

Providence Preservation Society

Plat 86  
Lot 562

Records of

Formerly Lot 3

566 WAYLAND AVENUE

**The Henry Morris House Circa 1874**

- 1850 Providence Directory shows Henry Morris, a son of William Morris, on Green Lane, a street which runs north from Olney Street to Harrington's Lane (later North Street); this could be the location of the present 566 Wayland Avenue.
- 1856 William Morris dies on June 21.
- 1857 see below
- 1858 John D. Willey, Phebe Willey, Elizabeth Smith and John Morris convey to Henry Morris for \$1800 three lots, the first of which contains six acres three quarters and 22 rods of land and is bounded as follows: Beginning at a large elm tree standing on the south side of the road leading from Providence City to Swan Point Cemetery and from thence running S 6° W. 24½ rods to a stone bound, thence S 82° E 22 rods and 13 links to a stone bound beside the stone wall thence N 46° E 11 rods to a large oak tree, thence North 1½° E 31 rods and one link to the end of the stone wall on the south side of said road thence N 80° W with said road 24 rods to said elm tree (Deed Book 150.379).
- A house is not discernible on William Morris' land on the 1857 Atlas of Providence, but the style of the house would seem to indicate that it was built by 1850.
- 1875 Providence Atlas, Volume I, Plate I, shows a 320,954 square foot area owned by Henry Morris.
- 1889 Henry Morris conveys to Charles H. Peabody a portion of the premises devised by will of Henry Morris to him and described in a certain deed of partition to him recorded in Book 150 at page 379 (Deed Book 355.3).
- 1891 Tax Ledger E7.268 shows that Nancy H. Morris, wife of Henry, owns lot 3 which contains 278,941 square feet of land and a building valued at \$1000; it has been conveyed to her by deed 353.5 from Charles H. Peabody on June 6, 1889.
- 1892 On April 14 Nancy H. Morris conveys to Margaret Hackett, wife of James 7 acres on the south side of Olney Street (Deed Book 370.433).

Subsequent owners of this land include:

Lot 3

- 1916 Margaret Hackett heirs  
1921 William J. Hackett and Mary J. Rice

1923 Harry Marshak

Lot 56E

1923 Harry Marshak  
1924 Margaret P. and Mary C. Rice, Joint Tenants  
1937 Margaret P. Rice  
1938 Dana Rice and Margaret P. Rice, JT  
1950 Dana Rice  
1951 Joseph T. Rubien and wife F. Sally, JT  
1961 Joseph T. Rubien  
1964 Samuel A. Olevson and wife Ruth S. ENT (1124/776)  
1967 Sigmund Saltzman (DB 1142.1130)  
1970 Lida Gerritson, Peter Laurie and wife Johanna, JT (DB  
1158/497 & 498)  
1971 Robert W. Molison and wf Ann D., ENT (1161/892)  
1974 Burton G. Brown, Jr. (1182/304)

Barbara Levine  
October 20, 1981