

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: Samuel T. Camp House
- 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 180 College Street
- 4. OWNER(S): Frank R. Smith and William H. Darrow PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Residence Historic: same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain with permission no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Italianate DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1865-1866
- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):

<input type="checkbox"/> clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> asbestos siding	<input type="checkbox"/> brick
<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt siding	<input type="checkbox"/> fieldstone
<input type="checkbox"/> board & batten	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> cobblestone
<input type="checkbox"/> aluminum siding	<input type="checkbox"/> concrete: type: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cut stone: type: <u>brownstone</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>wood trim</u>		<u>foundation</u>
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 - wood frame: post and beam balloon
 - load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 - other: _____
- 10. ROOF: type:

<input type="checkbox"/> gable	<input type="checkbox"/> flat	<input type="checkbox"/> mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> monitor	<input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth
<input type="checkbox"/> gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> shed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> hip	<input type="checkbox"/> round	<input type="checkbox"/> other _____

 material:

<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> roll asphalt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> tin	<input type="checkbox"/> slate
<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> built up	<input type="checkbox"/> tile	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
- 11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 32'x50'
- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
Exterior: excellent good to fair deteriorated
- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
Alterations: no yes, explain: North and east enclosed porches added and stucco applied (probably after 1924)
- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

<input type="checkbox"/> barn	<input type="checkbox"/> shed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> garage	<input type="checkbox"/> other landscape features or buildings: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> shop	<input type="checkbox"/> garden	
- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

<input type="checkbox"/> open land	<input type="checkbox"/> woodland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> residential	<input type="checkbox"/> scattered buildings visible from site
<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> rural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> high building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: Unlike the neighboring structures, this College Street building exhibits a stuccoed exterior and hipped roof. Its distinct appearance in an area of diverse building styles is further emphasized by its corner siting. This is the first in a row of houses ascending to High Street that are on more expansive lots than the closely sited group of residences on lower College Street.

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

Canvas ceilings
Marble sink in bathroom and marble-topped cabinet in kitchen

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____

Builder: probably Jeremiah W. Hubbard

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: This Italianate building displays a distinctive cupola and a wide cornice supported by brackets with a simple frieze beneath. The windows are accented by projecting wooden lintels and sills.

Jeremiah Hubbard built this structure shortly before Samuel T. Camp purchased it in 1866. Camp, after returning from California where he was "engaged in mining and the grocery business," started a grocery store with B.F. Chaffee on Main Street in 1858. An active city figure, Camp was President of the Farmers and Mechanics Savings Bank, Vice President of the Middlesex County National Bank, a trustee of Wesleyan University and a member of the city council. Following his death in 1902, his wife Martha Smith Camp retained the house. Upon her death in 1924, the house was sold to Frank A. Smith. During his ownership, a distinctive peppered stucco was applied over the original exterior siding (probably wood). Since 1866, this house has been occupied by members of the Smith family.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Elizabeth Loomis
date: 7/78 view: south
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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; Middletown City Directories; Commemorative Biographical Record of Middlesex County (Chicago: J.H. Beers Co., 1903); 1874 Beers Atlas; 1877 Baily Perspective Map

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

Item number: _____ Date: 1/90

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