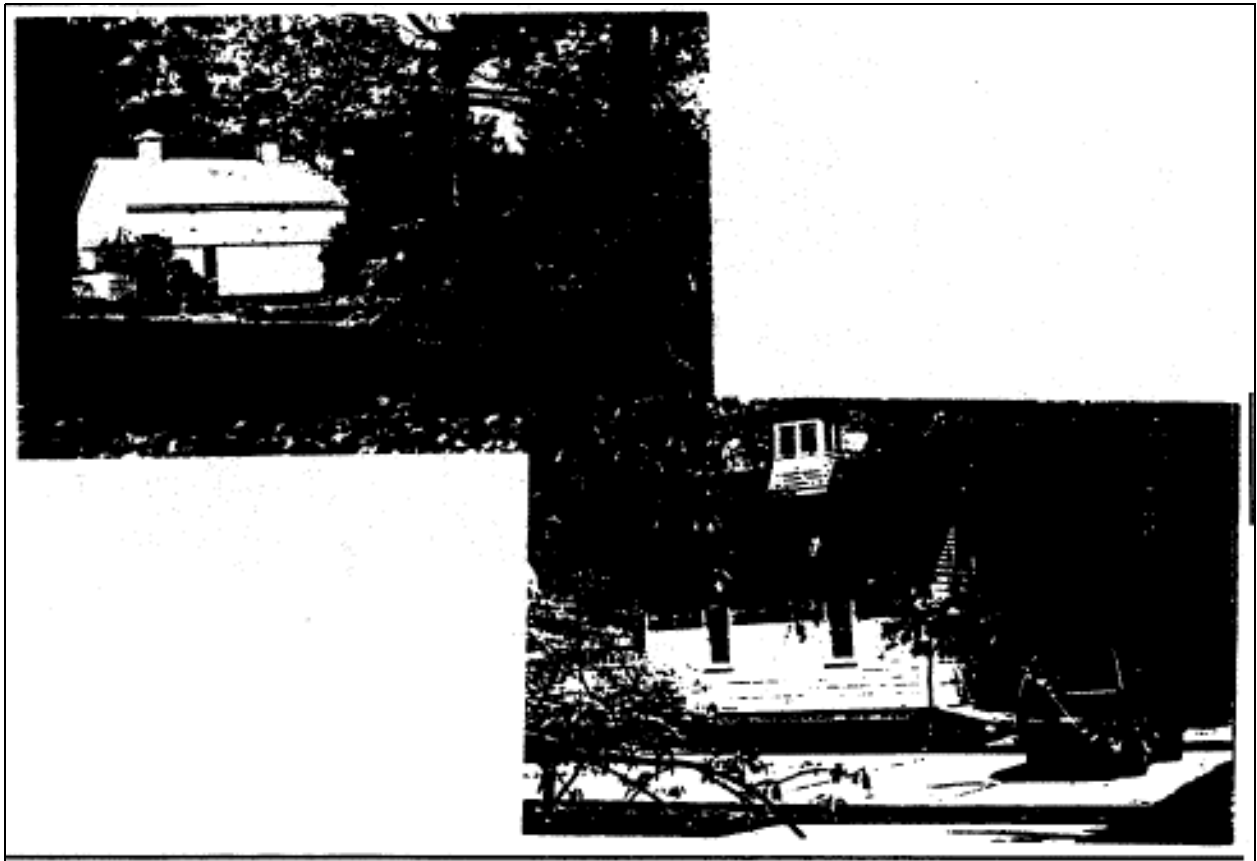


## OUTBUILDINGS

The suburban nature of Kensington and the easy accessibility to the train and trolley did not warrant the construction of many barns and carriage houses. There are only five carriage houses in the historic district. Warner's house, now the Circle Manor Nursing Home, has the largest carriage house in the district. The house at 3947 also has a carriage house that is typical of the other carriage houses in the district in height and distance from the main house. Although many lots have never been built upon, the majority of outbuildings in Kensington are limited to small sheds and garages.

In the 1910s and 1920s, the storage of the automobile was of growing importance to owners, and houses began to be accompanied by a new building type — the garage. Intended to provide the utilitarian function of protecting an automobile, its architectural development was primarily patterned on the horse and carriage stable. In the first decades of the 20th century, the separate hawing of automobiles coincided with the affluent ambience in Kensington.



**Figure 15:** Typical outbuildings in Kensington