

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA H	FORM NO. 401
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108



Lexington

Address 4 Glen Road

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Present residential

Original residential

DESCRIPTION:

Age between 1898 and 1906

Source map research

Style Queen Anne

Architect Abram C. Washburn, builder

Exterior wall fabric shingles, clapboards

Outbuildings \_\_\_\_\_

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Approx. acreage .2 A. (8344 ft.<sup>2</sup>)

Setting North slope of Meriam Hill;

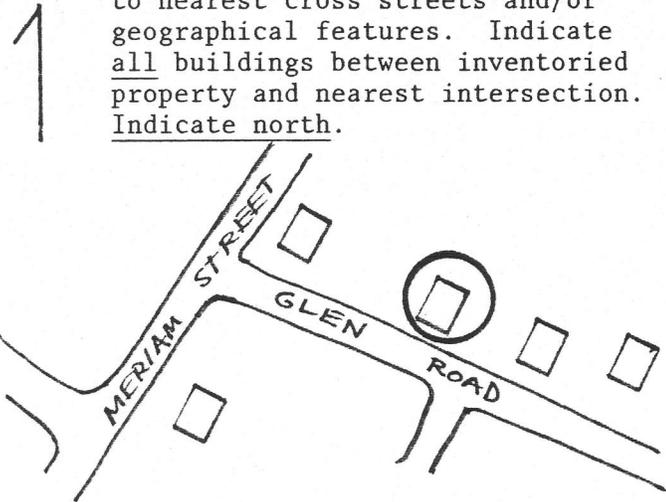
residential street of late nineteenth

century houses slightly more modest than

those on the rest of the hill.

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



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Organization Lexington Historical Commission

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

A house with cross gable roof and modest embellishments, this building is representative of houses put up by Abram C. Washburn on speculation in several parts of Lexington (Bloomfield Street and Parker Street areas). A porch with turned posts and contrasting shingled and clapboarded surfaces trim this building and are characteristic of many of Washburn's buildings.

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

This house was built speculatively by Abram C. Washburn, who came to Lexington in 1884 and was perhaps the most active carpenter and builder in town into the twentieth century. He is known to have built buildings designed by architects for others, but very likely those he put up on speculation were from plans available for purchase, or created by the builder himself.

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1898 map

1906 map

# INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Town  
LEXINGTON

Property Address  
4 GLEN ROAD  
Area(s) Form No.

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## HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

On April 7, 1906 the *Lexington Minute-man* reported that "Mr. Charles D. Surette of Winthrop Road had leased the new house just being completed on Glen Road by A.C. Washburn, who has sold the house just across the road, on Upland road, to Mr. Fred D. Cloyes" (see 6 Upland Road).

Directories indicate that Charles Surette was still living at 4 Glen Road in 1918. In the 1920s the house was occupied by George Russell and later by members of the Milne family.

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