

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
HISTORIC DISTRICT SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2

DISTRICT NAME: Front Street District

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

TYPE OF DISTRICT: Commercial

USGS QUAD: Keyport

DESCRIPTION: (General description of district as a whole and boundaries)

The Front Street District is a primarily commercial district of approximately 100 structures, located on the small rise above the waterfront area of Keyport. The district is on three streets: Front Street, the major commercial street, which runs parallel to the waterfront; and on two cross streets: Broad Street, a major transportation route south; and Main Street, a major residential street. Except for an early residential section at the west side of the district, the district is characterized by structures built after the massive fire of 1877: 2 and 3 story, masonry commercial Italianate and vernacular row buildings, generally setback the width of the sidewalk. South of Front Street is marked by detached commercial and institutional structures. Later infill construction includes Victorian Gothic, Colonial Revival, Neoclassical, and Moderne buildings, giving the district a stylistic diversity. Intrusions are generally of fenestration (windowless second floor facades) and exterior surface (stucco, asbestos and vinyl siding). Large, vacant areas occur in the lowlands near the waterfront, Luppataong Creek and on East Front Street. The district is not notable for the existence of any truly outstanding structures, but more for a cohesive unity of history and function; the area was, and continues to be, the center of activity of the town. Notable and representative structures are recorded on individual forms.

Boundaries were derived from the maps of Keyport published in 1851, 1860, 1873, 1884, 1889, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1923, 1931, and by the architectural, historical, and functional integrity of the border areas, but the majority of the limits were geographical. The area involved is: Front Street: Church Street to Beers Street on the south side to #67 West Front Street on the north side; Main Street: from Front Street to Barnes Street on the west and Third Street on the east; Broad Street from the waterfront (American Legion Drive) to Third Street.

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF BUILDINGS: 100

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent 5 % Good 50 % Fair 40 % Poor 5 %

REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No

THREATS TO DISTRICT/LOCAL ATTITUDES:

See significance.

COMMENTS:

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

The Front Street District encompasses the commercial center of Keyport. It was the first section of Keyport to be developed, following the sale in 1829 of the large farm property known as the Kearney Tract, which previously occupied the area. The waterfront was purchased by the Keyport Dock and Improvement Company, with the intent of developing the area into a major port for Northern Monmouth County.

Three industries supported the initial growth of Keyport, and all were active in the Front Street area. The first dock was built in 1830 at the end of Broad Street, and soon, Keyport was competing with Matawan for the shipment of farm produce from north central Monmouth County. A large shipbuilding industry also developed in the 1830s, first in Brown's Point at the John Cottrell Yards, and later in Keyport proper at the yards of Pierce and Cottrell, Roosevelt and Hoff, and Benjamin C. Terry. A thriving oyster harvesting business in the shallows of the Raritan Bay around Keyport began with the indigenous Lenni Lenape tribe and continued as a major part of the Keyport economy through the 19th and early 20th centuries. By the third quarter of the 19th century, Keyport was the principal bayshore town in Monmouth County.

The district is composed primarily of buildings constructed following the great fire of 1877. The fire, which burned out of control for two days, destroying much of the area around the intersection of Broad and Front Streets, spurred the construction of fireproof masonry buildings throughout the district. Walling Hall (1322-2-12), built 1878, is representative of that construction. Only a few buildings built prior to the fire remain. They are the frame residences on Front Street at the western end of the district (1322-2-18, 19, 20, 21, 22), the former Keyport Academy at the east end of Front Street (1322-2-6), and the Baptist Church on Front Street (1322-2-23). The fire also encouraged the establishment of a number of firehouses in the town (previously, the nearest had been Matawan). The Keyport Hook and Ladder Company # 1 (1322-2-11) was the first.

Commercial buildings in the district, all of which were built after the fire, are typical of 19th century commercial architecture in Monmouth County. Italianate, Renaissance Revival, Victorian Gothic, Neoclassical, and Moderne buildings similar to these can be found in Red Bank, Freehold, and to a limited extent Long Branch. Three of the four ecclesiastical buildings in the district are simple, yet graceful examples of Gothic Revival and Victorian Gothic styles.; the fourth is the large Romanesque Revival Baptist Church, the steeple of which served as a navigational aid for shipping for many years (it was replaced in the 1950s). Residences include a large, recently restored Greek Revival house (1322-2-20) as well as some smaller and simpler examples of the same style. A number of former residences have been altered, to their detriment, to serve commercial function.

The district has always been the center of activity in Keyport. Unfortunately, the area has been in decline for a couple of decades, due to a combination of factors: Keyport was bypassed by the New York and Long Branch Railroad in the 1870s, drawing business to Matawan instead; oyster harvesting stopped in the 1920s due to pollution in the Raritan Bay; and the port ended commercial activity in the mid 20th century; and most recently, shopping centers and malls along the highways have drawn much of the business from the district's stores. Despite the decline, the area remains a cohesive unit, reflecting the activity which was once a major part of the town. There is some understanding among the local community of the historic resources which exist in the district, but there is no local organization actively working for preservation. Efforts to date are limited to the work of individuals on individual buildings.

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Books, Pamphlets, Articles

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5. First Presbyterian Church, "Fifty years and Four," Keyport, NJ: 1932.
6. Keyport Weekly, August 29, 1968.
7. Matawan Journal, Matawan: Various dates between 1869-1871.

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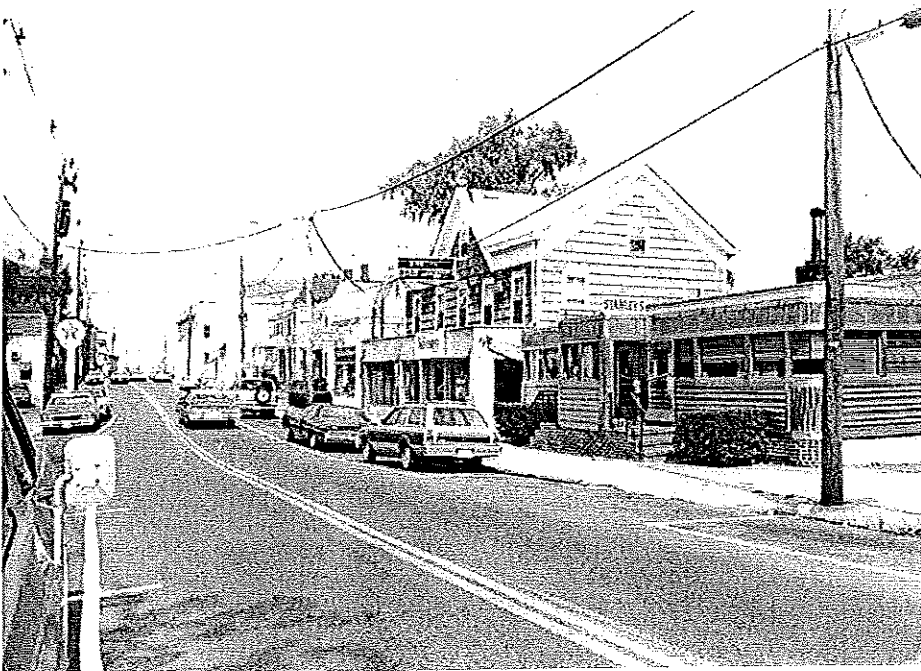
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2

Front Street District



Streetscape: W. side Broad Street. 1980 photograph.



Streetscape: E. side Broad Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2

Front Street District



Streetscape: S. side West Front Street. 1980 photograph.



Streetscape: N. side West Front Street

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INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-1

HISTORIC NAME: Josph Maurer Building

COMMON NAME: Brothers United in Christ Church

LOCATION: 36 Broad Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21A/58

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1877

Source of Date: Inscription on cornice

Style: Commercial Italianate

Architect: James H. Johnson

Number of Stories: 3

Builder:

Foundation: Not Visible

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 4 symmetrical bays

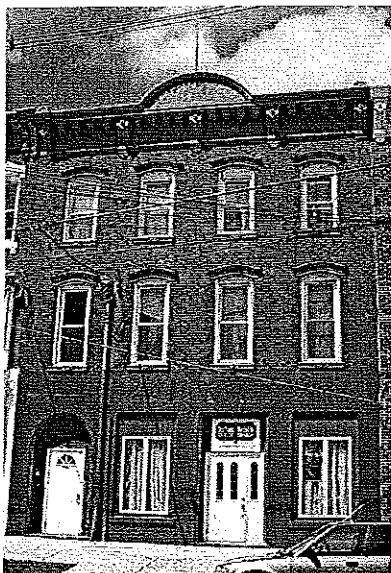
Roof/Chimneys: Flat

Additional Architectural Description:

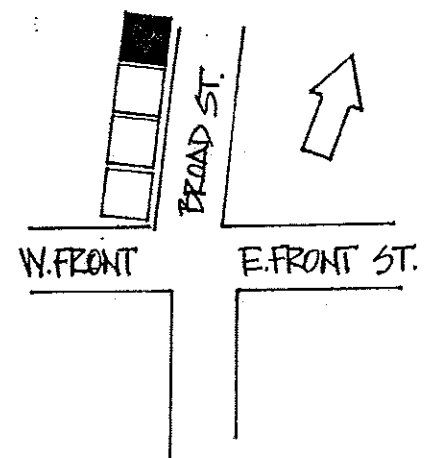
Bracketed sheet metal cornice with arched crest marked "Joseph Maurer, 1877"; segmental arch windows with projecting egg-and-dart hoodmolds; Modillion cornice on first story; round arch doorway with round headed doors and rope molding. Building has seen few alterations.

2006 update: Modillion cornice has been stripped; 1/1 sash windows on 2nd and 3rd story, but windows look new on 3rd story; casement windows on lower story.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot; shares walls with buildings of similar scale on both sides.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Probably built right after the fire of 1877 to replace an existing structure, the Joseph Maurer building was used as a saloon on the first story and a residence on the upper floors. This brick Italianate structure still retains its original detailing on the windows and the cornice. Although it has undergone a few alterations, including new windows and doors, it still retains its integrity of form and style.

ORIGINAL USE: Saloon

PRESENT USE: Commercial, Apartments

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn maps, 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-2

HISTORIC NAME: People's National Bank/ United Hebrew Congregation
COMMON NAME:
LOCATION: 70 Broad Street
BLOCK/LOT: 62/14
MUNICIPALITY: Keyport
COUNTY: Monmouth
USGS QUAD: Keyport
OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1890
Source of Date: Ref. 2
Style: Victorian Gothic
Architect:
Number of Stories: 1
Builder:
Foundation: Not Visible
Form/Plan Type: Rectangle
Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick
Fenestration: 2 bay symmetrical
Roof/Chimneys: Gable; side interior chimney

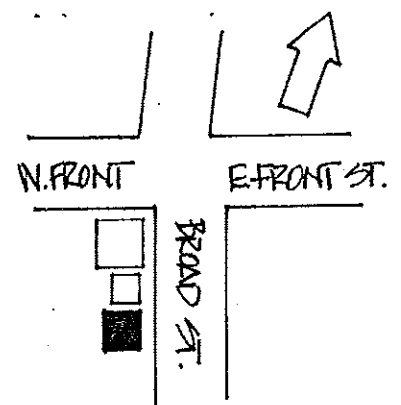
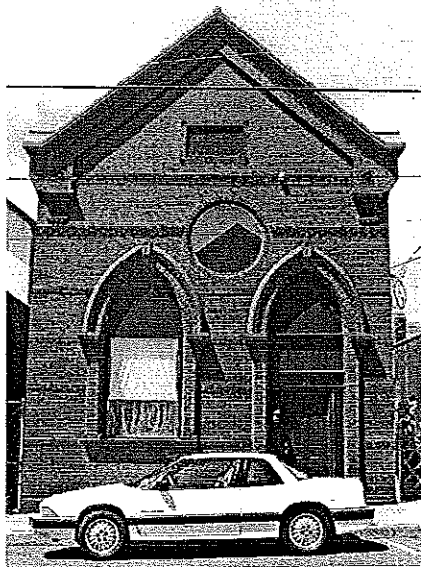
Additional Architectural Description:

Pointed arch window and doorway with heavy moldings; assorted belt courses; corbeled eaves; parapet gable with tile coping; circular window. now filled, formerly has Star of David; windows are now located in the Temple Beth Ahm in Aberdeen, which merged with the United Hebrew Congregation; classical door enframingent is later addition.

2006 update: Infill in circular window now gone.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot, detached.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building was originally the People's National Bank until the bank moved into the Neo-Classical building on Front Street (1322-2-14), July 30, 1923. The building was then a temple for the United Hebrew Congregation until the late 1970's. The five stained glass windows were removed when the Congregation left and are part of the new building. This building looks awfully similar to a building just around the corner, which was built in 1884 (See 1322-2-25).

ORIGINAL USE: Bank, Synagogue

PRESENT USE: Art Studio

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn map, "Insurance Map of Keyport, NJ". NY: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.
2. Boro of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport", 1930.
3. "Young, Old Bayshore Temples Unite", Asbury Park Press, April 6, 1975.
4. Regan, Timothy E. The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century. Arcadia, 1998: p. 26.

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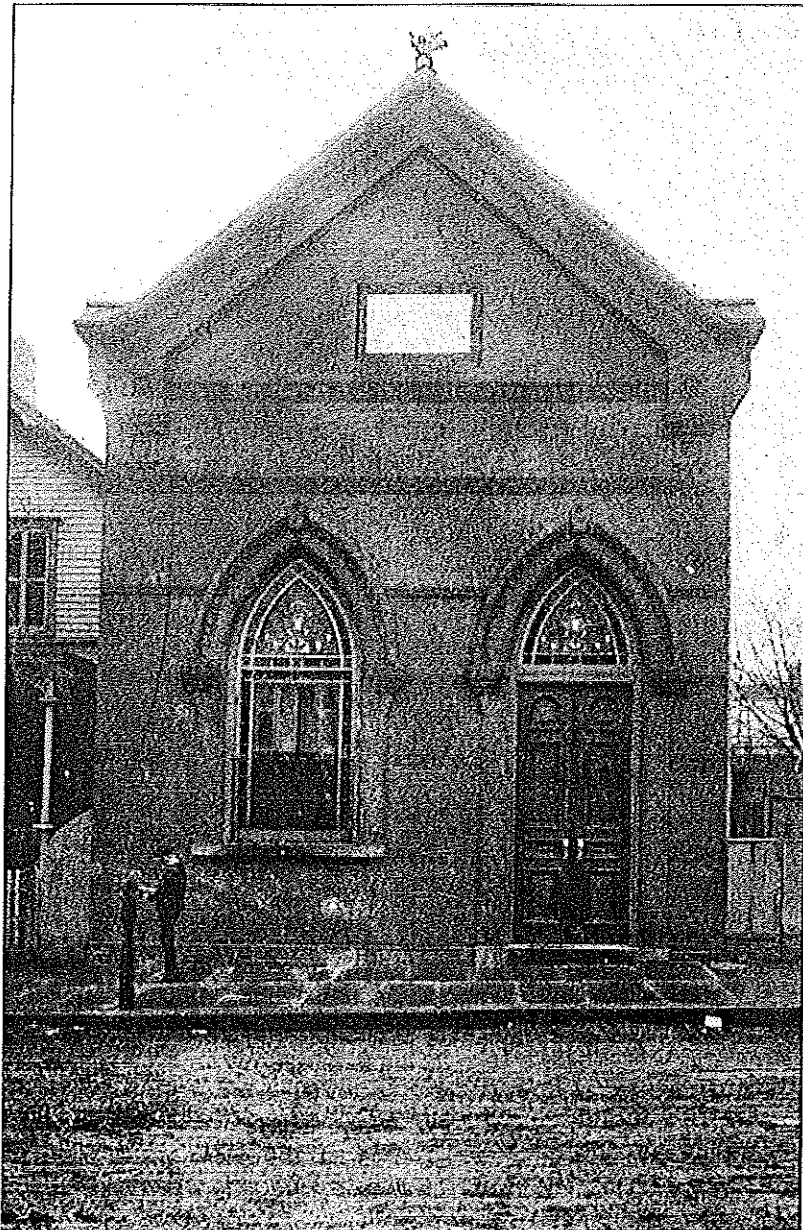
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People's National Bank/ United Hebrew Congregation



People's National Bank, 1912. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.26.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-3

HISTORIC NAME: Palace Diner, Stanley's Diner

COMMON NAME: The Seaport Diner

LOCATION: 83 Broad Street

BLOCK/LOT: 62/14

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1923-30

Source of Date: Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Streamlined Diner

Architect:

Number of Stories: 1

Builder:

Foundation: Concrete, brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with read addition

Exterior Wall Fabric: Stainless Steel, concrete block addition

Fenestration: 6 bay regular/ continuous

Roof/Chimneys: Flat, with ventilator

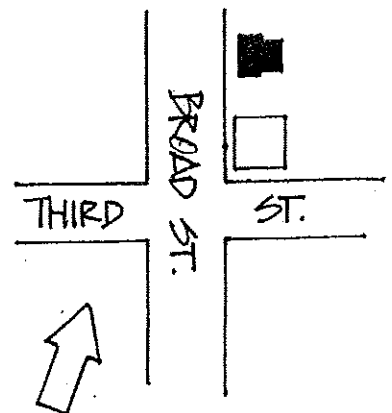
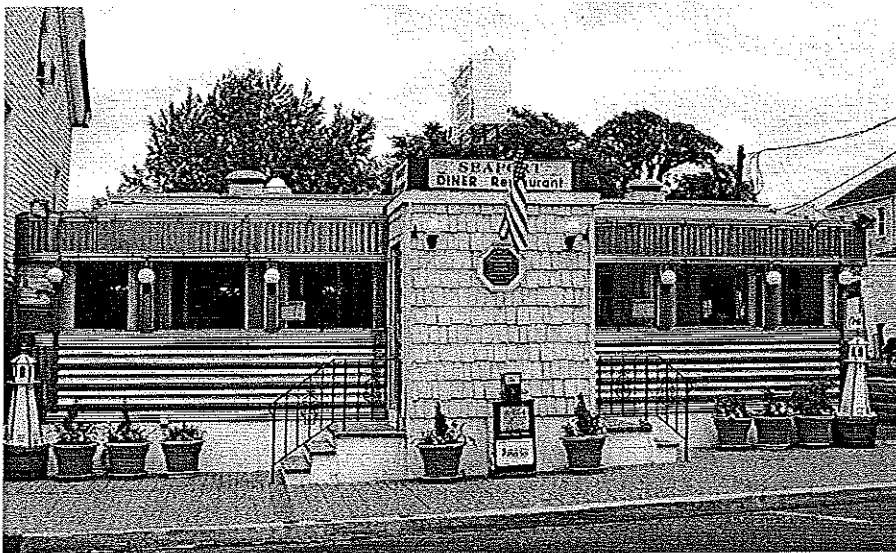
Additional Architectural Description:

Vertically fluted cornice and corners; horizontal fluting on main body; rounded corners; fan motifs in interior.

2006 update: Entryway covered in wood shingles; octagonal window on entryway added; brick foundation covered with stucco and painted white; globe lights added to exterior.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This early stainless steel diner is a part of the legacy of New Jersey diners of the 20th century. A few alterations have detracted from the streamline feel of this structure, but it still remains an important commercial structure in the downtown district of Front Street.

ORIGINAL USE: Diner

PRESENT USE: Diner

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

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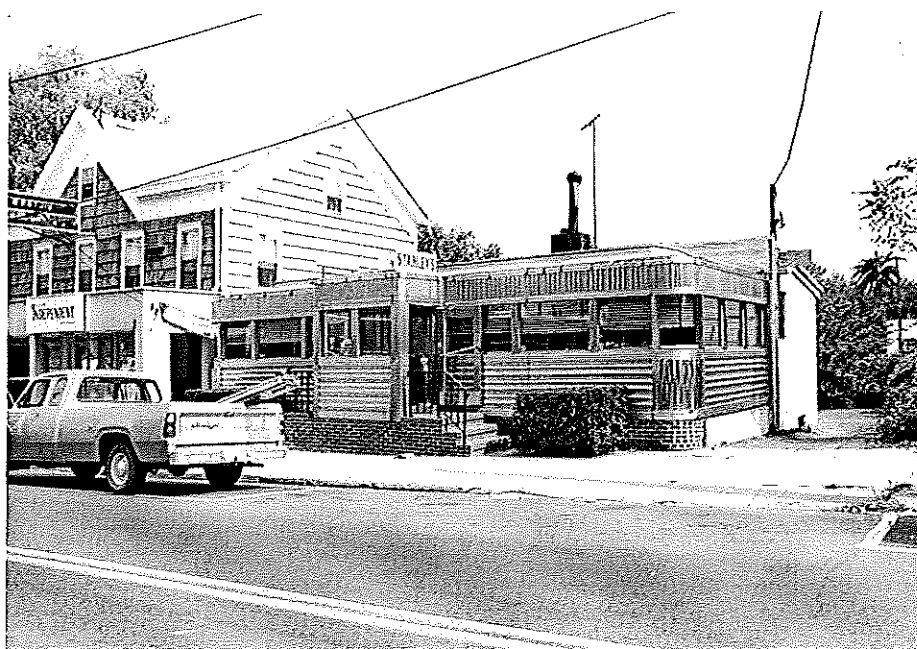
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83 Broad Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-3

Palace Diner/ Stanley's Ideal Diner



Stanley's Ideal Diner, before 1980s. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *Images of America: Keyport*, Volume II. Arcadia, 1997. p. 99.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-4

HISTORIC NAME: First Presbyterian Church

COMMON NAME: First Church of Christ Scientist

LOCATION: 84 Broad Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/3

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1879

Source of Date: Cornerstone; Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Victorian Gothic Revival

Architect: Henry A. Young

Number of Stories: 1 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle w/ center front extending tower

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard

Fenestration: 3 by 4 bays

Roof/Chimneys: Gable, with steeple on tower; exterior end chimney

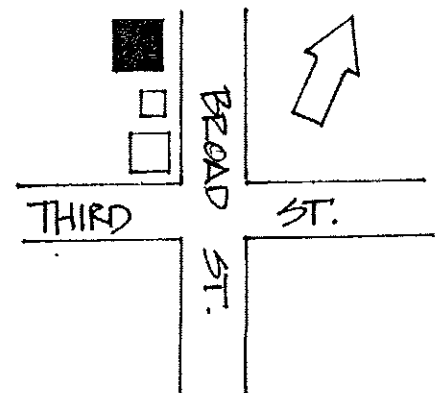
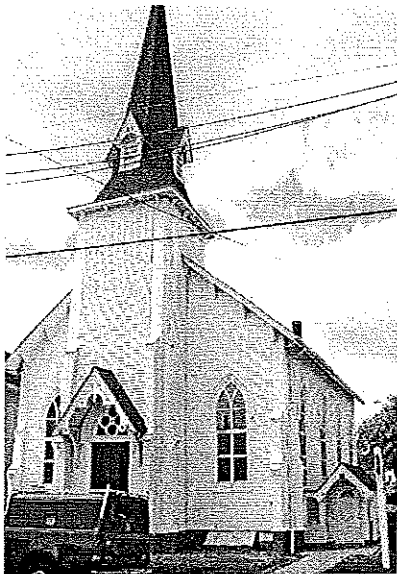
Additional Architectural Description:

Polychromatic slate roof; buttressed corners; gabled overdoor with vergeboard; bracketed eaves; dormer ventilators in steeple; small entry ell to basement.

2006 update: No longer a slate roof, now with tar shingles; synthetic siding covers exterior and window in center of tower.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Though simple in design, this small frame church is an excellent example of Gothic Revival ecclesiastical architecture in Monmouth County because of its unaltered condition. The congregation was organized in 1878 and laid the cornerstone of this edifice the following year.

ORIGINAL USE: Church

PRESENT USE: Church

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Boro of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport", 1930.
2. Sanborn maps, 1884-1931.

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First Presbyterian Church



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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-5

HISTORIC NAME: Raritan Hose Fire Co. #2

COMMON NAME: Keyport Fire Museum and Education Center

LOCATION: 86 Broad Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/2

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1908-1923

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: 2 bay firehouse

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Concrete

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with garage on 1st floor

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard

Fenestration: 2 bay symmetrical

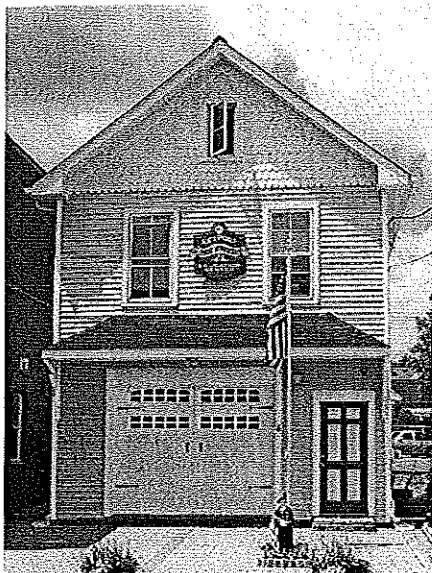
Roof/Chimneys: Gable; end facing exterior chimney

Additional Architectural Description:

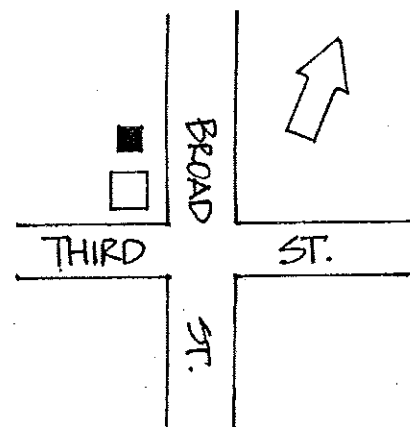
Full front shed overdoor.

2006 update: Garage door replaced, tar shingles on shed overdoor and roof; new panel door; synthetic siding & synthetic scale shingles in gable; gable window has been replaced by a new casement window.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Raritan Hose Co. #2 was the second fire company formed in Keyport in 1893. It first used horse-drawn apparatus that was housed in the Armory on First Street (no longer standing). Later, the company was housed on Division Street and finally purchased this lot on Broad Street in 1902 and this house served as its headquarters until 1969. After going through a series of ownerships by commercial enterprises, today the building serves as Keyport's Fire Museum and Education Center. Although it has undergone many changes in the past few decades, the building still attests to its history as a firehouse and serves as an example of the early firehouses in Keyport.

ORIGINAL USE: Firehouse

PRESENT USE: Museum

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn Map Co., "Insurance Map of Keyport NJ", NY: 1908, 1923, 1931.
2. Boro of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport", 1930.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-6

HISTORIC NAME: J.W. Keough Building

COMMON NAME: El Apache Foods, Inc.

LOCATION: 44-46 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 81/20

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1896

Source of Date: Facade Inscription

Style: Elements of Renaissance Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 4 symmetrical bays over plate glass storefront

Roof/Chimneys: Flat; side interior chimney

Additional Architectural Description:

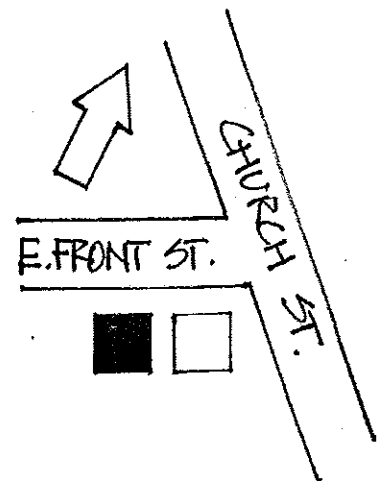
Dentilled cornice with "J.W. Keough 1896" inscribed in pediment; pilastered facade with patterned brickwork in central arch; wraparound showroom window with bracketed first floor cornice is a 20th century addition.

2006 update: Awning added to facade on lower story.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

John Keough built this building directly north of his old one (the Agricultural Depot, 1322-2-7) in 1896. It was operated as a grocery store. The Keyport Shirt Factory occupied this building for several years in the 1920s and 1930s. This is another good example of the commercial brick structures in the Front Street District.

ORIGINAL USE: Store

PRESENT USE: Store

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

- 1. Sanborn Map Co., "Insurance Map of Keyport, NJ," NY: 1896,1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-7

HISTORIC NAME: Keyport Academy

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 44-46 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 81/20

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1857

Source of Date: Ref. 5

Style: Greek Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 with exposed basement level

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Asbestos Shingles

Fenestration: 2 by 4 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Gable, full pediment

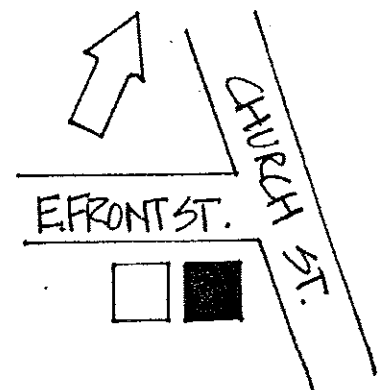
Additional Architectural Description:

Dentils on cornice and eaves; pilasters; 6/6 double hung sash windows (E. and W. sides) with projecting cornices; intact read door with full entablature (original entry?); front street facade has been altered; entry addition.

2006 update: Completely covered over in stucco; fluted pilasters at corners, 2 paired paladian windows on top floor added.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Corner city lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
 Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
 Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Although significantly altered, this frame building is very important to the local history of Keyport and had a variety of uses over the years. It was constructed for the Keyport Academy, a private school founded by Professor George W. Holmes in 1857. Little is known about the school except that it offered teachers training and operated until about 1892. Mr. Keough, who owned the building next door, opened a store here in 1875, where he sold farm equipment and groceries here and so it was also known as the "Agricultural Depot". (Ref. 5)

1885 photo- pg. 79 (Ref. 5)

ORIGINAL USE: School

PRESENT USE: Vacant

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
 REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
 THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
 No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Lightfoot map, 1851.
2. Sanborn map: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.
3. Boro of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport", 1930.
4. Beers map, 1860.
5. Regan, Timothy E. Images of America: Keyport Volume II. Arcadia, 1997: p. 79.

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
 SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
 ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-7

Keyport Academy

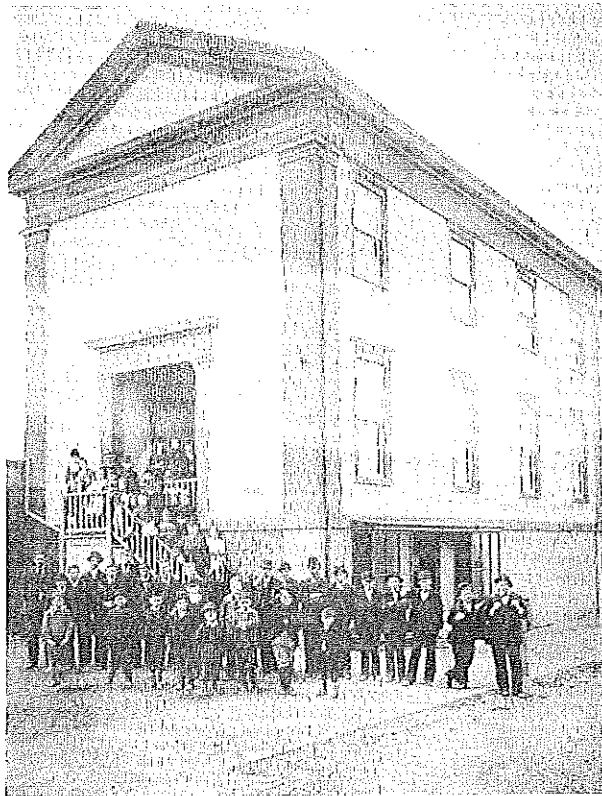


44-46 East Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-7

Keyport Academy



Keyport Academy, 1885. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *Images of America: Keyport*, Volume II. Arcadia, 1997. p. 79.

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322- 2-8

HISTORIC NAME: Mansion House Hotel

COMMON NAME: Roma Upholstery

LOCATION: 5 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 80/5

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1877-1884

Source of Date: Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Italianate

Architect: Blanchard Fosgate Jr.

Number of Stories: 3

Builder:

Foundation: Not Visible

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with SW corner projecting bay

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: Multiple bays, symmetrical

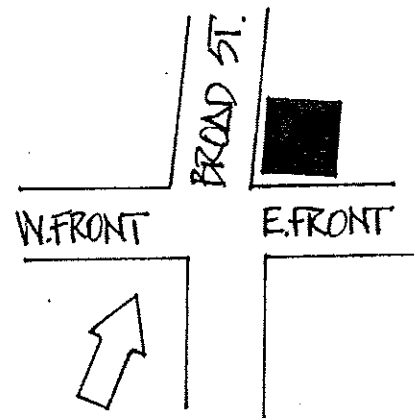
Roof/Chimneys: Flat

Additional Architectural Description:

Bracketed metal cornice with 3 broken pediments; plain, flat lintels and sills; projecting storefront is not original; building (in late 19th century) had two-tiered veranda on entire facade, with slender square posts and bracketing.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-16, 17

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Corner city lot, busy intersection.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

The Mansion House is one of Keyport's early hotels (The Pavilion Hotel, now destroyed, was less than 50 feet away). This building, which originally featured a graceful verandah, was replaced a hotel (by the same name) on this site which burned down in 1877. The second Mansion House Hotel had an elegant 2 story porch around its entire facade. It operated as a hotel at least until 1923, after which the building has served as a variety of stores and apartments.

ORIGINAL USE: Hotel

PRESENT USE: Store and Apartments

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County (1885), 718.
2. Sanborn maps: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.

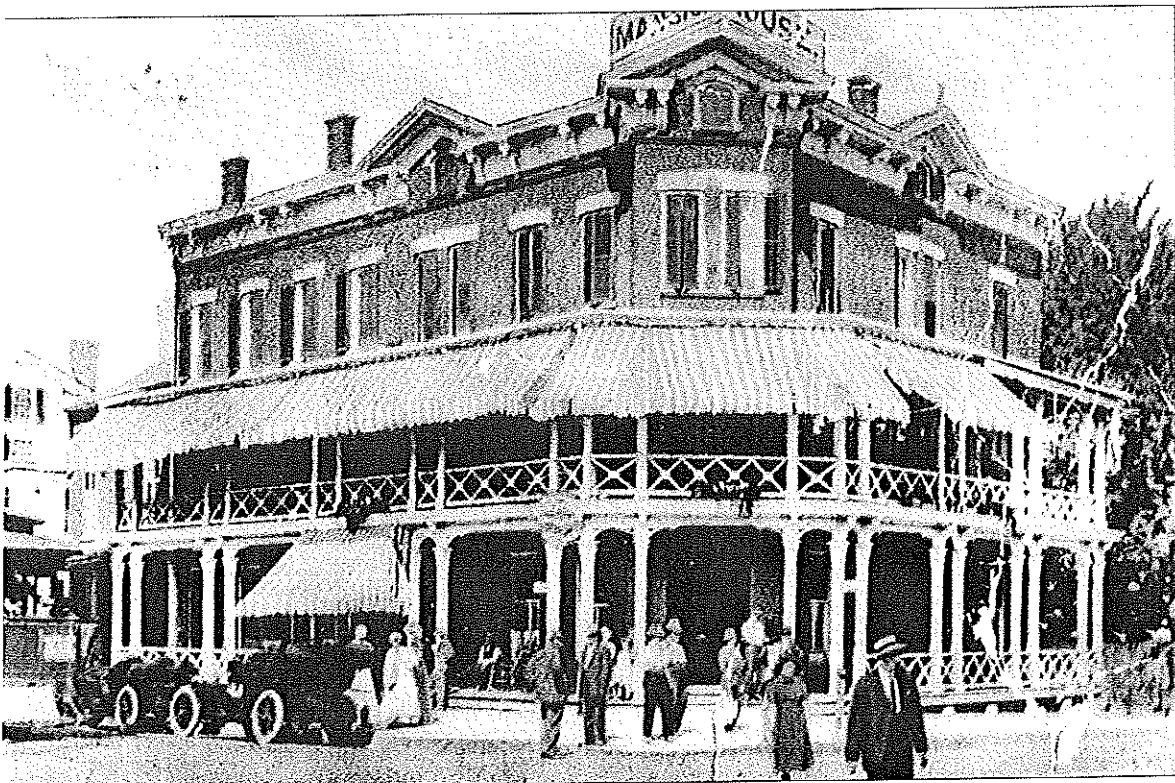
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SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-8

The Mansion House Hotel



The Mansion House Hotel, 1915. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.32.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-9

HISTORIC NAME: A. Walling's Insurance Office

COMMON NAME: Dr. Barbara Currie Chiropractor

LOCATION: 6 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 62/2

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1884-1891

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: Italianate with Colonial Revival alterations

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick, common bond

Fenestration: 3 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Flat

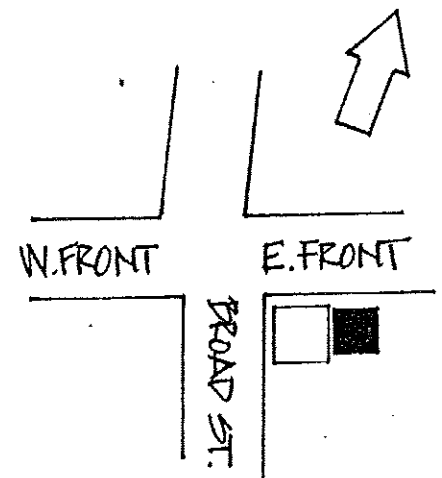
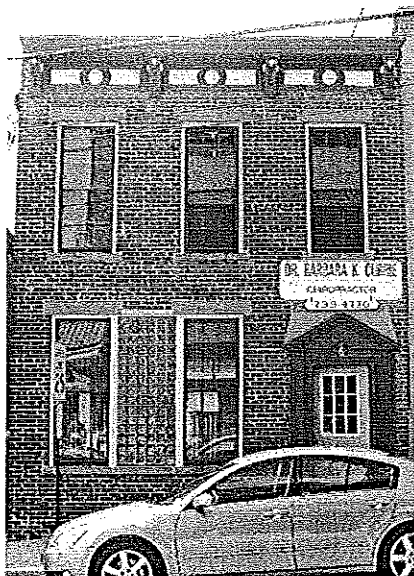
Additional Architectural Description:

Bracketed metal cornice; stone lintels; Colonial Revival windows (6/6 sash) and pedimented doorway are later additions

2006 update: Glass tile wall between 1st story windows; cornice painted with blue and white details, 1/1 sash windows installed over original 6/6 sash windows.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-26, 27

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building is a conglomeration of styles with its Italianate detailing, Colonial Revival windows and door enframement, and its modern glass block wall. In 1889 it was being used by A. Walling as his Insurance Office. Today it serves as a Chiropractor's office.

ORIGINAL USE: Law and Insurance Office

PRESENT USE: Chiropractor's Office

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn maps: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.
2. Regan, Timothy E. Images of America: Keyport, Volume II. Arcadia, 1997.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-10

HISTORIC NAME: St. Mary's Episcopal Church

COMMON NAME: St. Mary's Episcopal Church

LOCATION: 10 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 62/3

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: July 1, 1878

Source of Date: Facade; Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Victorian Gothic

Architect: James H. Johnson

Number of Stories: 1 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: T-plan with vestibule

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 3 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Steep gable with rear intersecting gable; patterned slate roof

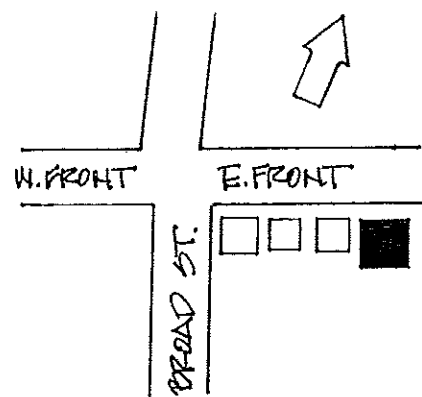
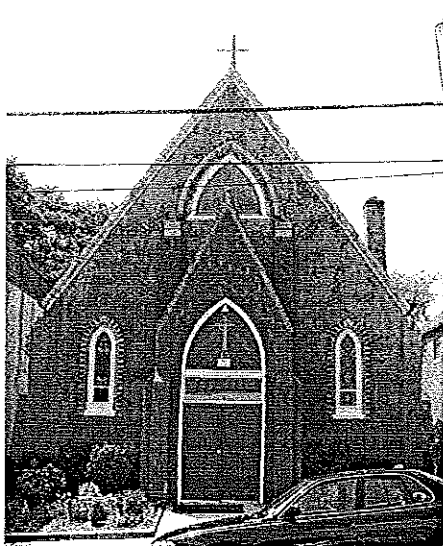
Additional Architectural Description:

Rear wing added in early 20th C.; original church was rectangular in plan; buttressed sides and front; pointed arch windows and door with polychromatic brick surrounds on windows.

2006 update: Interior chimney on east side; double panel wood door.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-28, 29

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
 Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
 Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

St. Mary's Church is one of Keyport's oldest congregations, organized c. 1862. They first used a Baptist Church on Front Street, which they purchased in 1864 but was destroyed in the fire of 1877. The present church edifice, a good example of Victorian Gothic architecture in Monmouth County, was erected in 1878.

ORIGINAL USE: Church

PRESENT USE: Church

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
 REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
 THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
 No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County (1885), p. 715.
2. Boro of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport", 1930.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-11

HISTORIC NAME: Keyport Borough Hall and Fire Station COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 51 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 80/18

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1885

Source of Date: Facade

Style: Vernacular with Neocolonial addition

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: L-Plan

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 3 over 2 bays

Roof/Chimneys: Hip; 2 exterior end chimneys

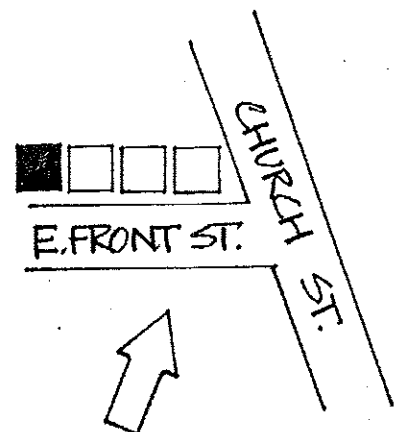
Additional Architectural Description:

Colonial Revival doorway (with fanlight and sidelights); gable overdoor over entry and shed overdoor above garage; bell tower now shingled over; originally an open belfry with balustrade and pyramidal roof.

2006 update: Colonial Revival doorway gone and replaced with new wooden door frame with sidelights, fanlight still intact; garage door replaced by storefront with glass double door, 2 side windows and 4 light transom; garage overdoor has brackets; open belfry restored but balustrade is incomplete.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-31, 32

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

The Keyport Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1 was formed in 1878 in response to the 1877 fire which devastated the center of town. At the time of the fire, Keyport had no fire company and help had to come from Matawan. The upper floor was used as the borough hall until c. 1951, when the present hall was purchased. Modern additions may detract from the original structure, but its history remains as an important part of the development of Keyport.

ORIGINAL USE: Borough Hall/Firehouse

PRESENT USE: Residence and Stores

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County (1885): pg. 717-719.
2. Borough of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport," 1930.

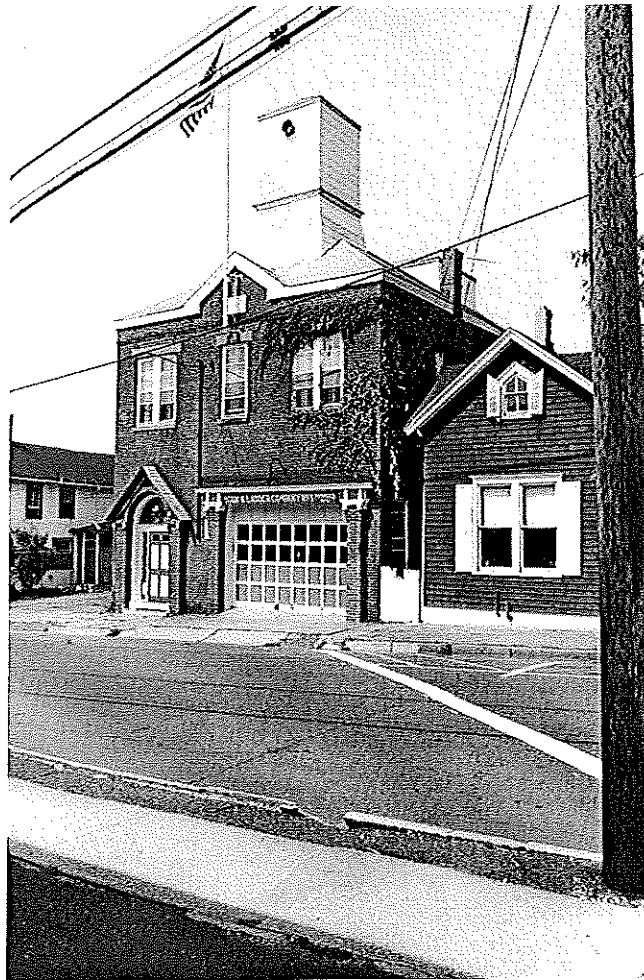
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-11

Keyport Borough Hall and Fire Station



51 East Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-11

Keyport Borough Hall and Fire Station



Keyport Borough Hall and Fire Station. Illustrated in Jack Jeandron, *The Making of America Series: Keyport From Plantation to Center of Commerce and Industry*. Arcadia, 2003, p.69.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-12

HISTORIC NAME: Walling Hall

COMMON NAME: McDonough's Pub

LOCATION: 2 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/10

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1878

Source of Date: Facade

Style: Italianate

Architect:

Number of Stories: 3

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 3 symmetrical bays; paired windows in center bay

Roof/Chimneys: Hip with center gable; two interior end chimneys

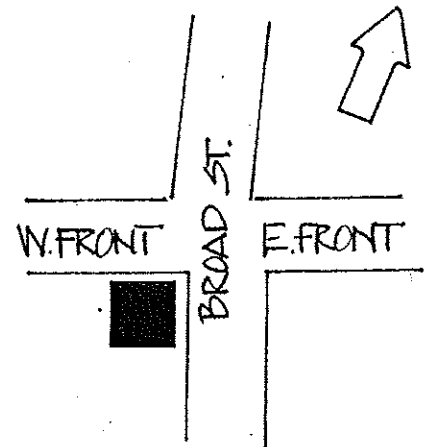
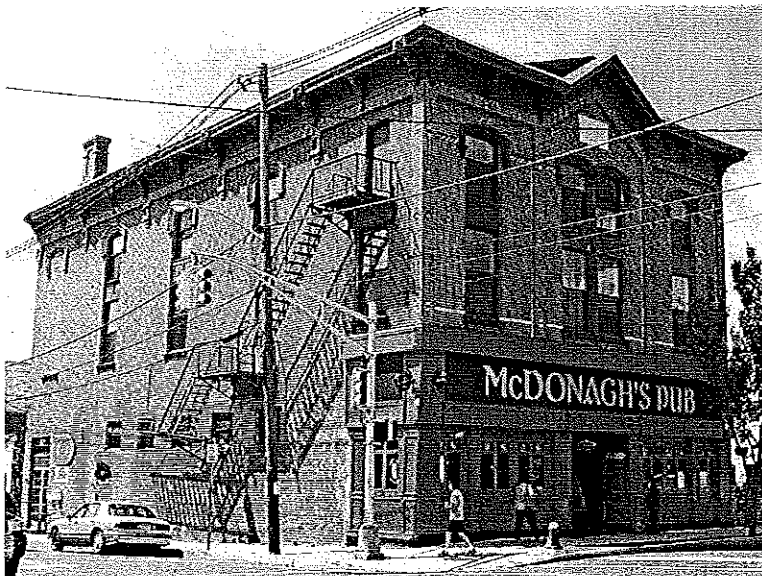
Additional Architectural Description:

Pronounced metal cornice with brackets; polychromatic brickwork in string courses; vertically grouped windows under segmental arches with hood molds; first floor facade altered.

2006 update: Completely new storefront with wooden paneling and 7 bays (central door and 6 sets of paired windows); east interior end chimney has been removed; south window along NE wall has been filled in with brick.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot, busy intersection; adjoining buildings have been demolished.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

7 years after its construction in 1878, the merchant Adam Salz opened up his Dry Goods/ Millinery/Furniture/Carpet store here in Walling Hall. From its opening in 1885 to well after the death of Mr. Salz into the 1920s, the store operated as one of the largest of its kind in Monmouth County. The upper floors served as a public auditorium in which concerts, dances, and plays took place for many years.

ORIGINAL USE: Commercial/Auditorium

PRESENT USE: Commercial

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn maps: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.
2. Regan, Timothy E. The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century. Arcadia, 199: p.2.

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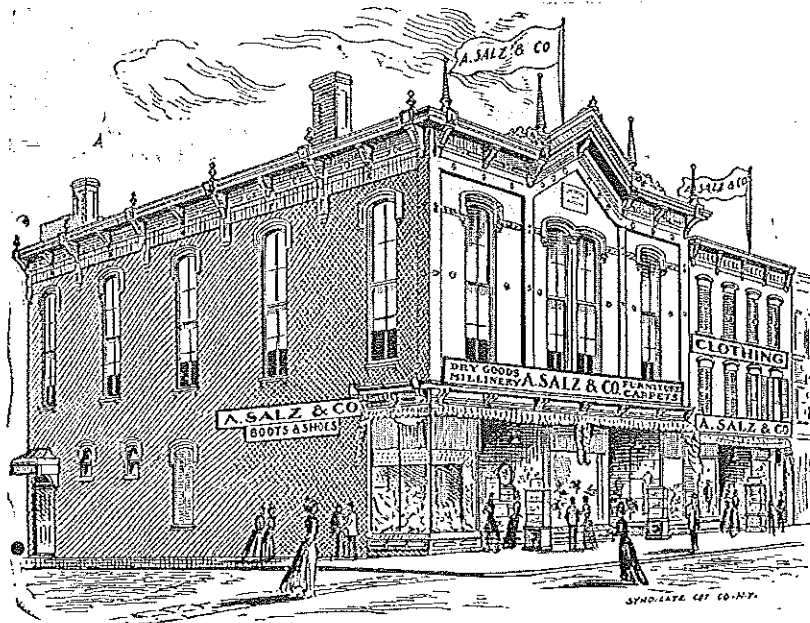
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-12

Walling Hall

The 26th Anniversary

OPENING of this Store we celebrate on Saturday, June 25th



With MUSIC, SOUVENIRS and Gala Attractions.

*Every floor and every section of this Establishment will be filled
with an "Exposition" of Extraordinary Bargains.*

MUSIC by the Famous NEW YORK ORCHESTRA and MILITARY
BAND and also Other Celebrated Artists.

All other Anniversaries are to be surpassed and EVERYBODY is expected—Everybody Welcome.

A. Salz & Co.
KEYPORT, Md.

Advertisement with sketch of Walling Hall, 1911. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.2.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-13

HISTORIC NAME:

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 16-18 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/4

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1877-1884

Source of Date: Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Commercial Italianate

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Not Visible

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle w/ 2 storefronts

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 4 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Flat with small false gable on facade

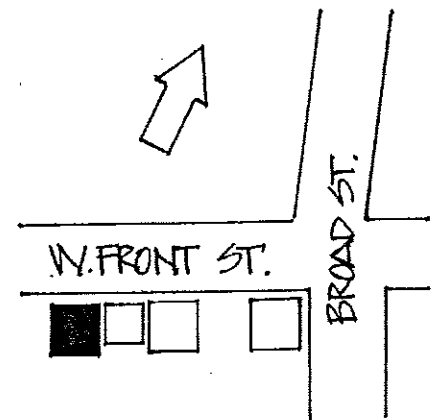
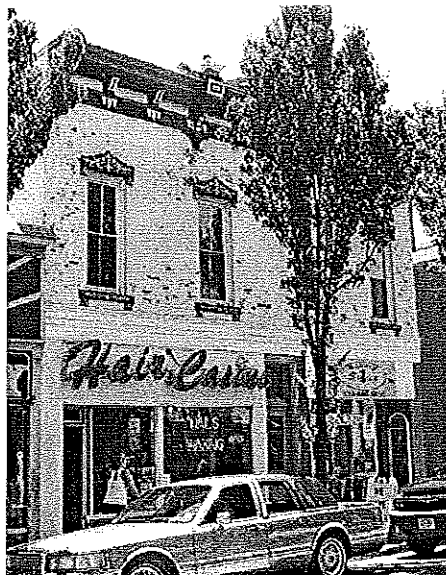
Additional Architectural Description:

Bracketed metal cornice; paneled double door enframement; shaped incised window lintels.

2006 update: Top of false gable has been cut to emphasize the scroll decorative element.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-5, 6

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot, adjacent to alley.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
 Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
 Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building is representative of the commercial Italianate structure prevalent on West Front Street and in the rest of the district. This brick structure was built after the fire in 1877. Brick was used heavily from 1877 on to prevent more loss of buildings in the center of town in case of another fire in the future.

ORIGINAL USE: Commercial (bakery)

PRESENT USE: Commercial (bakery/ barber)

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
 REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
 THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
 No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County (1885): 717-19.
2. Sanborn Map Co., "Insurance Map of Keyport, N.J.", New York: 1884,1891, 1901, 1908, 1923, 1931.

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 SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-13



16-18 West Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-14

HISTORIC NAME: People's National Bank

COMMON NAME: Bank of America

LOCATION: 25 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21a/44

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1923

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: Neo-Classical

Architect:

Number of Stories: 1

Builder:

Foundation: Concrete

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Concrete/Brick

Fenestration: 3 bays

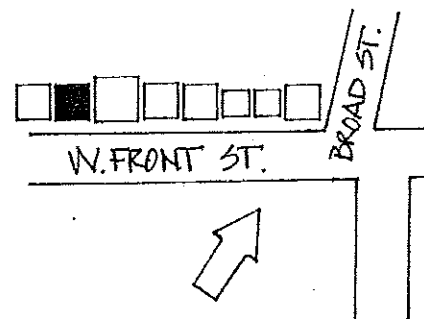
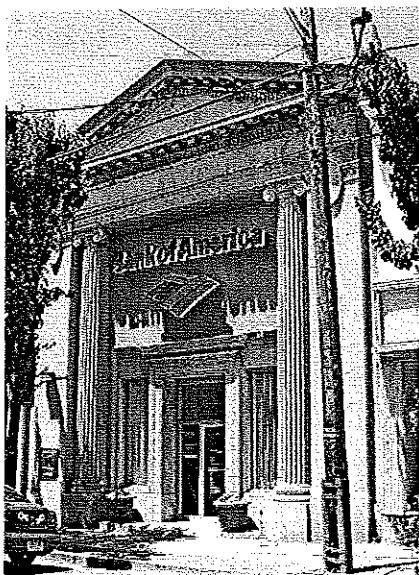
Roof/Chimneys: Flat, with gabled facade

Additional Architectural Description:

Pedimented gable with modillions and dentils; ionic fluted columns flanked by large square piers; dentilled cornice above doorway which has large transom and sidelights.

PHOTO Negative File No. 5-35, 36

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot, commercial row.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This Neo-Classical building is one of two in the Front Street District. It is in very good condition and is an excellent example of the style adapted for commercial use.

People's National Bank was formerly located at 70 Broad Street (see 1322-2-2).

ORIGINAL USE: Bank

PRESENT USE: Bank

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Borough of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport," 1930.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-15

HISTORIC NAME:

COMMON NAME: "The Clever Hen"

LOCATION: 34 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/21

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1877-1884

Source of Date: Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Italianate

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Not Visible

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Terra cotta, brick

Fenestration: 3 bay symmetrical, double window in central bay

Roof/Chimneys: Flat

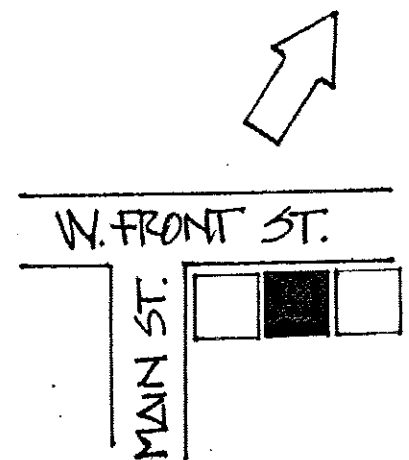
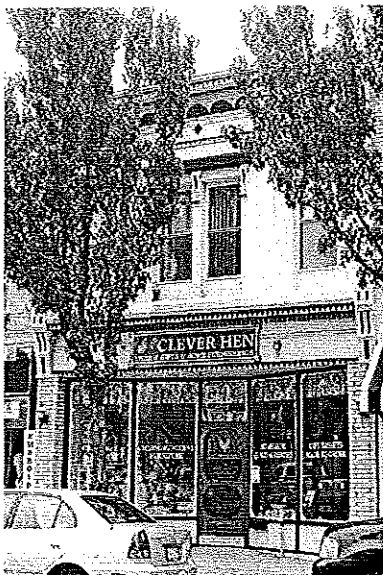
Additional Architectural Description:

Large console-bracketed cornice; fan motif in frieze; sawtooth molding on cornice and string courses; various window hoods; 4 brick pilasters; round headed end bay windows.

2006 update: Awning removed.

PHOTO Negative File No. 7-3

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building is representative of the commercial Italianate structure prevalent on West Front Street and in the rest of the district. This brick structure was built after the fire in 1877. Brick was used heavily from 1877 on to prevent more loss of buildings in the center of town in case of another fire in the future.

ORIGINAL USE: Commercial

PRESENT USE: Commercial

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County. 1885: 717-719.
2. Sanborn Map Co., "Insurance Maps of Keyport, N.J.," New York: 1884, 1891, 1896, 1901, 1908, 1923.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-15



34 West Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-16

HISTORIC NAME: Surf Theatre and Strand Theatre

COMMON NAME: The Bulkhead Bar and Restauran

LOCATION: 59 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21a/32

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: c. 1908

Source of Date: Ref. 2; stylistic

Style: Moorish elements*

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: Symmetrical

Roof/Chimneys: Flat with parapet front gable

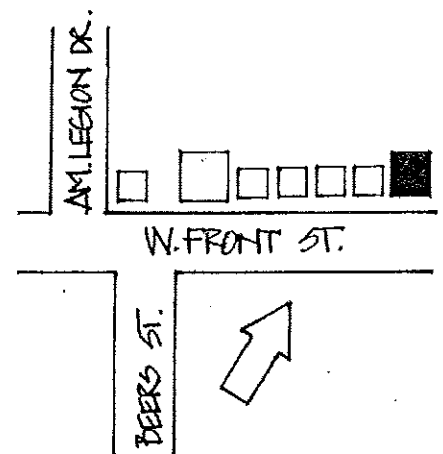
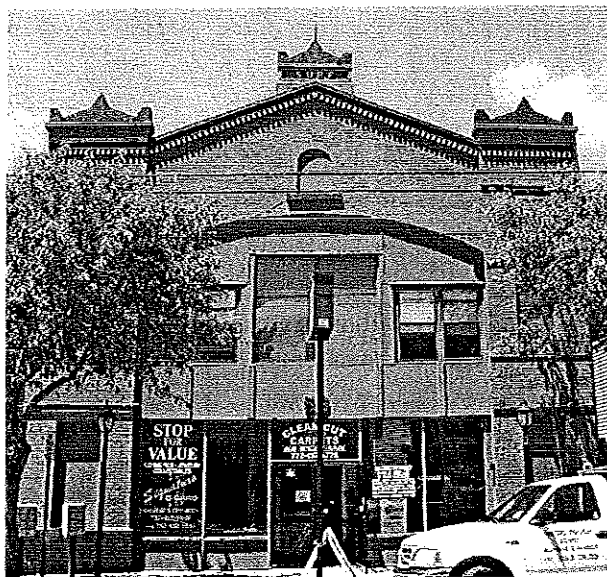
Additional Architectural Description:

*Moderne first floor facade with tile facing and semi-circular lights in doorway (probably a later addition)
 Sawtooth corbelling on cornice; "Surf" cast into gable peak; circular windows in second floor, inside arch.

2006 update: Marquee removed; ; part of upper story windows filled in with wood panels inside arch; rounded arch gable window has been filled in as well; lower story has glass panel facade.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Keyport's most popular theater, named the Surf Theatre, was built here overlooking the bay around 1908. When it first opened it showed silent movies, but soon started playing talking pictures during the 1920s. It remained a theater for many years and has had the names the Strand Theatre and the "Movies" (an adult theater). It was remodeled into a mini-mall in the 1980s and now operates as the Bulkhead Bar and Grille. Also occupying the space today are some businesses like a cigar shop and Clean-Cut Carpets.

ORIGINAL USE: Movie Theater

PRESENT USE: Restaurant/ Commercial

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn Maps: 1908, 1923, 1931.
2. Regan, Timothy E. The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century. Arcadia, 1998: p. 31.

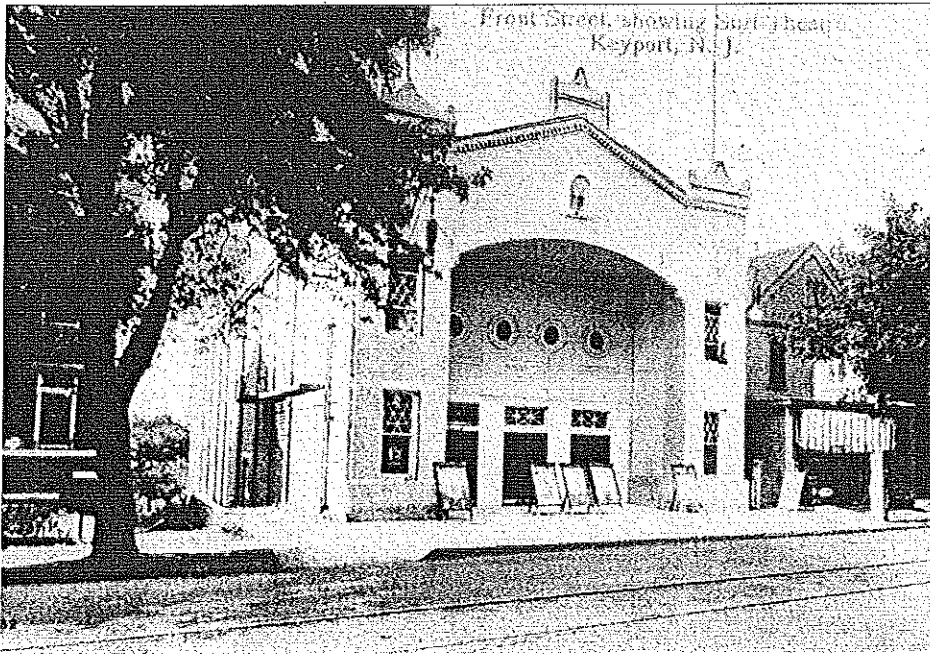
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SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

DATE: Sept. 1980; updated June 2006

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-16

Surf Theater and Strand Theater



The Surf Theater, 1908. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.31.



The Strand Theater. 59 West Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-17

HISTORIC NAME:

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 57 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21a/31

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1908

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: Colonial Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2 and exposed rear basement

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Square

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick (facade painted gray)

Fenestration: 4 over 5 bays

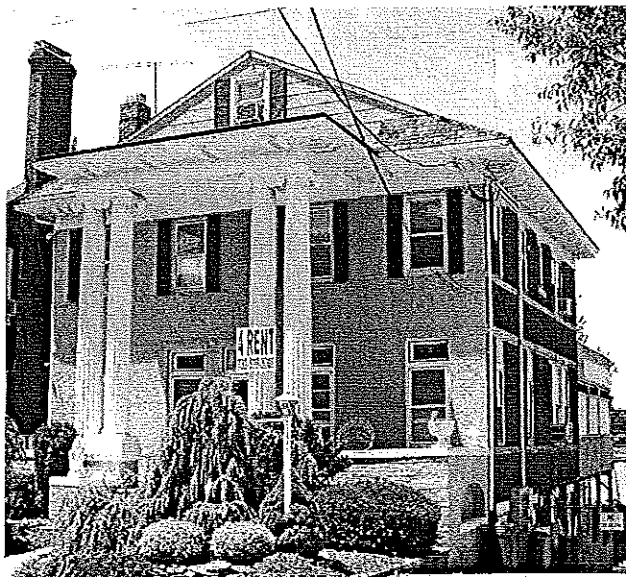
Roof/Chimneys: Gabled hip roof; 2 interior chimneys

Additional Architectural Description:

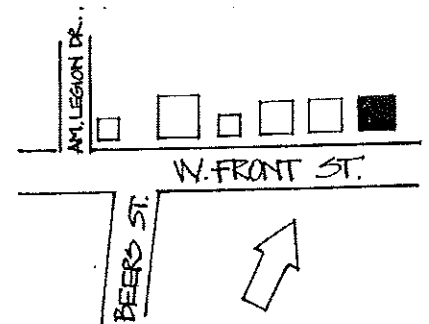
Full portico in the ionic order; art glass in transoms of first floor windows and door; modillioned cornice, stone string course.

2006 update: 20th C. scallop storm door; gable window is 1/1 sash.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This square plan, Colonial Revival house is a fairly uncommon sight in Keyport. Located in the Front Street District, it serves as a reminder of the affluence of some of Keyport's early residents. Made of durable brick, the house still looks much as it did when it was built in the early 20th century. It retains its art glass windows and two story columned porch which make it an excellent candidate for inclusion as part of the Front Street District.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn Map Co., "Insurance Maps of Keyport, N.J.," New York: 1908.

RECORDED BY: Gail Hunton/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-18

HISTORIC NAME:

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 67 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21a/30

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1851-1865 & addition

Source of Date: Stylistic; Ref. 1 & 2

Style: Greek Revival, Colonial Revival wing Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard (E. wing); Brick (W. wing)

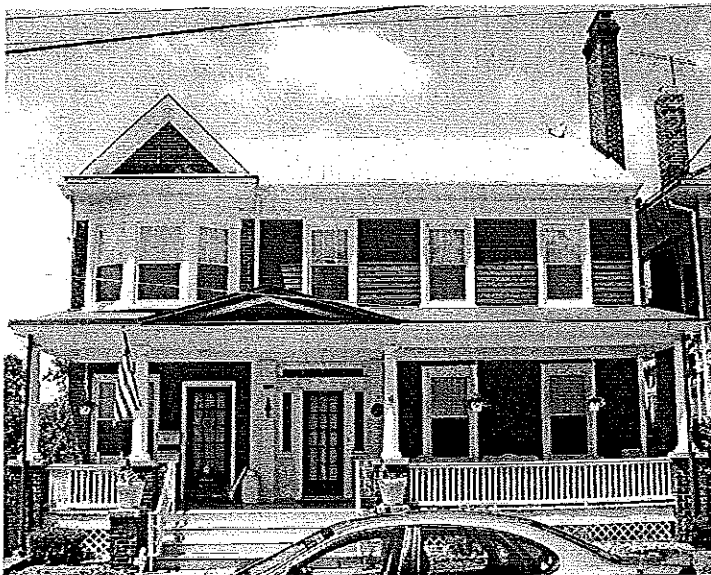
Fenestration: 4 over 5 bays

Roof/Chimneys: Gable; exterior end chimney

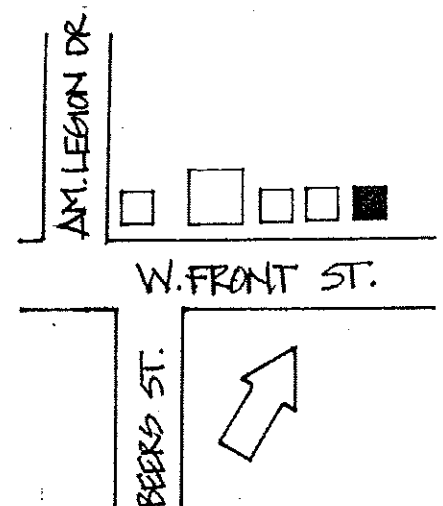
Additional Architectural Description:

Originally a three bay Greek Revival house with box cornice and classical doorway enframing (transom and sidelights); brick Colonial Revival section and expanded porch are an early 20th C. addition.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This Greek Revival/Colonial Revival house stands on the west end of West Front Street along with a few other residential structures. It has been maintained very well and is a fine example of a 4 over 5 bay house in Keyport. It is one of the older dwellings in the area and remains in excellent condition.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Lightfoot map, 1851.
2. Beers map, 1860.
3. Sanborn map, 1884.

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-19

HISTORIC NAME: The Captain G.W. Johnson House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 74 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 39/33

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: Early 1850s

Source of Date: Stylistic; Ref. 1, 2

Style: Greek Revival/ Italiante

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with rear wing

Exterior Wall Fabric: Asbestos shingles

Fenestration: 5 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Intersecting gable; 2 interior end chimneys

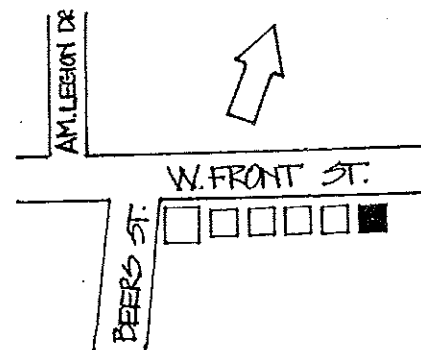
Additional Architectural Description:

Plain frieze on main facade; 6/6 sash windows with cornices; classical door enframement with sidelights and leaded glass transom.

2006 update: Low pitch roof addition to east side of house; some windows have been replaced by 1/1 sash or 6/1 sash; window to left of door has been turned into a 15 light door with 2 light transom above.

PHOTO Negative File No. 3-35

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This Greek Revival/ Italianate house stands on the west end of West Front Street along with a few other residential structures. It has been maintained very well and is a fine example of a 5 bay house in Keyport. Originally it had a Greek Revival porch but it was removed in the later 20th century. The owner of the house is shown as Captain G.W. Johnson on the 1873 Atlas.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Lightfoot map, 1851.
2. Regan, Timothy E. The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century. Arcadia, 1998: p.19.

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SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-19

The Captain G.W. Johnson House



The Captain G.W. Johnson House, 1900-1910. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.19.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-20

HISTORIC NAME: Captain Emson House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 80 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 39/32

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1860

Source of Date: Stylistic; Ref. 2

Style: Greek Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with rear ell

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard

Fenestration: 5 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Gable; four interior end chimneys

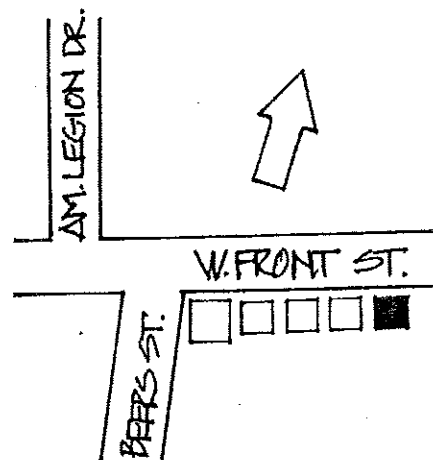
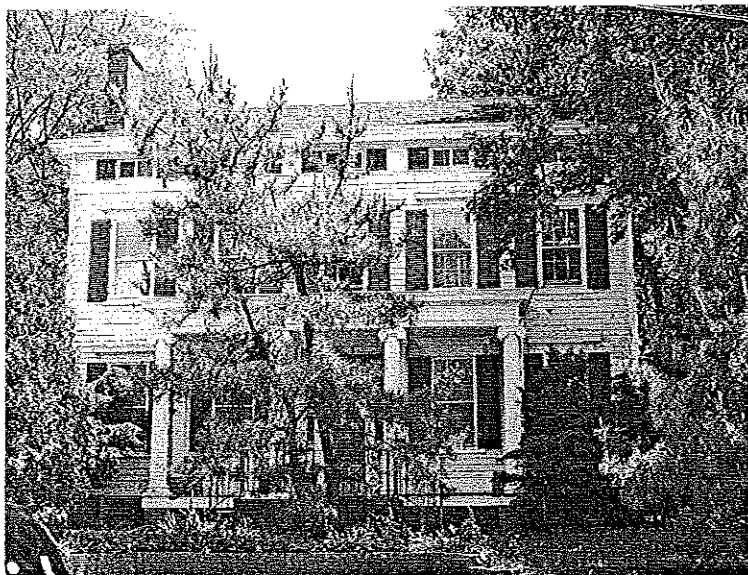
Additional Architectural Description:

Rectangular attic windows in frieze; 2/2 sash window with cornices; classical door enframement with transom and sidelights; Italiante paneled door; 3 bay porch with ionic columns and entablature.

2006 update: Now has 6/6 sash windows with screens.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

As one of the earliest surviving structures on this end of West Front Street, this house retains its integrity of form, material, and style. It serves as a reminder of the affluence of some of Keyport's early residents. It has not seen many alterations in the past century.

The home is believed to have belonged to Captain Christian D. Emson, native of Denmark, he moved to the area and began investing in steamboats, shipping, an real estate. He built this house in 1860 with the fortune he acquired from his dealings. He had part ownership of the Pavilion Hotel on Broad Street, and also was a part of the Farmers Transportation Co, and the Monmouth County Agricultural Railroad. He was also a member of the Dutch Reformed Church and donated funds to build the Parsonage (1322-3-5).

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Lightfoot map, 1851.
2. "The Master's Octave: Historic Site/Artist Studio". Theodore J. Miller. Pamphlet from 80 West Front Street.

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-20



80 West Front Street. 1980 photograph.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-21

HISTORIC NAME: The Captain Luff House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 92 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 39/30

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1850's

Source of Date: Ref. 1, 2, 3

Style: Vernacular Greek Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Stucco over brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangular with 1 1/2 story rear ell

Exterior Wall Fabric: Clapboard

Fenestration: 3 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Gable; interior end chimney

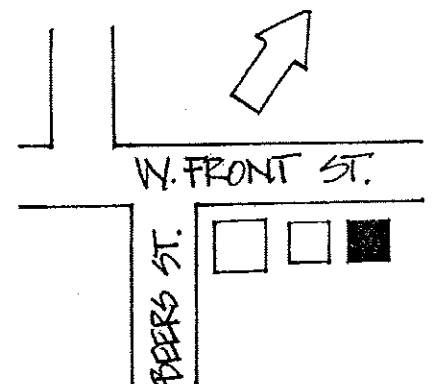
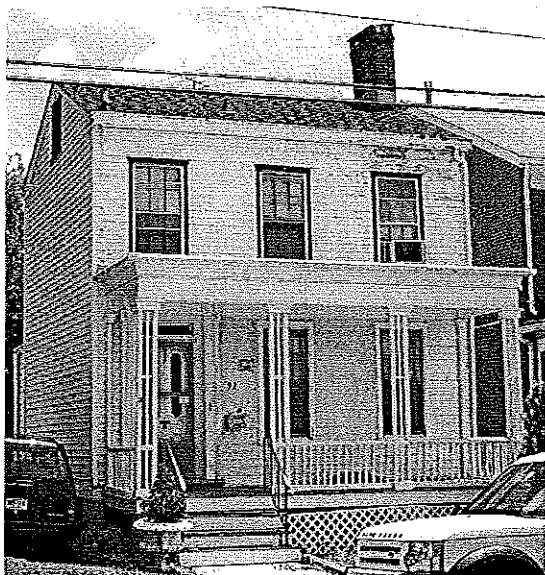
Additional Architectural Description:

Frieze on main facade; grooved door enframingent with transom; Italianate paneled door with round-headed lights.

2006 update: Metal stair railing added.

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MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Looking much as it did when it was built, this early Keyport residence is a typical example of the 3 bay Greek Revival style that is so popular in Keyport.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Keyport Historical Society research
2. Lightfoot map, 1851.
3. Beers map, 1860.
4. Regan, Timothy E. Images of America: Keyport Volume II. Arcadia, 1997: p.21.

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-21

The Captain Luff House



The Captain Luff House, 1874. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *Images of America: Keyport*, Volume II. Arcadia, 1997. p.21.

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 HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-22

HISTORIC NAME: Capt. Lewis Morris House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 96 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 39/29

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: c. 1838

Source of Date: Keyport Historical Society (not verified by surveyor), Ref. 2

Style: Greek Revival

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Builder:

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with full front porch, enclosed

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick, 5 row common bond

Fenestration: 3 bay symmetrical

Roof/Chimneys: Gable; internal end chimney

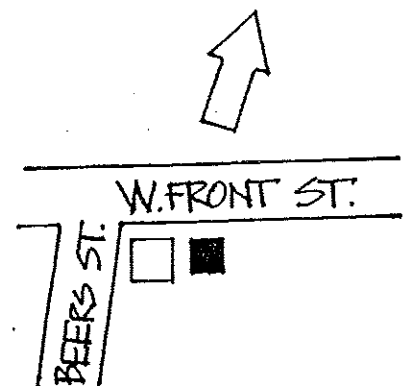
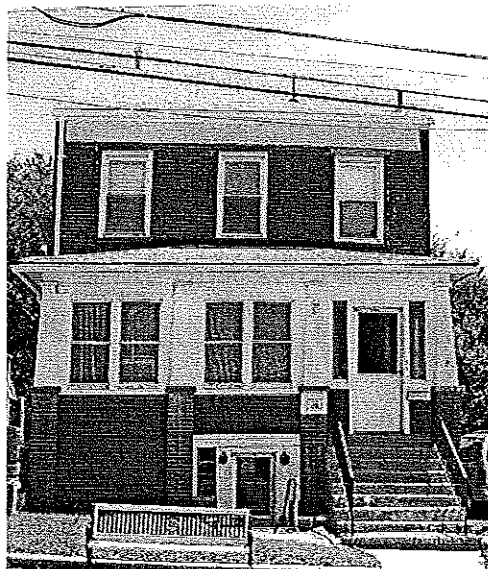
Additional Architectural Description:

Stone lintels and sills; side-hall entry obscured by enclosed; 20th century porch.

2006 update: Tapered square piers on brick bases; wood shingles on lower portion of porch; synthetic frieze panel.

PHOTO Negative File No. 3-31

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This is the oldest dwelling surviving at the west end of West Front Street. It is a typical example of the popular 3 bay Greek Revival structure that is seen so often in Keyport. Although it has seen some addition and alterations, this house still retains its integrity of form.

Ellis states that in 1833, Lewis Morris built a dwelling-house. Morris was a member of Company B in the 29th Regiment in Monmouth County during the Civil War. In 1873 there are two houses on the property, and this house could be the second one built. The earlier house built in 1833 is most likely the one setback further from the street.

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

PRESENT USE: Residence

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS: Adjacent to commercial district

REFERENCES:

- 1. Lightfoot map, 1851.
- 2. Regan, Timothy E. Images of America: Keyport Volume II. Arcadia, 1997.
- 3. Ellis, Frank. History of Monmouth County. 1885: 262, 705.

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-23

HISTORIC NAME: First Baptist Church

COMMON NAME: First Baptist Church

LOCATION: NE cr. Main and Third Streets

BLOCK/LOT: 61/30

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1860; 1952 steeple

Source of Date: Facade inscription; Ref. 2

Style: Romanesque Revival*

Architect: Steeple: Frederic Fessler

Number of Stories: 1

Builder: Steeple: Spafford W. Schanck, Matawan

Foundation: Brick

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle with extended center front tower

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick

Fenestration: 3 by 4 bays

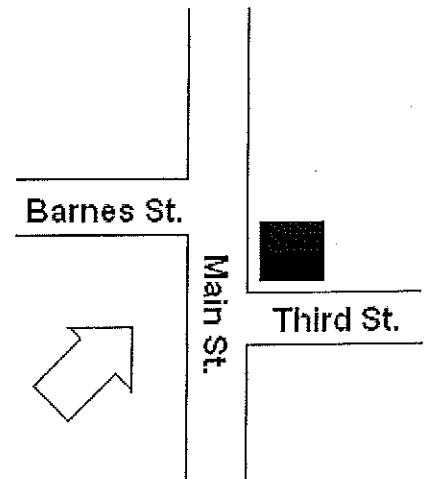
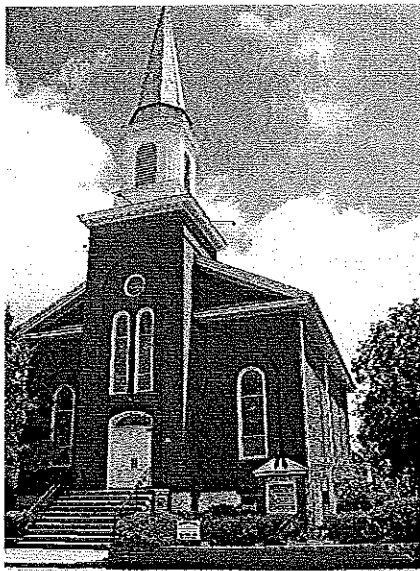
Roof/Chimneys: Gable plus tower

Additional Architectural Description:

*Elements of Greek Revival in the pedimented gable and side bays, which have flat arch windows with stone lintels and sills; the main facade has recessed arches with round-headed windows with stained glass.

PHOTO Negative File No. 4-12, 13

MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Corner city lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

The First Baptist Church is among the three oldest remaining churches in Keyport. Although the new steeple has altered the original design, the building is nevertheless a good example of a Romanesque Revival church in Monmouth County. The congregation was organized in 1840; the original church on Front Street is no longer standing.

ORIGINAL USE: Church

PRESENT USE: Church

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Borough of Keyport, "History in Connection with the 100th Anniversary of the Founding of Keyport," 1930.
2. "Replacement of Church Steeple near Completion," Matawan Journal (November 26, 1953).

RECORDED BY: Gail Hunton/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-24

HISTORIC NAME: Jersey Central Power and Light Co. and COMMON NAME:

Keyport Borough Hall

LOCATION: 18-20 Main Street

BLOCK/LOT: 39/40

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1930-1940

Source of Date: Ref. 1 & 2; stylistic

Style: Art Deco/ Moderne

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Concrete

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick; concrete face

Fenestration: 3 symmetrical bays

Roof/Chimneys: Flat; interior end chimney

Additional Architectural Description:

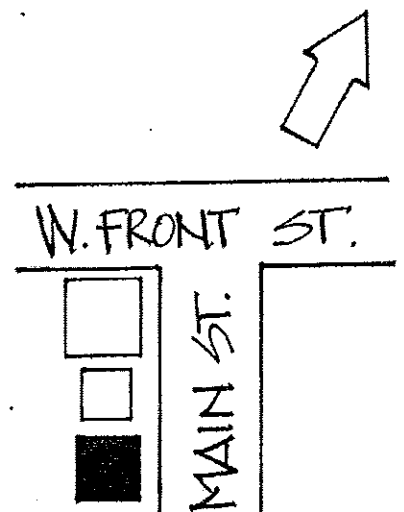
Three-part facade divided by fluted piers; decorative treatment concentrated in the sculptural relief on the spandrels; horizontal bands at cornice.

2006 update: Peeling paint, window awnings on first floor removed; new windows on 2nd story (1/1 sash with screens); plaque on NE wall removed.

PHOTO Negative File No. 5-28, 29



MAP (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

Originally built as offices for the Jersey Central Power and Light Company, this Moderne building served as Keyport's Borough Hall from 1951 until the late 20th century. It is now abandoned.

ORIGINAL USE: J.C.P. & L. Offices

PRESENT USE: Abandoned

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Sanborn maps, 1931.
2. "Town Hall Purchase Approved at Keyport," Asbury Park Press (May 29, 1951).

RECORDED BY: James C. McCabe/ Meghan Bezio
SURVEY: Monmouth County Historic Sites Inventory
ORGANIZATION: Monmouth County Park System

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-25

HISTORIC NAME: Keyport Banking Co. and First National Bank
 COMMON NAME: St. Mary's Episcopal Church
 LOCATION: 8 East Front Street
 BLOCK/LOT: 62/3
 MUNICIPALITY: Keyport
 COUNTY: Monmouth
 USGS QUAD: Keyport
 OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

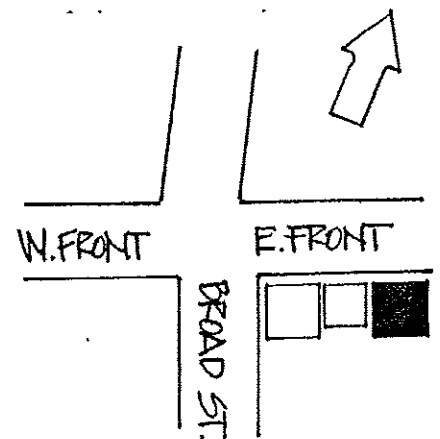
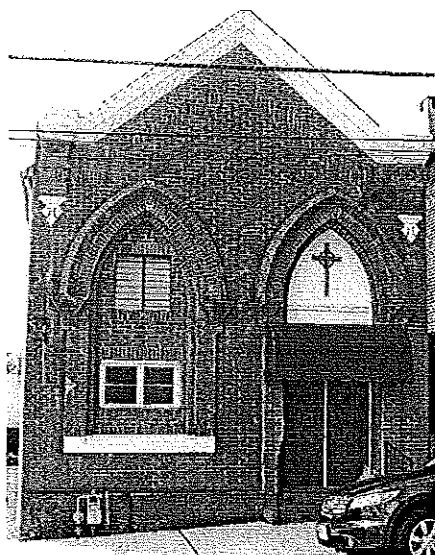
Construction Date: 1884
 Source of Date: Ref. 1
 Style: Victorian Gothic
 Architect:
 Number of Stories: 1
 Builder:
 Foundation: Brick
 Form/Plan Type: Rectangle
 Exterior Wall Fabric: Brick
 Fenestration: 2 bay
 Roof/Chimneys: Gable, side interior chimney

Additional Architectural Description:

Pointed arch window frame, door frame; window filled with brick, one small casement window and louvered window has been installed; corbeled eaves; iron stair railings; original triangular parapets on gable ends and center of gable have been removed; plaque in center of gable has also been removed; there may have also been a small arch window in the gable.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

City lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building was one of two almost identical Victorian Gothic buildings built in the downtown area of Keyport during the 1880's (see 1322-2-2). Built in 1884, it was the first bank in the town of Keyport, where before all of its citizens had to travel to Matawan to go to handle financial matters. Financial transactions took place here until 1928 when the bank moved its headquarters a few lots over to a larger building on the corner of Broad and Front Streets (1322-2-27).

ORIGINAL USE: Bank

PRESENT USE: Church

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

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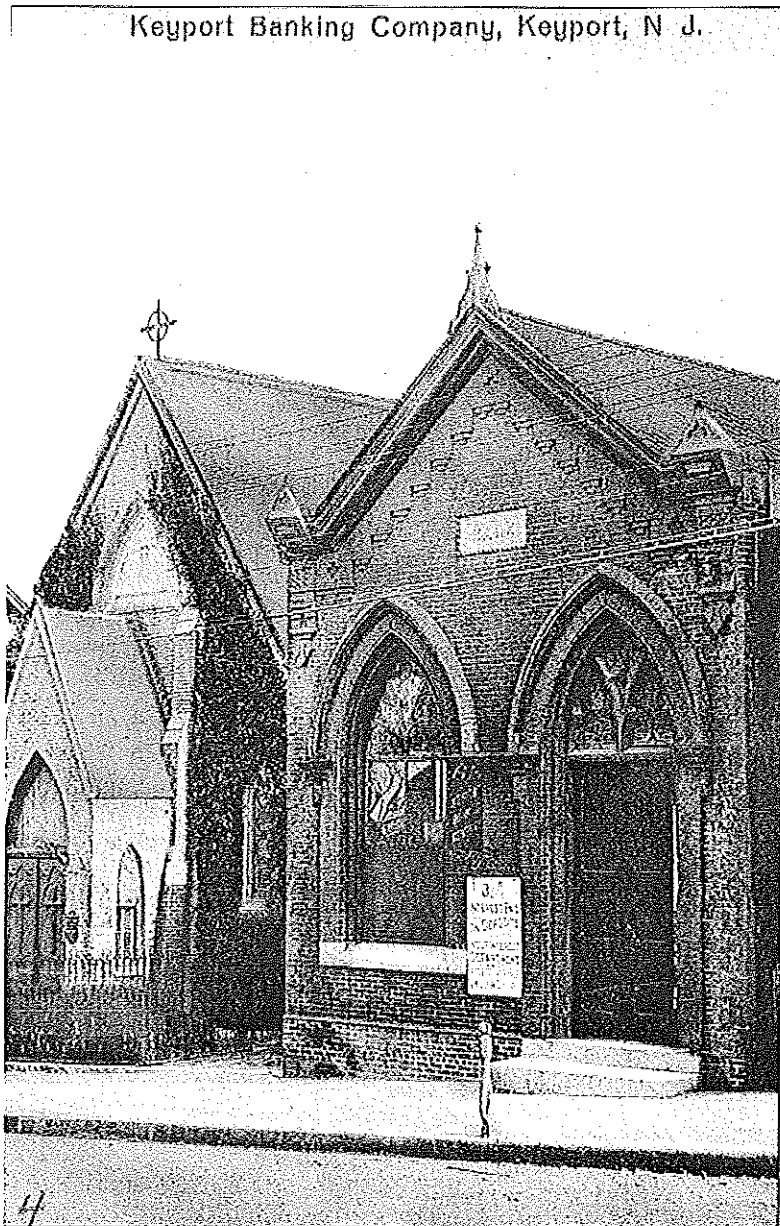
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CONTINUATION SHEET

HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-25

Keyport Banking Company



Keyport Banking Company, 1916. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *The American Century Series: Keyport in the Twentieth Century*. Arcadia, 1998. p.26.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-26

HISTORIC NAME: Chadwick's

COMMON NAME: Jack's

LOCATION: 37 West Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 21.01/38

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1897

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: Queen Anne elements

Architect:

Number of Stories: 2

Builder:

Foundation: Concrete (?)

Form/Plan Type: Rectangle

Exterior Wall Fabric: Wooden paneling; rough faced stone; vinyl siding at rear

Fenestration: 3 bay over store front

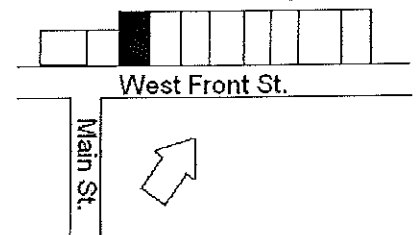
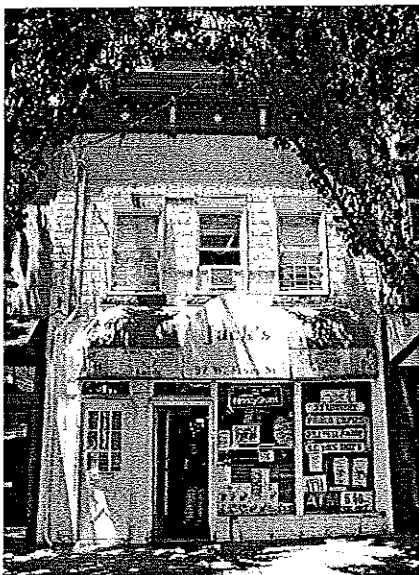
Roof/Chimneys: Flat with parapet

Additional Architectural Description:

Uniquely-shaped parapet with Acanthus leaf motif on brackets in cornice; 1/1 sash windows probably not original; stone lintels and sills.

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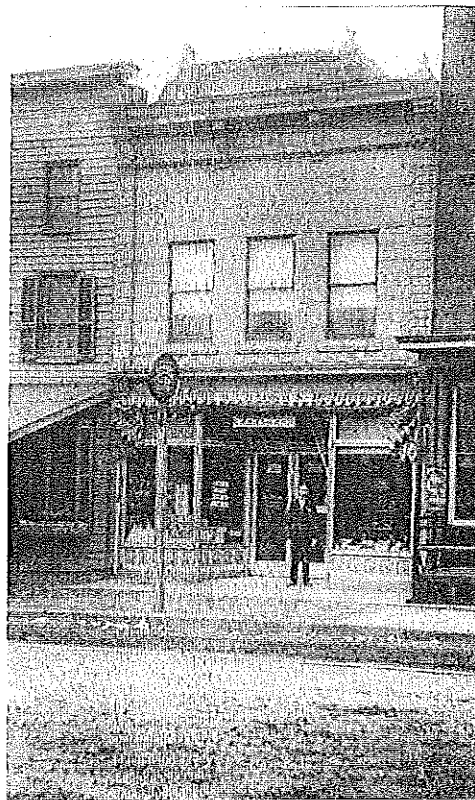
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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-26

Chadwick's



Chadwick's, 1905. Illustrated in Timothy E. Regan, *Images of America: Keyport*, Volume II. Arcadia, 1997. p. 92.

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HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO. 1322-2-27

HISTORIC NAME: Keyport Banking Company

COMMON NAME: Wachovia

LOCATION: 2 East Front Street

BLOCK/LOT: 61/22

MUNICIPALITY: Keyport

COUNTY: Monmouth

USGS QUAD: Keyport

OWNER/ADDRESS:

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1928-29

Source of Date: Ref. 1

Style: Beaux Arts

Architect:

Number of Stories: 1

Builder:

Foundation: Granite (?)

Form/Plan Type: Half trapezoidal (5 sided)

Exterior Wall Fabric: Indiana Limestone

Fenestration: 1 bay on W. side (corner), 5 bays on SW side
 (E. Front St.), 2 bays on N. side (Broad St.)

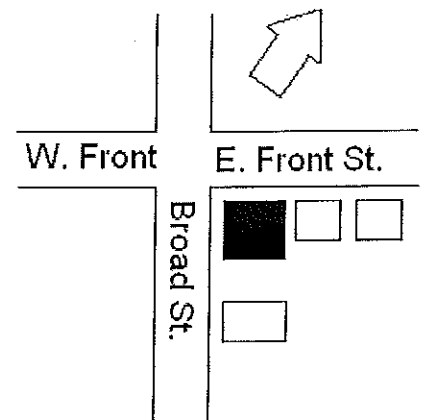
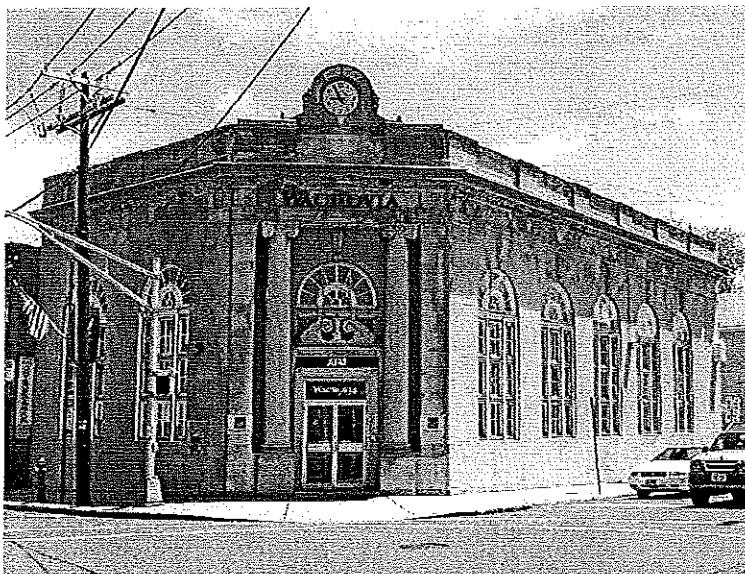
Roof/Chimneys: Flat with parapet

Additional Architectural Description:

Walls of Indiana limestone with a granite base; entrance flanked by two large Ionic columns with pedestal supports; clock in parapet; windows with elliptical heads; originally had bronze doors that slid away to reveal a revolving door, now replaced by simple glass panel double door; pilasters at corner; modillioned cornice; masonry brackets above windows; steel vault on interior that says "The Keyport Banking Company"; inside there are three elliptical leaded glass windows inscribed "KBC"; original ceiling in tact but deteriorating above new modern ceiling.

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SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Large corner lot.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings
Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village
Industrial Commercial Highway Commercial Other

SIGNIFICANCE EVALUATION:

This building itself is a rare find in Keyport because it is one of the few buildings in the Beaux Arts style. Before this building was built as the new headquarters for the Keyport Banking Co., transactions took place two lots east at 8 East Front Street (1322-2-25). The bank moved to a larger building under its President, F. Palmer Armstrong. The bank was founded in 1884 by Michael Taylor as the First National Bank of Keyport and, as its name suggests, was the first bank in Keyport where previously its citizens had to travel to Matawan to make financial transactions.

ORIGINAL USE: Bank

PRESENT USE: Bank

PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Poor
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes Possible No Part of District
THREATS TO SITE: Roads Development Zoning Deterioration
No Threat Other

COMMENTS:

REFERENCES:

1. Newspaper article, "Keyport Banking Co. to Occupy its Fine Modern Building", Friday, March 29, 1929.

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