

271-273 CONGRESS STREET

Address **273 Congress Street** PERMIT NUMBER **1783**  
 Installation For **hardware store**  
 Owner of Bldg. **hardware store**

App. First Insp.

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Commercial  
☐ Residential

☐ Residential  
☐ Single  
☐ Multi Family  
☐ New Construction  
☐ Remodeling

11-20-78	
SINKS	
LAVATORIES	
TOILETS	
BATH TUBS	
SHOWERS	
DRAINS	
FLOOR	
SURFACE	
HOT WATER TANKS	
TANKLESS WATER HEATERS	
GARBAGE DISPOSALS	
SEPTIC TANKS	
HOUSE SINKS	
POOL TABLES	
AUTOMATIC WASHERS	
DISHWASHERS	
OTHER	

TOTAL	5.00
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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT  
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS SERVICES  
ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Date Nov. 20, 19 78  
Receipt and Permit number A 15869

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: 273 Congress Street  
OWNER'S NAME: Bernard Freeman ADDRESS: 61 Carlyle Road

	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) _____	
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) <u>XX</u> _____	5.00
Oil or Gas (by separate units) _____	
Electric Under 20 kws _____ Over 20 kws _____	
APPLIANCES: (number of)	
Ranges _____	
Cook Tops _____	
Wall Ovens _____	
Dryers _____	
Fans _____	
Water Heaters _____	
Disposals _____	
Dishwashers _____	
Compactors _____	
Others (denote) _____	
TOTAL _____	
MISCELLANEOUS: (number of)	
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: 5.00

INSPECTION:

Will be ready on Dec. 1, 1978; or Will Call \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR'S NAME: Earl R. Seeley Sr.  
ADDRESS: 16 Federal Street  
TEL.: 773-6969  
MASTER LICENSE NO.: 3620  
LIMITED LICENSE NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR:  
Earl R. Seeley Sr.

INSPECTOR'S COPY — WHITE  
OFFICE COPY — CANARY  
CONTRACTOR'S COPY — GREEN



## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS —

Permit Number 152601

Location 2150 Highway 201

Owner: W. J. O'Brien  
 Address: 1000 1st St. N. W.  
 City: Washington, D. C.  
 State: D. C.  
 Zip: 20004

Date of Permit 1-20-10

Final Inspection - 12/10

By Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Application Register Page No.        /       

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INSPECTIONS: Service \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

Service called in \_\_\_\_\_

Closing-in \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRESS INSPECTIONS: 12-1-28

CODE  
COMPLIANCE  
COMPLETED  
DATE 12-1-78

DATE:

REMARKS:

OK

Wm. A. D.





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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR  
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, Nov. 20, 1978

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PERMIT ISSUED

NOV 21 1978

CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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 273 Congress Street. Use of Building hardware store No. Stories New Building  
Name and address of owner of appliance ~~XXXX~~ Bernard Freeman - 61 Carlyle Existing "A"  
Installer's name and address Earl R. Seeley Sr. - 15 Federal St. Telephone 773-6969

## General Description of Work

To install steam boiler &amp; burner - replacement

## IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance basement Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath? no  
If so, how protected? none Kind of fuel? # 2 fuel oil  
Minimum distance to burnable material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace 20 ft. all around  
From top of smoke pipe From front of appliance From sides or back of appliance  
Size of chimney flue 10 in Other connections to same flue no  
If gas fired, how vented? none Rated maximum demand per hour  
Will sufficient fresh air be supplied to the appliance to insure proper and safe combustion? yes

## IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Regco - gun Labelled by underwriters' laboratories? yes  
Will operator be always in attendance? no Does oil supply line feed from top or bottom of tank? bottom  
Type of floor beneath burner concrete Size of vent pipe 1 1/2  
Location of oil storage basement Number and capacity of tanks 2 - 275 gal.  
Low water shut off yes Make McDonald Miller No 67  
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? yes How many tanks enclosed? none  
Total capacity of any existing storage tanks for furnace burners 550 gal.

## IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath?  
If so, how protected? Height of Legs, if any  
Skirting at bottom of appliance? Distance to 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? Forced or gravity?  
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour

## MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

Amount of fee enclosed? 5.00

APPROVED:

OK EB 11/21/78

Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed?

CS 300

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Signature of Installer

Earl R. Seeley Sr.  
#3620

NOTES

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Permit No.	78/51000
Location	273 Location W.
Owner	Orin and Helen
Date of permit	11-29-78
Approved	11-21-78

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# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

R.O.C.A. USE GROUP .....

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

ZONING LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ PORTLAND, MAINE, 11/25/75. ....

PERMIT ISSUED

NOV 25 1975

1033

CITY of PORTLAND

To the DIRECTOR 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 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 ~~xxxx~~ 273 Congress  
1. Owner's name and address Mrs. Freedman 61 Carlyle Rd. Fire District #1 ☐ #2 ☐  
2. Lessee's name and address Telephone  
3. Contractor's name and address Breggia & Portland Glass Locust St. & Congress Telephone  
4. Architect Specifications Plans No. of sheets  
Proposed use of building Variety store No. families  
Last use No. families  
Material No. stories Heat Style of roof Roofing  
Other buildings on same lot  
Estimated contractual cost \$ 4,000. Fee \$ 16.00

FIELD INSPECTOR—Mr. Marge

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This application is for:

@ 775-5451

To replace windows with masonry

Dwelling Ext. 234

Garage

Masonry Bldg.

Metal Bldg.

Alterations

Demolitions

Change of Use

Other

Stamp of Special Conditions

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

PERMIT IS TO BE ISSUED TO 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐

Other: .....

## 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  
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 minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building? .....

## APPROVALS BY:

DATE

BUILDING INSPECTION—PLAN EXAMINER .....

ZONING: .....

BUILDING CODE: 0-16-E.R. 11/25/75

Fire Dept.: .....

Health Dept.: .....

Others: .....

## 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? Yes ...

Signature of Applicant Bernard Freedman Phone # .....

Type Name of above Bernard Freedman 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐

Other and Address .....

FIELD INSPECTOR'S COPY

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NOTES

12-5-75 Haul started yet - m. S  
 1-7-76 Same - m. S  
 2-11-76 Started work - 12.5  
 2-23-76 All closed in & finished 25 percent  
 diving - m. S

Permit No. 51033 (Kenny 193-1)  
 Location 2723 Cooper  
 Owner Russell Freeman  
 Date of permit Nov-75  
 Approved Repl. & under 25 with limit

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CITY OF PORTLAND MAINE  
PERMIT REQUIRED BY  
FIRE PREVENTION CODE  
Chapter 321

No. 74

THIS IS GRANTED TO:

Name Bernard Freedman

Doing Business as Tommy's Hardware & Paint Co.

at 273 Congress Street

Portland, Maine

For

Ammunition

At Fee of \$5.00

Subject to Limiting Conditions

~~Conformance to all provisions of Article 12 of the~~

Fire Prevention Code.

This permit is granted subject to strict observance of all laws, ordinances and regulations enacted for the protection of the City so far as they may apply, and is to continue in force until Dec. 31, 1973.

Issued by

Joseph R. Gano  
Director of Building & Inspection  
Services

Approved by

Joseph R. Gano  
Chief of Portland Fire Department

THIS PERMIT IS NOT TRANSFERABLE

CITY OF PORTLAND MAINE  
PERMIT REQUIRED BY  
FIRE PREVENTION CODE  
Chapter 321

No. 7-3

THIS IS GRANTED TO:

Name Bernard Freedman  
Doing Business as Tommy's Hardware & Paint Co.  
at 272 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

For

Compressed Gases

None

At Fee of \$

Subject to Limiting Conditions

Conformance to all provisions of Article 3 of the

Fire Prevention Code.

This permit is granted subject to strict observance of all laws, ordinances and regulations enacted for the protection of the City so far as they may apply, and is to continue in force until Dec. 31, 1973.

Issued by [Signature]  
Director of Building & Inspection  
Services

Approved by Joseph R. Tremor  
Chief of Portland Fire Department

THIS PERMIT IS NOT TRANSFERABLE

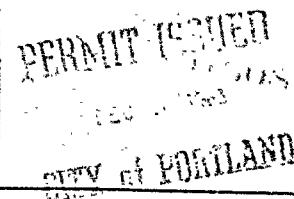




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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR  
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, December 6, 1963



To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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 3273 Congress St. Use of Building Warehouse and store No. Stories 1 ☒ New Building  
Name and address of owner of appliance Congress Hardware, 273 Congress St. Existing "☐  
Installer's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., 5 Temple St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

General Description of Work

To install 1-gas-fired #XA-75 Reznor Unit Heater (additional heat)

IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance first floor ~~xxx~~ suspended Any burnable material in floor, surface or beneath? yes  
If so, how protected? \_\_\_\_\_ Kind of fuel? gas  
Minimum distance to burnable material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace 10"  
From top of smoke pipe \_\_\_\_\_ From front of appliance 4' From sides or back of appliance 18"  
Size of chimney flue \_\_\_\_\_ Other connections to same flue \_\_\_\_\_  
If gas fired, how vented? thru roof - Type B gas vent Rated maximum demand per hour \_\_\_\_\_  
Will sufficient fresh air be supplied to the appliance to insure proper and safe combustion? yes

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner \_\_\_\_\_ Labelled by underwriters' laboratories? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will operator be always in attendance? \_\_\_\_\_ Does oil supply line feed from top or bottom of tank? \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of floor beneath burner \_\_\_\_\_ Size of vent pipe \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of oil storage \_\_\_\_\_ Number and capacity of tanks \_\_\_\_\_  
Low water shut off \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? \_\_\_\_\_ How many tanks enclosed? \_\_\_\_\_  
Total capacity of any existing storage tanks for furnace burners \_\_\_\_\_

IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance \_\_\_\_\_ Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, how protected? \_\_\_\_\_ Height of Legs, if any \_\_\_\_\_  
Skirting at bottom of appliance? \_\_\_\_\_ Distance to 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? \_\_\_\_\_ Forced or gravity? \_\_\_\_\_  
If gas fired, how vented? \_\_\_\_\_ Rated maximum demand per hour \_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

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Amount of fee enclosed? 2.00 (\$2.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

APPROVED:

O.K. P. 88 12/6/63

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  
Portland Gas Light Co.

CS 300

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Signature of Installer

By:

Chas. H. Spaulding Jr.

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1/2/64 - 100% done -  
E. H. S.

Permit No.	603/1608
Location	2773 Ferguson Avenue
Owner	Clayton H. Hester
Date of permit	1st 9 1608
Approved	1/2/608

AP- 273 Congress St.

July 29, 1963

Mr. King Rutland  
163 Main Avenue

cc to: Congress Hardware & Paint Co.  
273 Congress Street

Dear Mr. Rutland:

Upon an inspection of the fire escape at the above location it was found that the existing platform at the roof level was not used as shown on your drawing but rebuilt substandard of new materials as follows:

1. Sills are 2x6 inch members rather than solid 4x6 inch members as is required by the Building Code.
2. Platform joists are butted against the sills where they are required to be notched over a 2x3 inch nailing strip.

It will be necessary to correct this condition so as to comply with Building Code requirements.

Very truly yours,

Gerald E. Mayberry  
Deputy Building Inspection Director

GEM:m





## APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO PERMIT

Amendment No. #1

Portland, Maine, July 11, 1963

PERMIT ISSUED

JUL 12 1963

CITY OF PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for amendment to Permit No. .... pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application 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 273 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? ..... Dist. No. ....  
Owner's name and address Congress Hardware and Paint Co., 273 Congress St. Telephone .....  
Lessee's name and address ..... Telephone .....  
Contractor's name and address King Butland, 163 Maine Ave. Telephone .....  
Architect ..... Plans filed no No. of sheets .....  
Proposed use of building Store and apts. No. families .....  
Last use ..... No. families .....  
Increased cost of work ..... Additional fee 50

### Description of Proposed Work

To replace existing wooden fire escape with metal fire escape as per plan

### Details of New Work King Butland

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 .....  
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 .....

Approved:

Congress Hardware & Paint Co.

Signature of Owner By

Approved:

INSPECTION COPY  
CS. 105

Inspector of Buildings

Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

AP- 273 Congress Street

July 9, 1963

Mr. King Butland  
163 Maine Avenue

cc to: Congress Hardware & Paint Company  
273 Congress Street

Dear Mr. Butland:

Permit to repair after fire to former condition with alterations as listed on your application is being issued subject to our discussion as follows:

1. There will need to be a location plan and an elevation drawing of the metal fire escape showing the sizes of the framing members. This fire escape is to be done under an amendment to this permit.
2. Re-roofing will need to be done under a separate permit, to be taken out by the actual installing contractor.

Very truly yours,

Gerald E. Mayberry  
Deputy Building Inspection Director

GEM:m

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B2 BUSINESS ZONE



## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second ClassPortland, Maine, July 8, 1963

PERMIT ISSUED

00773

JUL 9 1963

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 273 Congress St. Within Fire Limits?            Dist. No.             
 Owner's name and address Congress Hardware and Paint Co., 273 Congress St. Telephone             
 Lessee's name and address            Telephone             
 Contractor's name and address King Butland, 163 Maine Ave. Telephone             
 Architect            Specifications            Plans            No. of sheets             
 Proposed use of building Store and apts. No. families             
 Last use            "            No. families             
 Material brick No. stories 2 1/2-1 Heat            Style of roof            Roofing             
 Other buildings on same lot             
 Estimated cost \$ 1,000. Fee \$ 5.40

## General Description of New Work

To repair after fire to former condition with alterations. (warehouse section of B. A. )  
 To change existing wooden fire escape to metal fire escape and to close up opening 10'x10' right hand side of building with 8" concrete block

Permit Issued with Memo

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?             
 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             
 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 minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building?           

APPROVED:

G. E. Mc. W. / Owner

## 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  
Congress Hardware & Paint Co.

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Signature of owner BY:

King Butland

NOTES

7/26/63 - Station -  
2x6 cell - 12 ft. - 2x6  
joists - no sealing done  
E. S. S.  
 8/7/63 - Work not done  
get E. S. S.  
 9/8/63 - Work done  
E. S. S.

Station  
 Cell  
 Joists  
 Work  
 E. S. S.

Permit No. 631 773  
 Location 213 Campbell  
 Owner Compas Woodgett  
 Date of permit 9/9/63  
 Notif. closing-in  
 Inspn. closing-in  
 Final Notif.  
 Final Inspn.  
 Cert. of Occupancy issued  
 Staking Out Notice  
 Form Check Notice

Station  
 Cell  
 Joists  
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 E. S. S.





## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED  
60284  
JUL 11 1963  
CITY of PORTLAND

Class of Building or Type of Structure Brick

PORTLAND, MAINE, July 10, 1963

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, Portland, Me.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to repair or renew roof covering of the following described building in accordance with the laws of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 273 Congress St.  
Owner's name and address Gertrude Bernstein, 273 Congress St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's name and address Ralph E. French, 103 Wilnot St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Use of building—Present store & apt. Proposed \_\_\_\_\_  
No. of Stories 1 Style of roof flat Type of present roof covering tar & gravel  
Type and Grade of roofing to be used tar & gravel No. plies \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF NEW WORK

To cover part of roof

Fee \$ .50

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of Owner Ralph E. French

C23 155-5C Marks

Permit No. 631784  
Location 273 Congress St  
Owner Gertrude Bernstein  
Date of permit 7/11/63



FILL IN AND SIGN WITH INK

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR  
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, Oct. 10, 1960

PERMIT ISSUED  
61530  
OCT 10 1960  
CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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 273 Congress Street Use of Building Dwelling & store No. Stories 2 New Building  
Name and address of owner of appliance Mrs. Thomas Bernstein, 273 Congress St. Existing "  
Installer's name and address Ballard Oil & Equip. Co., 135 Marginal Way Telephone

General Description of Work

To install oil burning equipment in connection with existing steam heat (conversion)

IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance basement Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath? no  
If so, how protected? Kind of fuel? oil  
Minimum distance to burnable material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace 3  
From top of smoke pipe From front of appliance From sides or back of appliance  
Size of chimney flue Other connections to same flue  
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour  
Will sufficient fresh air be supplied to the appliance to insure proper and safe combustion?

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Ballard Labelled by underwriters' laboratories? yes  
Will operator be always in attendance? Does oil supply line feed from top or bottom of tank? bottom  
Type of floor beneath burner concrete Size of vent pipe 1 1/2"  
Location of oil storage basement Number and capacity of tanks 2-275 gal.  
Low water shut off yes Make McDonnell-Miller No. 47-2  
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? yes How many tanks enclosed?  
Total capacity of any existing storage tanks for furnace burners none

IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath?  
If so, how protected? Height of Legs, if any  
Skirting at bottom of appliance? Distance to 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? Forced or gravity?  
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

Amount of fee enclosed? 2.00 (\$2.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

APPROVED:

10/10/60 - AMT

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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INSPECTION COPY

Signature of Installer

L. J. Ballard & Co.

10-20  
10-27

Permit No. 60/1530

Location 273 Congress St.

Owner Mr. Thomas Bernstein

Date of permit 10/10/60

Approved 11-26-60 F.M.H.

NOTES

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|--------------------------------|-----|
| 1. Fuel Pipe                   | /   |
| 2. Vent Pipe                   | /   |
| 3. Kind of Fuel                | Oil |
| 4. Burner Rating & Supports    | /   |
| 5. Name & Location             | /   |
| 6. Stack Construction          | /   |
| 7. High Limit Switch           | /   |
| 8. Remote Control              | /   |
| 9. Piping Support & Protection | /   |
| 10. Valves in Supply Line      | /   |
| 11. Capacity of Tanks          | /   |
| 12. Tank Rigidity & Supports   | /   |
| 13. Tank Distance              | /   |
| 14. Oil Gauge                  | /   |
| 15. Instruction Card           | /   |
| 16. Low Water Shut-off         | /   |

10-12-60 Installation  
S. J. J.





# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine January 5, 1960

PERMIT ISSUED

JAN 7 1960

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 271-273 Congress Street Within Fire Limits?            Dist. No.             
Owner's name and address Mrs. Gertrude Bernstein, 271 Congress St. Telephone             
Lessee's name and address Congress Hardware & Paint Co., 273 Congress St. Telephone             
Contractor's name and address Charles Carvel, R. 273 Congress St. Telephone             
Architect            Specifications            Plans            No. of sheets             
Proposed use of building Store and apartments No. families             
Last use Restaurant and " No. families             
Material brick No. stories            Heat            Style of roof            Roofing             
Other buildings on same lot            Fee \$ .50  
Estimated cost \$ 50.

## General Description of New Work

To cut in new door 4'8" x 7' high between former restaurant and hardware store to include space (271 Congress St.) into storage in connection with hardware store. This is in a non-bearing partition.

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** Charles Carvel

## 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             
Material of underpinning            Height            Thickness             
Kind of roof            Rise per foot            Roof covering            Kind of heat            fuel             
No. of chimneys            Material of chimneys            of lining            Sills             
Framing Lumber-Kind            Dressed or full size?            Corner posts            Max. on centers             
Size Girder            Columns under girders            Size            Max. on centers             
Kind and thickness of outside sheathing of exterior walls?            height?             
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  
Congress Hardware & Paint Co.

APPROVED: 1/7/59  
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INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner By: Charles Carvel

NOTES

1/22/60 - Work not started.

*Allen*

2/23/60 - Same - *Allen*

3/15/60 - Job done - *Allen*

*Allen*

Permit No. 60/163  
 Location 271-273 Chiquen St.  
 Owner *Chiquen St. Builders Inc.*  
 Date of permit 1/7/60  
 Notif. closing-in  
 Inspn. closing-in  
 Final Notif.  
 Final Inspn.  
 Cert. of Occupancy issued  
 Staking Out Notice  
 Form Check Notice

1/22/60 - Work not started.  
 2/23/60 - Same - *Allen*  
 3/15/60 - Job done - *Allen*

SECTION 101



## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure 2nd class

Portland, Maine, November 9, 1959

PERMIT ISSUED

01772

NOV 24 1959

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 273 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's name and address Gertrude B. Bernstein, 273 Congress St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee's name and address Tommy's Hardware Store, 273 Congress St. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor's name and address King Butland, 163 Maine Ave. Telephone 2-7704  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Specifications \_\_\_\_\_ Plans yes No. of sheets 1  
Proposed use of building Apartments and store No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use \_\_\_\_\_ No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Material brick No. stories 2 1/2 Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ 400.00 Fee \$ 2.00

### General Description of New Work

To erect metal fire escape from third floor to ground as per plan.

Permit Issued with Letter

Sent to Fire Dept. 11-9-59  
Rec'd from Fire Dept. 11-10-59

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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building? \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED:

*Carl P. Johnson*

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.

CS 301

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner

### 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

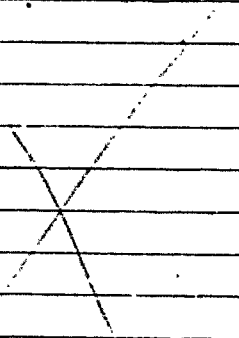
Gertrude B. Bernstein  
King Butland

*King Butland*



NOTES

1/15/50 - work started - *Allen*  
 12/11/50 - *Checked back*  
 12/11/50 - *Just finished* - *Allen*



Permit No. *57/1792*  
 Location *2773 Congress St.*  
 Owner *Central 113 & 132*  
 Date of permit *11/24/59*  
 Notif. closing-in  
 Inspn. closing-in  
 Final Notif.  
 Final Inspn.  
 Cert. of Occupancy issued  
 Starting Out Notice  
 Form Check Notice



AP- 273 Congress St.  
Fire escape for Mrs. Gertrude B. Bernstein by King Rutland

Nov. 24, 1959

Mr. King Rutland  
163 Maine Avenue

Dear Mr. Rutland:

cc to: Mrs. Gertrude B. Bernstein  
273 Congress Street  
cc to: Mr. William B. Millward  
2 Stonybrook Rd., Cape Elizabeth  
cc to: Fire Chief

Building permit for the above fire escape is issued to you, herewith, subject to the followings:

It may not be feasible to show on the plan the detail of connection of the upper run of the stairs to the upper landing or its bracket. The situation is very tight, however, between the requirement that the landing shall extend at least 9 inches beyond the window jamb, and the requirement that the pitch of the stairs shall not be steeper than 12 inches rise to 8 inches run; so the matter will have to be left to the contractor to erect the fire escape within the requirements and to the approval of our field inspector.

The proposed arrangement for supporting the bottom of the stairs is not understood. It is necessary that the stringers on the stairs be supported on and fastened to the structural angles rather than merely rest upon the grating, it being the usual practice not to fasten the grating down rigidly but to hold it by some type of hook bolts.

Please bear in mind the requirement for notice of inspection of the through bolts before the inside ends are covered from view, and that they shall not be covered up until our inspector has made an inspection and approved them. This includes, of course, the through bolts which apparently would penetrate the exterior wall above the ceiling of the second story.

Very truly yours,

W.McD:m

Warren McDonald  
Acting Deputy Insptr. of Bldgs.

Enc: permit card and copy of application

P.S.: The permit is issued based on the revised plan received here Nov. 19th and showing among other things the revision of supports of both platforms.

At 273 Congress St.  
Fire escape for Mrs. Gertrude S. Bernstein by King Rutland

Nov. 13, 1959

Mr. King Rutland  
163 Main Avenue  
Mr. William B. Millward  
2 Stonybrook Rd., Cape Elizabeth

cc to: Mrs. Gertrude S. Bernstein  
273 Congress Street  
cc to: Fire Chief

Gentlemen:

Considerable more information is needed on the plan of the above job to show compliance with building code requirements. It is understood that the fire escape is to be built from used parts of steel fire escapes from some other location. Though it is natural in such a case to try to use the various parts without altering them, it is obvious that sufficient alterations must be made, if found necessary, to work out satisfactorily for the particular job at hand.

✓ *not shown* → Another bracket is needed under the east end of the upper platform. It is realized that the space is very "tight" here in order to keep the run of stairs within the ratio of steepness stipulated as a maximum by the code. On this account the method of connecting the upper end of the run of stairs and supporting it on the bracket under the landing, should be shown.

It is apparent that you intend to cut down the 16 inch high parapet wall along a part or all of the east end of the roof of the 1-story store front, so that the height of the parapet at that point will be only about 4 inches. It is assumed that you will make sure that this change does not interfere with the drainage of this roof to such an extent that at time of heavy rain, water will not pour down in front of the entrance to the building.

A substantial support by bracket or otherwise should be provided under the lower end of the stairway, not relying merely upon the grating of the platform to support it.

The easterly bracket under the lower landing is shown in such a position that the required through bolt at the top of the bracket would enter the side-wall of the entrance portion instead of passing through the front wall. Show size, spacing and length of expansion bolts or through bolts to fasten the 2"x2"-inch angle to the brick wall under the westerly side of the lower landing. The grating bars of the lower landing are shown running at right angles to Congress Street, but nothing definite appears at the outer edge of the landing or against the wall of the entrance portion to support the grating. Will Mr. Millward attach to the revised plan his statement of design called for by Sec. 104b3 of the Building Code. The difficulties on the part of the contractor in working with used fabricated steel are obvious, and also that every detail of the adjustments cannot be shown on the plan. However, after the permit is issued, the finished job will have to satisfy our Field Inspector. Therefore, if questions arise, please take them up in time to avoid unnecessary work, either with the Field Inspector or with the undersigned.

*Granted 10/15/59*

*59/89*

DATE: Oct. 15, 1959

HEARING ON APPEAL UNDER THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF GERTRUDE BERNSTEIN

AT 213 Congress Street

Public Hearing on the above appeal was held before the Board of Appeals.

BOARD OF APPEALS

VOTE

Franklin G. Hinckley  
Joseph T. Gough  
Harry M. Shwartz

Yes	No
(X)	( )
(X)	( )
(X)	( )

Record of Hearing:

No opposition.

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
BOARD OF APPEALS

VARIANCE APPEAL

Sept. 23, 1959

Gertrude Bernstein, owner of property at 273 Congress Street, under the provisions of Section 24 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Portland, hereby respectfully petitions the Board of Appeals for a variance from the provisions of said Ordinance to permit: Erection of a projecting sign about 3 feet by 6 feet to advertise the retail store at this location. This permit is presently not issuable under the Zoning Ordinance because the sign would extend over the public sidewalk approximately 6 feet 6 inches instead of the maximum of 5 feet stipulated by Section 16A5 of the Ordinance, applying in the B-2 Business Zone in which the property is located.

LEGAL BASIS OF APPEAL: Such variance may be granted only if the Board of Appeals finds that the strict application of the provisions of the Ordinance would result in undue hardship in the development of property which is inconsistent with the intent and purpose of the Ordinance; that there are exceptional or unique circumstances relating to the property that do not generally apply to other property in the same zone or neighborhood, which have not arisen as a result of action of the applicant subsequent to the adoption of this Ordinance whether in violation of the provisions of the Ordinance or not; that property in the same zone or neighborhood will not be adversely affected by the granting of the variance; and that the granting of the variance will not be contrary to the intent and purpose of the Ordinance.

Gertrude Bernstein  
APPELLANT

DECISION

After public hearing held October 15, 1959, the Board of Appeals finds that all of the above conditions do exist with respect to this property and that a variance should be granted in this case.

It is, therefore, determined that a variance from the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance should be granted in this case.

Freddie E. Hill  
Harry M. Amos  
James L. G. G. G.  
BOARD OF APPEALS



October 12, 1957

Mrs. Gertrude Bernstein  
271 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

Dear Mrs. Bernstein:

October 15

cc: Portland Sign Co., Inc.  
181 Brackett Street

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
BOARD OF APPEALS

October 5, 1959

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing in the Council Chamber at City Hall, Portland, Maine, on Thursday, October 15, 1959, at 4:00 p.m. to hear the appeal of Gertrude Bernstein requesting an exception to the Zoning Ordinance to permit erection of a projecting sign about 3 feet by 6 feet to advertise the retail store at 273 Congress Street.

This permit is presently not issuable under the Zoning Ordinance because the sign would extend over the public sidewalk approximately 6 feet 6 inches instead of the maximum of 5 feet stipulated by Section 16A5 of the Ordinance applying in the B-2 Business Zone in which the property is located.

This appeal is taken under Section 24 of the Zoning Ordinance which provides that such variance may be granted only if the Board of Appeals finds that the strict application of the provisions of the Ordinance would result in undue hardship in the development of property which is inconsistent with the intent and purpose of the Ordinance; that there are exceptional or unique circumstances relating to the property that do not generally apply to other property in the same zone or neighborhood, which have not arisen as a result of action of the applicant subsequent to the adoption of this Ordinance whether in violation of the provisions of the Ordinance or not; that property in the same zone or neighborhood will not be adversely affected by the granting of the variance; and that the granting of the variance will not be contrary to the intent and purpose of the Ordinance.

All persons interested either for or against this appeal will be heard at the above time and place, this notice of required public hearing having been sent to the owners of property within 500 feet of the premises in question as required by the Ordinance.

BOARD OF APPEALS

Franklin G. Hinckley

Chairman

ALBERT J. SEARS  
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

Department of Building Inspection

173 Congress St.

Erection of projecting sign for Tommy's Hardware by Portland Sign Co., on  
the building owned by Gertrude Bernstein and proposed zoning appeal relating thereto

Sept. 14, 1959

Mrs. Gertrude Bernstein  
171 Congress Street  
Portland Sign Co., Inc.  
161 Brackett Street

cc to: Tommy's Hardware  
173 Congress St.  
cc to: Corporation Counsel

Dear Mrs. Bernstein & Gentlemen:

Building permit intended to authorize a projecting  
sign about 3 feet by 6 feet to advertise the retail store at  
173 Congress Street, on the building reported to be owned by  
Mrs. Bernstein, is not issuable under the zoning ordinance  
because the sign would extend over the public sidewalk ap-  
proximately 6 feet 6 inches instead of the maximum of 5 feet  
stipulated by Sec. 16A5 of the Ordinance, applying in the  
C-2 business zone where the property is located.

Mr. Young of the Sign Company reports that Mrs. Bernstein  
would like to seek a variance from the Board of Appeals in this  
specific case. Such an appeal is to be filed at the office of  
Corporation Counsel, Room 208, City Hall, where a copy of this  
letter will be found. The appeal is to be signed by the owner  
of the property.

Very truly yours,

Albert J. Sears  
Inspector of Buildings

AMJ:m

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE  
BOARD OF APPEALS

October 5, 1959

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The Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing in the Council Chamber at City Hall, Portland, Maine, on Thursday, October 15, 1959, at 4:00 p.m. to hear the appeal of Gertrude Bernstein requesting an exception to the Zoning Ordinance to permit erection of a projecting sign about 3 feet by 6 feet to advertise the retail store at 273 Congress Street.

This permit is presently not issuable under the Zoning Ordinance because the sign would extend over the public sidewalk approximately 6 feet 6 inches instead of the maximum of 5 feet stipulated by Section 16A5 of the Ordinance applying in the B-2 Business Zone in which the property is located.

This appeal is taken under Section 24 of the Zoning Ordinance which provides that such variance may be granted only if the Board of Appeals finds that the strict application of the provisions of the Ordinance would result in undue hardship in the development of property which is inconsistent with the intent and purpose of the Ordinance; that there are exceptional or unique circumstances relating to the property that do not generally apply to other property in the same zone or neighborhood, which have not arisen as a result of action of the applicant subsequent to the adoption of this Ordinance whether in violation of the provisions of the Ordinance or not; that property in the same zone or neighborhood will not be adversely affected by the granting of the variance; and that the granting of the variance will not be contrary to the intent and purpose of the Ordinance.

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BOARD OF APPEALS

Franklin G. Hinckley

Chairman





B2 BUSINESS ZONE  
Size of plastic face: 18 sq. feet- Plexiglass  
Each piece of plastic has trade name stamped on it-yes  
33 A Bears Und. Lab.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED  
01484  
OCT 10 1959  
CITY OF PORTLAND

Portland, Maine, Sept. 17, 1959 19

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 273 Congress St. Within Fire Limits?            Dist. No.           

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Gertrude Bernstein, 273 Congress St.

Name and address of owner of sign Tony's Hardware, 273 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address Portland Sign Co., 181 Brackett St. Telephone 5-2592

When does contractor's bond expire? Dec., 1959

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick *Appeal sustained 10/15/59*

Details of Sign and Connections

Building owner's consent and agreement filed with application yes

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 3' Horizontal 6'

Weight 100 lbs. lbs. Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes angle iron

Material of frame 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 3/16 No. advertising faces 2 material plastic

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 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 16

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 10'

Maximum projection into street 6'6" Fee \$ 2.00

Signature of contractor Portland Sign Co.

INSPECTION COPY Approved 10/16/59 F. Mac m.

Permit No. 59/14584  
Location 273 Congress St  
Owner Tommy J. Hardware  
Date of permit 10/16/59  
Sign Contractor 12/3/59  
Final Inspn. /

NOTES

12/3/59 - Work done -  
no stop work called  
for E.S.S.

X

Re: 273 Congress St.  
Erection of projecting sign for Tommy's Hardware by Portland Sign Co., on  
the building owned by Gertrude Bernstein and proposed zoning appeal relating thereto

Sept. 12, 1959

Mrs. Gertrude Bernstein  
271 Congress Street  
Portland Sign Co., Inc.  
181 Brackett Street

cc to: Tommy's Hardware  
273 Congress St  
cc to: Corporation Counsel

Dear Mrs. Bernstein & Gentlemen:

Building permit intended to authorize a projecting sign about 3 feet by 6 feet to advertise the retail store at 273 Congress Street, on the building reported to be owned by Mrs. Bernstein, is not issuable under the Zoning Ordinance because the sign would extend over the public sidewalk approximately 6 feet 6 inches instead of the maximum of 5 feet stipulated by Sec. 16A5 of the Ordinance, applying in the B-2 Business Zone where the property is located.

Mr. Young of the Sign Company reports that Mrs. Bernstein would like to seek a variance from the Board of Appeals in this specific case. Such an appeal is to be filed at the office of Corporation Counsel, Room 208, City Hall, where a copy of this letter will be found. The appeal is to be signed by the owner of the property.

Very truly yours,

Albert J. Sears  
Inspector of Buildings

AMC:DM

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT 273 CONGRESS ST IN PORTLAND, MAINE

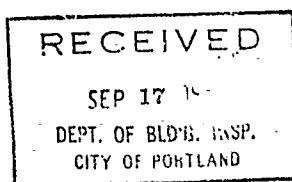
I. B. Bernstein, being the owner of the  
premises at 273 CONGRESS ST in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by TALMY'S HARDWARE  
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in  
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit  
to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit Q.B.  
BERNSTEIN, 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 14 day of SEPT, 1939

Thomas H. King  
Witness

Gertrude B. Bernstein  
Owner  
Isidore Friedman, atty



PORTLAND SIGN CO., INC.  
181 BRACKETT STREET  
PORTLAND, ME. SP 5-2592



MAINE PRINTING CO., PORTLAND

CITY OF PORTLAND  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
HOUSING DIVISION



Loc. 271 Congress Street  
Loc w/1 S  
Bldg. Fire ☒ Elec. ☒ Other ☐  
Issued September 23, 1939  
Expires October 23, 1940

12 1635

Mrs. Remy Bernatien  
271 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

On September 23, 1939 an examination was made of the premises located at 271 Congress Street, Portland, Maine. Non-compliance with the ordinances relating to housing conditions was found as detailed below.

In accordance with the provisions of the above ordinance, you are hereby ordered to correct these defects according to specifications within the time limits allowed. Failure to comply with this notice will necessitate legal action.

Some repairs or improvements required will necessitate permits which are to be obtained from the Building Inspector, Health, Fire or other City Departments. These must be obtained before the work is started. If any additional information is desired, visit or telephone the Housing Supervisor at this Office, telephone 4-1431, extension 226. Kindly notify this office as soon as all corrections have been completed.

Very truly yours,  
Edward W. Colby, M.D.  
Health Director

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Housing Supervisor

VIOLATIONS & SPECIFICATIONS

## Responsibility of Owner or Agent      \*\* Responsibility of Occupant

REPAIRS:

- Repair and put in good order all dilapidated and hazardous parts of the structure as follows:
- a. Repair or replace the loose, worn, or missing drainpipes on both sides of the roof.
  - b. Reconstruct the awning and remove the condition which now causes the daylight in the kitchen, living room, den, and bedroom of the 3rd floor apt. to leak.
  - c. Patch the loose window panes, tighten the loose window casings in the kitchen, living room, den and bedroom, of the 3rd floor apt.

ELECTRICAL WORK:

Check and have repaired all defective electric wiring and electrical equipment throughout the structure.

- a. Install convenience outlets in all the areas where there is a dangerous excessive use of extension cords. Particular attention is directed to the living room of the 3rd floor apt.

HEATING:

- a. Repair or replace the defective heating system.

The above mentioned conditions are in violation of the City Ordinance "Minimum Standards for Continued Occupancy" and "Authority to Vacate Buildings" and must be corrected on or before October 23, 1939.

Standard Ballantine sign. Each piece of plastic is marked with Flexiglas, sign bears Underwriters label.

(B) LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE



# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED

01194

JUL 2 1951

Permit No. CITY of PORTLAND

Portland, Maine, June 27, 1951

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 271 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No.         

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Luce M. Aliberti

Name and address of owner of sign New Deal Cafe, 271 Congress Street

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

When does contractor's bond expire? Dec. 31, 1951

## Information Concerning Building

CERTIFICATE OF AGENCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

## Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 5' Horizontal 4'

Weight 85 lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

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

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

No. through bolts none Size          Location, top or bottom         

No. guys 3 material angle iron and cable Size 1x1x3/16 5/16"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 10'

Maximum projection into street 4' 6"

7-2-51, U.K. 100

United Neon Display

Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor by: J. L. Lopez

Permit No. 51/1194

Location 271 Congress St.

Owner New Deal Cafe

Date of permit 7/2/51

Sign Contractor United Navy Display

Final Inspn. 7-17-51

NOTES

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BI FORM 52

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

Lucy M. Aliberti, being the owner of the  
premises at 271 Congress St. in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by New Deal Cafe  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Lucy M. Aliberti, 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 June day of 26 19 51

J. S. Payne Witness

Lucy M. Aliberti Owner



WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT 273 Congress St. IN PORTLAND, MAINE

Thomas Bernstein, being the owner of the  
premises at 273 X Congress St. in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by Tommy's Hardware  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas Bernstein, 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 26th day of July, 1948.

Bernard Freedman  
Witness

Thomas Bernstein  
Owner



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED  
01320

JUL 29 1948  
Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY of PORTLAND

Portland, Maine, July 27, 1948

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 273 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Thomas Bernstein

Name and address of owner of sign Tommy's Hardware, 273 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address Metro Neon, 96 Exchange St. Telephone 3-3052

When does contractor's bond expire? Dec. 31, 1948

Information Concerning Building

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED  
7/28/48 P. O. K. S. C.

No aluminum  
No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

Details of Sign and Connections

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

Weight 250 lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

Material of frame angle iron No. advertising faces 2, material steel

No. rigid connections 6 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

No. through bolts 1, Size 3/4", Location, top or bottom top

No. guys 4, material cable, Size 3/8"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 10'

Maximum projection into street 5' 6"

Metro Neon

Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor by:

John Anderson

Incl  
original

Permit No. 48/1320

Location 273 Congress St.

Owner Tommy's Hardware

Date of permit 70/29/48

### Sign Contractor

Final Inspn.

8/3/48 Sharp NOTES

8/3/48 Sharp NOTES

BI FORM 52

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT 271 Congress Street IN PORTLAND, MAINE

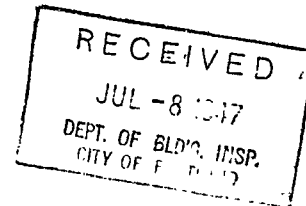
T. Bernstein, being the owner of the  
premises at 271 Congress Street in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by New Deal Cafe  
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in  
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit  
to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit \_\_\_\_\_  
T. Bernstein, 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 7th day of July, 1947

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness

T. Bernstein  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner







(B) LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PRIORITY 1851000  
01647  
Permit No. 12-1047

Portland, Maine, July 8, 1947

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 271 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached T. Bernstein

Name and address of owner of sign New Deal Cafe, 271 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 11 Elm Street Telephone 2-0695

When does contractor's bond expire? Dec. 31, 1947

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick (attached to existing A frame on roof)

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 2' Horizontal 4'

Weight 96 lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

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

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

No. through bolts none, Size none, Location, top or bottom none

No. guys 2, material cable, Size 3/8

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 15'

Maximum projection into street 4' 6"

United Neon Display

Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor by:

J. S. Coyne

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Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

271a Congress Street-Erecting of sign at 271a Congress Street for New Deal  
Cafe by Metro Neon-1/2/47

To Owner & Erector:

Care must be exercised not to exceed six feet projection as shown  
on plan. Section 211c7 of the Building Code limits the projection of any  
part of a sign to six feet if height exceeds seventeen feet above the side-  
walk.

ATE/J

CC: New Deal Cafe  
271a Congress Street

(Signed) Warren McDonald  
Inspector of Buildings



(B) LIMITED BUSINESS ZONE

# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 00008

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, December 26, 1946

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 271a Congress Street

Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached M. Barnstein

Name and address of owner of sign New Deal Cafe, 271a Congress Street

Contractor's name and address Metro Neon, 96 Exchange Street (Rear)

Telephone 3-3052

When does contractor's bond expire? January 1, 1947

## Information Concerning Building

No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

## Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 6' x 6' Horizontal 3'

Weight 125 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 5 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

No. through bolts 1, Size 3/4", Location, t.p or bottom bottom

No. guys 2 x 4, material cable, Size 3/8"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 14'3"

Maximum projection into street 6'

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

Permit Issued with Memo

ORIGINAL

Signature of contractor By:

Metro Neon

Fee \$ 1.00

*John Kudo*