

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 10305.000729
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

WI 13

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: February 1990

Town Hall, 655 Main St.

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, L.I., N.Y. 11751 TELEPHONE: 516.224.5450

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

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Magoun/Bommer House - "The Meadows"

2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: West Islip

3. STREET LOCATION: 42 Magoun Rd., SW corner Tallulah Ln.

4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private

5. PRESENT OWNER: Mrs. F. Denton ADDRESS: _____

6. USE: Original: residence Present: residence

7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No

Interior accessible: Explain private residence

DESCRIPTION

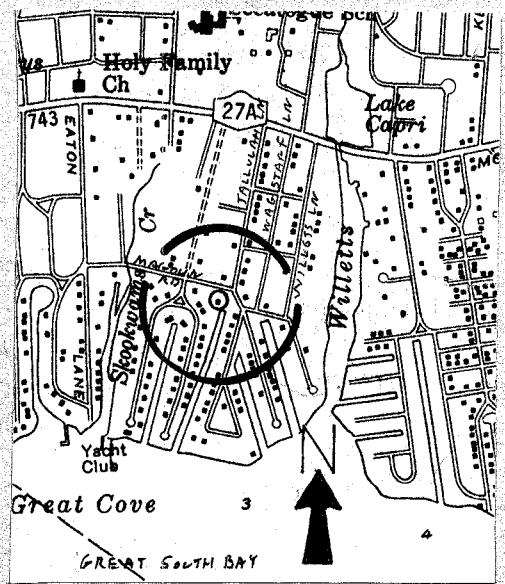
8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____

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):
wing removed

12. PHOTO: Neg. KK XIV-21A, fm. NW front and west sides 13. MAP: NYS DOT Bay Shore West Quad



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: canal directly south
 j. other: Queen Anne cottage now in separate ownership
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary): (see Form WI 15)
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: canal directly south leads to Great South Bay

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

The Magoun House is located in a residential area of detached houses of varying age and size. The wide peninsula that is created by Willets and Skookwams Creeks is marked by several man made canals near the house.

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

The Magoun house is a large, 2½ story, five bay, hip roof house in the Colonial Revival style with a slightly projecting pedimented entrance bay with a Palladian window and fanlight in the gable peak. Other period details include a small semi-circular portico and curved broken pediment dormers with urn finials. An elaborate cornice with dentils wraps the house.

SIGNIFICANCE19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 19th century c. 1910?

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

George C. Magoun, from San Fransisco, in 1882 purchased of General R.A. Udall the residence and 70 acres for \$45,000. Magoun had previously spent several summers in Islip. He was a member of the exclusive South Side Club and was of the well known banking firm of ~~K~~idder, Peabody, & Co.. Later, in the first quarter of the 20th century, the estate was owned by Emil Bommer, Brooklyn inventor and industrialist.

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21. SOURCES:

Old Oakdale History, Vol. 1, 1983.

22. THEME:

20 - continued:

The house that Magoun bought is the Queen Anne cottage of Form WI 15.

This Colonial Revival house was built for Magoun. Emil Bommer bought the estate in the 1920's after selling the property he owned at Deer Park. Bommer's daughter used the Queen Anne cottage as her studio.

21 - continued:

Interview, Emil Bommer Fröhlich, 1970.