

Glen Lake Sanatorium, Superintendent's
Residence
(Building 1)
County Road 4 at County Road 67
Minnetonka and Eden Prairie
Hennepin County
Minnesota

HABS No. MN-133-A

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PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

1. Date of erection: 1924
2. Architect: Sund & Dunham
3. Original and subsequent owners: Hennepin County
4. Builders, contractors, suppliers: Unknown

B. Historical Context:

For context of site, see MN-133: Glen Lake Sanatorium, Historical Context. The Superintendent's Residence (Building 1) was built in 1924, as part of the general expansion of the facility. For 25 years (from 1924-1949), this was the home of Dr. Ernest G. Mariette and his wife Anna Jones Mariette. Dr. Mariette was instrumental in developing Glen Lake's reputation as one of the best sanatoria in the region. Under his direction, the sanatorium expanded to one of the largest in the United States. Anna Jones Mariette was a registered nurse in charge of the nursing school field work at the sanatorium for many years. In March 1977, the building was leased to Alanon, a program for families of alcoholics.¹

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural character: The residence is a two-story, colonial revival building with simple, decorative brick-work, including jack arch lintels and stone window sills. The front porch has two wood columns, which along with the modillions at the cornice, comprises most of the stylistic quality of the building.
2. Condition of fabric: good with the exception of some finish deterioration

¹Information from Myers, 382; Hennepin County Sanatorium Commission, 9; and Agency Outline.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Overall dimensions: 24 ft. X 64 ft.
2. Foundation: concrete
3. Walls: wood frame with brick veneer
4. Structural system, framing: wood
5. Porches: wood entry porch
6. Chimney: brick
7. Openings:
 - a. Doors: wood panel, and French
 - b. Windows: wood six-over-one double-hung sash at main body of residence, wood multi-light triple-hung sash at sunporch
8. Roof:
 - a. Shape, covering: hip roof with asphalt shingles
 - b. Cornice, eaves: wood cornice with simple modillions, closed eaves
 - c. Dormers: one, centered over front entry, with two divided-light sash

C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plans:
 - a. Basement: open room with plastered walls
 - b. First Floor: The residence is a center-hall plan with entry doors at East and West elevations. The living room and sun porch lie to the South. The dining room, study, and kitchen and service areas are to the North.
 - c. Second Floor: The second floor is comprised of five bedrooms and three full bathrooms.
2. Stairways: The basement, first and second floors are served by two stairways, the main which is open with turned balusters and a service stair. The attic is accessed by a single stair.

3. Flooring: carpet over wood
 4. Wall and ceiling finishes: plaster
 5. Openings:
 - a. Doors: wood panel doors, French doors at sunporch
 6. Decorative features and trim: wood casing, base, cove, and picture moldings, wood fireplace surround and built-in benches at living room
 7. Mechanical equipment:
 - a. Heating: electric baseboard radiation heat
 - b. Lighting: standard 120V service
- D. Site:
1. General Setting and Orientation: The front elevation of the residence faces Northwest. The building is approached by a curved road and is situated on a knoll.
 3. Outbuildings: Building No. 2 is a wood-frame, hip-roofed two-car garage in good condition.