

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no.
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1. Town North Reading

Address 133 Park Street

Name BP Service Station

Present use Service station

Present owner Gibbs Tire Depot, Inc

3. Description:

Date 1971

Source Chet Spinney, Assessor

Style Gas Station Georgian

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features \_\_\_\_\_

Altered \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size: 18,952 sq. ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 204'

Approximate distance of building from street  
50'

6. Recorded by Hurley/O'Brien

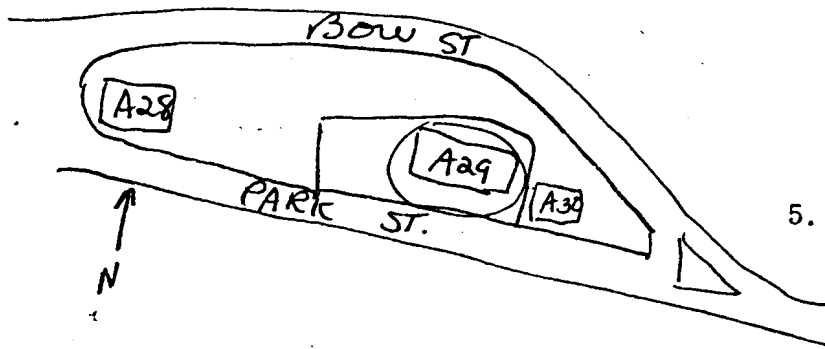
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



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7. Original owner (if known) Gibbs Tire Depot, Inc., Saugus

Original use Gasoline service station

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This property contains two lots. The Walls home on the easterly lot was moved to Bow Street (#12) in 1938-39 to make way for the D & S Service Station which opened at that time. The old home of Elbridge A. Howard (formerly Hayward) on the westerly lot was torn down in the early 1950's. However the owner decided not to build on the site and sold the land to the Sweetlands for expansion of the D & S. The Sweetlands conveyed the property to Gibbs and within two or three years, the building was destroyed by fire. In addition to selling gas, auto repairs, and auto body work, the D & S for many years sold new automobiles. Gibbs built the new station in 1971.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

- Mddlsx s. s. Registry of Deeds and Probate
- Reading Assessor's Records
- Reading Vital Records to 1850
- Interview with Madelain Sweetland
- North Reading Assessor, Chet Spinney