

NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 0713 8 6 3

HISTORIC NAME:		COMMON NAME:	Close house
LOCATION:	7 South Mountain Terrace	BLOCK/LOT	203/12: 45-C/9
MUNICIPALITY:	Montclair	COUNTY:	Essex
USGS QUAD:	Orange	UTM REFERENCES:	
OWNER/ADDRESS:	Close, Donald P. & Carolyn See above		Zone/Northing/Easting

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1929 Source of Date: Tax Assessor

Architect: C. C. Wendehack Builder:

Style: Norman Cottage Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Number of Stories: 2½ + B

Foundation: Stone

Exterior Wall Fabric: Painted brick; half-timber work 2nd floor.

Fenestration: 4 bays; paired multi-light casements (2nd floor)

Roof/Chimneys: Gable/multi-colored grey toned slate; 2 interior chimneys w/ terra cotta chimney pots.
Additional Architectural Description:

Bay 1 shows paired garage doors w/ strap hinges recessed below stone arches; small hipped dormer w/ paired casement in roof above.

Steep gable above 2nd bay roof. Wide arched multi-light window w/ alternating stone surround at center 1st floor, small bracketed balustrade below tall 2nd floor segmental arched French door; narrow single window attic peak.

Bay 3 recessed back w/ entrance recessed & arched stone surround.

Bay 4 shows large subdivided window w/ rounded corners & shutters.

Hipped wall dormers break roof line above.

Enclosed 1 story porch extends east.

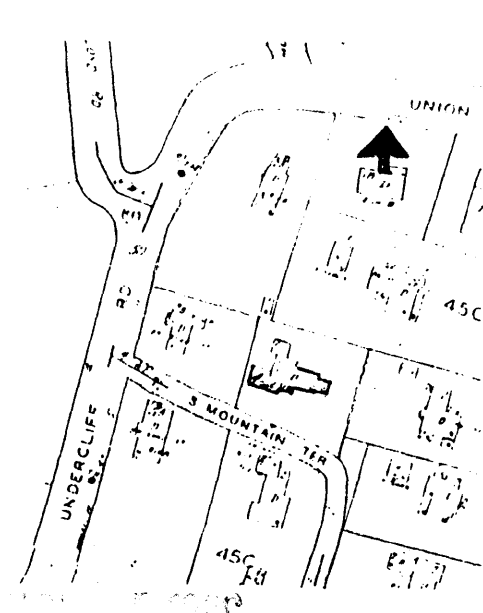
Corner dormer above entrance facing south.

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Map (Indicate North)



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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

House sited close to street, at center of 120'x110' lot.

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

SIGNIFICANCE:

The architect, C. C. Wendehack, departed from the English tradition when he designed this Norman cottage for the Davis family. Quite a distinctive smaller house in this area of larger homes, the building has mellowed w/ the years.

The cobble stones in front of the garage were said to be taken from Valley Road when the trolley lines were laid.

Wendehack designed homes, country clubs and office buildings in New York, New Jersey and Caracas, Venezuela. The notable clubs he designed include: Winged Foot, Mamaroneck; Ridgewood, Bergen County; North Jersey Country Club and the Caracas Club. In Caracas he also designed the Edificio Flauchast, said to be the largest auto showroom in the world. He was the author of Golf and Country Clubs. In 1934 with R. H. Bullard he designed "America's Little House" in New York to demonstrate that an eight room house could be built for (Continued under "Comments")

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: (Continued)

\$6,400-\$9,600. The project was sponsored by the New York Committee for Better Homes in America.

REFERENCES:

Franklin Survey Company. Atlas of Montclair, Glen Ridge, Cedar Grove & Verona, 1933.

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