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(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

STATE:	Massachusetts
COUNTY:	Middlesex
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE	MAY 8 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

1. NAME

COMMON:
Old Chelmsford Garrison House Complex

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Heywood House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
105 Garrison Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Chelmsford

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
Fifth

STATE: Massachusetts CODE: 025 COUNTY: Middlesex CODE: 017

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Old Chelmsford Garrison House Association

STREET AND NUMBER:
105 Garrison Road

CITY OR TOWN:
Chelmsford

STATE: Massachusetts CODE: 025

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
South Middlesex Registry of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
East Cambridge

STATE: Massachusetts CODE: 025

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Inventory of Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE OF SURVEY: 1972 Federal State County Local

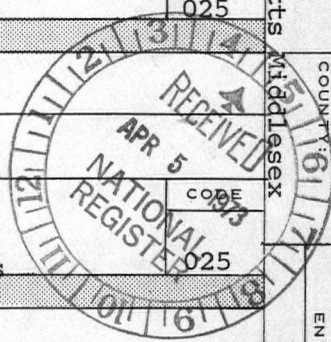
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Massachusetts Historical Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
40 Beacon Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Boston

STATE: Massachusetts CODE: 025

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STATE: Massachusetts

COUNTY: Middlesex

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

		(Check One)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed	
(Check One)			(Check One)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site			

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Old Chelmsford Garrison House Complex is located on Garrison Road approximately one-tenth of a mile from Route 110. The Complex covers 1.4 acres and includes the Old Garrison House and the adjacent barn, the McCormick Craft Center and the Bartlett Educational Building.

The main portion of the Garrison House was constructed c. 1691. It was then a two-story clapboarded building, five bays wide with a gable roof and central chimney of unmortared stone. The original building contained two rooms on the ground floor and one room on the second floor; the remaining portion of the second floor was left unfinished. A lean-to was constructed at the rear of the house c. 1702, giving it its present saltbox appearance. This addition contained two burning rooms, two kitchens with a center chimney of brick, and a pantry. At a later date, a shed was added to the eastern end of the lean-to. The Garrison House has now been covered with wooden shingles and the roof with hand-split wooden shakes. The six-over-six sash windows are reproductions.

Located immediately to the west of the Garrison House is the barn, with an attached open shed and a slaughter-house, now converted for use as a caretaker's apartment. The exterior of this structure is a combination of board and batten and plain vertical planking; the roof is covered with black asphalt shingles.

Located to the east of the Garrison House are the McCormick Craft Center and the Bartlett Educational Building. The Craft Center, originally a henhouse, was converted to its present use in 1966; it is now a two-story clapboarded building with a gable roof. The Bartlett Educational Building, a one-story wooden building with gable roof, is an example of the Hodgson portable house, one of the first types of portable housing developed in the 20th century; it was moved to its present location in 1969.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Old Chelmsford Garrison House is the oldest authenticated 17th century building in Chelmsford and the best example of the saltbox style in the town. Of the nineteen garrison houses which once stood in Chelmsford, this is the only one remaining.

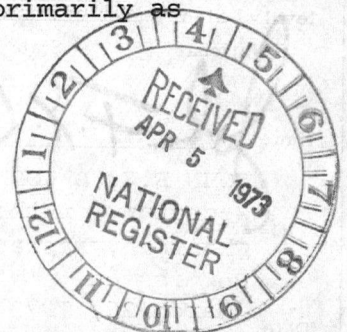
The original owner of this site was Lt. Thomas Adams, one of the nine children of Henry, the first American ancestor of the distinguished Adams family of Braintree and Quincy. Thomas was one of the original petitioners for the grant of land which became the town of Chelmsford; he served as a Selectman for 20 years.

The Old Garrison House was built c. 1691 (possibly earlier) by Tomas' son Pelatiah. It was then a two-story clapboard building with center chimney. Stone and wood for construction of the house were taken from rock ledges and first growth forest on the property. In 1702, the house and land were deeded to Pelatiah's sons, Pelatiah, Jr. and Thomas. The "saltbox" addition at the rear (containing two borning rooms, two kitchens, and a pantry) dates from this period, when the two brothers and their families shared the house.

In 1728, the Garrison House was purchased by Benjamin Heywood of Billerica; his descendants owned the property until 1922. The Old Chelmsford Garrison House Association was formed in 1959 to restore and preserve the house. The Association now maintains it and the adjacent buildings as a museum and educational center.

The Garrison House Complex includes three supporting buildings: the barn, which houses collections of farm implements and vehicles; the McCormick Craft Center, opened in 1966 to house the Garrison House Association's educational programs for local school groups; and the Bartlett Educational Building, moved to the present site in 1969 and used primarily as exhibition space.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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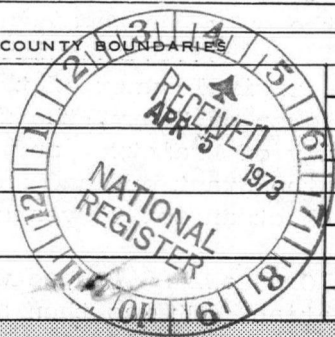
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.4 a.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Polly Ann Matherly

ORGANIZATION: Massachusetts Historical Commission DATE: March 22, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: 40 Beacon Street

CITY OR TOWN: Boston STATE: Massachusetts CODE: 025

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION **NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: John F.X. Davoren
 JOHN F.X. DAVOREN
 Secretary of the Commonwealth,
 Chairman, Massachusetts Historical Commission
 Date: March 26, 1973

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 5/8/73

ATTEST:
W.D. Matherly
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date: 4 26 73

PROPERTY Old Chelmsford Harrison House complex STATE Mass.

WORKING NUMBER 4.5.73.2748

Middlesex

7-25-73

TECH REVIEW
Photos 3
Maps 2

CONTROL REVIEW #10 acreage is missing

CM
4-13-73

HISTORIAN Lacrage in form.
this is not a District - don't like Hadyson portable bldg. - have nom. House separately

Return
AML 4/23/73

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN They can't understand districts if they sent this. House fine, barn looks recent but may be old. Forget the Craft Center & the Ed. Bldg. They could use a good deser. of district too

RETURN
KIT
4-24-73

ARCHEOLOGIST

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF This should be accepted as it is - the barn and house are acceptable and the other two buildings may be considered as outbuildings and would be included anyway, even if the house and land were all that were mentioned in the form. They are thinking of this as a complex, not a district, and it is a legitimate complex, although altered in terms of function.

accept
call
4-25-73

BRANCH CHIEF

Agreed with C.H. O'Neil
4/25/93

KEEPER

4/26

National Register write-up _____

Send-back _____

Federal Register entry 7-3-73

Re-submit _____

Entered MAY 8 1973



MASSACHUSETTS

CHELMSFORD

CRAFT HOUSE + BARTLETT EDUC. BLDG

NPS Number 5/8/73

Title: Old Chelmsford Garrison House

Complex

Loc. MIDDLESEX, MASS

McCormick Craft center on left,

Bartlett Educational Bldg on right

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Tec Art Photography

31 Billerica Road

Chelmsford Center

Massachusetts 01824

Tel. 617-256-0111

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(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with photograph)

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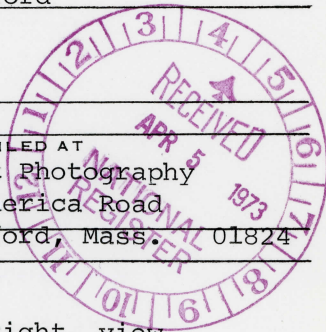
STREET AND NUMBER 105 Garrison Road

3. PHOTO REFERENCE		
PHOTO CREDIT Tec-Art Photography	DATE Nov., 1972	NEGATIVE FILED AT Tec-Art Photography 31 Billerica Road Chelmsford, Mass. 01824

4. IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.

McCormick Craft Center on left, Bartlett Educational Building on right, view from southwest





MASSACHUSETTS
CHELMSFORD, OLD CHELMSFORD GARRISON HOUSE

FACADE

NPS Number 5/8/73

Title: Old Chelmsford Garrison House

Complex

Loc. MIDDLESEX MASS.

Front elevation of Old Chelmsford

GARRISON HOUSE

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DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. Old Chelmsford Garrison House, front elevation, view from southeast		





MASSACHUSETTS

CHELMSFORD

CARETAKER'S APARTMENT + BARN

NPS Number 5/8/73

Title: Old Chelmsford Garrison House

Complex

Loc. Middlesex, Mass.

barn and caretaker's apartment

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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Massachusetts

COUNTY

Middlesex

TOWN

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STREET AND NUMBER

105 Garrison Road

3. MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE

prepared by staff:
Mass. Historical Commission

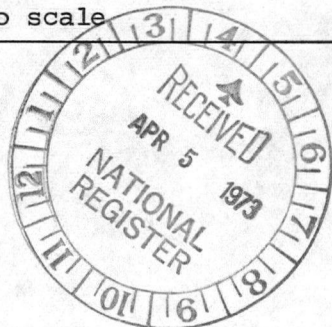
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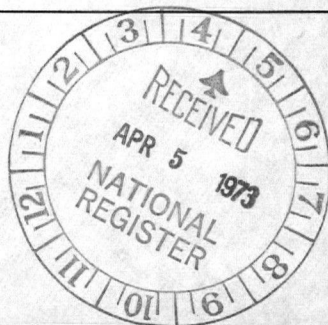
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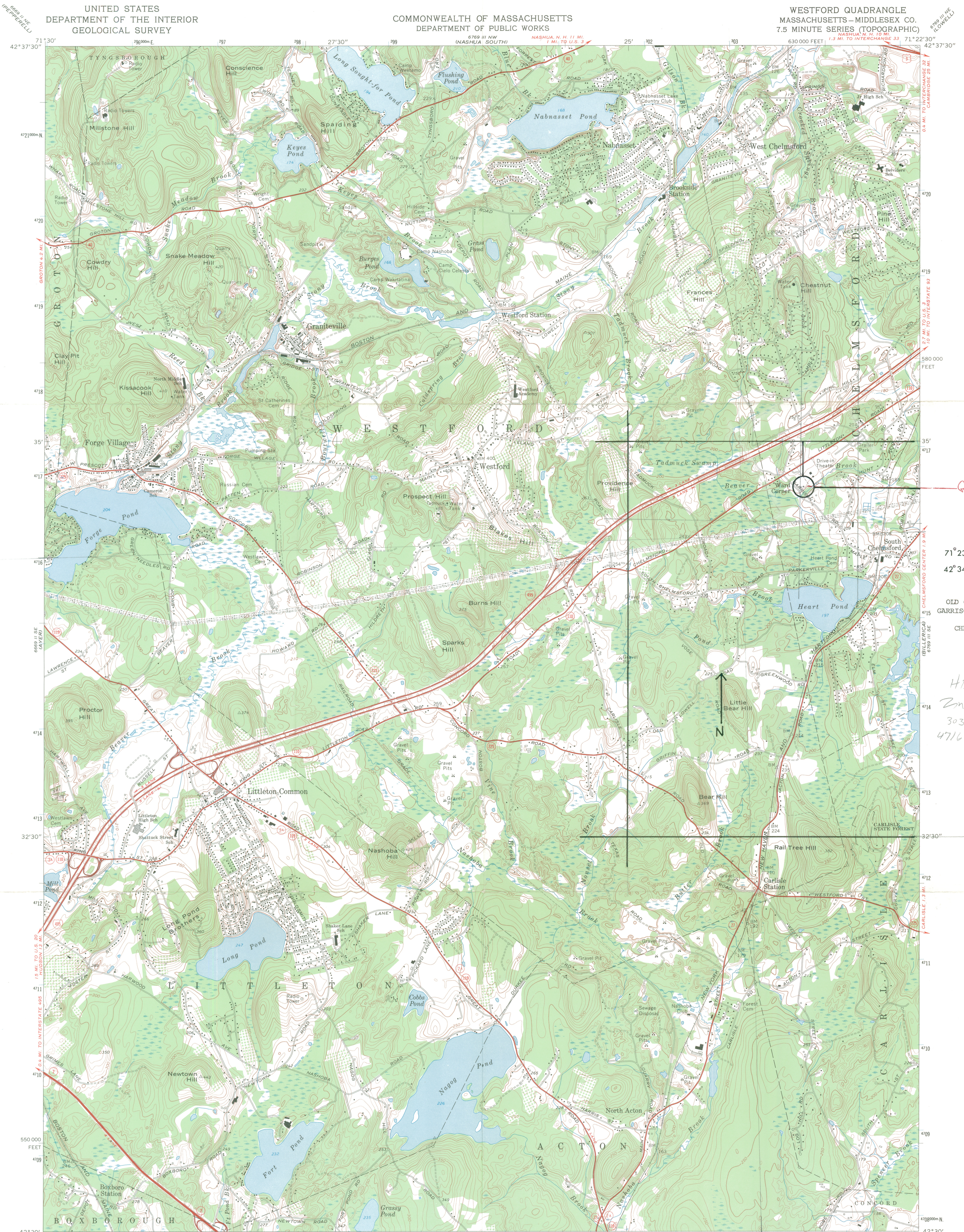
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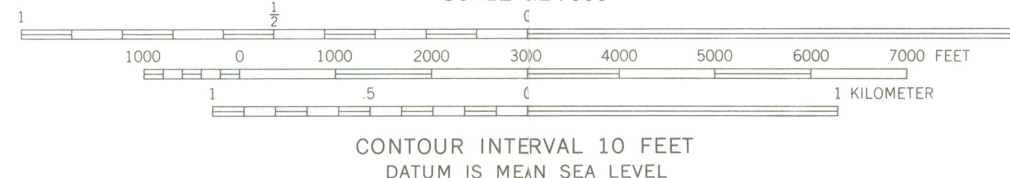
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OLD CHELMSFORD
GARRISON HOUSE COMPLEX
CHELMSFORD

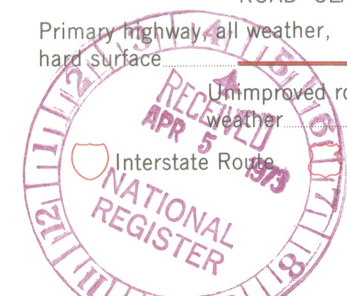
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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
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zone 19, shown in blue

UTM GRID AND 1966 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary highway all weather, hard surface
Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface
Unimproved road, fair or dry
Interstate Route
U. S. Route
State Route



WESTFORD, MASS.
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1966

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered MAY 8 1973

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Pratt (Dexter) House	Cambridge Middlesex County
Old Chelmsford Garrison House Complex	Chelmsford Middlesex County
Kittredge (Alvah) House	(Roxbury) Boston Suffolk County
Boston Public Library	Boston Suffolk County

Also Notified

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Hon. Edward W. Brooke
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Hon. Paul Cronin
Hon. John Moakley

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Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Director, Northeast Region

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5/9/73

Camp Paul. Money was voted to the Sister of the Holy Union; to R.A.R.A.; to the Lowell Association for the Blind and for the new YMCA building. Christmas projects voted include shoes and rubbers as gifts and gifts for the hospitals as well as clothes for fire victims. Money was also voted Big Brother and Big Sister and other miscellaneous projects.

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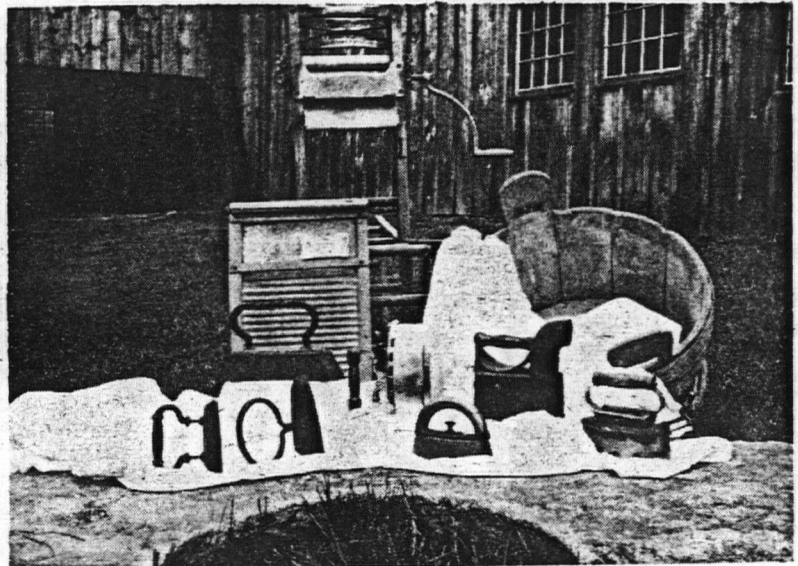
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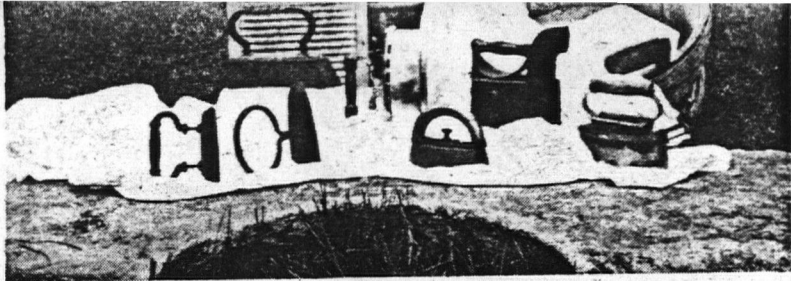
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Adding interest to this event will be demonstrations of soap making,



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Soap Making At Garrison House Opening June 13

On Sunday, June 13, at the "Old Chelmsford" Garrison House on Garrison Rd., the method of making lye soap will be demonstrated by Sandra Ludwig. This demonstration is part of a program "Washday At The Garrison House" which marks the official opening of the Old Chelmsford Garrison House for the 1976 summer season.

Other demonstrations centering around a "washday" theme are also scheduled. In conjunction with the demonstrations there is to be a comprehensive exhibit of washday implements such as wooden and metal washtubs, washboards, wringers, washers, washbaskets, glove, stocking and curtain stretchers, boilers, old vacuum cleaners, rug beaters, and an exhibit of irons dating from the 18th Century. Visitors may see fluters, tailor's goose, goffering irons, gas and asbestos to name a few.

Washday At The Garrison House is open to the public from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, June 13.

Washday Exhibit At Garrison House June 13, 2-5 P.M.

One of the most interesting exhibits to be brought before the public in a long while is the exhibit being put together to mark the opening of the tourist season at the Old Chelmsford Garrison House, Garrison Rd., Chelmsford.

Under the direction of Mrs. George Ripsom, this event entitled "Washday At The Garrison House", features a collection of irons dating from the 18th century to the present, a collection of wooden and metal washtubs, washboards, washing machines, boilers, stretchers, and even a collection of soaps and detergents which have been popular through the years.

Interest in this particular exhibit is being aroused by the fact that many of the items to be displayed are not from the distant past which, while it interests us, is not an era most of us can relate to. Most people today, however, are not that far removed from scrubboards, stretchers, wringers and early electric irons. And it is that tingle of nostalgic pleasure, that "remembering when" feeling that is creating the anticipation with which the community is looking forward to Washday At The Garrison House.

For history buffs, objects from the distant past have not been ignored. Amongst the many items to be displayed Sunday is a leaching stone used in the process of making lye. This item was donated to the Garrison House by Mrs. Irene Stewart who, recognizing the historic value of this old stone, rescued it from a crumbling wall in Westford. The first task to be done in the making of soap in the 16th century was "setting the leach" for making lye. All of the wood ashes were collected and saved from the great fireplaces. These were placed over a layer of straw in a sturdy barrel which was set at an angle on a circular groove carved in a stone base (leaching stone). Water was poured in until the lye trickled or leached out through an outlet cut in the groove. The lye was then collected in a small tub and saved for soapmaking. The water and ashes were frequently replenished until the liquid was strong enough to "bear up an Egg or Potato so you can see a piece of surface as big as a ninepence."

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The Garrison House, an original 17th century garrison colonial, will be open and guided tours are scheduled throughout the afternoon. There is also a Country Store where visitors may purchase reminders of their visit and light refreshments.

In addition to the Washday events will be a display of flags, demonstrations of whitesmithing and chair caning, and an exhibit of antique guns.

The public is cordially invited to attend and enjoy all the exhibits and demonstrations on Sunday June 13 between 2-5 p.m.

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WASH DAY AT THE GARRISON HOUSE marked the opening of the house for the season and drew several hundred visitors to view the exhibition of old-fashioned laundering and ironing devices collected for the occasion by Mrs. George Ripsom. Demonstrating at wash tub, wash basket and wringer in the photo are (L-R) Cheryl Ripsom, Margaret Adams and Marilyn Uupple. (Photo by Ralph Bailey)

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT-IN-AID ACTION

Do Not Use This Space

1. STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
73070340

2. (Reserved for use by State central information reception agency)

3. GRANTOR: a. Federal agency
Department of the Interior

b. Organizational unit
National Park Service

c. Administering office—(1) Name
Division of Grants

(2) Address—Street or P.O. Box
18th and C Streets, N.W.

City
Washington

State
D. C.

Zip Code
20240

4. FEDERAL AGENCY GRANT IDENTIFIER: a. Code
25-74-00077-05

b. Title
Old Chelmsford Garrison House Complex Development, Phase I

c. Purpose The 17th c. building, the residence of Thomas Adams, the son of the first American ancestor of the distinguished Adams family of Braintree and Quincy, is the last remaining garrison house in Chelmsford. A preservation survey will be conducted for the building to identify the cause and method of resolution for structural failures.

5. GRANTEE: a. Name
Massachusetts Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon, Exec. Dir., MA Historical Commission

b. Address—Street or P.O. Box
40 Beacon Street

City
Boston

State
MA

Zip Code
02108

6. GRANTEE TYPE (Check only the single most applicable box)

a. State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b. Inter-state <input type="checkbox"/>	c. County <input type="checkbox"/>	d. City <input type="checkbox"/>	e. School district <input type="checkbox"/>	f. Special unit <input type="checkbox"/>	g. Community action <input type="checkbox"/>	h. Sponsored organization <input type="checkbox"/>	i. Other <input type="checkbox"/>
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7. APPLICATION RECEIPT DATE
Year Month Day
75 05 16

8. ACTION DATE
Year Month Day
75 06 09

9. EFFECTIVE STARTING DATE
Year Month Day
75 06 09

10. ENDING DATE
Year Month Day
78 06 08

11. TYPE OF ACTION (Check as many boxes as apply to this action)

a. New grant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b. Continuation grant <input type="checkbox"/>	c. Supplemental grant (identify agency in item 16) <input type="checkbox"/>	d. Change in existing grant
			(1) Increase in duration <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Decrease in duration <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Cancellation <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Increase(\$) <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Decrease(\$) <input type="checkbox"/>

12. AMOUNT OF CONTRIBUTION
a. Federal—(1) basic \$ 2,225 (2) Supplemental \$

b. State \$ 2,225*

c. Local \$

d. Other \$

13. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (if none, clarify in item 16)

a. Program Number
15.904

b. Supplemental Program Number

14. AUTHORIZATION

a. Federal Budget Accounts	10-58-1040-0-1-405		
b. Public Laws	PL Title Sec. 89 665	PL Title Sec.	PL Title Sec.
c. U.S. Code	16 U.S.C. 470		

15. FACILITY LOCATION: (For facility grant actions only)
a. City 105 Garrison Road, Chelmsford

b. County Middlesex

16. REMARKS
*Old Chelmsford Garrison House Association, Inc.

F. Y. 1973 APPORTIONMENT WARRANT NOMINATION

(DUE 1 APRIL 1973)



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