

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.	<u>103-05-0359-024</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

IDENTIFICATION

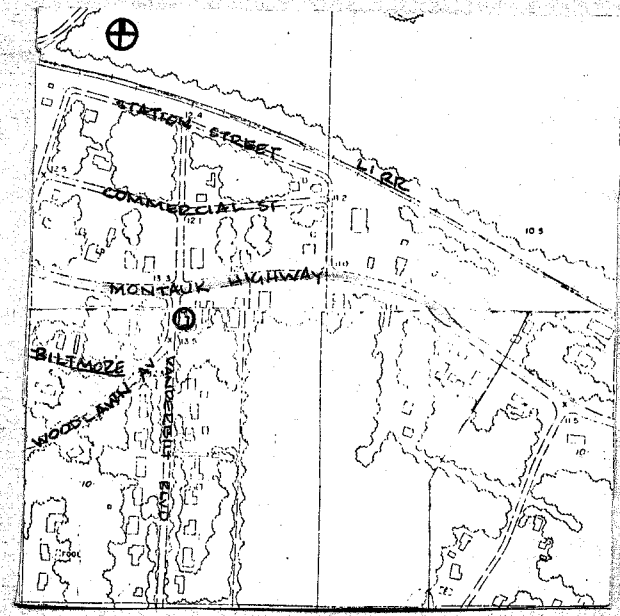
Vanderbilt STATE
 1. BUILDING NAME(S): East Gatehouse
 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Oakdale
 3. STREET LOCATION: Vanderbilt Road; east side; south of Montauk ~~Road~~ highway
 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
 5. PRESENT OWNER: Rousseau & Sadowski ADDRESS: see #3
 6. USE: Original: Gatehouse Present: Beauty Salon
 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain Retail business

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. 3, West 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: _____
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)

Situated at the Southeast corner of Montauk Hwy. and Vanderbilt Blvd., the east Gatehouse marks the eastern Entrance to what was once the estate of William K. Vanderbilt.

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

2 story English style cottage, with which the original stoop survives. The exterior is composed of a smooth brick first floor. All windows are diamond pane easements.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: before 1888

ARCHITECT: Richard Morris Hunt

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

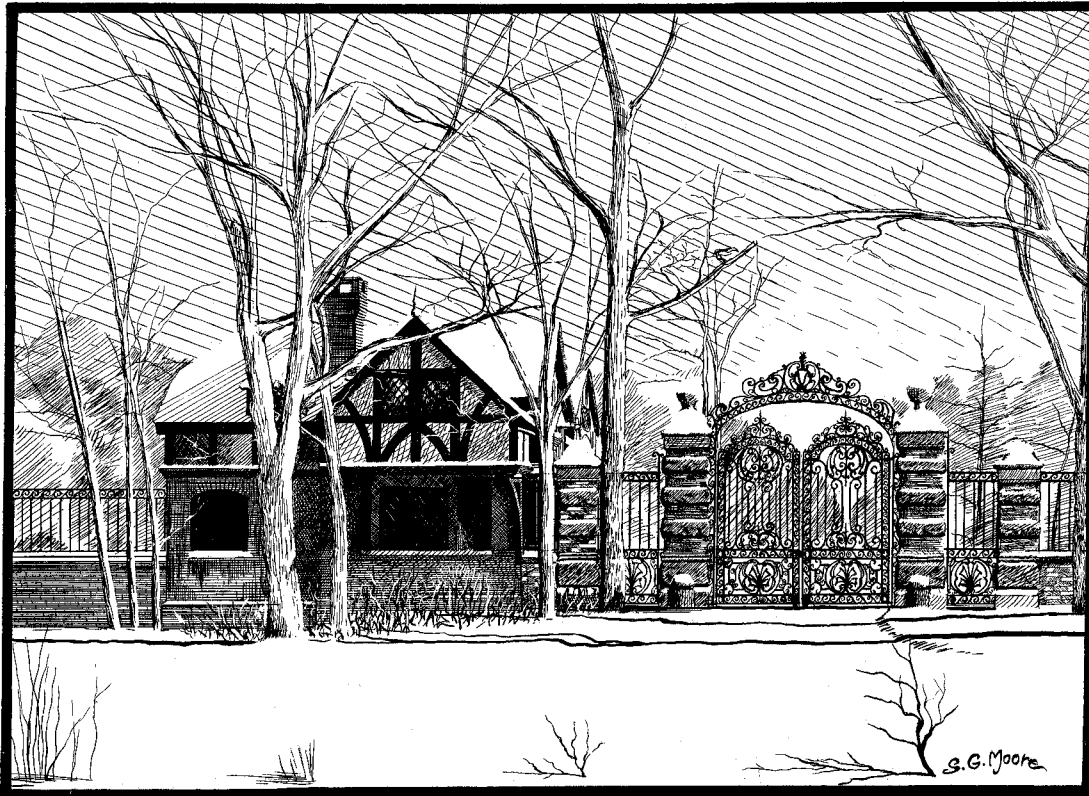
The East Gatehouse is a well-survived example of the 19th century architecture of the Vanderbilt estate. It cost \$40,000 when erected. The iron and stone fence and entrance gates were installed in 1890.

21. SOURCES: *W. K. Vanderbilt Historical Society
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W.K. Vanderbilt East Gate House
Idle Hour



This original W. K. Vanderbilt building, erected in 1889 at a cost of \$40,000, was the fifty mile mark from New York where the bicycle "Century Runs" of yesterday would stop to take a drink from the Vanderbilt well on the highway, sign the guest books kept at the lodge, and take the return journey back to the city.