MONTCLAIR MRA, MONTCLAIR, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ (Montclair Architects) 7-291 NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF CULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 0713-433

HISTORIC NAME:

LOCATION:

147 Park St.

COMMON NAME:

North house

2408/26: 30-B/10

MUNICIPALITY:

Montclair

COUNTY:

BLOCK/LOT

Essex

USGS QUAD:

Orange

**UTM REFERENCES:** 

OWNER/ADDRESS:

North, Amelia P.

Zone/Northing/Easting

See above

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1894 Source of Date:

Tax Assessor

Architect:

Effingham R. North

Builder:

Style:

Shingle style

Form/Plan Type: Square

Number of Stories:

Foundation:

Stone

Exterior Wall Fabric:

Stained shingle

Fenestration:

3 bays, 6/1 D.H. sash

Roof/Chimneys:

Gambrel w/end chimney on south wall.

## Additional Architectural Description:

Gambrel roof forms open porch across first 2 bays. Paired porch columns top heavy uncoursed stone balcony. Panelled ent. door w/ flanking pilasters & heavy cornice above in bay 2 flanked by 2/2 sash showing diamond pane decoration on either side. Bay 1 shows single 6/1 sash. In the roof above entrance, paired sash w/ framing pilasters below shingle faced pediment w/ open spindled balustrade across windows. An eye-brow window breaks front roof in the south-west corner & a small pedimented dormer to the north. A round 2 story turret w/ broad wood cornice below the roof defines the southwest corner. The north-east curve on the first floor shows a diamond shaped window. Bay windows project north & south.







Home sited up gentle slope at center of 94' x 200' site with no outbuildings.
Less than one acre.
SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban  Suburban  Scattered Buildings  Open Space  Woodland  Residential  Agricultural  Village  Industrial  Downtown Commercial  Highway Commercial  Other
 SIGNIFICANCE:
This home is one of the more important of the shingle style residences in the neighborhood. Designed by Montclair architect Effingham R. North, its distinctive turret is reminiscent of other houses in town attributed to this designer. Mr. North prefered to combine elements of the various popular modes than work in one particular style. The high roof, often broken by a large pedimented dormer, is also characteristic of his work.
Designed for his widowed mother, this was the architect's first home in Montclair. It continues to be occupied by members of the North family.
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:  Miller, D. L. Map of the Town of Montclair, Philadelphia: D. L. Miller & Co., 1901.
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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES: