

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0089

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: 7/22/75

Town Hall - 655 Main St.

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, L.I., N.Y., 11751 TELEPHONE 516-581-2000

ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, & Development

IDENTIFICATION

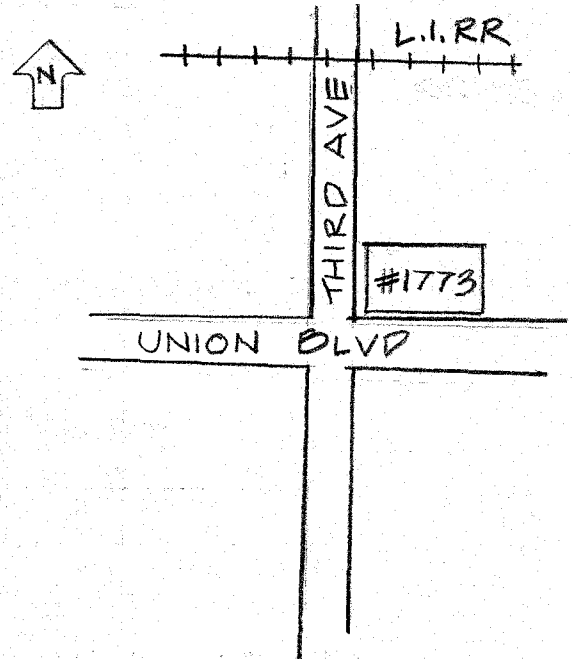
1. BUILDING NAME (S): Water Week's Store (Pet Shop)
2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Bay Shore
3. STREET LOCATION: #1773 Union Blvd. (NE corner of Union Blvd & Third Ave.)
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private Third Ave.
5. PRESENT OWNER: Pet Store ADDRESS: Same
6. USE: Original: General Store Present: Pet Shop
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
 Interior accessible: Explain Yes - during store hours.

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
 e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
 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): Modern store fronts.

12. PHOTO: Negative # A-1A

13. MAP:



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)

The Pet Shop (Walter Week's Store) is a part of the Union Blvd. streetscape consisting of many buildings from the Victorian period of Bay Shore.

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

The Pet shop still retains much of its original detailing: Original windows, clipped gables, pent roof with small cross gables forming a storefront. The storefront level is separated from the rest of the facade by a wooden course and a change in material finish. The West facade retains the markings:

SIGNIFICANCE "Theodore C. Grill & Sons!"

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: _____

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The pet shop was originally Walter Week's General Store. A 1900 photograph that is part of the Jerome Gleason collection shows the pet shop as Walter Week's Store. It later served as Theodore C. Grill & Sons. It is an excellent example of a building that has remained usefull through transition.

Wm. Doxsee in 1873?

21. SOURCES: 1873 Beers Comstock Atlas of L.I., page 155.
 Atlas of the Ocean Shore of Suffolk County (Westerly Section).

New York: E. Belcher Hyde, 1915.

Gleason, Jerome. Photograph Collection of Old Bay Shore.

22. ~~THEME~~ Located at the Penataquit Press Building, Bay Shore, N.Y.
 Negative No. 64.

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Clinton Avenue was also a development for summer people, opened by Nathaniel and Hallet Clock of Islip. Richard Montgomery, prominent real estate man and former resident, laid out Montgomery Avenue for the same use.

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