

SOLDIERS' NATIONAL HOME, DUPLEX (BUILDING 200)
(Veterans Administration Medical Center)
4300 West Third Street
Dayton
Montgomery County
Ohio

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Location: 4300 West Third Street, Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio

USGS Miamisburg Quadrangle, Universal Transverse Mercator
Coordinates: 16.735050.4403300

Significance: Built in 1895, the vernacular-style Duplex is the second oldest residence remaining on the campus of the Soldiers' National Home.

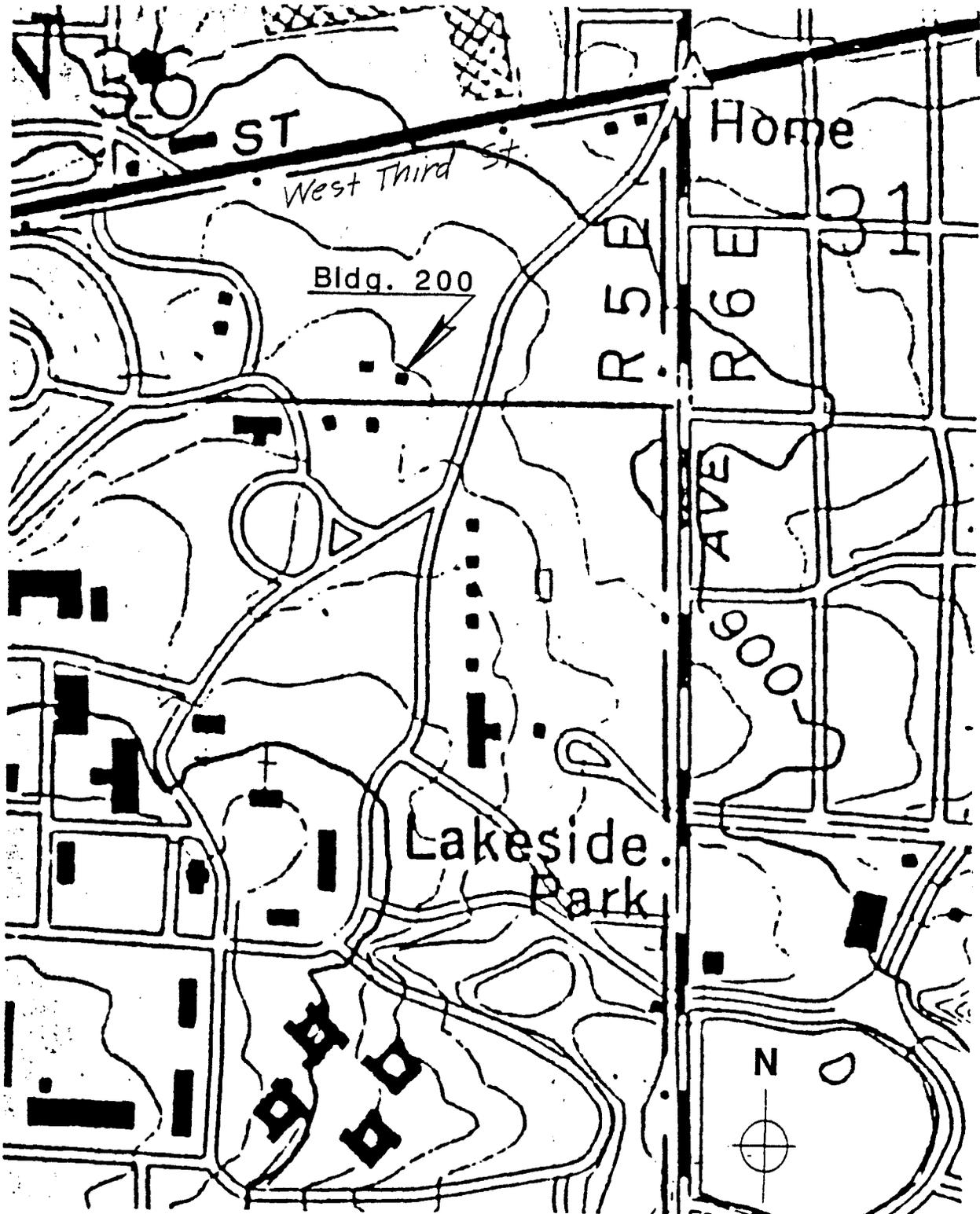
Description: Facing east, the house is a two-and-one-half-story structure. Irregular in plan, the building has a hipped-roofed main block with a hipped cross gable on the front and a gabled rear wing. The front has a coursed ashlar limestone foundation, while the rear wing has a coursed fieldstone foundation. The hipped roof is clad with asbestos shingles. The original 2 1/2" wood siding and wood-shingled dormers were covered with asbestos shingles in the early 1950s. An open, flat-roofed porch extends across the center and left bays of the facade and features a plain fascia, square brick piers and a simple wood balustrade. At the second floor in the center bay is an inset, screened-in porch with an ornamental balustrade. A smaller hipped-roofed entrance porch with square brick piers was added on the north side and an existing porch was removed from the rear when the building was converted to a duplex. The irregularly spaced windows, which have one-over-one wood sash, are single, paired and tripled.

A three-car, wood-frame garage (Building 205) stands at the rear of the house. Clad with asbestos shingles, this shed-roofed structure, which dates from 1935, features a sliding batten door in the left bay and folding garage doors in the other two bays.

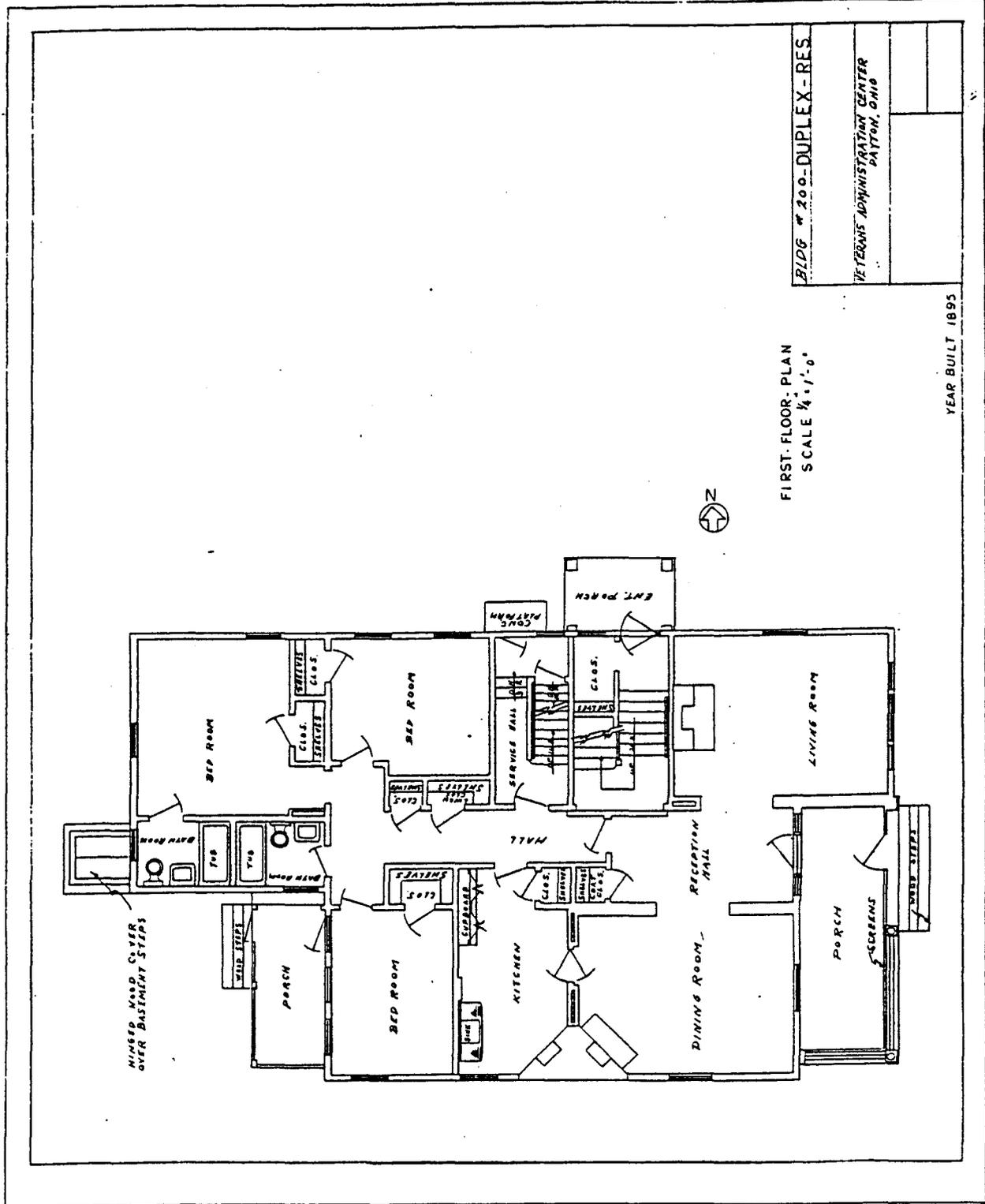
History: This structure was built in 1895 as the Treasurer's Quarters. In 1937, the house was converted to a duplex. The house has been vacant since the winter of 1977-1978, when the main steam line failed.

Sources: Records of the Veterans Administration Medical Center. Report of the Board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. Washington, DC: GPO, 1913, p. 87.

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