

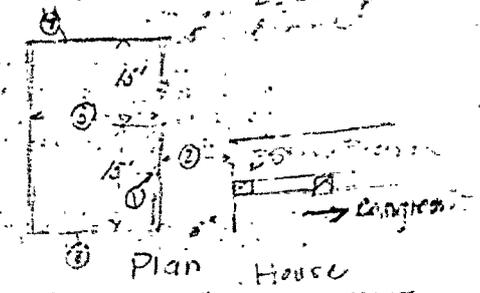
Rear 80 CUMBERLAND AVENUE



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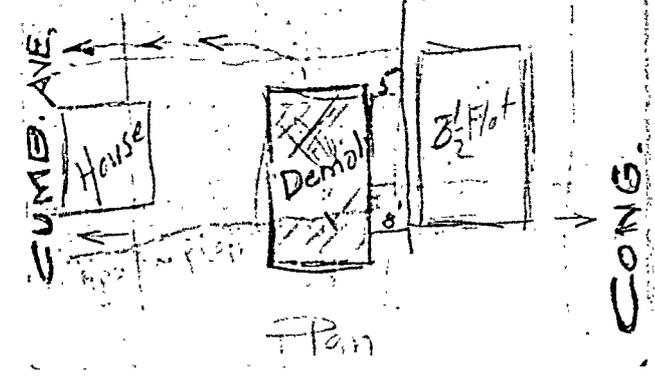
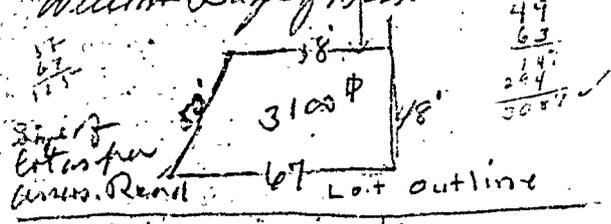
Cumb. Ave



① base 4 1/2" brick wall
+ 1/2" in mortar.
② ground base in bc.
concrete card and cast fill

③ depth abt 4' filled in
with soil.

~~33-7-9-11~~ Anderson
1941-13 M 10
William Bayley Hus.



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File: BP 48/171 (80 Cumberland
Avenue, rear)-1

May 4, 1943

To: Lester F. Wallace
Purchasing Agent

From: Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

Subject: demolition of city-owned building at the rear of 80
Cumberland Avenue

Inspection shows that a good job has been done of fill-
ing the former cellar, and, while I am not aware of what the
terms of the contract with the demolition contractor are and to
what extent he is bound to finish off this job, it is unfortunate
that the underpinning wall of the former dwelling toward Congress
street was not pulled over into the cellar before the filling pro-
cess was started—as recommended in my memorandum of April 21.

The situation is now that this former brick underpinning
wall has been left standing and is called upon to retain a height
of dirt of 4' at one point and tapering off less at the ends. The
wall is not good masonry, and while it may stand for a long time,
it probably will sometime collapse due to the weight of earth be-
hind it, and such collapse could occur at any time if the earth
which the wall holds should be further weighted down by some
vehicle or by storage of goods on the ground.

Inspector of Buildings

WHC/S

April 21, 1948

To: Lester F. Wallace
Purchasing Agent

From: Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

Subject: Conditions on city-owned lot at the rear of 30 Cumberland Avenue where building has been demolished—reply to your memorandum of April 15

The demolished building was 3 or 7 feet toward Cumberland Avenue from the exterior wall of a 2½ to 3-story house which is evidently numbered at the rear of Congress Street. The very "sketchy" foundation and underpinning wall of the demolished building on the side toward the existing building retains quite a depth of earth between it and the existing building, and removal of the superstructure left this wall without the bracing effect of the stiffness of the building, and it is totally inadequate to act as a retaining wall. Part of it has caved into the former cellar (perhaps with some help from the neighborhood) and a bank of earth between the demolished building and the existing building has sloped off into the cellar excavation with the top of slope right at the top of foundation wall of the existing building.

The remainder of the foundation wall may also cave into the cellar at any time, and it is my recommendation, after the liability of the City has been established, that this remainder of the wall be pulled over into the excavation, to avoid having it fall on someone who, though a trespasser, would perhaps have some grounds for damages.

The partially filled former cellar has quite a lot of combustible debris in it, and I recommend that this all be gathered out as soon as possible especially because of "clean-up" week and the bad impression it gives on city-owned property. This would have to be done with care regard to the safety of anyone clearing out the debris and possibly some temporary bracing on the wall which might topple over into the excavation.

It is not known where the property line is between the demolished building and the existing building, but it seems to me the Corporation Counsel should be consulted as to the city's liability, if any, as to retaining the earth against the foundations of the existing building. From a casual examination of the situation and in the cellar of the existing building, I should say that there is little likelihood of structural damage to the existing building even when the remainder of the defective foundation and underpinning wall of the demolished building is pulled over. However, the earth is quite likely to slope off on the natural angle of repose to such an extent that the foundation of the existing building will not have sufficient earth above the bottom of it to form a frost cover.

I understand that some owner in the neighborhood is considering buying this lot owned by the City. It is my belief, however, that the City ought to fill the excavation with decent filling material before the lot is sold, perhaps adding the cost of the filling to the purchase price, so as to make sure that this excavation will not become the dumping grounds for all sorts of rubbish, a breeding place for rats and an unsanitary cess all around.

WHD/S
Encl: Copy of this memo

Inspector of Buildings

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

✓ To: Warren McDonald, Bldg. Insp.
FROM: Lester F. Wallace, Purchasing Agent
SUBJECT: House - Rear 80 Cumberland Ave.

DATE: April 15, 1948

The City entered into contract with Charles Dennison of 182 Oxford Street to demolish the house in the rear of 80 Cumberland Ave.

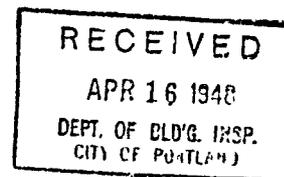
Mr. Dennison reported yesterday that he has completed this work and I would appreciate it if you would have one of your men inspect the premises and advise if it is in order to pay Mr. Dennison the amount due him under his contract.

Very truly yours,

Lester F. Wallace
Lester F. Wallace,
Purchasing Agent

LFW/jw
cc/Dr. Foster, Health Dept.

*BTM
3/15/48
Message
LFW*





APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class
Portland, Maine, February 14, 1948

PERMIT ISSUED
00171
FEB 14 1948
CITY OF PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ ~~or~~ ~~demolish~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ following building structure equipment in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code and Zoning Ordinance of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith and the following specifications:

Location 80 Cumberland Avenue (rear) Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3
Owner's name and address City of Portland Telephone _____
Lessee's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Charles L. Demison, 132 Oxford Street Telephone _____
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans NO No of sheets _____
Proposed use of building _____ No. families _____
Last use Dwelling No. families 2
Material frame No. stories 2 1/2 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

General Description of New Work

To ~~erect~~ ~~or~~ ~~demolish~~ existing 2 1/2 story frame dwelling.

Do you agree to tightly and permanently close all sewers or drains connecting with public or private sewers from this building or structure to be demolished, under the permission and to the approval of the Dept. of Public Works of the City of Portland?
yes

It is understood that this permit does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be taken out separately by and in the name of the heating contractor. PERMIT TO BE ISSUED

Details of New Work

Is any plumbing involved in this work? _____ Is any electrical work involved in this work? _____
Height average grade to top of plate _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____ cellar _____
Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____
Kind of roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____
No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____ Kind of heat _____ fuel _____
Framing lumber—Kind _____ Dressed or full size? _____
Corner posts _____ Size _____ Girt or ledger board? _____ Size _____
Girders _____ Size _____ Columns under girders _____ Size _____ Max. or center _____
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet.
Joists and rafters: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
On centers: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
Maximum span: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? _____ height? _____

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____, to be accommodated _____ number commercial cars to be accommodated _____
Will automobile repairing be done other than minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building? _____

Miscellaneous

Will work require disturbing of any tree on a public street? NO
Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? yes

City of Portland

APPROVED:

Signature of owner By:

Charles L. Demison

INSPECTION COPY

Permit No. 48/171
Location R. 80 Cumb. ave.
Owner City of Portland
Date of permit 6/14 148
Notif. closing-in _____
Inspn. closing-in _____
Final Notif. _____
Final Inspn. 5/3/48. G.C.
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

NOTES

~~5/3/48 old cell in brick
filled in location of
brick wall 8' x 10' long
south side remains.
5/3/48 - remains of
underground
no return in wall
about 1/2' high
not safe
5/4/48 - Dis-
posed of
P.C.~~

~~W.H.~~



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO REPAIR BUILDING
Third Class Building

Permit No. 31243
 3-650

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME. Portland, Maine, August 29, 1949
 The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to repair the following described building in accordance with the
 Laws of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 80 Cumberland Avenue Within fire limits? Yes Dist. No. 3
 Owner's name and address William Bagley, 80 Cumberland Avenue Telephone _____
 Contractor's name and address Floyd Maca, 80 Cumberland Ave. Telephone no
 Use of building tenant house 3 family
 No. stories 3 Style of roof _____ Type of present roof covering _____

General Description of New Work

To Repair after fire to former condition. No alterations
 (Cause - Unknown, outside wall)

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY
 31243

If Roof Covering is to be Repaired or Renewed

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? _____ Is any electrical work involved in this work? _____
 Are repairs or renewal due to damage by fire? yes If so, what area damaged? _____ sq. ft.
 Area of roof to be repaired now? _____ sq. ft.
 Type of roofing to be used _____ No. plies _____
 Trade name and grade of roof covering to be used _____
 Estimated cost \$ 150.

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner William Bagley Fee \$.50
Floyd B. Maca

