

**Van Nest** Pieter Pietersen van Neste came from Holland and settled in the Bronx in 1647. One of his descendants, Reynier van Nest, owned a saddlery shop during the early nineteenth century. Reynier's son, Abraham, served as director of the suburban line of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. There is a Van Nest Memorial Park which was dedicated in honor of the family members who had died in World War I. The park is located on the road which connects Bronxdale with the Westchester Turnpike.