

NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-004

HISTORIC NAME:
LOCATION: 4 Mullins Avenue
(only house facing Mullins)
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT
COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1921-1933
Architect:
Style: Neo-classical Bungalow
Number of Stories: One
Foundation: Cemented
Exterior Wall Fabric: Synthetic siding
Fenestration: Banked multipaned sash
Roof/Chimneys: Gable with projecting eaves and exterior cobblestone chimney
Additional Architectural Description:
Distinguishing feature is gabled and barrel-arched entry portico.

Source of Date: see "Significance"
Builder:
Form/Plan Type: see continuation sheet

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Map (Indicate North)

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STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 (609) 292-2023

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

This is "The Crescent", a mail-order house first advertised by Sears, Roebuck in 1921, and sold as late as 1933. This example is identical to the catalogue illustration except for the change of chimney placement, and the substitution of cobblestone for brick

ORIGINAL USE: Residence
PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other
PRESENT USE: Residence
COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

Houses by Mail, Katherine Cole Stevenson and H. Ward Jansl,
National Trust for Historic Preservation

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTHERION

DATE: March-July 1986

HISTORIC NAME: VanNess Gristmill
LOCATION: Newark-Pompton Turnpike

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Unknown

Source of Date: See "Significance"

Architect:

Builder:

Style:

Form/Plan Type:

Number of Stories:

Foundation:

Exterior Wall Fabric:

Fenestration:

Roof/Chimneys:

Additional Architectural Description:

As can be seen from the photograph, the only surviving exterior features of this mill are general shape and roof pitch. All siding and fenestration are altered. A good deal of the interior braced frame is intact, but the space has been sub-divided with no relation to original function.

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** mill burned
Site is now
Howard Appel
Memorial Park*

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

The face of the Pequannock River, so important for early mills in the area, can still be appreciated behind the restaurant.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

Stapler in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book, claims that the Schuylers built a mill on this site as early as 1726. The 1853 Morris County map depicts a gristmill here operated by "S. Vanness." Because of the building's altered state it is impossible to deduce anything more about its origins without documentary evidence. This and Slater's Mill are the only two mills remaining on the Pequannock (there were once more than two dozen.)

ORIGINAL USE: Mill

PRESENT USE: Restaurant

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTHERION

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-006

HISTORIC NAME: S. Van Ness House
LOCATION: 211 Patterson-Hamburg Turnpike

COMMON NAME: Gristmill Farm
BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:

OWNER/ADDRESS:
Mrs. John J. Greco

Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date:

Source of Date: 1744 (owner claims)

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Vernacular with Colonial Revival additions
Form/Plan Type: 5-bay center hall

Number of Stories: 2

Foundation: Rubblestone

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard

Fenestration: 6/6 sash (with louvered shutters) set in molded frames with bracketed sills.

Roof/Chimneys: Four interior gable-end paneled brick chimneys.

Additional Architectural Description:

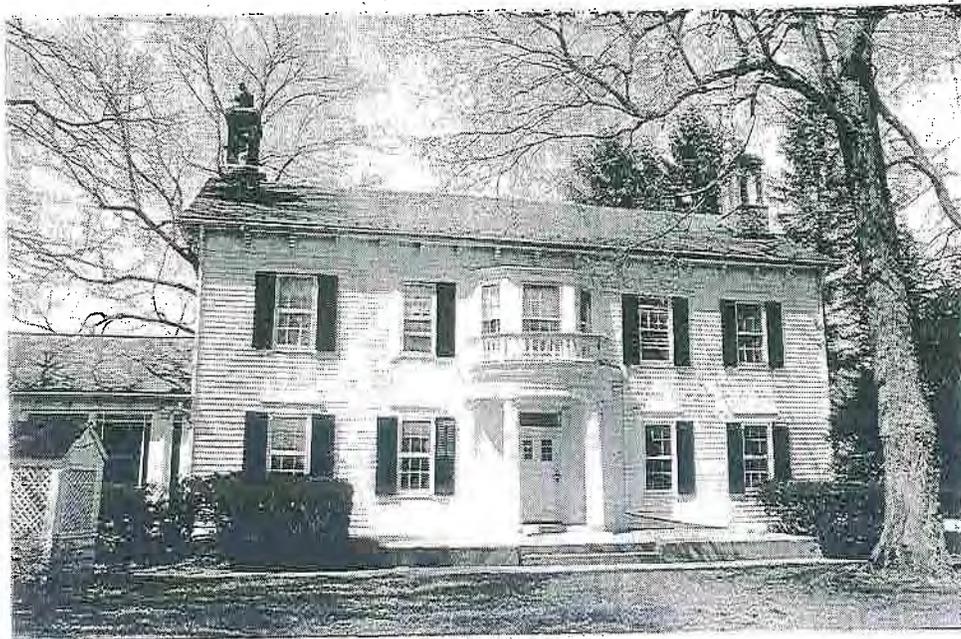
The north west facade has Colonial Revival entry with semi-circular porch supported on four fluted Doric columns. The opposite facade porch is flat-roofed and carried on six attenuated Doric columns. The gable roof is slate covered, its molded projecting eaves and plain frieze finished with brackets.

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Map (Indicate North)

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

The house stands across the road from the Van Ness Gristmill, with its gable end towards the road, situated behind a low stone wall. To the west of the house is a 1 1/2 -story frame outbuilding with L wing, which may be early 19th century (or earlier), an attached 20th century greenhouse, and a frame barn. A frame wellhouse is also extant.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

The house is a good example of a Federal-derived five-bay farmhouse enlarged and updated with Italianate and Colonial Revival alterations (judging from photos in Borough of Riverdale New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book, the semicircular entry porch dates from after 1907). Since the Van Ness family is reputed to have owned this property and the gristmill opposite since the 18th century, part of the house may be older than 1853, when its first map appearance occurs, but there is no obvious external evidence of a three-bay side hall house enlarged. It is important for its association with the early mill and 18th-century Dutch settlement patterns locally.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence
PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

Combination of associative history (which needs accurate research), good architectural integrity and setting and complement of outbuildings raises possibility of National Register eligibility.

REFERENCES:

Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book

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PHOTO A7:32
Present rear elevation of Van Ness House.



PHOTO A7:33
Van Ness House outbuildings and greenhouse.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-007

HISTORIC NAME: Slater's Mill
LOCATION: 96 Patterson-Hamburg Turnpike
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COMMON NAME: Slater's Mill Bar and
BLOCK/LOT Restaurant
COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Source of Date:
Architect: Builder:
Style: Form/Plan Type:
Number of Stories:
Foundation:
Exterior Wall Fabric:
Fenestration:
Roof/Chimneys:
Additional Architectural Description:
See attached National Register Nomination

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Map (Indicate North)

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STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 (609) 292-2023

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

ORIGINAL USE: MTT

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

Integrity has been comprised with new wood siding and fake shutters, some new sash. Siting and landscaping are poor.

REFERENCES:

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

HISTORIC NAME: A.A. MacWithey House
LOCATION: 34 Paterson & Hamburg Turnpike (Terminus of Haycock St.)
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:
COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT
COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Probably mid-to-late-18th century
Source of Date: Stylistic evidence
Architect: Builder:
Style: Vernacular Form/Plan Type: Block-and-wing
Number of Stories: 1 1/2 and 2 1/2
Foundation: Cement and rubblestone
Exterior Wall Fabric: Asbestos shingle
Fenestration: Some 6/6 sash remain. Most windows have been altered.
Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gables with interior brick end chimneys.

Additional Architectural Description:

Small wing has large exposed brick fireback suggesting early construction date, two-bay facade, broad gable end, and low-to-the-ground massing. Larger wing has gable-end returns and french windows on facade. Entry altered with separate side-by-side doors.

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Map (Indicate North)
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST ST
TRENT, MIDDLEBURY, NEW JERSEY 08625 (908) 292-2023

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Sited within 12 feet of road.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

Site is degraded by proximity of intensively-used Main Street/arterial.

SIGNIFICANCE:

This typical block-and-wing house is similar to the C. Howard House, without later embellishments. It must have been one of only a handful of 18th century dwellings in Riverdale.

ORIGINAL USE: Residential

PRESENT USE: 3-family residential

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

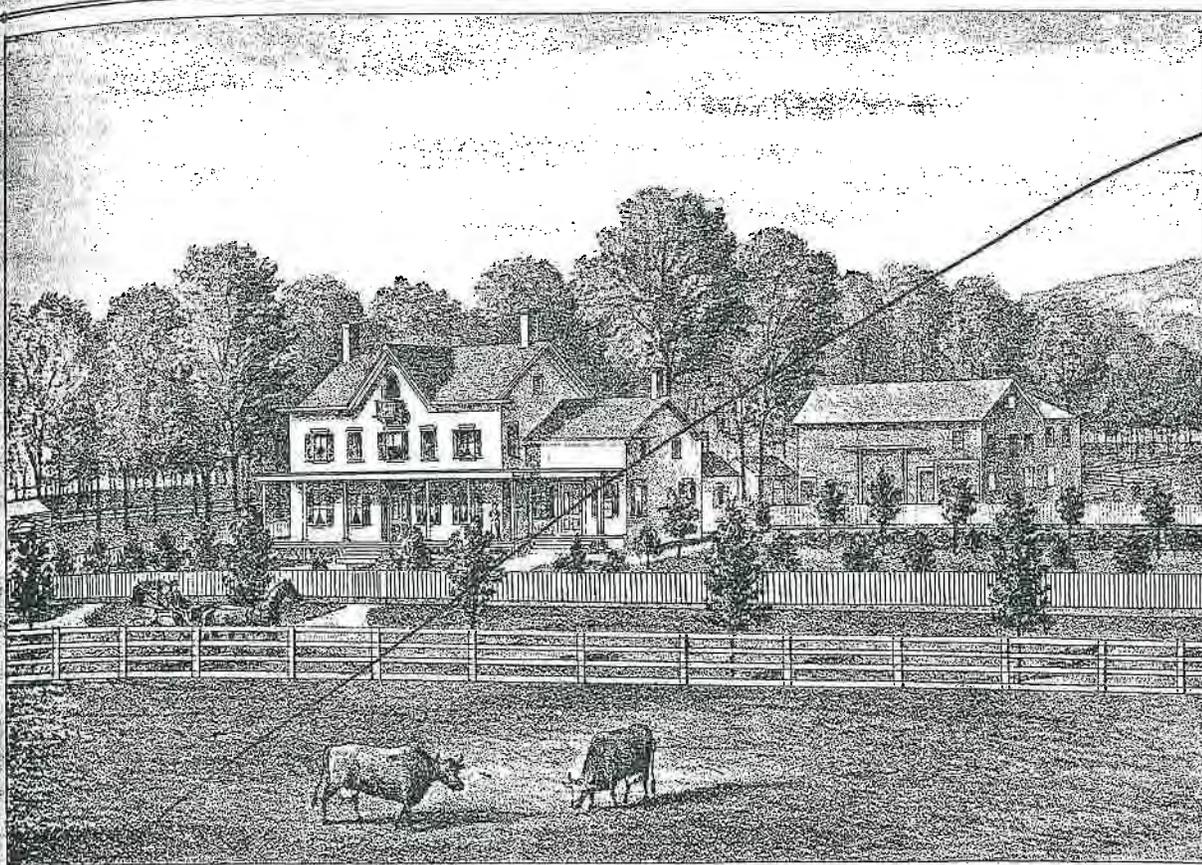
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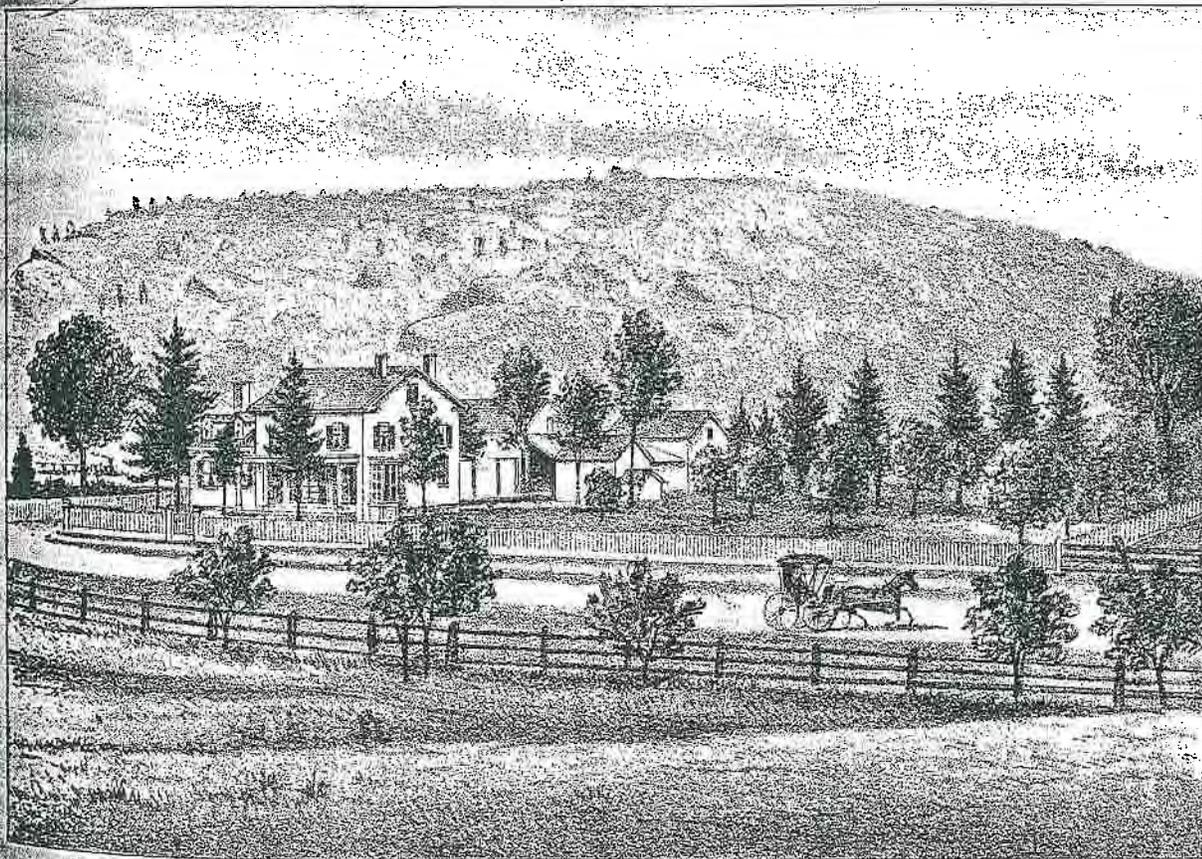
MacWithey name appears on 1853 map. This was the only house on the north side of the Turnpike between Post Lane and Newark Pompton Turnpike through 1868.

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RESIDENCE OF PETER HOPPER, POMPTON PLAINS, MORRIS, CO. N. J.



RESIDENCE OF A. A. MACWITHEY, POMPTON, MORRIS, CO. N. J.

HISTORIC NAME:
LOCATION: 24 Patterson Hamburg Turnpike
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT
COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Between 1868-1887 Source of Date:
Architect: Builder:
Style: Eclectic Victorian Form/Plan Type: Double-pile with centered entry
Number of Stories: 2 1/2
Foundation: Cemented
Exterior Wall Fabric: Synthetic siding
Fenestration: 1/1, multi pane/1, modern 6/6
Roof/Chimneys: Slate gables and pyramidal tower roof

Additional Architectural Description:
Two gabled projecting bays frame tower. Appears to have been stripped of porch.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

Probably an impressive example of late Victorian eclecticism in its day, this house is sadly altered. It represents part of Riverdale's modest growth during the last quarter of the 19th century.

ORIGINAL USE: Residential
PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

HISTORIC NAME: Riverdale Station of New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad
LOCATION: BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: See "Significance"

Source of Date:

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Vernacular stick style

Form/Plan Type: Rectangular, four-bay facade with off-center entry

Number of Stories: One

Foundation: Obscured

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and new vertical board

Fenestration: 1/1 sash

Roof/Chimneys: Projecting gable supported by large knee brace on stick brackets

Additional Architectural Description:

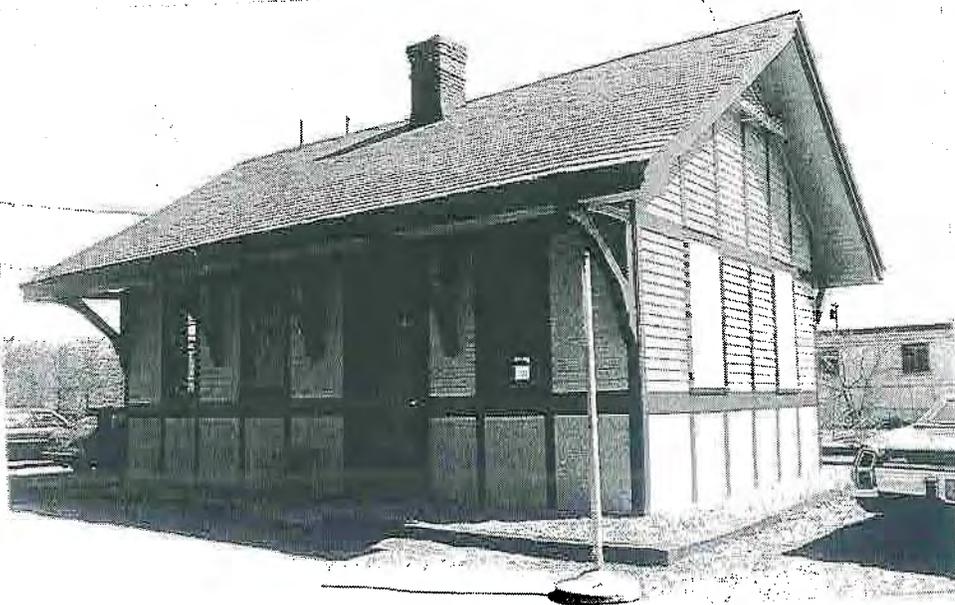
The clapboard and vertical-board sheathing is overlaid with a pattern of vertical and horizontal boards in typical Stick-style fashion. Most of the interior is intact, with original room arrangement, ticket counter and board-sheathed walls.

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Map (Indicate North)

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NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURE
HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 (609) 292-2023

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Stands at front of 19th century lumberyard compound.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commerical Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

The New York and Greenwood Lake Railway reached Pompton about 1875. A station was built here in the 1880's but burned subsequently. It is unclear if the existing building was rebuilt after a partial fire or replaced entirely. Comparison with Pequannock station illustrates variations of Stick style railroad architecture.

ORIGINAL USE: Railroad Station

PRESENT USE: Office/Commercial

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

Recent restoration has saved station from deterioration.
* Station is eligible in conjunction with Pequannock and Lincoln Park stations as examples of rare surviving 19th century wooden stations in Morris County.

REFERENCES:

The Next Station Will Be, Vol. III,
Published by the Railroadians of America, 1975,
pictures Pompton Station

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DATE: March-July 1986

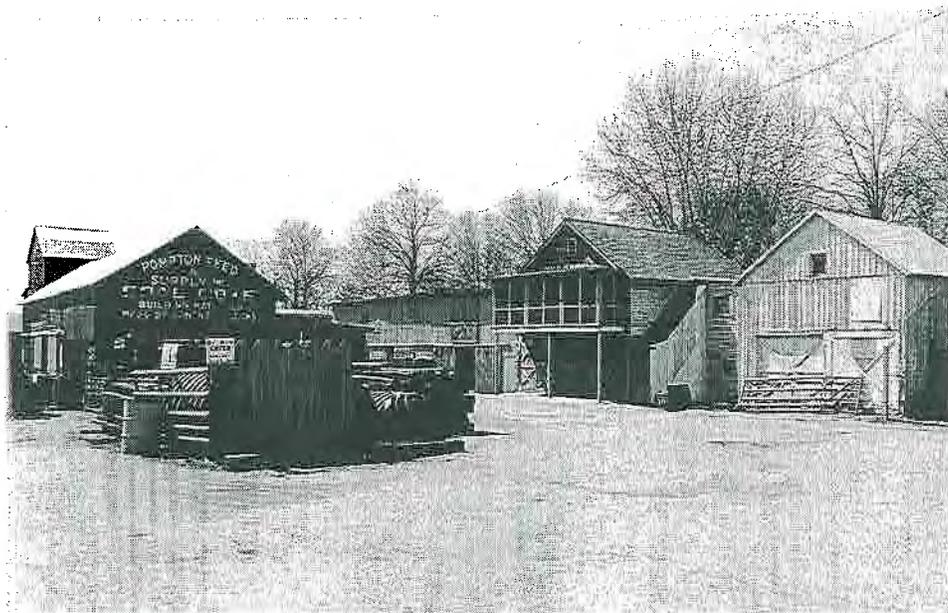


PHOTO A7:28
Pompton Feed & Supply Co., behind railroad station.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-011

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST ST., STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 (609) 292-2023

HISTORIC NAME: Simon Vaness House
LOCATION: 5 Hamburg Turnpike
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:
COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT
COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION
Construction Date: probably mid-18th century
Architect:
Style: Dutch
Number of Stories: 1 1/2
Foundation: Stucco (probably fieldstone)
Exterior Wall Fabric: Stucco(probably fieldstone)
Fenestration: 12/12 and 6/6 sash
Roof/Chimneys: Gable with two interior chimneys
Additional Architectural Description:
Photo dated 1923 shows what appears to be a fieldstone house with two-bay frame wing. Dormer had not been added nor had stucco coating. At that time the shed porch was carried on three Doric columns (now replaced by square posts). In its existing state, the house has been thoroughly denatured on the exterior; interior condition is unknown.

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Map (Indicate North)
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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

House is sited north/south parallel to Hamburg Turnpike.
It is set back from the road about 50 yards and is
surrounded by parking lots, light industry and a diner.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

Simon Van Ness was one of the first Dutchmen to settle in the Riverdale section of the Pompton Valley after its purchase in 1695 by Arent Schuyler and his associates. According to Mead Stapler in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book, Van Ness built a house and saw-mill in 1723. The existing house is reputed to date from 1744, which is consonant with its appearance. It no longer has architectural significance, but its associative history is locally important.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

Archaeological potential has probably been destroyed by parking lot and other site changes.

REFERENCES:

Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

STREET NAME: Greenwich Street
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale

CROSS STREETS: Newark Pompton Turnpike
COUNTY: Morris

DESCRIPTION/SIGNIFICANCE:

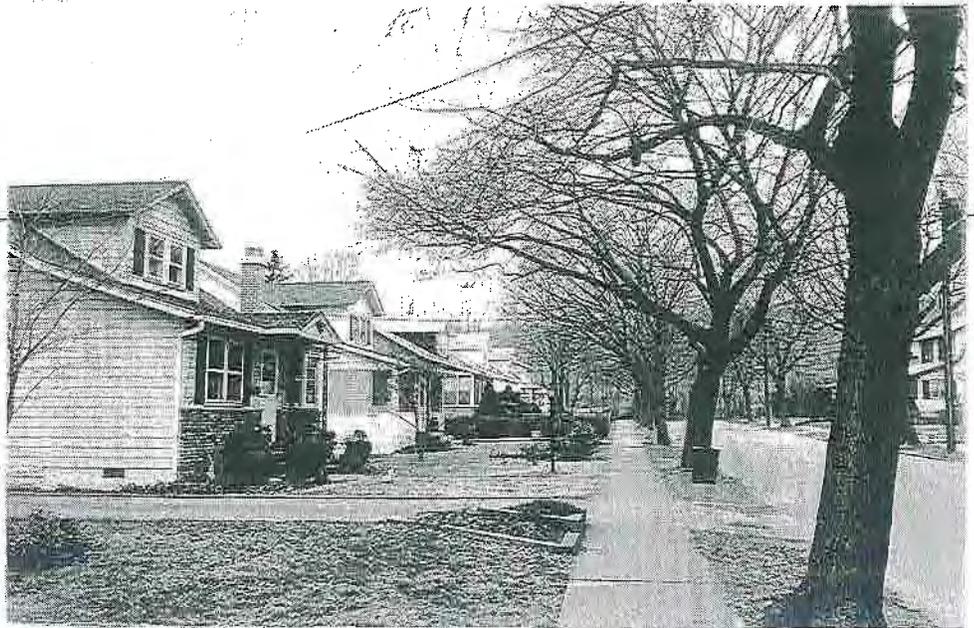
This street is comprised of an unusually uniform and repetitive series of houses, all built in one of two related styles; a true bungalow of the simplest type, (18 houses), and a slightly larger house with vaguely Dutch Colonial lines (7 houses) due to its mock gambrel roof. The houses are very closely sited with a uniform setback and side yards. Only a few houses retain their original shiplap siding. Most have been covered with synthetic siding of some variety. The original foundations are rockfaced cement block. Many of the houses originally had small single-car garages, some of which survive. For most of its length, the street is tree-lined.

These are almost certainly prefabricated houses of the kind sold by Sears and other companies, shipped to the site by rail. The development suggests some particular associative history relative to a speculative venture or worker housing, but that history has not yet been uncovered. One Sears house model that closely resembles these Bungalows first appeared in 1925, a likely date for this street.

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF BUILDINGS: Excellent 60 % Good 40 % Fair % Poor %
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No X Part of Larger District
THREATS TO STREET: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat X Other

COMMENTS:

MAP:
SLIDES /Photos A8:8
REFERENCES:



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OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION, 109 WEST STATE STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY (609) 292-2023

HISTORIC NAME: Edward R. Richards House
LOCATION: 2 Newark Pompton Turnpike

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1881
Source of Date: see "References"

Architect:
Builder:

Style: Vernacular Italianate
Form/Plan Type: L plan

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Foundation: Cemented

Exterior Wall Fabric: Asbestos

Fenestration: 2/2 with molded heads

Roof/Chimneys: Patterned slate cross gable with projecting eaves and molded frieze.

Additional Architectural Description:
Original porch mostly removed.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Corner location opposite historic Slater's Mill. Slate-roof privy survives.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE:

This has been known as "Richards Corner" since the late 19th century. See F.G. Richards House for discussion of Significance

ORIGINAL USE: Residential PRESENT USE: Residential
PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book

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