

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	SBR.274
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Young, Henry General Store
<b>Common Name:</b>	Adams Cleaners - Colonial Music Store
<b>Address:</b>	14 Main St
<b>City/Town:</b>	Southborough
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	Southborough
<b>Local No:</b>	40; 41; 54-85
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	
<b>Architect(s):</b>	
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	Victorian Eclectic
<b>Use(s):</b>	Apartment House; Business Office; Commercial Block; General Retail Store; Hardware Store; Laundry; Market or Grocery Store; Restaurant
<b>Significance:</b>	Architecture; Commerce
<b>Area(s):</b>	SBR.AG: Southborough Town Center SBR.A: Main Street Area
<b>Designation(s):</b>	
<b>Building Materials(s):</b>	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Aluminum Siding; Wood Foundation: Concrete Unspecified



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## FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

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 Massachusetts Archives Building  
 220 Morrissey Boulevard  
 Boston, MA 02125

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Marlborough

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Town Southborough

Place (neighborhood or village) \_\_\_\_\_

Southborough centerAddress 14 Main StreetHistoric Name Young's StoreUses: Present store blockOriginal store blockDate of Construction 1913Source Sanborn maps; directoriesStyle/Form utilitarianArchitect/Builder unknown

## Exterior Material:

Foundation concreteWall/Trim aluminum sidingRoof asphalt

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures \_\_\_\_\_

none

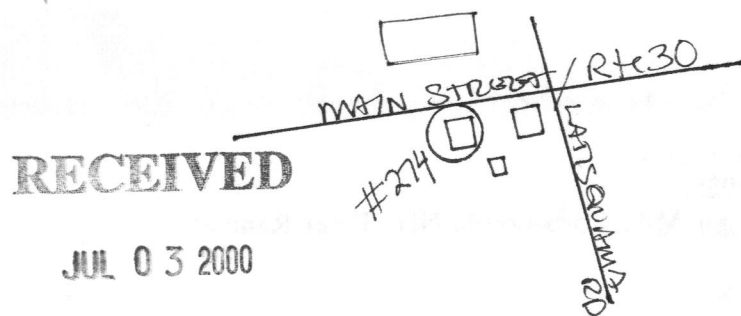
Major Alterations (with dates) enclosed stair on  
w. side; glassed-in entry with modern door--late-  
20th century

Condition goodMoved [x]no [ ] yes Date N/AAcreage less than one acre

Setting Faces north, on deep, paved lot located  
in line of 19th-century houses.

## Sketch Map

Draw a map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets, including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate north.



Recorded by Forbes/Schuler, consultants

Organization Southborough Historical Commission

Date February, 2000

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

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

An important survivor of the handful of small commercial blocks which stood on lower Main Street in the early part of this century, in spite of some changes this building is unusually well-preserved for its type. It is a long two-story rectangular wood-frame building with a flat roof. The main facade has three large 6-over-1-sash windows with molded surrounds at the second story, and a typical early-twentieth-century storefront arrangement at the first, where two large display windows flank a deep, recessed center entry. The windows, which continue around to the sides of the building, appear to be multi-light replacements. They slant inward to the main entry, which has a modern glass-and-aluminum door, creating an enclosed entry vestibule. Above the windows and entry, the frieze and cornice of the storefront are intact.

The east side of the building has three asymmetrically-arranged 6/1 windows at the second-story, and five small windows at the first, plus a modern door in a projecting entry bay at the rear corner. The west side of the building is dominated by a two-story enclosed exterior stairway. In spite of the siding replacement, the building retains its bracketed roof cornice, with molded frieze.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Explain 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.*

This wood-frame store block is one of several commercial buildings constructed on the lower section of Main Street in the first two decades of the twentieth century. In its early years it housed the general store of **Henry Young**, who ran it with his brother-in-law Jack Hill, selling groceries, hardware, and paint. The larger 1904 Masonic Block down the street at the corner of Boston Road burned down in 1914, leaving this building and 4 Main Street as the only story store blocks of their type in the east part of Southborough center.

In the the 1930s and 1940s the building was owned by **Walter Concannon**, and housed Concannon's Spa and News Shop, which later relocated to Marlborough. Its ice cream parlor was run by "Red" Maguire for many years. It currently houses a real estate office.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES ☐ *see continuation sheet*

Maps and Atlases: Sanborns Maps: 1912 (foundation); 1925.

Noble, Richard. Fences of Stone: a History of Southborough, MA. Portsmouth, NH: Peter Randall, 1990.

The Marlborough Directory. Various dates and publishers.

[x] Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, a completed National Register Criteria Statement form is attached.*



Massachusetts Historical Commission  
220 Morrissey Boulevard  
Boston, Massachusetts 02125

Community  
Southborough

Property Address  
14 Main Street

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## National Register of Historic Places Criteria Statement Form

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Individually eligible    ☐ Eligible only in a historic district  
☒ Contributing to a potential historic district    ☐ Potential historic district

Criteria: ☒ A    ☐ B    ☒ C    ☐ D

Criteria Considerations:    ☐ A    ☐ B    ☐ C    ☐ D    ☐ E    ☐ F    ☐ G

Statement of Significance by Forbes/Schuler, Consultants

*The criteria that are checked in the above sections must be justified here.*

Young's Store is eligible for the National Register at the local level as a contributing property in a district encompassing the historic residential and institutional meetinghouse center of the town. Under Criterion A, it is significant as one of few surviving properties at Southborough center that has been commercial in use since the date of its construction in 1913. It also meets Criterion C as a well-preserved example of a simply-detailed two-story store block of the early twentieth century.

In spite of some alterations to its storefront and west side, the property retains integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, setting and association.





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Southborough, Mass Pl. South  
address 14 Main Street USGS map

original & present Business

present owner Dr. Richard Hallisey

open to public Yes

Style

date of date

MUSIC Development of town/city Architect  
Architectural reason for inventorying: - - - - -

OR part of Area #

3. CONDITION Excellent (Good) Fair Deteriorated Moved Altered Added

4. DESCRIPTION

FOUNDATION/BASEMENT: High Regular Low Material

WALL COVER: Wood (Clapboard) Brick Stone Other

ROOF: Ridge Gambrel (Flat) Hip Mansard  
Tower Cupola Dormer windows Balustrade Grillwork

CHIMNEYS: 1 2 3 4 Center End Interior Irregular Cluster Elaborate

STORIES: 1 (2) 3 4 ATTACHMENTS: Wings Ell Shed

PORCHES: 1 2 3 4 PORTICO Balcony

FACADE: Gable end: Front/side Ornament

Entrance: Side Front: (Center) Side Details: (Recessed)

Windows: Spacing: Regular/ (Irregular) Identical/ (Varied)

Corners: Plain Pilasters Quoins (Cornerboards)

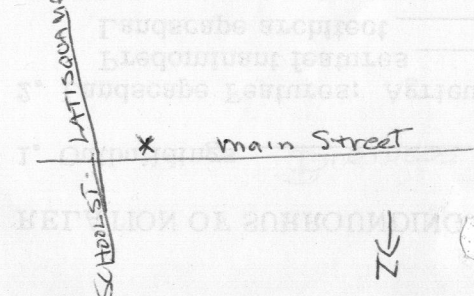
5. Indicate location of building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings  
6. Footage of structure from street  
Property has feet frontage on street

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SEE REVERSE SIDE



# RELATION OF SURROUNDING STRUCTURE

SBR. 274

1. Outbuildings Business Building in rear - same style.
2. Landscape Features: Agriculture Open Wooded Garden: Formal/Informal  
 Predominant features \_\_\_\_\_  
 Landscape architect \_\_\_\_\_
3. Neighboring Structures  
 Style: Colonial Federal Greek Revival Gothic Revival Italian Villa Lombard Rom.  
 Venetian Gothic Mansard Richardsonian Modern  
 Use: Residential Commercial Religious Conditions: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF SITE (Refer and elaborate on theme circled on front of form)

*This was the General Store for some time, it is now occupied by Adams Cleaners and Colonial Music. (1)*

## BIBLIOGRAPHY AND/OR REFERENCE

① HDSC Report 1972

## RESTRICTIONS

Original Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Deed Information: Book Number \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Registry of Deeds