

FORM B - BUILDING

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in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.

1. Town Brookline

Address 153 Kent Street

Line

Present use Residential

Present owner L.B. Burgin

Description:

Year 1895

Source Tax lists

Style Shingle style

Architect Information not available

Exterior wall fabric Shingle

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features Five gables, bracketed eaves, diamond paned windows, two lancet-type arches, one in hood of porch, one in gable facing street. Bracketed porch supports.

Altered Unroofed porch Date 1952
added

Moved Date

5. Lot size: 7596 sq. ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre

Approximate frontage 70 feet

Approximate distance of building from street
20 feet

6. Recorded by Benka

Organization Brookline Historical Com

Date December 1978

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Ruth Vose

Original use Residential

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates Doctor's office on right side- 1954

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/>	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exploration/	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science/	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Arts	<input type="checkbox"/>	settlement	<input type="checkbox"/>	invention	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/>	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	humanitarian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

This house and #163 Kent St have much in common. Dark shingles multiple gables and siting (gable end of house facing street) are three shared features. Number 153 Kent was built within one year of #163 by the same person. Ruth Vose was the wife of Ambrose Vose, a Boston businessman, president of his own company, Vose Edge Finishing, located at 13 High Street.

The lancet-type arches of #153 are a most distinctive feature for this house and are not found elsewhere on Kent Street.

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

Brookline Atlas- 1893, 1897
 Brookline Directory- 1895, 1896
 Brookline Tax list- 1894, 1895, 1896
 Brookline Building Department permits