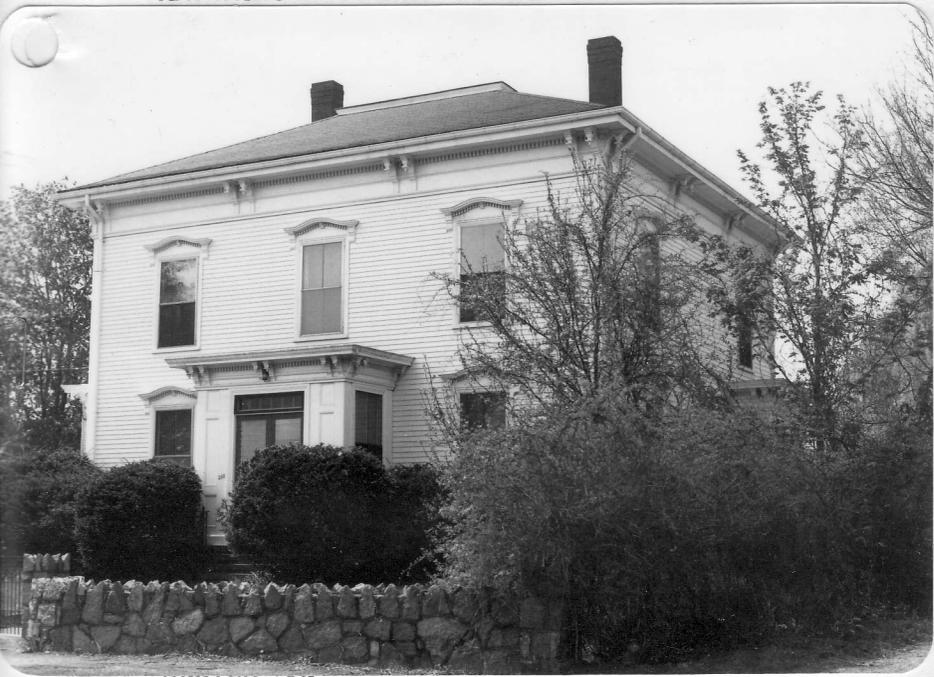


FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION



City Newburyport

Address 305 Merrimac Street

Historic Name Evans-Peavey House

Original Residence

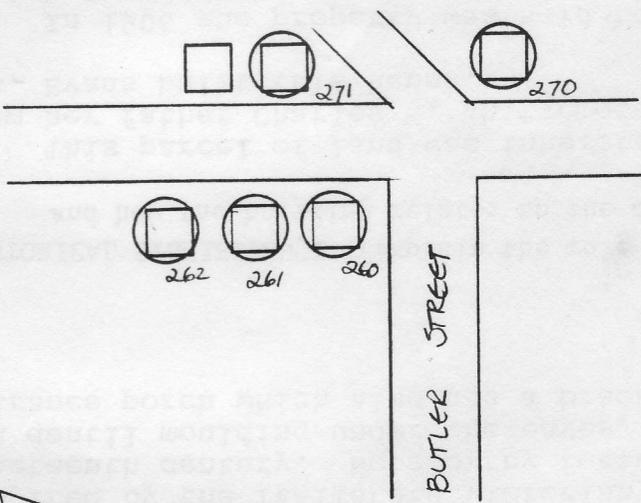
Present Residence

Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization

Public _____

Original owner Hannah Wittemore Evans

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date 1894

Source Essex County Registry of Deeds

Style Victorian

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings Garage and two sheds

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____

Approx. acreage 17,525 sq. ft.

Setting in area of mixed residential and commercial uses along the banks of the Merrimack River.

Recorded by Mary Jane Stirgwolt

Organization Office of Community Development

Date 12-15-80

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

Architecturally, this house is vernacular Victorian in style. It is two stories in height with a hipped roof. The architectural details are inspired by the Italianate Victorian styles popular during the late nineteenth century. Noteworthy features include the turned brackets, and dentil moulding under the eaves, the window lintels and the front entrance porch which also has a bracketed cornice.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This parcel of land was inherited by Hannah Whittemore Evans in 1876 from her father Charles W. Whittemore, a shipcarpenter. Prior to 1894 Mrs. Evans built this house.

In 1906 the property was sold to Carrie Peavey. Later owners included Evelyn Swanson who purchased the house in 1943. She later sold it to John Webster.

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Deed Research compiled by Mrs. Nancy Flynn and Mrs. Kathy Harden, Essex County Registry of Deeds.