This gable-to-street house on Cottage Street is shaded by large trees and pines. It is situated in a picturesque neighborhood of modest Stick-style homes on small lots.
This twentieth-century vernacular-style building features a one-story ell on its northwest corner. The west facade displays an open porch with raking cornice and turned columns raised upon a shingled balustrade. There is a six-over-one sash in the gable end. The south elevation displays a one-story bay window and entry door and two second-story shed roof wall dormers with six-over-one sash. The east elevation reveals a shingled open corner porch with turned columns and an enclosed shingled balustrade.

The Willard H. Hart House was built around 1921. Hart (1868-1937) was the son of Ellen M. Hart (1848-1931) who lived next door to this house. Hart was a machinist employed at the Republic Steel Corporation after living for several years in New Hartford. His mother, Ellen, first purchased several lots on Cottage Street from Sherman and Frank Sanford, partners in a lumber and construction company (FLR 80:293). One lot she sold to her son in October of 1821 (FLR 80:294). One day following this transaction, Willard purchased a 25' lot next to his lot purchased from his mother (FLR 80:295). By October 29, 1921, he mortgaged the two pieces of land "with buildings" to the Farmington Savings Bank (FLR 75:305). In 1937 just before his death Willard sold the house and land to his brother Charles G. Hart (b. 1884) (FLR 91:547).

The Willard H. Hart House contributes to the historic appearance of Cottage Street.