

Glen Lake Sanatorium, West Cottage
(Building 7)
County Road 4 at County Road 67
Minnetonka and Eden Prairie
Hennepin County
Minnesota

HABS No. MN-133-D

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PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

1. Date of erection: 1917
2. Architect: Sund & Dunham
3. Original and subsequent owners: Hennepin County
4. Builders, contractors, suppliers: Unknown
5. Original plans and construction:
6. Alterations and additions:

B. Historical Context:

For context of site, see MN-133: Glen Lake Sanatorium, Historical Context. This building was opened in 1917, with a capacity of 50 patients. This increased the total for the facility to 100. After the east and west wings were constructed in 1924, West Cottage was used for semi-ambulant patients. It was closed for patient care, along with East Cottage, in 1955.¹

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural character: The two-story building is simple Italian Renaissance Revival with one rowlock brick course between first and second floors, and brick window sills. Both facades have two small wings at either end, and a recessed central block in between. There is a projecting center pavilion at the rear elevation which accommodates the main stair.
2. Condition of fabric: fair

¹Hennepin County Sanatorium Commission, 4, 6.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Overall dimensions: 36 ft. X 104 ft.
2. Foundation: concrete
3. Walls: structural tile with stucco veneer and brick trim
4. Structural system, framing: concrete floors with masonry bearing walls
5. Openings:
 - a. Doors: The front entry door is wood with divided light glazing at door, side lights and transom.
 - b. Windows: wood, divided-light, double- and triple-hung
6. Roof:
 - a. Shape, covering: low-pitched hip with asphalt shingles
 - b. Eaves: open with exposed rafter tails

C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plans: The symmetrical, double-loaded corridor floor plan accommodates numerous patient rooms and long, open sun rooms with a southwest orientation.
2. Stairways: one, central stair at the rear of the building
3. Flooring: terrazzo
4. Wall and ceiling finishes: plaster
5. Openings:
 - a. Doors: wood panel and French doors with divided-light transoms
8. Mechanical equipment:
 - a. Heating: steam provided by main boiler plant

D. Site:

1. **General Setting and Orientation:** The front elevation of the building is oriented to the southwest with views of the grounds from the sun rooms. There is a service road to the rear.