

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
59 South Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106
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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
For Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
TOWN NO.:	SITE NO.:		
UTM: 18/	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME: Common: _____ Historic: _____
- 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown 348 Bartholomew Road (A), COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): and two houses north side of Bow Lane (B&C) see cont. sheet
- 4. OWNER(S): See next page (below #21) _____ PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Residential Historic: same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain _____ no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Center-Chimney Colonial DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: Late 18th C.

- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):

<input type="checkbox"/> clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> asbestos siding	<input type="checkbox"/> brick
B,C: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> wood shingle.	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt siding	A: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fieldstone foundation
<input type="checkbox"/> board & batten	<input type="checkbox"/> stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> cobblestone
A: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> aluminum siding	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete: type: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cut stone: type: <u>brownstone</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> foundation B,C

- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____

- 10. ROOF: type:
 gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 1 1/2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: Original sections, 25'x28'

- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated

- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
Alterations: no yes, explain: Porches and ells added; siding.

- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barn shed C: garage other landscape features or buildings: brownstone retaining wall borders front of C
 carriage house shop garden

- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: These three similar buildings are in an outlying city area located a few miles southeast of Middletown's metropolitan district. They are located within 3/4 mile of each other. The area is characterized by small, widely spaced residences surrounded by open lots. It is bordered by Connecticut Valley Hospital buildings, west; Middlesex Community College and a large, recently developed tract of suburban housing are south.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____ Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: These three Colonial houses are located in the same vicinity and share distinctive characteristics. Originally, they had an identical appearance, now somewhat hidden by various alterations. Their history is unknown, although they may share a common origin. During the Revolution, David Tryon, a wealthy landowner, settled in this district. His estate contained a large tract of farmland, and it is possible that the buildings were erected by members of the Tryon family.

The 1½-story buildings have the same approximate size and display broad, gabled roofs with small center chimneys. Two have roof ridges that run parallel to the road. One has a gable-to-street configuration. The gable end is treated as the facade; however, the original facade was probably on the east side and resembled those of the other two. All three have double overhangs with the lower overhang exhibited on the facade beneath the eaves. This rare feature is also displayed on other 1½-story Colonial buildings located west of Route 9 near Randolph Road and East Main Street, an area a short distance away. The repetition of this unusual feature in a limited geographical area is notable; and may indicate that the structures have some early relationship.

(see continuation sheet)

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Robert Svec
date: 12/78 view: A: sw; B: south; C: south
negative on file: A: Roll 52, #29A; B: Roll 55, #21A;
C: Roll 55, #24-24A

COMPILED BY:

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19. SOURCES: 1859 Walling Map; 1874 Beers Atlas
History of Middlesex County (Chicago: H.F.
Beers, 1884)



A

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: _____

Owners: A: John & Gertrude Dawson
B: Marien Partello
C: State of Connecticut

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CONTINUATION SHEET
Item number: 3&18 Date: 12/78

348 Bartholomew Road and two houses north side
of Bow Lane, Middletown, Ct. 06457

#18

These three buildings, unified by their similar features and location, reflect the early appearance of this outlying district. They form a distinct group, illustrating a local variation of a common building style once popular in two bordering sections of Middletown.

#3

- A: 348 Bartholomew Road
- B: Bow Lane; north side, .2 miles west of Bartholomew Road
- C: Bow Lane; north side, .1 mile east of Bartholomew Road



B



C