

115-117 CONGRESS STREET



First cut / 2nd - 4th cut • 9201R - Third cut • 9203R - Fifth cut • 9205R



## CITY OF PORTLAND

JOSEPH E. McDONOUGH  
FIRE CHIEF

March 1, 1982

Evangelista & Lilliana Donatelli  
115-117 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

Re: 115-117 Congress Street

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Donatelli:

Your permit application to change use of building, at the above named address, is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

- Code # 10. All doors involved in the means of egress shall be equipped with latch sets which shall open from the inside without the use of keys, special knowledge, or by pressure on a plate or lever.
11. The boiler room shall be enclosed with construction having a fire rating of at least one hour, including the ceiling, and fire doors with self-closers.
14. All vertical openings (stairways) shall be enclosed with construction having a fire rating of at least one hour including fire door with self-closers.
16. Each apartment shall be equipped with a single station smoke detector wired to the house current. These detectors shall be placed in a manner which will protect the sleeping areas.
18. Each apartment shall have access to two separate and remote approved exits. Upon entering the exit enclosures, one shall be able to remain in the protected enclosure until reaching the building exterior.

Yours truly,

Lt. James P. Collins  
Fire Prevention Bureau

JPC/t

Applicant: *Carroll McIntire*  
Address: *115-117 Congress St.*  
Assessors No.: *14B10*

Date: *Feb. 8, 1982*

Owners: *Franklin & William  
Damatelli*

CHECK LIST AGAINST ZONING ORDINANCE

Date -

Zone Location - *R-6 Residence*

Interior or corner lot -

40 ft. setback area (Section 21) - *NA*

Use - *Residential Change from 2 to 3 apt.*

Sewage Disposal *O.K.*

Rear Yards -

Side Yards -

Front Yards -

Projections -

Height -

Lot Area - *5100 sq*

Building Area -

Area per Family - *1,000 sq*

Width of Lot - *50'*

Lot Frontage *50'*

Off-street Parking - *O.K.*

Loading Bays - *NA.*

Site Plan -

Shoreland Zoning -

Flood Plains -

February 17, 1982

Evangelista & Lilliana Donatelli  
115-117 Congress St.  
Portland, Me.

c.c. G.L. Trynor  
18 State St.  
Gorham, Me.

Dear Ms. Donatelli:

Your building permit to change 115-117 Congress Street from a 2 to 3 family dwelling cannot be issued at this time because your plans are inadequate in detail.

Please submit a complete set of floor plans to this office at your earliest convenience so your application may be reviewed.

Sincerely,

P.S. Hoffses  
Chief of Inspection Services

PSH:k



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS SERVICES  
ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Date March 3, 19 82  
Receipt and Permit number 158147

To the CHIEF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR, Portland, Maine:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to make electrical installations in accordance with the laws of Maine, the Portland Electrical Ordinance, the National Electrical Code and the following specifications:

LOCATION OF WORK: 117 Congress St.  
OWNER'S NAME: Evangelista Donatelli ADDRESS: same

		FEES
<b>OUTLETS:</b>		
Receptacles	Switches	Plugmold
ft. TOTAL		
<b>FIXTURES: (number of)</b>		
Incandescent	Flourescent	(not strip) TOTAL
Strip Flourescent	ft.	
<b>SERVICES:</b>		
Overhead	Underground	Temporary
TO: All amperes		
METERS (number of)	<u>4</u>	<u>2.00</u>
<b>MOTORS (number of)</b>		
Fractional		
1 HP or over		
<b>RESIDENTIAL HEATING:</b>		
Oil or Gas (number of units)		
Electric (number of rooms)		
<b>COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL HEATING:</b>		
Oil or Gas (by a main boiler)		
Oil or Gas (by separate units)		
Electric Under 20 kws	Over 20 kws	
<b>APPLIANCES (number of)</b>		
Ranges	Water Heaters	
Cook Tops	Is	
Wall Ovens	rs	
Dryers	rs	
Fans	Other (denote)	
<b>TOTAL</b>		
<b>MISCELLANEOUS: (number of)</b>		
Branch Panels		
Transformers		
Air Conditioners Central Unit		
Separate Units (windows)		
Signs 20 sq. ft. and under		
Over 20 sq. ft.		
Swimming Pools Above Ground		
In Ground		
Fire/Burglar Alarms Residential		
Commercial		
Heavy Duty Outlets 220 Volt (such as welders) 30 amps and under		
over 30 amps		
Circus, Fairs, etc.		
Alterations to wires		
Repairs after fire		
Emergency Lights, battery		
Emergency Generators		

FOR ADDITIONAL WORK NOT ON ORIGINAL PERMIT ..... INSTALLATION FEE DUE:  
FOR REMOVAL OF A "STOP ORDER" (304-16.b) ..... DOUBLE FEE DUE:  
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: 2.00  
min 3 0

INSPECTION:  
Will be ready on March 3, 19 82; or Will Call ✓  
CONTRACTOR'S NAME: Mancini Elec  
ADDRESS: 179 Sheridan St.  
TEL.: on file  
MASTER LICENSE NO.: on file  
LIMITED LICENSE NO.: on file  
SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR: Anthony Mancini

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OFFICE COPY — CANARY  
CONTRACTOR'S COPY — GREEN

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS -

Permit Number 88147  
 Location 117 Congress St.  
 Owner E. Dana Little  
 Date of Permit 3-3-82  
 Final Inspection 3-15-82  
 By Inspector T. Kelly  
 Permit Application Register Page No. 111

INSPECTIONS: Service L by T. Kelly  
 Service called in 3-15-82  
 Closing-in by

PROGRESS INSPECTIONS: 3-4-82  
3-9-82

CODE  
 COMPLIANCE  
 COMPLETED  
 DATE 3-15-82

DATE: REMARKS:

3-9-82 Cu & Al together in meter.



## CITY OF PORTLAND

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FIRE CHIEF

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JFC/t

# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

B.O.C.A. USE GROUP ..... 00109

B.O.C.A. TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION .....

ZONING LOCATION ..... R-6 ..... PORTLAND, MAINE ..... FEB. 8, 198

PERMIT ISSUED

MAR 1 1982

CITY of PORTLAND

To the CHIEF OF BUILDING & INSPECTION SERVICES, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect, alter, repair, demolish, move or install the following building, structure, equipment or change its use in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Portland B.O.C.A. Building Code and Zoning Ordinance of the City of Portland with plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith and the following specifications:

LOCATION ..... 115-117 Congress Street ..... Fire District #1 ☐ #2 ☐  
 1. Owner's name and address ..... Evangelista & Lilliana Banatella ..... Telephone .....  
 2. Lessee's name and address ..... ..... Telephone ..... 839-2212  
 3. Contractor's name and address ..... G. E. Trynor - 13 State St. Gorham ..... Telephone .....  
 Proposed use of building ..... 3 families ..... No. of sheets .....  
 Use ..... 2 families ..... No. families .....  
 Material ..... No. stories ..... Heat ..... Style of roof ..... Roofing .....  
 Other buildings on same lot .....  
 Estimated contractual cost \$10,000

FIELD INSPECTOR—Mr. @ 775-5451

Appeal Fees \$ .....  
 Base Fee ..... 60.00  
 Fee of use ..... 25.00  
 Late Fee .....  
 TOTAL \$ ..... 85.00

Change of use from 2 to 3 families  
 with new apt on 1st floor of dwelling  
 alterations, no structural changes  
 as per plans. 1 sheet of plans.

Stamp of Special Conditions

NOTE TO APPLICANT: Separate permits are required by the installers and subcontractors of heating, plumbing, electrical and mechanicals

## DETAILS OF NEW WORK

Is any plumbing involved in this work? ..... Is any electrical work involved in this work? .....  
 Is connection to be made to public sewer? ..... If not, what is proposed for sewage? .....  
 Has septic tank notice been sent? ..... Form notice .....  
 Height average grade to top of plate ..... Height average grade to highest point of roof .....  
 Size, front ..... depth ..... No. stories ..... solid or tiled land? ..... earth or rock? .....  
 Material of foundation ..... Thickness, top ..... bottom ..... cellar .....  
 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 ..... Sills .....  
 Size Girder ..... Columns under girders ..... Size ..... Max. on centers .....  
 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 maintenance or repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building? .....

## APPROVED BY:

## DATE:

## MISCELLANEOUS

BUILDING INSPECTION—PLAN EXAMINER .....  
 ZONING: .....  
 BUILDING CODE .....  
 Fire Dept.: .....  
 Health Dept.: .....  
 Others: .....

Will work require disturbing of any tree on a public street? .....  
 Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? .....

Signature of Applicant ..... Phone # ..... same

Type Name of above ..... Carroll McIntire, Sr. ..... 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐  
 for T. E. Trynor ..... Other .....  
 and Address .....

FIELD INSPECTOR'S COPY

APPLICANT'S COPY

OFFICE FILE COPY

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## Notes

3/22/82 Co/contractor has  
studding in place.  
OK to close in  
walls, 1/2 sheetrock  
the will be blowing  
in cellulose insulation.  
after closing in.  
Exterior walls will  
have Gypcrete  
for 1st floor then sealed

482 CC Work in progress  
cell closed in  
working on exterior  
siding & painting. Mr.

5/14/82 Everything completed  
& OK

49  
 7 Congress St  
 Woburn, Mass  
 12-8-82  
 Approved \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dwelling 3-1-82  
 Dwelling 7 Multi-  
 40 pgs  
 Variation  
 Charles Sumner 3-4



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS SERVICES  
ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Date May 3, 1960  
Receipt and Permit number A 45687

To the CHIEF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR, Portland, Maine:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to make electrical installations in accordance with the laws of  
Maine, the Portland Electrical Ordinance, the National Electrical Code and the following specifications:

LOCATION OF WORK: 117 Congress St. no number or bldg. next to laudromat

OWNER'S NAME: Evangelista Donatelli ADDRESS: 41 St. Lawrence St.

FEES

OUTLETS: Receptacles \_\_\_\_\_ Switches \_\_\_\_\_ Plugmold \_\_\_\_\_ ft. TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

FIXTURES: (number of) Incandescent \_\_\_\_\_ Fluorescent \_\_\_\_\_ (not strip) TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Strip Fluorescent \_\_\_\_\_ ft. \_\_\_\_\_

SERVICES: Overhead \_\_\_\_\_ Underground \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL amperes \_\_\_\_\_

METERS: (number of) 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 50

MOTORS: (number of) Fractional \_\_\_\_\_ 1 HP or over \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENTIAL HEATING: Oil or Gas (number of units) \_\_\_\_\_

Electric (number of rooms) \_\_\_\_\_

COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL HEATING: Oil or Gas (by a main boiler) \_\_\_\_\_

Oil or Gas (by separate units) \_\_\_\_\_

Electric Under 20 kws \_\_\_\_\_ Over 20 kws \_\_\_\_\_

APPLIANCES: (number of) Ranges \_\_\_\_\_ Water Heaters \_\_\_\_\_

Cool Tops \_\_\_\_\_ Disposals \_\_\_\_\_

Wall Ovens \_\_\_\_\_ Dishwashers \_\_\_\_\_

Dryers \_\_\_\_\_ Compactors \_\_\_\_\_

Fans \_\_\_\_\_ Others (denote) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS: (number of) Branch Panels 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 1.00

Transformers \_\_\_\_\_

Air Conditioners Central Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Separate Units (windows) \_\_\_\_\_

Signs 20 sq. ft. and under \_\_\_\_\_

Over 20 sq. ft. \_\_\_\_\_

Swimming Pools Above Ground \_\_\_\_\_

In Ground \_\_\_\_\_

Fire/Burglar Alarms Residential \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial \_\_\_\_\_

Heavy Duty Outlets, 220 Volt (such as welders) 30 amps and under \_\_\_\_\_

over 30 amps \_\_\_\_\_

Circus, Fairs, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Alterations to wires \_\_\_\_\_

Repairs after fire \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Lights, battery \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Generators \_\_\_\_\_

INSTALLATION FEE DUE:

FOR ADDITIONAL WORK NOT ON ORIGINAL PERMIT ..... DOUBLE FEE DUE:

FOR REMOVAL OF A "STOP ORDER" (304-16.b) .....

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

min 3.00

INSPECTION:

Will be ready on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_; or Will Call XX

CONTRACTOR'S NAME: Mancini Electric

ADDRESS: 179 Sheridan St.

TEL: \_\_\_\_\_

MASTER LICENSE NO.: on file SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR:

LIMITED LICENSE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ Mancini Electric

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ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Permit Number 45687  
Location B 117 Congress St.  
Owner E. O. Martelle  
Date of Permit 5-9-80  
Final Inspection 5-30-80  
By Inspector Kelly  
Permit Application Register Page No. 54

INSPECTIONS Service \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
Service called in \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
Closing-in \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRESS INSPECTIONS: 5-30-80

CODE  
COMPLIANT  
COMPLETED  
DATE 5-30-80

DATE:

REMARKS:



CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION  
COMPLAINT

Location:  
117 Congress St.

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COMPLAINT NO. 72/9

Date Received MMX 4-28-70

Location 117 Congress St. Use of Building \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's name and address Maurice & Sylvia Abbey Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
same

Tenant's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Complainant's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Description:

NOTES: cannot understand how steam from vents in the laundry can bother  
dry cleaning business 40 ft. or 50 ft. across from it. Appears to  
be a spite case. YHgh

**CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE**  
**Application for Permit to Install Wires**

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Issued 6/28/68, 19  
 Portland, Maine

To the City Electrician, Portland, Maine:

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to install wires for the purpose of conducting electric current, in accordance with the laws of Maine, the Electrical Ordinance of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

(This form must be completely filled out — Minimum Fee, \$1.00)

Owner's Name and Address Morgan & Allen Tel. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contractor's Name and Address W. Conger Tel. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Location \_\_\_\_\_ Use of Building \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Families \_\_\_\_\_ Apartments \_\_\_\_\_ Stores \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Stories \_\_\_\_\_  
 Description of Wiring: New Work \_\_\_\_\_ Additions \_\_\_\_\_ Alterations \_\_\_\_\_

Pipe \_\_\_\_\_ Cable \_\_\_\_\_ Metal Molding \_\_\_\_\_ BX Cable \_\_\_\_\_ Plug Molding (No. of feet) \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. Light Outlet \_\_\_\_\_ Plugs \_\_\_\_\_ Light Circuits \_\_\_\_\_ Plug Circuits \_\_\_\_\_  
 FIXTURES: No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fluor. or Strip Lighting (No. feet) \_\_\_\_\_  
 SERVICE: Pipe ☒ Cable \_\_\_\_\_ Underground \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Wires 4 Size 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 METERS: Relocated \_\_\_\_\_ Added \_\_\_\_\_ Total No. Meters \_\_\_\_\_  
 MOTORS: Number \_\_\_\_\_ Phase \_\_\_\_\_ H. P. \_\_\_\_\_ Amps \_\_\_\_\_ Volts \_\_\_\_\_ Starter \_\_\_\_\_  
 HEATING UNITS: Domestic (Oil) \_\_\_\_\_ No. Motors \_\_\_\_\_ Phase \_\_\_\_\_ H.P. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial (Oil) \_\_\_\_\_ No. Motors \_\_\_\_\_ Phase \_\_\_\_\_ H.P. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Electric Heat (No. of Rooms) \_\_\_\_\_  
 APPLIANCES: No. Ranges \_\_\_\_\_ Watts \_\_\_\_\_ Brand Feeds (Size and No.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Elcc. Heaters \_\_\_\_\_ Watts \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miscellaneous \_\_\_\_\_ Watts \_\_\_\_\_ Extra Cabinets or Panels \_\_\_\_\_  
 Transformers \_\_\_\_\_ Air Conditioners (No. Units) \_\_\_\_\_ Signs (No. Units) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Will commence \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Ready to cover in \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Inspection \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount of Fee \$ 4.00

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

SERVICE	METER		GROUND	
VISITS: 1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9	10	11
				12

REMARKS:

INSPECTED BY \_\_\_\_\_

W. Conger  
 (OVER)

LOCATION Congress ST 117  
 INSPECTION DATE 7/8/68  
 WORK COMPLETED 7/8/68  
 TOTAL NO. INSPECTIONS 1  
 REMARKS:

# FEES FOR WIRING PERMITS EFFECTIVE JULY 31, 1963

## WIRING

1 to 30 Outlets	\$ 2.00
31 to 60 Outlets	3.00
Over 60 Outlets, each Outlet	.05
(Each twelve feet or fraction thereof of fluorescent lighting or any type of plug molding will be classed as one outlet).	

## SERVICES

Single Phase	2.00
Three Phase	4.00

## MOTORS

Not exceeding 50 H.P.	3.00
Over 50 H.P.	4.00

## HEATING UNITS

Domestic (Oil)	2.00
Commercial (Oil)	4.00
Electric Heat (Each Room)	.75

## APPLIANCES

Ranges, Cooking Tops, Ovens, Water Heaters, Disposals, Built-in Dishwashers, Dryers, and any permanent built-in appliance — each unit	1.50
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## MISCELLANEOUS

Temporary Service, Single Phase	1.00
Temporary Service, Three Phase	2.00
Circuses, Carnivals, Fairs, etc.	10.00
Meters, relocate	1.00
Distribution Cabinet or Panel, per unit	1.00
Transformers, per unit	2.00
Air Conditioners, per unit	2.00
Signs, per unit	2.00

## ADDITIONS

5 Outlets, or less	1.00
Over 5 Outlets, Regular Wiring Rates	



AP- 117 Congress Street

June 9, 1961

Home Engineers, Inc.  
110 Main Street  
Westbrook, Maine

cc to: Abbey Cleaners  
117 Congress Street

Gentlemen:

Building permit for applying imitation stone veneer on front of first story of building at the above named location is issued herewith subject to the condition that unless veneer is to rest directly on the existing foundation wall, it is to be supported adequately at the bottom in such a way as to prevent frost action against it taking place.

Very truly yours,

Albert J. Sears  
Building Inspection Director

AsS:m



# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, June 8, 1961

ALL BUSINESS ZONE PERMIT ISSUED  
JUN 9 1961  
CITY OF PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter repair demolish install 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 117 Congress St.  
Owner's name and address Abbey Cleaners, 117 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? Dist. No.  
Lessee's name and address Telephone  
Contractor's name and address Home Engineers, 140 Main St. Westbrook Me. Telephone  
Architect Specifications Plans no No. of sheets  
Proposed use of building Cleaning Shop & (1) Apt. No. families  
Last use " " " No. families  
Material frame No. stories 2 Heat Style of roof Roofing  
Other buildings on same lot  
Estimated cost \$2,000.00 Fee \$5.00

## General Description of New Work

To apply Ledge Rock (imitation stone veneer) front of building.

Permit Issued with Letter

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 TO contractor

## Details of New Work

Is any plumbing involved in this work? Is any electrical work involved in this work?  
Is connection to be made to public sewer? If not, what is proposed for sewage?  
Has septic tank notice been sent? Form notice sent?  
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  
Kind of roof Rise per foot Roof covering Kind of heat fuel  
No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining Corner posts Sills  
Framing Lumber—Kind Dressed or full size? Size Max. on centers  
Size Girder Columns under girders 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?

APPROVED:

## 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

Abby Cleaners  
Home Engineers

Signature of owner

by:

Fredrick W. Eldred

CS 301

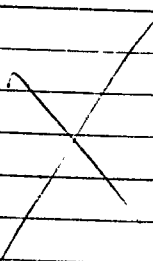
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Permit No. 611 608  
Location 117 Congress St.  
Owner Walter G. Lawrence  
Date of permit 6/9/61  
Notif. closing-in \_\_\_\_\_  
Inspn. closing-in \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Notif. \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Inspn. \_\_\_\_\_  
Cert. of Occupancy issued \_\_\_\_\_  
Staking Out Notice \_\_\_\_\_  
Form Check Notice \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES

7/7/61 - in violation  
E.S.S.





# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, August 31, 1953

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ~~rebuild~~ ~~reconstruct~~ 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 117 Congress Street

Owner's name and address Morris Abbey, 117 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3

Lessee's name and address Telephone

Contractor's name and address Albert E. Greenwood, 110 Congress St. Telephone 4-6591

Architect Specifications Plans yes No. of sheets 1

Proposed use of building Cleaning shop and 1 apt. No. families

Last use " No. families

Material No. stories Heat Style of roof Roofing

Other buildings on same lot

Estimated cost \$ 165. Fee \$ 2.00

## General Description of New Work

To change existing store front as per plan.

To provide transom over each store window. Opening to be 53" wide - existing 8x8 overhead

To provide masonite beneath store windows.

## CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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 TO Albert Greenwood

## Details of New Work

Is any plumbing involved in this work? Is any electrical work involved in this work?

Is connection to be made to public sewer? If not, what is proposed for sewage?

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 Sills Girt or ledger board? Size

Girders Size Columns under girders Size Max. on centers

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?

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Will automobile repairing be done other than minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building?

APPROVED:

ON - 9/2/53 - AJS

## 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

Morris Abbey

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner By

Albert E. Greenwood

NOTES

9/30/53 - *Wardone, C. S. S.*

53/1453  
117 *Wardone*  
*Wardone*  
1st permit 9/2/53  
Nt. closing-in  
Apn. closing-in  
Final Notif.  
Final Inspn.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued 9/30/53  
*none*

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ZONE B-1

FIRE DIST. 3

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

Letter  
Verbal  
By Telephone

Date Mon. 3/6/61

LOCATION 117 Congress St OWNER Wm. J. & Sylvia J. J. J.

MADE BY Prof. R. R. TEL. 3-9819

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF STORIES \_\_\_\_\_

LAST USE OF BUILDING \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS Landmark attached to existing dry cleaning business.

INQUIRY Can an 8 in. cross alk. be built on the property line.

ANSWER They can build on the line or 3 ft or more from the line. 205 C-1. 2.5 ft. from the line. 15 ft. from the line. The owner must not use in the future. The owner must (B) limited business zone in 1957 (The code reads for business.) The plan must be in to be used. A 3 ft. side yd. will probably be 3 ft. 4 in. or 15 ft. from the line. The plan must be needed if area of new building is over 2450 sq. ft. or 2545 sq. ft.

DATE OF REPLY 3/6/61 REPLY BY J. E. R.



(B) LIMITED BUSINESS 207B  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, August 17, 1953

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ~~repair~~ ~~demolish~~ ~~install~~ 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 117 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3  
Owner's name and address Abbey Cleansers, 117 Congress St. Telephone   
Lessee's name and address  Telephone   
Contractor's name and address Albert E. Greenwood, 110 Congress St. Telephone   
Architect  Specifications  Plans no No. of sheets   
Proposed use of building Store and apartment No. families 1  
Last use " " No. families 1  
Material wood No. stories 2 Heat  Style of roof  Roofing   
Other buildings on same lot   
Estimated cost \$ 65 Fee \$ .50

General Description of New Work

To construct 3' x 16' addition to existing pear platform at second floor level.  
(Ground slopes so that platform is only about 6' from ground).  
To relocate steps from platform to ground.  
18" to side lot line on left hand side of building.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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 TO** Albert E. Greenwood

Details of New Work

Is any plumbing involved in this work?  Is any electrical work involved in this work?   
Is connection to be made to public sewer?  If not, what is proposed for sewage?   
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 concrete piers to extend to ledge  Thickness, top 12" bottom 12" cellar   
Material of underpinning wood posts Height 6' 8" Thickness 4x4  
Kind of roof none Rise per foot  Roof covering   
No. of chimneys  Material of chimneys  of lining  Kind of heat  fuel   
Framing lumber—Kind hemlock Dressed or full size? dressed  
Corner posts  Sills 4x6 Girt or ledger board?  Size   
Girders  Size  Columns under girders  Size  Max. on centers   
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 2x8, 2nd , 3rd , roof none  
On centers: 1st floor 16", 2nd , 3rd , roof   
Maximum span: 1st floor 6', 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?

APPROVED:

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

Abbey Cleansers

Signature of owner by:

Albert E. Greenwood

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NOTES

8/9/53 - Present platform is framed in a sub-standard manner. It is 8x16 with 2x4 end sills and center girders and 2x8 floor timbers cut in between with the spikes driven thru supporting members and wood of joists. Steps are now accessed into platform so relocation will involve filling space along rear as exposed by them. End of porch is 12" on back lower side of line. - J.D.S.

Permit No. 531  
 Location 117 Congress St.  
 Owner Allen Cleaver  
 Date of permit 8/1/53  
 Notif. closing-in  
 Inspn. closing-in  
 Final Notif.  
 Final Inspn.  
 Cert. of Occupancy issued

AP 117 Congress St.

August 19, 1953

Mr. Albert E. Greenwood  
110 Congress St.

Copy to: Abbey Cleansers  
117 Congress St.

Dear Mr. Greenwood:

We are unable to issue a permit for construction of an addition 3 feet by 16 feet to the existing 8 feet by 16 feet platform on the rear of the building at 117 Congress St. because the existing structure is framed in a sub-standard manner. Before a permit may be issued it is necessary that information be furnished by way of a framing plan indicating how the entire platform including the addition is to be constructed and supported to meet Building Code requirements. New location of steps and framing to be provided where they are to be removed needs also to be shown.

Very truly yours,

AJS/B

Warren McDonald  
Inspector of Buildings



(B) LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED  
01588  
AUG 27 1951  
CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, August 22, 1951

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect the following described sign extending over a public sidewalk or street in accordance with the Building Code of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 117 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Laurice Abbey  
Name and address of owner of sign Laurice Abbey, 117 Congress Street  
Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 74 Elm Street Telephone 2-0595  
When does contractor's bond expire? Dec. 31, 1951

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 2 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached wood **CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED**

Details of Sign and Connections

Building owner's consent and agreement filed with application yes  
Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 4 1/2' Horizontal 5'  
Weight 150 lbs. Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes  
Material of frame angle iron No. advertising faces 2 material metal  
No. rigid connections 2 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes  
No. through bolts 1 Size 3/4" Location, top or bottom top  
No. guys 2 material angle iron Size 1 x 1 x 3/16  
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 11'  
Maximum projection into street 6' United Neon Display Fee \$1.00

8-2457 A.H. 10-12  
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Signature of contractor by: Thomas J. Kany

7.5  
Permit No. 51/1588

Location 117 Congress St.

Owner Maurice Abbey

Date of permit 8/27/51

Sign Contractor

Final Inspn. 9-5-51. 26.

8/27/51

NOTES

Ready for inspection

on 8-27-51. P.H.

8-27-51. sub insp. A. Kieda

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO  
BE ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT \_\_\_\_\_ IN PORTLAND, MAINE

Harvie A. Abbey, being the owner of the  
premises at 117 Congress St. in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by Same  
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in  
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit  
to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, owner of said premises, in event said sign shall  
cease to serve the purpose for which it was erected or shall become dangerous  
and in event the owner of said sign shall fail to remove said sign or make  
it permanently safe in case the sign still serves the purpose for which it  
was erected, hereby agrees for himself or itself, for his heirs, its  
successors, and his or its assigns, to completely remove said sign within  
ten days of notice from said Inspector of Buildings that said sign is in  
such condition and of order from him to remove it.

In Witness whereof the owner of said premises has signed this consent  
and agreement this 21 day of AUG. 1957.

Hubert E. Long  
Witness

Harvie A. Abbey  
Owner



LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure

Portland, Maine,

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter repair demolish install 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Within Fire Limits? \_\_\_\_\_ Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Specifications \_\_\_\_\_ Plans \_\_\_\_\_ No. of sheets \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed use of building \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Material \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

General Description of New Work

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 TO \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_  
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? \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED:

Miscellaneous

Will work require disturbing of any tree on a public street? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of owner \_\_\_\_\_

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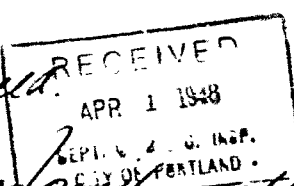
NOTES

7/21/51 - 11.5 - inspection made  
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Permit No. 561-10-1  
Location 117 Cooper St.  
Owner Philip Wick  
Date of Permit 7/19/51  
Notif. etc. in sign  
Inspr. closing sign  
Final Notif.  
Final Inspr.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued  
None

3/31/48

Dear Mr. M. Smith:



In compliance with  
your request that I remove  
the coal furnace in my  
shed as soon as a permit  
is issued to me for the  
installation of an oil boiler,  
please note that I will  
comply with it and remove  
said boiler (coal) immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

Lawrence G. Atkey

TELEPHONE  
HANCOCK 6-3298

## GARMENT MACHINERY COMPANY

GARMENT AND LAUNDRY MACHINERY  
DRY CLEANING EQUIPMENT  
BOILERS AND AUTOMATIC OIL BURNERS  
374 TREMONT STREET  
BOSTON 16, MASS.

March 24, 1948

RECEIVED

MAR 25 1948

DEPT. OF JUV. DEPT.  
CITY OF PORTLAND

Warren McDonald  
Inspector of Buildings  
City of Portland,  
Maine.

Subject: Application for permit-  
Maurice Abbey  
117 Congress Street, Portland.

Dear Sir:

In reply your letter March 23, 1948,  
The Columbia R.R.T. boiler which we propose to install at  
Abbey Cleaners, 117 Congress Street, Portland Maine, is adapted  
for both low and high pressure operation.

The boiler will be installed with low and high pressure  
controls, reducing valves, thermostat, low water cut-off etc., and  
will be fully automatic in operation.

In the writers opinion the stack temperature will not  
exceed 750° Fahrenheit, and the present chimney is safe for connection  
of this boiler.

The burner we are planning to install is a "ZENITH"  
Model No. 12, and is manufactured by George R. Bascom Co., Inc.  
950 Old Colony Parkway, Boston, Massachusetts.

If this burner does not meet with your approval, we  
can install a Sunstrand Model 14 manufactured by Sunstrand  
Engineering Company, Rockford, Illinois.

In any event the burner used will bear the label of  
The Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.

Hoping this will meet with your approval.

Respectfully yours,

GARMENT MACHINERY COMPANY

*Harry Wald*

Harry Wald  
B71E

At 117 Congress Street-1

March 10, 1941

Mr. Harry Wald,  
The Walcott Machinery Company,  
374 Congress Street  
Boston, Massachusetts  
Mr. Maurice Ab'ey  
117 Congress Street

Subject: Application for building permit to  
cover installation of oil-fired steam  
boiler in connection with laundry machine  
at 117 Congress Street

Gentlemen:

We are trying our utmost to get this permit issued, but the situation of the plan seems to vary with each of our inspector visits the job, and it is necessary that we get the matter completely straightened before we can issue any permit.

Principal difficulty now is that Mr. Ab'ey appears to have gone back to his old idea of using the boiler which is indicated in the application to be in connection with the laundry machine for heating part of the building above as well. If the boiler is adapted for such work, there is no objection to it, but we should have indication in writing from the installer that the boiler is designed for that purpose, that the installer intends to install such a combination of interlocked pressure control of the oil burner in connection with the laundry machine and thermostat in connection with the room to be heated above, so that the controls will always be fully automatic and not subject to control in any way or relying upon manual control.

If it is the way the equipment is to be used, we would like Mr. Wald's assurance in writing that the burner which is being installed is of the type which is responsible for the oil pressure being used, and on that basis we can give a certificate where the temperature enters the oil line will not exceed a maximum of 750 degrees Fahrenheit and that the burner will be installed in a safe connection of the appliance.

The other part of the difficulty is that the present boiler for the stairs room is to be disconnected from the chimney permanently and disconnected from the oil line and connected to the gas line and put in operation.

While we are relying upon the installer's statement on the application that the oil burner actually bears on it the label of approval of the Underwriters Laboratories Inc., we can find no burner in the list of burners entitled to bear a label of the Underwriters Laboratories Inc. under the heading of "Zenith" which is the name and type of burner given on the application. This is not to say that the burner does not carry the actual label on it, because the Underwriters' list is published under the name of the manufacturer of the burner rather than the name of the burner. We have had so much difficulty of finding burners installed which did not actually bear the actual label of the Underwriters Laboratories Inc., even in some cases where the burner was clearly entitled to bear the label if the label had been attached before the burner left the factory, that it seems worthwhile to take extra precautions in this connection. We suggest that Mr. Wald examine the burner which he intends for Mr. Ab'ey's shop and make sure that it has actually the label of the Underwriters Laboratories Inc. attached to it and also in his letter to us about temperatures etc. indicate the true manufacturer of the burner, if that name can be found.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WLCW/S



FILL IN AND SIGN WITH INK

# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, March 17, 1948

PERMIT NO. 15  
APR 16 1948  
CITY OF PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to install the following heating, cooking or power equipment in accordance with the Laws of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 117 Congress St.

Use of Building Tailor shop and dwg. No. Stories 2 1/2

New Building  
Existing

Name and address of owner of appliance M. Price Abbey, 117 Congress Street

Installer's name and address Garmenc Machinery Co., 374 Tremont St., Portland Telephone

## General Description of Work

To install oil-fired steam boiler in connection with pressing machine

NOTIFICATION BY FIRE INSURANCE  
OR CLOSING IS WANTED

## IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance or source of heat

~~concrete~~ 1st

Type of floor beneath appliance concrete

If wood, how protected?

Kind of fuel oil

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace 2' 6"

From top of smoke pipe 18"

From front of appliance 4'

From sides or back of appliance 20"

Size of chimney flue 9x10

Other connections to same flue

If gas fired, how vented?

Rated maximum demand per hour

## IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner

Will operator be always in attendance?

Type of floor beneath burner concrete

Location of oil storage shed - 1st floor

If two 275-gallon tanks, will three-way valve be provided?

Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? yes

Total capacity of any existing storage tanks for furnace burners

Number and capacity of tanks

1-275 gal.

How many tanks fire proofed?

none

## IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance

Kind of fuel

Type of floor beneath appliance

If wood, how protected?

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material from top of appliance

From front of appliance

From sides and back

From top of smokepipe

Size of chimney flue

Other connections to same flue

Is hood to be provided?

If so, how vented?

If gas fired, how vented?

Rated maximum demand per hour

## MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

Stack temperature to be approximately 750.

Chimney not lined.

Amount of fee enclosed? 1.00  
building at same time.)

(\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same

APPROVED:

3/22/48

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

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Signature of Installer Garmenc Machinery Co.  
Harry Wald

Permit No. 481 398  
Location 117 Congress St.  
Owner Abbey Oceanic  
Date of permit 4/2/48  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES

- 1 Fuel Pipe \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Vent Pipe \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Kind of Heat \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Burner Rigidity & Supports \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Name of Label \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Stack Control \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 High Limit Control \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Remote Control \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Piping Support & Protection \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 Valves in Supply Line \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 Capacity of Tanks \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 Tank Rigidify & Supports \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 Tank Insulation \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Oil Gauge \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 Instruction Card \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 \_\_\_\_\_

4/14/48 Per Abbey Oceanic  
Reconnected to other  
heater, see letter attached.  
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Location *117 Taylor St.*

Date 3/14/75

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3/27/48  
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The oil is thicker & more adhesive than the first one, and would apply better to clean lenses & it can be used as a lubricant.

Oil No. 275

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1. The first step is to identify the problem. This involves understanding the situation and the goals that need to be achieved.

to be properly controlled  
advertising and publicity  
is needed.

Inquiry 117 Congress St.  
Section 602

March 12, 1943

Garment Machinery Company  
374 Tremont Street  
Boston, Mass.

Subject: Question of installation of Columbia  
H.K.T. oil-fired boiler for Mr. Maurice  
Abbey at 117 Congress Street in Portland,  
Maine

Gentlemen:

We have an inquiry from Mr. Maurice Abbey as to whether or not the Columbia boiler as above may be installed in compliance with the Building Code in his tailor shop at 117 Congress Street.

To be of service to him it seems best to get reliable information from your company. I believe also that you would install the oil-burning boiler if the plan works out.

The building permit is required before any such installation is commenced and application therefor must be filed at this office by the actual installer or his agent and the permit may be issued only to the actual installer.

Considerable accurate information is required on the application for the permit which is filled in on the application form by our permit clerk at dictation across the counter by the applicant.

The main question concerning us about the installation is the safety of the chimney flue to which the boiler would be connected. Our Building Code classifies such a boiler as a high pressure steam boiler and provides in the case of construction of new chimneys that the masonry chimney shall be lined with firebrick. Obviously it is not possible to line the existing chimney, to which Mr. Abbey would have his boiler connected, with firebrick or with anything else except by rebuilding the chimney, but since it is not a new chimney, we only need the assurance that the flue will be safe.

We know little about the existing chimney except that it is of masonry and that it runs up through the tailor shop and continues up through living quarters on the floor above. This being an old building, it is not unlikely that the wooden framing or strapping of plastered walls are directly against the wall of the chimney. It is unlikely that the chimney has any lining whatever, and of course the condition of the wall cannot be determined for much of the length of the chimney without removing a lot of partition work which is undesirable from every standpoint. We are quite concerned however about the safety of connecting such a boiler to this old flue because in the busy tailor shops of the city on certain days the pressing machine is run almost constantly for many hours and therefore there are constant demands upon the boiler for more and more steam which naturally must build up quite intense temperatures in the flues for long periods of time. This condition we feel would be exceedingly dangerous if woodwork is against the outside wall of the chimney anywhere and where the smoke-pipe connection would be.

It is likely that you know about Mr. Abbey's interest in your equipment and perhaps have even looked the situation over at the building. At any rate we must rely upon you to tell us whether or not you think the chimney flue is safe for the connection of the appliance, and what the maximum flue temperatures are likely to be. This is the most important question, but please note also the following:

At one time Mr. Abbey thought that he would also use such a boiler for heating the shop. Probably he has given up that idea now, but if that were the case, naturally

March 12, 1948

the boiler would be in operation at all hours in cold weather when persons were not present. In such a case our Building Code requires that the oil burner bear upon it the label of approval of the Underwriters Laboratories Inc. of Chicago (no other label will do) identifying the burner as having all of the necessary safety devices for use when no person is present.

If such a boiler is only to be in operation when a person is in attendance who knows how to control it, the Building Code identifies the burner as an industrial burner and there are not very many requirements for safety devices outside of the usual ones for the fuel oil tank, its relative location, its supports, outside venting and fill pipe for any sizeable tank connected directly to the burner, etc.

The provisions in our Building Code are rather brief as regards the specifications for oil burners, but the general requirements are those of the National Board of Fire Underwriters for the Installation of Oil Burning Equipment (Pamphlet No. 31) which have been set up by the Board of Standards as satisfying the requirements of good practice with some exceptions thereto as listed on Page 196 (Appendix A) of the Building Code.

One of the principal requirements with which we have some difficulty in case of industrial burners, especially, is that which requires such oil burning equipment to be provided with a "remote control" to be located conveniently and at a safe distance from the burner assembly so that in case of trouble the burner may be shut down without anybody being exposed to the danger.

If this plan becomes fact, we shall expect with your application for the permit a sketch showing the location of the boiler, the arrangement of fuel oil supply piping and the location proposed for this remote control valve or switch.

You will of course investigate in advance the strength of Mr. Abbey's floor in the light of the total weight of the equipment which you would be selling to him.

I am sure Mr. Abbey will appreciate an early reply to this letter, as he is quite anxious to get established for what he calls "the holiday season". He is receiving a copy of this letter for his information.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WMCD/S

CC: Mr. Maurice Abbey  
117 Congress Street

INQUIRY BLANK

ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

FIRE DIST. No

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

DATE 3/3/48

Verbal \_\_\_\_\_  
By Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION 117 Congress St. OWNER Mr. Maurice Abbey

MADE BY Owner TEL. \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS 117 Congress St.

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF STORIES \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: See letter to Garment Machinery Co. of 3/12/48 copy to Mr. Abbey

INQUIRY: What does Bldg. Code have to say about installation of Columbia

H.R.T. Oil Fired Boiler by Garment Machinery Co. of 374 Tremont St., Boston

in Mr. Abbey's Tailor Shop?

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF REPLY \_\_\_\_\_

REPLY BY \_\_\_\_\_

3/1/48

A.T.H:-

Foreman for Portland  
Gas Light Company called  
and said that they have no  
record of having done any  
work at this location or  
for this man.

AJS

over

AP 117 Congress Street-1

February 27, 1948

Mr. Maurice Abbey  
117 Congress Street  
Portland 3, Maine

Subject: Installation of gas-fired pressing machine boiler at 117 Congress Street without permit in conflict with the Building Code

Dear Mr. Abbey:

While checking the damage done by fire in the above building, our inspector found that a gas-fired steam boiler for use in connection with pressing machine had been installed some months ago without a building permit from this department first having been secured as required by law. I believe you told our inspector that the boiler was connected up as to gas supply pipes by the Portland Gas Light Company. If his understanding of what you said is incorrect and some other party connected the gas to this steam boiler, I shall appreciate immediate notice as to who that party was. It is quite surprising that the Portland Gas Light Company with their own men and with their knowledge of Building Code requirements would connect this steam boiler without first securing a building permit.

You also told our inspector that you had been informed in this office that installation of the boiler did not require a building permit. You must have misunderstood as we never give out such information for the reason that such an installation does require a building permit. It is true that we told you that no permit was needed to install the apparatus for cleaning clothes upon information from you that the solvent used would be carbon tetrachloride which is non-inflammable.

I believe you said that you intended to change the location of the boiler anyway to the cellar very shortly. It is necessary that a building permit for the installation of the boiler in its new location be applied for and the permit actually issued before the change is made or started. In event you do not intend to change the location of the boiler, then whoever installed the boiler without a permit must come here and apply for the belated permit, giving full particulars.

In this connection I have already received a very determined complaint about the noise of the steam issuing from the exhaust of the pressing machine. Whether the apparatus is changed in location or not, I suggest that you proceed at once to adopt the best possible means of eliminating this severe noise. While your shop is located in a Limited Business Zone where the retail business and service which you are performing is an allowable use, the Zoning Law does provide that no use is allowable which is obnoxious or detrimental by way of the omission of color, noise and the like.

Very truly yours,

L.M.B./S

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Portland Gas Light Company  
Attn: Mr. Morgan  
5 Temple Street



(L) LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, February 21, 1948

PERMIT ISSUED  
00218  
FEB 22 1948  
CITY OF PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ repair ~~and~~ ~~rebuild~~ all 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 117 Congress Street  
Owner's name and address Maurice Abbey, 117 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? ☒ Yes Dist. No. 3  
Lessee's name and address Telephone  
Contractor's name and address King Butland, 206 Franklin Street Telephone  
Architect Specifications Plans no No of sheets  
Proposed use of building Dry cleaning and dyeing and dwelling No. families  
Last use No. families  
Material frame No. stories 2 1/2 Heat Style of roof Roofing  
Other buildings on same lot  
Estimated cost \$ 500. Fee \$ 1.00

### General Description of New Work

To Repair after Fire to former condition. No alterations.

Permit Issued with Letter to owner only.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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 TO King Butland

### 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 Sills Girt or ledger board? Size  
Girders Size Columns under girders Size Max. on centers  
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?

APPROVED:

roy A. T. N.

### 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

Maurice Abbey

Signature of owner

By:

King Butland

INSPECTION COPY

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Permit No. 48/218  
Location 117 Congress St  
Owner Maurice Abbey  
Date of permit 2/27/48  
Notif. closing-in None given  
Inspn. closing-in  
Final Notif.  
Final Inspn. 4/12/48. S. Co.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

NOTES

2/24/48 fire in oil and  
with repairs replacing  
stove. Also fire in the  
kitchen. Has said that  
it is his intention to  
replace everything with  
burned oil. Has said  
3/6/48 fire repair  
completed and closed in  
so construction can not  
be seen.

Pressing machine,  
subject of attached letter,  
not changed. The Abbey  
now plans on oil burning  
unit to provide heat as  
well as run pressing  
machines. This is to be

in the cell which is to  
have a concrete floor.  
He plans to put it in  
Basement and install  
install it but does not  
want to buy it and find  
that it is not the same  
a permit for its  
installation. He could  
give away little  
information as to what  
it was as to size  
capacity etc. Told him  
we would first have  
complete information  
before giving an opinion.  
and suggested that he  
have the concern  
furnish us with that  
information. Also

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES

AT 117 Congress St. IN PORTLAND, MAINE

Maurice A. Abbey, being the owner of the  
premises at 117 Congress St. in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by Abbey Cleaners  
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in  
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit  
to cover erection of said sign;

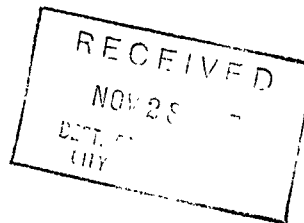
And in consideration of the issuance of said permit \_\_\_\_\_

Maurice A. Abbey, owner of said premises, in event said sign  
shall cease to serve the purpose for which it was erected or shall become  
dangerous and in event the owner of said sign shall fail to remove said sign  
or make it permanently safe in case the sign still serves the purpose for  
which it was erected, hereby agrees for himself or itself, for his heirs, its  
successors, and his or its assigns, to completely remove said sign within  
ten days of notice from said Inspector of Buildings that said sign is in  
such condition and of order from him to remove it.

In Witness whereof the owner of said premises has signed this  
consent and agreement this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1947.

Joseph S. Coyne  
Witness

Maurice A. Abbey  
Owner



(B) LIMITED OR SHIELD ZONE



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 03231

Portland, Maine, November 28 19 47

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect the following described sign extending over a public sidewalk or street in accordance with the Building Code of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 117 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Maurice A. Abbey

Name and address of owner of sign Abbey Cleaners, 117 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 74 Elm Street Telephone 2-0695

When does contractor's bond expire? January 1948

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 2 1/2 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached wood

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 5'10" 30" Horizontal 5'10"

Weight 90 lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

Material of frame angle iron No. advertising faces 2 material metal

No. rigid connections 2 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

No. through bolts none Size 10 pl. ft. Location, top or bottom bottom

No. guys 2 material cable - angle iron Size 5/16" - 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 5/16"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 13'

Maximum projection into street 5'10"

United Neon Display Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor By: J. A. Coupe

ORIGINAL

Permit No. 47/3231  
Location 117 Congress St  
Owner Abbey Cleaners  
Date of permit 11/29/47  
Sign Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Inspn. 12/3/47 ALB

NOTES

No stop insp. & etc.

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CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

ZONE \_\_\_\_\_

FIRE DIST. \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal  
By Telephone

Date 11/29/47

LOCATION 117 Congress St. OWNER Chlary

MADE BY WMS TEL. \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION \_\_\_\_\_ NO. OF STORIES \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

INQUIRY: What kind of solvent to be used in new clothes cleaning oil attachment?

ANSWER: See memo of RMT attached

DATE OF REPLY 12/3/47 REPLY BY RMT

Location

117 Congress St

Date

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Permit

Inquiry

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July 22, 1946

John Donnelly & Sons  
73 Main Street  
South Portland, Maine

Subject: Application for permit to cover erection  
of billboard attached to building at 117 Congress  
Street.

Gentlemen:

On July 15 the Board of Municipal Officers whose approval is required on  
such a permit before it is issued voted to deny that approval.

If you will return the receipt for the fee paid to this office no later  
than July 31, 1946, your money will be refunded by voucher.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WMacD/J

CC: Mr. Jacob M. Levinsky  
278 Congress Street

**City of Portland, Maine**

IN BOARD OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

July 1, 1946

**ORDERED:**

As per Section 10.c of the Building Code, that approval of a building permit to authorize erection of certain sign or billboard about eleven feet by twenty-four feet attached to exterior; all of the building at 417 Congress Street, its and hereby is denied.

117 Congress Street-I

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July 3, 1934

Mr. John Donnelly & Sons  
70 Main Street  
South Portland, Maine

Subject: Application for building permit to erect  
a two-story building on the east side of  
Congress Street, between the street and the  
railroad tracks.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Municipal Officers will give consideration to your application for a building permit at a hearing to be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, next Friday, July 13, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

This is not an appeal but is the position of approval or disapproval of the Board upon the building permit, since Section 2 of the Building Code provides for the building permit for the erection of any sign or structure which shall have the approval of the Board before the permit is issued.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

cc: /

cc: Mrs. John G. Frost  
Chairman of the Board of Municipal Officers



BY THE BUSINESS ZONE  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure. Billboard

Portland, Maine, June 20, 1946

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter repair or demolish install 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 117 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 2  
Owner's name and address Jacob J. Levinsky, 222 Congress Street Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee's name and address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's name and address John Donnelly & Sons, 73 Main St., 3rd Portland Telephone 2-0050  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Specifications \_\_\_\_\_ Plans \_\_\_\_\_ No. of sheets \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed use of building \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Material \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ 1.00  
Estimated cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

General Description of New Work

To erect on east wall of building at 117 Congress St. billboard 11' x 23' 8"  
Metal face and wooden trim  
Board will not cover any part of window openings

NOTIFICATION BEFORE LATHING  
CLOSING-IN IS WAIVED

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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.

Details of New Work

Is any plumbing work 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_  
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

John Donnelly & Sons

Signature of owner by: James J. Dwyer

APPROVED:

Permit No. 46/  
Location 117 Congress St  
Owner Jacob M. Lencinsky  
Date of permit 6/ 146  
Notif. closing-in  
Inspn. closing-in  
Final Notif.  
Final Inspn.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES

*Handwritten notes:*  
Dense  
proposed  
ref. 1/1/16

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CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

ZONE B

FIRE DIST. 3

Verbal  
By Telephone

DATE 12/13/45

LOCATION 115-117 Congress Street OWNER \_\_\_\_\_

MADE BY Mike Bell and 47 Ray Street

TEL. 4-1101

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING Store and laundry

CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION Wood frame

NO. OF STORIES 2 1/2

REMARKS: Mr. Hulland is making inquiry for  
owner.

INQUIRY: 1- Can a wood frame one story addition be  
built on side of bldg? if used as a grocery store?  
2- How far must frame wall be kept from  
lot line?

ANSWER: 1 Yes

2- These must be at least 3' from any part of  
curb or base of such an addition on any  
lot line.

DATE OF REPLY 12/13/45

REPLY BY A. J. Sears



## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Permit No. 0741

Portland, Maine, July 2, 1942

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 115 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 2  
Owner's or lessor's name and address Fannie Rubinoff, et al 117 Congress St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's name and address R. A. Foote, 17 Washington Avenue Telephone 2-2557  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Plans filed \_\_\_\_\_ No. of sheets \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed use of building \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 2 Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use dwelling house No. families 2

### General Description of New Work

To demolish building app 40' x 40'

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 supervision and to the approval of the Department 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.

### Details of New Work

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? \_\_\_\_\_  
Is any electrical work involved in this work? \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to top of plate \_\_\_\_\_  
Size, front \_\_\_\_\_ depth \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to highest point of roof \_\_\_\_\_  
To be erected on 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fuel \_\_\_\_\_ Is gas fitting involved? \_\_\_\_\_  
Framing lumber—Kind \_\_\_\_\_ Dressed or full size? \_\_\_\_\_  
Corner posts \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Material columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_  
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Total 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 above work require removal or disturbing of any shade 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

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner Fannie Rubinoff, et al  
By R. A. Foote

Permit No. 42/741 C.V.

Location 115 Congress St.

Owner James P. Kinsella

Date of permit 7/8/42

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif. ~~NOT~~ ~~RECEIVED~~

Final Inspn.

Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES

Not properly cleared up  
or protection furnished for  
pedestrians 6/26



# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure

Third Class

Permit No. 6511

MAR 27 1942

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, March 26, 1942

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

Location 117 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3

Owner's ~~or~~ owner's name and address Mrs. Fannie Rubinoff, 117 Congress St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor's name and address Perley Swasey, 49 Hancock St. Telephone no

Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Plans filed yes No. of sheets 2

Proposed use of building Grocery store and tenements No. families 1

Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated cost \$ 25. Fee \$ 25

## Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 2 Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_

Last use Grocery store and tenement No. families 1

## General Description of New Work

To provide new toilet with vestibule in rear of store, partitions to go to ceiling, 2x3 studs, 16" OC, covered with matched boards on both sides, doors to be at least 24" wide and made self-closing in such a way that there will be little change of both doors being open at the same time

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.

## Details of New Work

CERTIFICATE OF GUARANTEE  
REQUIREMENTS WAIVED

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? yes

Is any electrical work involved in this work? \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to top of plate \_\_\_\_\_

Size, front \_\_\_\_\_ depth \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to highest point of roof \_\_\_\_\_

To be erected on 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fuel \_\_\_\_\_ Is gas fitting involved? \_\_\_\_\_

Framing lumber—Kind \_\_\_\_\_ Dressed or full size? \_\_\_\_\_

Corner posts \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

Material columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Total 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 above work require removal or disturbing of any shade 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

Signature of owner Mrs. Fannie Rubinoff

Signature of contractor Perley Swasey

INSPECTION COPY Thomas S. Sweeney

Permit No. 42/311

Location 117 Congress St.

Owner Mrs. Fannie Rubnoff

Date of permit 3/27/42.

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif.

Final Inspn.

Cert. of Occupancy issued

Vent

NOTES

4/14/42. Work started. No.  
4/23/42. Work started. A.P.  
4/30/42. Not much progress.  
since last insp. Plumber  
reports Mr. Rubnoff of  
2x4's used instead of 2x6's.  
Old brick of 2x4's interfered  
with his pipe and could be  
notched out the inch. No.  
8/1/42. Work progressing  
slow. No.



(IN LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE)  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PERMIT ISSUE

Permit No. 1744

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

OCT 25 1934

Portland, Maine, October 24, 1934

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 117 Congress Street Ward 1 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3  
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Mrs. Daniel Rubinoff, 117 Congress St. Telephone 5-0951  
Contractor's name and address A. H. Brockmann 35 Cumberland Avenue Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Architect's name and address \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed use of building store and tenement No. families 1  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Plans filed as part of this application? no No. of sheets \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ 5. Fee \$ .25

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 2 Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use store and tenement No. families 1

General Description of New Work

To cut in one new door between two rear sheds (non-bearing partition)

NOTIFICATION BEFORE LAMING  
OR CLOSING-IT IS WAIVED.  
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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.

Details of New Work

Height average grade to top of plate \_\_\_\_\_  
Size, front \_\_\_\_\_ depth \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to highest point of roof \_\_\_\_\_  
To be erected on solid or filled land? \_\_\_\_\_ earth or rock? \_\_\_\_\_  
Material of foundation \_\_\_\_\_ Thickness, top \_\_\_\_\_ bottom \_\_\_\_\_  
Material of underpinning \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_  
Kind of Roof \_\_\_\_\_ Rise per foot \_\_\_\_\_ Roof covering \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of chimneys \_\_\_\_\_ Material of chimneys \_\_\_\_\_ of lining \_\_\_\_\_  
Kind of heat \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fuel \_\_\_\_\_ Is gas fitting involved? \_\_\_\_\_  
Corner posts \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Material columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_  
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.  
Joists and rafters: 1st floor \_\_\_\_\_, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof \_\_\_\_\_  
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If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? \_\_\_\_\_ height? \_\_\_\_\_

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Total number commercial cars to be accommodated \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miscellaneous

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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  
Mrs. Daniel Rubinoff

Signature of owner Ida Levitan

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Ward 1 Permit No. 34/1744  
Location 117 Congress St.  
Owner Mrs. Daniel Rubineff  
Date of permit 10/25/34  
Notif. closing-in \_\_\_\_\_  
Inspn. closing-in \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Notif. \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Inspn. 10/25/34 C. De.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued M. Wood

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this in connection with heater  
permit 34/1743