

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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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 VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 10,15,22,33 Wall Street
- 4. OWNER(S): See next page (below #21) PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Residence Historic: same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain _____ no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Italianate DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1875
- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):

33: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> clapboard	10,15: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> asbestos siding	22: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> brick
<input type="checkbox"/> wood shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> asphalt siding	<input type="checkbox"/> fieldstone
<input type="checkbox"/> board & batten	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> other: _____		<u>foundations;</u> <u>10,15,33</u>

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:

- wood frame: post and beam balloon 10,15,33
- load bearing masonry 22 structural iron or steel
- other: _____

10. ROOF: type:

- gable flat mansard monitor sawtooth
- gambrel shed hip(low) round other _____
- material: 10,15,22
- wood shingle roll asphalt tin 33(?) slate
- asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 21'x47'

12. CONDITION: Structural:

- excellent good All fair deteriorated
- Exterior: excellent good 10,22,33 fair 15 deteriorated

13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when:

Alterations: no yes, explain: Some porch and ell additions

14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

- barn 10: x shed 33: x garage other landscape features or buildings: _____
- 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 four Italianate houses face Wall Street in South Farms. A small commercial area and the Russell Manufacturing Company's industrial complex are a short distance away. Similarly sited two-story residences of the late nineteenth century characterize this lane. A small Gothic wooden church also borders the street which is lined by large trees and a few hitching posts.

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

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____

Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: These four buildings are representatives of the Italianate style, popular in this district during the 1860s and 70s. The houses were built after 1871 when John Hubbard and George Roberts, South Farms land speculators, opened Wall Street and divided the tract into building lots. By 1877, three of these structures had been erected. The sites continued to be developed through the early twentieth century.

All of these two-story buildings have three-bay facades with the doorway set to the side. They exhibit low hipped roofs with wide cornices and are of the same approximate size. Two display distinctive features characteristic of the style. 10 Wall Street has a one-story bay window and two small detailed porches with rectangular columns. Brackets supporting the porch and bay window cornices are identical to those at the eaves. These elaborate brackets are scrolled and end with a pediment. 33 Wall Street, the best-preserved member of the group, is clapboarded. Its two-story bay window has a tin roof. A wide fascia board is beneath the cornice and porches display detailed rectangular columns with brackets.

The buildings significantly contribute to Wall Street's late nineteenth century character. They are reminiscent of the residential development of South Farms following the Civil War.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: Robert Svec

date: 10/78 view: 10,22: west; 15,33: east

negative on file: Roll 39, #s 11A (22); 14A (15); 17A (10)

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19. SOURCES: Middletown Land Records; 1874 Beers Atlas; 1877 Bailey Map



15 Wall Street



10 Wall Street

22 Wall Street



21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways
 renewal private

- Owners: 10 Wall Street, John M. Belniak
- 15 Wall Street, Albert E. Ray
- 22 Wall Street, James P. Galanto
- 33 Wall Street, Albert J. Blaschke 197