

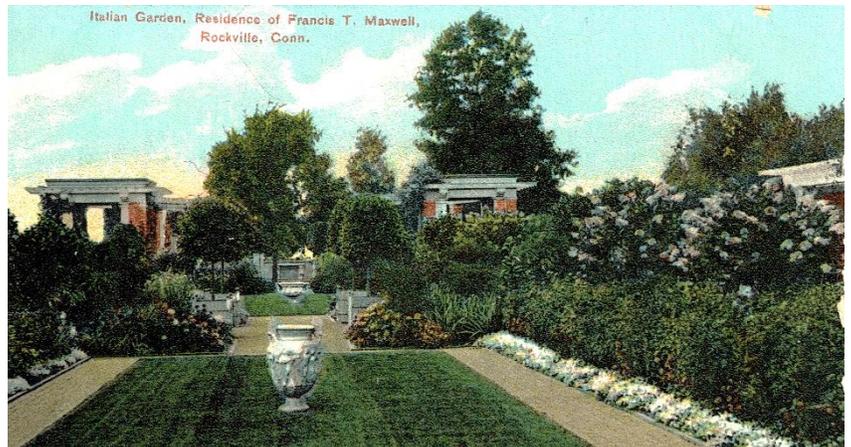
## Vernon Historical Society Presents a Tour of Maxwell Court, Rockville



On **Sunday, October 30, at 1:00 p.m.**, the public is invited to tour the Francis T. Maxwell House, designed by Charles Adams Platt (1861-1933), a renowned architect and one of America's most influential landscape designers. Located at **9 North Park Street, Vernon**, the Colonial-Classical Revival mansion was

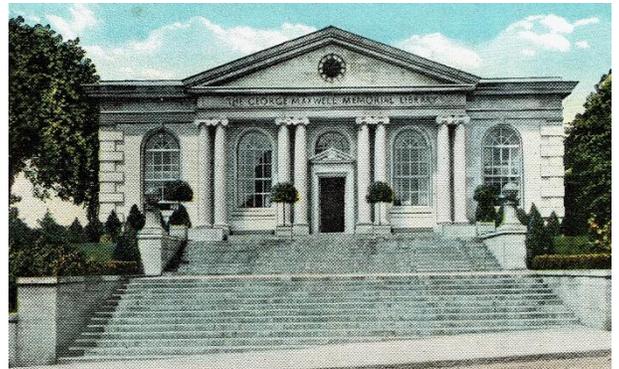
built in 1902-1904, Platt's first large-scale project, which integrates the mansion and the surrounding landscape. The house and 4.5 acres are located on a hill above the city of Rockville with broad views to the south and west.

With its architecture, gardens, and landscape, influenced by the Villa Gamberaia near Florence, the Maxwell estate was an important model in the American country-house movement. Mr. Maxwell was a part-owner of the Hockanum Mills Company in Rockville.



Susan Barlow, Manchester's Town Historian, will speak about Platt's work, and his roots in Connecticut as a member of the Cheney family, prominent in Manchester for their silk manufacturing. Dennis Cartier, of Rockville Elks Lodge #1359, will lead a tour of the building.

After the mansion tour, we will walk to two other Platt buildings in Rockville: Kellogg Lawn, now Rockville Hospital, and the Maxwell Memorial Library, returning to our cars after the walk. Park and meet at 9 North Park Street, Rockville. Rain or shine.



This collaborative meeting is free and open for everyone to come and enjoy.

For more information or questions, please call the Society at 860-875-4326 or visit our website at [vernonhistoricalsoc.org](http://vernonhistoricalsoc.org).