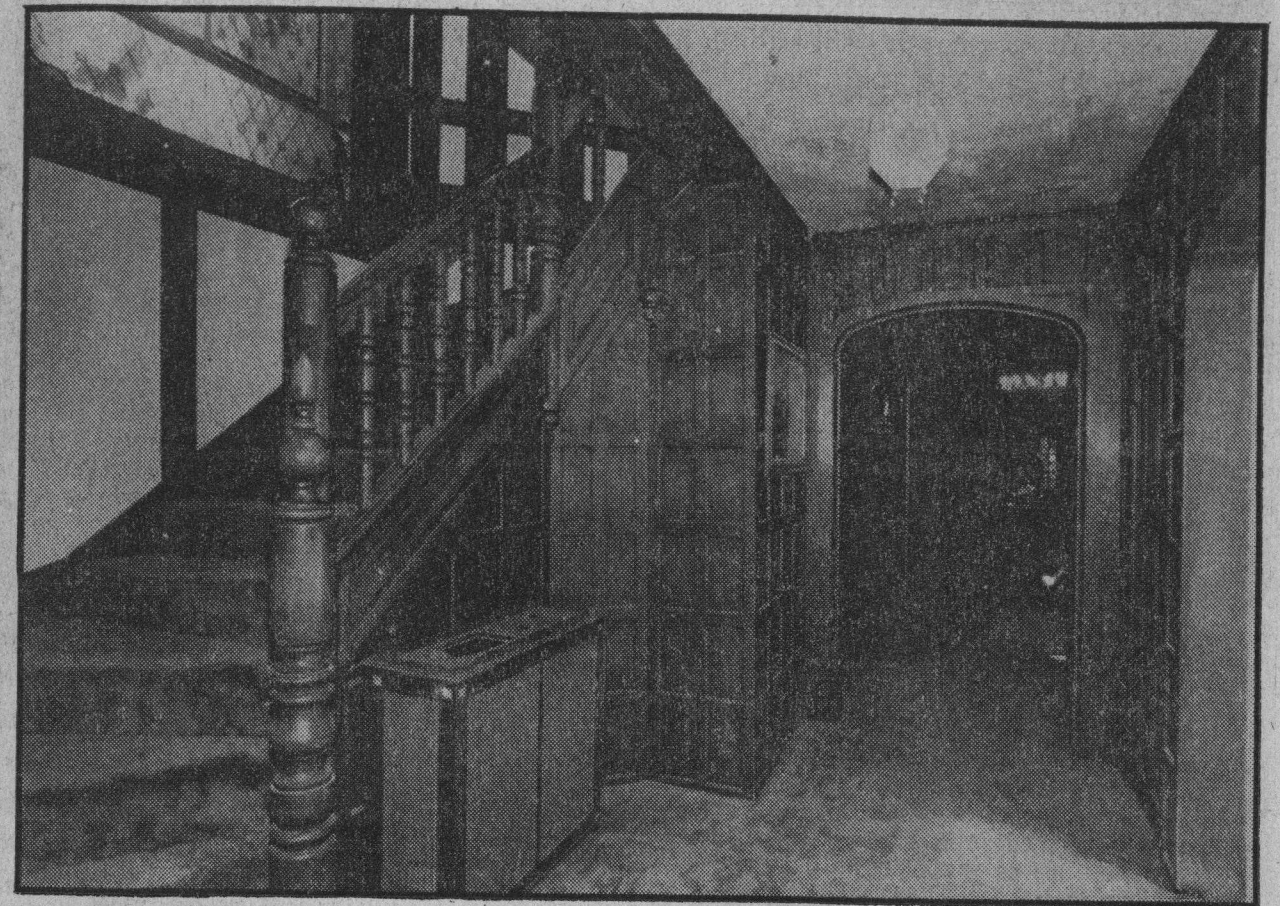
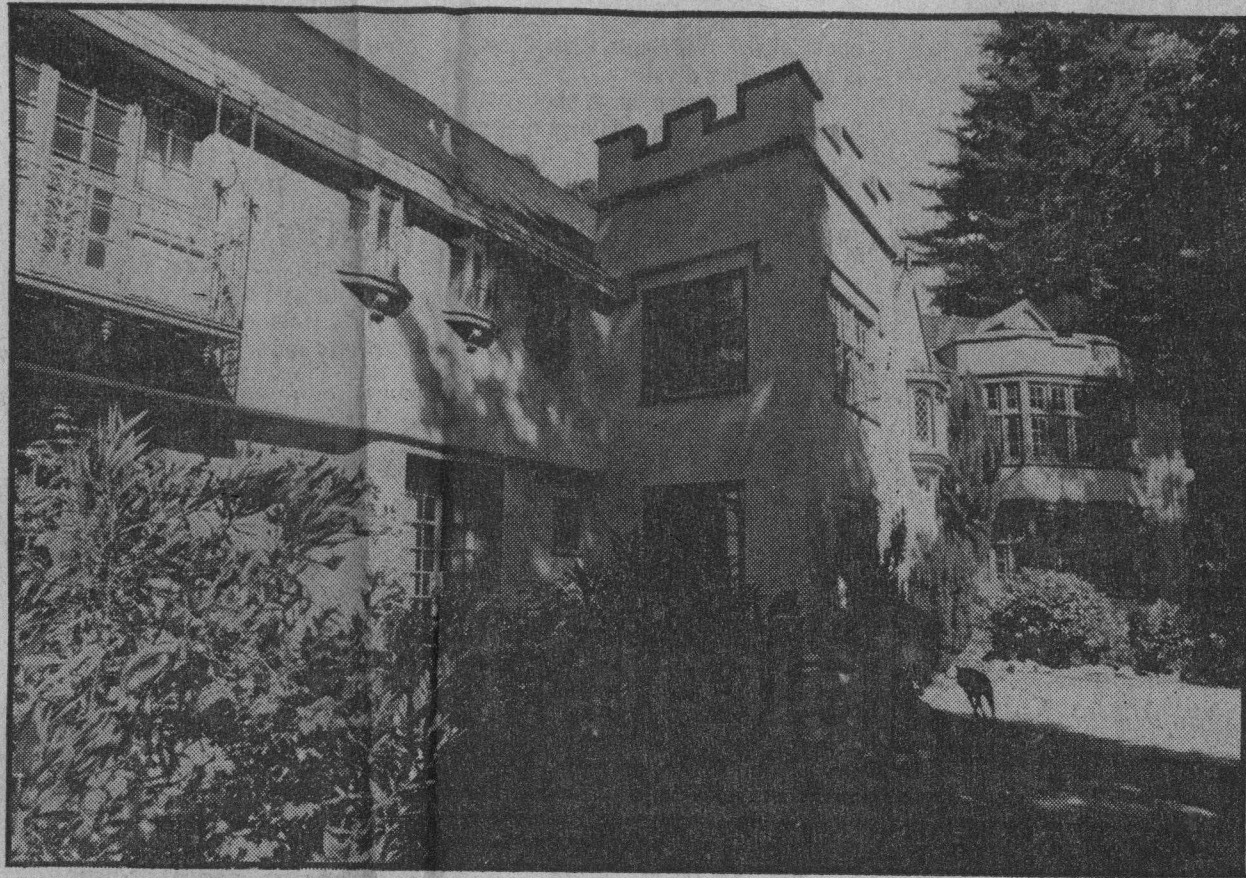


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## A 'Great House' On The River



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There are very few English-style "Great Houses" in Santa Cruz County... I can think of only one other, the former Eaton House which overlooks the Pajaro Valley.

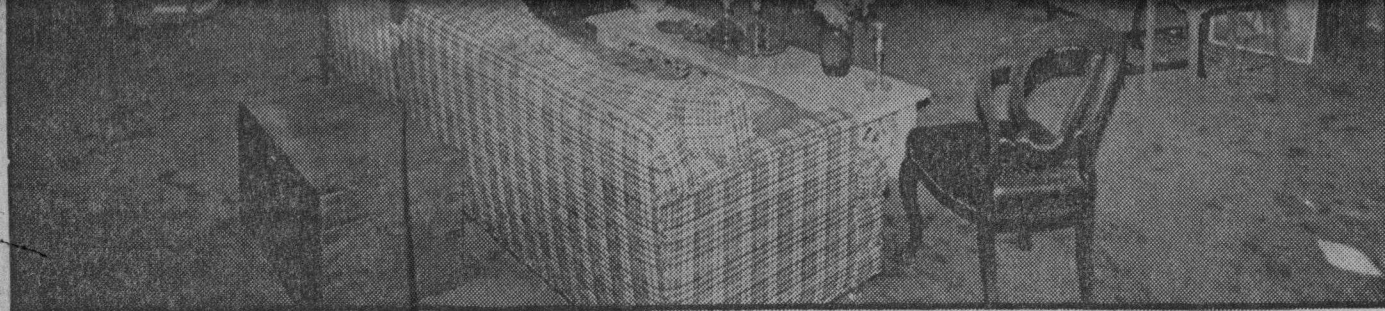
There are other large houses — the Risdon House in Capitola which is Spanish style, and the Cummings House in Watsonville which is Mediterranean, to name two outstanding examples.

But Riverwood, the 8000-square foot "castle" on the San Lorenzo River near Brookdale is truly English "Great House." And it has been hidden from the world for years.

Anyone driving Highway 9 might catch a quick glimpse of turrets and leaded windows and gray walls and do a double-take wondering "Am I in California or England?" But the view is so fleeting — gone in an instant on a curve which demands the driver's skill and attention — that







Top, view of Riverwood exterior and main entry hall. Above, living room; door detail. Pat Sambuck Wilder, below in the music room, which also is shown bottom right. Detail of ceiling in library, bottom left.

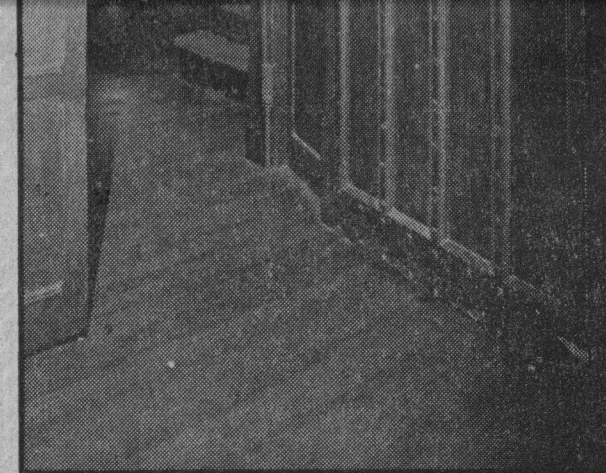
That house, Riverwood, a castle on the San Lorenzo River, is to be the scene of an elegant gourmet dinner and gracious evening of music for 20 lucky people on August 27.

Friends of the Cabrillo Music Festival are awarding two tickets to each of 10 people at its San Juan Day performance on August 24.

They will be treated to an evening in the tradition of the mansion's past history, with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in the music room to the accompaniment of chamber music, then a continental feast prepared by Chef Howard Phillipe, former owner of the Salmon Poacher in Soquel.

After dinner they may wander into the library or one of two living rooms, formal with floor-to-ceiling redwood paneling and heavy beamed ceilings.

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