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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Forest Hill Historic District

and or common

2. Location

street & number in irregular pattern on Brewster, Henley, Cleviden, and Wyatt roads, Newbury Drive, and Mount Vernon Boulevard not for publication

city, town in East Cleveland; and Brewster and Glynn roads and Northvale Boulevard in Cleveland vicinity of Heights

state Ohio code 039 county Cuyahoga code 035

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple ownership

street & number

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Cuyahoga County Administration Building

street & number 1219 Ontario

city, town Cleveland state Ohio

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Ohio Historic Inventory has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1977  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Ohio Historical Society

city, town Columbus state Ohio

# 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Forest Hill Historic District consists of 81 single-family houses in the French Norman style. There are nine distinct house types--labeled, by the architect, D, Q, H, J, K, L, M, N, and P--although the houses vary in plan and detailing more than overall appearance. All are seven or eight rooms in size, with full basements and 12-inch brick and tile foundations resting on 8-inch by 12-inch concrete footings. Except for corner house types "D" and "Q," which have attached garages, all houses have two-car garages concealed in the basement and entered at the rear.

Forest Hill's nine house types are distributed as follows:

Type "J" (7 rooms) - 15 houses	Type "L" (7 rooms) - 8 houses
Type "M" (7 rooms) - 10 "	Type "P" (8 rooms) - 7 "
Type "N" (7 rooms) - 10 "	Type "D" (8 rooms) - 7 "
Type "H" (7 rooms) - 9 "	Type "Q" (8 rooms) - 6 "
Type "K" (7 rooms) - 9 "	

Except at the corners, house types generally occur in mirrored pairs, with each pair sharing a driveway divided by a brick pier that serves as an end post for driveway gates.

Outside walls are either brick (soft red or pinkish tan in color) all the way up, or part brick and part siding or shingles. All brick walls are backed with hollow tile and built as a unit of masonry; face brick is laid in common bond. Siding consists of wavy-edged red cedar; shingles are hand-split. Type "D" and type "Q" houses feature oak half-timbering with brick nogging. Steep hipped roofs are either of slate varying in size, giving a patchwork effect, or tile sandblasted to give the effect of old wood shingles. Gutters and downspouts are copper.

Houses have metal casement windows throughout. Front entrance doors are heavy paneled oak. Porches, where they occur, are made of adz-faced oak timbers, and flagging and steps are hand-split sandstone. Exterior lanterns and mailboxes are of wrought iron.

Inside, house plans typically consist of garage, laundry, and boiler room at basement level; living room, dining room, library, kitchen, and half bath on the first floor; and four bedrooms (one of which was designated "servant's chamber") and three baths on the second floor. The larger corner models vary slightly: "D" has three bedrooms plus two "servant's chambers" above the garage, while "Q" has four bedrooms and one "servant's chamber." Special interior features include glazed colored tile walls in kitchen and baths, solid brass hardware, and separate boot and shoe closets. Main rooms on the first floor have floors of quartered oak. Ceilings and walls are plaster on metal lath,



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drawn ca. 1930 by Abeyton Realty Corporation (scale: 1" = 200'). This boundary embraces the 81 houses built by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. as part of the original Forest Hill Subdivision.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Cleveland, Ohio. Cleveland Public Library. "Cleveland-Rockefeller Tract" clipping file, History Department.

Cleveland Heights, Ohio. City of Cleveland Heights. Landmark Commission  
File No. 75-12

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Approx. 25

Quadrangle name East Cleveland

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UTM References

A 

1	7	4	5	3	0	0	0	4	5	9	7	4	6	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

B 

1	7	4	5	2	8	6	0	4	5	9	7	0	6	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

C 

1	7	4	5	2	1	2	0	4	5	9	7	3	0	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

D 

1	7	4	5	2	0	6	0	4	5	9	7	4	8	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

E 

Zone			Easting					Northing						

F 

Zone			Easting					Northing						

G 

Zone			Easting					Northing						

H 

Zone			Easting					Northing						

### Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries of the Forest Hill Historic District are shown as a pink line on the accompanying map. Dimensions of the district and of individual properties within the district are shown on the more detailed block maps

(cont'd)

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code
state		code	county	code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Carol Poh Miller, Historic Preservation Consultant

organization under contract with Sharon Gregor and Sandra Van Deusen and Forest Hill Homeowners Association. date January 10, 1986

street & number 2940 Somerton Road telephone (216) 321-3940

city or town Cleveland Heights state Ohio

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature D. Ray

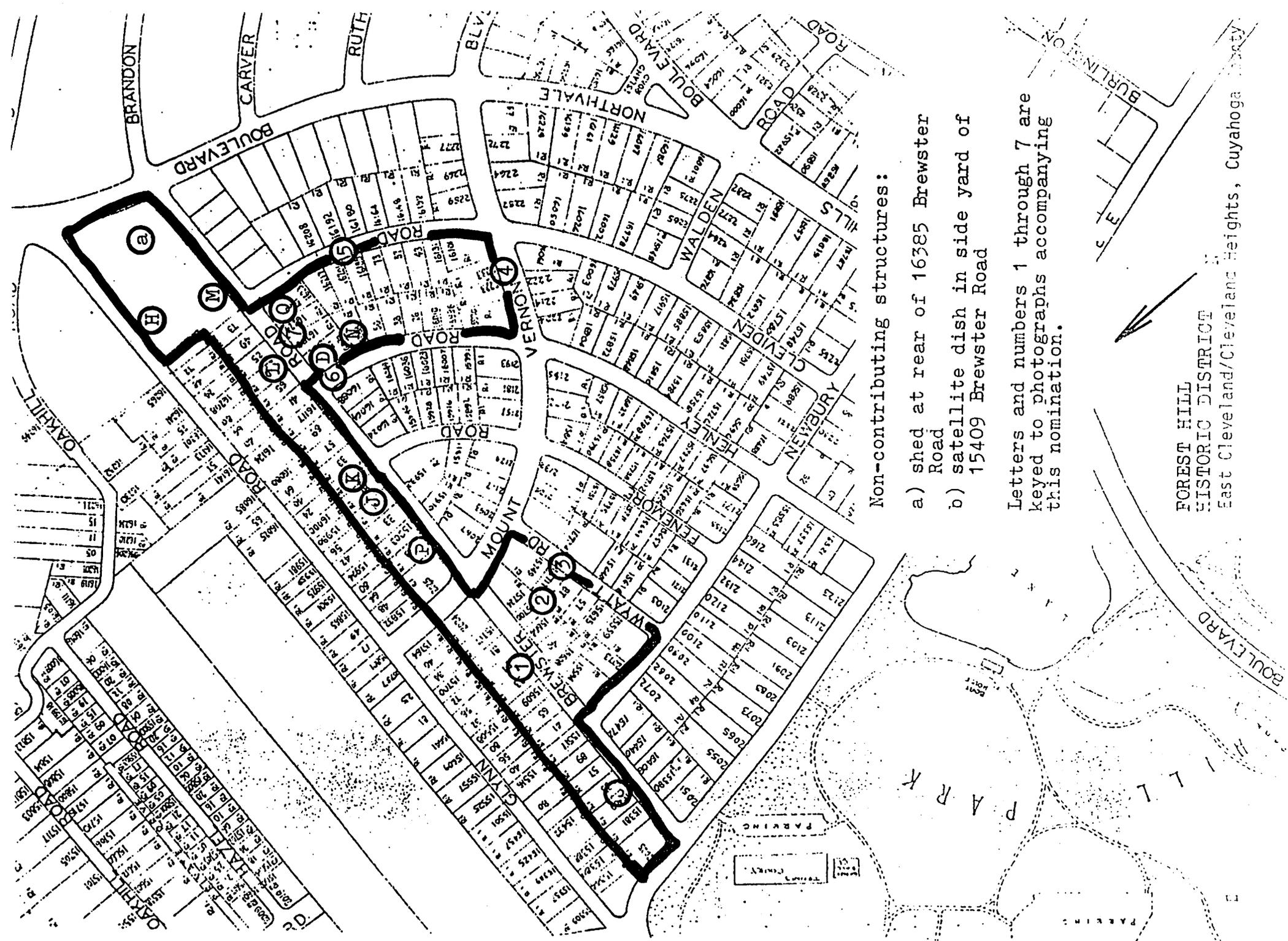
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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Alanna Egan date 8-14-86  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief of Registration



Non-contributing structures:

- a) shed at rear of 16385 Brewster Road
- b) satellite dish in side yard of 15409 Brewster Road

Letters and numbers 1 through 7 are keyed to photographs accompanying this nomination.

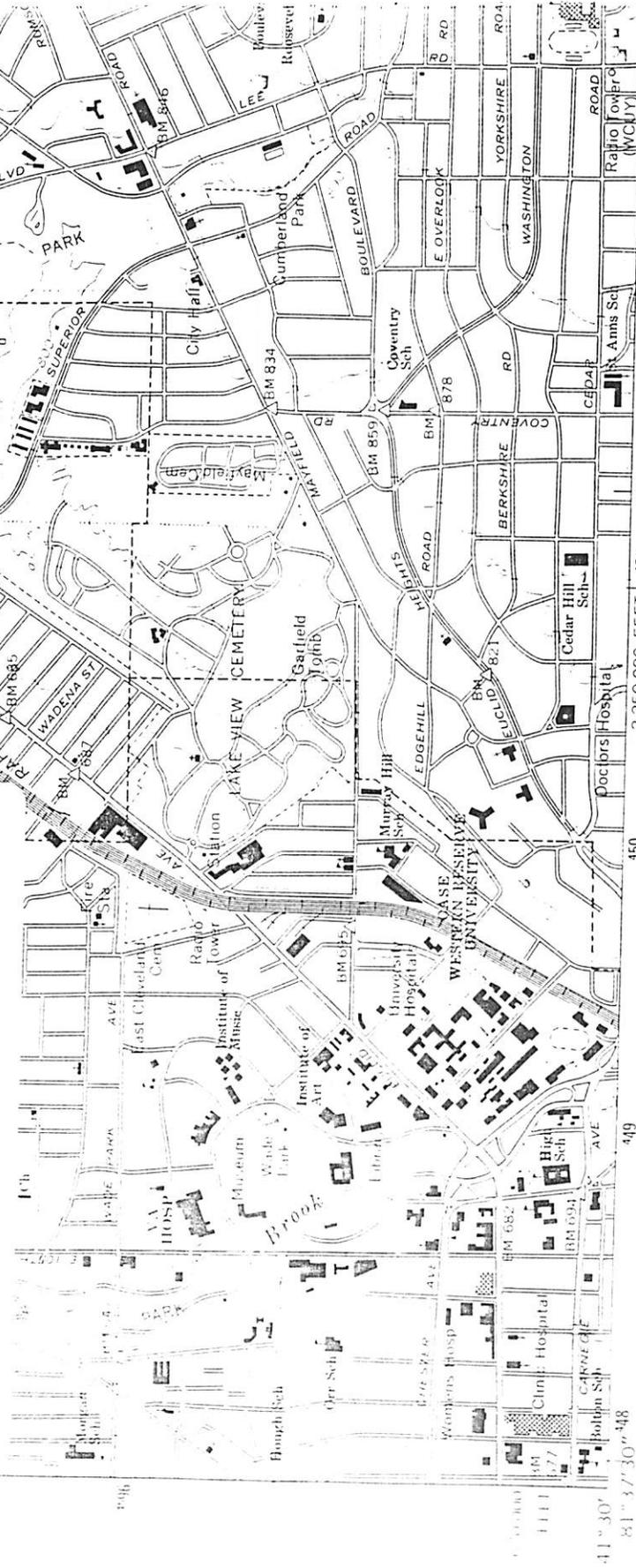
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East Cleveland/Cleveland Heights, Cuyahoga County

Forest Hill Historic District  
 East Cleveland and Cleveland Heights,  
 Ohio

Cuyahoga County

UTM REFERENCES:

- A 17/453000/4597460
- B 17/452860/4597060
- C 17/452120/4597300
- D 17/452060/4597480



Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey  
 Revised in cooperation with State of Ohio agencies  
 Control by USGS, USC&GS, and Cleveland Regional Geodetic Survey

Topography by photogrammetric method, from aerial photographs  
 taken 1952, by plane-table surveys 1953, and in part by  
 Cleveland Regional Geodetic Survey. Revised from  
 aerial photographs taken 1962. Field checked 1963

Selected hydrographic data compiled from U.S. Lake Survey Chart 35 (1959)  
 This information is not intended for navigational purposes  
 Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum  
 10,000 foot grid based on Ohio coordinate system, north zone  
 1000 meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks  
 Scale 1" = 2,500 feet

Footprint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown  
 Entire area lies within the Cleveland and Cleveland Heights, Ohio

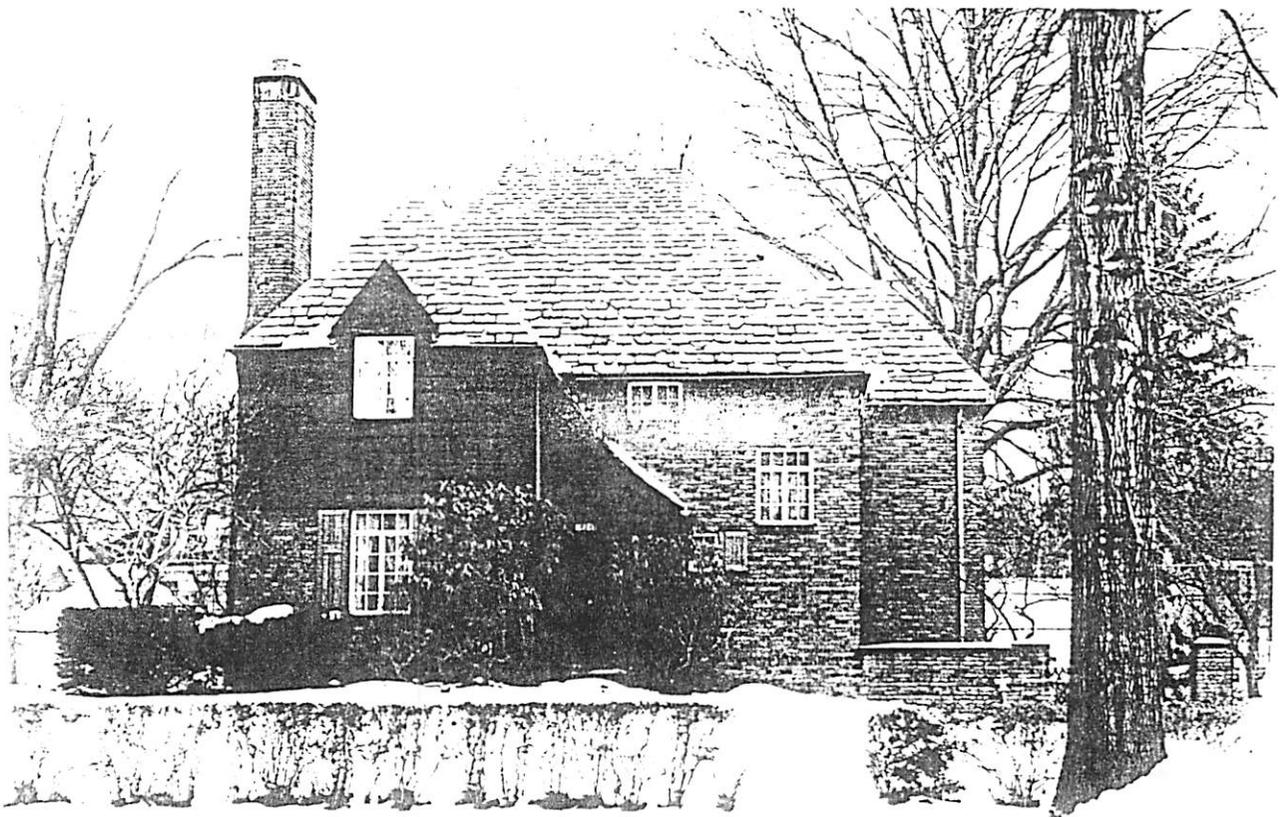
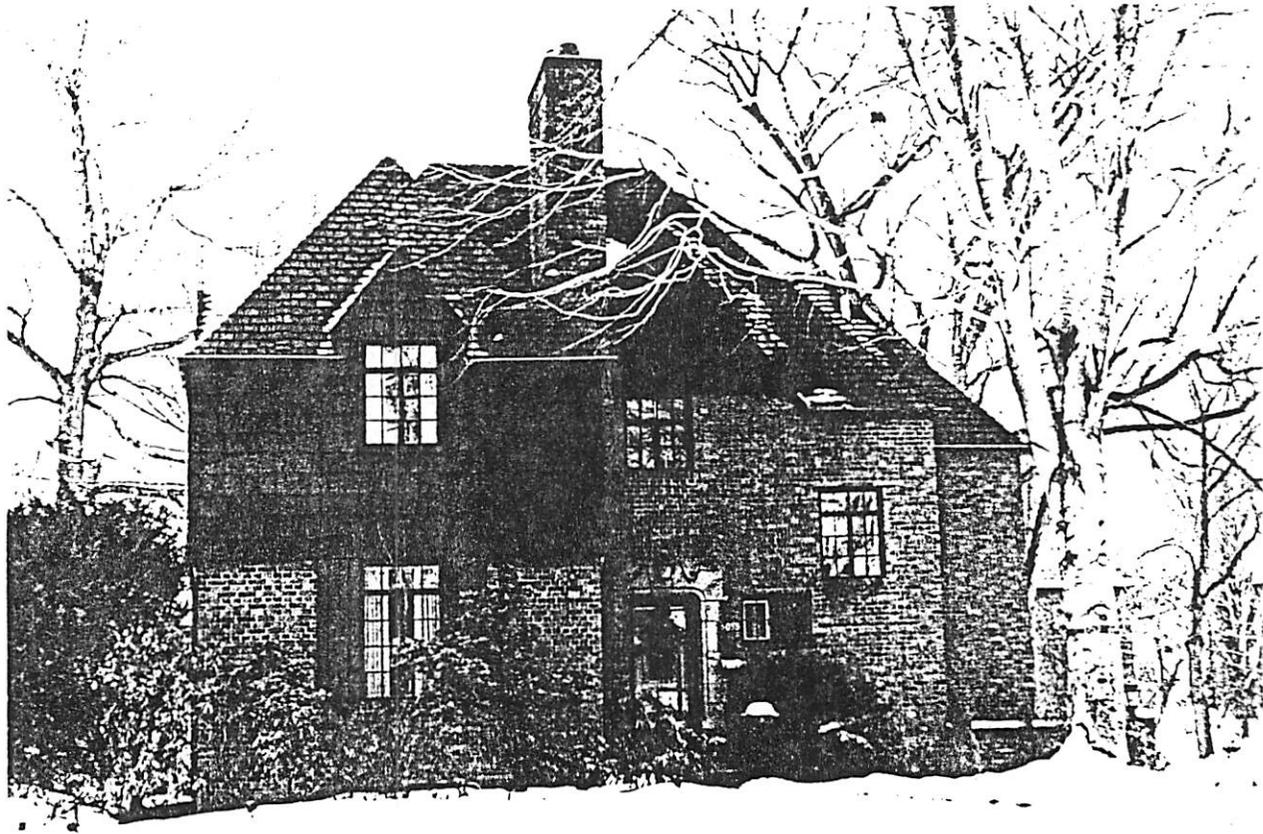


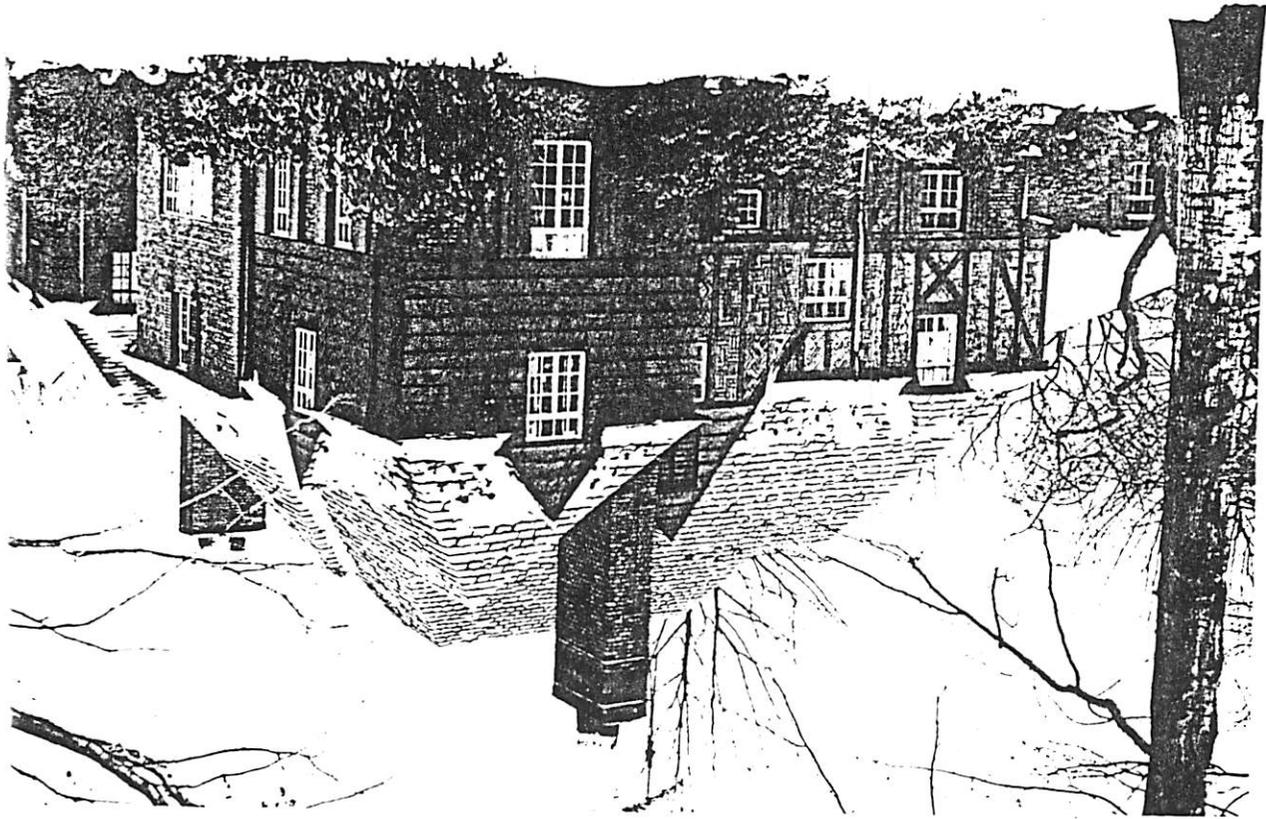
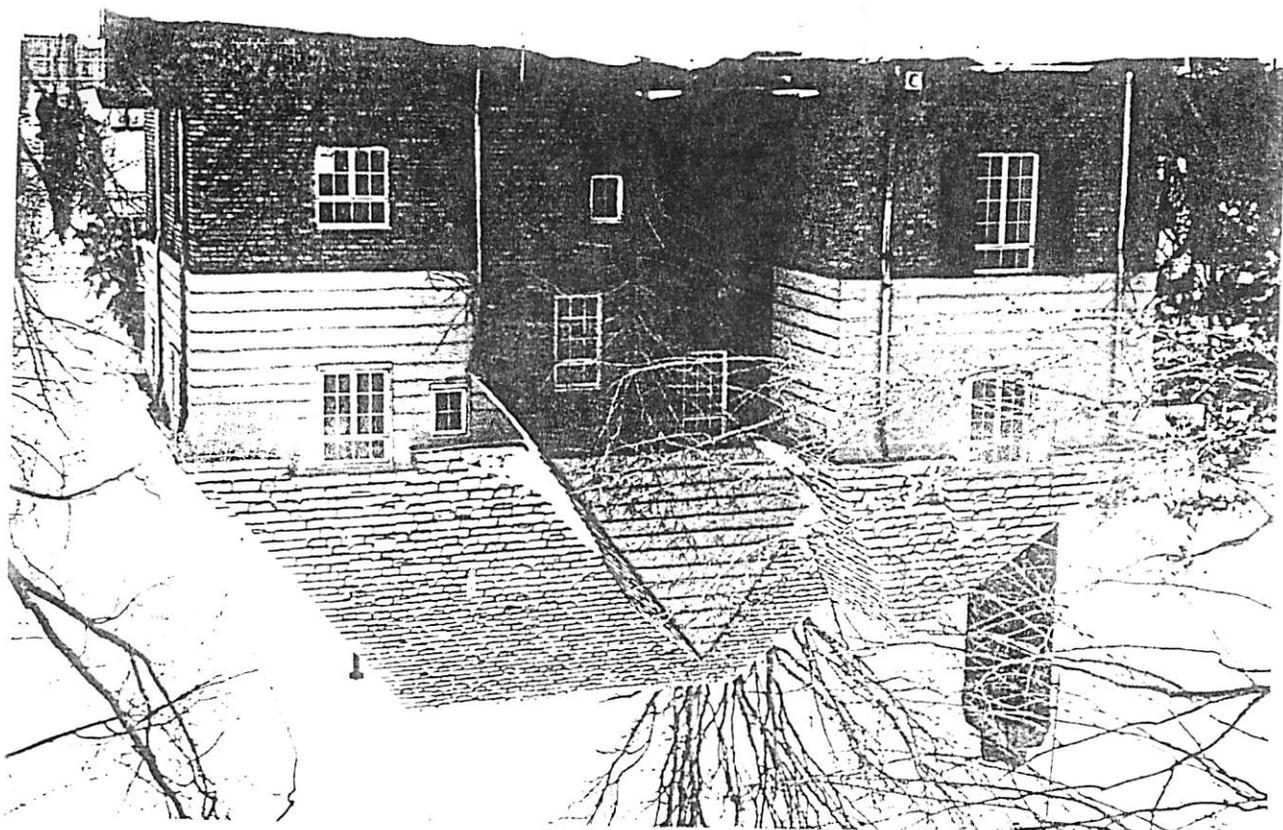
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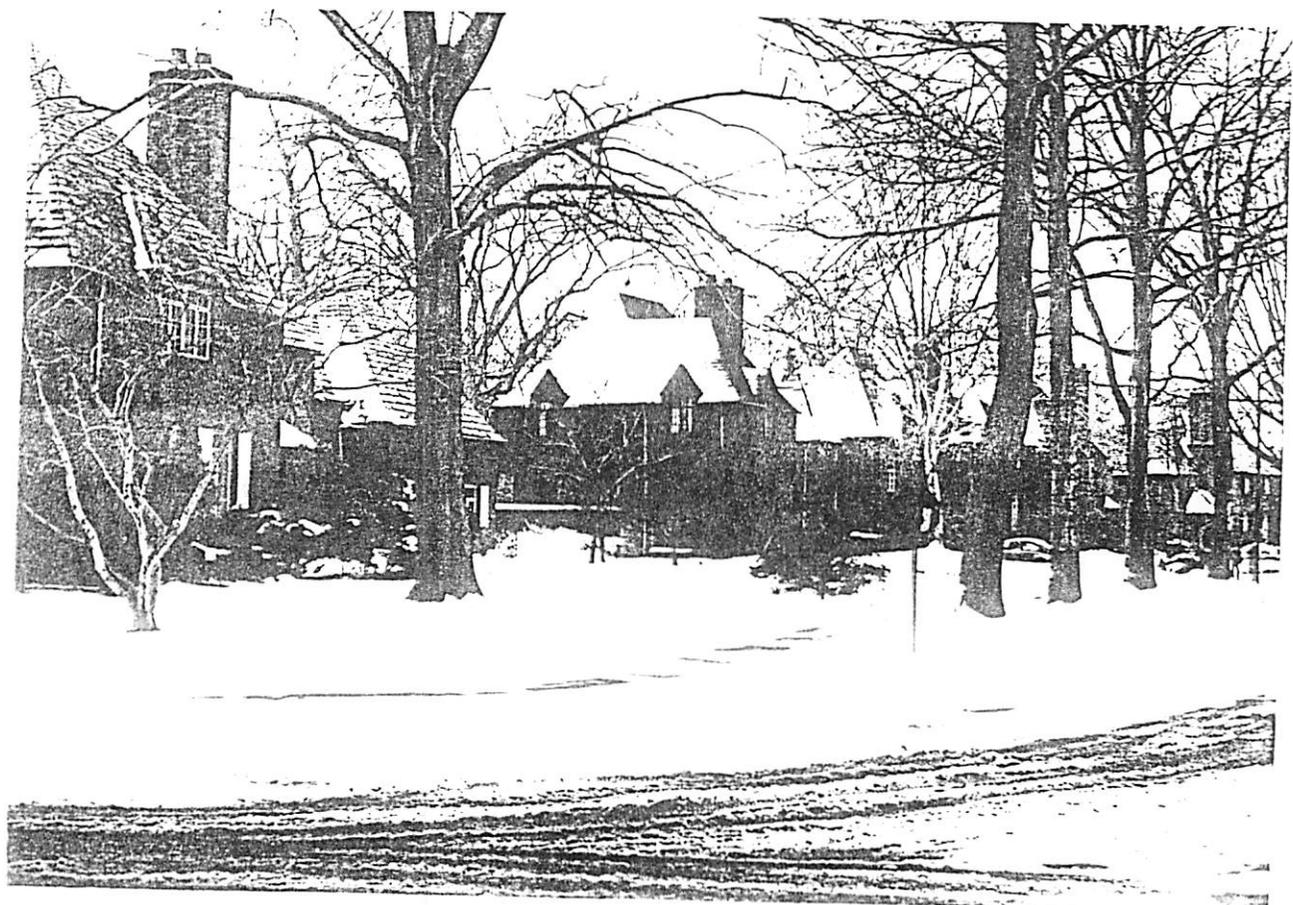
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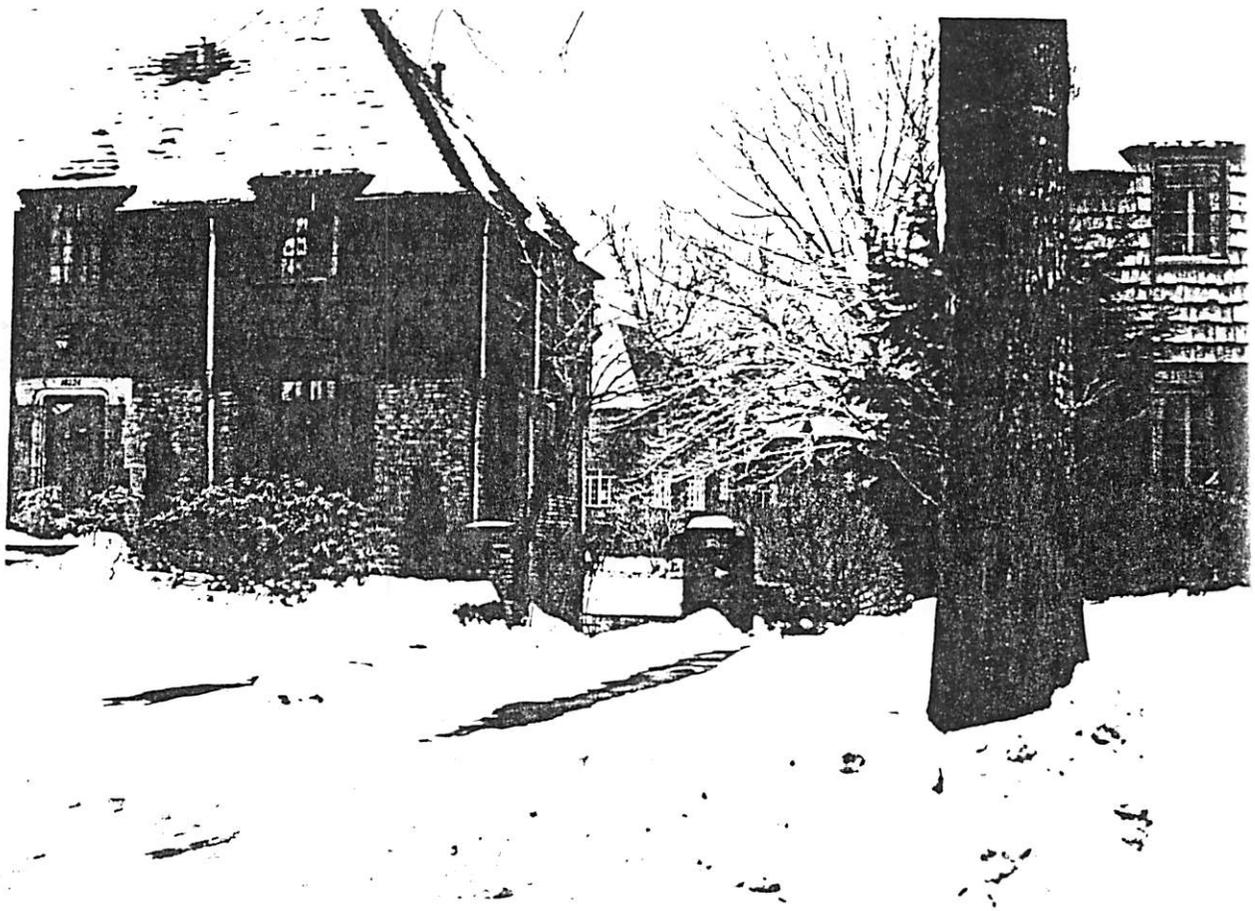
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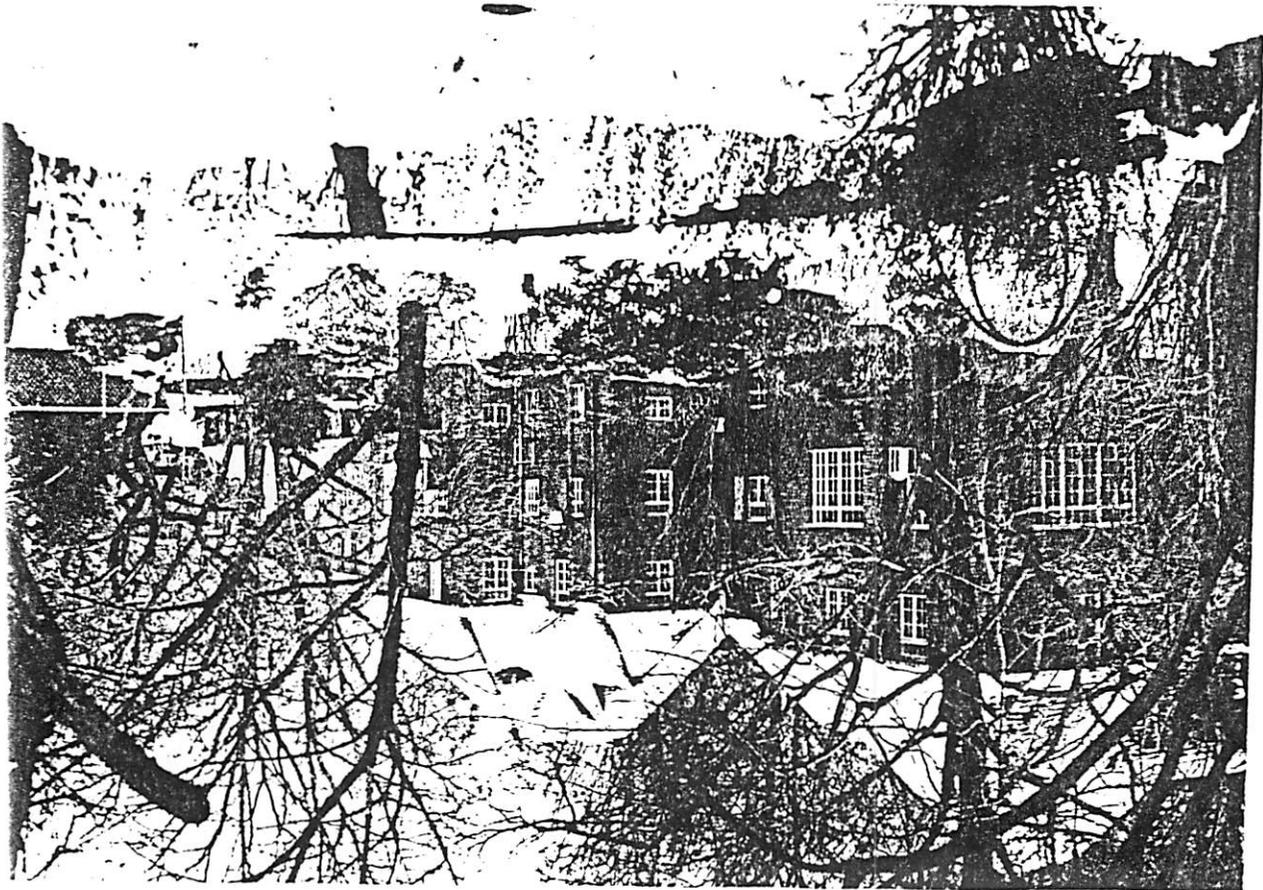




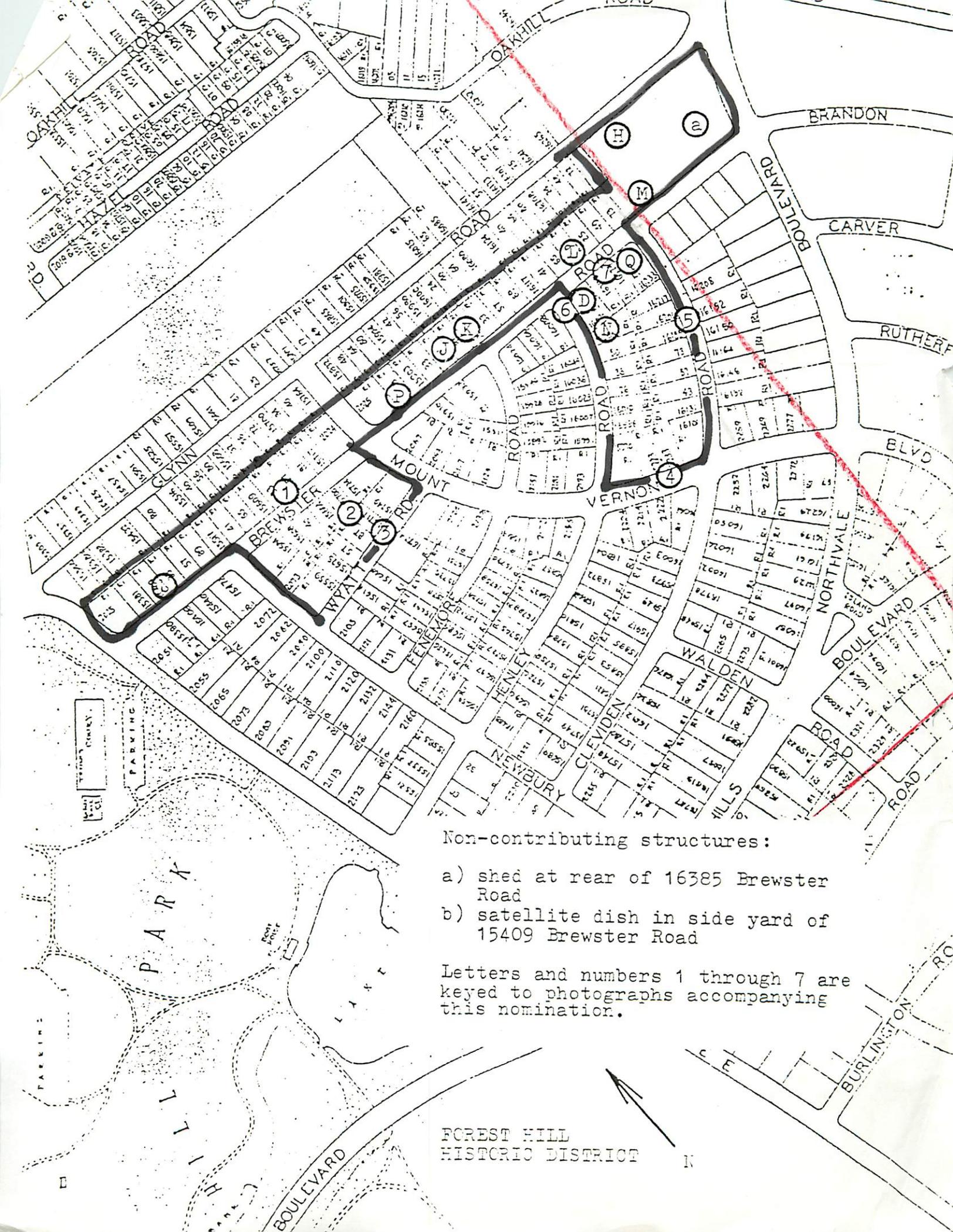












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