

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	SWN.128
Historic Name:	
Common Name:	
Address:	529 Bay Ave
City/Town:	Swansea
Village/Neighborhood:	Ocean Grove; Gardner's Neck;
Local No:	
Year Constructed:	C 1940
Architectural Style(s):	Colonial Revival;
Use(s):	Secondary Dwelling House;
Significance:	Architecture; Recreation;
Area(s):	SWN.G
Designation(s):	
Building Materials:	Roof: Asphalt Shingle; Wall: Wood Shingle;
Demolished	No



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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA

FORM NO.

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SWANSEA

SS 529 Bay Avenue at Bluff

ric Name

Present Summer cottage

Original Summer cottage

PTION

ca. 1940

e Visual analysis

Gambrel cottage

Architect

Exterior Wall Fabric shingle

Outbuildings Single car garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

Unknown

Condition Good state of preservation
and in stable condition.

Moved No Date

Acreage Less than 1/2 acre

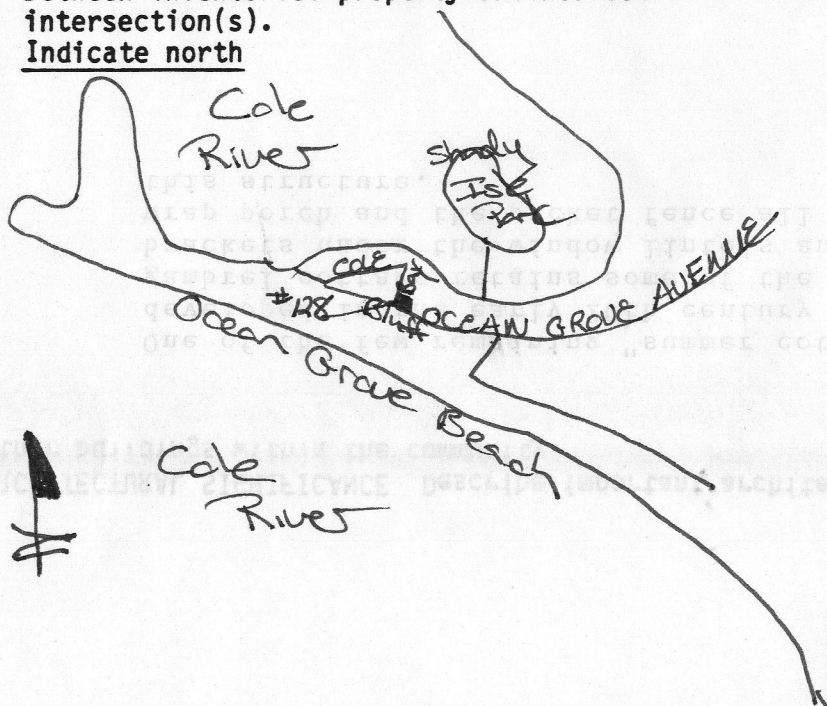
Setting Located on the corner of Bay
and Bluff Avenues, two of the Ocean
Grove main streets. A Summer resi-
dential community.

Recorded by Kay Flynn

Organization Swansea Historical Comm.

Date May, 1986

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location
in relation to nearest cross streets and/or
geographical features. Indicate all buildings
between inventoried property and nearest
intersection(s).
Indicate north



UTM REFERENCE

USGS QUADRANGLE Fall River, MA, RI, 1967/79

SCALE

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

One of the few remaining "summer cottages" in Ocean Grove, an area developed in the early 20th century in South Swansea. This vernacular gambrel cottage retains some of the original features such as the brackets under the window lintels and the massing. The one story wrap porch and the picket fence all are distinguishing features of this structure.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

Ocean Grove in South Swansea was developed by the Wilbur Land Company in 1900 after the picnic grove, Shady Grove, was established by the streetcar company as a fashionable and popular event in the summer. The popularity of picnic groves at the turn of the century helped to spur land development in many areas.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Friends of the Bluffs Calendar

Swansea Tercentenary, Swansea, 1967, pg. 17.