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Holz, Frances, 1916-

Interview with Frances Holz / inter. by Helen Dowdeswell

. -- Valley Stream Historical Society, March 22, 1995.

1 cassette.

NOTE: Mrs. Holz speaks about The Hewlett House, located at 1 DuBois Avenue, Valley Stream. She talks about the families that occupied the house from 1828 to 1987 and about the architecture of the house.

I. Holz, Frances, 1916- . 2. Hewlett House (Valley Stream, N.Y.). 3. Valley Stream (N.Y.) - History. I. Valley Stream Historical Society. II. Dowdeswell, Helen.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

1. Outline of original interview from July 13, 1987 - Prepared by Helen Dowdeswell. [Original recording was of poor quality.]
2. Photograph of Frances Holz, July 13, 1987. *
3. Photograph of The Hewlett House, 1 DuBois Avenue, Valley Stream, NY, July 13, 1987. *
4. Photograph of The Hewlett House, 1 DuBois Avenue, Valley Stream, NY, approx. 1945. *
5. Photograph of The Hewlett House, 19-- ?. *
6. Photograph of Frances Holz, taken March 22, 1995. *
7. Photograph of The Hewlett House, taken March 22, 1995. *
8. Typewritten Notes regarding the history of The Hewlett House, with Sept. 1965 written on right corner of first page.
9. Typewritten Notes regarding the history of The Hewlett House, with Sept. 1965 typed on left corner of first page.
10. Handwritten Notes regarding families that have lived in The Hewlett House.

*Original photographs are filed in the Valley Stream Historical Photograph Collection.

SOURCES OF RESEARCH MATERIAL

1. Letters of Guardianship of Queens County
 2. Land Sales 1662-1910 New York County
 3. Recollections of Mrs. Alexander (Abrams. *Davis on.*)
 4. Mrs. Marge Christman
 5. Mr. Peter Daub
 6. Mrs. ^{*Davis on*} ~~Abrams~~ and R. L. Polk & Co. Directory of Valley Stream including Hewlett, Woodmere, Cedarhurst, Lawrence and Inwood 1923-1924
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VALLEY STREAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

Narrator: Frances Holz

Interviewer: Helen Dowdeswell

Date: 7/13/87

Place: One Dubois Ave., Valley Stream, N.Y. 11581

Subject: THE HEWLETT HOUSE

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19-163 Families that occupied the house from 1828 to 1987

163-274 Architecture of the house; original plan and changes



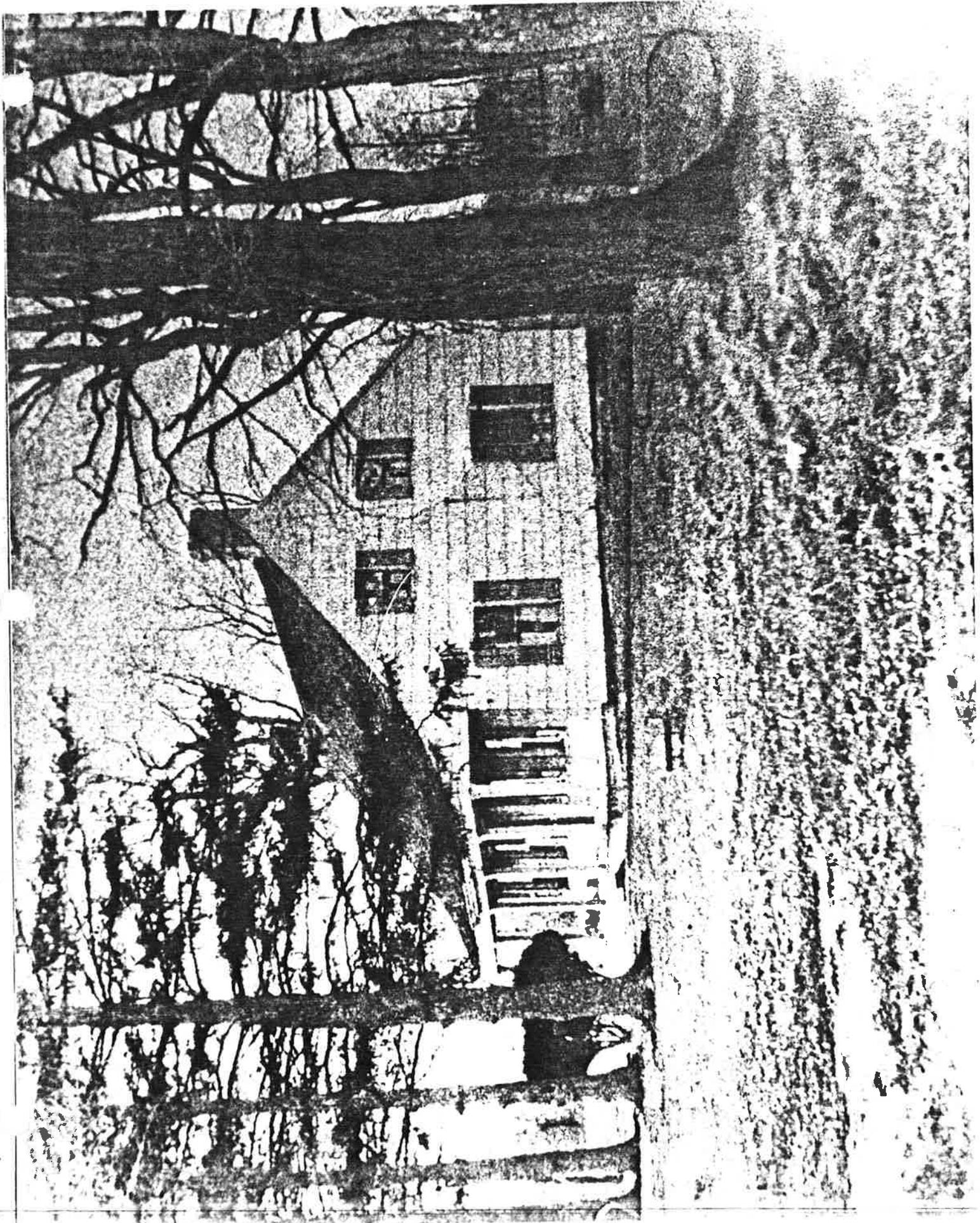
FRANCES HOLZ, JULY 13, 1987.



THE HEWLETT HOUSE, 1 DUBOIS AVENUE, VALLEY STREAM, N.Y.,
JULY 13, 1987.

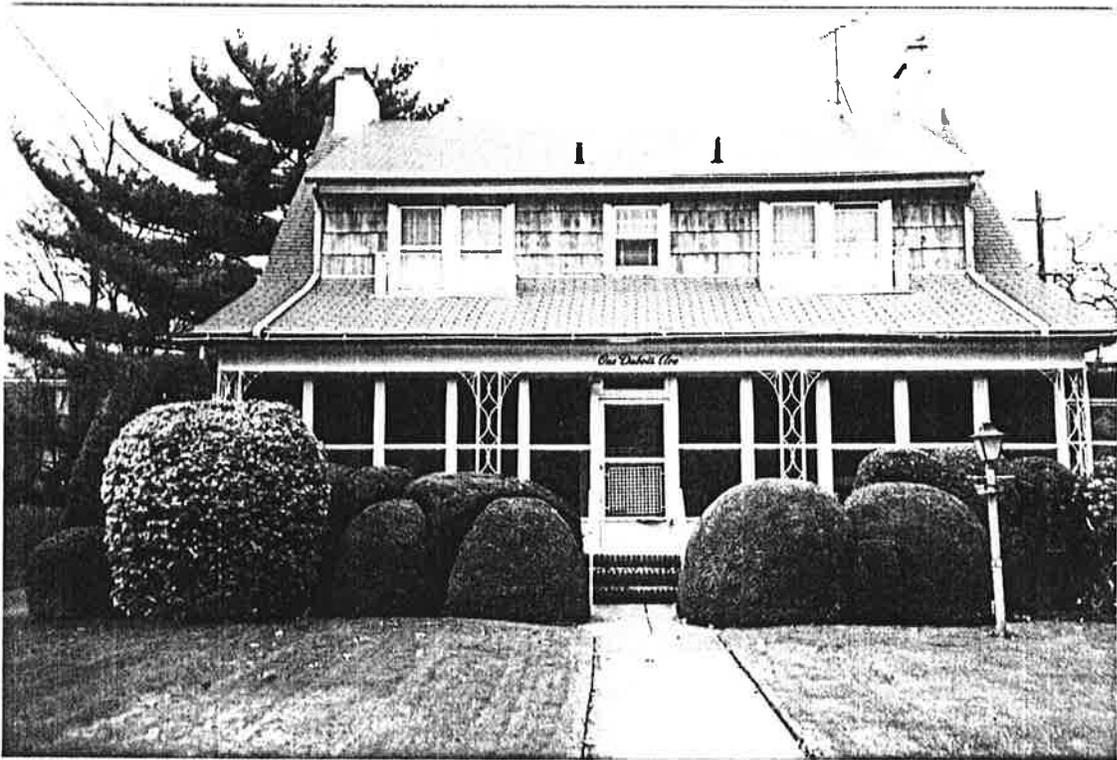


THE HEWLETT HOUSE, 1 DUBOIS AVENUE, VALLEY STREAM, N.Y., APPROX. 1945.





Frances Holz



Hewlett House, 03/22/95

HISTORY of HOUSE OWNED and OCCUPIED BY DOCTOR WILBUR HOLZ
and FAMILY AT CORNER OF ROCKAWAY AVE. AND DU BOIS

Sept 1965

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had no issue". They were both alive in 1873. Feb. 9, 1884 Daniel sold land
to James Higbie etc. Locality, "cannot locate". Dec. 11, 1827 Daniel sold
land on Rockaway Neck called a "parcel" to Thomas Adams. Daniel died
Oct. 23, 1886 in Hewletts and was probably buried in Trinity Church
Cemetery.

The Hewlett house like his neighbor the Foster house, up the
road nearer the brook, faced the south.

The Kurtzenhauser family lived on the house. There were four
sisters and only one married a Mr. Riding.

Matthew Keller and their 12 children occupied the house.
Phyllis, the oldest daughter, married Peter Scherter. Caroline, the
youngest, married Jacob Daub. Jacob Daub had his farm on West Broad-
-way. It included what is now Daub Ave. to Franklin Ave. and went down
to the Waterworks Woods now Peninsular Blvd. I personally know the
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in 1939 Mrs Gathard sold the house to Charles Martin and Mrs Martin sold the house to Dr Holz in 1942-

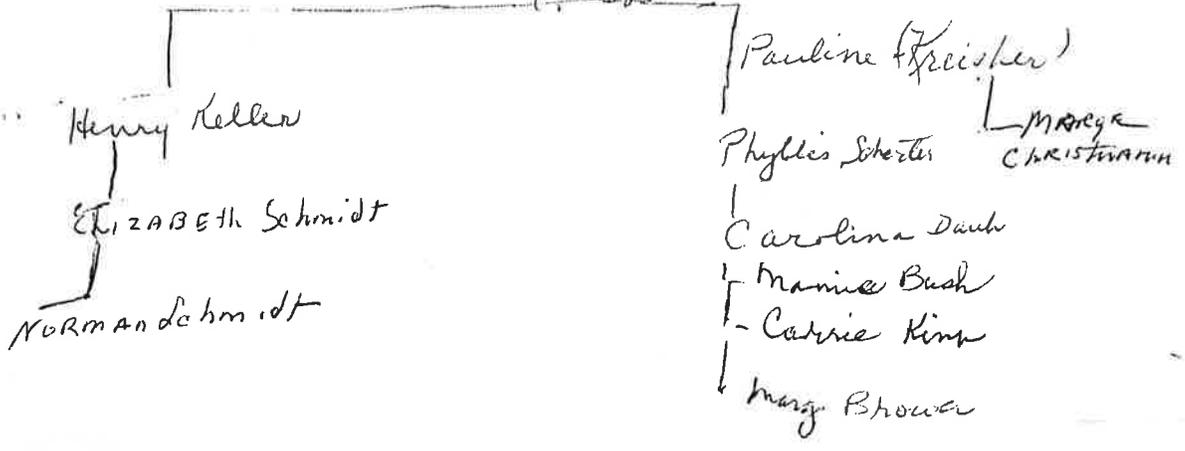
SOURCES OF RESEARCH MATERIAL

1. Letters of Guardianship of Queens County
2. Land Sales 1662- 1910 New York County
- 3, Recollections of Mrs Alexander Davison (nee Abrams)
4. Mrs Marge Christmann- granddaughter of Matthew Keller -- and whose mother was married in the house.
5. Mr Peter Daub
6. Mrs Davison and R.L. Polk & Co, Directory of Valley Stream, including Hewlett, Woodmere, Cedarhurst, Lawrence and Inwood. 1923-1924.

*Material was gathered by Mrs Charles Hewlett and presented to Dr Holz in Sept 1965.

Re: House situated at 1 DuBois Ave - Valley Stream 114

Matthew Keller family (12 children)



Kurtzenhauser family

4 daughters

1 married Mr. Riding

John } Nathaniel bought house 1923-1925-
Kinetic }

remodeled - relocated + sold house in
1934 to Charles Martin, agent for
Hamamry ~~American~~ Steamship line

In 1942 Mr. Martin sold house to +
Dr. Wilbur Holy } 2 daughters
 } Sandra Ann
 } Gael Elizabeth
Francis Kelly Holy }

In 1923 - the house was situated where the
present garage is and faced Rockaway Ave - the
barn was located on the corner of Oak & DuBois Ave

Stained shingles were applied over the original hand hewn shingles - because of the difficulty in keeping ^{white} paint on the old shingles.

Mr. Hobbs made extensive repairs of maintenance inside the house but basic original ^{floor} plan remains quite similar -

Copper tubing
new windows (modern) 2 sets
new ceilings + electrical wiring
underground sprinkling system
permanent finished screen porch
recessed radiation pipes
removal of gas jets
insulation
termite proofed -
new burner 1967

remodeled
living room 1951
kitchen remodeled 1969

gas water boiler 1974
sun porch - 1972
painting inside + trim 1972
bathroom 1974

Burner repaired 1986 Beckett burner installed

reshingled roof - 1950 - 1979

driveway resurfaced 1987

Painted outside trim and inside hallway 1989