TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham

SURVEY NUMBER: District 2 **

COMMON NAME: The Swanson House

HISTORIC NAME: Smith House

LOCATION: SE side of Little River Road .15 mi NE of intersection w/Alma Ave.

OWNER: Emil & Faith L. Swanson

ADDRESS: 45 Little River Rd., Kingston, NH

MAP & PARCEL #: R39-41

DATE: C. 1870

SOURCE: Inspection

STYLE: Italianate

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone _ Brick _ Concrete _ Concrete Block _

2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame _ Post & Beam _ Balloon Frame _ Other _
   Load Bearing Masonry _ Stone _ Brick _ Concrete Block _ Other _
   Metal _ Iron _ Steel _ Other _

3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard _ Wood Shingle _ Board & Batten _ Shiplap _ Aluminum _
   Novelty _ Stucco _ Stone _ Brick _ Sheet Metal _ Asphalt Shingles _ Vinyl _
   Asphalt Shingling _ Composite Board _ Other _

4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle _ Asphalt Shingle _ Standing Seam _ Tim _ Slate _
   Pressed Metal _ Sheet Metal _ Rolled Asphalt _ Other _

5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:

6. OTHER:

   # of Stories: 2 _ # of Bays: 2 _ Approx. Dimensions: 30' x 25'

   Roof Style: Gable _ Hip _ Gambrel _ Flat _ Shed _ Mansard _ Jerkinhead _
   Monitor _ Sawtooth _ Other _

   Appendages: Porches _ Towers _ Dormers _ Bay Windows _ 2 Ells _ 2 Chimneys _ 2 on MB _
   Wings _ Cupolas _ Sheds _ 1 Garage _ Other _ Barn _

   Entry Location: Center _ Sidehall _ Other _

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View:

Front (NW) Side (SW)

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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Swanson house is a 2½ story Italianate style structure. The 4 panelled center entry door contains two lights and is sheltered by a flat-roofed doorhood supported by heavy scroll brackets. Two 1 story, flat roofed bay windows on the facade contain narrow four over four windows above recessed panels. They have a boxed cornice supported by heavy brackets. Other main block windows have six over six sash. The medium pitched roof is topped by two corbel capped windows, and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with a wide frieze and gable end returns.
A 1 story open hip-roofed porch on the southwest rests on a fieldstone foundation.
A 1 story gable roofed ell rests on a fieldstone and concrete foundation. It has a 6 panelled door, clapboard siding, wood shingles in the gable end, and windows with six over six sash. It has an oriel window on the southwest elevation.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A 1½ story gable roofed barn to the southeast rests on a fieldstone foundation. It has clapboard siding, a vertical board door, a hayloft door, and a nine over six window in the gable.
A 1 story gable roofed shed to the south rests on a fieldstone foundation. It has clapboard siding, a 6 panelled door, and a window with six over six sash.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 1.2 Acres. Bounded to the North South, and East by the land of David Gould, West by Little River Road.

REFERENCES:
Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews w/members, Spring 1980
1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
Built in 1870, the Smith House is a later addition to the district. Its simple 3 x 2 bay Italianate facade blends will with the earlier architecture in the area. It is a fine example of a late 19th century subsistence farm.

Historic Associations: Shed was a cobbler shop.

MAP DATA: 1892: S.F. Smith (probably)

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land _ Woodland _ Scattered BldgsX Moderately Built Up __ Densely Built Up _ Residential X Commercial _ Industrial _ Agricultural _ Roadside Strip Development _ Other _

Recorded By: Herb Bubert, Scott Novak

Date: 1/8/80