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Clark County Historic Preservation Commission Staff Report

Project Number:

PRJ-147037 / LUP-42122

Project Name:

Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building

Project Address:

1001 Main Street

Owner/Applicant:

Dean W. Irvin

114 E 6th Street

Vancouver WA 98660

Staff:

Bryan Monroe-Associate Planner

Meeting Date:

April 7, 2015

I. SUMMARY

The Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building is located at 1001 Main Street (Tax Assessor Serial Number 39310000). The property owner has requested nomination of the properties to the Clark County Heritage Register.

II. <u>CLARK COUNTY HERITAGE REGISTER AND NATIONAL REGISTER OF</u> HISTORIC PLACES STATUS

The subject building is not on any historic register currently. Consent for nomination and designation to the Clark County Heritage Register has been signed by the owners of the property.

III. HISTORIC NAME

Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building

IV. COMMON NAME

None

V. BOARD RESPONSIBILITY

Under the City of Vancouver Ordinance M-3243 (VMC Chapter 17.39), the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission has the responsibility for reviewing matters of historic preservation within the City of Vancouver.

VI. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The applicant's statement of significance for the nomination identifies Criteria 1, 2, and 5. Criterion 1 involves associating the structure to events that have made a significant contribution to the broad local, state, or national history. Criterion 2 relates the structure to a distinctive architectural characteristic of a type period, or method of design or construction or representation of a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction. The nomination also identified Criterion 5 regarding persons of significance in national, state, or local history.

VII. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building dates back to 1930. The building was designed by the firm of Higgins and Biederman of Portland, Oregon and built by Henry Albert Schute of Vancouver.

The Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan design is a two-story building with basement located on the northeast corner of Main Street and Evergreen Boulevard. The building has a rectangular footprint measuring 50 feet x 65 feet and a flat roof with parapet. When originally constructed, the main elevations featured three archways and a bay on either side of them. Two marble columns and their ornate plaster capitals reached upward to establish the middle arch. The column bases were marble as well. The first floor entrance to the building is set back from the archways. Above the arches was decorative cornice flanked by artistic tile work running along the roofline and continuing along the Evergreen facade. On the roof, directly behind the front parapet and centered on the arches was a terra-cotta hip roof measuring 22 feet x 11 feet. The second floor windows are of two types. There are four round-arched windows on the Evergreen facade, below their sills are rectangle windows set in a manner to extend the arch creating a tribute to the arches at the western front. Other second floor windows are four pairs of nine-pane rectangular type that allow light into corner offices. There is geometrical relief work above each of these windows. A substantial two-part marquee on the southwest corner displayed the name Vancouver Federal horizontally and vertically.

A reproduction of the architect's blueprints, published in April of 1929, reveals how the building was to be constructed, showing an elevator and alluding to five additional floors. Since the building's height terminated at two floors, the elevator was unnecessary.

Many of the features and materials came from the area and local craftsmen designed and fabricated them. Marble and exterior plaster was used on the facades of the building. Nineteen tons of terra-cotta from Seattle was used along with tannish-grey marble called Sequoyah for the exterior and an attractive grey with reddish grained marble called Lunel for inside. All the marble came from Portland and cost \$5,000.

The fact that the building was a financial institution meant it required a strongly built foundation, walls and flooring. In the basement, the floor is four-inch thick concrete with a half-inch cement finish coat. The exterior walls are 18-inch thick reinforced concrete. The foundation alone used twenty-six tons of reinforcing steel, 800 yards of gravel and sand, 15,000 feet of rough lumber and 700 barrels of cement. The building only has two stories but is strong enough to hold an additional five stories. Other records note that the basement vault was built with floors and walls both 18-inches thick.

The interior of the building was an opulent showcase of marble and mahogany. The marble columns were repeated inside. They directed attention to the mezzanine area that was open to view and had a beautiful mahogany rail to look over. On the ground floor, was the service counter made of solid mahogany with marble panels and bases. A gate matching the rails allowed access. To the right of the lobby was a substantial mahogany staircase with tooled balusters and marble accents leading upwards. Further to the right was a doorway topped by a mahogany fan relief. The doorway opened to the stairway that led down. Throughout the building were offices that were identified by beautiful molding, trim, jams, dividers, sashes, mantles, wainscot, and frames. The doors had brass and glass fixtures and accents. Marble was also prevalent. Artistic plaster was on the walls and ceiling and used to create capitals atop the marble columns. The woodwork, consisting mainly of mahogany, was supplied by the Central Planing Mill of Vancouver. Braley & Lee was the plumbing contractor and Marshall Electric of Portland performed the electrical work. The permit for the building was \$46,000.

In the mid-1960s the structure was "modernized" and covered with stone facing on the first floor with aggregate panels and metal storefront on the upper floors. The building has had the 1960 materials removed. The applicant has restored many of the original elemental features from the initial building design.

VIII. STAFF REVIEW AND COMMENT

The review criteria for the proposal are listed in the adopted rules and regulations of the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission (VMC 17.39). Any building, structure, site, object or district may be designated for inclusion in the Clark County Heritage Register if it:

- Has integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association; and
- Is at least fifty years old, or is of lesser age and has exceptional importance; and
- Is significantly associated with the history, architecture, archaeology, engineering or cultural heritage of the community; and
- Meets at least one of the criteria listed at VMC 17.39.070.
 - Is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state or local history;
 - Embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type period, style or method of design or construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components ma lack individual distinction.

Finding: The structure has integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. Major alterations have occurred over time and the surrounding

area has greatly changed; however, after removing the renovated storefront the massing, significant features, location, design, materials, and feeling of the structure remain very much the same.

The structure is more than 50 years old (circa 1930).

The structure is associated with Clark County history with respect to the individuals and their businesses and personal roles in the community. The applicant has provided in depth biography material on both building owners and their contributions to Vancouver history.

Staff finds that the applicant has established that the structure is associated with the lives of persons and businesses significant in local history events and that the structure embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of the architect.

Designation and listing on the Clark County Heritage Register is an honorary designation denoting significant association with the historic, architectural, archaeological, engineering or cultural heritage of the community. Properties will be listed individually and as contributing properties to the Heritage Overlay District #2 (VMC 20.510.020 B).

Once listed, heritage register properties will be subject to the requirements of both VMC 17.39 and VMC 20.510. Such regulations include but are not limited to:

- Prior to the commencement of any work associated with the significant features as defined in the designation of the register property or historic district, excluding ordinary repair, maintenance and emergency measures defined in VMC Section 17.39.080 the property owner must request and receive a certificate of appropriateness from the commission.
- Any alterations shall meet the requirements of the Heritage Overlay District #2, VMC 20.510.020 B.5 a-r.
- Prior to whole or partial demolition of a register property or historic district property, the owner must request and receive a waiver of a certificate of appropriateness. The requirements of VMC 20.510.030 C shall also apply to demolition requests.
- After demolition of a structure the commission may initiate removal of the property from the Clark County Heritage Register.
- All properties which are designated and listed on the Clark County Heritage Register shall have a copy of the listing recorded with the county auditor's office. A copy of the designation and listing letter for recording shall be forwarded to the auditor's office by commission staff.

VII. STAFF CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION

Staff finds that the nomination of the Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building meets all four of the four criteria of VMC 17.39.070 and the adopted Rules and Regulations of the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission. Staff recommends the listing of the Vancouver Federal Savings & Loan Building on the Clark County Heritage Register subject to listed conditions of approval.

VIII. EXHIBITS

- 1. Vicinity Map
- **2.** Nomination Form
- 3. Applicant submitted exhibits

XI. APPEAL

The commission's decision regarding a nomination to the Clark County Heritage Register may be appealed to the City Council. Appeal of the City Council's decision may be appealed to superior court. The letter of appeal shall state the case number designated by the City and the name of the applicant, name and signature of each petitioner and a statement showing that each petitioner is entitled to file the appeal under VMC Chapter 20, and the specific aspect(s) of the decision and reasons why each aspect is in error as a matter of fact or law, and the evidence relied upon to prove the error.

A fee of \$1,312.00 must accompany the appeal. However, if the aggrieved party is a recognized neighborhood association, the fee assessed is \$98.00. Submit the appeal request and fee to Development Review Services, either at the Customer Service Counter, first floor of the City Hall, 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver, WA, or to PO Box 1995, Vancouver, WA, 98668-1995.

For more information on the appeal process, please refer to Vancouver Municipal Code 20.00.800 or contact Development Review Services at 360-696-8005.

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Greg Turner, Manager

Land Use Team

3-24-15 Date

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E-mail (required): mwdoeld @ Me . com

Planning Permit Application LAND USE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION (LUP)

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Clark County, Washington Historic Preservation Commission

Clark County Heritage Register Nomination Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A) http://www.nps.gov/history/nr/publications/bulletins/nrb16a/. Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. This form is similar but not exact to the National Register of Historic Places nomination form. Some sections of the National Register form were not applicable to the local register therefore were not included. When using the National Register Bulletin 16A to fill out the form, look for the section names for information on completing the specific section. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets. Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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5. Functions or Use Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) Commerce/Trade: Financial Institution	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions) Commerce/Trade: Restaurant
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6. Description Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) 50'x 65' Rectangle 2-Story, Two Part Block Spanish Mediterranean	Materials (Enter categories from instructions) foundation
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	other Stucco Cladding

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

7. Statement of Significance

Applicable	Clark	County	Heritage	Register
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1	It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state, or local history.
X 2	It embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style, or method of design or construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
3 	It is an outstanding work of a designer, builder, or Architect who has made a substantial contribution to their field.
4	It exemplifies or reflects special elements of the county's history.
x 5	It is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state, or local history
6	It has yielded or may be likely to yield important Archaeological information related to history or prehistory.
7	It is an historic building or cultural resource removed from its original location but which is significant for architectural value, or association with an historic person or event, or prehistory.
8	It is a birthplace of grave of a prehistoric or historical Figure of outstanding importance and is the o nly surviving structure or site associated with that person.
9	It is a cemetary or burial site which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, or cultural patterns.
	It is a reconstructed building that has been executed in a historically accurate manner on the original site.
11	It is a creative and unique example of folk architecture

and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and

which does not fit into formal architectural or

historical categories.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)
COMMERCE
HEALTH\MEDICAL
Period of Significance 1929
Significant Dates 1929
1963
Significant Person (Complete if Criterion 2 is marked above)
John Bert (J.B.) Atkinson
Dr. Alvido R. Rich
Cultural Affiliation
First building in Clark County built
specifically as a Federal Savings & Loan
Architect/Builder Higgins & Biederman Architects
Portland, OR Job# 33 (1929)
Nelson, Walla & Dolle Architects
Vancouver, WA Job# 4763 (1963)

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.) WGS Maps (2), Copies of selected Blueprints and Period Photos - 1929, 1963 Clark County Property Information - Account Summary Sanborn Digital Maps (1911, 28, 49) Downtown Vancouver Assn Facade Improvement Plan (1994) Cover, pg. 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, (2) photos Oregonian Newspapers (1920-22) Apr 30, Aug 18, 1920; Feb 18, Aug 4, Sep 15, Sep 21, 1921; Jan 22, May 3, Dec 5, Dec 19, 1922 Columbian Newspapers (1929-1930) May 25, May 27, Continuous AD May 29 1929; Jun 3, Continuous AD Jun 17, Jun 17, Jun 24, Continuous AD Jun 24, Jun 31, Continuous AD Jun 31, Jul 1, Jul 1, Jul 2, Jul 8, Jul 15, Jul 15, Dec 27, Dec 28, AD Dec 30, AD Dec 30, Dec 30, Dec 31, 1929; AD May 28, 1930 History of the Columbia River Valley from the Dalles to the sea Volume 2 [Fred Lockley] (1928), pgs. 454-455; WA Business Doc Volume 4 (1922) pg 1 and 2; U.S. Census 1940; Previous documentation on file (CCHR): Preliminary determination of individual listing has been requested Previously listed in the Clark County Heritage Register X Previously determined eligible by the Clark County Heritage Register Recorded by Clark County Cultural Resources Inventory Survey # Primary location of additional data: State Historic Preservation Office Other State agency Federal agency Local government University Other Name of repository: 9. Geographical Data Acreage of Property: Less than One Acre. **UTM References** (Place additional UTM References on a continuation sheet.) 10 5 25 620 50 | 52 Zone Easting Northing Easting Northina Zone Easting Northing Zone Northing Easting

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

8. Major Bibliographical Research

The nominated property is located in downtown Vancouver, WA and is legally described as EAST VANCOUVER #1; LOTS 5 & 6; BLK 44. It is otherwise known as Clark County Parcel 038650 and 038640.

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The nominated property encompasses the entire urban tax lot occupied by the Vancouver Federal Savings and Loan Building.

10. Form Prepared By

name/title	
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Mark Dodd

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organization		date	Jan 5, 2015
street & number	106 W 9th Street	telephone	360-607-7946
city or town	Vancouver	state WA	zip code 98660

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets Attatched

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative photographs of the property. ATTACHED

Additional items

(Check with the CCHPC Staff)

Property Owner

name W. Dea	an Irvin\Owner					
street & number	114 E. 6th Street		telephone	360-737-892	29	_
city or town	Vancouver	state	WA	zip code	98660	_

4b.	CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESER In my opinion, the property meets / d (See continuation sheet.)	VATION STAFF RECOMMENDATION does not meet the Clark County Heritage Register criter	ia.
Signa	ature of commenting staff	Date	
4c.	IN THE OPINION OF THE CLARK COU	VATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION / DECISION OF THE UNITY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION, THE THE CLARK COUNTY HERITAGE REGISTER	
	RPERSON, County Historic Preservation Commission	Date	

Clark County, Washington Historic Preservation Commission

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SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT

The Vancouver Federal Savings and Loan Association (VFS&LA) Building was built as a result of the importance of the Vancouver Saving and Loan Association throughout Clark County. Built in 1929 as a result of prosperous years providing realistic mortgage loans to people who normally could not afford short term ones and the high interest rates accompanying them; and assisting association members with basic savings and investing plans that yielded higher returns than commercial banks.

It was John Bert (J.B.) Atkinson's broad views and a clear vision of future needs, and devoted time and effort to providing the means whereby people could acquire homes and be enabled to pay for them comfortably, that proved a successful concern and resulted in assets of over half million dollars since VFS&LA's organization in January of 1921. (Fred Lockley said in his History of the Columbia River Valley From The Dalles to the Sea, Vol. III)

To this end, J.B., acting as the association's secretary, treasurer and manager; and his fellow officers, W. E. Carter, president; Fred Wark, vice-president; and W. C. Bates, counsel, grew the member-based institution into a highly regarded, solid and substantial financial company; recognized as such in the city and state as well as nationally.

J.B. Atkinson, his wife Mildred and son Neil moved to Vancouver in 1910 from Starbuck in eastern Washington. He had worked at the railroad for years in the yards and office, serving as chief clerk of the mechanical department for the Oregon Western RR & Navigation Co.. While doing so, he began writing fire insurance policies and contracts. He liked that line of work so much he eventually quit the railroad. This line of work led him to dealing real estate and taught him many skills and lessons that would assist him later.

After arriving in Vancouver, he set up his real estate, loan and insurance business. With the working knowledge provided by his current businesses, he prospered. J.B. decided to form a savings and loan. From his first office at 705 Main street, and eventually at 707 Washington, he began to promote the safety and security associated with S & L's. Some of his marketing statements were:

"Why not place you savings and surplus money in this association—Investigate!" "Our Association is well managed.", "We have never paid less than 6%." "Did you ever hear of anyone losing money in a S & L?"

Since he sold real state through his J.B. Atkinson & Co. and managed the S & L simultaneously, he could almost guarantee a mutually beneficial outcome for all parties.

The community counted on Atkinson in more ways. He actively promoted tourism and beautification for the city. He served as chairman of the police committee, chairman of the Chamber of Congress, was seven times elected councilman and filled the office of Mayor for a time. He was a member of organizations and fraternities, including the Commercial Club, York Rite Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and belonged to the IOOF, Rotary Club and attended the Methodist Episcopal church. His business recognitions were from the Portland Realty Board, SW Washington S & L Board as Vice President and others.

J.B Atkinson wanted to build a structure that represented his beliefs in Vancouver and it's citizens.

The Columbian called the building "magnificent", noting that J.B. Atkinson had largely, through his own efforts and zeal, built the savings & loan company, which he founded, to a position of expansion, where it was beginning to assume a vital place in the community business life. However, the man behind it's existence never was to occupy it. J.B. suffered a sudden death on December 26, 1929. His untimely death was a sense of shock and severe loss; a result of complications to a surgery.

Despite the loss of their founder, in 1930, VFS&LA hailed the success of their building and moved into it with plans to 'make their home for many years. Other businesses that occupied space in the building early on were H.A. Shute; Contractor, J.B. Atkinson & Co., F.S. Johnson Real Estate, West Coast Insurance, The Smart Shop, Fauble & Frey Barbershop and The Cavern Restaurant.

The Depression came and the building's tenants were able survive - in most part, as a result of working together. Neil Atkinson, J.B.'s son, mentioned he and his business managed during the depression and felt lucky as well." He eventually open his own insurance company in the building.

VFS&LA grew; ultimately occupying the building as a savings and loan only. The space was needed for the financial business, so other tenants relocated.

In 1962, VFS&LA was doing so well that another wonderful building was designed by Day Hilborn and erected at 1205 Broadway.

At this time the Dr. Alvido Rich bought the building and made changes to accommodate his optometry business.

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The Design and Construction of Vancouver Savings and Loan Association Building (VFS&LA)

The VFS&LA Building was designed by the firm of Higgins and Biederman of Portland, Oregon and built by Henry Albert Shute of Vancouver in 1929.

Wilfred Frank Higgins and Robert G. Biederman are known for the design of the prominent art deco Terminal Sales Building at 1220 SW Morrison St. in Portland in 1927. It was added to the NRHP in October 17, 1991



Shute was a carpenter turned contractor who is best known for building Shumway Junior High School, now known as Vancouver School of Arts and Academics at 3101 Main Street.



The VFS&LA design is a two-story building with basement typical of 1920's commercial construction, located on the corner of Main St. and Evergreen Blvd. It has a rectangular footprint measuring 50' x 65' and a flat roof with parapet. The decorative exterior is representative of Mediterranean style. When originally constructed, it's front two elevations featured three archways and a bay on either side of them. Two marble columns and their ornate plaster capitals reached upward to establish the middle arch. The column bases were marble too. The first floor entrance to the building is set back from the archways. Above the arches was decorative cornice flanked by artistic tile work running along the roofline and continuing along the south's facade. On the roof, directly behind the front parapet and centered on the arches was a terra-cotta hip roof measuring 22' x 11'. The second floor windows are of two types. There are four distinguishing round-arched windows that swivel open on the southern facade, below their sills are rectangle window set in a manner to extend the arch creating a tribute to the arches at the western front. Other second floor windows are four pairs of 9-pane rectangular type that allow light into corner offices. There is geometrical relief work above each of these windows. A substantial two-part marquee on the SW corner displayed the name Vancouver Federal horizontally and vertically.

Marble and exterior plaster was used on the facades of the VFS&LA Building.

The fact the building was a financial institution meant it required a strongly built foundation, walls and flooring. In the basement, the floor is 4" thick concrete with a ½" cement finish coat. The exterior walls are 18" thick reinforced concrete.

The foundation alone used twenty-six tons of reinforcing steel, 800 yards of gravel and sand, 15,000 feet of rough lumber and 700 barrels of cement. Builder, Shute, commented during construction that the foundation will only be required to bear two stories at the start, but is being placed strong enough to hold an additional five stories. Other records note that the vault, which is located in the basement, was built with floors and walls both 18" thick.

Nineteen tons of terra-cotta from Seattle was used along with tannish-grey marble called Sequoyah for the exterior and an attractive grey with reddish grained marble called Lunel for inside. All the marble came from Portland and cost \$5000. The woodwork, consisting mainly of mahogany, was supplied by the Central Planing mill of Vancouver. Braley & Lee was the plumbing contractor while Marshall Electric of Portland performed electrical work. The permit for the building was \$46,000.

A reproduction of the architect's blueprints, published in April of 1929, reveals how the building was to be constructed, showing an elevator and alluding to five additional floors. Since the building's height terminated at 2-floors, the elevator was unnecessary.

The interior of the building was an opulent showcase of marble and mahogany. The marble columns were repeated inside. They directed attention to the mezzanine area that was open to view and had a beautiful mahogany rail to look over. On the ground floor, was the service counter. It was solid mahogany with marble panels and bases. A gate matching the rails allowed access. To the right of the lobby was a substantial mahogany staircase with tooled balusters and marble accents leading upwards. Further to the right was a doorway topped by a mahogany fan relief. The doorway opened to the stairway that led down. Throughout the building were offices that were were identified by beautiful molding, trim, jams, dividers, sashes, mantles, wainscot, and frames. The doors had brass and glass fixtures and accents. Marble was also prevalent. Artistic plaster was on the walls and ceiling and used to create capitals atop the marble columns.

Many of the features came from the area and local craftsmen designed and fabricated them

The building served VFS&LA for over 30 years until it was outgrown.

Local optometrist, Dr Alvido Rich, who practiced a few doors down wanted to expand his operations and have an in-house manufacturing area to produce contacts and eyeglasses. He hired Nelson, Walla & Dolle Architects to remodel the building and create a modern clinic, manufacturing area and rental space. The front Mediterranean style texture and marble columns disappeared. The cornice and hip roof were removed. Instead, that lower west and south exterior was faced with stone veneer that was topped by a marblecrete stucco that covered all upper level windows. The lower southern windows were replaced with large display windows.

The second elevation on the front of the building was showcased by a 19'x 13' glass and louver midsection of multiple vertical sections. Behind the glass and louvers, a new porch was constructed and a entryway installed. Access to the porch was via a new switchback staircase hidden by the front facade. Another stairway leading to the basement was installed on the opposite side behind a new external doorway. Inside the main front entrance the wood and marble was removed, the stairway too and the the second floor opening sealed. A modern, bright and sanitary look hat had examination rooms and display cases replaced the mahogany and arches.

Dr. Rich was there for years before selling the building to Dr. Richard Payne who is known for his part in the Vancouver Eye Clinic. After the eye business moved north on Main Street, near Shumway junior high, the building had a few transitional businesses, including coffee shops, photo stores, bookstores and others before now housing Rosemary's Cafe, House of Providence Church and a beauty salon

In 1994, Vancouver introduced a Facade Improvement Plan that focused in part on the building at 1001 Main Street. It was considered an good example to promote reconditioning and revitalization of downtown landmarks, properties and buildings. Research, plans and suggestions were organized and incentives provided through programs that would require community involvement. Property owners who had a penchant for history and architecture could lead and participate. The current owner of the VFS&LA building has that desire and passion. He has improved and began renovations.

- GIS parcel data
- Biography of JB Atkinson
- Sandborn insurance maps
- Undated photo of original building design
- Copy of 1929 original Higgins and Biederman Architects plan
- 1963 rendering of proposed modernization
- Copy of 1963 "modernization" plans
- 2015 photo of building
- Current photos of interior and exterior building elements
- Copy of the 1994 façade improvement plan
- Associated newspaper articles
- Annual board report of Vancouver Savings and Loan
- 1940 Census roll



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Planning Permit Application LAND USE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION (LUP)

415 W 6th ST ~ Vancouver, WA 98660 PO Box 1995 ~ Vancouver, WA 98668 Phone (360) 487-7800 www.cityofvancouver.us

PRJ-147037 LUP-42122

Type Of Work ☐ Type I ☐ Type II Type III ☐ Type IV ☐ Tree Removal Only ** **Use Type** (Check One Box Only) ☐ Single Family **M** Commercial ☐ Multi-Family Industrial Residential ☐ Duplex ☐ Wireless Communications Facility (new) please see VMC 20.890 **Process Type**

☐ Streamline

Project Site Information And Location

Project site address: | DO | MAIN ST

Suite/bldg./apt #:

Project name: VAN FED SAV & LOAN Bld

Tax Assessor Serial Number: 39310000

Nearest intersection if no site address:

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Notice

I/we understand that per VMC 20.210.090 (Review for Counter Complete Status), if it is determined that the application is not complete, the City shall immediately reject and return the application.

I/we agree that City of Vancouver staff may enter upon the subject property at any reasonable time to consider the merits of the application, to take photographs and to post public notices.

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Name	DEAN W. IRVIN
Address:	114 E 6th ST
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E-mail:	
	hgindostriesinc @gmail.co
Name	SAME AS ABOVE
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	
E-mail (required):	
	Contact
Name	MARK Dodd
Address:	102 w 9th ST
City/State/Zip:	VANC WA 98660
Phone:	360-607-7946
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Clark County, Washington Historic Preservation Commission

Clark County Heritage Register Nomination Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A) http://www.nps.gov/history/nr/publications/bulletins/nrb16a/. Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. This form is similar but not exact to the National Register of Historic Places nomination form. Some sections of the National Register form were not applicable to the local register therefore were not included. When using the National Register Bulletin 16A to fill out the form, look for the section names for information on completing the specific section. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets. Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

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Commerce/Trade: Business	Religion/Religious Facility			
Health Care/Med Business/Office	Commerce/Trade: Specialty Store			
6. Description Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) 50'x 65' Rectangle 2-Story, Two Part Block Spanish Mediterranean	Materials (Enter categories from instructions) foundation			

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

7. Statement of Significance

Applicable Clark County Heritage Register Criteria

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X 1 X 2	It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state, or local history. It embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style, or method of design or construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
3	It is an outstanding work of a designer, builder, or Architect who has made a substantial contribution to their field.
4	It exemplifies or reflects special elements of the county's history.
× 5	It is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state, or local history
6	It has yielded or may be likely to yield important Archaeological information related to history or prehistory.
7	It is an historic building or cultural resource removed from its original location but which is significant for architectural value, or association with an historic person or event, or prehistory.
8	It is a birthplace of grave of a prehistoric or historical Figure of outstanding importance and is the o nly surviving structure or site associated with that person.
9 	It is a cemetary or burial site which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, or cultural patterns.
10 	It is a reconstructed building that has been executed in a historically accurate manner on the original site.
11	It is a creative and unique example of folk

and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and

which does not fit into formal architectural or

historical categories.

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Period of Significance 1929					
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Significant Person (Complete if Criterion 2 is marked above)					
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Dr. Alvido R. Rich					
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Higgins & Biederman Architects					
Portland, OR Job# 33 (1929)					
Nelson, Walla & Dolle Architects					
Vancouver WA Joh# 4763 (1963)					

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.) WGS Maps (2), Copies of selected Blueprints and Period Photos - 1929, 1963 Clark County Property Information - Account Summary Sanborn Digital Maps (1911, 28, 49) Downtown Vancouver Assn Facade Improvement Plan (1994) Cover, pg. 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, (2) photos Oregonian Newspapers (1920-22) Apr 30. Aug 18, 1920; Feb 18, Aug 4, Sep 15, Sep 21, 1921; Jan 22, May 3, Dec 5, Dec 19, 1922 Columbian Newspapers (1929-1930) May 25, May 27, Continuous AD May 29 1929; Jun 3, Continuous AD Jun 17, Jun 17, Jun 24, Continuous AD Jun 24, Jun 31, Continuous AD Jun 31, Jul 1, Jul 1, Jul 2, Jul 8, Jul 15, Jul 15, Dec 27, Dec 28, AD Dec 30, AD Dec 30, Dec 30, Dec 31, 1929; AD May 28, 1930 History of the Columbia River Valley from the Dalles to the sea Volume 2 [Fred Lockley] (1928), pgs. 454-455; WA Business Doc Volume 4 (1922) pg 1 and 2; U.S. Census 1940; Previous documentation on file (CCHR): Preliminary determination of individual listing has been requested Previously listed in the Clark County Heritage Register X Previously determined eligible by the Clark County Heritage Register Recorded by Clark County Cultural Resources Inventory Survey # Primary location of additional data: State Historic Preservation Office Other State agency Federal agency Local government University Other Name of repository: 9. Geographical Data Acreage of Property: Less than One Acre. **UTM References** (Place additional UTM References on a continuation sheet.) 10 5 25 620 50 | 52 Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing Zone Northing Easting

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

8. Major Bibliographical Research

The nominated property is located in downtown Vancouver, WA and is legally described as EAST VANCOUVER #1; LOTS 5 & 6; BLK 44. It is otherwise known as Clark County Parcel 038650 and 038640.

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The nominated property encompasses the entire urban tax lot occupied by the Vancouver Federal Savings and Loan Building.

10. Form Prepared By

name/title	Mark Dodd		
organization		date	Jan 5, 2015
street & number	106 W 9th Street	telephone	360-607-7946
city or town	Vancouver	state WA	zip code 98660

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets Attatched

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative photographs of the property. ATTACHED

Additional items

(Check with the CCHPC Staff)

Property Owner

name W. Dea	an Irvin\Owner				
street & number	114 E. 6th Street		telephone	360-737-89	29
city or town	Vancouver	state	WA	zip code	98660

4b.	CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION STAFF RECOMMENDATION In my opinion, the property meets / does not meet the Clark County Heritage Register criteria. (See continuation sheet.)					
Signat	ure of commenting staff	Date				
4c.	IN THE OPINION OF THE CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PROPERTY MEETS / DOES NOT MEET THE CLARK CRITERIA. (See continuation sheet.)	C PRESERVATION COMMISSION, THE				
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Clark County, Washington Historic Preservation Commission

Clark County Heritage Register Continuation Sheet -

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SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT

The Vancouver Federal Savings and Loan Association (VFS&LA) Building was built as a result of the importance of the Vancouver Saving and Loan Association throughout Clark County. Built in 1929 as a result of prosperous years providing realistic mortgage loans to people who normally could not afford short term ones and the high interest rates accompanying them; and assisting association members with basic savings and investing plans that yielded higher returns than commercial banks.

It was John Bert (J.B.) Atkinson's broad views and a clear vision of future needs, and devoted time and effort to providing the means whereby people could acquire homes and be enabled to pay for them comfortably, that proved a successful concern and resulted in assets of over half million dollars since VFS&LA's organization in January of 1921. (Fred Lockley said in his History of the Columbia River Valley From The Dalles to the Sea, Vol. III)

To this end, J.B., acting as the association's secretary, treasurer and manager; and his fellow officers, W. E. Carter, president; Fred Wark, vice-president; and W. C. Bates, counsel, grew the member-based institution into a highly regarded, solid and substantial financial company; recognized as such in the city and state as well as nationally.

J.B. Atkinson, his wife Mildred and son Neil moved to Vancouver in 1910 from Starbuck in eastern Washington. He had worked at the railroad for years in the yards and office, serving as chief clerk of the mechanical department for the Oregon Western RR & Navigation Co.. While doing so, he began writing fire insurance policies and contracts. He liked that line of work so much he eventually quit the railroad. This line of work led him to dealing real estate and taught him many skills and lessons that would assist him later.

After arriving in Vancouver, he set up his real estate, loan and insurance business. With the working knowledge provided by his current businesses, he prospered. J.B. decided

to form a savings and loan. From his first office at 705 Main street, and eventually at 707 Washington, he began to promote the safety and security associated with S & L's. Some of his marketing statements were:

"Why not place you savings and surplus money in this association—Investigate!" "Our Association is well managed.", "We have never paid less than 6%." "Did you ever hear of anyone losing money in a S & L?"

Since he sold real state through his J.B. Atkinson & Co. and managed the S & L simultaneously, he could almost guarantee a mutually beneficial outcome for all parties.

The community counted on Atkinson in more ways. He actively promoted tourism and beautification for the city. He served as chairman of the police committee, chairman of the Chamber of Congress, was seven times elected councilman and filled the office of Mayor for a time. He was a member of organizations and fraternities, including the Commercial Club, York Rite Mason and Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and belonged to the IOOF, Rotary Club and attended the Methodist Episcopal church. His business recognitions were from the Portland Realty Board, SW Washington S & L Board as Vice President and others.

J.B Atkinson wanted to build a structure that represented his beliefs in Vancouver and it's citizens.

The Columbian called the building "magnificent", noting that J.B. Atkinson had largely, through his own efforts and zeal, built the savings & loan company, which he founded, to a position of expansion, where it was beginning to assume a vital place in the community business life. However, the man behind it's existence never was to occupy it. J.B. suffered a sudden death on December 26, 1929. His untimely death was a sense of shock and severe loss; a result of complications to a surgery.

Despite the loss of their founder, in 1930, VFS&LA hailed the success of their building and moved into it with plans to 'make their home for many years. Other businesses that occupied space in the building early on were H.A. Shute; Contractor, J.B. Atkinson & Co., F.S. Johnson Real Estate, West Coast Insurance, The Smart Shop, Fauble & Frey Barbershop and The Cavern Restaurant.

The Depression came and the building's tenants were able survive - in most part, as a result of working together. Neil Atkinson, J.B.'s son, mentioned he and his business managed during the depression and felt lucky as well." He eventually open his own insurance company in the building.

VFS&LA grew; ultimately occupying the building as a savings and loan only. The space was needed for the financial business, so other tenants relocated.

In 1962, VFS&LA was doing so well that another wonderful building was designed by Day Hilborn and erected at 1205 Broadway.

At this time the Dr. Alvido Rich bought the building and made changes to accommodate his optometry business.

Clark County, Washington
Historic Preservation Commission

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The Design and Construction of Vancouver Savings and Loan Association Building (VFS&LA)

The VFS&LA Building was designed by the firm of Higgins and Biederman of Portland, Oregon and built by Henry Albert Shute of Vancouver in 1929.

Wilfred Frank Higgins and Robert G. Biederman are known for the design of the prominent art deco Terminal Sales Building at 1220 SW Morrison St. in Portland in 1927. It was added to the NRHP in October 17, 1991



Shute was a carpenter turned contractor who is best known for building Shumway Junior High School, now known as Vancouver School of Arts and Academics at 3101 Main Street.



The VFS&LA design is a two-story building with basement typical of 1920's commercial construction, located on the corner of Main St. and Evergreen Blvd. It has a rectangular footprint measuring 50' x 65' and a flat roof with parapet. The decorative exterior is representative of Mediterranean style. When originally constructed, it's front two elevations featured three archways and a bay on either side of them. Two marble columns and their ornate plaster capitals reached upward to establish the middle arch. The column bases were marble too. The first floor entrance to the building is set back from the archways. Above the arches was decorative cornice flanked by artistic tile work running along the roofline and continuing along the south's facade. On the roof, directly behind the front parapet and centered on the arches was a terra-cotta hip roof measuring 22' x 11'. The second floor windows are of two types. There are four distinguishing round-arched windows that swivel open on the southern facade, below their sills are rectangle window set in a manner to extend the arch creating a tribute to the arches at the western front. Other second floor windows are four pairs of 9-pane rectangular type that allow light into corner offices. There is geometrical relief work above each of these windows. A substantial two-part marquee on the SW corner displayed the name Vancouver Federal horizontally and vertically.

Marble and exterior plaster was used on the facades of the VFS&LA Building.

The fact the building was a financial institution meant it required a strongly built foundation, walls and flooring. In the basement, the floor is 4" thick concrete with a ½" cement finish coat. The exterior walls are 18" thick reinforced concrete.

The foundation alone used twenty-six tons of reinforcing steel, 800 yards of gravel and sand, 15,000 feet of rough lumber and 700 barrels of cement. Builder, Shute, commented during construction that the foundation will only be required to bear two stories at the start, but is being placed strong enough to hold an additional five stories. Other records note that the vault, which is located in the basement, was built with floors and walls both 18" thick.

Nineteen tons of terra-cotta from Seattle was used along with tannish-grey marble called Sequoyah for the exterior and an attractive grey with reddish grained marble called Lunel for inside. All the marble came from Portland and cost \$5000. The woodwork, consisting mainly of mahogany, was supplied by the Central Planing mill of Vancouver. Braley & Lee was the plumbing contractor while Marshall Electric of Portland performed electrical work. The permit for the building was \$46,000.

A reproduction of the architect's blueprints, published in April of 1929, reveals how the building was to be constructed, showing an elevator and alluding to five additional floors. Since the building's height terminated at 2-floors, the elevator was unnecessary.

The interior of the building was an opulent showcase of marble and mahogany. The marble columns were repeated inside. They directed attention to the mezzanine area that was open to view and had a beautiful mahogany rail to look over. On the ground floor, was the service counter. It was solid mahogany with marble panels and bases. A gate matching the rails allowed access. To the right of the lobby was a substantial mahogany staircase with tooled balusters and marble accents leading upwards. Further to the right was a doorway topped by a mahogany fan relief. The doorway opened to the stairway that led down. Throughout the building were offices that were were identified by beautiful molding, trim, jams, dividers, sashes, mantles, wainscot, and frames. The doors had brass and glass fixtures and accents. Marble was also prevalent. Artistic plaster was on the walls and ceiling and used to create capitals atop the marble columns.

Many of the features came from the area and local craftsmen designed and fabricated them

The building served VFS&LA for over 30 years until it was outgrown.

Local optometrist, Dr Alvido Rich, who practiced a few doors down wanted to expand his operations and have an in-house manufacturing area to produce contacts and eyeglasses. He hired Nelson, Walla & Dolle Architects to remodel the building and create a modern clinic, manufacturing area and rental space. The front Mediterranean style texture and marble columns disappeared. The cornice and hip roof were removed. Instead, that lower west and south exterior was faced with stone veneer that was topped by a marblecrete stucco that covered all upper level windows. The lower southern windows were replaced with large display windows.

The second elevation on the front of the building was showcased by a 19'x 13' glass and louver midsection of multiple vertical sections. Behind the glass and louvers, a new porch was constructed and a entryway installed. Access to the porch was via a new switchback staircase hidden by the front facade. Another stairway leading to the basement was installed on the opposite side behind a new external doorway. Inside the main front entrance the wood and marble was removed, the stairway too and the the second floor opening sealed. A modern, bright and sanitary look hat had examination rooms and display cases replaced the mahogany and arches.

Dr. Rich was there for years before selling the building to Dr. Richard Payne who is known for his part in the Vancouver Eye Clinic. After the eye business moved north on Main Street, near Shumway junior high, the building had a few transitional businesses, including coffee shops, photo stores, bookstores and others before now housing Rosemary's Cafe, House of Providence Church and a beauty salon

In 1994, Vancouver introduced a Facade Improvement Plan that focused in part on the building at 1001 Main Street. It was considered an good example to promote reconditioning and revitalization of downtown landmarks, properties and buildings. Research, plans and suggestions were organized and incentives provided through programs that would require community involvement. Property owners who had a penchant for history and architecture could lead and participate. The current owner of the VFS&LA building has that desire and passion. He has improved and began renovations.

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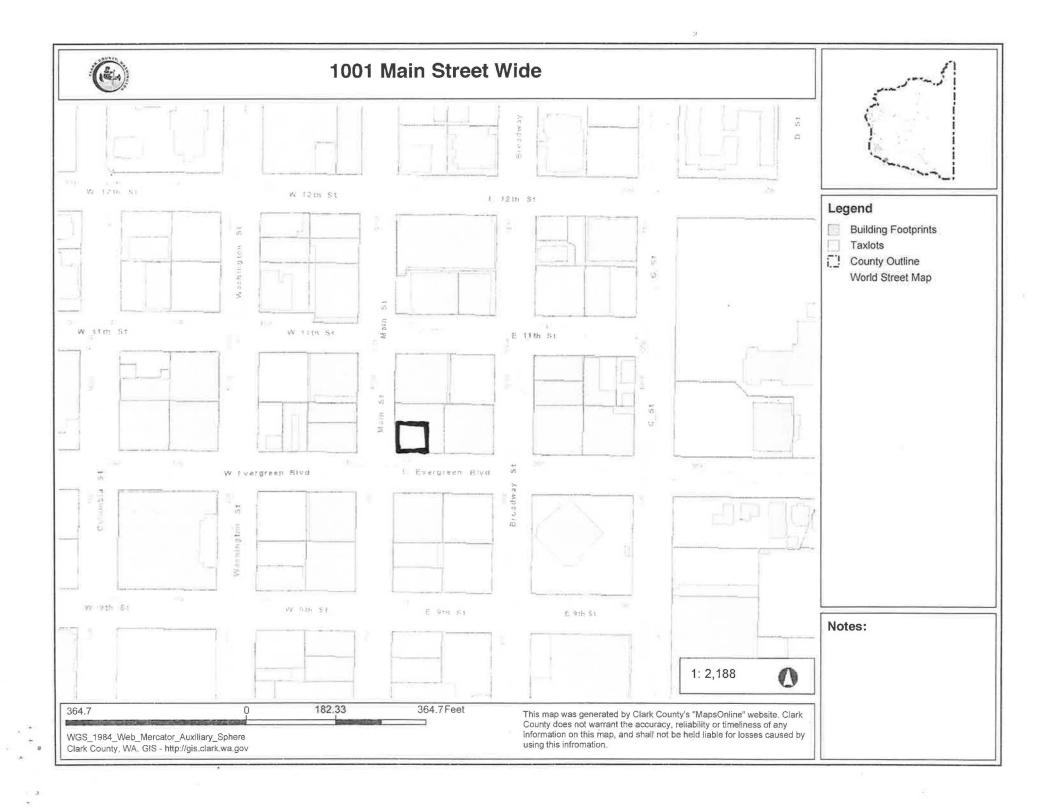
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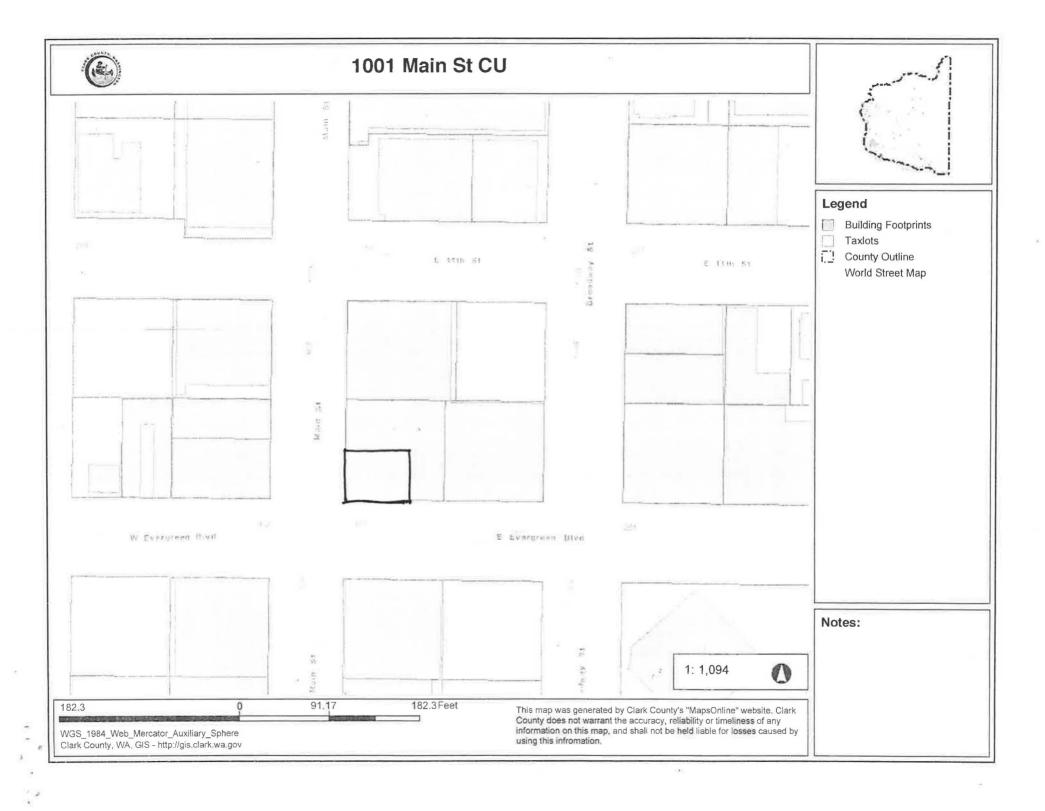
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by TREO Lockley

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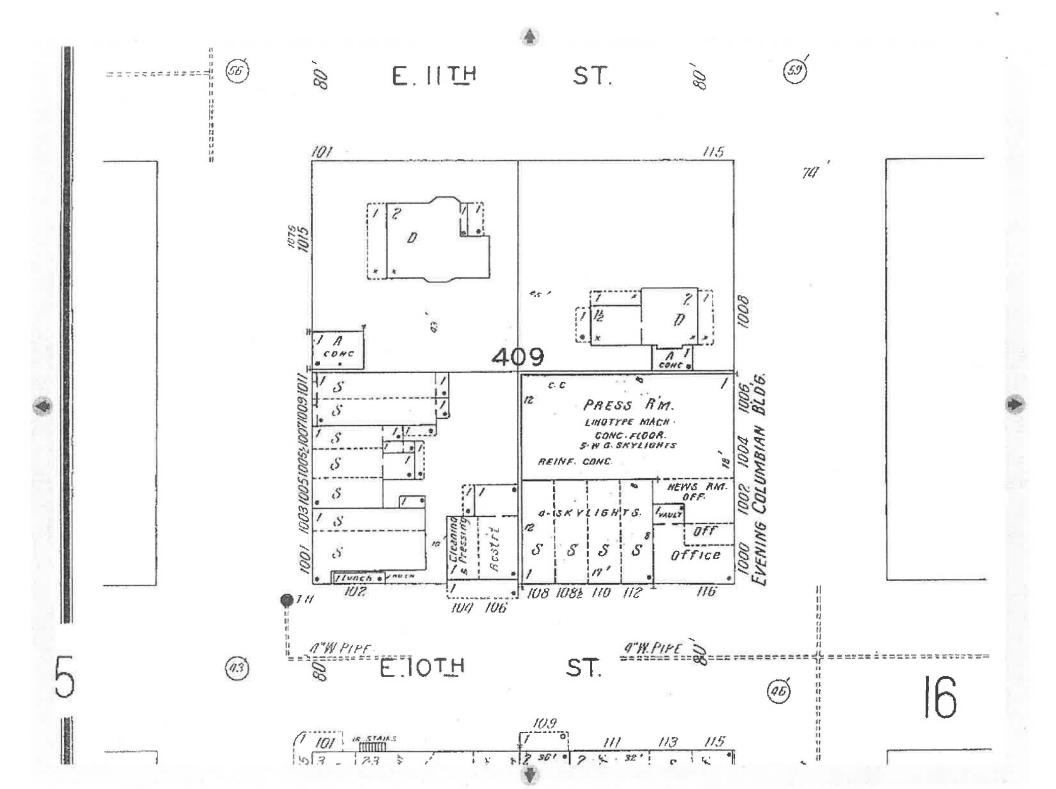
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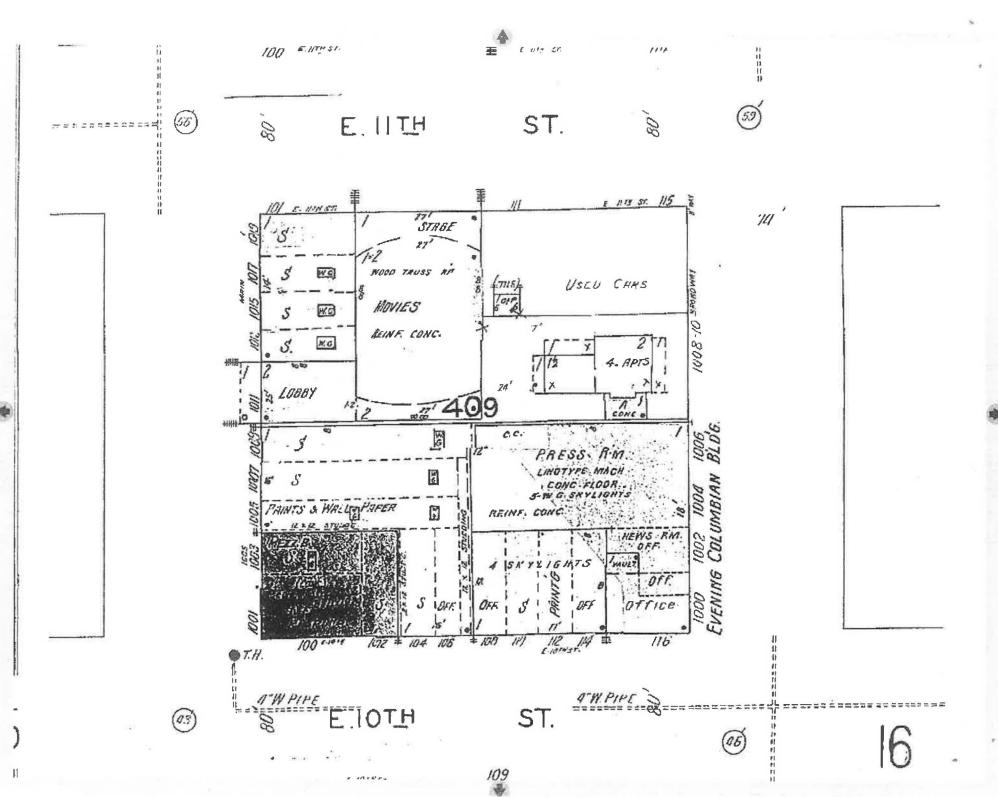
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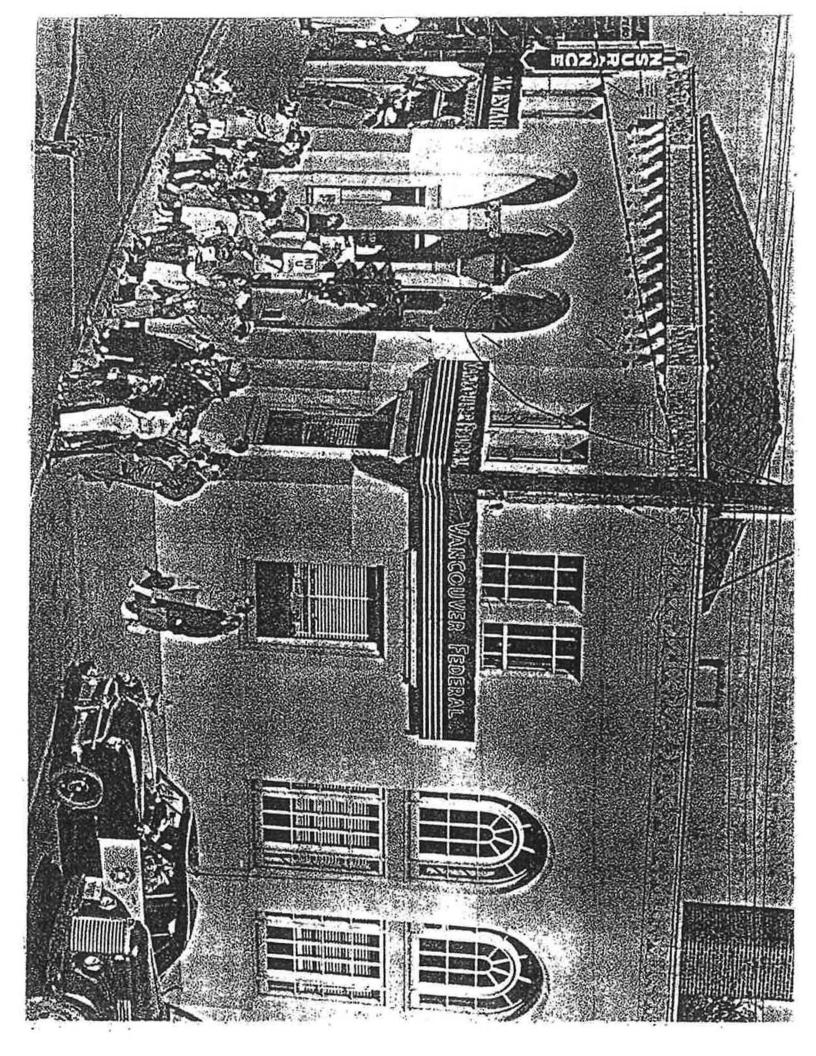
J. B. ATKINSON. When J. B. Atkinson located in Vancouver the community gained a useful and public-spirited citizen, as has been repeatedly attested by his constant efforts to promote the interests of the city and county. Intensely practical in his methods, he has shown a progressive and unselfish spirit that has enabled him to accomplish definite results along lines that have contributed to the growth and development of Vancouver, and he is today regarded as one of its most enterprising and influential citizens. Mr. Atkinson was born in Belvidere, Illinois, and is a son of E. Y. and Anne (Holmes) Atkinson, the former born in the same house in Illinois in which his son was born, while the mother was born in Lancashire, England. Both parents are deceased, the mother dying when her son was thirteen years old and the father's death occurring in Vancouver in 1916. The family is of English origin, the paternal grandfather having come from the north of England to this country in 1836 and settled in Boone county, Illinois, where some members of the family still reside. E. Y. Atkinson followed the occupation of farming, and in 1880 he brought his family to Portland, where he went into business with Pennoyer & Raymond, who operated a small lumber mill. He followed that line of business for three years, when he sold out and returned east

J. B. Atkinson attended the Faling Harrison Street public schools in Portland and completed his education at Belvidere, Illinois. His first work was as a farm hand, for which he received eight dollars a month. Later he took a commercial and bookkeeping course in a business college at Rockford, and then engaged in railroad work, being employed in the train yard service. His first work was in the checking of cars at night, and for awhile he had charge of the night yard. He was ambitious to get into the active train service, but eye trouble caused him to give up that plan, and he was assigned to railroad office work. In 1904 he came west and entered the employ of the Oregon Western

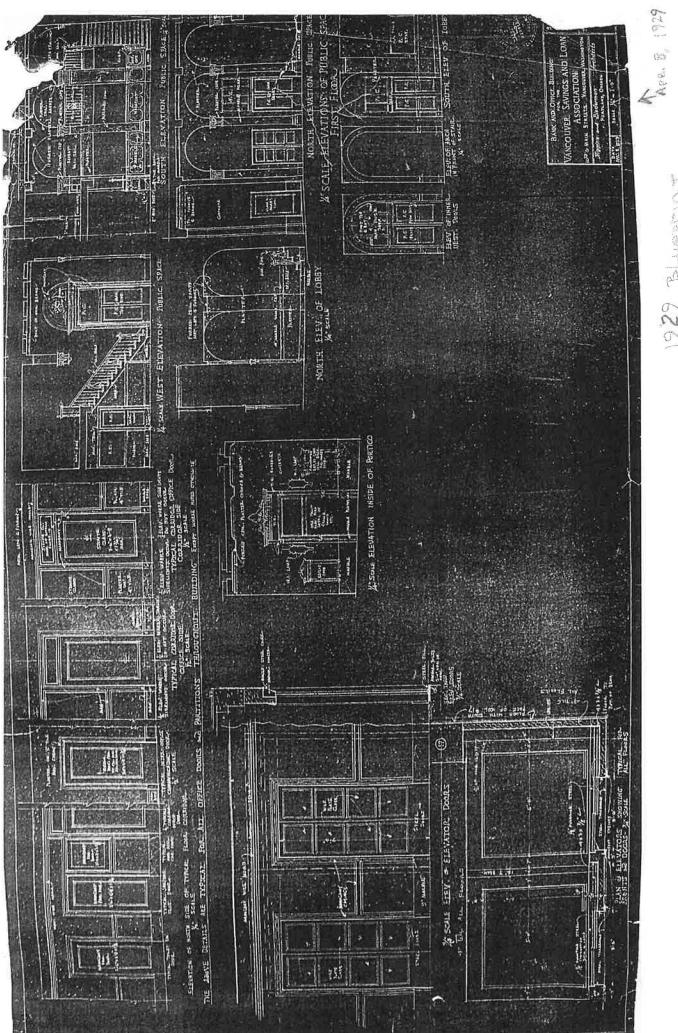
Railroad & Navigation Company east of the mountains, where he became chief clerk of the mechanical department, which position he held until 1907. He was at that time located at Starbuck and during the evenings he had written some

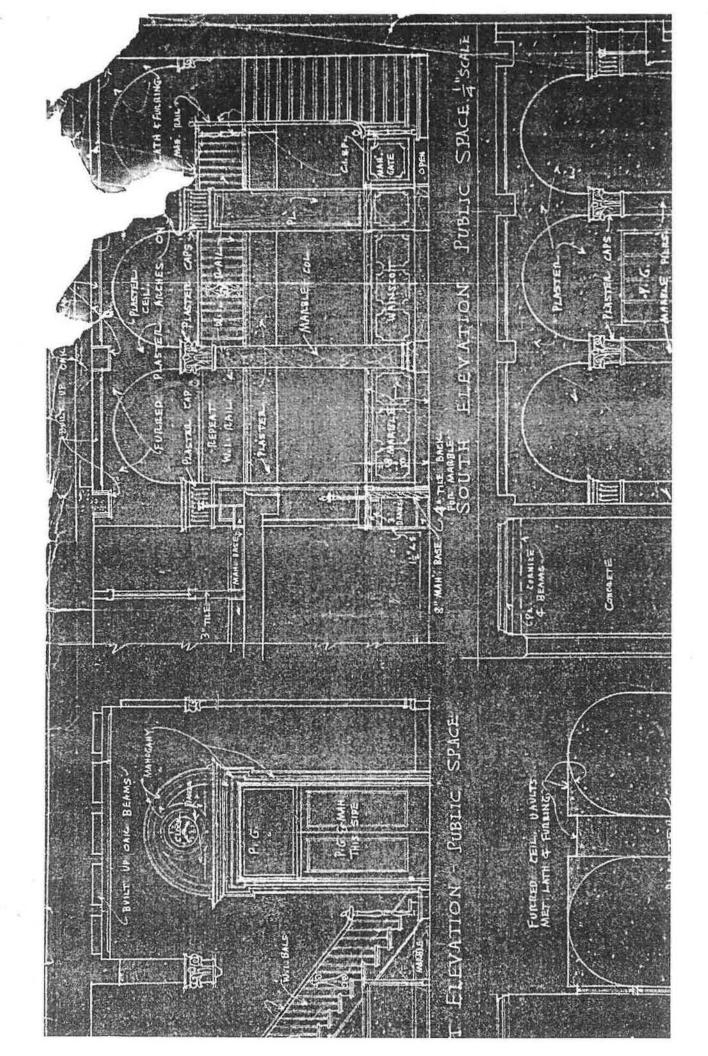


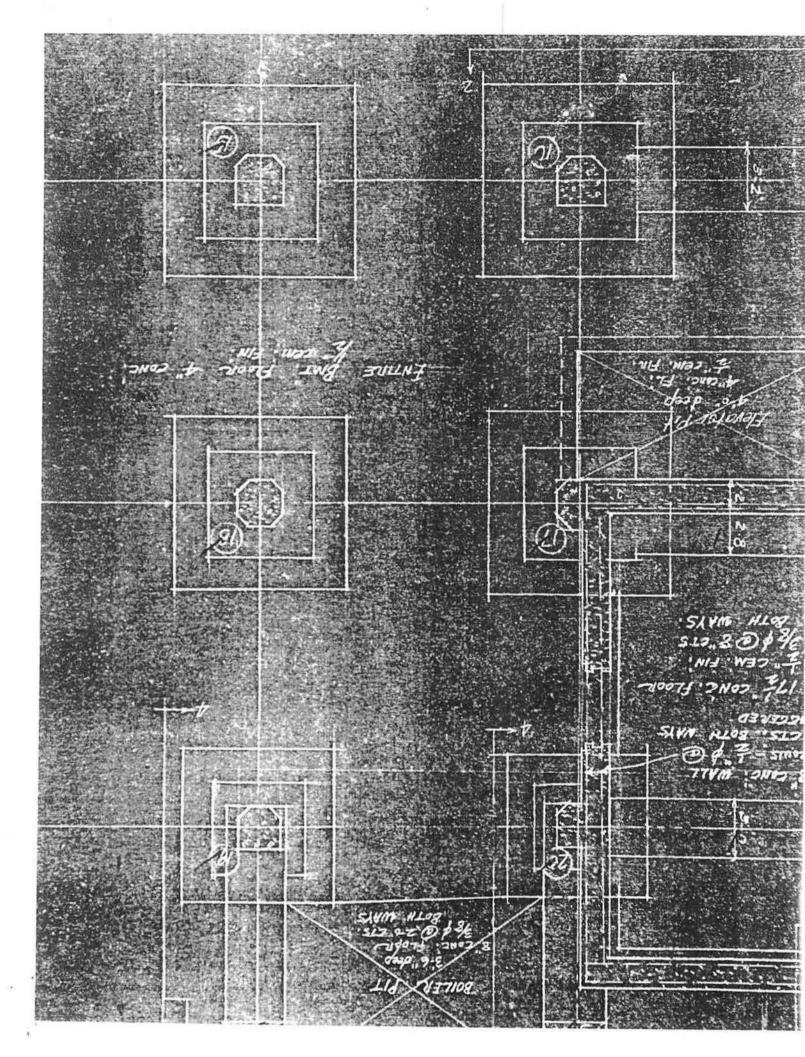




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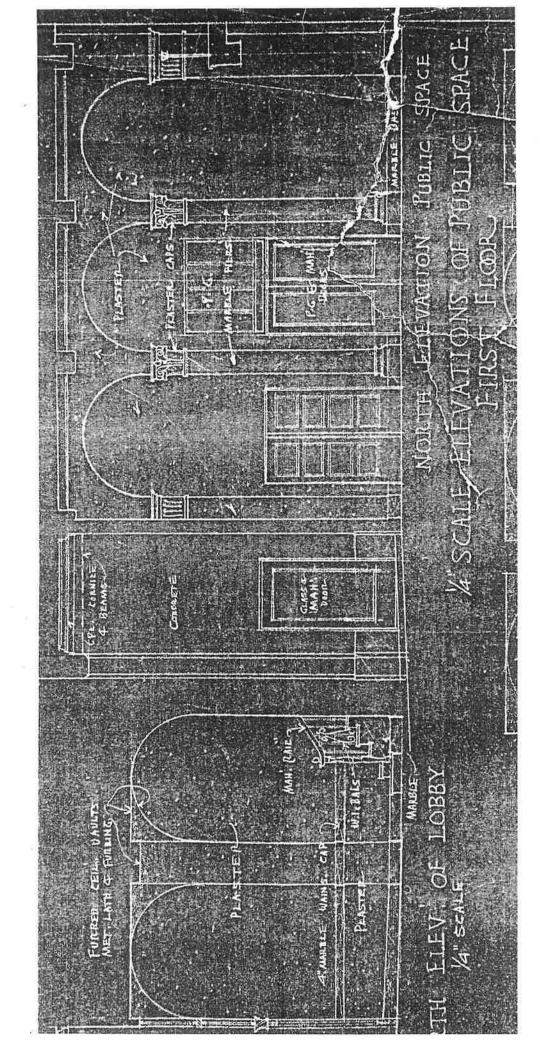


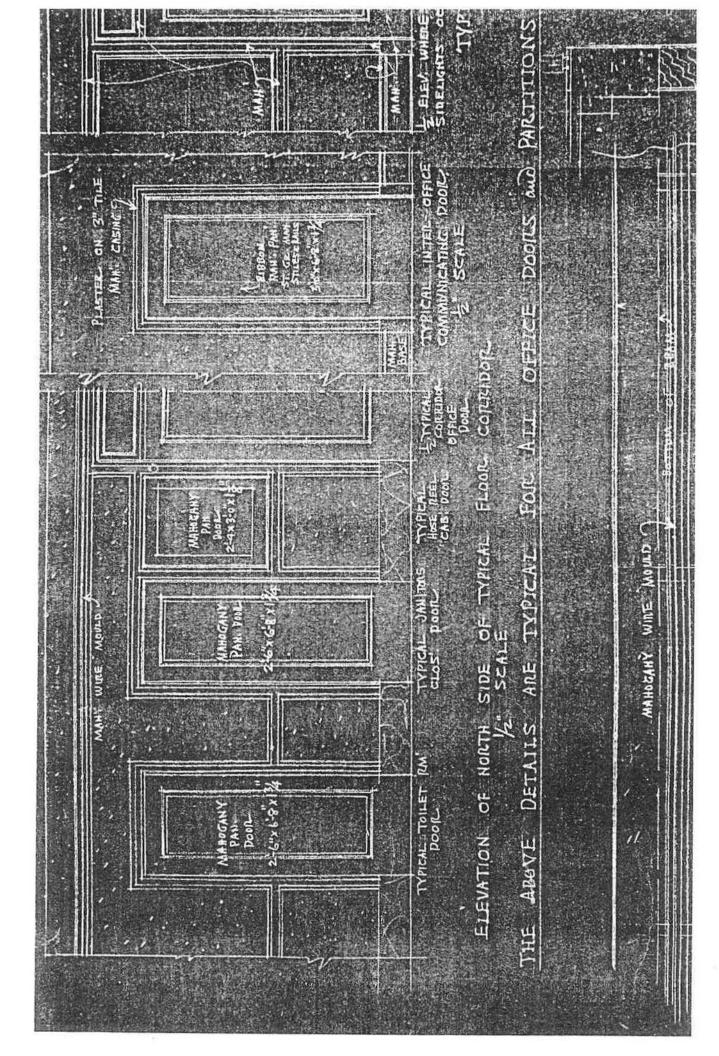


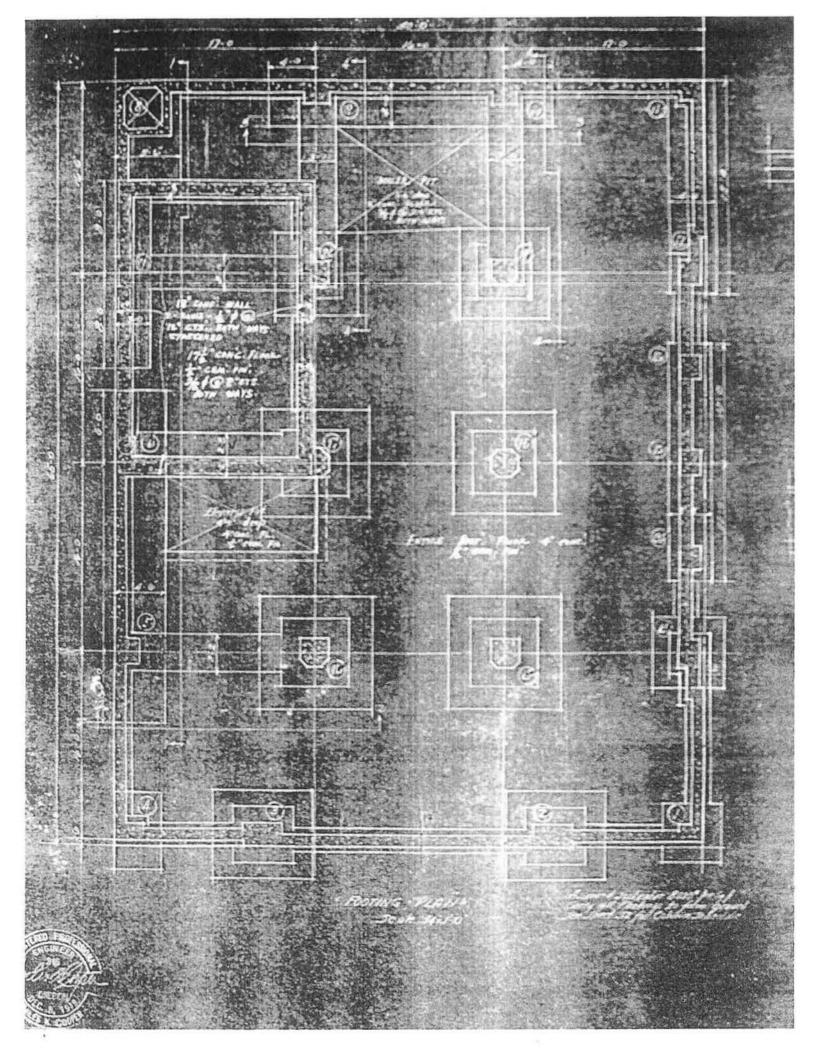
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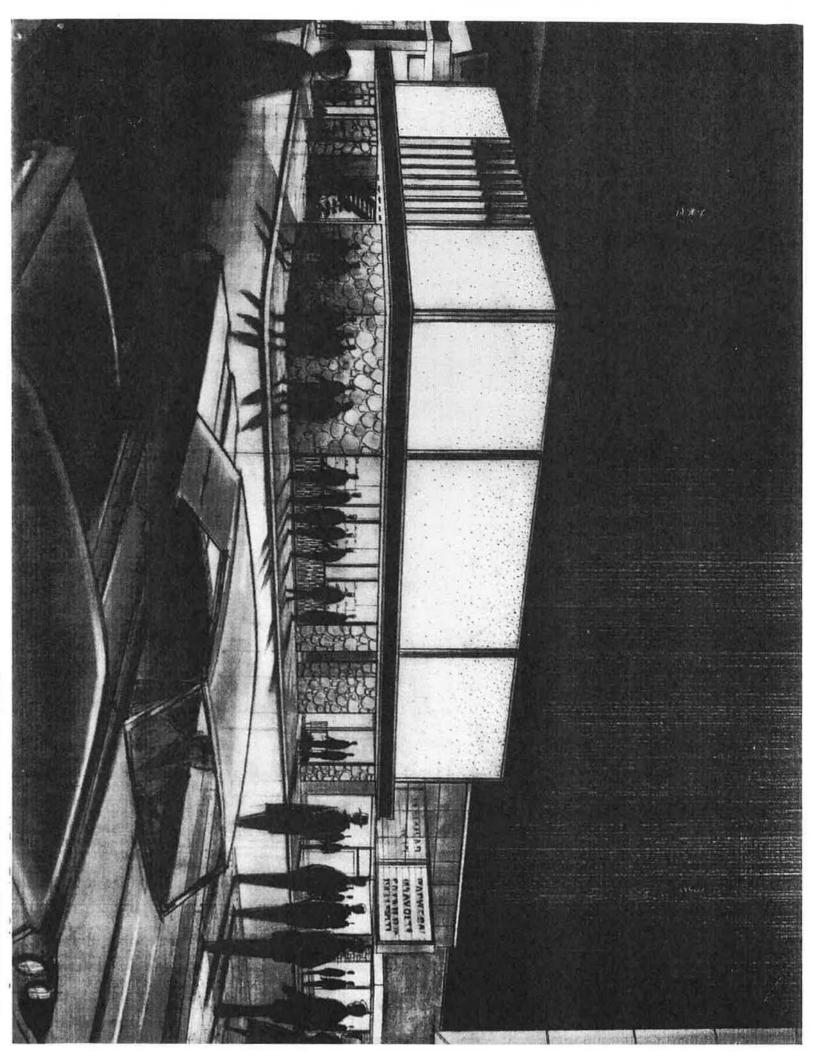
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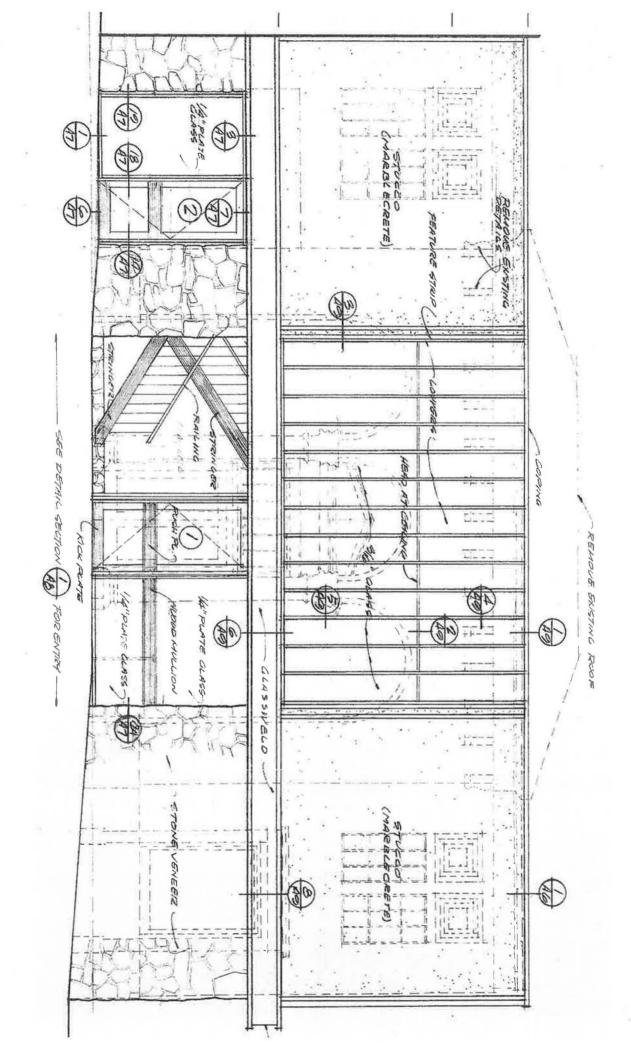
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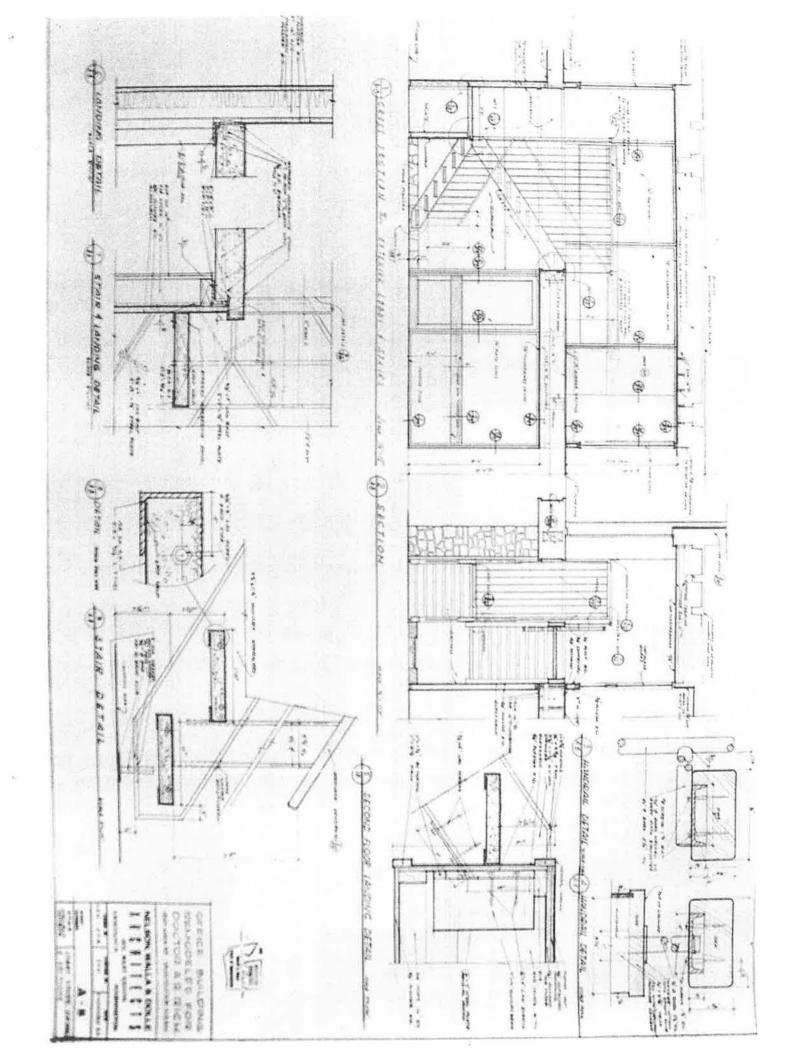


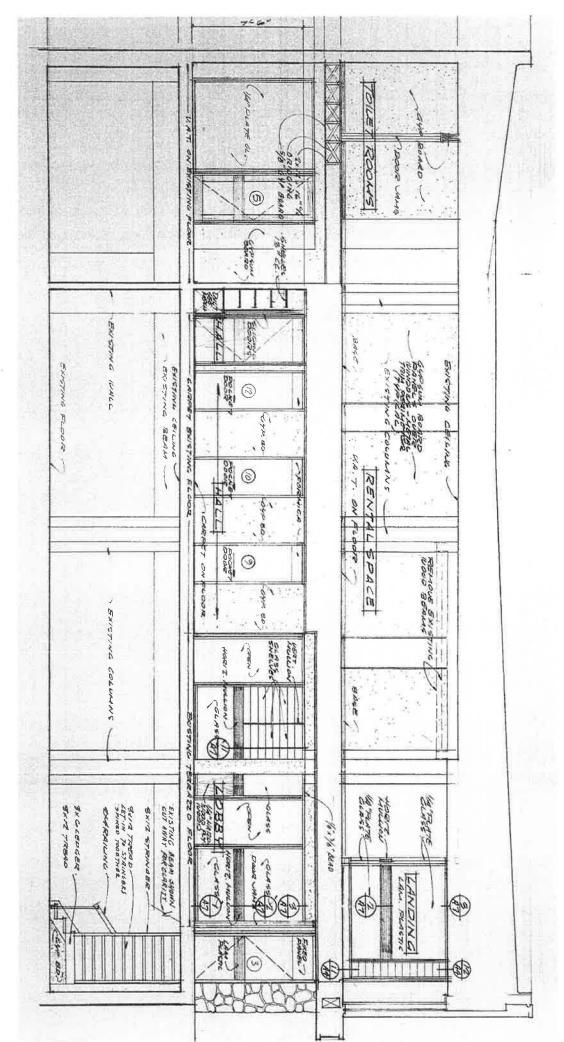


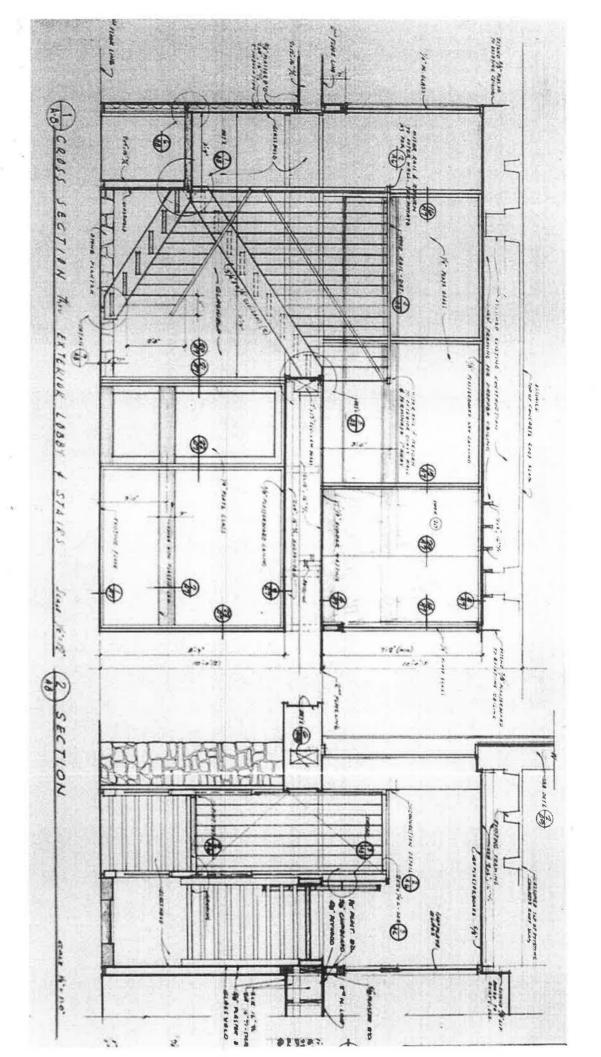




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GENERAL NOTES

REMOVE PORTION OF WALL & DOOR AS SHOWN & REMOVE WOOD BASE IN EXISTING TOILET ROOM

CARPENTRY

PARTITION FRAMING - \$45 "STANDARD" GRADE DOUGLAS

MILLWORK - DOOR FRAMES, STOPS, CASINGS & MOULDINGS B & BETTER V & FIR.

DOORS - 19/8" HOLLOW CORE; SIZES SHOWN ON DRAWING

PANELING - 1/4" HARDEDARD PANELS VEE GROOVE SIMULATED HARDW'D FACE.

CONSTRUCT NEW PARTITIONS & FURR OUT AROUND ELECTRIC PANEL & PIPING AS SHOWN. RELOCATE EXISTING TOLLET ROOM DOOR AS SHOWN.

MEDICINE CABINET - MODEL 50 SURFACE MOUNT "MIAMI-CAREY"

HARDWARE - DOOR A

I MAIL SLOT

DOOR B C

I PR. BUTTS

I LATCH

50 2480 DBZ 5/2" > 5/2" A105 PLY US 10

2560 - 2561 "CIPCO" W/ CHUTE LINEE

I STOP

DOOR (D)

I PR BUTTS

I EMERG LOCK

PREUSE EXISTING

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CENTER MAIL SLOT IN ENTRY DOOR PUSH PANEL.

1 STOP

DRYWALL
1/2" GYPSUM BOARD, DOUGLE NAILED, TAPED & "ORANGE PEEL" SNISHED.
PAINTING

INTERIOR WALLS - 2 COATS LATEX ON ALL NEW SUEFACES \$ 1 COAT LATEX ON ALL EXISTING SUCFACES

DOORS - PRIME & 2 COATS SEMI-GLOSS ENAMEL.

PANELING -- PREFINISHED

TRIM & MILLWORK - PRIME & 1 COATS SEMI-GLOSS ENAMEL.

RESILIENT FLOORING

REPLACE ALL DAMAGED FLOOR TILE & PATCH TO MATCH EXISTING. INSTALL NEW BASE TO MATCH EXISTING ON ALL NEW PARTITIONS & IN TOILET ROOM.

ELECTRICAL

FIXTURES - A. "LITECRAFT"# \$ 18971-440, 4-40W R.S. LAMPS

B. "PRESCOLITE" # W8-19 W/ CONV. OUTLET, 1-100 W LAMPS

ALL SWITCHES & CONV. OUTLETS TO BE SPECIFICATION GRADE

WALL PLATES SHALL BE STAINLESS STEEL SIERRA. PROVIDE PLATES

FOR. EXISTING CONV. OUTLETS.

TIE NEW LIGHT PIXTURES TO EXISTING J-BOXES IN CEILING.

W. M. - WIRE MOLD # 200 - 2 # 12 WIRES

RUN ALL SWITCH LEGS IN WALL CAVITY

RUN CONDUIT DOWN OUT OF PANEL THRU FLOOR TO SERVE CONV. OUTLETS.

MOUNT ALL NEW CONV. OUT LET 12" ABOVE FLOOR.

MECHANICAL

PROVIDE 12" % 12" GOILLE WITH FACE LEVER OPERATOR & SELF-TRIMMING FRAME, PAINT TO MATCH WALLS

DUCT TO BE 26 GA. GALV. SHEET

PROVIDE 12 × 12 GRILLE W/ SELF-TRIMMING FRAME, EXTERIOR. PAINT TO EXTERIOR METAL TRIM

ALTERNATE # 1

REMOVE RADIATOR IN RECEPTION ROOM & PATCH ALL AFFECTED WORK INSTALL 6'-0" LONG BASEBOARD UNIT ON EAST WALL OF RECEPTION ROOM, UNIT SHALL MATCH EXISTING IN BUILDING.

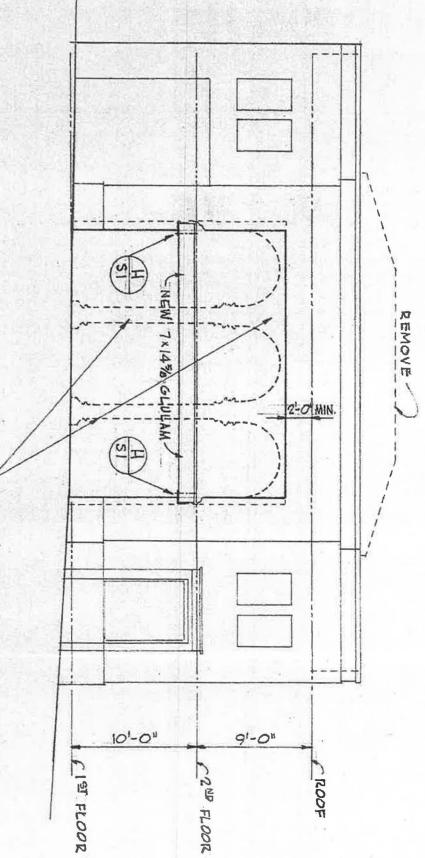
ALTERNATE # 2
DELETE GRILLES & DUCT THRU WALLS & ANY RELATED WORK.

ALTERNATE #3
PELETE "DEANGE PEEL" TEXTURING OF NEW WORK & PAINT ONLY.

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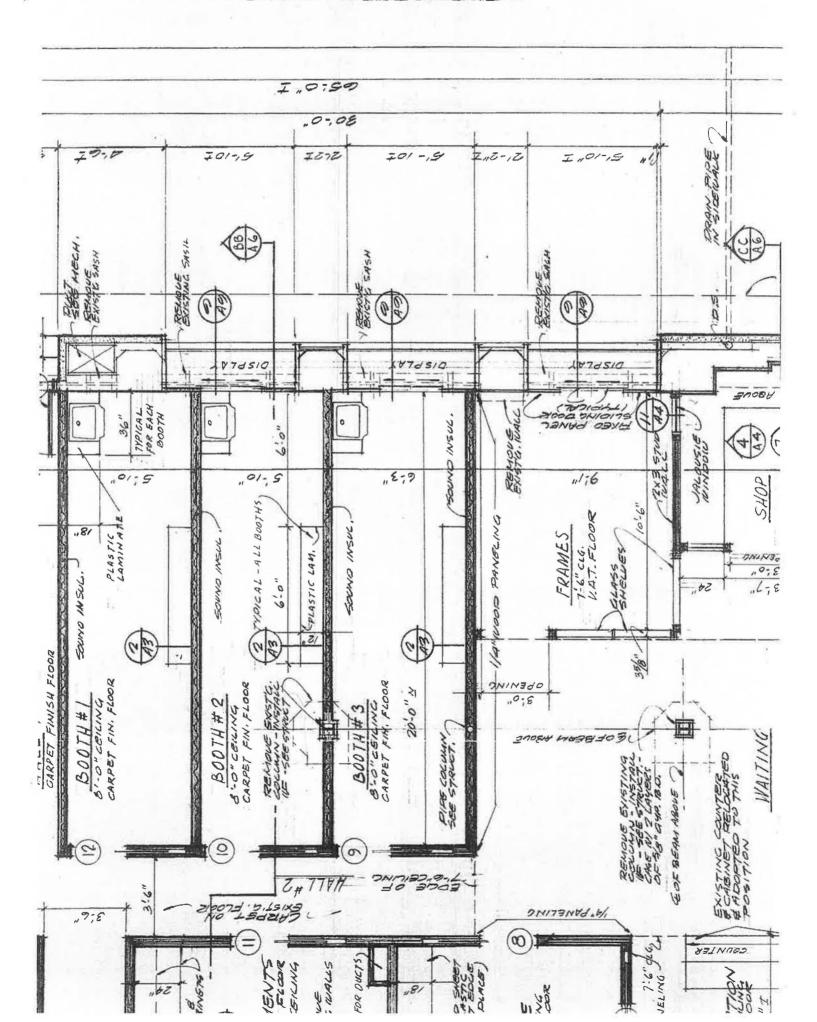
SECOND FLOOR FRAMING PLAN





WEST ELEVATION

AND ARCHES TO BOTTOM OF 12 x 24 CONC.



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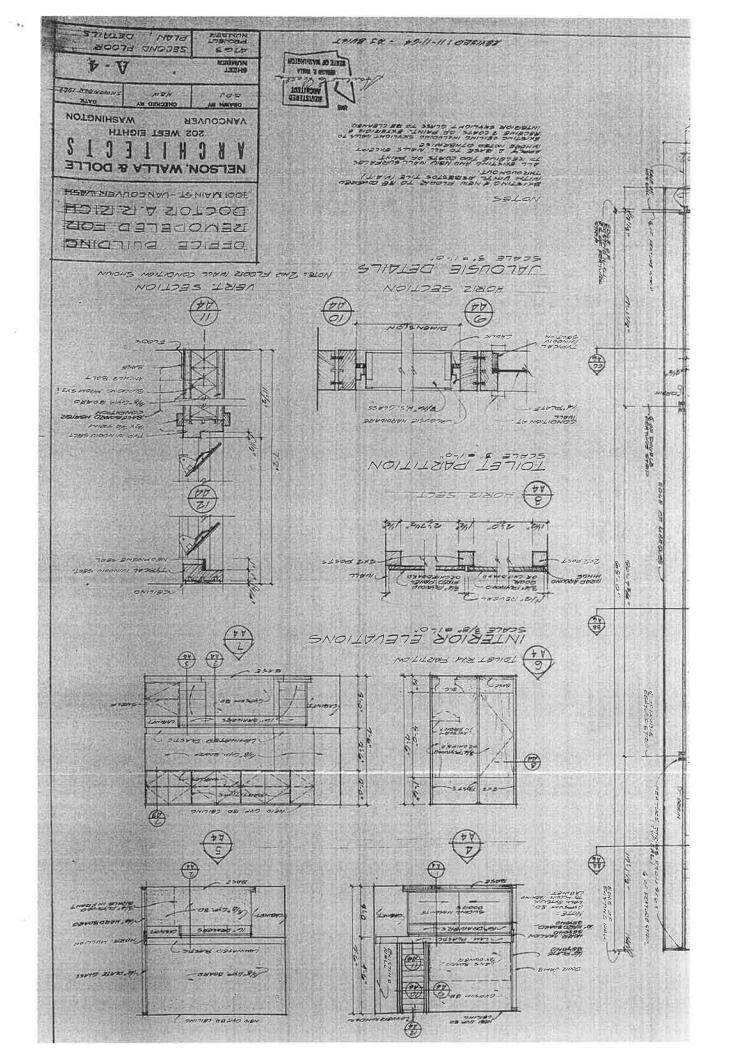
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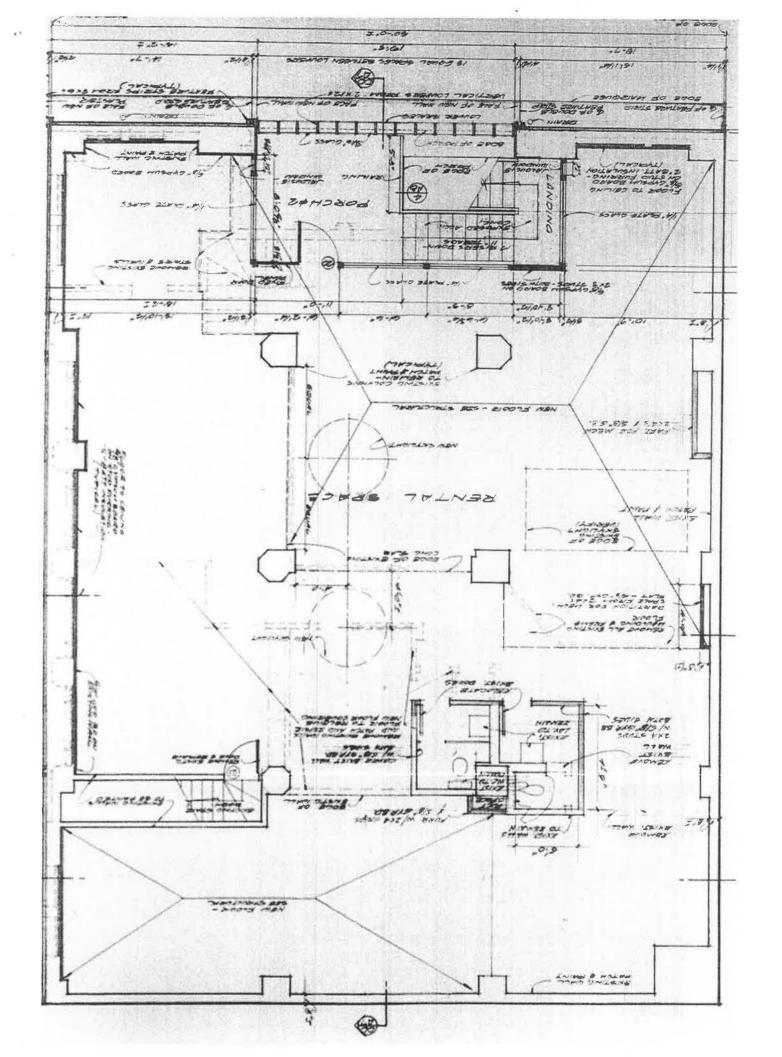
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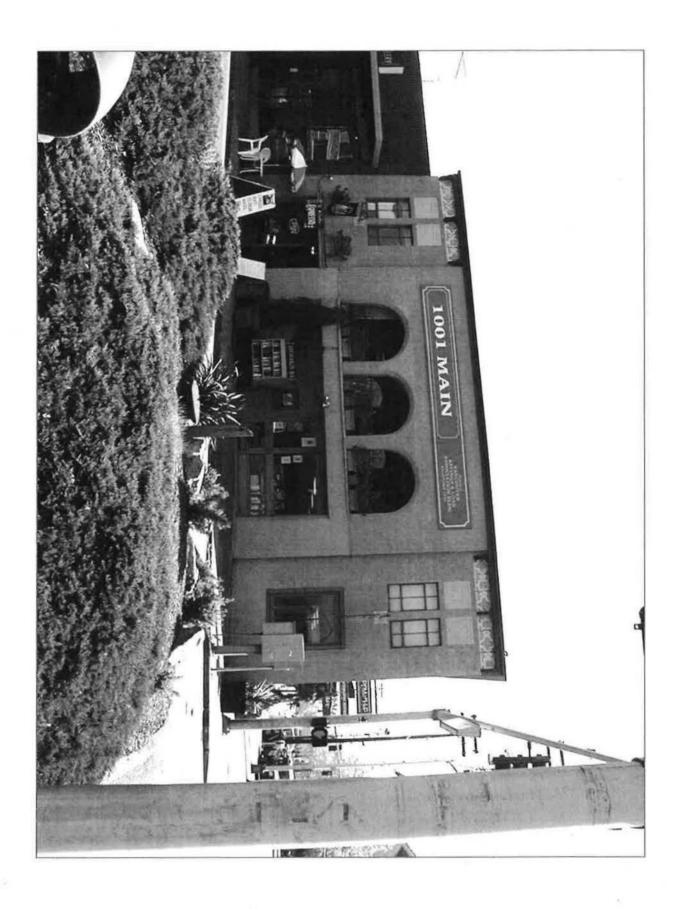
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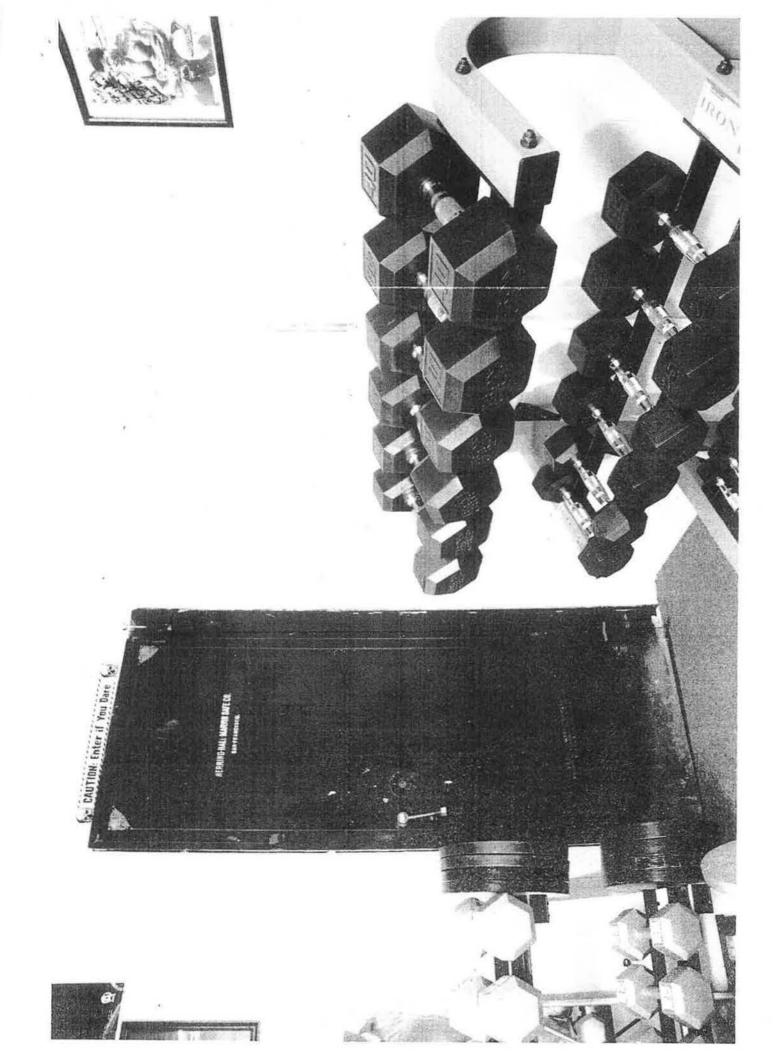
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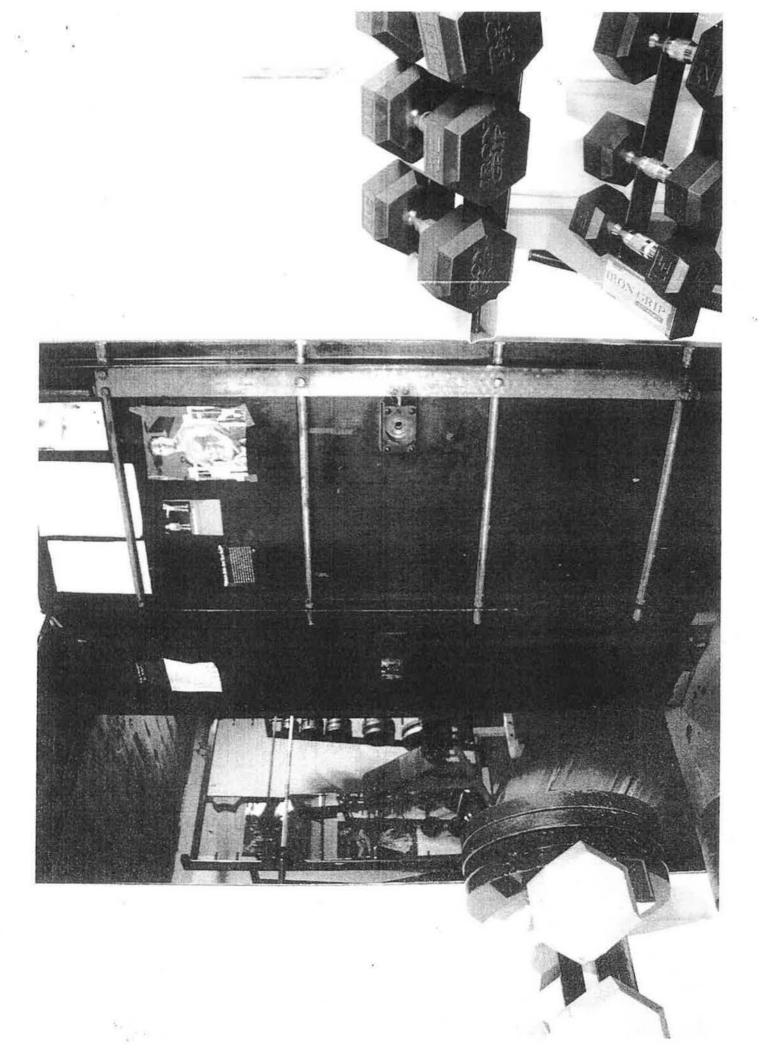


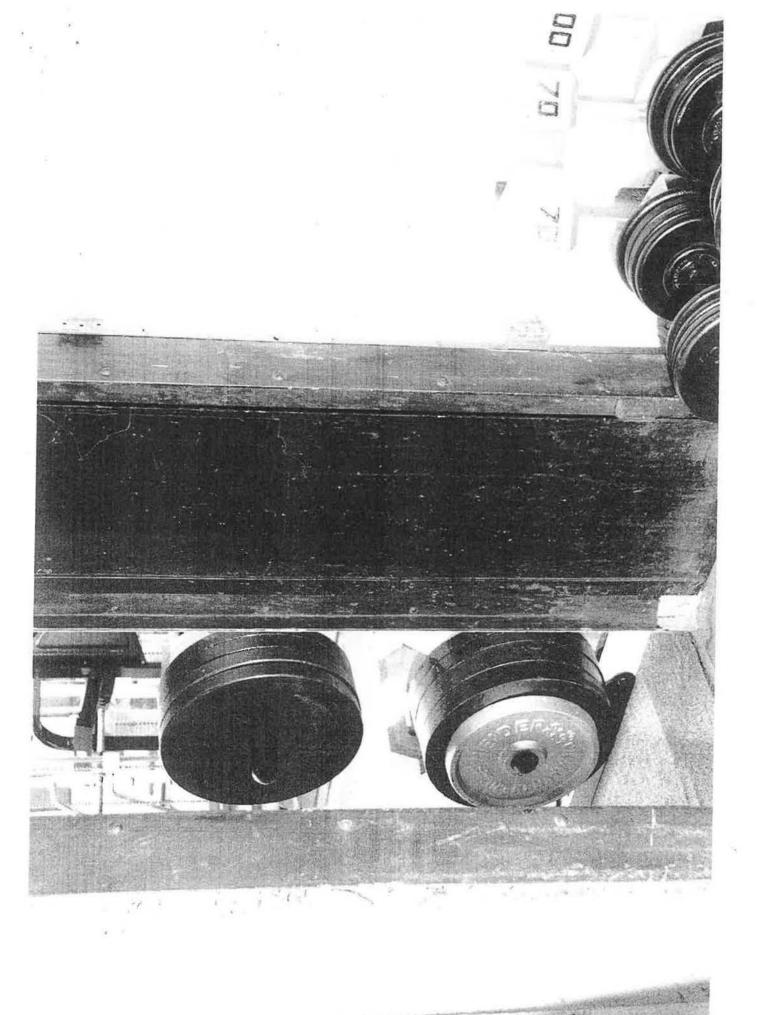


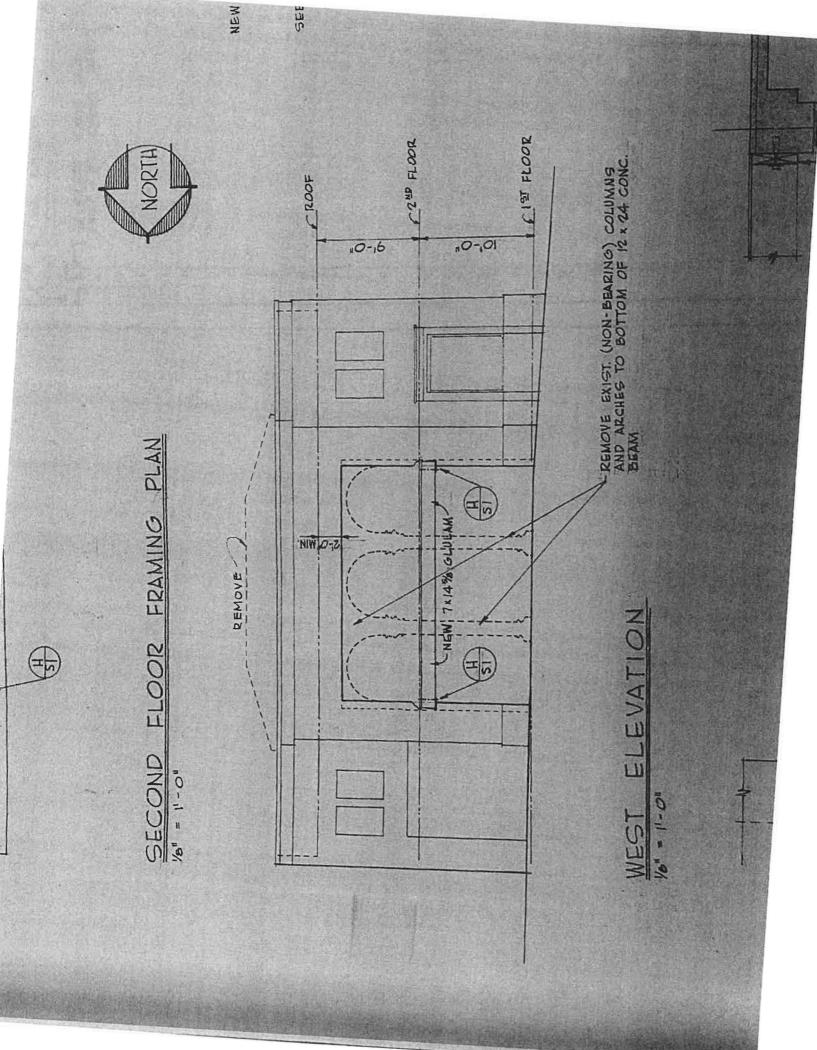


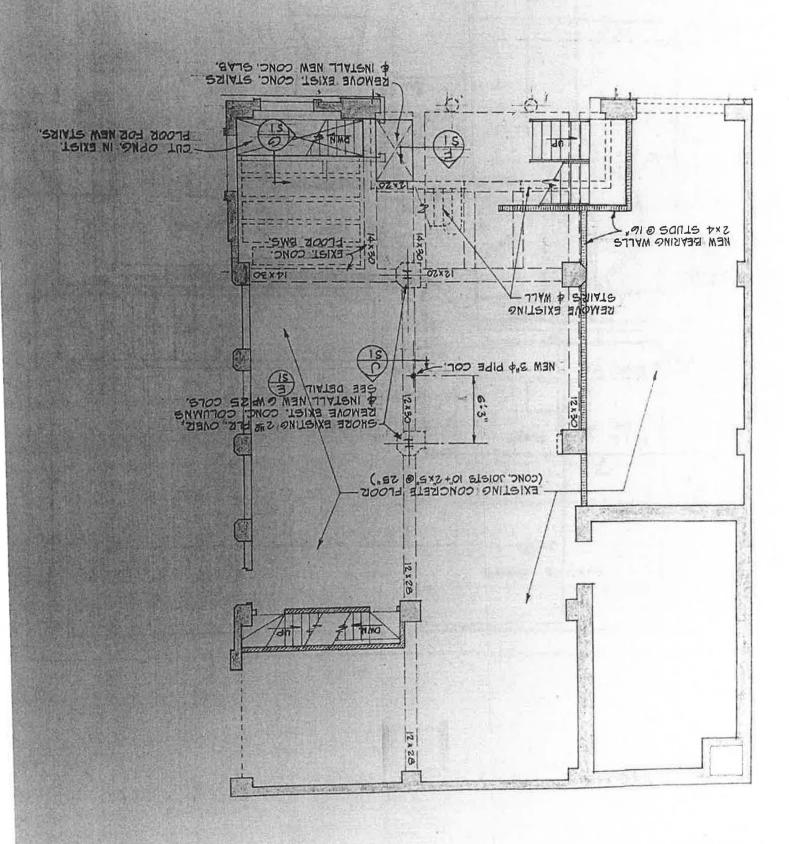


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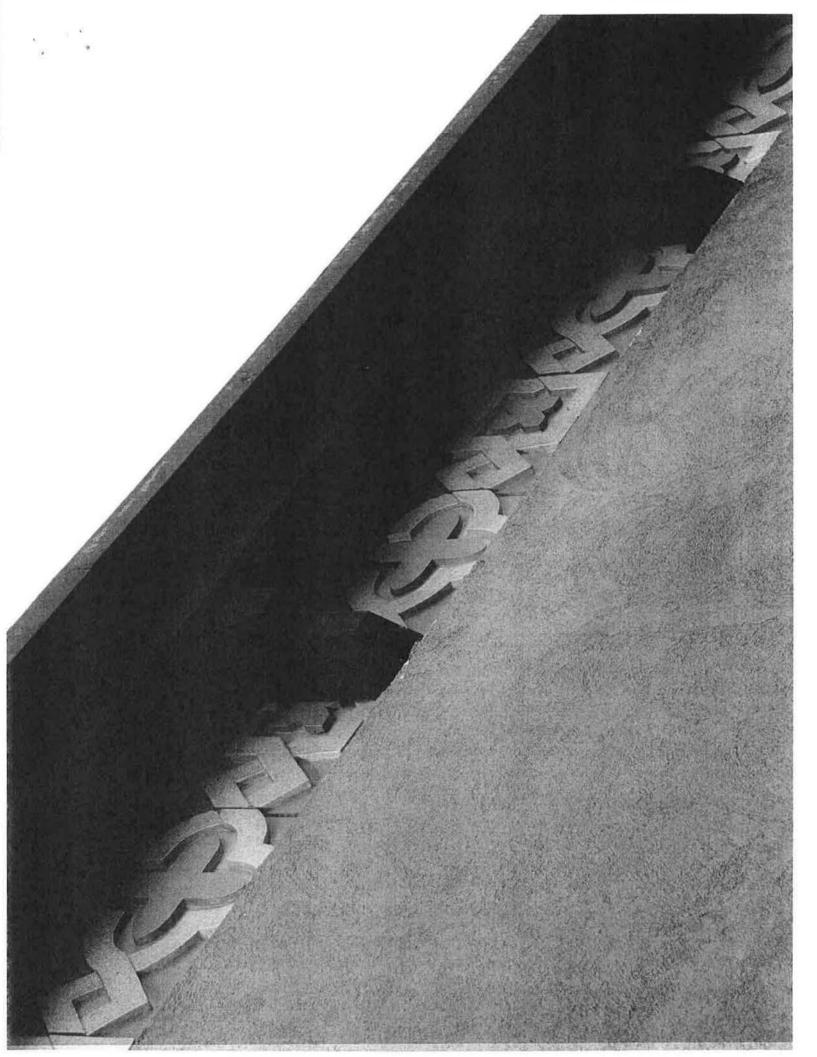


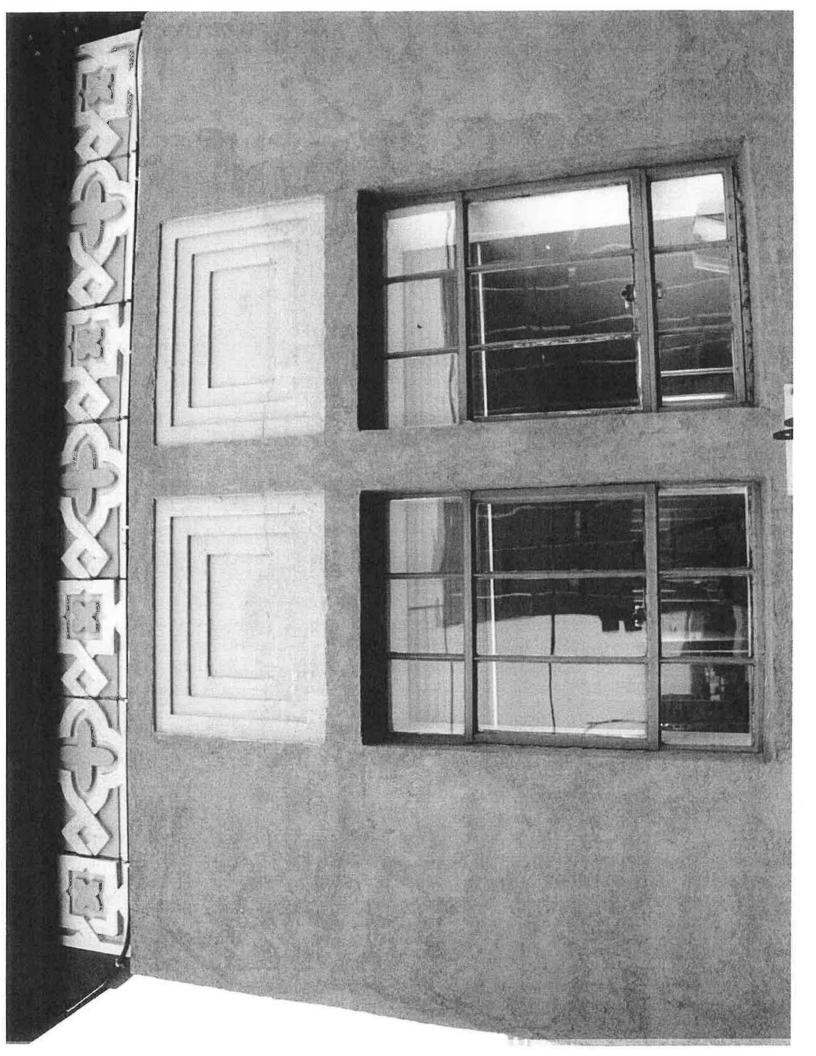


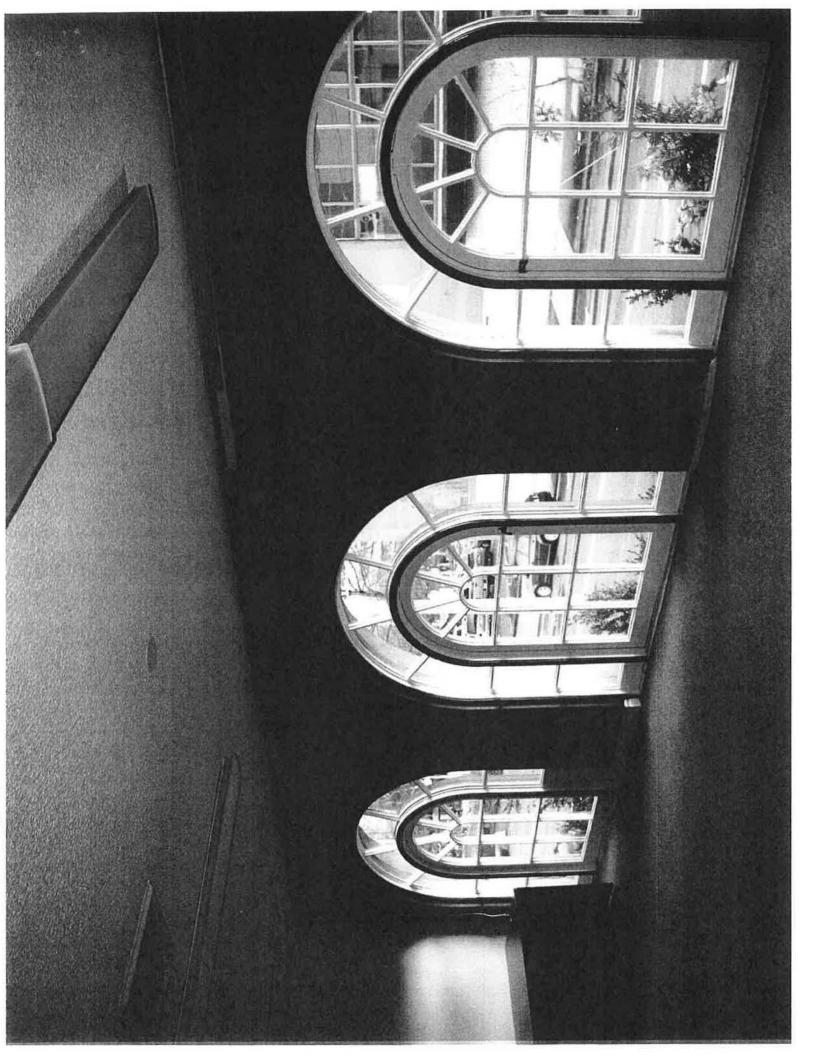




FIRST FLOOR FRAMING PLAN









City of Vancouver, Washington

Downtown Vancouver Association/ Uptown Business Association



Facade Improvement Plan

February 11, 1994

Prepared by

Cynthia Bankey, Architect

Funded Through the

US Department of Housing and Urban Development

Community Development Block Grant

Conly

Site Three

North side Evergreen 100 East Block

Includes (Parcel A) Rich Building - Quick Photo, empty corner, Hearing Aid Counselors, Main Street Cafe, (Parcel B) - Gifts, Gallery, Reiki, My Sister and I. Buildings in good condition. Historic photos of bank building in Rich Bldg. location, and photo of Evergreen and Broadway corner building, now My Sister and I, and clothing display area, as well as adjoining building. Extensive renovations occurred in 1960's or 1970's.

Site Description

Street Features

Vending machines, utility poles and parking meters are the only features. The sidewalk is a continuous 10' to 12' width, with curb cuts at each intersection. Parallel parking is allowed along the length of the street.

Parcel A

The Rich Building includes the Quik Stop Photo Shop, a major empty space, and a hearing aids shop. It is 50' × 75' with two stories, originally built in 1929. An extensive renovation in the 1960's placed random stone facing on ground floor, completely breaking the storefront rhythm with alternating expanses of stone and glass. Upper level stone aggregate panels and metal storefront system completely cover any previous window areas. Dark glass and bronze anodized aluminum match a horizontal steel beam below the upper level floor, and decorative wood areas surrounding ground floor display windows. A canvas awning cover the shop windows on Evergreen. There is one inner-lit plastic sign on the face of the building, a painted awning valence sign and painted glass signs.

Parcel B

The Main Street Cafe is located in a 25' by 50' bay, which may at one time have been part of a neighboring building. It is 15 tall with a plain metal parapet cap. The entire surface of the building is random stone. Well proportioned display windows are covered with an awning. One projecting sign is above the awning. Painted glass signs are tastefully arranged on the display windows.

Parcel C

Gourmet Baskets and Gifts, Gallery, Tee Shirts, Reiki, clothing display and My Sister and I. 100' × 100' one story unreinforced masonry. The general storefront rhythm was retained in earlier renovations, but the vertical proportions destroyed with heavy wood lath paneling above horizontal fixed awning. Columns clad in Ashlar - pseudo cut stone facing. Storefront bulkheads and building side panels clad in textured plywood, set back from columns as in original. Aluminum storefront system retains original scale of glass panels. Store entries recessed 3' to 4', entry to restaurant up short ramp, possibly handicap accessible. Signage painted on glass and face of awning. One projecting sign, inner lit plastic, one wall mounted inner lit sign at parking lot behind building.

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Facade Changes

Streetscape

Street trees planting areas and bike parking loops are added at regular intervals between the parking meters. Vancouver standard street lights are added at the corners and in the middle of the block for pedestrian lighting.

Parcel A

The Rich building has undergone one extensive renovation in the 1960's and now requires a major renovation to meet the goals of the Facade Improvement Plan. Keeping the structural beam over the first floor from the previous renovation and reinstating the three part rhythm of the original facade will help the current renovation fit the history of the building to the revitalized downtown. The open storefront bays are divided into three groupings, with upper floor entrances between the storefronts. A rigid canopy ties the elements of the facade together and utilizes the strength of the existing beam. The canopy allows light in to the new transom areas. Individual shop signs are suspended from the canopy. The upper level facade continues the massing in three parts, with an echoing beam tying the parts together. Small permanent sun louvers cross the tops of each window adding visual complexity and mitigating summer heat gain.

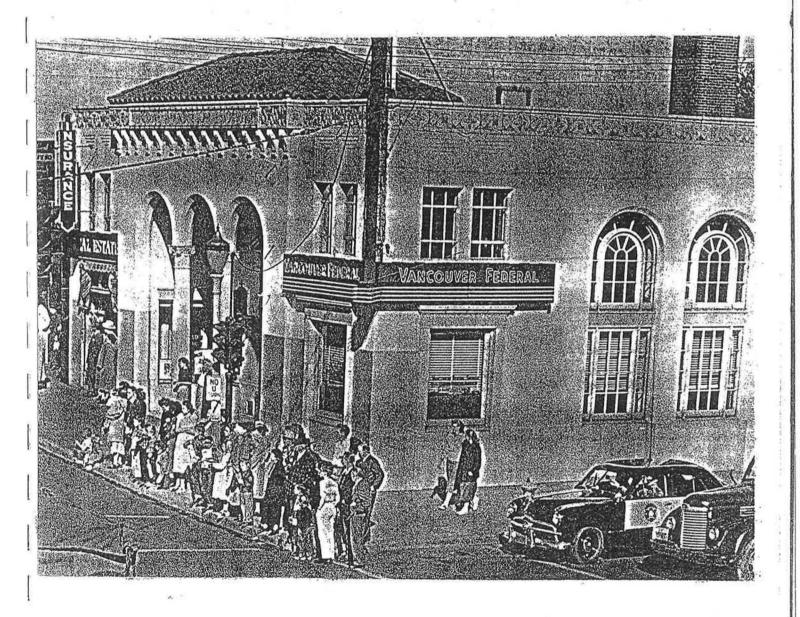
Parcel B

The building containing the Main Street Cafe is shown with a minor renovation, consisting of washing, realigning the projecting sign and adding a cornice to the facade. Although removing the random stone facing and replacing it with brick or insulated stucco may appeal to the tastes of some, it is difficult to justify the cost of such a change. Small buildings like this one can be seen as little treasures of surprise in the otherwise straightforward approach taken to downtown buildings.

Parcel C

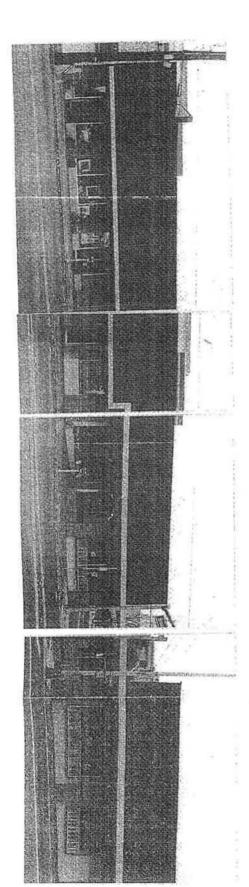
The buildings in Parcel C were integrated in the previous renovation to look like one building. Historic photographs show that the original buildings were separate and had the typical vertical styling of the early 1900's. These buildings are now shown with added second and third floors for rental housing. The separation between the two buildings is expressed in a slight change of window spacing and in the removal of the western portion of the canopy. The canopy is replaced with simple awnings over the display windows. This strategy eliminates the stepped canopy detail but retains the canopy over the corner space, where continuous rain protection is desirable.



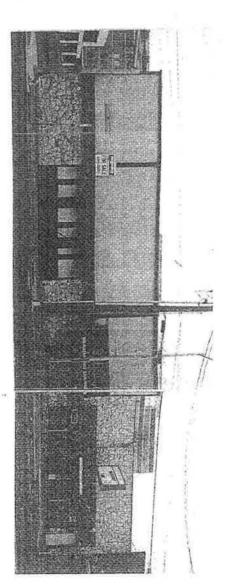


Historic photos of Rich Building

Site Three







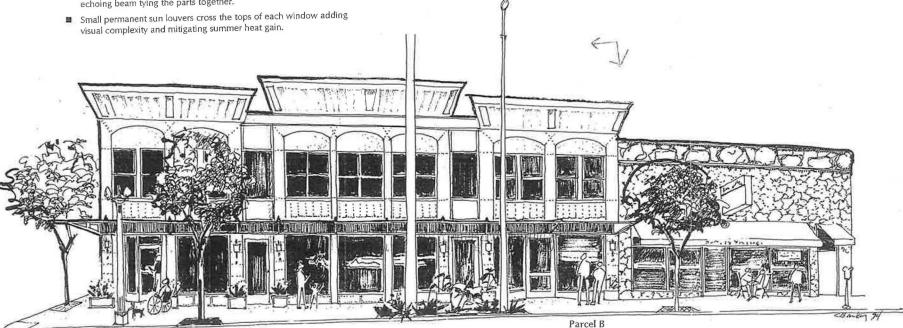
Photos of existing buildings and streetscape of Site Three

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Major Renovation reinstating the three part rhythm of the original facade helps the proposed renovation fit the history of the building

- Open storefront bays are divided into three groupings, with upper floor entrances between the storefronts.
- Rigid canopy ties the elements of the facade together
- New transom areas.
- Individual shop signs are suspended from the canopy.
- Upper level facade continues the massing in three parts, with an echoing beam tying the parts together.



Streetscape

- Street trees, planting areas and bike parking loops between the parking
- Old-style street lights added at corners and mid-block

Minor Renovation

- Realigning the projecting sign
- Adding a cornice to the facade.
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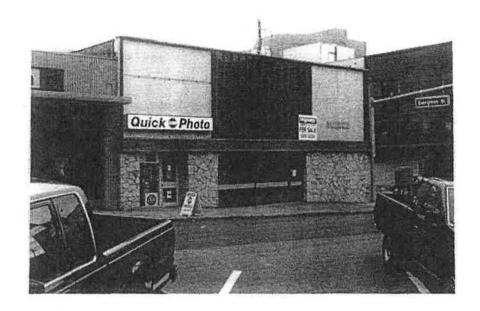
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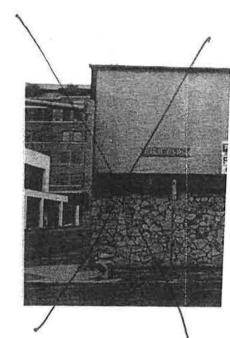
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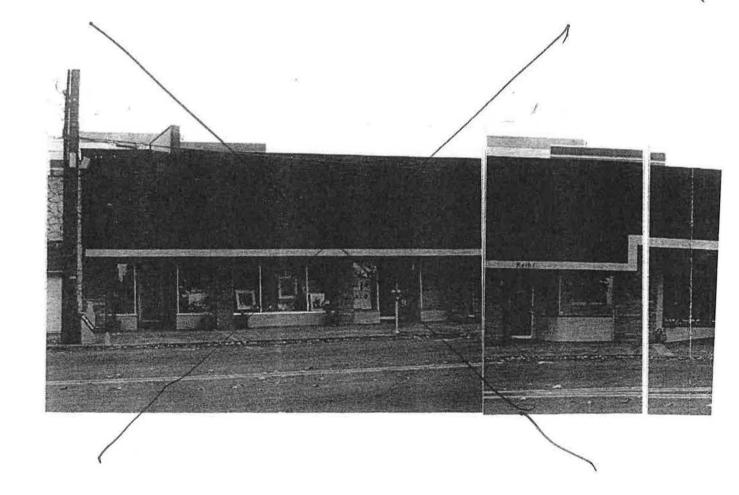
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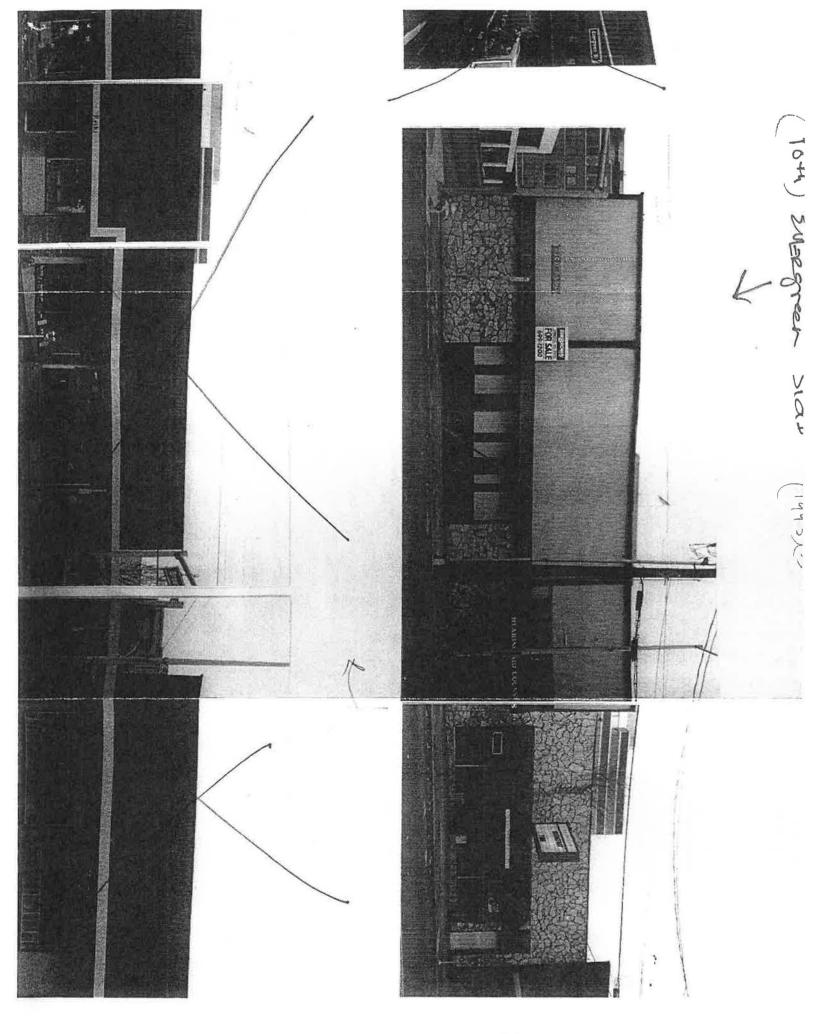
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Many Organizations Invited; State Milk Inspectors Here Soon

Making plans to entertain 15 or 20 conventions in Vancouver during 1930, the local chamber of commerce has extended invitations to many organizations who have held their 1929 sessions recently or plan to meet within the next few weeks.

As a result of these invitations one group, the state milk inspectors, are to meet on June 27 and 28 of this year. Henry Gill and Dr. C. C. Wright, local milk inspector, are handling all plans here and are making arrangements to entertain some 50 or 50 meat and milk inspectors from all over Washington.

The inspectors are to meet at luncheon on Thursday with the Kiwanis club and on Friday the Rotary club. The chamber of commerce is to assist in entertaining the visitors.

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Other organizations that are to be invited or have been invited, to meet in Vancouver in 1930 are the Business and Professional Women's club meeting today in Seattle, the State Manufacturers' association which met last month in Longview, the De Molsy fraternal organization, which meets in Wenatchee in August, Andthe Nazarene Assembly of the north Pacific district.

The state Savings and Loan association men were also invited to meet here next year by J. B. Atkinson, who attended the convention in Walla Walla this week, but did not accept the invitation.

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Building Permits

W. C. Crecker, Construct dwelling. 803 East Thirty-ninth street. Estimated cost, \$4,000, Contractor,

Oscar Lund. Construct store, 3306 Main street. Estimated cost, \$1500. Contractor, self.

L. A. Reeves. Construct dwelling and garage. Twenty-seventh and St. Johns Road. Estimated cost, \$1900. Constructor, self.

L. B. Schultz. Construct dwelling. Twenty-sixth and Q street. Estimated cost, \$2,350. Contractor-Hongland and Schultz.

Harry Alberson. Repair dwelling. 1604 Daniels. Estimated cost, \$100. Contractor, self.

Fred Michael. Construct garage. Twenty-ninth and U street. Estimated cost, \$100. Contractor, Pacific Bullders.

E. E. Scotton. Repair dwelling. 414 West Eighteenth street. Estimated cost, \$300, Contractor, self.

A. H. Beherns, Repair dwelling. 2105 West Eighteenth. Estimated cost, \$500. Contractor, self.

G. L. Brande. Construct shed. Thirtieth and Neals Lane, Estimated cost, \$50. Contractor, self.

Kern and Leonard. Repair store building, 503 Main. Estimated cost, \$240. Contractor, self.

Dr. H. H. Judd. Construct garage. 509 Cedar avenue. Estimated cost, \$150. Contractor, self.

Mr. Sax. Repair stage terminal. Fifth and Main streets. Estimated cost, \$150. Contractor, C. H. Marble.

O, Hagberg. Reshingle dwelling. 610 West Sixteenth street. Estimated cost. \$75. Contractor, self.

. Walter Jorgenson, Construct dwelling. Twenty-first, between Esther and Franklin. Estimated cost, \$2400. Contractor, self.

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Current will be a post of the . Although new permits issued are. declining, construction activity in the city is average. Work started during the two week period on the Vancouver Savings and Loan building on the northeast corner of Teath and Main street and is progressing rapidly,

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SHUTE FINISHES FOUNDATION FOR LOAN BUILDING

Twenty-siz ton of reinforcing steel have been used in building the foundation of the new Vancouver Savings and Loan association building on Tenth and Main streets, in addition to 700 bairels of cement, Henry Shuts, contractor who erected the Shumway Junior high school building and who is constructing the loan association building said today.

The foundation, although it will only be required to bear two stories at the start, is being placed strong enough to hold an additional five, according to Shute. Eight hundred yards of gravel and sand and 15,000 feet of rough lumber have also been used in the work of laying the foundation.

Foundation Complete

The vaults which have been built in the basement of the building have floors and walls, 18 inches thick. Space has been provided in the basement for a barber shop, boller room, and additional space which is to be leased.

The foundation was completed last week by the workmen, and work is starting today on the second floor. Cement is to be poured in this portion of the building within 10 days, and August 10 has been set as the tentative date for completion of the building.

\$5,000 For Marbie

Eighteen ton of terra cotta is to be used on the building, along with \$5,000 worth of marble to make it one of the most attractive in the city. J. B. Atkinson, of the Vancouver Savings and Loan association announced that his organization would move into the new building immediately upon construction and make their home their for many years.

All the woodwork used in construction of the building is to be supplied by the Central Planing mill of this city. Braley and Lee have the plumbing contract, and the Marshall Electric company of Portland have the wiring contract.

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Building Permits

A. E. Collins. Repair garage, 2412 F street. Estimated cost, \$45.

I. F. Partlow. Construct Fruit Stand, 3717 Main. Estimated cost, \$300.

W. R. Nelll. Repair dwelling. Thirty-third and V street. Estimated cost, \$150.

H. J. Classen. Construct garage. 512 West Twelfth street. Estimated coat, \$150.

J. C. Broughler. Construct dwelling. Twenty-fifth and Daniels. Estimated cost, \$3400.

Vancouver Savings and Loan association. Construct store and office building, 1001 Main street, Estimated cost, \$46,000.

Jack Rasb. Construct dwelling 400 West Twenty-first. Estimated cost. \$3,500.

Mrs. M. Pulsey. Repair dwelling 2000 Daniels, Estimated cost, \$780.

N. E. Wilson. Re-model dwelling. 3110 K street. Estimated cost, \$300.

W. Shattuck. Construct garage, 711 East Twenty-ninth street. Estimated cost, \$200.

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Ed Erickson, Repair dwelling. Thirty-seventh and Grant, Estimated cost, \$75.

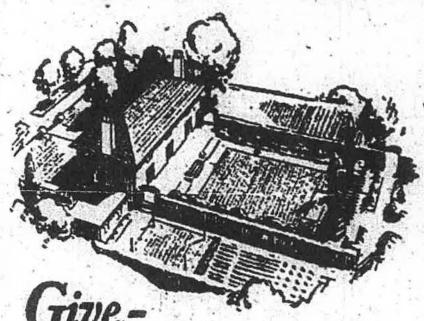
B. J. Reamer, Construct shed. 1205 West Eight street. Estimated cost, \$150.

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Only two permits for over \$1,000 were issued for homes, but the remainder of the permits were will up in three figures. The two home permits were asued to Jack Ranb and J. C. Broughler.

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GENERT POURED IN SECOND FLOOR OF LOAN BUILDING

Preparing to pour 1,100 sacks of cement into the second story of the Vancouver Savings and Loan building on the corner of Tenth and Main streets, sometime the latter part of this week, 15 men employed by Henry Shate, contractor, completed the mezzanine floor last week.

The mezzanine floor is L-shaped and about 30 by 40 feet in size. Nine ton of steel are to be used in the erection of the second floor, while 5,500 sacks of cement are to be used in the entire building.

Nineteen ton of terra cotta is expected to arrive in Vancouver for the building from Seattle within a very

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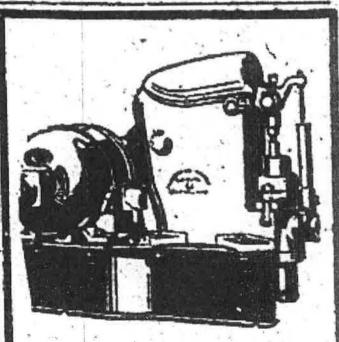
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The marble exterior of the bulkling is to be a tannish-grey and is called Sequoyah marble. The interior is to be of attractive grey and reddish grained marble called Lunel. All of the marble is being shipped from Portland, and will cost approximately \$5,000.

Shute, the contractor is still running according to schedule on erection of the building.



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BUILDING TOTALS FOR PAST WEEK REACH \$18,650

Building Permits

G. L. Guhz. Construct garage and repair dwelling. 2907 U street. Estimated cost, \$750.

Dr. D. T. Elliott. Construct dwelling. Twentieth and Daniels. Estimated cost, \$5,000. Contractor, A. W. Bryant.

The Texas Company. Construct filling station. 1707 Main street. Estimated cost, \$1,700.

Mrs. Rowley. Repair dwelling. 3215 V street. Estimated cost, \$500. Contractor, A. G. Marble.

Seymour Bell. Construct dwelling. 1910 East Seventh street. Estimated cost, \$10,000. Contractor, W. G. Carl.

I. F. Partlow. Construct cabins. Thirty-eighth and E streets. Estimated cest, \$700.

With the exception of the week in which a permit was issued for the construction of the \$45,000 Vancouver Savings and Lean association, last week's building totals excelled any other week for many months, according to the report of the city clerk.

Permits totalling \$15,650 were issued last week, which included a \$10,000 permit to Seymour Bell to erect a home on 1910 East Seventh street, and a \$5,000 permit to Dr. D. T. Elliott to construct a home on Twentieth and Daniels.

Although home construction is in a temporary slump throughout the city at this time, several jobs are in stages of construction. Harrison and Johnson, contractors are building a five-room modern home on Thirty-ninth and Rowley. This home is completely modern and greatly resembles some of the latest model homes erected in Portland.

J. D. McBroom, contractor, is erecting a home on Thirty-ninth and Washington for C. W. Anguish, a real estate agent here. This home is to be two stories.

W. G. Carl has already started on the new Bell home on East Seventh street, and a new Texaco Oil station has just been completed at 1707 Main street.

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Financial Institutions Here Increase in Resources

Revealing a general advance that is among the most outstanding of recent periods, all three of Vancouver's national banks and its two wavings and loan associations show considerable gains as of June 29. over the last statement periods, a survey today disclosed.

Leading the banks to gains since the last published bank call on March 27, the United States National on that date had total resources of \$2,060,720.22. Compared with this statement the bank on March 27 had resources of \$2,034,-016.73. The Vancouver National this time had \$2,076,833.73, as egginst \$2.067.467.91; while the Washington National had \$1,226,054,57 as against \$1,211,127.33.

Cash on hand and in banks increased materially for each institution, but also the totals of loans and discounts has jumped. In virtually all departments of the financial business, in fact, the banks have thown sustained activity.

While the larger institutions were apparently in position to enjoy looking at the world, the tiwo savings and loan associations were getting along rather well themselves. The statement of the Vancouver Savings & Lean association shows aggets of \$727,552.17. One year ago its total arsets were \$605,746,38, which indicates,'a gain of \$121.805.81.

The Metropolitan Savings & Loan et ussociation had not yet issued a statement this morning, but the secretary said that the assets of the association are now about \$250,000, a gain of nearly \$60,000 in one year.

Both associations declared semiannual dividends of 6 per cent as us- . nation July 1, thus drawing interested comment from many individuals. The associations have been watched by many residents who wondered what effect the enforcement of the new 5 per cent excise tax would have upon them.

Officials said simply: "Despite the facts that we have had to set aside a fund to take care of the new tax, we have been able to declare our regular 6 per cent dividends as usto ust."

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HALF YEAR MARK SHOWS \$342,695 INBUILDING HERE

Last Week's Building Permits
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streets. Estimated cost, \$7,000.
John A. Evans. Alter store.
Eighth and Broadway. Estimated cost, \$25.

E. R. Nelson, Repair dwelling, 1011 West Eighth street. Estimated cost \$5000.

A construction slump experienced by the builders in Vanaqueer during the first six months of 1929 is revealed by the figures just released by the city clerk, which show a loss of \$566,118 in building permits is aughl here. Walla Walla, Spoking, and Seattle, however, show a greater loss than Vancouver, and the entire Northwest shows a temporary decime in building.

Sulding permit totals reached. \$342,695 during the first six months of the year, which in itself is not unfavorable. However, 1908 was such an exceptional year that the comparison is hard on 1922. In the first ely months of 1928, \$308.513

worth of permits were issued.

The total of the opening months of 1928 was swelled by permits for such buildings as the Arts Building, \$145,000; Beverly Court apartments, \$95,000; Normandy Court apartments, \$85,000; and the Shumway Juntor high school for \$135,000, while this year very few large permits, none of which total as high as the Arts building and the Shumway school, have been issued.

An example of the manner in which the menths of 1928 outdistained menths of this year is shown by June, the last month in the six month in the six month; period in June, 1928, builders were enjoying \$276,844 in construction work, while this year the total registered only \$82,000.

Neven cities in the state. Belling-ham. Everett, Olympia. Fort Angeles, Taccniz. Wenatchee, and Yakima show a gain, while Aberdeen, Anacortes. Centralla, Chehalls, Elicoslarz, Hoggiam, Kelso, Longview, Mi, Vernon, Scattle, Spokane, Vancouver, Walla Walla and Wenatchee all blow a less.

Portland shows a loss of \$3,734,pin, and six ether cities in Oregon also show a loss. The states of Oregen and of Washington both above a loss of huilding permits during the first of 1939.

The survey is revealing two interesting facist first, that of the four Northwest states only Montana has experienced a substantial gain so far over 1928; second, that building construction during the next six months will be substantial, but "snotty."

Montaga's gain ever 1925 is approximately 127 per cent. Five of pr Its mi in th

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SUGGESTIONS FOR CHTY BEAUTIFUL

Making his plans to carry on an active city beautiful campaign. J. B. Atkinson, chairman of the chamber of commerce city beautiful committee, saked the Retarians at the Friday noon luncheon for suggestions that would assist him in laying out lits program.

. Chester Stumberg immediately entered a plea for lower water rates, stating that to keep ones lawn in good condition would min the water bill to enormous proportions. Stumhere was supported in his arguments by Guy Bennett.

rainfall is carefully horded, and there is not a canyon that is not dammed to save the water, water rates are not any higher than in Vancouver. Water here, according to Benentt, is right under ground and all that is necessary is to pump it into a reservoir and let it run down into the water system, and still the rates are extremely high.

Allison Burnham looked at the water situation from a different angle. Burnham said that he hated to attempt to water his lawn with but a tiny drizzle of water; and although the supply of water is said to be large enough the force is too weak.

Jay Bernstein aided Atkinson by suggesting that something be done with the many vacant lots throughout the city that were overflowing with weeds. Tall weeds hanging out over the sidewalk and streets lend a very poor almosphere to the neighhorhood. Bernstein believes,

Chester Stumberg also entered in this discussion as a "dandellon digger". Every year Stumberg assert-Bennett said that in portions of ed his lawn was reseeded with dan-California where it is very dry, and delions as a result of the vacant lots

I in his neighborhood. Some coopera tion should be effected between homeowners and the owners of vacant lots. Stumberg believes.

A suggestion that alfalfa hay be planted on the vacant lots in the city was made by Foster Hidden, who has been interested in alfalfa growing for some time, and has several acres of the hay in the northern lots of the city. Hidden said that a field of alfalfa was a very attractive picture and could be sold at \$6 an acre at harvest time.

Atkinson jotted all of the ideas and arguments down and intends to use them in formulating a program for the city wautiful campaign. Work in the city beautiful contest is soon to be taken up in earnest by the committee.

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A volume of trade and industry. which ranks among the greatest thperienced here has been enjoyed by Vancouver residents during the last six months and is continuing in July according to a general summary of business conditions in the city just completed.

In addition to the summary made here. Vancouver and surrounding territory was listed in the "white" in a survey of the business conditions in every state in the Union as made by the editors of The Nation's Business, official publication of the chamber of commerce of the United States.

Banks Show Gain

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John Bert Atkinson.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 27.(Special.)-John Bert Atkinson, 55, a resident of Vancouver for 19 years and prominent in financial and civic circles here, died last night at the Portland sanitarium following a major operation. He was born in Illinois, where his early life was spent. He followed railroading for several years and lived at Starbuck, Wash., before moving to Vancouver. He organized the Vencouver Savings and Loan association in 1920 and was its first president.

At the time of his death he was secretary and treasurer of the assodiation and vice-president of the Washington State Savings and Loan league. He served several years on the city council and was active in all civic enterprises. He was a Mason, Royal Arch chapter; Vancouver Commandery, Afifi temple of the Shrine, Rotary club and Vancouver chamber Surviving are his commerce. widow, Mrs. Mildred Atkinson; one son, Neal; two brothers, George of Portland and Fred of Rainier, Or., and one sister. Mrs. Elver Pease of Portland.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2:30 at the First Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Raymond
Rees will officiate. Interment will be
in Park Hill cemetery. The body will
be moved from the Knapp mortuary
to the church at 12:30 and lie in
state until time for the services.

OBSIT OREGONIZA 12/27/1929 J. B. ATKINSON

It was with a sense of shock and severe loss that the people of this community learned yesterday of the death Thursday evening of J. B. Atkinson, secretary-treasurer and gen- well-ke eral manager of the Vancou- on the ver Savings & Loan company. That Mr. Atkinson was gravely ill few knew. That he was provide ill at all prior to his going to Portland for an operation a few days prior to his death virtually none knew. He had seemed so vital, so filled with comes life; so much a part of the and lip community that the idea of his passing was not even to be thought of seriously.

In commenting on the deathof Mr. Atkinson, one cannot but be struck by the sad part of his being taken just when he was realizing a dream of years. He had, largely through his own efforts and zeal, built the company which he found-ed here in 1920 to a position where it had just built magnificent new quarters, where it was beginning to assume a vital place in the community business life. He had other dreams of expansion, dreams which a man of his energy, probity and business ability certainly would have realized had he but been spared to carry them through to accomplishment. It seems a cruel jest of fate that he could not have been permitted the en-joyment of the success which he had so signally attained.

Mr. Atkinson's death is-too, a great loss to the community. Frank to the point of bluntness, he fought and fought hard for what he considered to be right and opposed vigorously those things which he days, to felt were not good. His criticism was always constructive and his leadership in civic affairs was such that he had a large following of able men ready to work on plans which he had formulated. His work for the advancement of the city and county, his staunch support of the chamber of commerce, his work for the church of which he was a member and his leadership in fraternal organizations, with which he was affiliated made him, all in all a citizen of the highest type, a citizen, moreover, who kept time from his civic and business duties to be the best citizen of all, a man who loved and cared for those around his own fireside.

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Hundreds of saddened friends paid their last respects to the late J. B. Atkinson while his body lay in state at the First Methodist Episcopal church for two hours Saturday aftermoon. The casket was surrounded by flowers with many large floral pieces making a colorful background. A Knights Templar honor guard in full dress regalia shining with swords and plumed helmets formed) went an imposing air of solemnity and stateliness. The guard, picked from old friends of Mr. Atkinson, were: A. B. Larson, Charles Putman, William Hodgkin, S. M. Barnard, "Joe Harvey, Frederick W. Schuman and

> During the services, held at 2:30 o'clock in the church, John W. Todd.

> a close friend of Mr. Atkinson, sang

two numbers. The Rev. Raymond Rees read the services while the

Rev. W. G. Elliott, former paster of

Mr. Atkinson's church, eulogized his

work during his life time. Miss Alice

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-cessional, Pall bearers were: Dr. A. P. Ryan, Fred Sinclair, Howard

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Knights Templar guard formed an escort for the cortege to the family plot in Park Hill cemetery. . Mr. Atkinson succumbed to complications following a major operation in Portland at the Portland Sanitarium, performed about two weeks ago. His death was unlooked for and it came as a shock, to his many friend: and business associates.

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HAZEL DELL Dec. 30.-(Special) -Lowell Suterfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Suterfield, is at the Clark General hospital, where he is having Colubian OBIT/RIFE 12/30/1929

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WARK SUCCEEDS John B. Atkinson

A. P. Ryan Chosen as President of Vancouver Savings and Loan Ass'n.

Fred Wark, for seven years a director of the Vancouver Savings & Lean association and until last night vice-president of the organization, will succeed the late J. B. Atkinson as secretary-treasurer, it was announced today. He was selected for the position at a special meeting of the board of directors Monday night.

Coincident with the appointment of Wark to carry on the work of the deceased official, the directors chose A. P. Ryan as president and G. A. Evans as whe-president. The place of J. B. Atkinson on the board was filled by the election of Neal Atkinson, his son,

The new secretary-treasurer, the directors pointed out, was lutinately associated for years with Mr. Atkinson and had become exceptionally well-grounded in training for the position through daily business activities with the latter.

Dr. Ryan not only is well known in Vancouver but also is known in many other parts of the state, and was one of the original incorporators of the company. Evans, now retired, is former head of the North Bank Free company.

The announcement called attention also to the fact that the association is nearing its tenth hirthday and that five of the directors have served throughout the life of the organization A continuation of the policy of management Atkinson made successful was piedged.

The heard of directors is now composed of A. P. Ryan. Fred Wark, Roy Hesselline. Dr. N. J. Taylor, O. A. Johnson, J. W. Durgan, W. C. Bates, G. A. Evans and Neal Atkinson.

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MASONS TO BUILD TEMPLE

Vancouver Lodges Form Organization to Erect Structure.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 29.—
(Special.)—A Masonic building association has been formed by the Masonic lodges in Vancouver to build a large new temple on property recently bought at Main and Ninth streets.

The present Masonic temple at Main and Eighth streets was built in 1885, and it has become too small to accommodate the large number of

meetings held every month.

Joseph Harvey was elected president of the association and William C. Bates secretary. A committee to obtain general plans was appointed and includes George B. Simpson, John Dickson and A. G. Potter, The finance committee is A. L. Miller, M. R. Sparks and J. B. Atkinson.

It is understood that the building will cost \$150,000. The lots cost \$25,000.

POLICE CHIEF ASSAILED

Vancouver Officer Charged With

"Conduct Unbecoming."

(Special.)—J. B. Atkinson, chairman of the police committee of the city council, last night, after charging George II. Sanford, chief of police, with conduct unbecoming an officer, asserted "that liquor in this town is being allowed to run wild." Mr. Atkinson further said that Mr. Sanford has been seen driving his car while intoxicated and that he has been unable at times properly to conduct the duties of his office because he was in an intoxicated condition.

Mr. Sanford, who was present, denied every charge and said they were false and for spite. He demanded an investigation to remove the imputations cast at him by Mr. Atkinson.

Mr. Atkison's resignation was accepted.

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GAS RATE HEARING OPENS

VANCOUVER CONSUMERS ARE OPPOSED TO INCREASE.

Attempt Being Made, to Show Alleged Auxiliary Plant Is Not Necessary to Company.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Feb. 17,-(Special.)—The public service commission of Washington today held a hearing here on the proposed increase in gas rates in Vancouver. Edward M. Cousin, rate attorney, was retained by the gas consumers of this city and he handled the case for the city, assisted by William C. Bates. city attorney. John P. Kiggins, mayor of Vancouver, and Chris Engleman and J. B. Atkinson, member of the council, were permitted to sit in the case with the public-service commission. The gas company proposes to raise the price of gas to \$1.90 each 1000 feet.

All of the civic organizations in the city were represented at the meeting and there was a big crowd all day, all interested in the testimony. An attempt is being made to show that the local gas plant, which cost about \$30,000, and on which the local users are asked to pay interest, is not necessary, and should not be charged to the consumers. It is held that this plant is an auxiliary to be used in case a main from Portland should break. However, when the severe weather in December, 1919, froze up the main for several days, this plant was not operated and people went without gas until the main was repaired.

Hillsboro, Gresham, Oregon City and other points receive the Port-land rate on gas, while Vancouver has always paid 50 per cent more. It is held that there should not be such a difference in price of gas in Vancouver, which is much closer than the outside cities in Oregon that are served by the same company.

The case will be completed tomorrow and the commission will take the matter under advisement and announce findings later.

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EPITHET'S USE IS DENIED

Vancouver Citizen Says He Didn't Call Councilman Grafters.

VANCOUVER, Wash. Aug. 3.—(Special.)—J. II. Coffin, the man who is alleged to have insinuated that certain members of the city council were grafters, at a meeting of that body Monday night, today denied that he called them such and declared that he had been misinterpreted by the press.

He said that he told Councilman

J. B. Atkinson relative to the paving

of Ninth street that since that official did not own property there he

"did not see that he had anything to gain or lose through paving unless

he was getting a handout by the

contracting company." Coffin says he

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Commandant to Be Welcomed.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Sept. 14,—
(Special.)—This afternoon Acting
Mayor Atkinson, Robert Dunbar,
president of the Prunarians; John

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Todd, president of the Rotary club, and John Elwell, president of the chamber of commerce, will form what will be called the mayor's party and will go to Vancouver barracks head-quarters office and welcome Brigadier-General Blatchford, new commandant of the local army post, to Vancouver. The welcome will be given at 2 o'clock and Mr. Atkinson will deliver the address of welcome on behalf of the city and the civic organizations.

CITY WELCOMES TROOPS

Vancouver Mayor and Civic Organizations Greet 59th Infantry;

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 14,—(Special.)—Brigadier-General Blatcheford and the officers of the 59th infantry were formally welcomed to

0 Regenser 9121/1921 page 1 Vancouver today by Acting Mayor Atkinson, Robert Dunbar, president of the Prunarians; John Todd, president of the Rotary club: John Elwell, president of the chamber of commerce, and Rev. C. C. Curtis, representing the Ministerial association.

The general greeted the Vancouver men at headquarters and introduced them to the other officers of the post. Mayor Atkinson welcomed the general and officers on behalf of the

city.

Following the mayor's talk Robert. Dunbar and John Todd extended a warm welcome from the Prunarians and the Rotary club. Mr. Dunbar said civic organizations are preparing letters to be posted as bulletins in each company to welcome the men.

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PAVING REPAIR ORDERED

Vancouver Council Instructs Car Company to Do Work.

(Special.)—The North Coast Power company, controlling the city traction and water companies, loses approximately I cent on every passenger it carries, according to data presented at a meeting of the city council Tuesday, when Councilman C. W. Davis and J. B. Atkinson attempted to have the franchise revoked. The company has been losing money on its street car system for more than two years past it has been asserted.

However, after much argument in which Councilmen Padden and Salisbury defended the company, it was ordered that the company be compelled to repair the pavement where its tracks and cars have damaged it on Twenty-sixth street.

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LONGSHOREMEN GET WORK

Agreement With Union Is Made by Vancouver Council.

VANCOUVER. Wash, May 2.-(Special.)—A closed shop agreement with the longshoremen's union here was entered into last night by the Vancouver city council. A contract for work on the municipal dock will be let to the union, setting the rate for handling lumber at 65 cents a thousand feet. The decision followed a heated debate between Councilman Atkinson, chairman of the dock committee, and members of the committee from the union. Mr. Atkinson insisted that the dock should be open to citizens of Vancouver whether they belonged to the union or not.

The members of the union committee said that they were taxpayers in Vancouver and that unless they got the contract for all shipments going over the dock they would have to relinquish their charter and leave the city. The council rejected that portion of the dock committee's recommendations establishing an open shop but adopted other sections relating to the preparation of a tariff, and the establishment of adequate protect'on against fire.

The resignation of W. W. Curran, member of the council, was accepted. Mr. Curran said that business reasons were pressing.

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STATION REQ

VANCOUVER COUNCIL ADOPTS STAGE ORDINANCE.

Drivers to Be Assessed 20 Cents Daily and Must Use Terminal to Obtain Licenses.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. (Special.)-After a stormy session tonight the city council passed the stage terminal ordinance, providing that busses operating out of this city must establish by February 1. a brick or concrete station inside. the district bounded by Broadway. Washington, Third and Eighth streets.

The bus operators opposed the ordinance on the ground that it contained a provision that the station must have a minimum floor space of 5750 feet, 750 feet more than a city lot. The bus men charged that only one available building provided that much space. This building, they said, was the Julius Sax structure at Third and Main streets, now under lease to William Paul and H. E. Pardoe.

Councilmen Atkinson and Blaker also opposed the ordinance, which was passed by a vote of five to two. The measure has been a storm center for the past six weeks, ever since it was first proposed.

The bus operators charged that the ordinance was drawn up by Henry Crass, attorney for Paul & Pardoe, and that it was framed with the object of limiting the choice, so that only the Sax structure could be used. The operators also declared that the time limit precluded the possibility of building a new terminal, although it left ample time to remodel, the Sax building.

The drivers will be assessed 20 cents daily for the use of the terminal, and all will be obliged to use it in order to obtain licenses.

A big crowd attended the meeting of the council. A petition, signed by a number of business men, asking that an ordinance be passed requiring the establishment of some terminal, was presented before the vote was taken.

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Vancouver Council Grants Li-

cense for Five-Year Period.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Dec. 18.— (Special.)—The old stage terminal row broke out again at the session of the city council tonight when that body voted, five to two, to grant a five-year license for operation of the new terminal, construction of which was authorized recently by the council.

The license was granted to William Paul and H. E. Pardoe who will operate the terminal at Pifth and Main streets which all busses serving the city must use. Councilmen Atkinson and Blaker, the same who fought the permit for the erection of the building on the charge that it was giving a practical monopoly to two men, resumed their bitter battle tonight but to no avail, as the other councilmen voted for the license.

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Amount of authorized capital	\$2,000,000 00
Par value	100 00
Number of members	408
Number of shares sold during the year	2901
Number of shares cancelled and withdrawn during the year	. 239
Number of shares in force at close of year	3945
Amount of membership fee per share charged	2 00
Rate of annual dividend declared for year past	85

RECEIPTS.

Installments or dues on stock-	or dues on stock-
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A and B stock	\$40,314 97
C stock	38,194 91
Repayments on loans	12,362 64
Borrowed money under sec. 8, ch. 110, Laws 1913	10,700 00
Real estate sold	None
Insurance, taxes and other advances refunded	None
Interest	5,883 68
Hents from real estate	None
Membership fees collected	4,240 00
Cash on hand July 1, 1921	142 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total receipts and balances..... \$111.838 25

Real estate loans	\$73,910	75
Stock	14.402	36
Borrowed money paid	11,100	06
Interest on borrowed money	70	25

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Insurance and taxes advanced	None
Withdrawals of stock-Included in above stock.	
Dividends	2.784 58
Salary of officers and directors	. None
Office help, rent, etc	974 60
Legal services	None
Commission on loans	None
Commission on stock (membership fees)	4,240 00
Furniture and fixtures	100 00
Cash on hand June 30, 1922	4.255 77
Total disbursements and cash balance	\$111.838 25
ASSETS.	
Cash on hand	34,255 77
Real estate loans	95.707 43
Stock loans	None
Loans to other societies	None
Bonds and warrants	None
Real estate owned	None
Real estate sold under contract	None
Advances on account of loans	None
Furniture and fixtures	100 00
Total assets	\$100,083 20
LIABILITIES.	
Stock	\$96.806 88
Contingent fund	355 00
Undivided profits	2,901 32
Loans due and incomplete	None
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