



THE DARBY-HETFIELD HOUSE. This simple Colonial farmhouse dates back to 1830. It was built by Hannah Darby and, in 1902, was purchased by Sarah Hetfield. Hetfield was from a prominent family with roots going back to the Revolutionary War. In 1937, Ruth and Art Mayer purchased the house at a tax sale for \$265; the lawyer's fee for the transaction was only \$5. Fortunately, the house was restored and enlarged by the Mayers.



A HOTEL TO A RESIDENCE. The Homestead Hotel developed from a pre-Revolutionary farmhouse into a resort for city dwellers. Originally named the Russell House, the Homestead was purchased in 1890 by the Boucher siblings and was converted to this residential dwelling. Clarence Slocum bought it in 1931 and sold it to the borough in 1974. Unsuitable as a borough hall, it was razed in 1978 to make way for the current borough offices.