the site when it was used for the undertaker and livery business and acknowledges the site's continued use as a funeral home prior to the 50-year cut-off for historical significance. Though directory information shows the Cate Family owning and operating a business at this site beginning in 1861, there is no current evidence to suggest that historic fabric remains on the site that dates to the 1860s.

b. Historical Significance

The West Newton Historic District includes intact examples of the late suburban period in the development of Newton, but its oldest sites, including 1253 Washington Street, date from the period of development following construction of the first passenger rail through West Newton in 1834. Historically, this structure is important for its physical evolution from a livery stable and undertaking establishment that was emblematic of the horse-based economy, to a Colonial Revival Style commercial building serving the early 20th century auto age. This building is an early link to the passenger rail system in Newton and to a village that saw steady suburban growth from the building's origins in the 1860s. This property also serves as an important visual and historical anchor to the village of mid-19th century businesses.

Business ads in Newton Directories indicate the Cate family was running a livery business at this location as early as 1861. In 1871, there were two stables, an office and three sheds owned by Stephen Francis Cate (1837-1896) at this location, whose occupation on the 1970 census was listed as "Supt of Horse RR." Born in Middleton, Massachusetts, Cate worked in Lower Falls as a livery worker before becoming owner of this West Newton property. Cate continued to operate his businesses at this location until at least 1893, and likely until his death in 1896. In the late 1890s it was Henry F. Cate (1877-1956) who ran the two businesses, and who advertised that he was Stephen's successor. He also appears to have been Stephen's only son. A 1903 advertisement under the ownership of Henry Cate showed embalming as an added service. Repairs to a building on this site after a fire were the subject of a building permit issued in 1915.

Henry F. Cate, Jr. (1910-1987), son of Henry F. and grandson of Stephen F. was president of this business in 1968 when the address was still 1251 Washington Street. By 1980 the business was named Cate & Pratt Funeral Services, and after over 130 years, ownership

changed to Brezniak-Rodman Funeral Services in 1992. It is worth noting that this building was included in the NR nomination after the exterior changes outlined above were made.

c. Architectural Significance

Buildings stood at the site of what is now known as 1253 Washington Street from at least c.1860. It is not clear whether portions of them are extant on the site as part of the current building. A building permit was pulled for a 'new façade' in 1926. In addition, the property card for this parcel on file with the Engineering Division, which lists the dates of water and sewer connections, states that this building was new in 1927 (Appendix G). As a result, this building is a distinctive example of Colonial Revival Style architecture in West Newton. The pilastered columns, pediments, colonial multi-pane windows, and Doric pilasters on plinths at the foundation line, are all classic examples of the Colonial Revival Style. The building retains its historic integrity as a 1920s commercial structure and is a contributing component of the West Newton Hill Historic District that was listed on the National Register in 1990.

The now-painted brick façade on the building was designed by Lewis H. Bacon, a noted Newton architect who also designed the Strong Block in Waban. In the 1890s, William C. Strong commissioned the firm of Bacon & Hill, architects (Lewis H. Bacon and Clinton Hill were both Waban residents) to design a building to accommodate several village stores with apartments above. This complex of commercial buildings is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In addition, the Engine 6 Fire station on Beacon Street, the first Newton Free Library on Centre Street, as well as public buildings located in Brookline, Billerica, and Bridgewater, were designed by Lewis H. Bacon. Five of these properties are listed on the State Register of Historic Places. Lewis H. Bacon also designed additions and garages in Newton and on occasion his name is found on building permits (e.g. 627 Chestnut Street, garage).

In 1926, an 'old barn in the rear' was replaced by a new attached garage. A new garage door was added to the rear of the building in 1932, and in 1937, a new side door to the funeral parlor was added. In 1959, Albert Kreider, architect, was hired to redesign the first floor from a foyer to a chapel. Albert M. Kreider (1890-1966) was a graduate of the Boston Architectural Center and worked for many local firms including Brainerd & Leeds, and Cram & Ferguson before 1935, when he established his own practice in Newtonville. Other examples of Kreider's work include the Franklin School in West Newton, the Day School in Newtonville, the Post Office in Newton Upper Falls, and Christ Lutheran Church at 597 Belmont Street in Belmont, as well as banks and numerous residences.

11. Local Landmark Review (Sec. 22-64 (b). Designation)

- (a) At or after the public hearing, the commission by three-quarters (3/4) vote, but in no instance less than four (4) votes in the affirmative, may designate as a landmark any property within the city being or containing a building, structure or landscape which it determines to meet one or more of the following criteria:
- (1) the property significantly represents an architectural type, style or design distinguished by innovation, rarity, uniqueness, or overall quality of design, detailing, materials or craftsmanship;
 - (2) the property is meaningfully associated with a person or persons who significantly contributed to the cultural, historic, architectural or archeological aspect of the development of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the United States of America;
 - (3) the property's identification as a notable work of an architect, designer, engineer or builder whose work is significant in the history or development of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States of America; or
 - (4) historic events or activities occurred at the property that have made an outstanding contribution to, or which best represent some important aspect of, the history of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States of America.
- (b) In determining whether to designate a property as a landmark, the commission shall also consider the following conditions:
- (1) that the distinguishing characteristics of significance are for the most part original and intact or capable of restoration;
 - (2) that the property, location and setting is compatible with future preservation and maintenance; and
 - (3) the property's context in relation to the City's policies and adopted plans and the property's surrounding area.

12. Recommendations

The property has been well maintained with repairs that are appropriate and which have used compatible materials where necessary. The building has also retained the style and appearance of its most visible period of historic significance. This property continues to contribute to the West Newton National Register-listed historic district. However, in accordance with the newly drafted local landmark ordinance:

- this historic property does not stand alone as an architectural type, style or design distinguished by innovation, rarity, uniqueness, or overall quality of design, detailing, materials or craftsmanship. The design of the building is synonymous with the architectural context of the district, but as an example of Colonial Revival

architecture, it does not stand alone;

- the property is associated with a person or persons who contributed to the commercial development of West Newton Village, but arguably did not significantly contribute to the cultural, historic, architectural or archeological aspect of the development of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the United States of America;
- this is not the most notable work of architects Lewis Bacon or Albert Kreider. Both architects contributed to the architectural history of Newton, but this building was not a signature building for them and is not a notable work of an architect, designer, engineer or builder whose work is significant in the history or development of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States of America; or
- there are no documented historical events or activities that occurred at the property that have made an outstanding contribution to, or which best represent some important aspect of, the history of the City of Newton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the United States of America.

13. Notification

The following properties are considered abutters for the purposes of notification. Owners of these properties should receive notice when this property is considered for landmark designation and for any future under the Landmark Ordinance.

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>S/B/L</u>
979 Watertown Street	31016 0015
978 Watertown Street	31005 0001
1239-1247 Washington Street	31005 0003
1250 Washington Street	31004 0016
955-963 Watertown Street	31015 0020
1 Chestnut Street	33010 0005

14. Report Appendices

Appendix A: MACRIS NR Nomination, West Newton Village Historic District. Candace Jenkins, Susan Abele 1/1987. Revised 5/1988.

Appendix B: Exterior photos of 1253 Washington Street

Appendix C: Census information on the Cate family, ancestry.com

Appendix D: Property boundary map. Subject property outlined in blue.

Appendix E: 1890 Bird's Eye map image of 1253 Washington Street

Appendix F: Engineering Division property card for 1253 Washington Street

Appendix G: 1887 site plan

FORM A - AREA

Area Letter Form numbers in this Area

WN-J	see description
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116



Newton (West Newton)

of Area (if any) West Newton Village

Center Historic District

ent Use commercial, institutional

al Date or Period 1830s-1930s

al Condition good

age 470,638 sq.ft./ c10.8 acres

Recorded by Candace Jenkins/Susan Abele

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 1/1987; rev. 5/1988

1 Chestnut Street (NWT.4705)

Davis School, 492 Waltham St (NWT.3884)



LEVEL 120 W 49 600
 LEVEL 140 W 49 710
 LEVEL 530 W 49 600
 LEVEL 110 W 49 600

LESS CHAMBERLAIN

SCALE 1:25000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The West Newton Village Center Historic District possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. West Newton is the most intact and second largest of Newton's village centers preserving an extensive collection of late 19th and early 20th century commercial and institutional buildings. As such it is a significant illustration of both the city's rapid growth and the expanded services offered in the village by the turn-of-the-century. Significance is also derived from the diverse architectural character of the district which ranges from multi-story 19th century commercial buildings to the streamlined one story blocks popularized in the 20th century and from small-scale, village-oriented institutional buildings like the library to the imposing Court House/Police Station complex which serves the entire city. The district meets criteria A & C of the NRHP.

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

The West Newton Village Center Historic District forms a linear corridor along Washington Street, stretching from Lucas Court at the western end to Davis Court at the eastern end, and encompassing the major intersection of Washington and Watertown Streets. It is bordered by railroad tracks and the Massachusetts Turnpike to the south, the Turnpike overpass to the west, residential areas to the north, and less compact/historically cohesive commercial strip development to the east. Excepting Newton Centre, the village of West Newton is the city's largest village center. Further, it is by far the most intact, preserving an extensive collection of late 19th and early 20th century commercial and institutional buildings. The commercial blocks often retain their original storefronts, and the institutional buildings represent a full range of types including church, school, library, police station and courthouse. (see cont. sheet)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain historical importance of area and how the area relates to the development of other areas of the community.

The building of Newton's second meeting house in 1764 and the separation of the town into an east and west parish in 1778, fixed the location of Newton's fifth village center, which came to be known as West Newton. Improvements to Washington Street, an early east-west route through the town, and the arrival of the railroad in 1834 stimulated development, and were among the factors which lead to the re-location of the town hall from Newton Centre to West Newton in 1849. West Newton remained the site of town and city government until 1932, continuing to develop and building a strong commercial center. The area still retains several nineteenth century structures, namely the Davis Hotel (1831; NR 9/4/86) and Robinson's Block (1875). However today, the buildings in the West Newton Village Centre Historic District are predominantly twentieth century and the commercial focus has broadened from local supply and service oriented business to community-wide business organizations.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont.)

Individual buildings in the West Newton Village Center Historic District are described below beginning on the north side of Washington Street at Lucas court, and thence proceeding in a loop around the village.

1391-87 Washington Street, dating from 1926 and designed by Schein and Levine, is a one story, cast stone faced commercial block with five storefronts defined by rope moldings; a dentilated cornice trims the parapet. It remains fairly intact except for display windows and transoms.

1385-89 Washington Street, is a one story block sheathed with vinyl shakes; a building permit has not been located so it is uncertain whether or not they cover an older structure.

1381 Washington Street, was previously surveyed as #3541 and is a totally altered, aluminum sided house from the 1860s.

1371-79 Washington Street, wrapping around the corner of Elm Street, dates from 1929, and was designed by Harty & Brown. It is a one story, cast stone faced commercial block distinguished primarily by its leaf molded parapet.

115-19 Elm Street, was previously surveyed as #3540 and is a three story, red brick, Romanesque Revival structure dating from the 1890s.

107-11 Elm Street, at the corner of Border Street, is a small former gas station built in 1938 for the Shell Union Oil Company. It is cast stone faced with Moderne detailing. A rough-faced concrete block auto body shop, probably dating from the same period, also stands on the property.

1357-69 Washington Street, on the northeast corner of Elm Street, was designed in 1927 by George Nelson Jacobs. It is a two story, Classical Revival style block with a rounded corner at the street intersection. It is distinguished by fluted Corinthian pilasters carrying a parapet with a dentilated cornice. The entry to the upper floor at the eastern end is emblazoned with the initials BR for its developer, Bennett Rockman.

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Architectural Significance (cont.)

1345-55 Washington Street, was designed in 1940 by Krokyn and Brown. It consists of five cast stone faced storefronts divided by ziggurat inspired piers which break through the roofline and give the block a distinctive silhouette. The storefront at #1355 has been badly altered with vinyl shakes, so that it does not appear to be part of the block. This Moderne style block stands at the corner of Cherry Street

On the opposite corner of Washington and Cherry Streets is a small park which is the site of the **Old Town Hall**.

1321 Washington Street, is the Newton Police Headquarters, designed in 1931 by James H. Ritchie & Associates. It is a two story, brick with cast stone trim structure in the Classical Revival style. A projecting three bay frontispiece contains the entry with its severe surround consisting of Corinthian pilasters and entablature with lintel shell. The building is further trimmed with brick quoins, a full entablature and a parapet with balusters. A terrace with balustrade sets the structure off from the street.

1309 Washington Street, is the Newton Courthouse, also designed in 1931 by James Ritchie & Associates. Like the neighboring Police Headquarters, it is a two story, brick building with cast stone trim. A projecting frontispiece contains a recessed double-leaf entry set behind two Corinthian columns which rise two stories to support the building's entablature which reads: DISTRICT COURT OF NEWTON. Above the entablature is a parapet with balusters.

1291-1301 Washington Street/527-33 Waltham Street, was designed in 1927 by George Nelson Jacobs. It is a one story block faced with buff brick in the parapet and with storefronts defined by cable moldings. The Waltham Street section incorporates the West Newton Post Office.

995 Watertown Street-Robinson Block, is a three story brick High Victorian Gothic style structure, previously surveyed as #3113, and dating from 1875.

955-63 Watertown Street is a one story Classical Revivals style block dating from c1930, but with new storefronts.

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Architectural Significance (cont.)

979 Watertown Street, is a later 20th century gas station, which has recently been rebuilt.

1274-84 Washington Street, is a one story block with a wood frame parapet whose storefronts have recently been rehabilitated; it appears to have been constructed before 1912.

1265-69 Washington Street- Davis Hotel, is a two story, red brick Greek Revival style structure built in 1831, and previously surveyed as #3069. It was individually listed in the National Register on 9-4-86.

1251 Washington Street-Cate Funeral Home, is a small, two story, three bay, brick Classical Revival style structure with a pedimented double-leaf entry and paired brick pilasters at its corners. Although the date of the building is uncertain, its present front dates from 1926, and was designed by Lewis H. Bacon.

1239-47 Washington Street, is a one story, cast stone faced block with classical detail, whose storefronts have been bricked in; it appears to date from the 1920s.

1235 Washington Street, on the east side of Davis Court, is a red brick, Colonial Revival style gas station built in 1930 for the Atlantic refining Company. It is a good example of its fast disappearing type. It is presently not in use.

1 Chestnut Street, is the easternmost of the older commercial blocks on the south side of Washington Street. Now the Bay Bank Middlesex, it was designed in 1932 as the Newton Trust company by James H. Ritchie to harmonize with the existing and adjacent West Newton Memorial Library. It is a free standing, red brick Colonial Revival style structure which rises one story to a gable roof with end chimneys.

25 Chestnut Street, adjacent to the bank, is the former West Newton Memorial Library, now the Barry Price Rehabilitation Center. It resembles the bank in its one story, five bay, gable roof form, and in its red brick construction, but its details are Tudor Revival. It is a 1 1/2 story rectangular plan brick structure enclosed by a slate roof with exposed rafters. Its symmetrical five bay facade is framed by decorative buttresses, and is centered on the projecting entry porch with a prominent half-timbered gable. Paired windows are set in rusticated cast stone surrounds.

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1274-84 Washington Street, is a rather ordinary one story, red brick faced block with cast stone panels in its parapet. It is distinguished by multi-pane transoms which remain intact throughout the block, which in general is more intact than others. It dates from 1915.

1286-1294 Washington Street, is a well detailed cast stone faced block designed by Krokyn and Brown in 1927. It is distinguished by rope moldings around storefronts with handsome marbelized transoms, and a parapet with egg and dart moldings. Like the adjacent block, this one is quite intact, with some of the stores even retaining original wood paneled doors.

1296-1308 Washington Street, was designed as a an identical extension of the above block by the same architect, but ten years later. This block incorporates the aluminum faced West Newton Theater.

1314 Washington Street, at the corner of Highland Street, is the West Newton Savings Bank. Built in 1915, this brick and limestone structure was enlarged in 1935 and again in 1959, to create the harmonious whole that exists today. It is a three bay, Classical Revival style building with the entry occupying the central bay and arched windows with keystones in the outer bays which are defined by paired pilasters. The building is surmounted by a heavy dentilated cornice and a parapet. The quality of its materials - limestone and buff brick laid up in Flemish bond - is unusual.

1326 Washington Street, is the Unitarian Church of 1905-06, designed in the Gothic Revival style by Cram & Ferguson, and previously surveyed as #3117.

492 Waltham Street, the Davis School of 1922 has the honor of being the first municipal school constructed in this fast-growing decade, and also, of being designed by the noted Boston firm - Hartwell and Richardson. It is a nine bay structure with five central window bays, flanked by identical entry bays, and completed by blank (except for raised brick panels) end bays. The entry bays are largely faced with cast stone. The entries are double-leaf and headed by transoms as well as modillioned lintel shelves on carved consoles. The buildings' parapet is accented with panel brick work. The major alteration to the building is the recent replacement of its multi-pane sash with 1/1. Although this change is unfortunate, the original window sizes were at least maintained.

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Architectural Significance (cont.)

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The West Newton Village Center Historic District is located in the center of the village of West Newton. It includes a total of 22 commercial blocks, 5 institutional buildings and 1 vacant lot that are roughly bounded by Lucas Court (E), Washington Street (S), Davis Court (W) and Watertown and Washington Streets (N); the Davis School on Waltham Street extends the northern boundary slightly. Boundaries are the lot lines of these properties as shown on the attached Engineering Map. The boundaries are drawn to include the core of the village center where intact, historic commercial and institutional buildings are concentrated. The Massachusetts Turnpike, which resulted in the 1960s demolition of historic structures, forms an effective barrier on the south. The Route 16 overpass and Turnpike interchange forms a similar boundary on the west. The northern boundary has been drawn to exclude residential areas while the eastern boundary has been drawn to exclude increasing numbers of modern commercial buildings.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont.)

After the turn-of-the century two large new churches replaced earlier structures and several new commercial structures set the style for West Newton's twentieth century development. A new Unitarian Church (1905-6) was constructed at the corner of Highland Street and ten years later, the Second Church (WN-0124) moved out of the center to a prominent site on Highland Street, overlooking the village. In 1915, the West Newton Savings Bank built a new building on Washington Street opposite the City Hall. Although it was about one third the size of the present structure, its Classical Revival style and limestone and brick construction represented a change from the two and three story, nineteenth century brick and woodframe commercial structures along Washington Street. (The bank was enlarged in 1935 and again in 1959 to bring it to its present size.) The first of a series of one story commercial blocks was also built in 1915 at **1274-1284 Washington Street**. This block of seven stores was located next to the old Unitarian Church, then known as Players Hall, which^m 1916 became the home of the newly formed Christian Science Church in Newton.

West Newton lost many of its 19th century structures in the 20s and 30s as one story brick and cast stone commercial blocks replaced older residential and commercial

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structures. Between Elm Street and Lucas Court three new blocks were built and store fronts were added to residential structures. Reuben Kaplan of Chelsea was granted a permit in 1926 to build five brick stores at **1391-1397 Washington Street**. The architects were Schein and Levine of Boston. Although there are no permits on record for the adjacent block at **1401-1407** or the store fronts at **1381-1387**, they appear on the 1929 Atlas. The corner block of five stores at **1371-79 Washington Street** replaced the Central Block (#3540), built in 1894, which was moved back on the lot and now stands, somewhat altered, at **115-119 Elm Street**. The new block was designed by architects Harty & Brown and built 1929. Although the owner of record is listed as Adina Rich of Brighton, (probably the wife of the builder Patrick Rich), this building appears to be the first of a series built by the Kenmore Realty Trust and Newton resident Bennett Rockman.

In 1927 permits were granted to Bennett Rockman and/or Kenmore Realty to build five brick stores at **1286-1294 Washington Street**, a two story building with seven stores and offices at **1357-69 Washington Street**, and a one story block at **1291-1301 Washington Street**. In each case the architect was George Nelson Jacobs, and the builder Patrick Rich. A new post office, at **525 Waltham Street**, was incorporated in the third building which wrapped around the corner of Waltham Street. The layout of the Post Office at that time was done according to a standard plan, #1192.

The biggest change in West Newton and in the block between Waltham and Cherry Streets was caused by demolition of the old city hall, the old Second Church building, and the Peirce School. When Newton voted to become a city in 1873, there was considerable discussion about the need for a new City Hall, but cautious Newtonites made do. The old town hall was refurbished by architect George F. Meacham and the building served as Newton's City Hall until 1932. The adjacent Second Church building was taken over as an annex after the new church on Highland Street was constructed in 1915 and the old Peirce Grammar School building served as the Police Station and Court House. Prior to construction of the present Police Station, **1321 Washington Street** and Court House, **1309 Washington Street**, both of which were designed by James H. Ritchie and Associates, the City Hall annex was demolished and the old Police Station moved to that site. It was finally demolished after the new Police Station and Court House were constructed in 1931. The old City Hall came down after completion of the new City Hall in Newton Centre and today, a park at the corner of Washington and Cherry Streets marks its original location.

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Historical Significance (cont.)

James H. Ritchie also designed the Newton Trust Company office, **1 Chestnut Street** at the corner of Chestnut and Washington Street. The one story brick structure, which opened in 1933, was intended to harmonize with the adjacent West Newton Memorial Library, designed by Edward B. Stratton and built in 1925.

The **West Newton Memorial Library, 25 Chestnut Street**, was the first of five new branch libraries to be built by citizen subscription between 1926 and 1939 and given to the City of Newton. The plan was conceived by members of the Community Service Club of West Newton, which, aided by the West Newton Neighborhood House and the Men's Club of West Newton, raised over \$60,000 to build the library. The building was designed by Edward B. Stratton, who was responsible for a variety of buildings in Newton including the Newton Highlands Woman's Club (NH-D) and the block of stores adjacent to the old Strong Block in Waban. Dedication of the library was held on September 29, 1926. Memorial tablets were inscribed in loving memory of devoted citizens and of men who gave their lives in World War I. In this decade, financial constraints caused the library to close and in 1984 the building was leased to the Barry Price Rehabilitation Center. The branch library is currently housed in the former **Davis School, 492 Waltham Street**, which was closed in 1979 and is now the home of Newton Community Service Centers, Inc.

The Davis School, built in 1922 replaced an earlier Davis School which had become severely overcrowded. The architects were Hartwell and Richardson, who were also responsible for several other schools in Newton including the Hyde School in Newton Highlands (1895, Area B - NR:9-4-86) and the Emerson School (1905) in Newton Upper Falls, as well as the Central Congregational Church (NR: 9-4-86) and the Masonic Hall (1896, DOE), both in Newtonville. The school was named for Seth Davis, a prominent 19th century resident of West Newton, who among other things ran a private academy. Davis lived at nearby 32 Eden Avenue (NR: 9-4-86) and was also the owner of the Davis Hotel which is discussed elsewhere.

In 1937, a permit was granted to Kenmore Realty for the construction of six stores and a brick theater at **1296-1308 Washington Street**. These stores were designed by Krokyn and Brown of Boston. The theater, with its entrance on Washington Street, was set back on the site of the old Unitarian church building, then known as the Players Hall. In 1940 Kenmore Realty was granted a permit to build another five store block at **1345-55**

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Historical Significance (cont.)

Washington Street. Architects for this project were also Krokyn and Brown. These stores were located on the site of the Odd Fellows Hall, one of the last major nineteenth century blocks in West Newton. The only similar structure which remains today is the Robinson Block (#3113) at the intersection of Watertown and Washington Streets, which was partially restored in 1986.

The Davis Hotel, **1265-69 Washington Street** (#3069), built in 1831, anchors a small strip of commercial structures on Washington Street at the east end of the commercial center. The store fronts between 1265 and 1269 which incorporate the Davis Hotel are nineteenth century structures which have been altered a number of times. There is no building permit for the adjacent block at **1274-84 Washington Street**, although photographs show that it is on the site before 1912. Permission was granted in 1932 to operate a gas station at the rear of this building. The new station, **978 Watertown Street**, was located in a building, which had housed several other earlier businesses. It was altered by architect Clifford J. White, who made a "new front" for the new gas station. Louis Fabian Bachrach and his heirs owned this complex of buildings for many years.

The Cate Funeral Home at **1251 Washington Street**, which was established in 1861, is probably the oldest business in West Newton. Although there is no permit for the original building, a permit was granted in 1926 to build new brick front on the existing office. Lewis H. Bacon, architect for the Strong Block in Waban (NR 9/4/86) and the former Fire Station at 2044 Beacon Street, was responsible for the new facade. Alterations made in 1959 by architect Albert Kreider included a new interior chapel and new entrance on the right. Next to the Cate Funeral Home, the block at **1239-47 Washington Street** on the corner of Davis Court appears on the 1929 Atlas. Although there is no original building permit, it was probably built in 1926 by the G & S Paper Company of Newton.

The Atlantic Refining Co was granted a permit in 1930 to build a gas station at **1235 Washington Street**. It is one of two small original station buildings dating from the 30s. The other was built in 1938 for the Shell Union Oil Company at **107-11 Elm Street**. The Washington Street station is now vacant and the Elm Street station has been converted to another use. Other gas station sites in the West Newton commercial center were also granted in the 20s and 30s, but they have all been rebuilt.

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The effect of the construction of Massachusetts Turnpike Extension was less severe in the West Newton Village Centre Historic District than in Newton Corner, Newtonville, or Auburndale since the railroad tracks and the Turnpike parallel the central area of development rather than cut through it. Lincoln Park, at the west end of the center was taken, along with two 19th century brick blocks located beyond Lucas Court. This area forms and over pass and interchange for the Turnpike, now providing an effective barrier to commercial expansion west-ward along Washington Street. The West Newton railroad station, which was located south of the tracks, between Highland and Chestnut Street was also destroyed to make way for the Turnpike, but the late 19th and 20th century fabric of the center on Washington Street remains intact.

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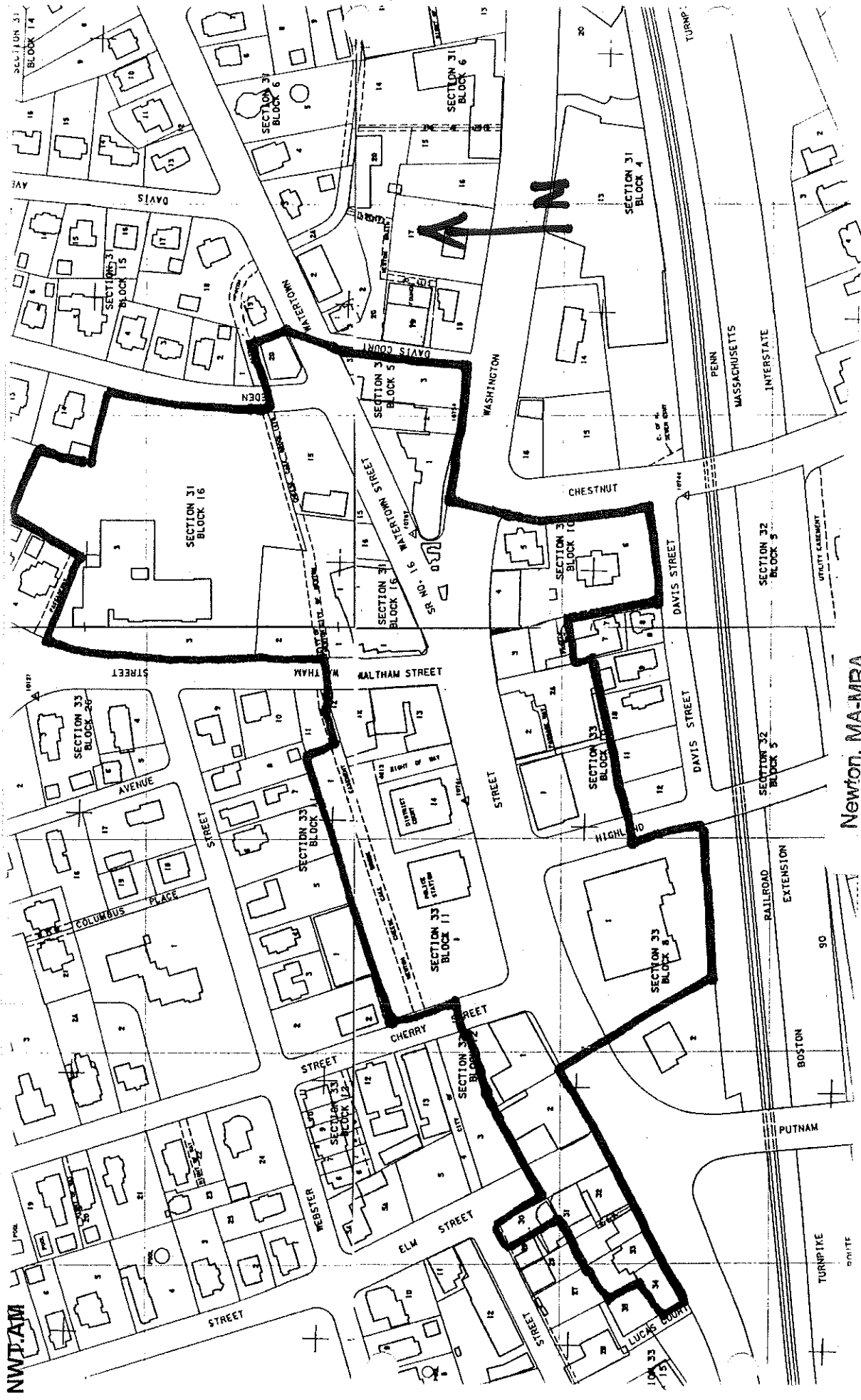
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NEWTON, MASS. MULTIPLE RESOURCE AMENDMENT - 1988 - WEST NEWTON VILLAGE CENTER H. D.

<u>Street Address</u>	<u>SBL</u>	<u>Area(sf)</u>	<u>Historic Name</u>	<u>Form#</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>Status</u>
1 Chestnut St.	31-16-16	6745	Vacant lot				
25 Chestnut St.	33-10-5	7160	Newton Trust Co.		1932	CR	o
107 -11 Elm St.	33-10-6	28528	West Newton Branch Library	WM-0115	1925	Tudor	o
115 -19 Elm St.	33-15-30	3350	Shell Union Oil Station		1938	Moderne	o
492 Waltham St.	33-15-31	5771	Commercial/Apartments	3540	c.1890	RR	o
527 -33 Waltham St.	31-16-3	62652	Davis School	WM-0128	1922	Panel Brick	o
Washington St.	33-11-13	12047	W. N. Post Office/Stores		1927	Commercial	o
1235 Washington St.	31-6-18	7356	Park (see SBL 33-11-1)				
1239 -47 Washington St.	31-5-3	13408	Atlantic Refining Co. Sta.		1930	CR	o
1253 Washington St.	31-5-2	6245	Commercial Block		c.1920	Classical Rev.	o
1265 -69 Washington St.	33-10-4	8246	Cate Funeral Home		1926	Classical Rev.	o
1274 -84 Washington St.	33-10-2	7959	Davis Hotel (see SBL 31-5-1)	NR 9/86	1831	Greek Revival	o
1286 -94 Washington St.	33-10-3	15701	Commercial Block		1915	Commercial	o
1296 -1308 Washington St.	33-11-14	4790	Commercial Block		1927	Commercial	o
1309 Washington St.	33-10-1	17680	West Newton Theater		1937	Commercial	o
1314 Washington St.	33-11-1	79724	Commercial Block		1937	Commercial	o
1321 Washington St.	33-8-1	58452	Newton District Court	WM-0131	1931	Classical Rev.	o
1326 Washington St.	33-12-1	12845	West Newton Savings Bank		1915+	Classical Rev.	o
1345 -55 Washington St.	33-12-2	13006	Newton Police Headquarters	WM-0132	1931	Classical Rev.	o
1357 -69 Washington St.	33-15-32	4393	First Unitarian Soc. of Newton	#3117	1905-6	Gothic Revival	o
1371 -79 Washington St.	33-15-28	9224	Commercial Block		1940	Moderne	no
1381 Washington St.	33-15-33	6134	Commercial Block		1927	Classical Rev.	o
1385 -89 Washington St.	33-15-34	3803	Commercial Building		1929	Commercial	o
1391 -87 Washington St.	31-15-20	6635	Commercial Building	3541	c. 1860	n/a	no
955 -63 Watertown St.	31-5-1	13540	Commercial Block		19th c.	n/a	no
978 Watertown St.	31-16-15	17376	Commercial (incl. Davis Hotel)		1926	Commercial	o
979 Watertown St.	31-16-15	24108	Commercial Building		c.1930	Classical Rev.	o
989 -1003 Watertown St.	31-16-1	24108	Robinson's Block	#3113	c.1912	Commercial	o
					20th c.	Commercial	no
					1875	High Vic. Gothic	o

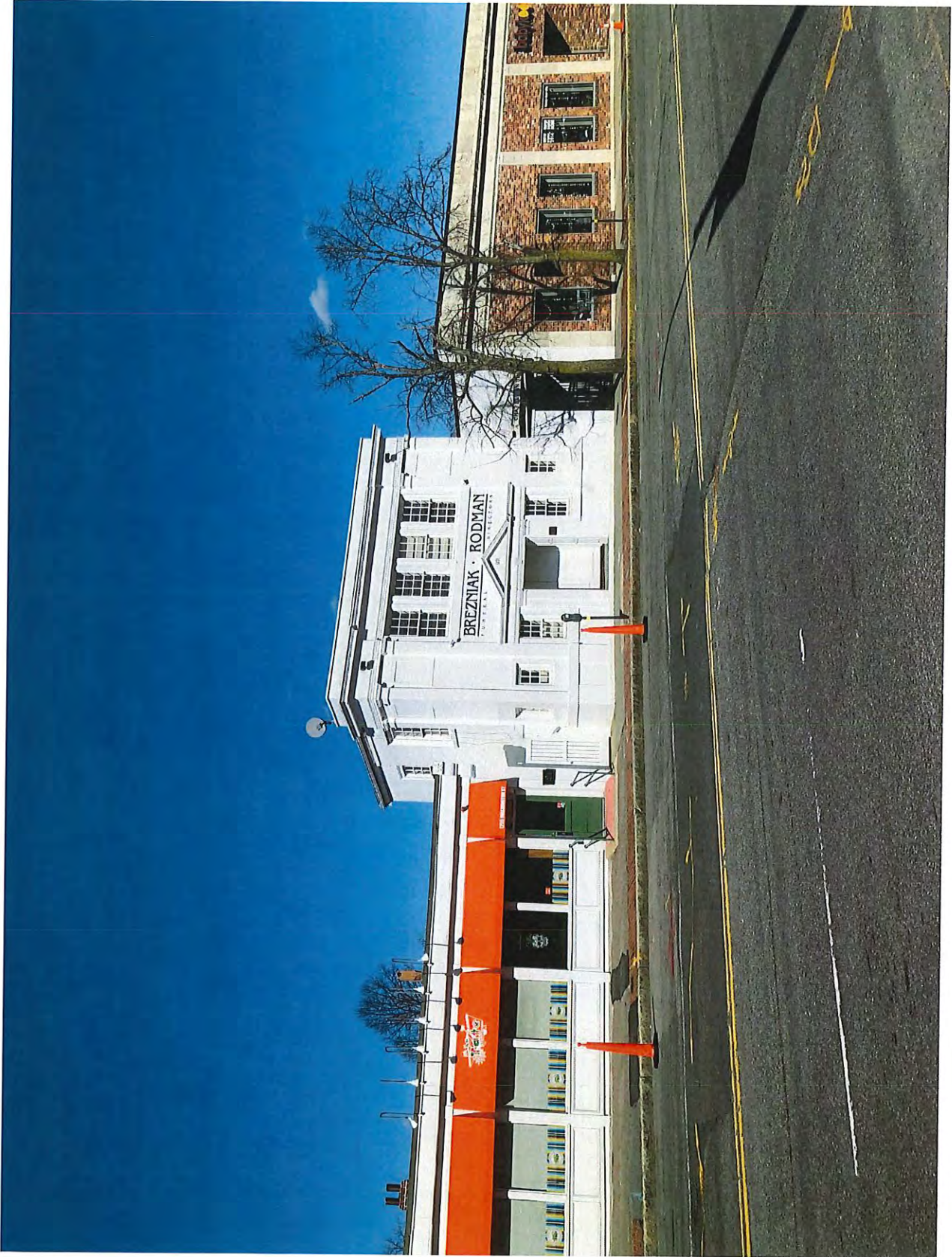
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Number of non-contributing buildings	4		
Number of structures	0	Number of vacant lots	1
Number of contributing structures	0		
Number of non-contributing structures	0		
Number of contributing objects	0		



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 Historic District
 Engineering Map 1979
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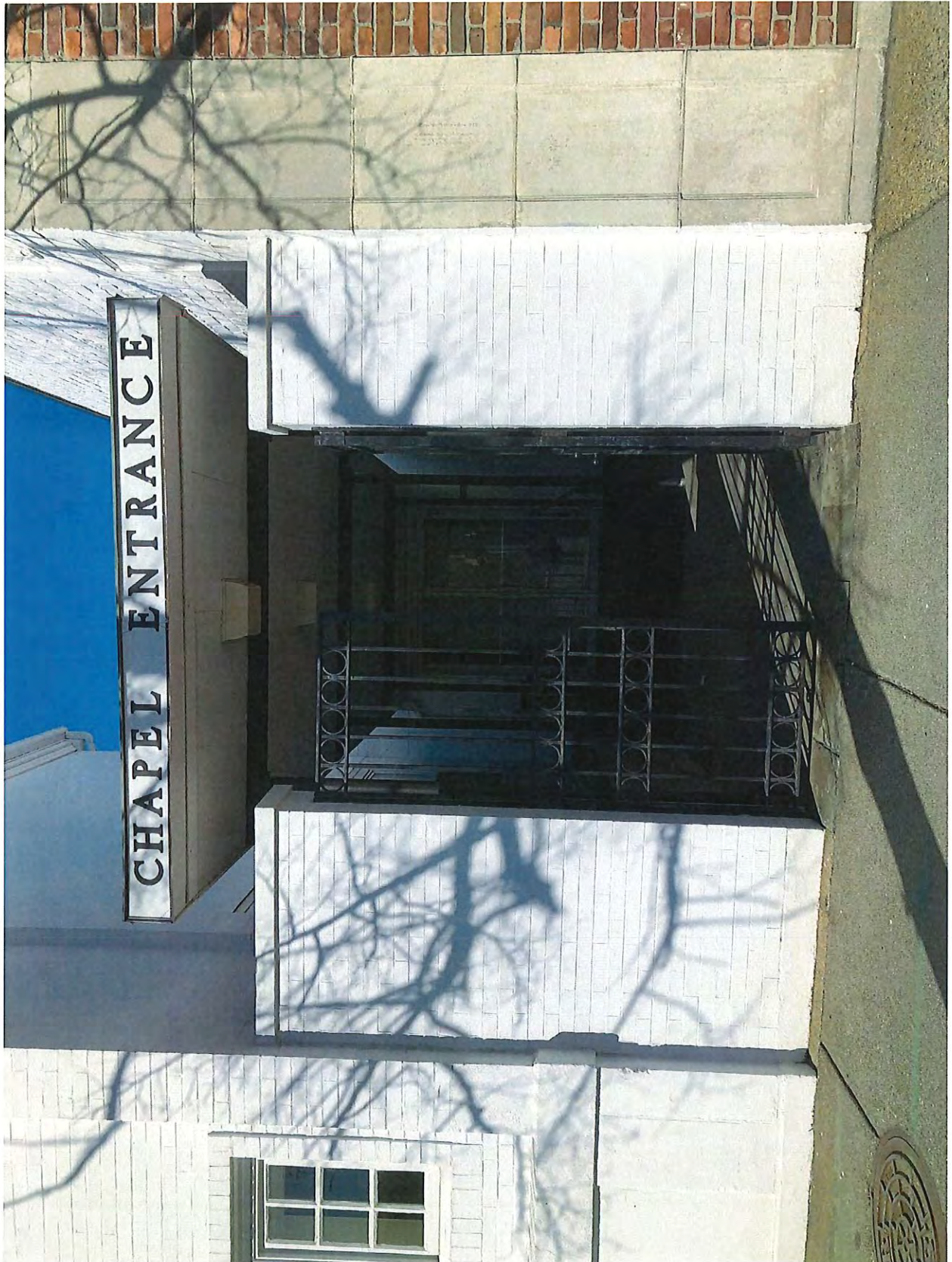




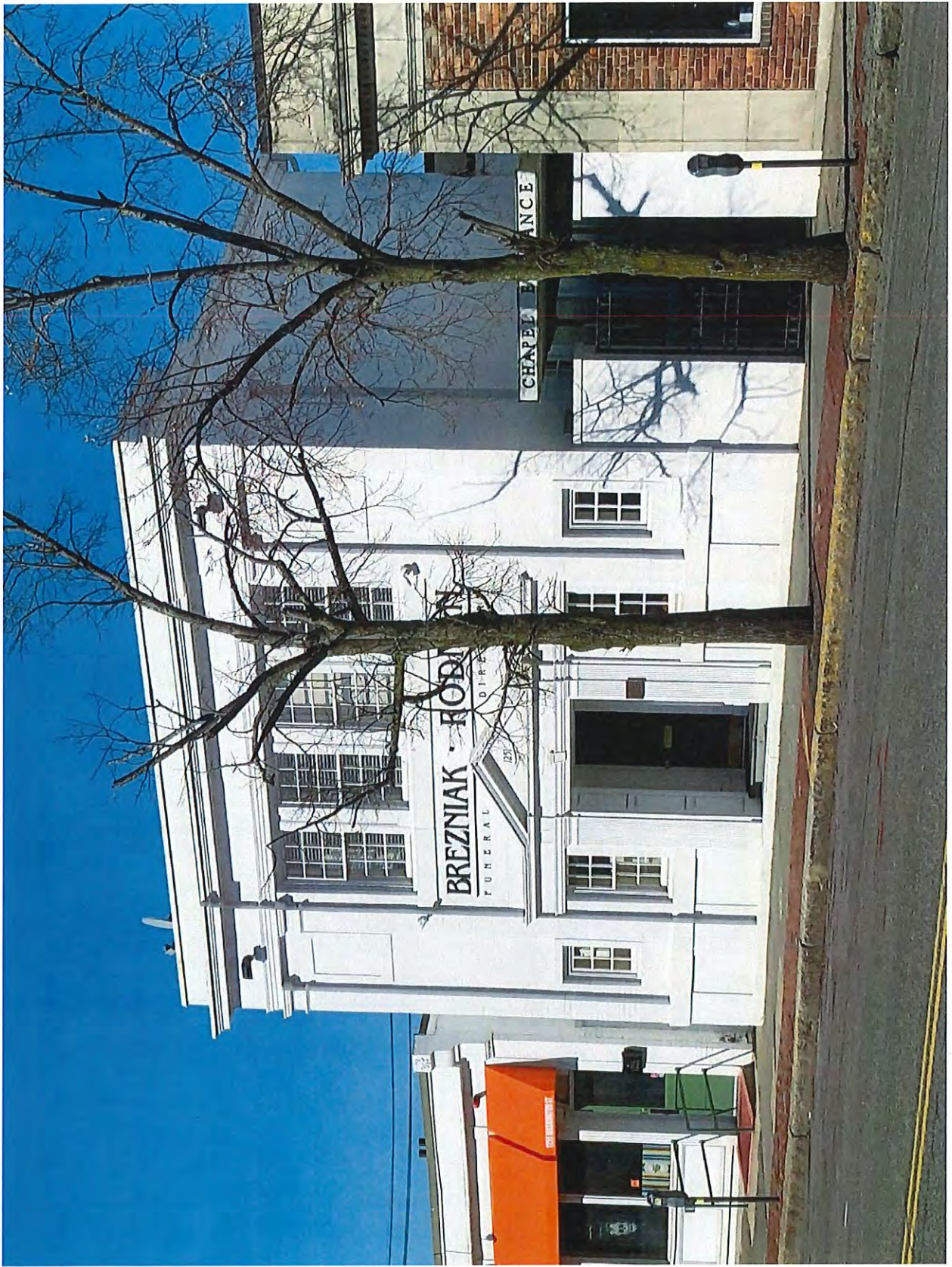
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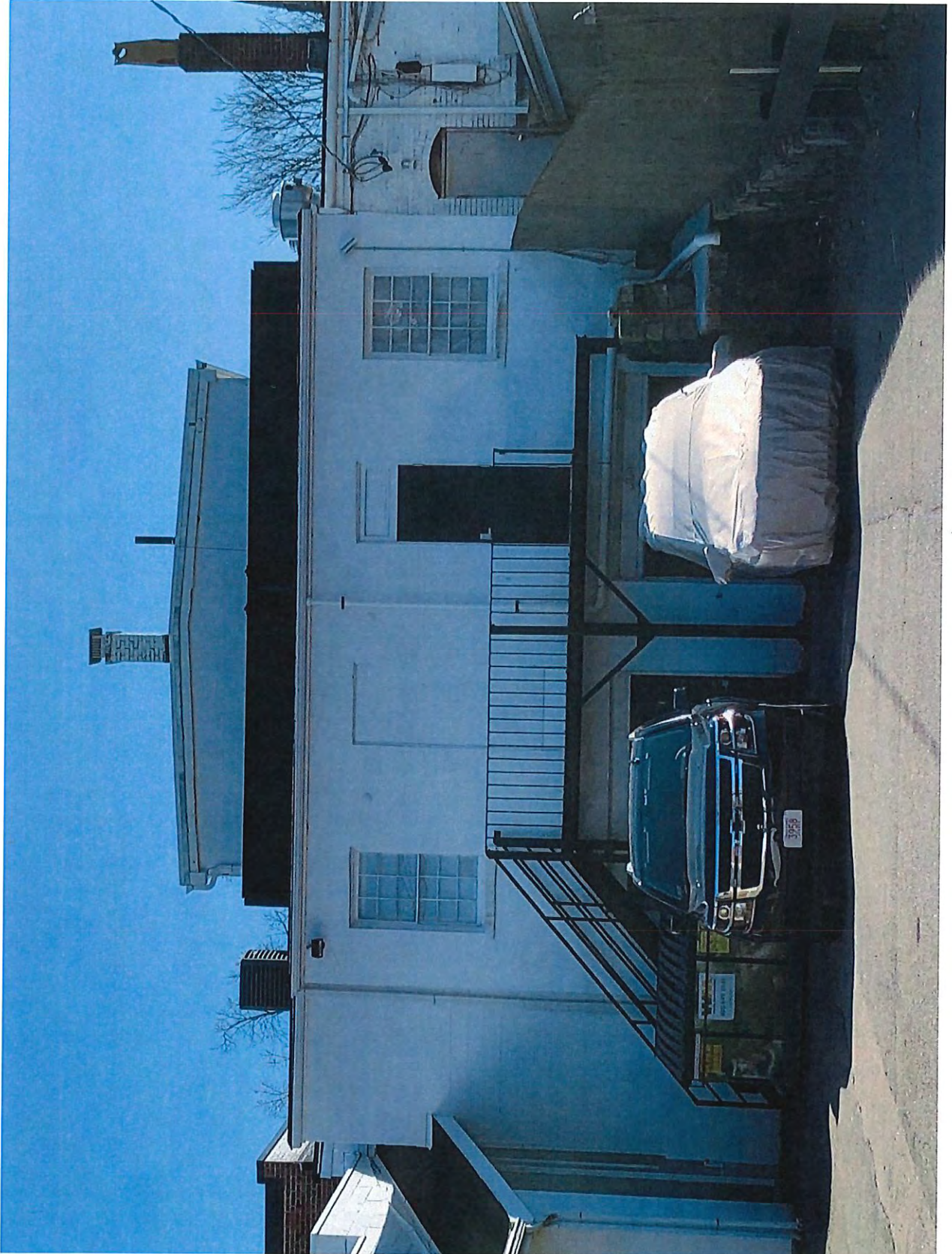
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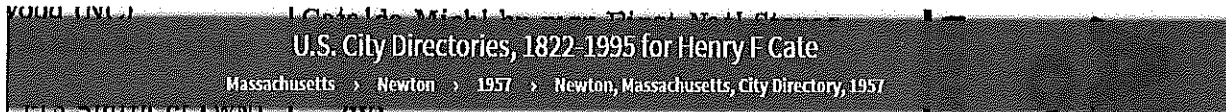


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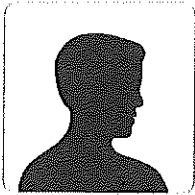
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 --Lois R (wid Geo H) h892 Watertown
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 --Norman G jr (Virginia F) slsmn h47
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BIRTH 23 DEC 1834 • Middleton, Essex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

DEATH 6 AUG 1896 • Newton Lower Falls, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Facts

Age 0 — Birth

23 Dec 1834 • Middleton, Essex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Age 2 — Birth of Sister Eliza Arabella Cate (1837–1914)

23 Mar 1837 • Massachusetts

Age 4 — Birth of Sister Josephine Cate (1839–1910)

17 Feb 1839 • Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Age 6 — Birth of Brother Henry Harrison Cate (1841–1871)

12 Apr 1841 • Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Age 11 — Birth of Sister Jennette H Cate (1846–1930)

1846 • Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Age 13 — Birth of Sister Marietta Cate (1848–1898)


16 Apr 1848 • Massachusetts

Age 17 — Birth of Sister Frances Kimball Cate (1852–)

23 Mar 1852 • Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA

Age 25 — Marriage

24 Oct 1860 • Newton, Massachusetts

 **Saphronia Ann Rice**
(1833–1892)

Age 36 — Residence

1870 • Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
Residence Post Office: Newton Center

Age 36 — Death of Brother Henry Harrison Cate (1841–1871)

6 Nov 1871

Age 42 — Birth of Son Henry Francis Cate (1877–1956)

9 Oct 1877 • Newton Lower Falls, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Age 43 — Death of Father Stephen Cate (1809–1878)


22 Apr 1878 • Newton, Massachusetts


Age 46 — Residence

1880 • Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head: Self


Family


Parents

 **Stephen Cate**
1809–1878

 **Eliza Carolyn Davis**
1812–1902

Spouse & Children


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1877–1956


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Age 57 — Death of Wife Saphronia Ann Rice (1833–1892)

16 Nov 1892 • Newton, Massachusetts, USA

Age 61 — Death

6 Aug 1896 • Newton Lower Falls, Middlesex County, Massachusetts,
United States of America

Burial

Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America

Stephen F. Cate in the 1880 United States Federal Census

Name: Stephen F. Cate
Age: 43
Birth Date: Abt 1837
Birthplace: Massachusetts
Home in 1880: Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA
Street: Washington St
Dwelling Number: 89
Race: White
Gender: Male
Relation to Head of House: Self (Head)
Marital status: Married
Spouse's name: Sophronia A. Cate
Father's Birthplace: New Hampshire
Mother's Birthplace: Massachusetts
Occupation: Livery Stable
Neighbors: View others on page

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Stephen F. Cate	43
	Sophronia A. Cate	47
	Henry F. Cate	2
	Belle E. Campbell	41
	Amy D. Campbell	2

Source Citation

Year: 1880; Census Place: Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts; Roll: 546; Page: 60B; Enumeration District: 475

Source Information

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Description

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Stephen F Cate in the 1870 United States Federal Census

Name: Stephen F Cate
Age in 1870: 35
Birth Year: abt 1835
Birthplace: Massachusetts
Dwelling Number: 1304
Home in 1870: Newton, Middlesex, Massachusetts
Race: White
Gender: Male
Post Office: Newton Center
Occupation: Supt of Horse RR
Male Citizen over 21: Y
Personal Estate Value: 15000
Inferred Spouse: Sophronia Cate

Household Members:

Name	Age
Stephen F Cate	35
Sophronia Cate	36

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Stephen F Cate in the Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988

Name: Stephen F Cate
Event Type: Marriage
Birth Date: abt 1835
Marriage Date: 24 Oct 1860
Marriage Place: Newton, Massachusetts
Marriage Age: 25
Father Name: Stephen Cate
Mother Name: Eliza Cate
Spouse Name: Sophronia A Rice
Spouse Marriage Age: 27
Spouse Father Name: Charles Q Rice
Spouse Mother Name: Eliza A Rice

Source Information

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Stephen Francis Cate in the U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current

Name: Stephen Francis Cate
Birth Date: 23 Dec 1834
Birth Place: Middleton, Essex County, Massachusetts, United States of America
Death Date: 6 Aug 1896
Death Place: Newton Lower Falls, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America
Cemetery: Newton Cemetery
Burial or Cremation Place: Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, United States of America
Has Bio?: N
Father: Stephen Cate
Mother: Eliza Carolyn Cate
Spouse: Saphronia Ann Cate
Children: Henry Francis Cate
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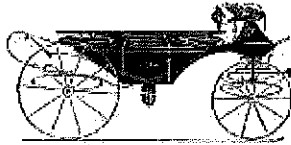
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Gray Cliff road, N. C.
- Thomas, decorator (150 *Boylston, B.*), h. 29 Harrison, N. H.
- Castle William W. examiner, U. S. Customs (177 *State, Boston*), house 1066 Walnut, N. H.
- Catauzano Jerome, removed to Boston.
- Vincenzo, fruit, 251 Auburn, house do. Au.
- Cate Eliza, widow of Stephen, boards 161 Homer, N. C.
- Frank B. removed to Cabot, Vt.
- Geo. H. sec. (54 *Bromfield, B.*), h. 892 Watertown, W. N.
- CATE HENRY F.** livery stable, undertaker, 1251
Washington and 44 Chestnut near R. R. house 64
Webster (*See page 787*), W. N.
- Lillian M. principal Oak Hill School, boards at W.
A. Sanderson's, N. C.
- Lucy J. died December 18, 1899, age 53.
- Cates Edwin W. E. clerk (146 *Devonshire, Boston*), house
Hammond corner *Channing* health avenue, N. C.

Dein, landress, 408 Hammond,	C. H.
Edward, laborer, house 45 Clinton place,	N. C.
John, lineman, Newton St. Ry. h. 308 River,	W. N.
Martin, trackman, Newton St. Ry. bds. 7 Thomas,	W. N.
Mary, domestic, 306 Franklin,	N.
Mary A. dress maker, boards 45 Clinton place,	N. C.
Rose Mrs. house 124 Galen, Watertown district,	N.
William, machinist, boards 54 Mechanic,	F. F.
Casson Charles P. clerk (150 Boylston, Boston), boards- 43 Gray Cliff road,	N. C.
Robert, furniture (150 Boylston, Boston), house 43 Gray Cliff road,	N. C.
Thomas, decorator (150 Boylston, B.), h. 29 Harrison,	N. H.
Castle William W. rem'd to S. Weymouth,	
Catanzano Vincenzo, fruit, 251 Auburn, house do.	An.
Cate Eliza, died July 11, 1902, age 89.	
Geo. H. sec (54 Bromfield, B.), h. 892 Watertown,	W. N.
C ATE HENRY F. livery stable, undertaker, 1251 Washington and 44 Chestnut near R. R. house 64 Webster (See page 786),	W. N.
Lillian M. principal Oak Hill School, boards 729 Dedham,	N. C.
Cates Edwin W. E. clerk, house 69 Hammond,	N. C.
Caton Annie B. stenographer, boards 99 Newtonville ave.	N.
Annie B. stenographer, boards 99 Newtonville ave.	N.
Charlotte A. widow of Allan, boards 126 Church,	N.
Fred A. sec. (53 State, B.), house 126 Church,	N.
Caunt James W. machinist at machine shop,	F. F.
Cavallo Giuseppe, laborer, house 33 Cottage place,	W. N.
Rusino, laborer, house 35 Cottage place,	W. N.
Cavanagh Edward, laborer, boards 505 Waltham,	W. N.
James G. house 127 Forest avenue,	W. N.
John, motorman, 603 Walnut, Newtonville, house 54 Cemetery avenue,	N. C.
Margaret Miss, house 57 Oak avenue,	W. N.
Thomas, died Feb. 10, 1902, age 93.	
T. Francis, painter, house 511 Waltham,	W. N.
Cavanaugh Elizabeth M. wid. of John J. h. 338 Cherry,	W. N.
John P. mason, boards 16 Middle,	N.
Joseph M. hostler, rear 757 Washington, boards 9 Washington terrace,	N.
Michael mason house 16 Middle	N.

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Stephen F Cate
in the **U.S. City Directories, 1822-1995**

Name: Stephen F Cate
Residence Year: 1883
Street address: Washington near do
Residence Place: Newton, Massachusetts, USA
Occupation: Livery Stable And Undertaker
Publication Title: Newton, Massachusetts, City Directory, 1883

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Henry F Cate in the 1920 United States Federal Census

Name: Henry F Cate
 Age: 42
 Birth Year: abt 1878
 Birthplace: Massachusetts
 Home in 1920: Newton Ward 3, Middlesex, Massachusetts
 Street: Temple Street
 House Number: 130
 Residence Date: 1920
 Race: White
 Gender: Male
 Relation to Head of House: Head
 Marital status: Married
 Spouse's name: Lillian B Cate
 Father's Birthplace: Massachusetts
 Mother's Birthplace: Massachusetts
 Able to Speak English: Yes
 Occupation: Undertaker
 Industry: Own Shop
 Employment Field: Own Account
 Home Owned or Rented: Own
 Home Free or Mortgaged: Free
 Able to Read: Yes
 Able to Write: Yes
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Henry F Cate	42
	Lillian B Cate	39
	Henry F Cate	9
	Lois Cate	6
	Ada K Maclean	21

Source Citation

Year: 1920; Census Place: Newton Ward 3, Middlesex, Massachusetts; Roll: T625_716; Page: 2B; Enumeration District: 369

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Description

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HENRY F. CATE


Successor to STEPHEN F. CATE

FUNERAL DIRECTOR
AND
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1251 WASHINGTON STREET
WEST NEWTON

TELEPHONE CONNECTION



1253 Washington Street



Property Information

Property ID 31005 0002
 Location 1253 WASHINGTON ST
 Owner DONATO MARK F & STEVEN J TRS

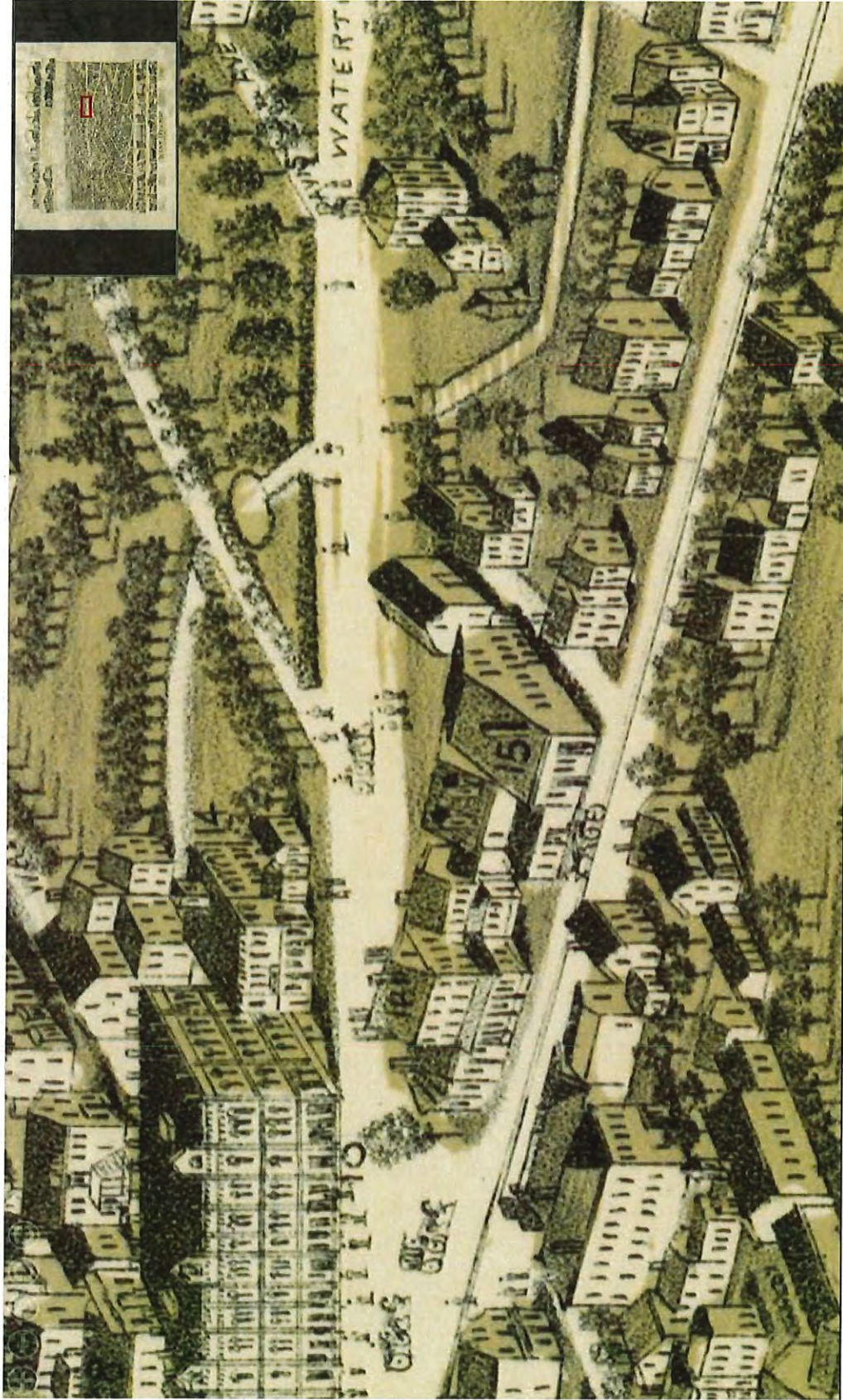


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West Newton, Massachusetts



1890 West Newton Village

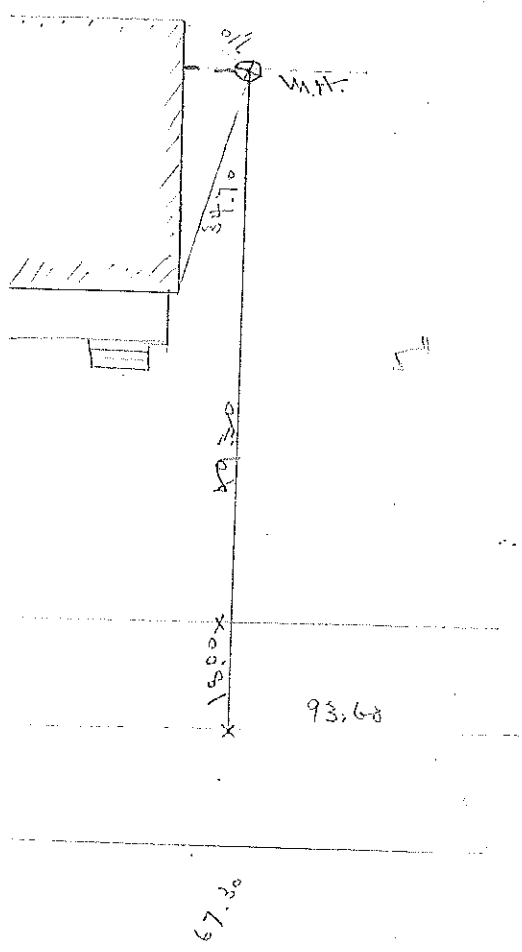
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1251-53 Washington St., W.N. (also 970-72 Watertown Street) *New Bldg 1927*

Water	✓ #7529	NB 157/94 ✓	7/21/05
Sewer	# 5042	NB 132/23	7/1905
	#20181	323/55	7/30/59 NB 322-120 279/124
	#9799	192/111	10/23/25 N.P.

33-6 5-18
Old Bldg. N21-6902 **Orig. Lot ESS-630**
Land Plans See B11-10390, See D8-3066

W.H. Maque
& Maggie P. Lee W.D. 3
July 13, 05.

5041



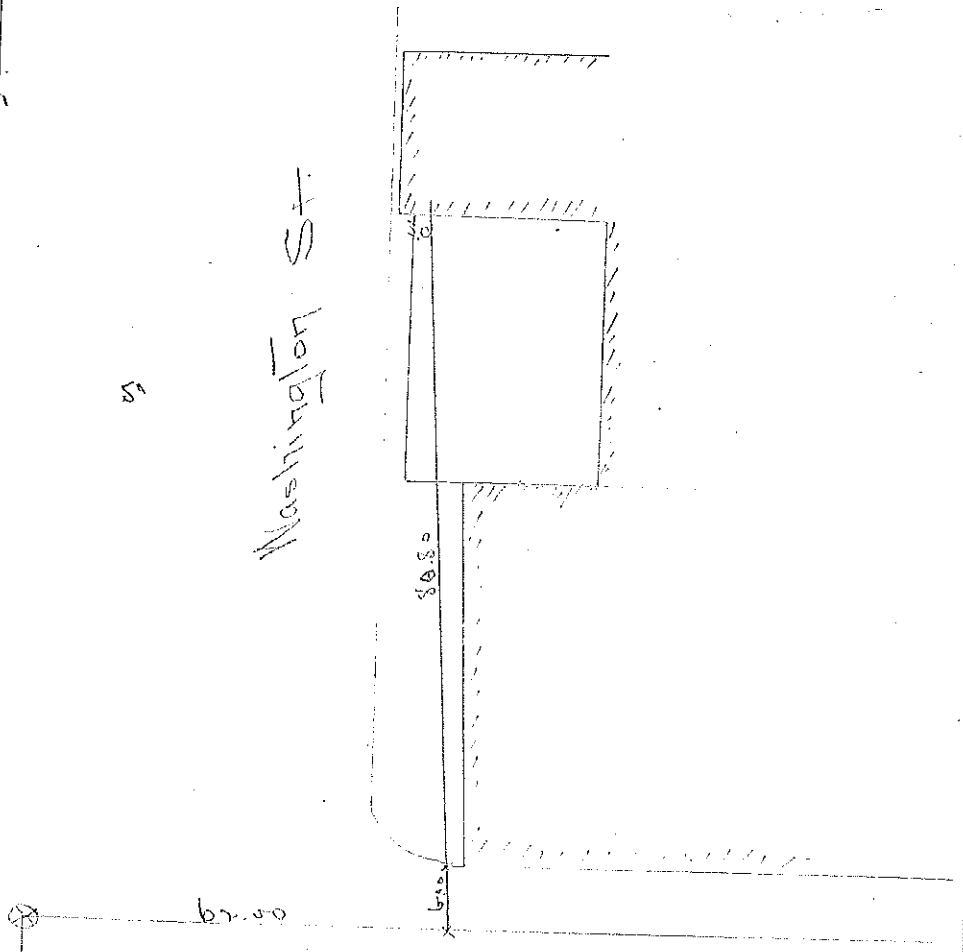
Plotted
11705-21

W.H. Maque

(H.F. Cate)
1207 Washington St. W.D. 3
July 19-05

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Washington St.

Plotted 6746-529

86,80

Davis St.

62743

STREET

DAVIS

SETH DAVIS

COURT

OPEN ROADWAY 18 FEET WIDE, IN COMMON
BETWEEN LOVELL & DAVIS ESTATES.

126.32

11,533.69 Sq. ft.

