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Essex County
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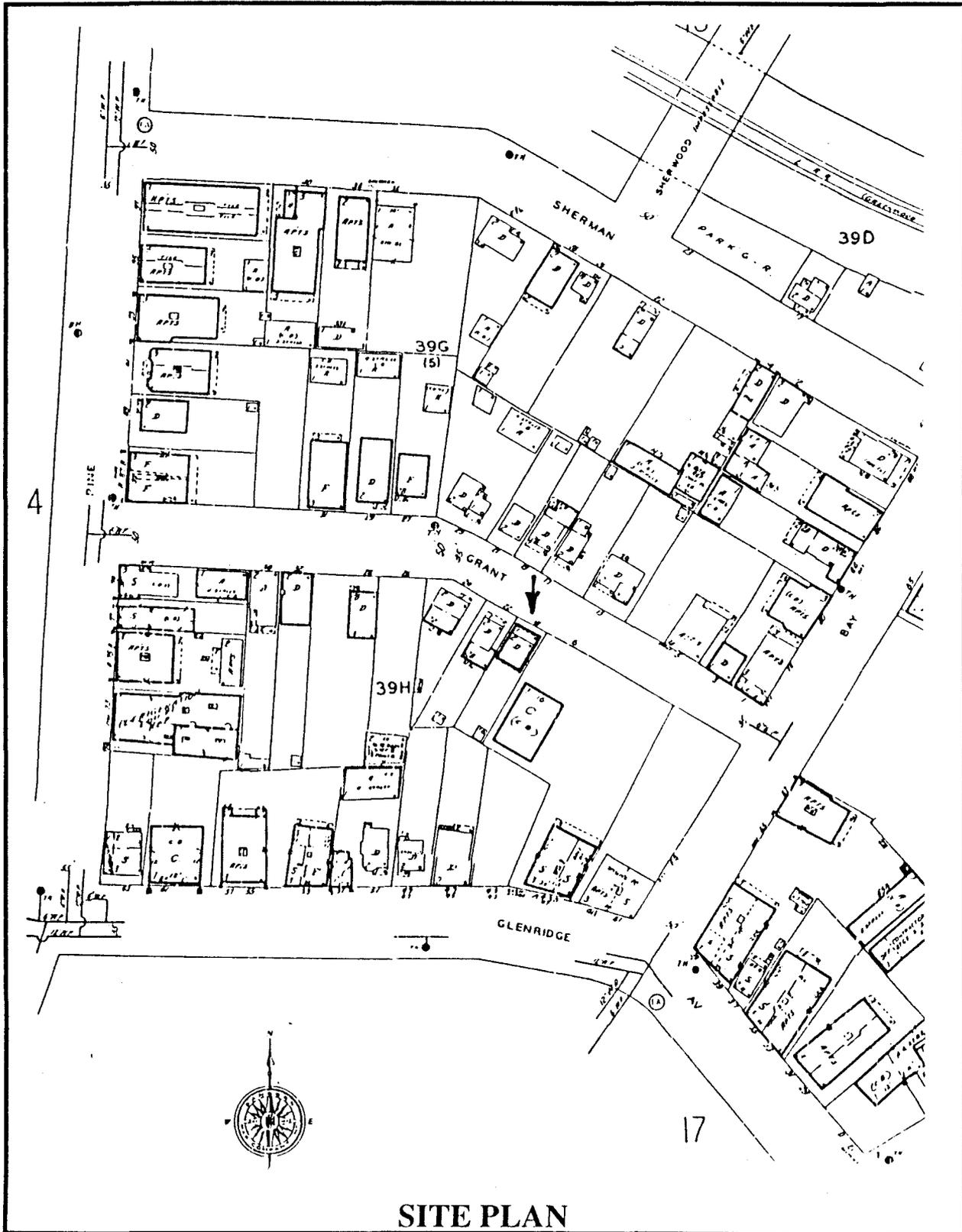
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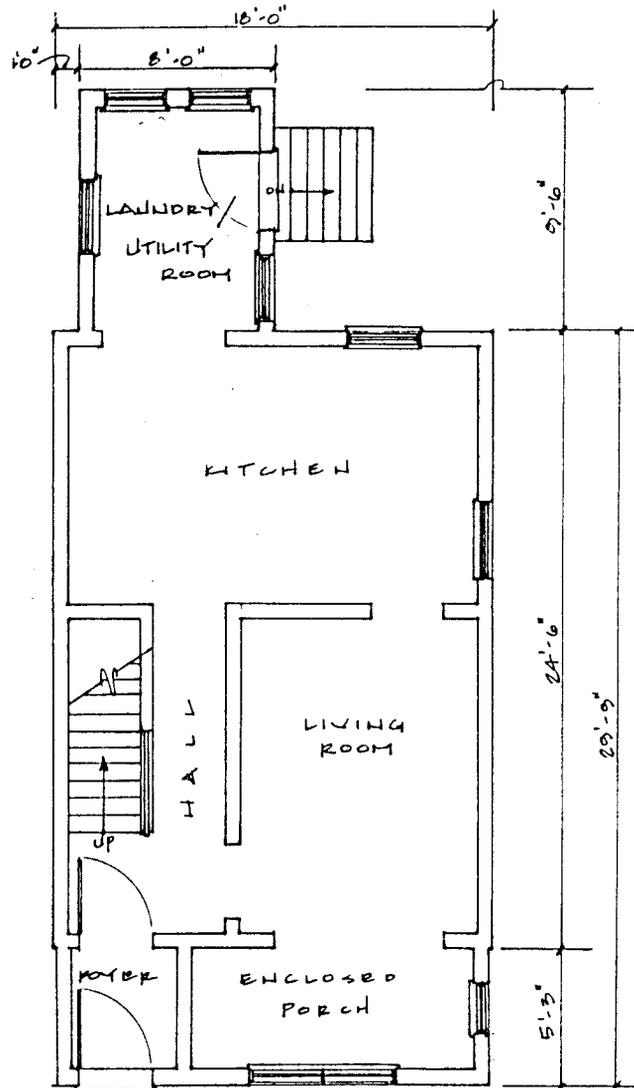
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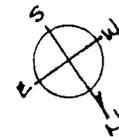
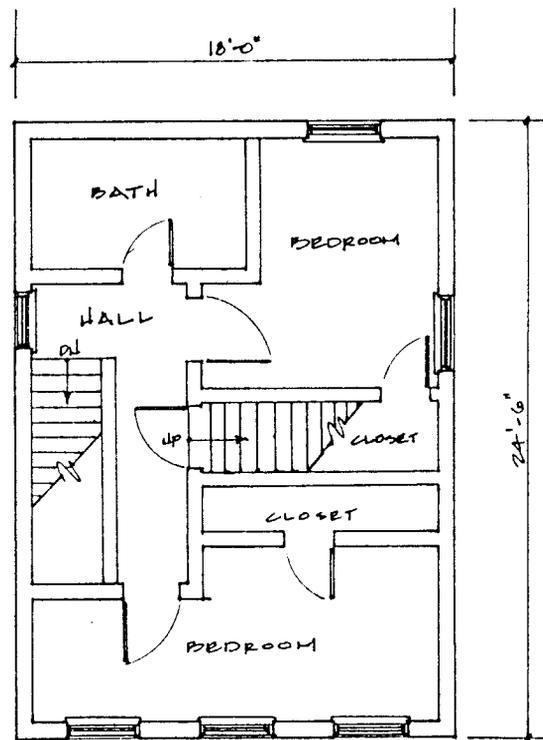
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- Location: Montclair, Essex County, New Jersey HABS No. NJ-1224
USGS Orange, New Jersey Quadrangle
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
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- Significance: 18 Grant Street is a contributing component 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: The dwelling at 18 Grant Street, a two-and-a-half-story, wood frame single-family residence facing northeast on Grant Street, has wood shingle siding and a gable roof with slate shingles. The original front porch has been enclosed with a new entrance door and a pair of wood sash double-hung windows. One-over-one wood sash double-hung windows are located in each of the three bays of the front elevation on the second story; an attic window is at the gable head. First and second floors have single double-hung windows on the west elevation. The rear elevation has a single window on each floor. Windows have wood sills, surrounds and molded cornices. Exposed rafters in the open eaves have decorative sawn-cut ends; a pair of wood brackets supports the front gable overhang. A one-story rear addition has a shed roof and a concrete stoop.
- History: According to historic maps, 18 Grant Street was constructed ca.1890. The open front porch of the dwelling was enclosed at a later date. Initial development of the Pine Street Historic District occurred in the 1880's and 1890's with the platting of Sherman and Grant Streets, 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. Residential development was limited to modest, detached wood frame single-family dwellings. 18 Grant Street will be demolished to construct the Montclair Connection, a new rail connection between the NJ TRANSIT Montclair Branch and the Boonton Line.
- Sources: George W. Harris, Map of West Bloomfield. Essex County, NJ, 1857. F.W. Beers, State Atlas of New Jersey. New York, NY: Beers, Comstock & Cline, 1872. Edward Robinson, Robinson's Atlas of Essex County. New York, NY: E. Robinson, 1890. Ellis Kiser, Atlas of Essex County. Philadelphia, PA: A.H. Mueller, 1906. Sanborn, 1907 Sanborn Insurance Maps. New York, NY: The Sanborn Map Company, 1907.
- Historian: Lynn Drobbin, November 1996.

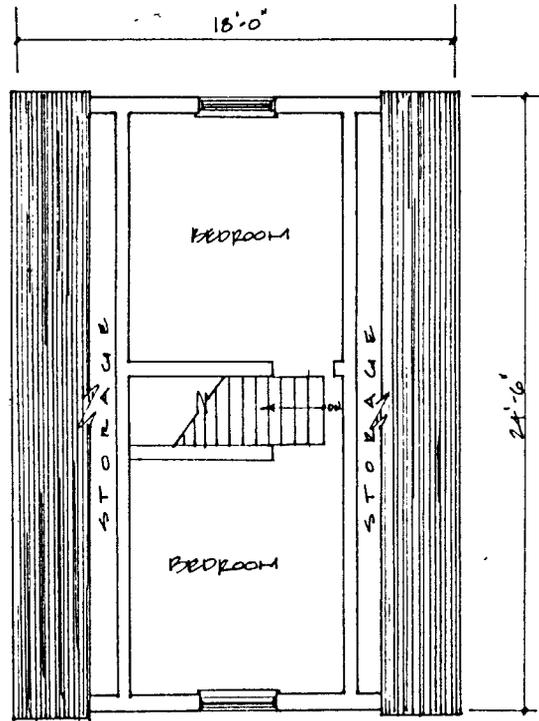




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