

FORM B - BUILDING

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Newburyport

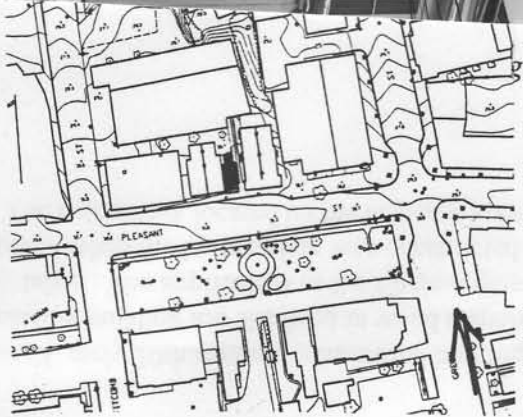
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Massachusetts Historical Commission
Massachusetts Archives Building
220 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, Massachusetts 02125



Town Newburyport

Place (neighborhood or village)

Address 72 Pleasant Street

Historic Name Barber Shop

Uses: Present Commercial

Original Commercial

Date of Construction c.1918

Source directories

Style/Form

Architect/Builder unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation Undetermined

Wall/Trim Wood Clapboard; Carrara Glass

Roof Tar

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

none

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition good

Moved no yes Date

Acreage 2650 SF

Setting opposite Brown Square Park

Recorded by Lisa Mausolf

Organization Newburyport Historical Commission

Date (month/year) April 1999

BUILDING FORM (72 Pleasant Street)

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of the building in terms of other buildings within the community.

This small, early 20th century commercial building is sandwiched between two 19th century dwellings. The sidewalls of the long, narrow building are sheathed in wood clapboards. The front of the building, covered with black Carrara glass, is slightly taller. The application of the Carrara glass may be a slightly later alteration as it would not have been all that widespread when the barber shop was constructed c.1918. The large single-pane display window is set above an aluminum base. The entrance is located on the angled corner adjacent to the display window and is covered by a metal storm door.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Describe the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

Comparison of Sanborn insurance maps indicates that this shop building was constructed between 1914 and 1924 as a barber shop. It appears to have been constructed for Honore Chouinard about 1918 and was then numbered 54 Pleasant Street. The barber shop was later operated by Christos Kekopoulos and Lucien Ebacher and known by a variety of names including City Hall Barber shop. It is still a working barber shop today and is now known as Bob's Barber Shop.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Newburyport Directories, 1900-present.

Sanborn Insurance Maps. Massachusetts State Library, Boston, Massachusetts.

Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attached a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*