

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
 NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 REGISTRATION FORM

OMB NO. 1024-0018, NPS FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets. Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name The Marvin Cottage
 other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 15 Franklin Street | | not for publication
 city, town Saranac Lake (town of North Elba) | | vicinity
 state New York code NY county Essex code 031 zip code 12983

3. Classification

Ownership of property	Category	Number of resources within property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	_____ buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listings: Village of Saranac Lake
Multiple Documentation Form

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register _____

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, this property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

[Signature] 6/30/92
 Signature of certifying official Date
 Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation
 State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

 Signature of commenting or other official Date
 State or federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. see continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:)

 Signature of keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Function
(enter categories from instructions)
Domestic/single dwelling

Current Functions
(enter categories from instructions)
Domestic/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(enter categories from instructions)

Craftsman/Bungalow

Materials(enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete

walls Wood/clapboard

roof Asphalt

other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Marvin Cottage is located at 15 Franklin Avenue in the village of Saranac Lake, Essex County. It is situated along the tree-lined streets of Helen Hill, an area notable as one of the first residential subdivisions of Saranac Lake. The cottage sits back from the street behind a small lawn with a walk leading to a glass-enclosed veranda. This porch shelters the main entrance of the house. The driveway extends along the south side of the cottage.

The two and one-half story, wood frame cottage is surmounted by a gabled roof that extends beyond the front wall of the house, creating a veranda. A large, gabled cure-porch dormer is located on the second floor immediately above the veranda. The dormer has sliding glass windows facing the street. Windows throughout the house, including the sleeping porches, contain diamond-paned glass over single sash. A one-story kitchen addition with a rear entry porch extends from the rear elevation of the dwelling.

On the interior, the first floor contains a foyer, which is entered from the veranda. A columned archway connects the foyer with the living room. A second archway, with French doors, leads to the dining room. The kitchen adjoins the dining room and extends partially beyond the main structure. A small rear entrance porch at the back of the kitchen is three steps above the back yard.

On the south side of the first floor is a bedroom with sleeping porch. The porch is reached through French doors.

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The second floor of the cottage has a large hallway flanked by three rooms and one bathroom. The room on the east or front of the house extends the width of the structure and has a wide door leading to the dormer sleeping porch. The room on the south side of the cottage also has an attached sleeping porch entered via French doors. This porch is directly above the first floor porch and is of the same dimensions and design. The third floor contains one bedroom, one bath and a storage area.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations A B C D E F G

Areas of significance

Period of Significance

Significant Dates

Health/Medicine

ca. 1900-ca.1940

ca.1900

Cultural Affiliation

n/a

Significant Person

Architect/Builder

n/a

n/a

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Marvin Cottage is architecturally significant as a representative example of residential architecture adapted for use as a cure cottage. The porches of this bungalow are incorporated into the original structural fabric of the house, suggesting that it was designed as a cure cottage. The house, built ca.1900, was a registered private, non-nursing sanatorium operated as a boarding cottage by Mrs. Elizabeth B. Marvin.

The cure cottages of Saranac Lake were predominantly built between the years of 1870 and 1930 and represent almost every housing type popular in the late Nineteenth and early Twentieth century. They represent vernacular expressions of architectural styles which include Italianate, Queen Anne, Colonial Revival, Tudor Revival, and bungalow stylistic features. The majority of the cottages which remain were built between 1890 and 1930.

The most common cure cottages are vernacular expressions of the Queen Anne and Colonial Revival styles, with multiple gables, balloon frame construction, decorative wooden architectural detail, multiple windows of various sizes and shapes, and associated porches or verandas. Glass-enclosed porches, used for the curing of tuberculosis patients, are the most salient feature of the cure cottage. They can be found on local structures built long after porches had gone out of fashion elsewhere.

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Cure cottages are structures that can be commercial, residential or institutional in scale and expression. Many were built specifically to function as private commercial sanatoria, multiple unit dwellings, boarding houses, or private homes. Equally large numbers of cure cottages were adapted for that use from vernacular single family dwellings. All cure cottages display certain architectural features which were necessary for specific functions in the process of curing tuberculosis outdoors. Whether added at a later date or incorporated into the original building design, these features can include multiple-storied cure porches, sliding glass panels, call bells and wider-than-usual doorways without sills.

With its fine architectural detail, glazed veranda, and cure porches, the Marvin Cottage at 15 Franklin Street has retained a high degree of architectural integrity from its original construction. It also has maintained a high degree of integrity of setting location, materials, design and association.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Ames, Forrest B. Health Survey, 1917

Gallos, Philip L. Cure Cottages of Saranac Lake: Architecture and History of a Pioneer Health Resort, Saranac Lake, NY: Historic Saranac lake, 1985
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Previous documentation on file (NPS):	<input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet
<input type="checkbox"/> preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested	Primary location of additional data:
<input type="checkbox"/> previously listed in the National Register	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State historic preservation office
<input type="checkbox"/> previously determined eligible by the National Register	<input type="checkbox"/> Other State agency
<input type="checkbox"/> designated a National Historic Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal agency
<input type="checkbox"/> recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Local government
<input type="checkbox"/> recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> University
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
	Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than one acre

UIM References

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	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the Marvin Cottage is shown as the heavy black outline on the accompanying map entitled "Marvin Cottage, Saranac Lake, Franklin County, NY."

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Boundary Justification

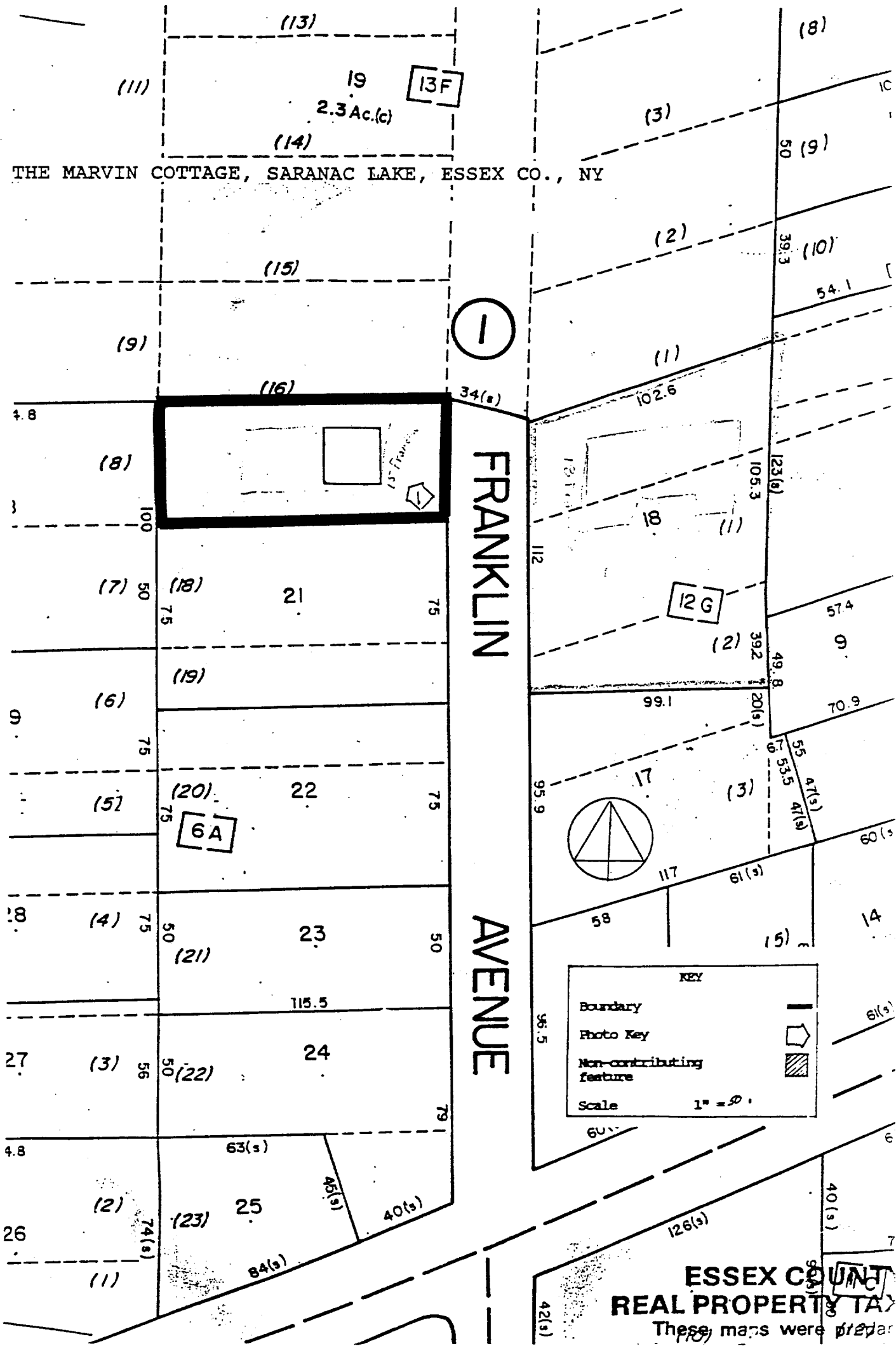
The boundary of the nominated property include the parcel historically associated with the property.

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11. Form Prepared By

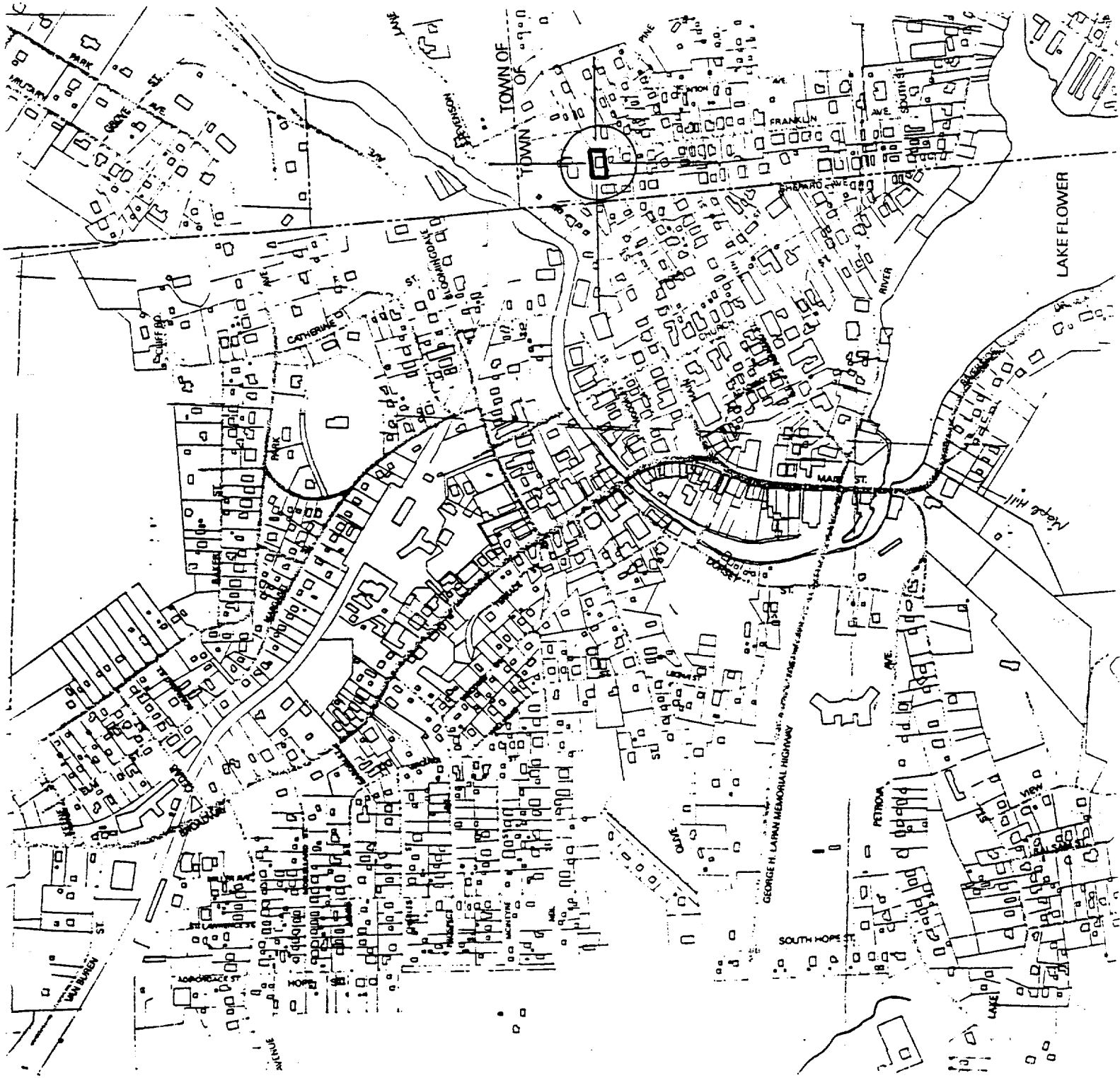
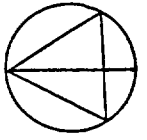
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The Village of
Saranac Lake
M.P.D.F.

Saranac Lake, NY
Zone 18
Scale: 1:24,000

Easting 569640
Northing 4908520

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