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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY: **Buildings & Structures**

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437 June-December 1981

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621 Vineyard Point Road 1. ADDRESS (map 2, lot 8)

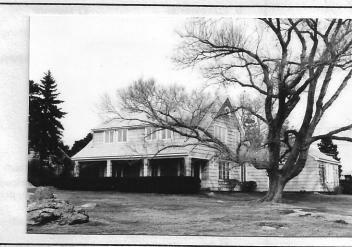
2. NAME Oliver Ober (historic)

NAME (common)

3. USE (historic)

USE Private house (present)

4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



5. ARCHITECT

6. DATE

1928

BUILDER

Bungalow STYLE

7. ALTERATIONS

Attached garage; second floor window sash.

DESCRIPTION

The overhanging roof over an open porch, broad gable 8. NOTABLE FEATURES and shed dormer are features associated with the bungalow style, although this house is much larger than most bungalows. Along with similar buildings on Vineyard Point, this is an excellent example of the cottages originally built for summer use.

In 1915 The Seashore Realty Company, de-9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL velopers, bought 9.7 acres on the west side of Vineyard Point from Ida Omogene and Julia Adele Newhall, with plans to develop 37 lots. (Map on file in the Town Hall). The company

went into bankruptcy and the plan was not carried out.

On July 17, 1923, D. Spencer Berger, acquired the property from "the Newhall sisters" with the view of developing a congenial summer colony, with a community beach and tennis court. He erected a cottage on the western shore point. Ralph Langley bought land adjacent to it in December, 1924 and built a cottage. Next came George Hawley and Nathan Dane in 1925, then Richard Whitehead, George Johnson, Raymond MacOrmond, Almon Hall, Oliver Ober, Orrin Spencer and Harry Bartholomev When the original Berger cottage burned in (cont'd. on next sheet)

10. SOURCES Spencer Berger (son of D. Spencer Berger) interview; Joel E. Helander, Guilford Land Records.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

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9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL cont'd.

December, 1931, it was replaced by the present house, designed by Douglas Orr. The Langley house was moved to its present site. Almon Hall is the sole surviving builder. Following World War II most of the cottages have been winterized. See also 39 Vineyard Place Road.

The eastern side of Vineyard Point was an earlier development with Cottages dating from 1880 to 1910.