

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

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-014

HISTORIC NAME: M. DeBow House
LOCATION: 5 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: ca. 1860 or later
Source of Date: Stylistic evidence and map sequence

Architect:
Builder:

Style: Vernacular Queen Anne
Form/Plan Type: L plan

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Foundation: Cemented

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and shingle

Fenestration: 1/1 with molded frames and fake blinds

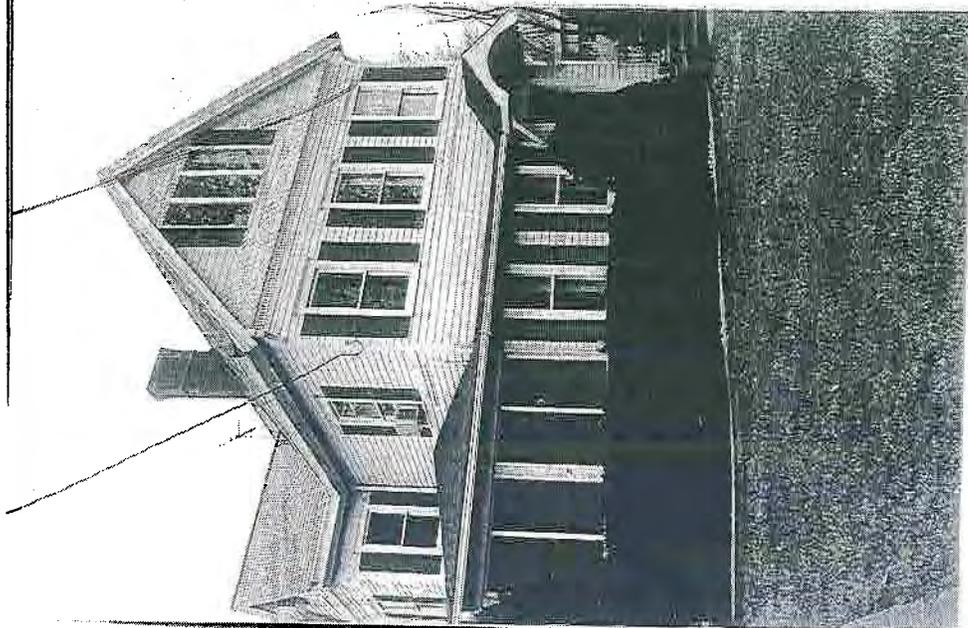
Roof/Chimneys: Patterned slate, interior brick chimney stuccoed

Additional Architectural Description:

Original porch removed, Colonial Revival entry and screened porch added.

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Map (Indicate North)
See municipal survey map



HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST STA
TRENT, 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:

Although a building existed on this spot in 1868, the appearance of this house, so similar to the Richard's House (1881) opposite suggests a somewhat later date. This whole stretch of the turnpike enjoyed only modest growth in the second half of the 19th century.

ORIGINAL USE: Residential

PRESENT USE: Office

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:

Appears on the 1868 map but without a name.
De Bow ownership is indicated on the 1887 map.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-015

HISTORIC NAME: Richards Funeral Home
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: 1913 with 1950s alterations and additions Source of Date: See "References"

Architect: Builder:

Style: Colonial Revival Form/Plan Type: Five-bay double-pile center-hall plan

Number of Stories: Two

Foundation: Stucco

Exterior Wall Fabric: Stucco

Fenestration: 1/1

Roof/Chimneys: Slate hip with hip-roofed belvedere or clerestory structure. Eaves project with shallow modillions.

Additional Architectural Description:

Facade focal point is colossal pedimented portico with paired Doric columns and engaged columns. Ground floor windows are finished with wooden round-arched sunbursts. The main block is balanced by a columned porte cochere and a one story utilitarian wing.

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

Behind the house is a 19th century barn complex composed of three frame buildings: in the center is an overscaled cross-gabled barn flanked by two slightly smaller slate-roofed barn/stables with good detailing and integrity intact.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

This is the latest addition to the family business that began in 1840. See F.G. Richards House.

ORIGINAL USE:

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: Funeral Home

COMMENTS:

The barn complex is unusually good and especially worthy of sensitive treatment.

REFERENCES:

Construction sequence is discussed in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book and the barn complex is pictured in photos.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

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PHOTO A8:11
Carriage house complex behind Richards Funeral Home. Another wing is attached at the left of the large building.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433 -016

HISTORIC NAME: Richards Funeral Parlor
LOCATION: 12 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: ca.1870, ca. 1900

Source of Date: Physical evidence, old photo

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Victorian Eclectic

Form/Plan Type: Rectangular single-pile
with projecting tower entry.

Number of Stories: Two

Foundation: Cemented

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and patterned shingle

Fenestration: 1/1 with shallow-pedimented heads

Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gable and pyramidal tower roof

Additional Architectural Description:

A ca. 1890 photo in the Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book shows that this was originally a mansardic building without its present pyramidal roof, main gable roof and southerly bay. The alterations were probably carried out ca. 1900 when the adjoining Richards House was enlarged and modernized, also a likely date for the stylistically compatible well-house in front.

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

In front of the house stands a blocky cement well house with pyramidal tile roof and tapered posts. Lot was part of adjoining lot.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Despite its alterations, this is a significant example of a specialized-use building uncommon in Morris County during the 19th century.

See discussion of Richards family on Gordon Richards House survey form.

ORIGINAL USE: Funeral Parlor
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: ACROTERRION

DATE: March-July 1986

HISTORIC NAME: F.G. Richards House
 LOCATION: 10 Newark Pompton Turnpike

COMMON NAME:
 BLOCK/LOT

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

COUNTY: Morris
 UTM REFERENCES:
 Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1840, and 1900 Source of Date: See "References"
 Architect: Builder:
 Style: Late Victorian Eclectic Form/Plan Type: Side hall, double pile
 Number of Stories: 2 1/2
 Foundation: Rockfaced cement block
 Exterior Wall Fabric: Asbestos
 Fenestration: 1/1 and diamond-paned
 Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt cross gabled and octagonal tower roof.

Additional Architectural Description:

Neo-classical shed-roofed porch with Ionic columns on rock-faced cement block piers. Octagonal tower has dentil mouldings and eyelid windows. This is highly complex and elaborated house, with a particularly complex south elevation, where a second stone porch, tower and perpendicular wing meet. At the northwest corner is a circular gazebo-like element.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

The lot appears small for such a massive house, but property included lot to the south, now occupied by #12.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Francis Gordon Richards was a cabinetmaker from Amity, New York who settled in Riverdale in 1840 and established a furniture-making and undertaking business. He built this house soon after his arrival (it was greatly enlarged and modernized in 1900 by descendants). At Richard's death in 1885 the Firm was continued by his sons as "Richards Bros." and remains a family business today. The property from here to the Patterson Hamburg Turnpike has been owned by the Richards family since the mid 19th century. A detailed account of the family business with many photos is found in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book.

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:

Despite the addition of asbestos siding, the elaboration and Piled-on detailing are still effective.

REFERENCES:

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

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-018

HISTORIC NAME: Robert Colfax House
LOCATION: 2 Arlington Place

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

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

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1800

Source of Date: Physical appearance, also see "References"

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Dutch with Victorian eclectic alterations

Form/Plan Type: Rectangular single-pile with gable-end addition.

Number of Stories: 1 1/2 and 2 1/2

Foundation: Fieldstone

Exterior Wall Fabric: Uncoursed fieldstone, clapboard and shingle

Fenestration: 1/1, 6/6, 12/8

Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gables, one exterior gable end brick chimney

Additional Architectural Description:

Original stone Dutch House much modified and elaborated with shingled center gable, Carpenter Gothic porch and late 19th century gable-end wing.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Occupies corner lot with entrances on both streets. Original house faces south.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Robert Colfax, a Revolutionary War officer, was the brother of General William Colfax. Associative history offers no explanation for his having built a Dutch house of the simplest kind, probably similar in appearance originally to the VanNess House (survey # 11). Small Dutch houses like this were often enlarged for 19th-century convenience. This is a particularly picturesque example.

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:

This house is identified with a ca. 1800 date in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-019

HISTORIC NAME:
LOCATION: 11 Newark Pompton Turnpike

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS: Mrs. Stilwell

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1890 Source of Date: Stylistic evidence

Architect: Builder:

Style: Shingle style influence Form/Plan Type:

Number of Stories: 1 1/2

Foundation: Cemented

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and shingle

Fenestration: 1/1 sash

Roof/Chimneys: Cross-gable with hip-roofed porch

Additional Architectural Description:

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Map (Indicate North)
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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:

This house represents Riverdale's modest residential growth at the end of the 19th century and a rejection of vernacular design for architecture with more high-style references. This is an excellent example of an uncommon type.

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:

REFERENCES:

Owner has photo (ca.1920?) that shows house nearly unchanged except for balustrade at balcony and grape arbor at rear.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-020

HISTORIC NAME: Piatt House
LOCATION: 30 Newark Pompton Turnpike

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS: Spencer and Paula Wootton
30 Newark Pompton Turnpike

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1830
Source of Date: Stylistic evidence and map sequence

Architect:
Builder:

Style: Vernacular Greek Revival
Form/Plan Type: 5 bay center hall, double pile

Number of Stories: Two

Foundation: Cemented rubblestone

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and flushboard

Fenestration: 6/6 Sash with modillion architraves and blinds

Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gable with projecting eaves, gable-end returns, boxed gutters and three interior gable-end chimneys.

Additional Architectural Description:

Facade porch carried on 6 square posts. Entry is a quadruple-pilaster type with transom and side lights. Eyebrow windows are set in flush-boarded frieze. Second floor gable-end windows are tripartite. Horizontal attic windows in gable ends have gridded muntin pattern.

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Map (Indicate North)

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST ST
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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:

A number of Riverdale houses were built or altered in the first half of the 19th century with Greek Revival detailing, including the Howard House opposite this house, and the Post House. The traditional side-gable house found in all three local instances shows the conservatism of local builders, who refused to adopt the more fashionable end-gable form that emulated the grander temple-form house. A similar phenomenon is found notably in Chester.

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:

Register eligibility seems unlikely solely on the basis of architecture, but interior examination and associative history research could strengthen the case.

REFERENCES:

Appears as "Heirs of Mrs. Piatt" on 1853 map.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433 -021

HISTORIC NAME: C. Howard House
LOCATION: 21 Newark Pompton Turnpike
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS: Carolyn J. Espie
21 Newark Pompton Turnpike

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

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Late 18th century Source of Date: stylistic evidence
Architect: Builder:
Style: Vernacular Federal plus Greek Revival Form/Plan Type: Side-hall block-and-wing
Number of Stories: 1 1/2 plus 2
Foundation: Rubblestone
Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard
Fenestration: 6/6 with ca. 1920-1940 shutters
Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gable; three interior brick end chimneys

Additional Architectural Description:

Main block is three-bay side-hall plan with exceptionally deep double-pile gable end. Smaller wing seems almost certainly older portion in this instance. It is two bays long. Both wings have flush eaves and boxed gutters and plain molded friezes on their facades. Main block has pilastered Greek Revival entry with later fanlight added. Doric-columned porch is early 20th century addition, perhaps added contemporaneously with cobblestone wall at west and north property lines.

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Map (Indicate North)

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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:

The popular vernacular block-and-wing type is found less frequently in the northeastern part of the county, perhaps only because population was so much more limited during the years when it was being built elsewhere. The combination of vernacular Federal and Greek revival motifs is also a frequent occurrence.

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:

Appears on 1853 map with indecipherable name.
Identified on 1868 map as "C. Howard"

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-022

HISTORIC NAME:
LOCATION: 47 Newark Pompton Turnpike
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS: Mr. & Mrs. Edward Hildebrant
47 Newark Pompton Turnpike

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

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Last quarter 19th century Source of Date: Stylistic evidence
Architect: Builder:
Style: Vernacular Form/Plan Type: L plan
Number of Stories: Two
Foundation: Cement
Exterior Wall Fabric: Shingle
Fenestration: 2/2
Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt cross-gable, two interior brick chimneys

Additional Architectural Description:

Altered with one-story wing in elbow of L
to create new entrance.

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Map (Indicate North)

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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:

This is an unmemorable example of a popular 19th century house type found infrequently in Riverdale. It contributes to the streetscape.

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:

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-023

HISTORIC NAME: Williams House
LOCATION: 66 Post Lane

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

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

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1900

Source of Date: Stylistic evidence

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Vernacular

Form/Plan Type:

Number of Stories: 1 1/2

Foundation: Brick

Exterior Wall Fabric: Shiplap Siding

Fenestration: 1/1

Roof/Chimneys: Wood shingle gable with shed dormers and one interior end brick chimney.

Additional Architectural Description:

Facade porch is extension of main roof carried on turned posts.

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survey map



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

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

Corner lot set relatively close to street.

SIGNIFICANCE:

This early 20th century cottage is interesting for its reference to earlier vernacular houses in the vicinity.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

No Threat Other

PRESENT USE: Residence

Fair Poor

No Part of District

Zoning Deterioration

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-024

HISTORIC NAME: Peter/John Post House
LOCATION: 44 Post Lane

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

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

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1840's

Source of Date: Stylistic (see also "Significance")

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Vernacular Greek Revival

Form/Plan Type: Block-and wing with side-hall entry

Number of Stories: 1 1/2

Foundation: Cement

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard with flush-boarded frieze

Fenestration: 6/6 and three-light eyebrow windows, all with blinds; large windows have molded frames and heads.

Roof/Chimneys: Slate gable with one interior brick end-chimney.

Additional Architectural Description:

Two-bay, 1 1/2-story wing has modernized shed front. Entry on large wing is simple Greek Revival composition, with full entablature, recessed frontispiece with pilasters, transom and side-lights.

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Map (Indicate North)

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

46 Post Lane is former barn, now in residential use and under separate ownership. #44 has ca. 1910 garage with original doors, boulder gateposts at driveway and horizontal board fence with arbor entry.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Peter Post is reputed to have begun this residential and industrial complex around 1736 (Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey; 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book). It was still well-known in the 19th century (cf. Munsell illustration). The small wing of this house might date from the 18th century in part, but a detailed examination has never been carried out. The larger wing appears to date from the 1840's, judging from its Greek Revival entry and essentially vernacular form.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

PRESENT USE: Residence

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

Fair Poor

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

No Part of District

No Threat Other

Zoning Deterioration

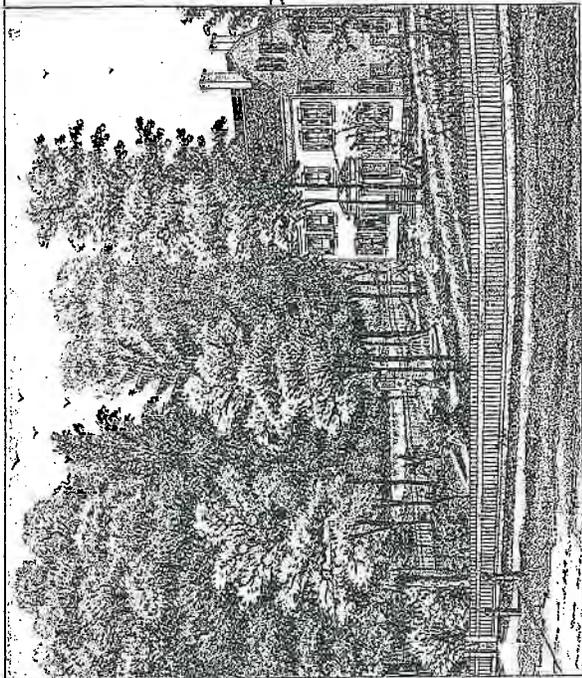
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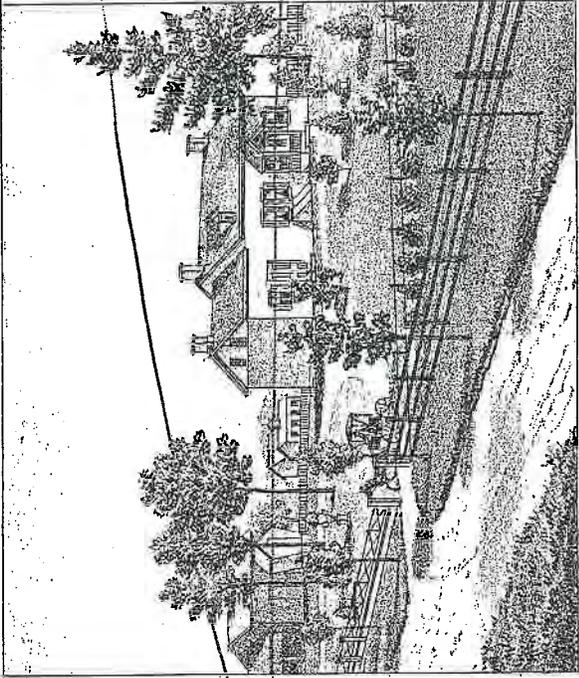
Munsell's History of Morris County and Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book depict the Post Lane buildings.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERRION

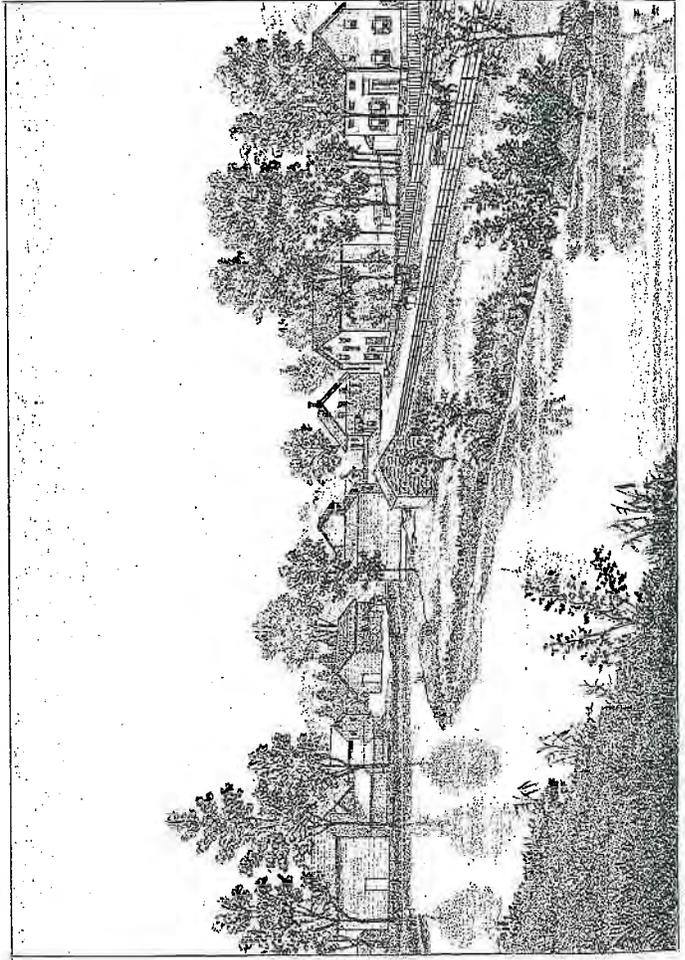
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M. W. Ledell

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-025

HISTORIC NAME: Peter/John Post House
LOCATION: 41 Post Lane

COMMON NAME:
BLOCK/LOT

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

COUNTY: Morris
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Second half of 18th century Source of Date: Physical evidence, local history

Architect: Builder:

Style: Vernacular Dutch Form/Plan Type: Square (plan altered)

Number of Stories: 1 1/2 over high basement

Foundation: Fieldstone, faced and coursed

Exterior Wall Fabric: Fieldstone, faced and coursed with brownstone quoins

Fenestration: 4/4 and 8/8 sash, clapboard gable ends.

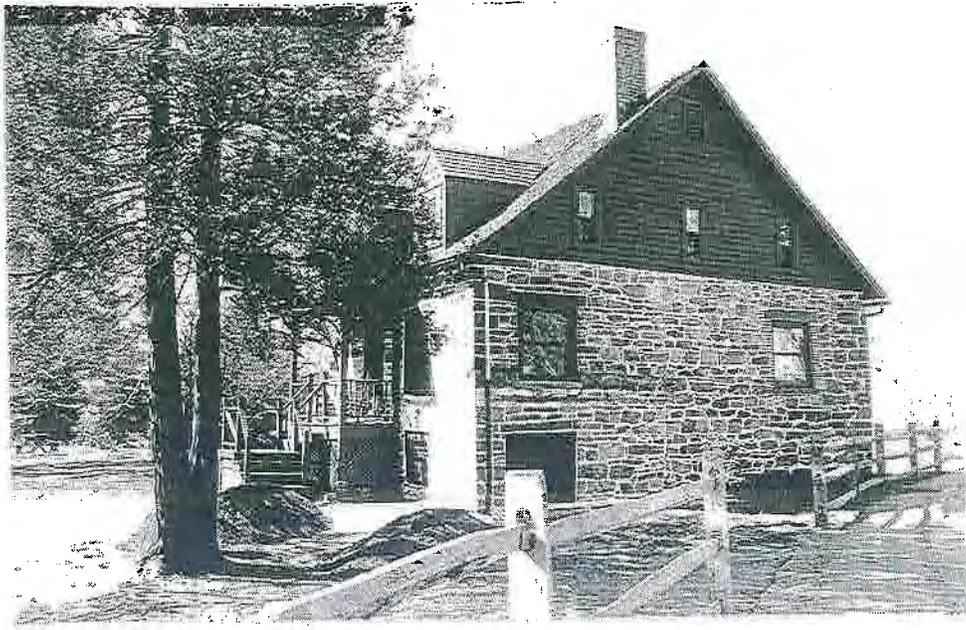
Roof/Chimneys: Wood-shingled gable, one interior brick end-chimney.

Additional Architectural Description:

Two gabled dormers have been added and a small garage wing. Main entry is reached by small wooden shed porch with six steps. New areaway and basement door added. Windows sills and lintels are wood. Fenestration has been altered several times throughout the history of the house. Street-side facade shows evidence of altered masonry. Stone walls have been recently repointed.

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Map (Indicate North)
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST ST/ STREET, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625 (609) 292 - 2023

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Spring House (fieldstone) at south east edge of property.

House faces south east and is set diagonally to existing road.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

This was part of one of the earliest small industrial complexes in Pompton. An engraving in Munsell's 1882 History of Morris County depicts the "Residence, Tannery, Store and Saw Mill of John F. Post, Pompton, New Jersey."

The earliest documentation is the 1853 Morris County map, but Mead Stapler in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book claims a date of 1736 for the beginning of the complex.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

PRESENT USE: Residence

Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

Munsell's History of Morris County and Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book include pictures of the Post Lane buildings at different stages in their development.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERRION

DATE: March-July 1986

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

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-026

HISTORIC NAME: Riverdale Public School
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: 1930

Source of Date: Datestone

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Simplified Georgian Revival/neo-classical
Number of Stories: 2

Form/Plan Type: 2 modern, 1-story wings flank the 5-part original block

Foundation: Common-bond brick

Exterior Wall Fabric: Common-bond brick

Fenestration: Paired 1/1 windows, subsequently blocked down

Roof/Chimneys: Flat with molded brick parapet

Additional Architectural Description:

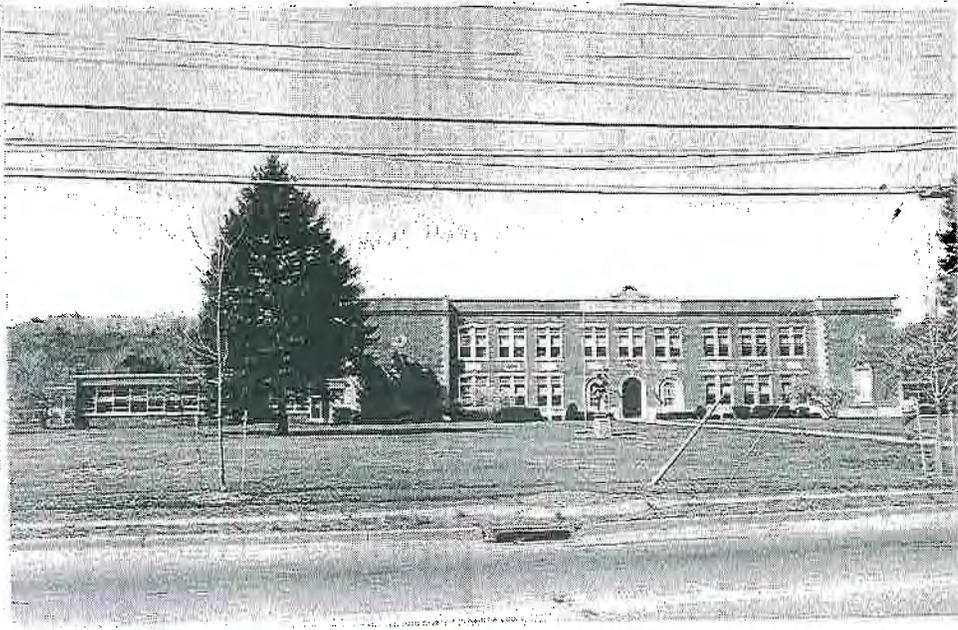
Facade is elaborated with projecting end-pavilions, limestone quoins, watertable, window surrounds and pedimented tablets, all of which contribute to a level of careful detailing not often found in schools of this era outside the larger towns of Morris County. The triple-arched entry frontispiece is a motif unusual for Georgian Revival-neoclassical schools locally.

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Map (Indicate North)

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

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Set well back from a busy road on an ample lot.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Although not really a distinguished example of its kind, the school exhibits a greater degree of design consciousness than many of its industrial and stripped-down-looking contemporaries. It is a rather dignified public building for its local setting, significant as evidence of the school system modernization brought about by the incorporation of Riverdale 7 years earlier.

ORIGINAL USE: School PRESENT USE: School
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 P. Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTERION

DATE: March-July 1986

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

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-027

HISTORIC NAME:
LOCATION: Newark Pompton Turnpike
(at Cedar Street terminus)
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS:
J.C. Frommelt

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

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1890's Source of Date: Stylistic evidence
Architect: Builder:
Style: Shingle Style influence Form/Plan Type: Roughly cubical
Number of Stories: 1 1/2
Foundation: Brick
Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard and asphalt shingle
Fenestration: 1/1 sash
Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt covered cross-gabled with hip-roofed porch.
Additional Architectural Description:
Porch wraps around front and sides, carried on slender
Doric columns.

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Map (Indicate North)
See municipal
survey map



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

SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Deep lot setback suggests former residential nature of street.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

This house is a nearly identical twin to # 11 Newark Pompton Turnpike, which has survived with better architectural integrity. Both reflect Riverdale's modest residential growth at the end of the 19th century, and represent an uncommon cottage style adaptation of the Shingle style.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

PRESENT USE: Offices
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: ACROTERRION

DATE: March-July 1986

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

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-028

HISTORIC NAME: George Pearson Walker House
LOCATION: Newark Pompton Turnpike
(North side of Cotluss Road)
MUNICIPALITY: Riverdale
USGS QUAD: Pompton Plains
OWNER/ADDRESS: Walter

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

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: ca. 1913 Source of Date: see "References"
Architect: Builder:
Style: Vernacular Form/Plan Type: Three-bay squarish block
with one-story side wings.
Number of Stories: 2
Foundation: Cement
Exterior Wall Fabric: Shiplap siding
Fenestration: 2/2 sash with blinds
Roof/Chimneys: Asphalt gable with shed wall dormer,
one small interior brick end chimney
Additional Architectural Description:
Shed porch on square posts

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

Set back on large corner lot with meticulous landscaping. Collection of out buildings (including garage with original sliding doors, what appears to be a spring house, a chicken house etc.)

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

Built as a vacation house, this was originally a barn-like structure without dormers or porch. Judging from photos in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book it reached its final form (except for the one-story wing) by 1920.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good

PRESENT USE: Residence

Fair Poor

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible

No Part of District

THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development

Zoning Deterioration

No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

The earliest photograph of the house in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book is dated 1913.

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTHERION

DATE: March-July 1986

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

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1433-029

HISTORIC NAME: J. Riley House
LOCATION: 82 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: before 1853, possibly
18th century

Source of Date: see "References"

Architect:

Builder:

Style: Shingle Style/Colonial Revival
influence

Form/Plan Type: Long narrow rectangle,
single-pile

Number of Stories: 2

Foundation: Fieldstone

Exterior Wall Fabric: Shingle second floor over
rubble-stone ground floor

Fenestration: 6/1 sash, some paired

Roof/Chimneys: Narrow asphalt gambrel with brick chimney
centered on ridge

Additional Architectural Description:

Two gabled entry porches on Tuscan columns. Second
floor shingling flared over ground-floor in
pent fashion.

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Map (Indicate North)

See municipal
survey map



NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION, 109 WEST ST., 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:

Photos in Borough of Riverdale, New Jersey: 50th Anniversary Com-
memorative Book dated ca. 1905 depict this house before
major alterations produced its existing appearance. It was a
block-and-wing configuration, the larger (south) wing 1 1/2
stories high with two interior end-chimneys, a gable roof and
centered entry. The fenestration pattern cannot be determined
on the small wing, but it too was gabled, with one interior
end chimney. The poorly reproduced photo does not reveal any
obvious Dutch characteristics.

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:

Appears on 1853 map as house of "J. Riley."

RECORDED BY: Robert Guter
ORGANIZATION: ACROTHERION

DATE: March-July 1986