

26 Goulding Street



Cornelius Lane House, November 1998

Form No.	229, 230-barn
Town	Sherborn
Address	26 Goulding Street
Assessor's #	12/22
USGS Quad	Medfield
Historic Name	Cornelius Lane House
Uses: Present	Residence
Original	Residence
Constructed	ca. 1915
Source	Tax valuations
Style/Form	Craftsman/Bungalow
Architect/Builder	
Exterior Material:	
Foundation	Uncut stone
Wall/Trim	Wood shingles
Roof	Asphalt shingles with wood shingles on dormer
Outbuildings	Barn with attached garage
Alterations	
Condition	Fair
Moved	No
Acreage	1 acre
Setting	Rural, wooded
Film Roll/Negative	Roll 3
Recorded by	Sanford Johnson, May 1999

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Bungalow at 26 Goulding Street is a two-story, side-gabled form with a prominent roof and shed dormer. The three by two-bay plan is expanded at the right (east) by a one-story gabled ell. The deep eaves with brackets, integral porch and wood shingle siding convey the Craftsman style ideals of its designer. Windows are 4/1 double-hung sash in the dormer and multiple pane sash, possibly enclosing a porch, in the facade. Six over six double-hung sash occupy the side gable peaks and a brick chimney rises from the rear slope of the roof.

A front gambrel barn with a shed-roofed, 2-bay wide addition at the west (left) side is in the back yard. This building is also clad in wood shingles and may have been built simultaneously with the house. The shed addition is used as a 2-car garage. It appears to have been adapted for use as living space on the second floor judging by the exterior stairs on the east wall.

Overgrown plants and several large trees obscure the moderately well-maintained house from full view.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

The Craftsman style Bungalow and adjacent barn at 26 Goulding Street were built for Cornelius Lane around 1915 according to assessor's information and to tax valuations following a fire which had destroyed his previous house and barn. According to the tax records in 1915, Mr. Lane kept a horse, 6 swine and a 2 cows in his barn. He worked as a farmer according to resident directories and tax records. Much of his 26 acres of land were pasture, indicating the importance of his cows to his operation. A relative, possibly a son, named Edward Lane worked as a carpenter and lived in the house with Mr. Lane. In 1936, Mr. Lane sold the property to William Lane, another relative from Brookfield, Massachusetts. William Lane lived here with his wife Effie until approximately 1970.

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- Resident directories, 1898, 1915, 1917, 1930-1931.
- 1939 W.P.A. map of Sherborn.
- Conversation with Betsy Johnson 12/98.
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