

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

Area <u>B</u>	Form no. <u>5-6</u>
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Town Belmont

s 60 Oak Avenue

ic Name NA

original Single family dwelling

resent Same

hip: Private individual
 Private organization

Public

original owner

PTION:

Between 1898 and 1909

or geographical features.
Indicate north.

Source Not in 1898 atlas yet shows
in 1909 Payson Park brochure

Style Shingle and Arts and Crafts
influences on Homestead shape
Architect

Exterior wall fabric Wood shingle

Outbuildings Metal storage shed

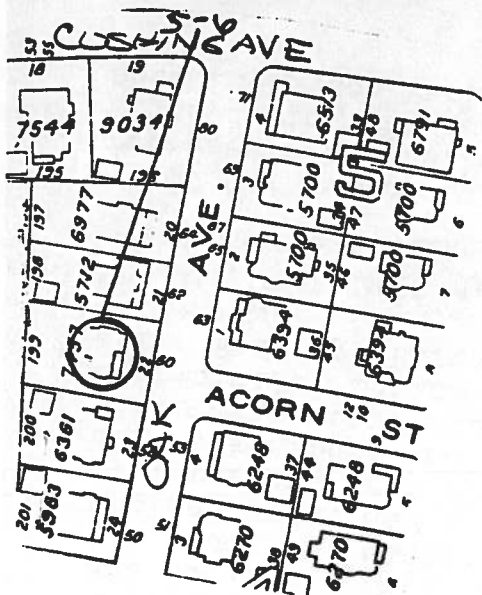
Major alterations (with dates)

Moved No Date

Approx. acreage 7457 sq. ft.

Setting Set on an informally landscape
lot on an early street in the Payson

Park development



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Organization Boston University

Date September 1982

(Staple additional sheets here)

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

The architectural significance of this house, similar in size and occasionally in style and plan to others in Payson Park, lies in its excellent state of preservation. Its imaginative and carefully applied cream and green color scheme emphasizes the fortunate survival of important trim elements (window surrounds and porch details such as the kingpost and dolphin head purlins). It also has its original slate main roof. Compare the applied "stick" design over the entry with similar motifs at contemporary 15 Lawndale Street (Our Lady of Mercy Rectory, Form 3-5) and 75 Oakley Road (1892-Benton Branch Library, Form 4-2).

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

60 Oak Avenue is a modishly decorated yet simple house shape. It represents one builder's version of a desirable development dwelling style during the early years of the streetcar-generated building boom in Payson Park.

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