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USGS Orange, New Jersey Quadrangle  
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:  
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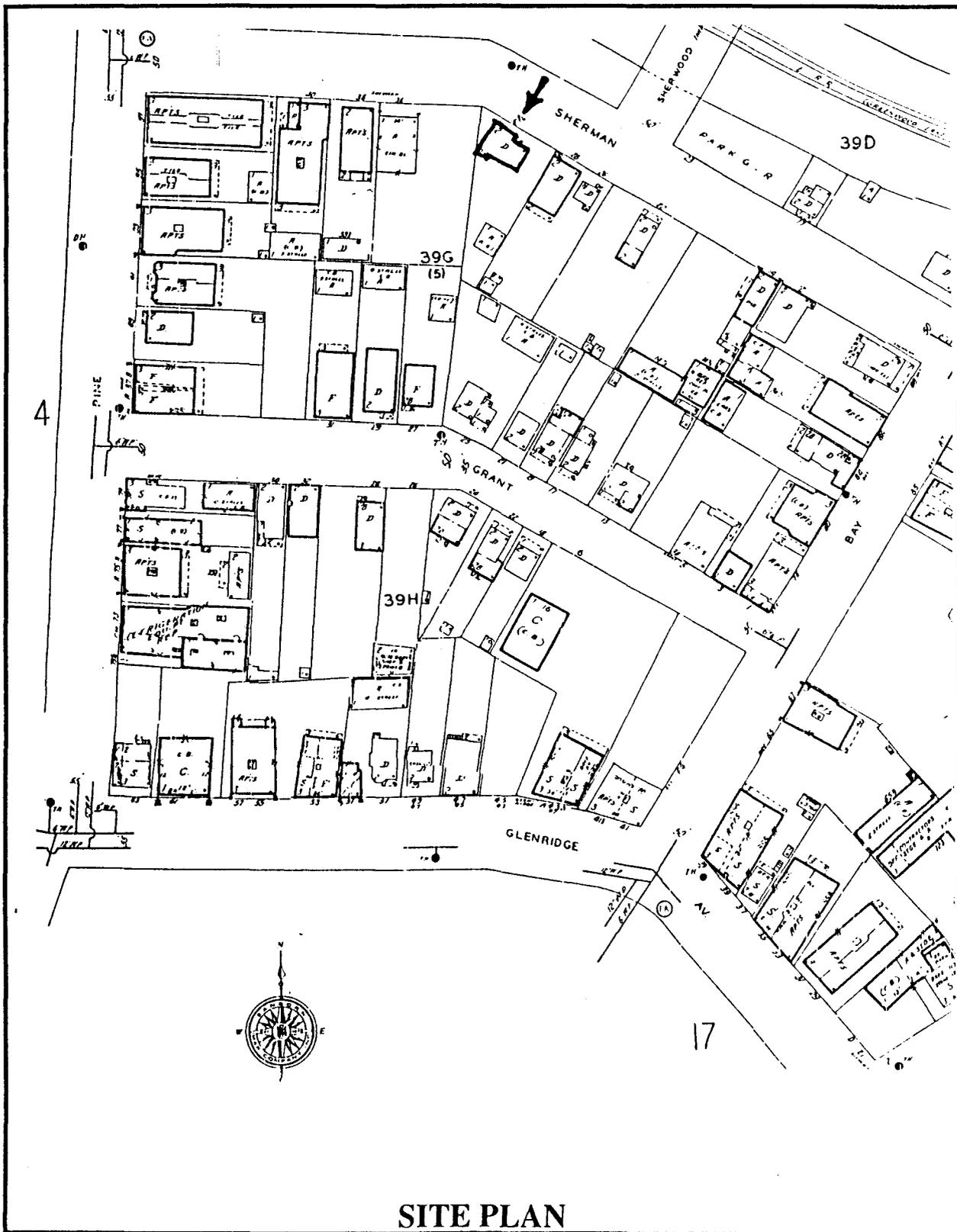
Significance: 32 Sherman Street is a contributing component of the Pine Street Historic District. The Pine Street Historic District is significant as an intact working class neighborhood developed primarily by Italian-American families between 1890 and the 1920's. The Pine Street Historic District is largely composed of single-family dwellings, three- and four-story brick rowhouses, small commercial buildings, and multi-unit mixed use commercial/residential structures, many embellished with Classical and Italianate elements.

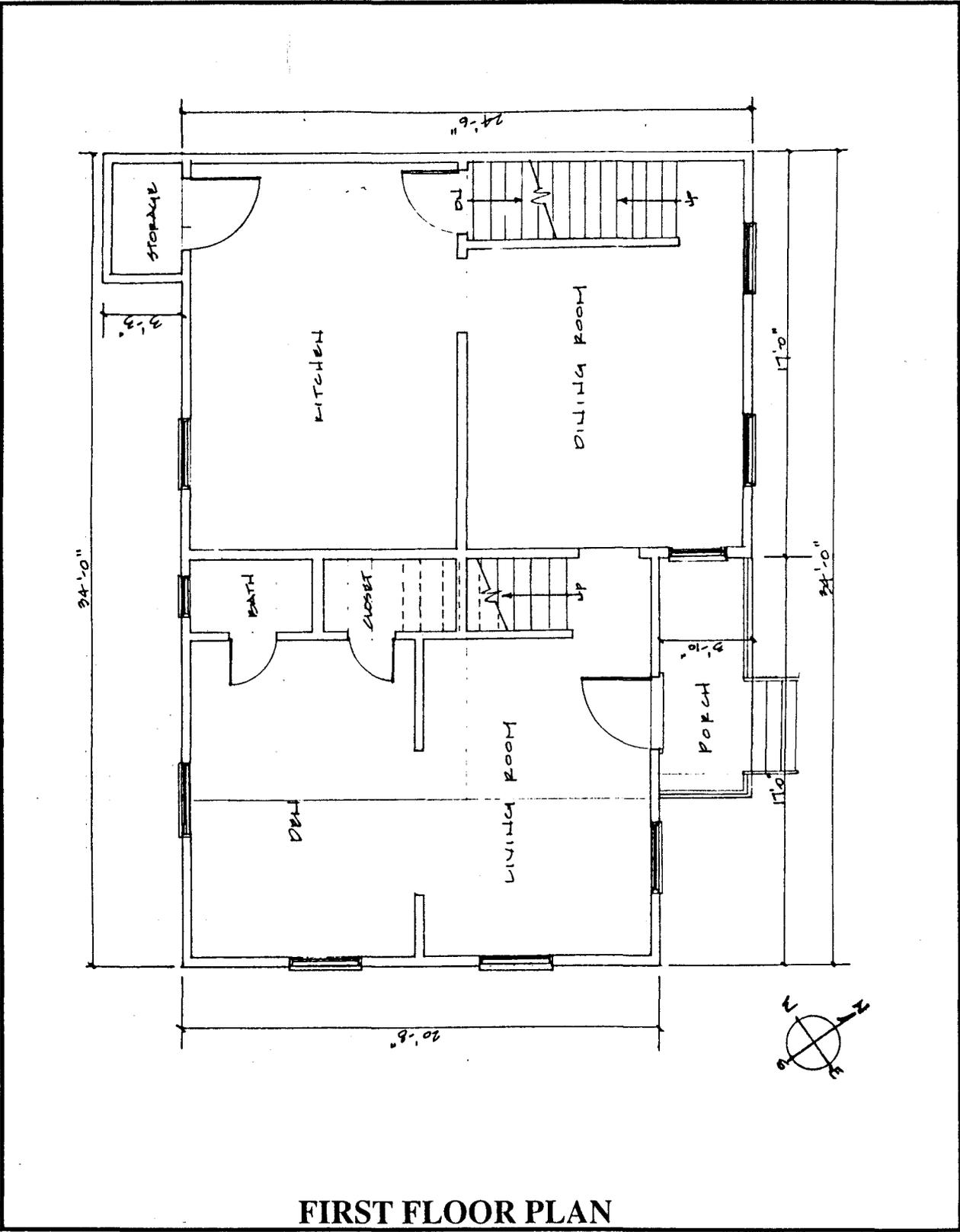
Description: This two-and-a-half-story detached single-family dwelling faces northeast on Sherman Street. The wood frame structure, sited close to the sidewalk, has wood shingle siding and an asphalt shingle roof with intersecting gables and two brick chimneys; matched board soffits enclose the eaves. The offset front entrance is covered by an entry porch with a shed roof supported on square wood posts with decorative brackets and wood railing with balusters. The west bay of the two-bay front elevation projects four feet and has wood sash double-hung windows; a fanlight window is centered in the gable head. Double-hung windows are also at the side and rear elevations; the east elevation has small double-hung attic windows in the gable head. Windows and doors have wood sills and surrounds. A small storage shed projects from the southwest corner. A single-story concrete block two-car garage is located at the rear of the property.

History: According to historic maps, 32 Sherman Street was constructed ca.1890. The dwelling was doubled in size ca.1910 with a two-and-a-half-story addition east of the original structure. The initial development of the Pine Street Historic District occurred in the 1880's and 1890's with the platting of Sherman and Grant Streets where residential development was limited to modest, detached wood frame single-family dwellings. This area was known as the "Smith Plat" owned and partially developed by Roswell Smith, a successful New York City publisher of textbooks and Century Magazine, successor to Scribner's Magazine. 32 Sherman Street will be demolished to construct the Montclair Connection, a new rail connection between the NJ TRANSIT Montclair Branch and the Boonton Line.

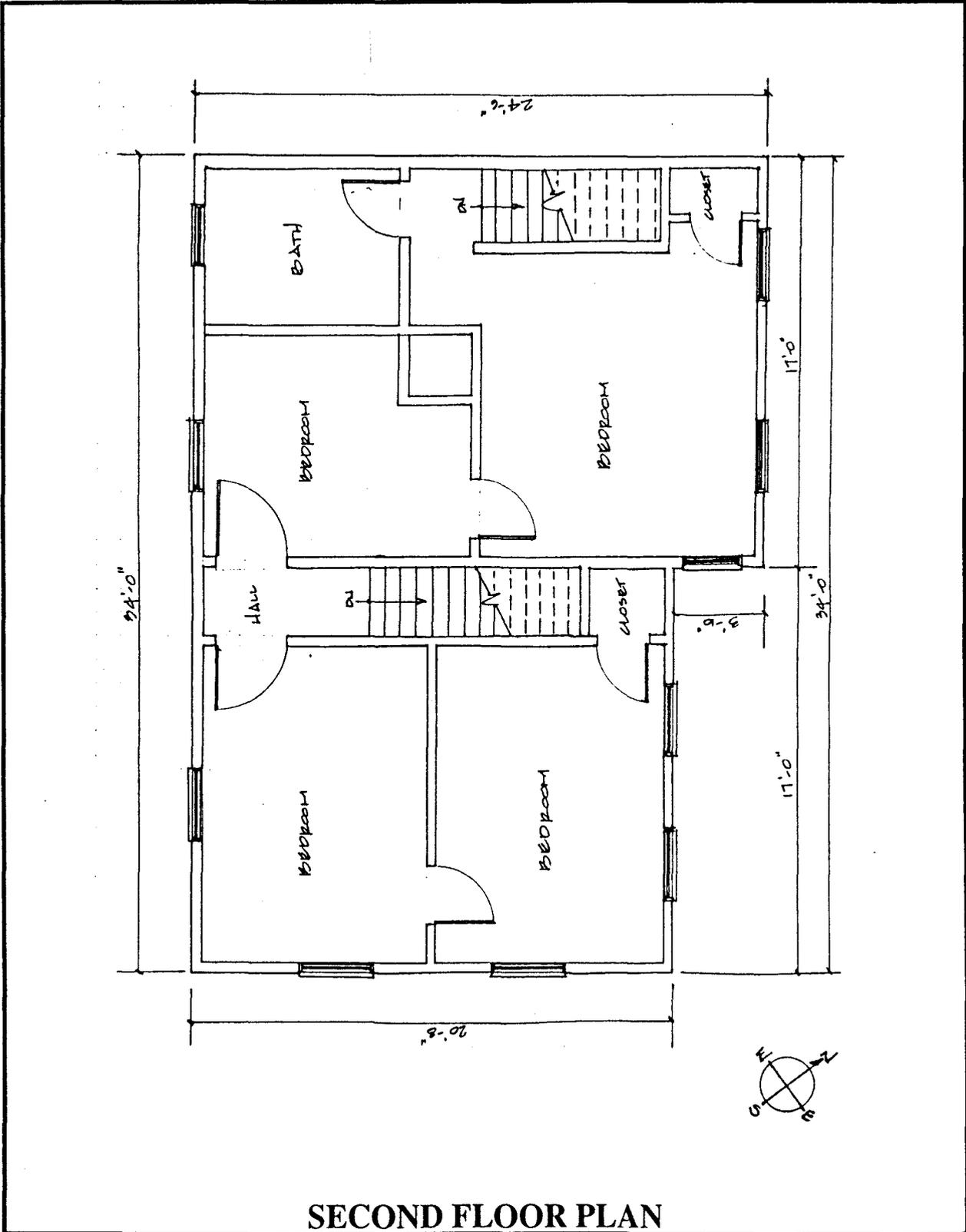
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN