

**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

HIST-6 REV. 6/83

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
59 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106
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Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM 1:868:069:046:099:0	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR, SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)
Luman Andrews House

2. TOWN/CITY **Southington** VILLAGE **Southington, CT 06489** COUNTY **Hartford**

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location)
469 Andrews St. (map 113, parcel 17) 1.84 acres

4. OWNER(S)
Kopec, Mark A. & Elizabeth C. (vol.308,p.516) Public Private

5. USE (Present) (Historic)
Residential **Residential**

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD Yes No INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE Yes No IF YES, EXPLAIN **N.A.**

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING **Colonial/Greek Revival** DATE OF CONSTRUCTION **1745 A**

8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Vinyl Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type: _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: brownstone foundations	

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input type="checkbox"/> balloon
<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____		

10. ROOF (Type)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor	<input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____
(Material)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	

11. NUMBER OF STORIES **2** APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS **30 x 48' + ell**

12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)

<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
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13. INTEGRITY (Location) WHEN? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	N.A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Additions, siding
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14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES

<input type="checkbox"/> Barn	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) kiln to north quarry in rear
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden	

15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

<input type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

The house faces west set well back from the road.

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

The 5-bay house has central doorway flanked by plain pilasters that support a plain entablature. The central chimney is small. Windows have several glazing patterns. Wooden clapboards are in place under the vinyl siding. Side elevation gable ends are treated as pediments. There is a 2-story added ell. The former quarry site is now covered with vegetation.

SIGNIFICANCE

18. ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

The house is significant architecturally because it is fine example of a 4-bay colonial design that has been enlarged and embellished. The fifth (north) bay was added c. 1795 and the Greek Revival style trim in the second quarter of the 19th century.

The historic significance of the house relates to its early date, making it one of the first in Southington, and its importance as the scene of the manufacture of hydraulic cement. The volcanic rock quarried on the place was discovered to be right for this purpose and was so used in the 1830s and 1840s, until the supply ran out. The Seventh U.S. Census of Industry, 1850, records the investment of \$1000 in the enterprise by Gad and Bennet Andrews with annual production of cement valued at \$7500.

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U.S. Seventh Census of Industry, 1850.

1988 field visit by Gregory E. Andrews & Elizabeth Kopek (continued)

PHOTO

PHOTOGRAPHER

David Ransom 2/86

VIEW

Northeast

NEGATIVE ON FILE

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COMPILED BY

NAME

Elizabeth C. Kopek

ORGANIZATION

ADDRESS

469 Andrews St.
Southington, CT 06489



20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

10/88:intact original

features include 3 fireplaces, wide board floors, some kitchen paneling. New 12/12 windows throughout; vinyl siding removed & deteriorated clapboards replaced. Rear ell porches removed & new clapboard siding.

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

- None known
- Highways
- Vandalism
- Developers
- Other _____
- Renewal
- Private
- Deterioration
- Zoning
- Explanation _____

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The house was built in 1745 by Nathaniel Messenger who owned it until September 24, 1779, when he sold to Dan Bradley. Three years later, in 1782, Bradley conveyed the property to Eunice Judd Root (1755-1832), daughter of Nathaniel Judd who kept a tavern on Andrews St. at the time of the Revolutionary War. Eunice Judd Root was the wife of Jonathan Root, Jr. (see 140-142 N. Main St.), whom she later divorced. In 1806 she deeded the house to her son, Capt. Nathaniel Judd Root (1785-1820) upon the occasion of his marriage to Sarah Dunham. On April 7, 1818, Root sold the house and 100 acres of land to Luman Andrews (1776-1839), the son of the Revolutionary War soldier "One-Armed" Samuel Andrews (see 116-118 N. Main St.)

In June 1825 Andrews, with his friends and neighbors Anson Merriman and Sheldon Moore, discovered an outcrop of blue limestone in the ravine below the Andrews barn. They took their discovery to Professor Benjamin Sillman of Yale, who had recently published an article in The American Journal of Science on the discovery of blue limestone, the key ingredient of Portland cement, in western New York State. Prior to this time the source of Portland cement was England. Sillman confirmed that the Southington blue limestone was indeed the rock needed to make Portland cement. The Andrews farm quickly became a quarry, and kilns and a mill were established in the area. (See map attached.)

When Luman Andrews died in 1839, the house and business passed to his son Bennet (1806-1860) who continued in partnership with the Moore family until his death in 1860 by which time most of the local blue limestone was exhausted, stone had been discovered elsewhere, and newer mills were more efficient. Cement production in Southington came to end, after having supplied cement to help build the Farmington Canal, the Shuttle Meadow dam, the Main St. bridge in Hartford over the Park River, and many other projects as far away as the Carribean.

Upon Bennet Andrews' death, the house passed to his daughter Emma Andrews Gridley and in 1873 was sold to Charles Moore, grandson of Sheldon Moore. The Moore family continued to live in the house until they sold it to the present owners in 1980.

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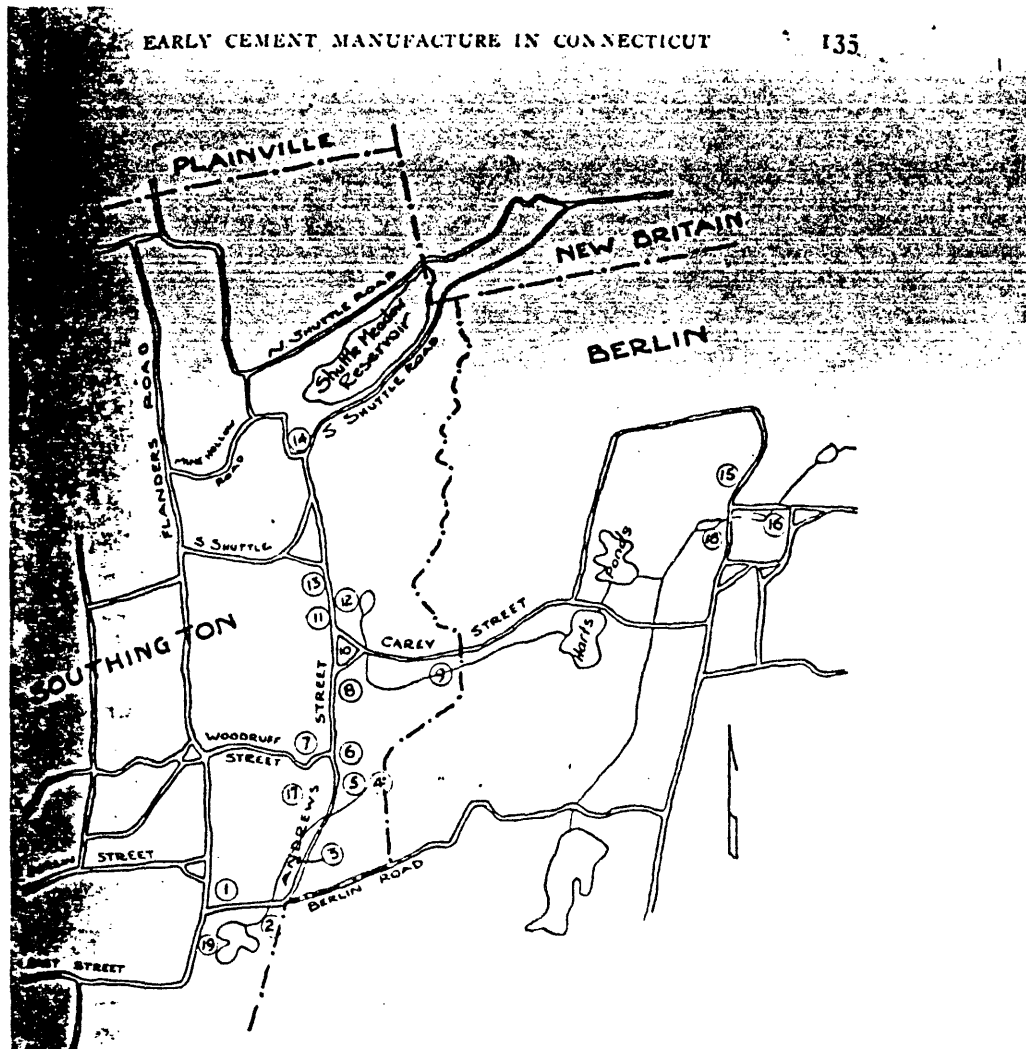


FIG. 1. MAP AND EXPLANATION.

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| 1. Schoolhouse. | 10. Second Andrews Kiln. |
| 2. L. Barnes & Co. Cement Mill. | 11. Moore Quarry. |
| 3. Home of Leva Barnes. | 12. Moore Kiln. |
| 4. First Rock Quarry. | 13. R. Moore Home. |
| 5. Home of Luman Andrews. | 14. Anson Merriman Home. |
| 6. First Andrews Kiln | 15. Moore Home in Kensington. |
| 7. Kiln. | 16. Moore Cement Mill. |
| 8. Where Anson Merriman lived; | 17. Barnes & Bradley Quarry. |
| sold to Gad Andrews, 1832. | 18. Moore Grist and Saw Mills. |
| 9. Andrews Cement Mill; also two Kilns. | 19. Home of D. R. Sloper |