

Providence Preservation Society

Records for

86 Halsey Street

Plat 9
Lot 290

Built in 1922
for Benjamin Hyman

The plat of the Martha J. Hanley Estate was surveyed and plotted by Walter E. French in April of 1920. Said Plat is recorded in the Providence Office of the Recorder of Deeds in Plat Book 35.11 and on card 1054.

- 1854 Tax ledger 1:235 series A shows this land was owned by Francis M. Cross estate. Jas. Burdick trustee, Simon S. Bucklin, attorney.
- 1875 See area map enclosed.
- 1885 July. Tax ledger 9:363. This land was transferred to Charlotte M. Wigfall.
- 1885 October. Tax ledger 4:356 and E5:94 shows the property was transferred to Martha J. Hanley, wife of James Hanley. The lot contained 51 square feet and was valued at 30 per sq. ft.
- 1891 March. Tax ledger E5:94. The land was revalued to 35 per sq. ft.
- 1912 November. It became the property to the heirs of Martha J. Hanley.
- 1918 See area map enclosed.
- 1920 June 1. The property was purchased by Harry Taylor. (Tax assessor cards)

- 1920 June 15. Tax assessor cards show this land was purchased by Benjamin Hyman. The purchased land was registered in Deed Book 661:4, 689:252.
- 1922 Building Permit #1983 was issued to Benjamin Hyman of Camp Street to build a new wooden 2½ story 1 family dwelling at the corner of Halsey and Prospect Streets. Architect is listed as Page and Page. Hyman was President of the B. Hyman & Son Insurance Agency at 4 Weybosset Street, room 208.
- 1926 See area map enclosed. House appears on the lot, note the development in the area between the 1918 and 1926 maps.
- 1933 March. Deed Book 763:418. Benjamin Hyman and Fannie, his wife, conveyed the land with all building improvements to Catharine Guild Shaw and Elliot Ashley Shaw.
- 1935 Sept. 11. Building permit #1819 was issued to Elliot Shaw to change a door to a window.
- 1943 March 10. Recorded in Deed Book 855:151 Elliot A. Shaw and Catharine G. Shaw conveyed to Elizabeth L. Ahlbum said property described as being situated at the north east corner of Prospect and Halsey Streets, bounding south on Halsey 54. 84 extending back 84' with the lots northerly line measuring 53.84'.
- 1946 July 1. Deed Book 902:506. Elizabeth and Summer P. Ahlbum conveyed the property to Norman D. Baker and Elizabeth, his wife.
- 1967 April 25. Building permit #277 was issued to install a new lavette on the first floor. Baker is listed as owner, builder, builder listed as A.H. Leeming.
- 1977 September 21. Deed Book 1201:349. Elizabeth Baker conveyed the property to Andrew A. DiPrete, and Carol K. DiPrete.

- 1979 Aug. 3. Deed Book 1214:1047. Carol K. and Andrew A. Diprete conveyed the property to William Murry III.
- 1986 July 15. Deed Book 1410:8. William Murry III conveyed the property to Gary Kopec and Marsha Bush.
- 1988 Aug. 19. Deed Book 1876:37. Gary Kopec and Marsha A. Bush conveyed the property to James M. Morse and Cindy C. Morse as tenants by the entirety. The property consisted of the whole of lot #4, in the westerly 6' in width by the whole depth of lot #5.

Residents at 86 Halsey

- 1923-1933 Benjamin Hyman, President B. Hyman and Son Insurance agency.
- 1934 Elliot Shaw (wife Catherine G.) - Surgeon.
- 1944 Sumner P. Ahlbum (wife Elizabeth) USN.
- 1947 Norman D. Baker (Elizabeth) owner Baker parking grounds and lots.
- 1978 Andrew A. Diprete (Carol) associated with Tillinghast, Collins and Graham Co.
- 1980-1988 William Murry, Banker.

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