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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA

FORM NO.

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
10 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Town Quincy, MA/ MRA

Address 79 Winthrop Avenue

Historic Name Pinkham House

Use: Present single family dwelling

Original single family dwelling

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1870s

Source Map and directory research

Style Second Empire

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric wood clapboards

Outbuildings garage (1920) --nc

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition Fair

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage less than one acre: 11,250 sq. Ft.

Setting Sited on the slope of Winthrop Avenue, this is the oldest house on a street of large late 19th century suburban residence in Wollaston Heights.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. Johnson

Organization Quincy Historical Commission

Date June 21, 1986/ May 1987

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s). Indicate north

SEE ATTACHED MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19/333,400 E/ 4,680,530,N

USGS QUADRANGLE Boston South, MA

SCALE 1: 25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue retains integrity of design, location, materials, feeling, and association with the development of Quincy's first affluent, nineteenth century residential neighborhood for local businessmen, civic leaders, and Boston commuters. As the best preserved of several elaborate Second Empire residences in Quincy, the house fulfills Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

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

SEE INVENTORY CONTINUATION FORM SHEET

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Assessors Records

Building permits.

Atlas of Norfolk County Mass., 1876.

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D. Foster Taylor. "Wollaston As It Was In the 1870s." (written in 1946). Quincy History, Quincy Historical Society, January, 1985.

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

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| Community: QUINCY, MA | Form No: WH-531 |
| Property Name: Pinkham House | |

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 79 WINTRHOP AVENUE

One of the earliest houses in Wollaston Heights, this elaborate Second Empire residence was built by George F. Pinkham, the manager of Wollaston Land Associates, and the man most responsible for the development of Wollaston Heights. Although the Pinkham family retained ownership of 79 Winthrop Avenue past 1935, George A. Pinkham apparently reserved the house for other family members while he lived on Warren Avenue (his house was demolished). The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue is the only intact house associated with the Pinkham family that survives.

This house is located in Wollaston Heights, a neighborhood of substantial suburban houses built during the last three decades of the 19th century. Defined as the section of Wollaston located on Wollaston Hill, the Wollaston Heights neighborhood is roughly bounded by Beale Street (north); South Central Avenue (south); Newport Avenue and the MBTA tracks (east); and South Central Avenue (west). The neighborhood was part of a 300 acre tract of farmland purchased by the Wollaston Land Associates in 1869. The Associates marketed Wollaston Heights as a status residential community for affluent Quincy businessmen and Boston commuters. Key to the success of the development was the easy access to the railroad which, by the 1860s, had opened a station at Beale and Newport Street. In an arrangement negotiated by George Pinkham, business manager for the developers, the Old Colony Railroad issued free passes good for three years to anyone purchasing a house lot from the Wollaston Land Associates. Rapid building construction ensued with the majority of houses in the neighborhood built by 1900.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 79 WINTRHOP AVENUE
PINKHAM HOUSE

The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue, one of several elaborate Second Empire houses built in the elite residential neighborhood of Wollaston Heights, is architecturally important as the best surviving example of this type in Quincy. L-shaped in plan, the clapboard house features a concave mansard roof punctured by decorated dormers, two-story bay windows with paneled bases and dentiled cornices, and large quoins articulating the corners of the house. Large double brackets support the eaves and a bracketed entry porch is topped by a balustrade. A two-car garage at the rear of the property is noncontributing.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Quincy MRA
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

| Nomination/Type of Review | Date/Signature |
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| 51. Nelson, John R., House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 52. New England Telephone Building Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 53. Newcomb Place Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 54. Nightengale House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 55. Nightengale, Solomon, House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 56. Nowland, J. Martin, House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 57. Pinkham House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 58. Pratt--Faxon House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 59. Quincy Electric Light and Power Company Station Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Delores Byer</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____ |
| 60. Quincy Police Station Substantive Review | Keeper <u>Beth L. Savage</u> 3/8/90 Attest _____ |

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Pinkham House

MULTIPLE NAME: Quincy MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001384

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

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| APPEAL: | N | DATA PROBLEM: | N | LANDSCAPE: | N | LESS THAN 50 YEARS: | N |
| OTHER: | N | PDIL: | N | PERIOD: | N | PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: | N |
| REQUEST: | N | SAMPLE: | N | SLR DRAFT: | N | NATIONAL: | N |

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 9/20/89 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



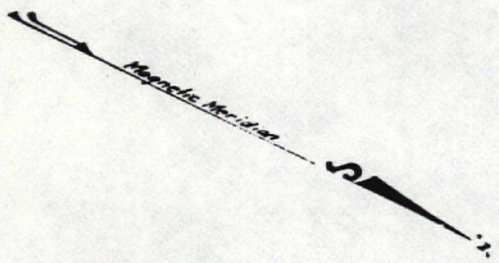
79 Winthrop Ave
Pinkham House
by: Fannin / Lehner
date: Spring 1986
at: Planning Dept. - Quincy
view: North
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Quincy, Mass.

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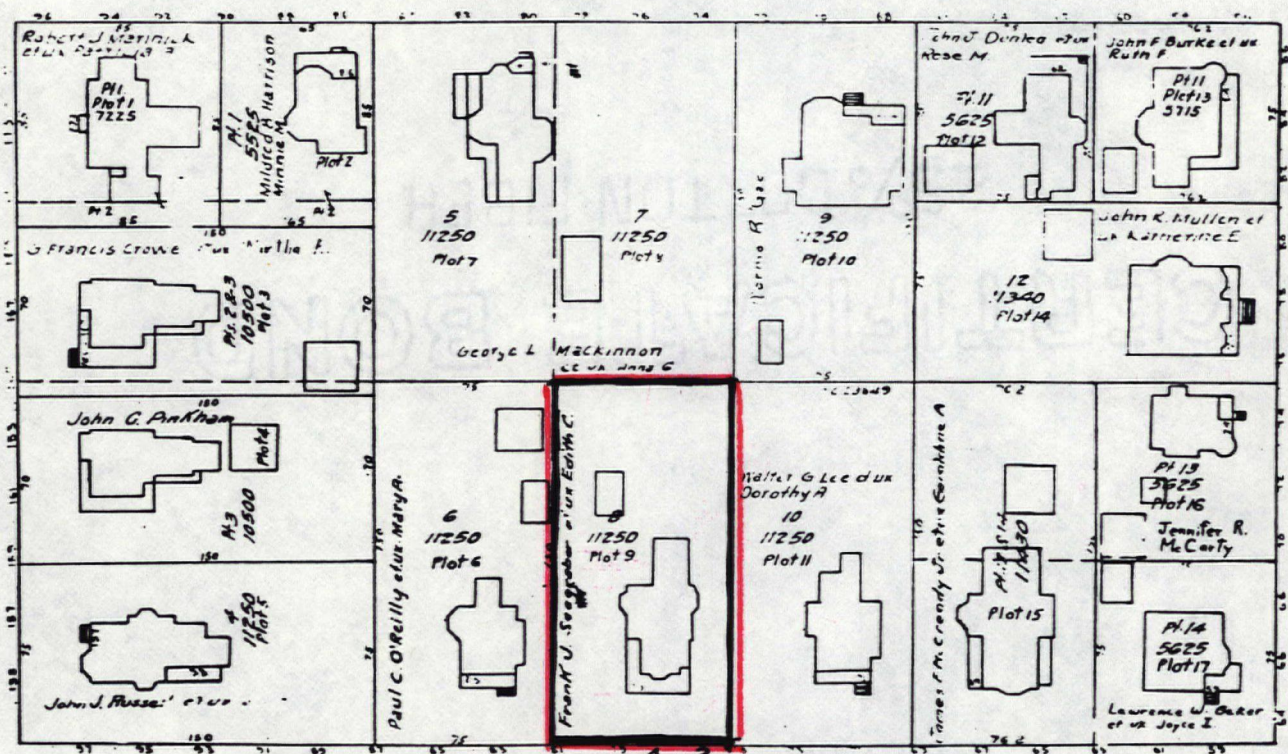
AVE.

WARREN

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WINTHROP

AVE.

Address 79 Winthrop Avenue

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS / MRA

Assessors Map # 5182

1979

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289