

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>103-05-0355-024</u>
QUAD	_____
SERIES	_____
NEG. NO.	_____

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green  
red

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: 5/18/79  
655 Main Street  
 YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, N.Y. TELEPHONE: (516) 224-5450  
 ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning and Development

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**IDENTIFICATION**

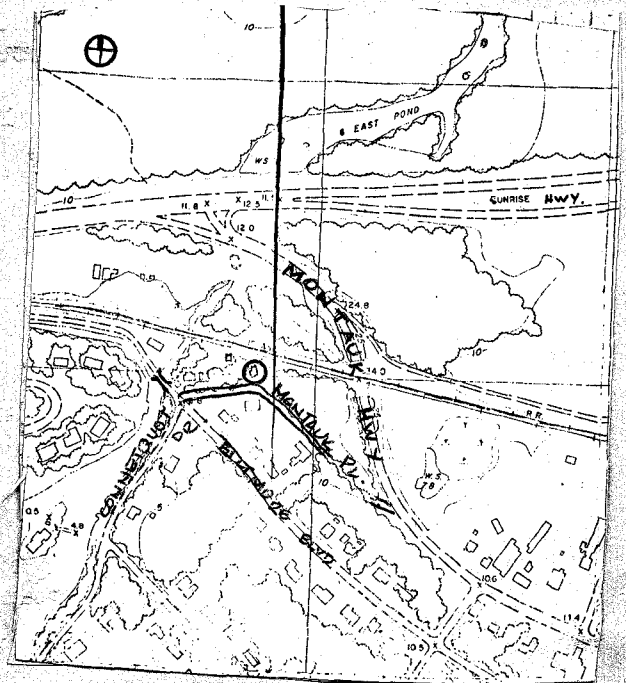
~~W. K.~~ Vanderbilt <sup>ESTD:</sup> West Gatehouse  
 1. BUILDING NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Oakdale  
 3. STREET LOCATION: 4 Connetquot Dr., corner Montauk Pl.  
 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private   
 5. PRESENT OWNER: Bennett ADDRESS: see #3 above  
 6. USE: Original: Gatehouse Present: single residence  
 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
 Interior accessible: Explain

**DESCRIPTION**

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
 e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
 (if known) b. wood frame with light members   
 c. masonry load bearing walls   
 d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
 e. other \_\_\_\_\_  
 10. CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated   
 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
 c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO: Neg. 2, South facade  
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13. MAP: Bowe-Albertson  
Composite



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
 d. developers  e. deterioration   
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
 d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
 g. shop  h. gardens   
 i. landscape features: \_\_\_\_\_  
 j. other: tall iron fence survives
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land  b. woodland   
 c. scattered buildings   
 d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
 f. industrial  g. residential   
 h. other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

The Gatehouse marks the western entrance to what was once the estate of William K. Vanderbilt. The iron fence that survives on the property is a small portion of the fence that surrounded the Vanderbilt estate.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

2 story English style cottage built in 1889. The first floor is smooth brick, while the second is half-timber and stucco, with a bracketed overhang. All windows are diamond pane casements, with oriel windows at the 2nd floor.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1889\*

ARCHITECT: I. H. Greene Jr. of Sayville

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The West Gatehouse is a well-survived example of the 19th century architecture of the Vanderbilt estate.

Cost: \$30,000 in 1889

Reportedly, the architect was I. H. Greene Jr. of Sayville.

This gatehouse is illustrated in I. H. Greene Jr.'s photograph album of houses believed to have been designed by him.

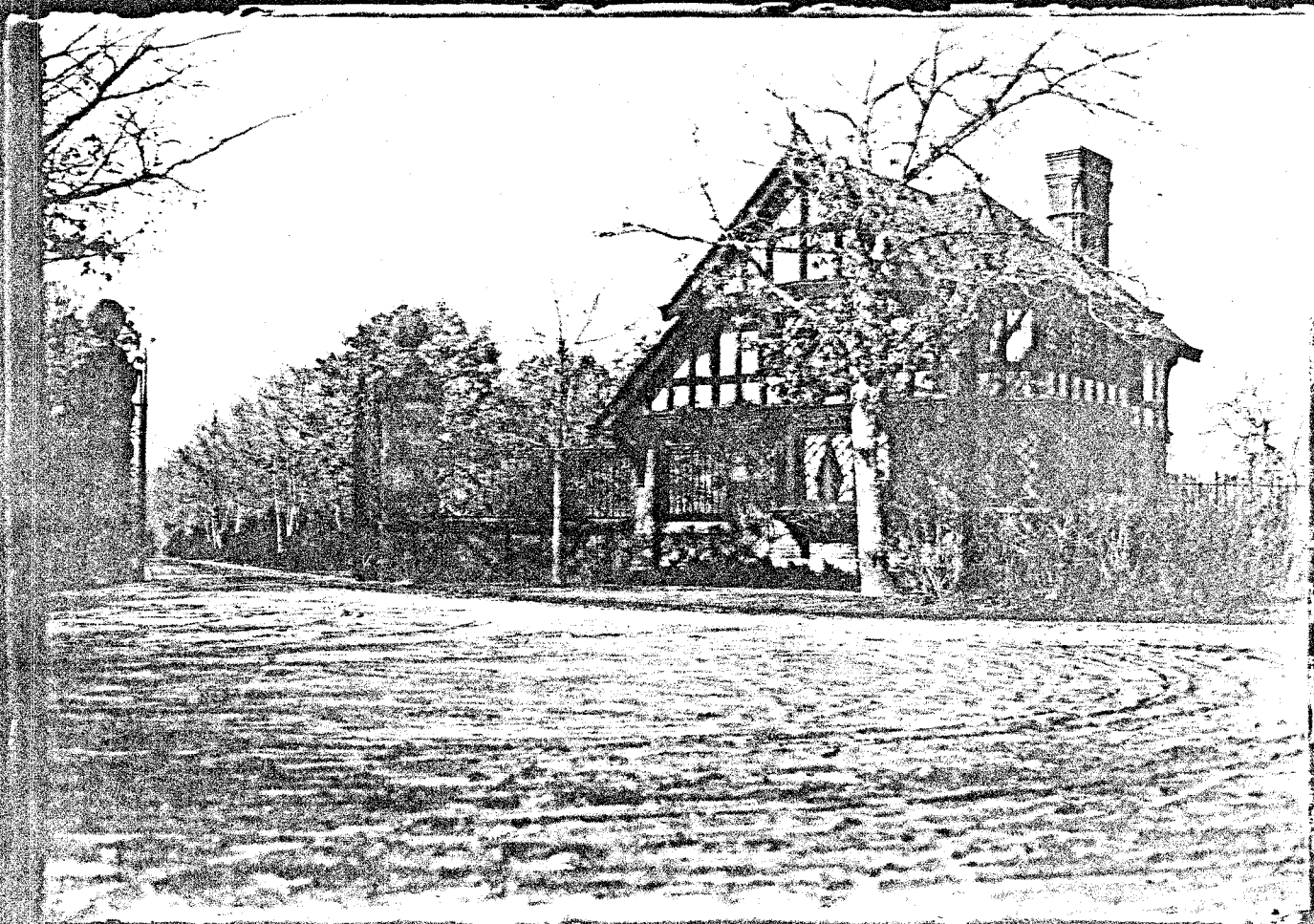
21. SOURCES: \*W. K. Vanderbilt Historical Society.  
 Merritt B. Hyde, Atlas of a Part of Suffolk County, Long Island, New York, South Shore, Ocean Side. E. Belcher Hyde, Brooklyn, 1915/ Vol. 1.

22. THEME:

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WESTGATE HOUSE

1898 photo



"Picture of Vanderbilt Lodge -  
Oakdale, Entrance  
Cottage, 1898 "

Fullerton Collection, Suffolk  
County Historical Society



Photo album of I. H.  
Green, Jr.

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