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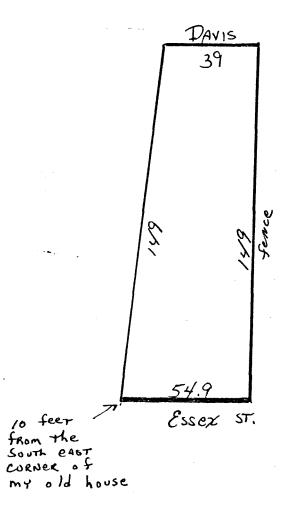
44 Essex Street Built for PHINEAS R. WESTON, trader in 1859

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in the true value of the same."

The lot on which this house stands was once a portion of the Christopher Babbidge estate. An old house stood on this lot until 1859 when Phineas R. Weston cut off the eastern end of the house and removed that portion to Grant street. (The west end was later moved back and is now called 46R Essex.) After removing the east end of the house, Mr. Weston cleared that portion of land and built the house now known as 44 Essex St.

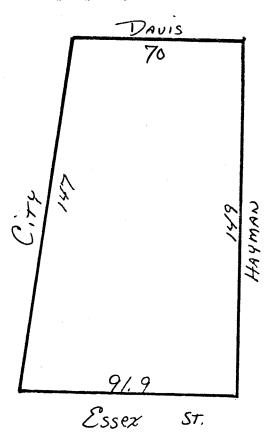
Book 621 page 142 April 22, 1861 \$2,800 Phineas R. Weston sold a lot of land with a dwelling house to Charles Bowker.



Book 2276 page 322 Oct. 10, 1914 \$7,500

Book 2402 page 174 Nov. 29, 1918 The heirs of Charles Bowker sold the land and dwelling house at 44 Essex St. (also the land and building at 46 Essex which Mr. Bowker purchased in 1885). to Ezma Abdo.

Azma Abdo, otherwise known as Ezma Abdo, sold the land and buildings to Nicolai S. Jensen, of Worcester. The property was described as:



Book 2512 page 153 May 1, 1922

Nicolai S. Jensen sold the property to Esther Tarlow. "The same premises conveyed by Azma Abdo on Nov. 29, 1918." Book 3519 page 573 July 19, 1945

Book 6188 page 766 Oct. 14, 1975 \$93,000

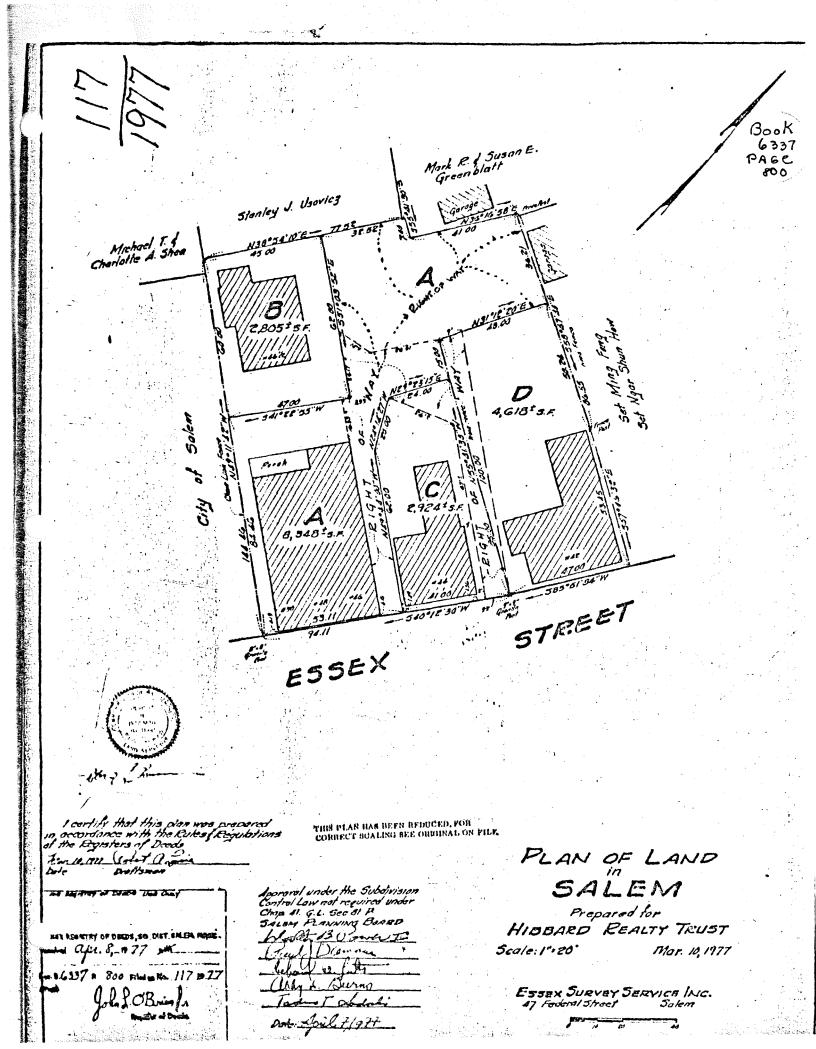
Book 6212 page 346 Jan. 6, 1976 \$103,010

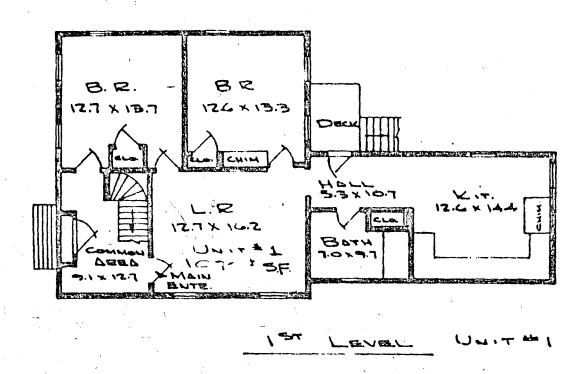
Book 6784 page 72 Jan. 19, 1981 \$53,000 Esther and Samuel Tarlow sold the land and buildings 44 & 46 Essex St. to Margaret Solovicos. "For title see book 2512 page 153."

James M. Solovicos and Raymond White trustees under the will of Margaret Solovicos, probate #295282, sold the land and buildings at 44, 46, 46½, 48 & 50 Essex St. to Robert Maguire and George Maguire. "For title see deed of Esther Tarlow to Margaret Solovicos on July 19, 1945."

Robert M. Maguire and George E. Maguire sold the land and buildings to William M. Rice, Ann M. Rice and Peter W. Rice, trustees. For title see deed book 6188 page 766. "Except so much taken by the City for purpose of widening said street."

William M. Rice, Ann M. Rice and Peter W. Rice trustees of Hubbard Realty Trust sold Unit 1 of 44 Essex to Thomas J. and Marion S. Zoretich. This is described as Lot C on plan book 6337 page 800.





Unit No. 1 being conveyed

I hereby certify that this portion of the plans filed with the Master Deed of Essex Bay Condominium, 44 Essex Street, Salem, Massachusetts, shows the unit designation of the unit being conveyed and of the immediately adjoining units, and that it fully and accurately depicts the layout of the units, it's location, dimensions, approximate area, main entrance and immediate common areas to which it has access, as builty.

Registered Land
Surveyor
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Unit #1. Bowker House Essex Bay Condominium 44 Essex Street Salem, MA 01970

ESSEX SS. RECORDED Jan. 1961 6 M. PAST L. P.M. INST. #178

Book 7388 page 492 April 6, 1984 \$57,500 Thomas J. and Marion S. Zoretich, of Washington, D.C., sold Unit 1 at 44 Essex St. to Nancy Taplin.

Reference to book and page are deed books at the Registry of Deeds. Probate numbers are cases at Probate Court. Both offices are located in the same building on Federal St. All maps in this report are not meant to be exact, just for illustration purposes.

DATE DOCUMENTATION

Tax records -

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1863	-	44	Essex	St.,	Charles	Bowker	house value \$1,600 land value 800	

WESTON

Phineas Richardson Weston, the son of Nathaniel and Hannah Weston, was bpt. in Salem on Oct.31, 1804. He married Emma Savory on Jan. 7, 1830. Mr. Weston operated a paper and paper stock store, located at 164 Derby St., for many years. Phineas Weston died on May 13, 1882 at the age of 77.

BOWKER

Charles Bowker was born in Salem Oct. 9, 1827, the son of Joel and Lucreta (Rogers) Bowker. He and his brother George were long time flour, grain and salt merchants, located at 229 Derby St. He was also one of the owners of the "Bowker Block" at 144 - 156 Essex St. Charles Bowker died on Oct. 12, 1913.

Essex Institute Photo Collection:

Negative #1382 has a partial view of 44 Essex St.

Further information regarding the old "Babbidge House" may be found in The Essex Antiquarian, vol. 9, page 74. Also in the <u>History of Salem</u> by Sidney Perley, vol. 2 page 309.



