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MUNROE W. COPPER, JR., FAIA

The architect for fifty-three of the seventy-six contributing houses of the Forest Glen Estates Historic District was Munroe W. Copper, Jr. through his design firm, Dunn and Copper.

Copper was born in 1897 and raised in Philadelphia. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in architecture, coming to Cleveland in 1921. In 1924, he made his partnership with Donald Dunn. He was known for upper class development. Throughout Ohio, large, older cities with expanding manufacturing growth, increasing commercial density and center city redevelopment were growing with new, designed residential areas and town centers. While the new villages that Warren Manning's suggested plan envisioned were never constructed, Forest Glen was clearly a product of such design. The strong influence of Shaker Heights near Cleveland, Upper Arlington near Columbus and Mariemont near Cincinnati can be seen in Forest Glen. Shaker Heights (1905), Upper Arlington (1915) and Mariemont (1921) were very large and included many building types or town centers. Forest Glen Estates continued the Shaker Heights themes of main boulevard streets and site and design restrictions. Kreider-Rotzel used three of the architects who designed many of the Shaker Heights houses. The landscape architect for Upper Arlington, William Pitkin, Jr., was a landscape architect for Forest Glen Estates. Mariemont, contemporary with Forest Glen, was a design of Boston urban planner John Nolan. All of these designed communities incorporated curvilinear streets, a continuity of landscape details and modest intersection parks to tie the community character together and to distinguish the area from nearby townscapes. Each employed the architectural themes of conservative, revival styles of architecture expressed in quality materials and solid construction to lure the upper middle class residents. Each insisted on lot size, setback, building type and land use restrictions similar to those used in the Boardman Township allotment to surrounded residents with serene, wooded and grassy landscaping.

Forest Glen Estates as a planned neighborhood of houses has one similar contemporary comparisons in the Mahoning Valley. McDonald, Trumbull County, was designed as a worker housing new town, with homogenous house designs, a town center, school and park; it had no upper class houses. In the Youngstown area, Forest Glen Estates has one neighborhood of comparable design comparison, Loveland Farms Allotment. It was designed with curvilinear streets, a school and working class houses close to the production offices and laboratory of Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company. The landscape architect for the allotment is not known.

## Cleveland Architects

## Monroe Walker Copper, Jr.

Birth/Established: December 5, 1897

Death/Dissolved: November 12, 1985

**Biography:** Monroe W. Copper Jr. was born in Philadelphia and was a 1918 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Architecture. He left school for the Navy and served in the Atlantic during World War I. He later became a member of the Naval Reserve, returning to active service during World War II. He came to Cleveland in 1920 to work for Walker and Weeks where he worked on plans for the Cleveland Public Library and the Federal Reserve Bank. He also worked for architects Howell & Thomas. In 1924 he opened a practice with Donald O. Dunn, which lasted until Dunn's death in 1932. He specialized in elegant traditional residences in the Georgian and French style. He designed over 2,000 homes, 59 churches, 11 restaurants, and nine commercial buildings. He was a member of the firm of Copper and Conrad from 1934 to 1940. He was a member of the firm of Copper, Wade & Peck in 1945, later Copper & Wade and finally Copper, Wade, Copper & Rhaynes.

## Building List

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Status
Residence for W.P. Stewart	1922	3574 Strathavon Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Bertram Rothwell Residence	1923	15020 Shore Acres Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Mrs. A. Squire Ogden Residence	1924	15019 Shore Acres Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Residence for M.D. Howell	1924	18414 Lynton Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Howard Wiebenson Residence	1924	3046 Woodbury Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for Walter Wiebenson	1924	10011 Cliff Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Conrad Splittorf Residence	1924	17103 Fernway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for R.R. Zisette	1924	17725 Fernway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Chester B. Gynn Residence	1924	2841 Brighton Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
M.D. Howell Residence	1924	3345 Kenmore Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F.H. Webb	1924	3350 Lansmere Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Stiles Curtis Smith Residence	1925	2867 Torrington Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
J.H. Thompson Residence	1925	2906 Claremont Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F.H. Webb	1925	3304 Chalfant Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F. Webb	1925	3299 Elsmere Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
F.G. Walker Residence	1925	3300 Avalon Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
W.W. Wood Residence	1925	3265 Dorchester Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Mrs. Jessie Gundling Residence	1925	3305 Grenway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for Lombardo and Aveni	1925	3666 Hilldana Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Fred J. Bergold Residence	1925	3520 Ingleside Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
J.R. McGraw Residence	1925	3326 Lansmere Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
E. Hughes Residence	1925	3598 Glencairn Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for C.A. Thompson	1926	21006 Brantley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F. Webb	1926	20700 Brantley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for C.A. Thompson	1926	21306 Brantley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for J.R. Martin	1926	18009 Fernway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for J.R. Martin	1926	16817 Fernway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for J.R. Martin	1926	17821 Fernway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Grief Raibel Residence	1926	19616 Shelburne Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Dr. C.E. Cristie Residence	1926	2939 Kingsley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F. Webb	1926	3359 Elsmere Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
C.W. Yeager Residence	1926	3259 Avalon Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F.G. Holtkamp	1926	3336 Grenway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
C.B. Hall Residence	1926	3315 Grenway Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
George Kendrick Residence	1926	18432 Lynton Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
G.W. Price Residence	1926	3266 Ingleside Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Wilbur Brooks Residence	1927	18927 Shelburne Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing

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R.R. Bingham Residence	1927	3326 Braemar Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for F. Webb	1927	3355 Elsmere Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Monroe Copper Residence "Hearthside"	1932		Gates Mills	OH	Standing
Residence for Marshall W. Ulf	1935	22350 McCauley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence for Gunderson-Sheppard	1935	2691 Landon Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
E.W. Valensi Residence	1936	2711 Cranlyn Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Mrs. G. Gordner Residence	1936	23976 Stanford Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Mr. and Mrs. George Richman Residence	1937	2849 Glengary Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
E.P. Jones Residence	1937	22600 Calverton Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
H.B. Shepard Residence	1937	2724 Shelley Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Residence	1941	1300 Inglewood Drive	Cleveland Heights	OH	Standing
John Keine Residence	1941	1300 Inglewood Drive	Cleveland Heights	OH	Standing
R.D. Hickok Residence	1941	20650 Almar Drive	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Mayfield Methodist Church	1947		Mayfield	OH	Standing
Pebble Brook Farm for Griefe Raible	1949	9760 Mayfield Road	Chesterland	OH	Standing
A-T-O Inc. (Figgie International) Headquarters	1970	4420 Sherwin Road	Willoughby	OH	Unknown
Christ Episcopal Church	nd	3445 Warrensville Center Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Firestone Residence	nd		Akron	OH	Unknown
Bolton Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Augustus Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Hoover Residence	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Clark's Shakertown	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Edward Wiebenson Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
John Anderson Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
G. T. Ogden Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown

**Sources:**

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