

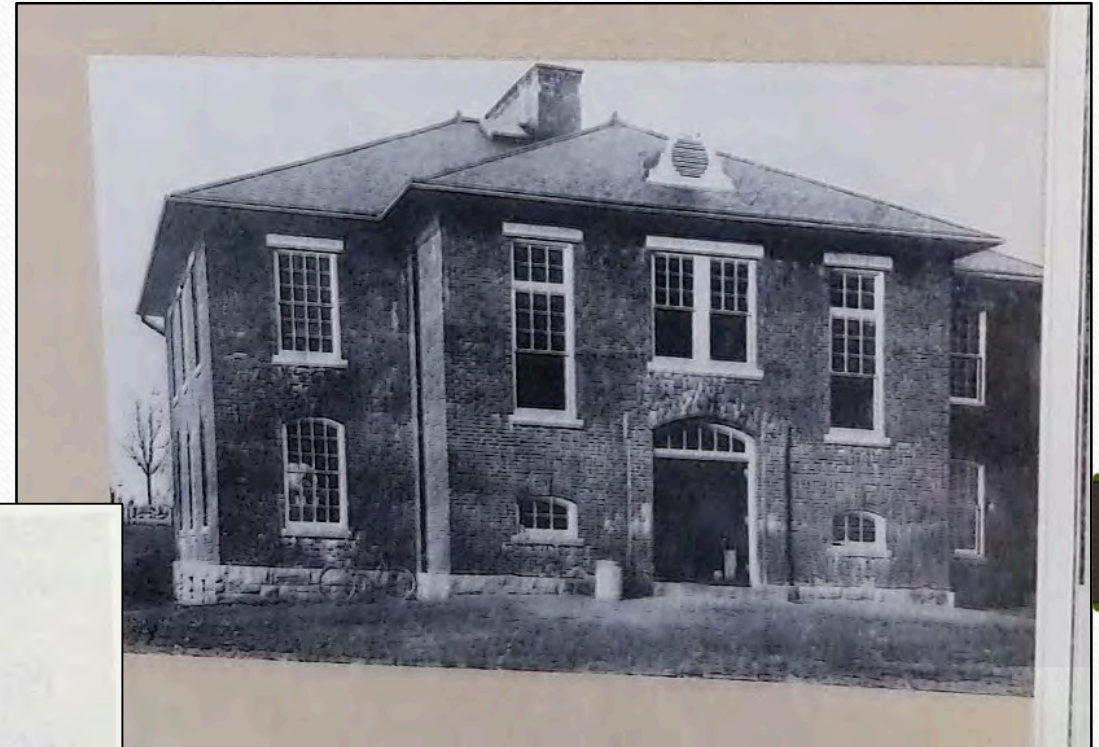
We've Come a Long Way, Ida May



The Waterford Library at 100

POPULATION

1810	2185	
1910	3097	42%
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1920	3935	27%



Jordan 1911



Quaker Hill 1915

POPULATION

1920	3935	
1930	4742	21%

Cohanzie School
1923



Early Public Transportation



Shore Line
1905-1924

Montville Line
1900-1934

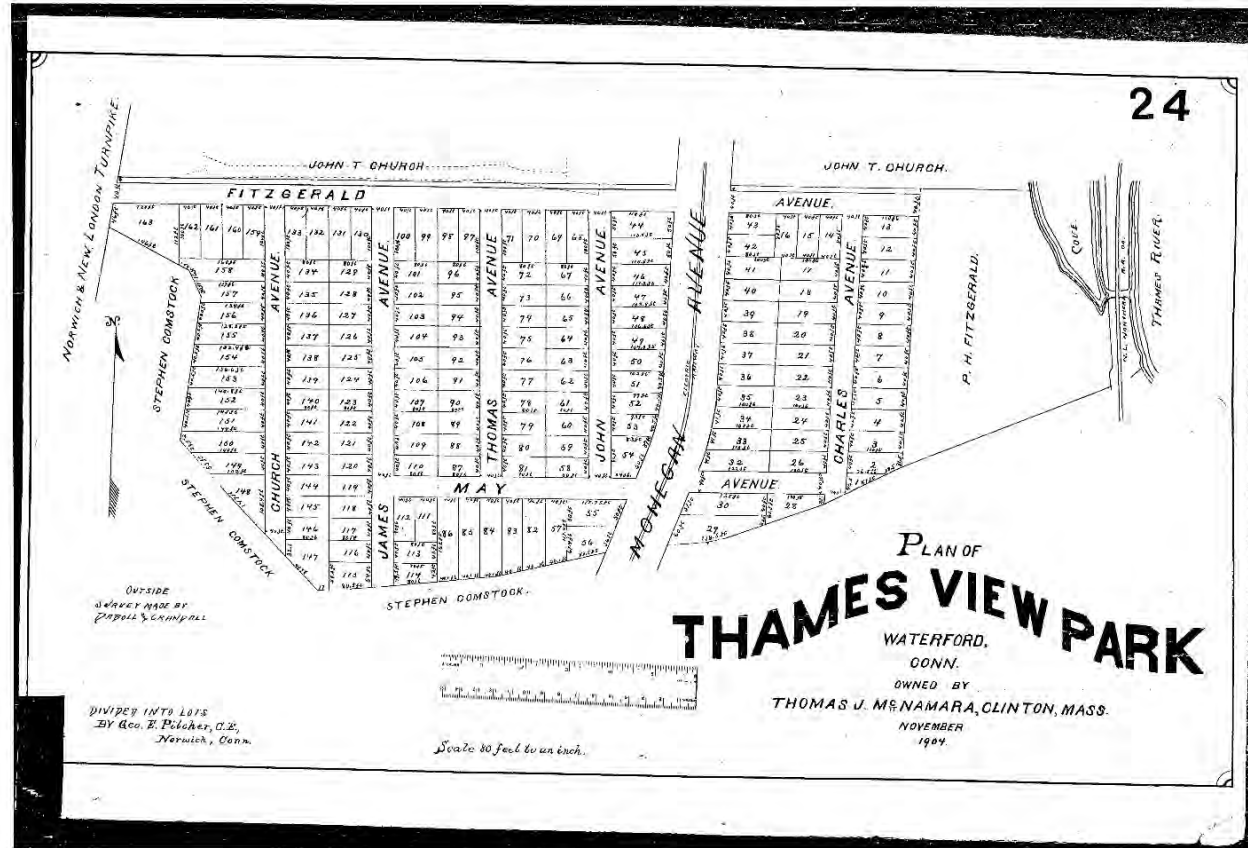


Fred Beckwith's Model T Jitney

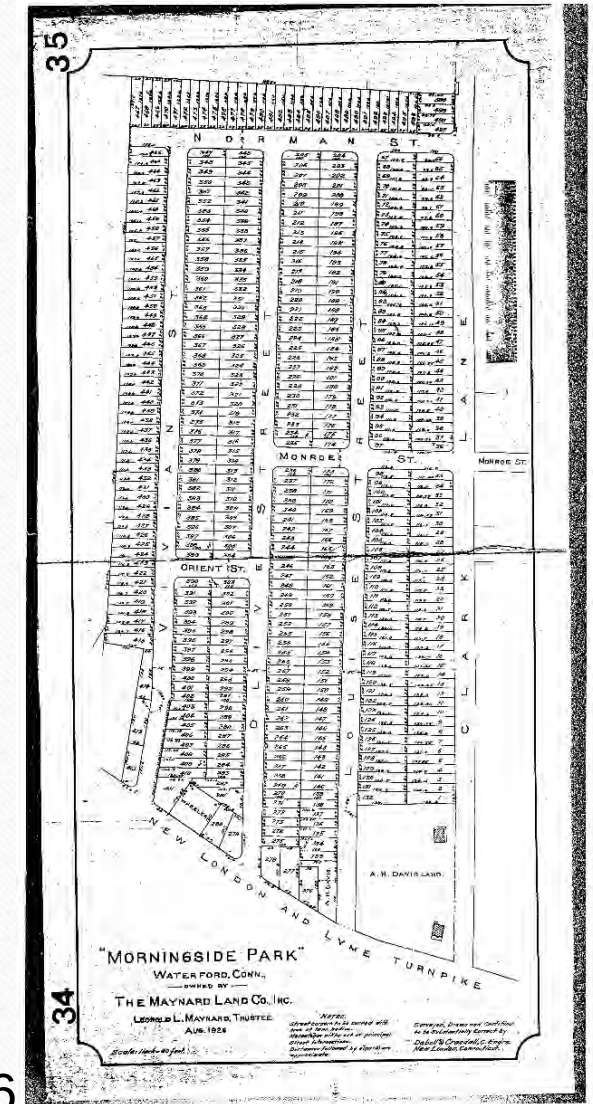


Hartford Road 1922

Trolley Car Subdivisions



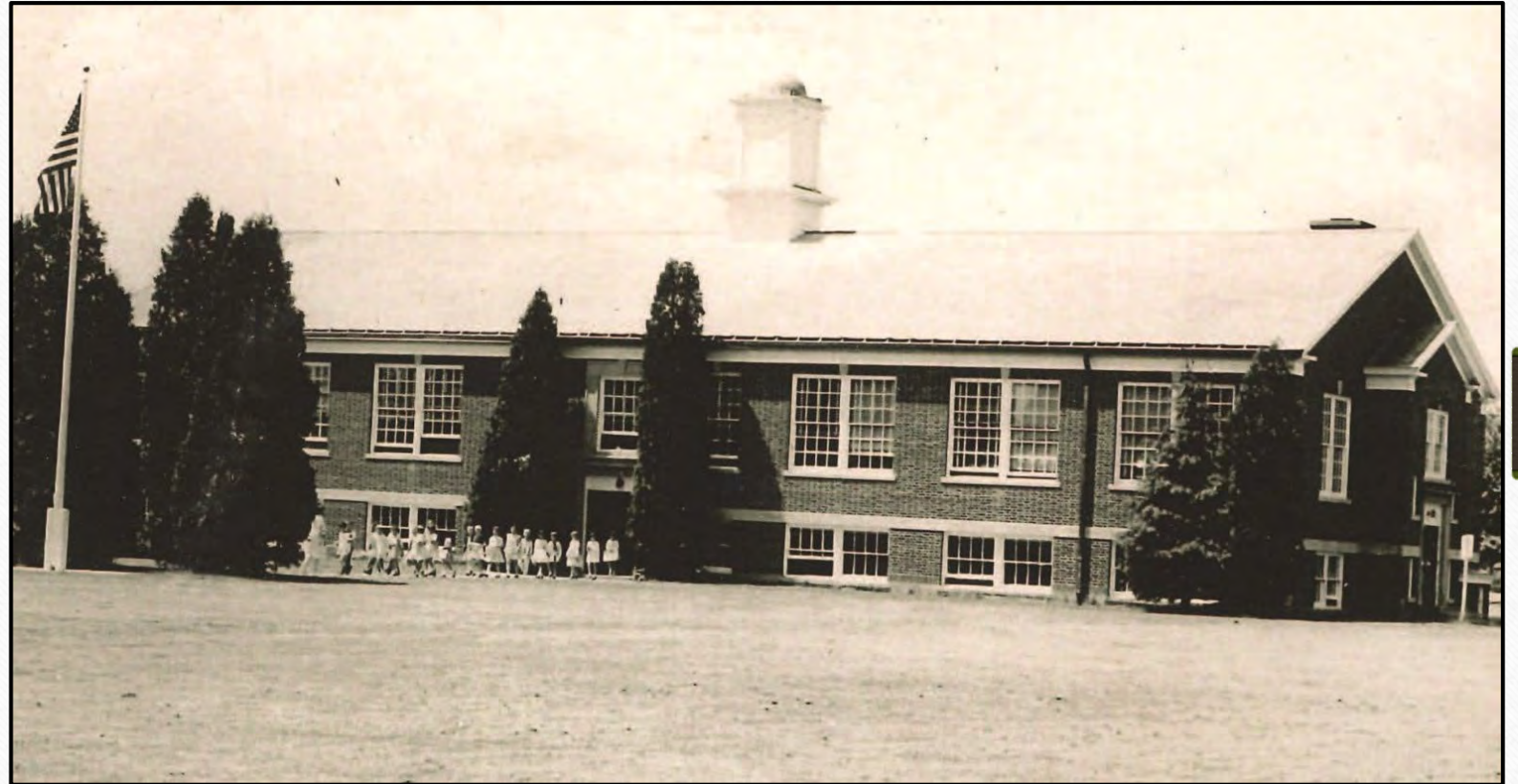
Thames View Park 1904



Morningside Park 1926

POPULATION

1810	2185	
1930	4742	1.17%



Great Neck School 1930



West Neck



Graniteville



East Neck



Jordan
1926

Quaker Hill
1948



Jordan School 1918



New Jordan School, Waterford, Conn. Louis H. Goddard, Architect.

Baptist Church



Judge A. Gallup's House



Rose Saunders House



Carriage Shed (far left)



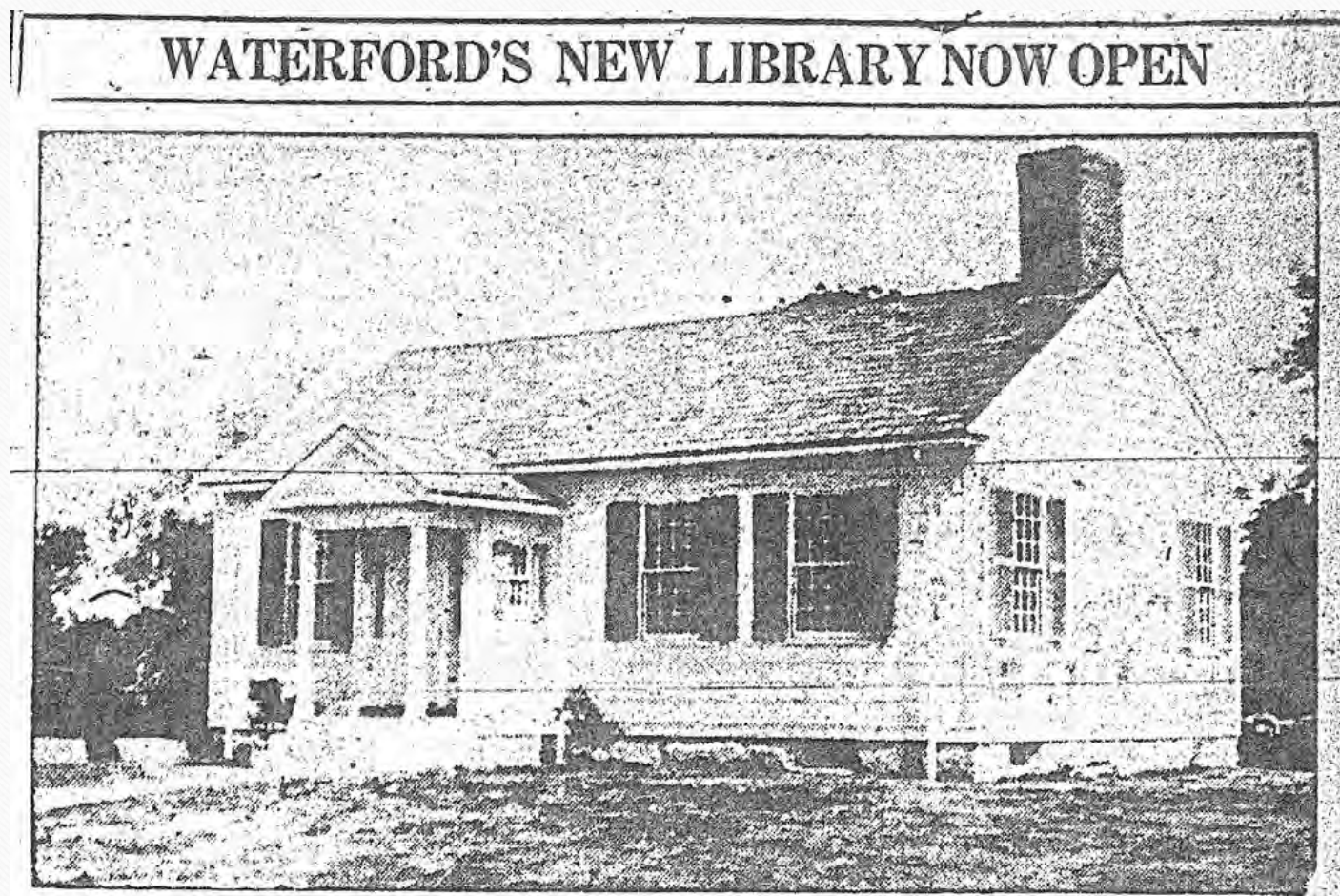
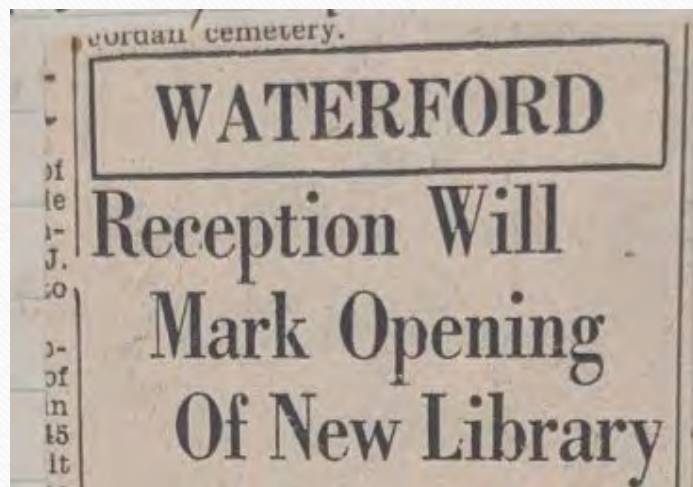
Anna Rumrill Hammond

THE EVENING DAY, NEW LONDON, CONN., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1927

WATERFORD

Waterford to Have New Public
Library Through Generosity of
Mrs. Edward C. Hammond





September 11, 1928

1934 Aerial



Edward S. Harkness





Miss Ida May Harwood
Librarian



Landscape - Oil

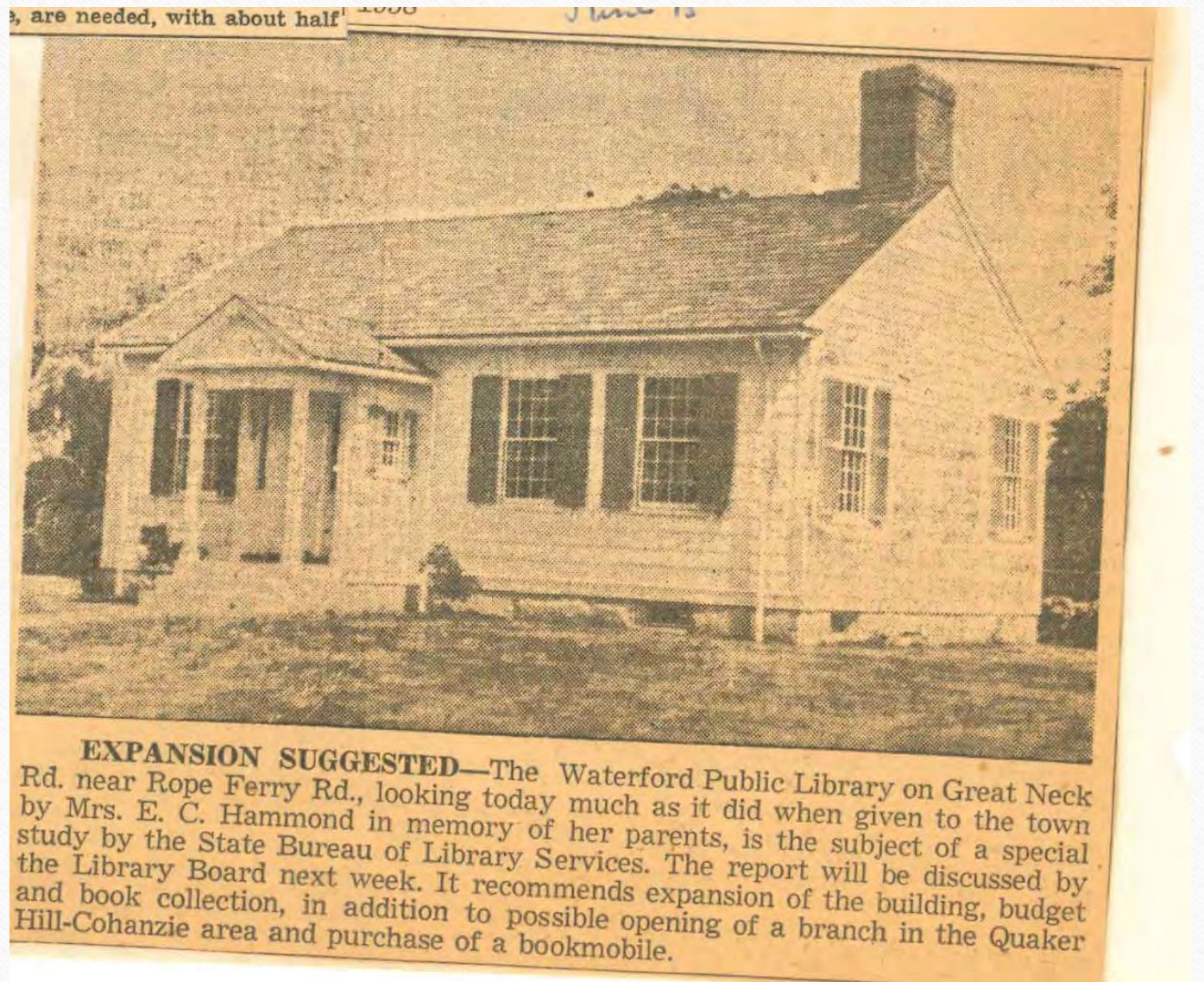
By Henry C. White (1861-1952)
Gift of the Artist 1929

This Painting hung over the mantel in the original memorial building until the Library required larger quarters. The building was given to the Town and is now the Jordan Park House.

Library Interior



June 17, 1958
Expansion



1934 Aerial New Library Site (upper right)





5-27-'60

Public Library Requests
Use of Town Courtroom

1936 Hall of Records (rear)





Tentative Date Is Set For Library's Moving

Dec. 1, 1960

AY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1960

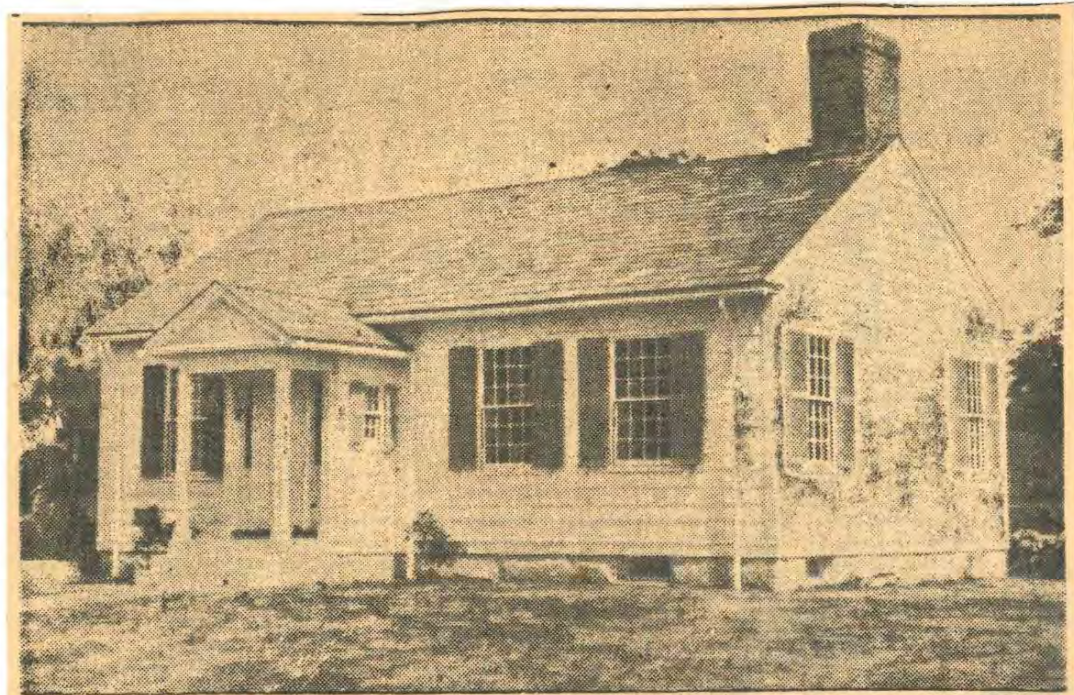
Library Unit Gets \$2,200 To Rent Old Post Office



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Library Board Decides To Dispose of Building

1-18-61, Wednesday -



TO BE VACATED — The Waterford Public Library, donated in 1928 by Mrs. Edward C. Hammond, will be put up for sale by the Waterford Public Library Association. It was forced to be vacated because of the relocation of Great Neck Rd. Temporary quarters will be set up in the old Waterford Post Office in Jordan Village. The move will take place in March.

March 1961

3-1 3-61
Public Library to Open
New Quarters Tomorrow

Mar. 4, 1961
8,000 Books
Are Transferred
To New Library

BOOK AND WHITE ELEPHANT
SALE

Thursday, March 16, 1:00 to 7:00 P. M.

AT

OLD WATERFORD LIBRARY

Great Neck Road, Near Rope Ferry Road

Benefit

Fund for New Library Building



Park House



Anna Nevins



Jordan Village Park

POPULATION

1940 6,594

1960 15,391 1.3%



Clark Lane 1953



Oswegatchie
1965



Waterford High
School 1957

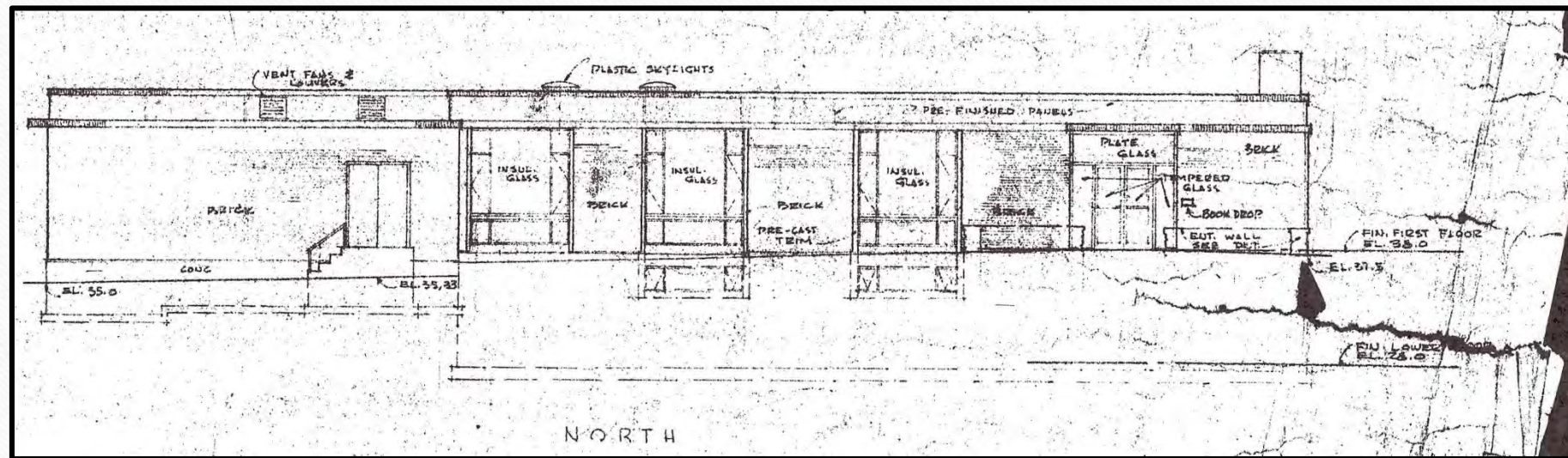
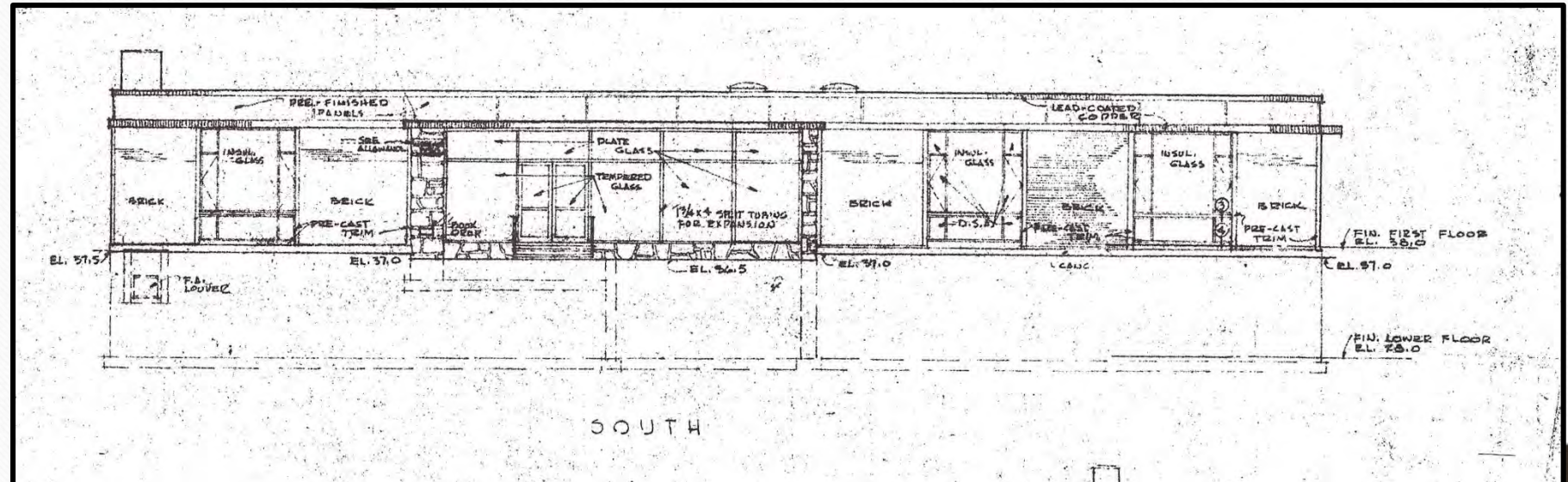


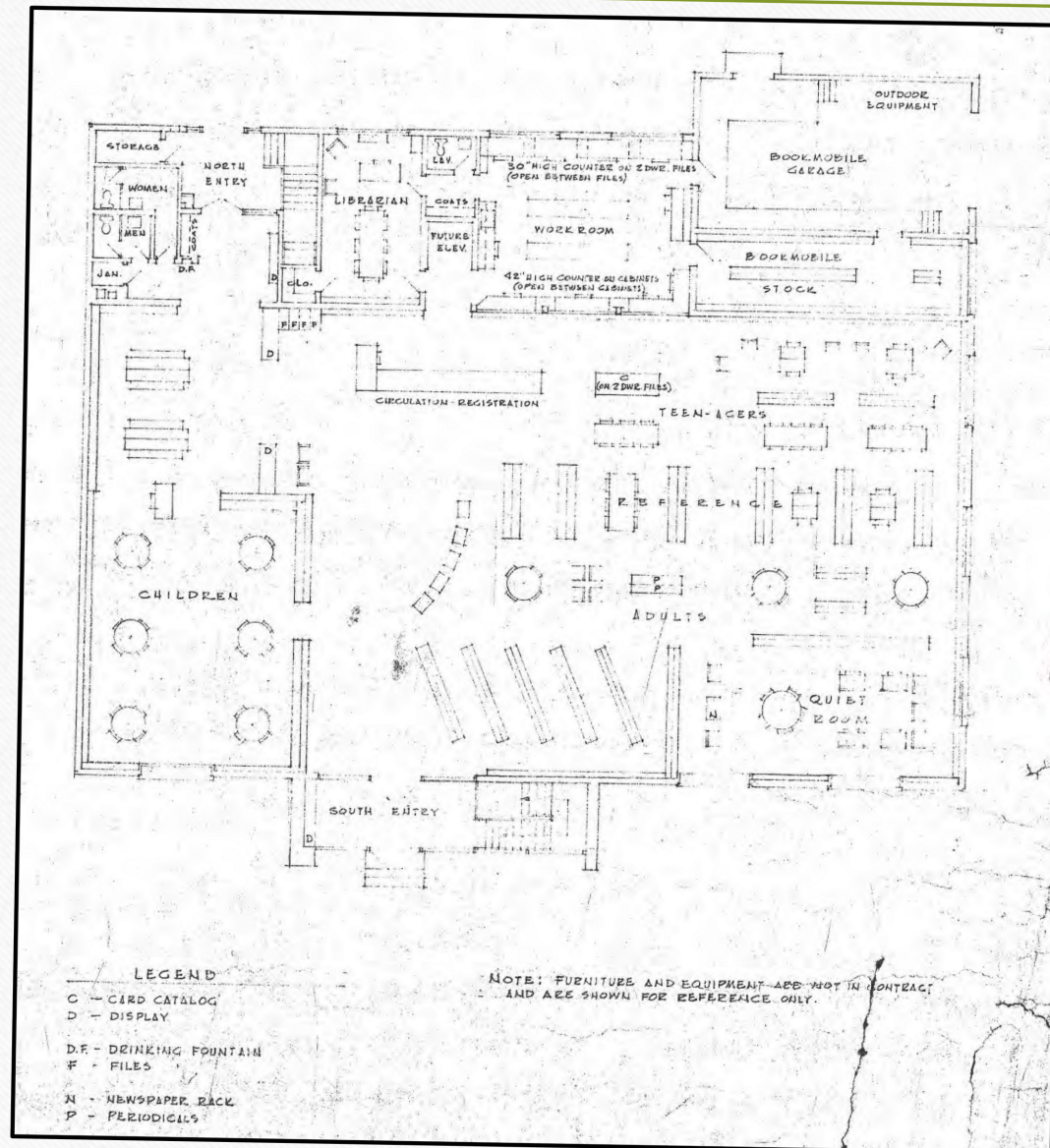
Southwest
1958

\$190,000 Voted for Library

Feb. 2, 1965

1965 elevations





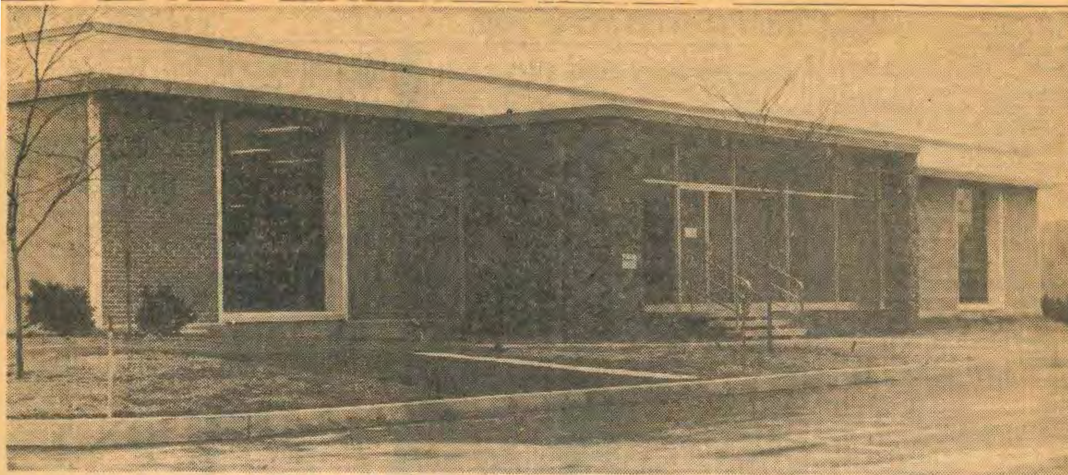
2-26-66
Library Has a Big Day
As New Building Opens

3-24-66
Library
Circulation
Up a Third

DAY, JUNE 7, 1966

Gardiner Lauded by RTM For Town's New Library

THE DAY, NEW LONDON, CONN., SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1966

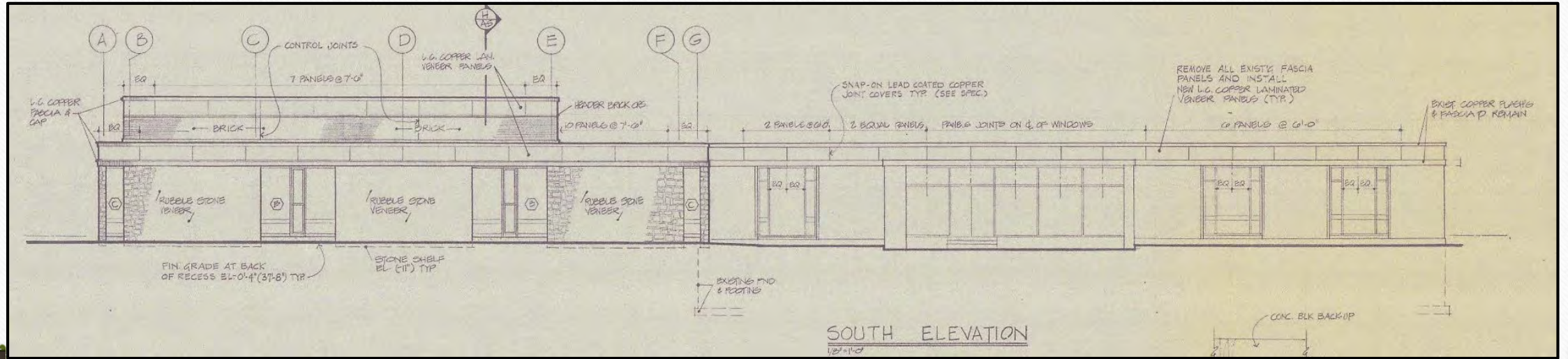


THE WATERFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY will be transferred to the Town of Waterford from the Waterford Public Library, Inc., at the Representative Town Meeting June 6 at Clark Lane Junior High School. The town contributed to the costs of the new building. An additional grant, \$4,400, from

the town to the library for operating expenses, will be considered at the meeting, as well as a Board of Finance recommendation for the transfer of \$108,500 from the reserve fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures for payment of the town's library notes.

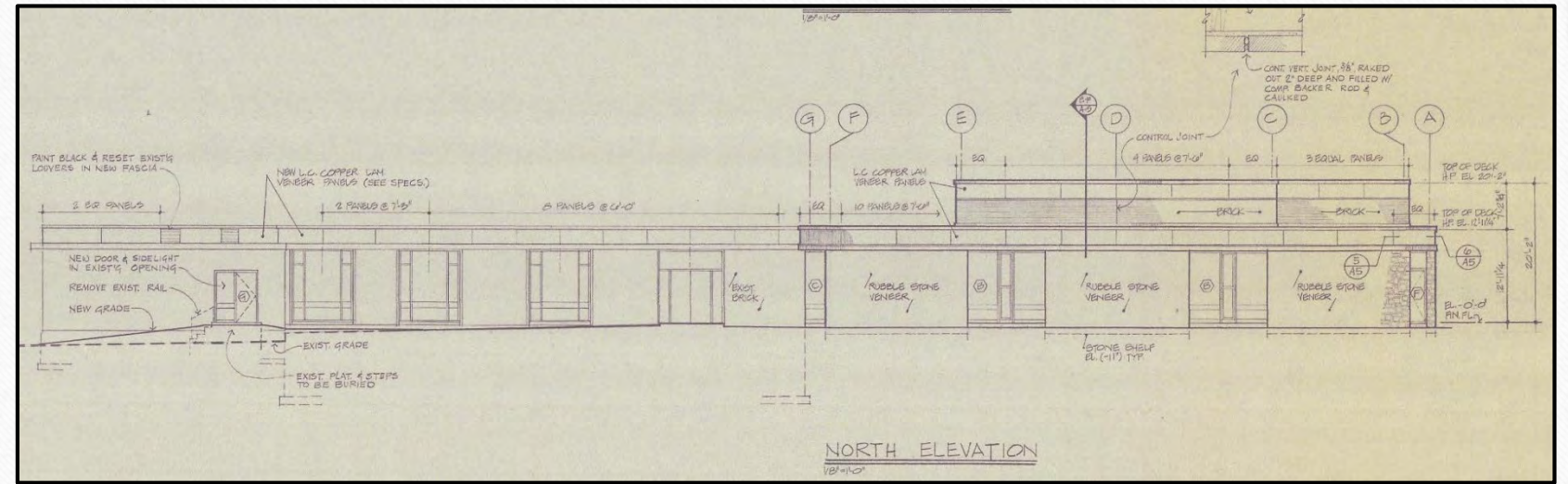


HENRY GARDINER



POPULATION

1960 15,391
2020 19,571 26%





Old and New



Heldeberg Fossil Rock



WATERFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Heldeberg Fossil Rock

A CROSS-SECTION
OF HISTORY
IN AN ARCHITECTURAL
BUILDING STONE



LIBRARY EXPANSION NEWS
Periodic Updates on Waterford Public Library's
Mezzanine Project

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10/8

WATERFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Mezzanine
opening



OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, April 6, 1986 - 3:00 to 4:30 pm
Ribbon Cutting - 3:00 pm

The Day 5/3/94
Card catalog to become a relic
Groton, Mystic and Waterford libraries computerize listings



From Dinosaurs to Databases





Discovery begins here.

Celebrating 100 Years of Service 1923-2023



82,368
LIBRARY VISITS
4.2 visits per capita



IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

472 programs offered
6,584 in-person & virtual program attendees
27,599 reference questions answered



147,378 ITEMS
CIRCULATED
7.5 physical & electronic items
borrowed per capita



190 COMMUNITY
MEETINGS HOSTED
888 e-news subscribers
2,500 Facebook likes
699 Instagram follower

Statistics from "Connecticut's Public Libraries: A Statistical Profile, 2021-2022" by the Connecticut State Library.