

OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY

1000 FIRST STREET

HARRISON, N. J.

January 18th, 1955

CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION

Elevator Opening Protectives
MAINE BONDING & CASUALTY COMPANY
434 Congress Street
Portland, Maine
Contract 242484

Elevator Opening Protectives and Hangers for this
building have been inspected and approved for
labeling per BOCA Reports 51-7 and 51-9.

RECEIVED
JAN 25 1955
DEPT. OF BLDG. INSP.
CITY OF PORTLAND

NUMBER OF OPENINGS - 7

TYPE OF DOORS

- Hollow Metal
2/Speed

Very truly yours,

OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY

F. J. Stolling
F. J. Stolling
Works' Engineer

INSPECTED AND APPROVED BY *Ernest P. ...* AUTHORIZED BOCA INSPECTOR

DATE INSPECTED *Jan 17, 1955*

cc: Mr. D. J. Soule,
Mr. G. Havstad,

Sales Engineer, Boston Office
Inspection Department, Harrison Works

*off. Do not know
what to make
of this but
think the
doors still
require
identification
as per BOCA
can be
used
1/25/55*

STATEMENT OF ELEVATOR TESTS

PORTLAND, MAINE,

I, George L. Ward,
as an employee of Oliver Elevator Co., have personally supervised the
installation or alterations to the elevator, hatchways and enclosures at Winn-Dixie Supermarket permitted
under Building Permit 1950-12 Oct. 2, 1953, and have personally supervised tests of loading capacity and of all brakes, inter-
locking and all other safety devices, and I do here state that, according to my best knowledge and belief, the elevator will
safely carry the maximum rated loading and all brakes, interlocking and other safety devices are in satisfactory condition.

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MAY 18 1955

DEPT. OF BLD'G. INSP.

CUMBERLAND, CITY OF PORTLAND

Personally appeared the above named George L. Ward and made oath the statements by him
subscribed are true.

APPLICANT'S COPY

PORTLAND, MAINE, May 13, 1955

STATE OF MAINE

Thomas S. Gustafson
Notary Public Justice of the Peace

Marking on approved
doors "BOCA 51-7"
"BOCA-51-9"

AA. J. - 1/27/55

~~Please see
me - agf~~

(J. A. Allen)



(19) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure _____

Portland, Maine, Oct. 7, 1954

PERMIT ISSUED

01699

OCT 7 1954

CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ~~repairs~~ ~~improvements~~ in ~~all~~ the following building structures ~~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 134 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's name and address Maine Bond & Casualty Co., 396 Congress St. Telephone _____
Lessee's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address F. W. Cunningham & Sons, 181 State St. Telephone 3-0246
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans no No. of sheets _____
Proposed use of building offices No. families _____
Last use hotel No. families _____
Material brick No. stories 6 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ 6,000. Fee \$ 6.00

General Description of New Work

To remove non-bearing partitions on all floors.

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 F. W. Cunningham & Sons

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 repair 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 _____
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? 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

Maine Bond & Casualty Co.
F. W. Cunningham & Sons

Signature of owner by: Arthur Sullivan

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[Signature]

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Permit No. 54/1699

Owner: *[Signature]*

10/7/54

Notif. closing-in

nspr. closing-in

Final Notif.

Final Inspn.

ert of Occupancy issued

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Check Notice

1909 年 10 月 23 日

October 7, 1954

AP-434 Congress St.
Removal of non-bearing partitions

F. W. Cunningham & Sons
181 State St.
Maine Bond & Casualty Co.,
396 Congress St.

Gentlemen:

This permit to remove non-bearing partitions on all floors of this six story former hotel, is issued without prejudice to the question of change of use of the building, which change of use is not included in the permit; and without prejudice to the question of stiffness of the remaining structure which could possibly be affected, even though the partitions to be removed are all non-bearing.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMCD/B

September 2, 1954

GL 434 Congress St.—Chase Hotel

Mrs. Rhina Sturtevant
Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Dear Mrs. Sturtevant:

While your interest in a passageway back of the Chase House on Congress St. is appreciated, I have no recollection, nor do I think that there is anything in our records about such a passageway.

It would not be strange that we have no record of it because this is strictly a Building Inspection Department, and the passageway would come to our attention only if it were required for means of egress to reach a public street or similar place of safety from some building built or changed as to class of use under a building permit.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMcD/B



FILL IN AND SIGN WITH INK

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, Oct. 16, 1952

PERMIT ISSUED

01846
OCT 18 1952

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 Chase Hotel, 434 Cong. Use of Building Dwelling Hotel & Commercial Existing
Name and address of owner of appliance St. Horace A. Thomas, Jr. 184-1/2 Middle St.,
Installer's name and address Ballard Oil & Equipment Co. 135 Marginal Way, Portland, Me. Telephone 2-1991

General Description of Work

To install 1 fully automatic oil burner with all controls for safe operation.

IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance Any burnable material in floor surface or beneath?
If so, how protected? Kind of fuel?
Minimum distance to burnable material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace
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 1 Ballard LC9-1 Smith 24-9 Labelled by underwriter's 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 Cement
Location of oil storage Basement Number and capacity of tanks 1 - 275 Gallon tank
If two 275-gallon tanks, will three-way valve be provided?
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? Yes How many tanks fire proofed? None
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? Kind of fuel?
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? Forced or gravity?
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

Clean boiler thoroughlyF & I New FireboxReplacing old burner.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

Oct. 16-18 1952 Rm

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

BALLARD OIL & EQUIPMENT CO.
135 MARGINAL WAY
PORTLAND MAINE

Signature of Installer

BY: R. H. Dunton

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Permit No. 52/1846
Location 434 Congress St
Owner Chase Hotel
Date of permit 11/19/52
Approved 10-29-52 RWH

NOTES

1	Full Pipe	
2	Tent Pole	
3	Kind of material	
4	Buried in ground	
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12	...	
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14	...	
15	Instruction Card	
16	...	

City of Boston Department of Public Works Division of Street Maintenance Permit to Dig No. 52/1846 Date 11/19/52 Owner Chase Hotel Location 434 Congress St Description of Work To install a new water main under the sidewalk from the curb to the building entrance. The work will be done in the sidewalk area between the curb and the building entrance. The existing water main will be replaced with a new one of the same size and material. The new main will be installed at a depth of 4 feet below the ground surface. The sidewalk will be replaced with new curb and gutter material. The work will be done in the sidewalk area between the curb and the building entrance. The existing water main will be replaced with a new one of the same size and material. The new main will be installed at a depth of 4 feet below the ground surface. The sidewalk will be replaced with new curb and gutter material.	City of Boston Department of Public Works Division of Street Maintenance Permit to Dig No. 52/1846 Date 11/19/52 Owner Chase Hotel Location 434 Congress St Description of Work To install a new water main under the sidewalk from the curb to the building entrance. The work will be done in the sidewalk area between the curb and the building entrance. The existing water main will be replaced with a new one of the same size and material. The new main will be installed at a depth of 4 feet below the ground surface. The sidewalk will be replaced with new curb and gutter material.
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AP 434A Congress Street-I
(Ventilation)

April 5, 1950

M. B. Bourne & Son
56 Cross Street
George's Restaurant
434A Congress Street

Subject: Application for building permit
to cover installation of mechanical system
of ventilation for kitchen at 434A Congress
Street

Gentlemen:

Mr. Hamilton of this office has talked with Mr. Seil of M. B. Bourne & Son about the difficulties arising in connection with this proposed plan of additional ventilation for the kitchen, and I believe the contractor is to talk it over with the proprietor to see what had best be done under the circumstances.

It is my understanding that the existing hood over the range in the kitchen is vented merely by gravity to an existing chimney flue, otherwise unused; and that this new fan or system is to ventilate the kitchen by mechanical means through the wall of the building.

I feel that I cannot issue a permit for this arrangement because experience has shown that such an independent ventilation system is likely to cause extensive additional fire hazard if a hot fire takes place beneath the range hood when the electric fan is running. Instead of the heat, smoke and flames being drawn up into the vent of the range hood, it would be drawn out from under the hood by the stronger electric fan and spread the fire all over the kitchen. This is not just a theory because we have had it take place precisely in this manner in the city.

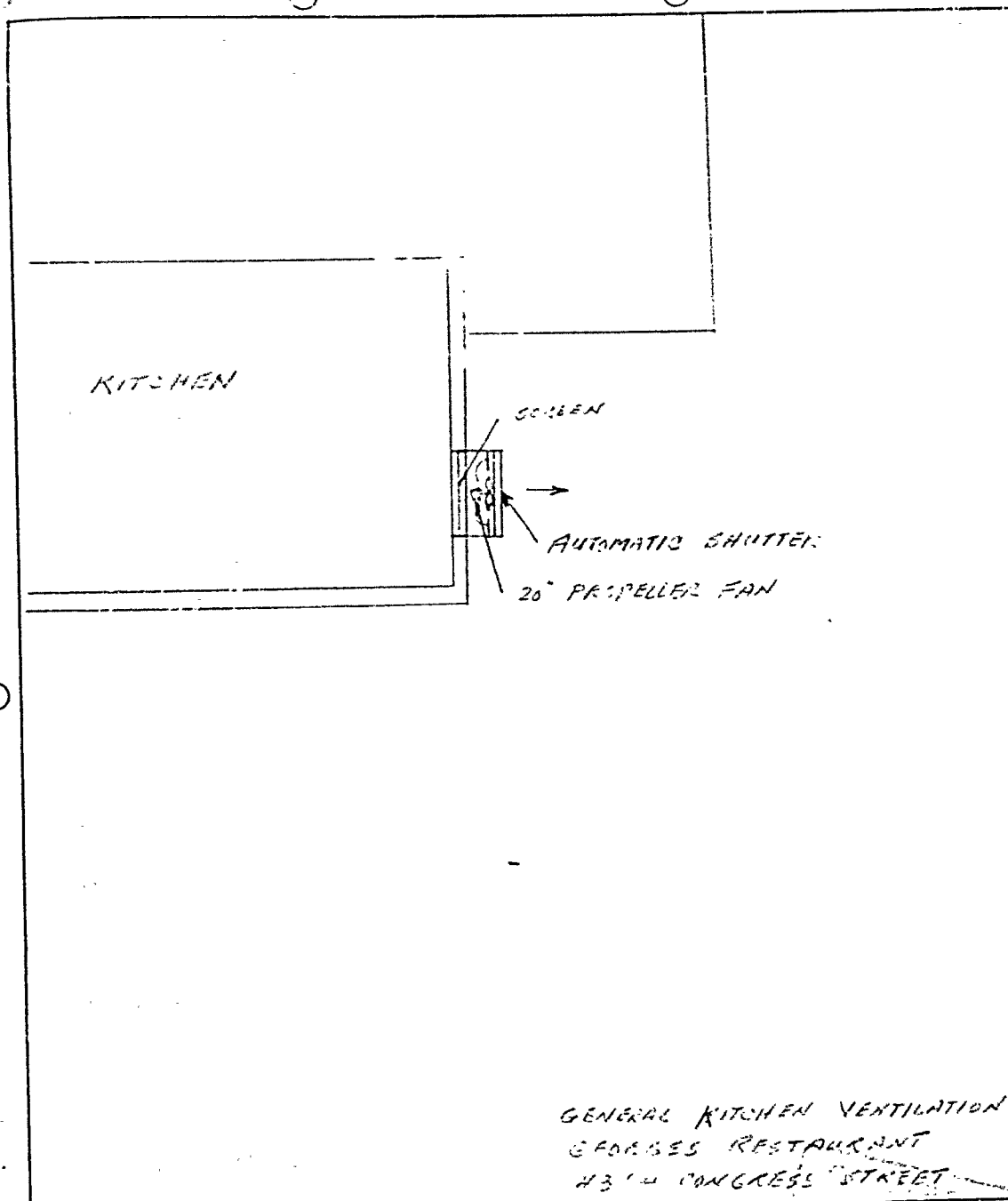
If the chimney flue to which the range hood is now connected serves no other purpose, it would be satisfactory to introduce the fan in the duct from the range hood, thus ventilating the kitchen completely through the range hood.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMCB/S

CC: William B. Basting
Chief Inspector, Health Dept.



GENERAL KITCHEN VENTILATION
GEORGE'S RESTAURANT
4314 CONGRESS STREET

Westinghouse Electric Corporation
STURTEVANT DIVISION

OFFICE

M. B. BOUNNE & SONS
56 CROSS STREET

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TO BE USED ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT WAS EXPRESSLY
LOANED AND NOT TO BE USED IN ANY WAY DETRIMENTAL TO THE
INTERESTS OF THE CORPORATION.

DRAWN BY

APPROVED BY

DATE

SCALE

NO

FORM 20160A

SKETCH SHEET



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Ventilation

Portland, Maine, March 27, 1950

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect, alter, repair, or demolish the following building structure 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 434A Congress StreetWithin Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1Owner's name and address George's Restaurant, 434A Congress St.

Telephone _____

Lessee's name and address _____

Telephone _____

Contractor's name and address M.B. Bourne & Son, 56 Cross St.Telephone 2-3907

Architect _____

Specifications _____

Plans yesNo. of sheets 1Proposed use of building Restaurant

No. families _____

Last use _____

No. families _____

Material brick 1 stories

Heat _____

Style of roof _____

Roofing _____

Other buildings on same lot _____

Estimate cost \$ _____

Fee \$ 1.00

General Description of New Work

To install mechanical system of ventilation for kitchen as per plan.

Health Notices to _____
Health Officer and City _____

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

M.B. Bourne & Son

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? noWill there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? yesGeorge's Restaurant
M.B. Bourne & Son

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner By: W.C. Bourne

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NOTES ON THE...



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Installation

Portland, Maine, February 25, 1949

ISSUED
00229
MAR 2 1949
CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ install the following ~~building~~ 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 434 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's name and address George's Restaurant, 434 Congress Street Telephone _____
Lessee's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address A. F. Briggs & Co., 369 Forest Avenue Telephone 4-2689
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans yes No. of sheets 1
Proposed use of building Restaurant No. families _____
Last use " No. families _____
Material _____ No. stories _____ Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

General Description of New Work

To install refrigeration equipment as per plan. Metro-chloride - refrigerant.

Sent to Fire Dept. 2/25/49
Rec'd from Fire Dept. 2/29/49

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 A. F. Briggs & Co.**

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:

[Signature]
City of Portland

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

George's Restaurant
A. F. Briggs & Co.

Signature of owner by: *[Signature]*

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Permit No. 49/229.
Location 434 Congress St.
Owner Georges Restaurant
Date of permit 3/2/49
Notif. closing-in _____
Inspn. closing-in _____
Final Notif: _____
Final Inspn. Final Insp.
Cert. of Occupancy issued _____

NOTES

Permit No. 49/96.
Location 434 Congress St.
Owner George's Restaurant
Date of permit 11/20/49
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. Final Inspn.
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES

THIS PERMIT IS FOR THE

REPAIRS TO THE

ROOF OF THE

BUILDING

AT THE

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OF

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MASSACHUSETTS

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(C) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Installation

Portland, Maine, January 17, 1949

PERMIT ISSUED
00093
JAN 19 1949
CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ install the following ~~building~~ building 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 434 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's name and address George's Restaurant, 22 Monument Square Telephone 2-3907
Lessee's name and address _____
Contractor's name and address M. B. Bourne & Sons, 56 Cross Street Telephone 2-3907
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans yes No. of sheets 1
Proposed use of building Restaurant No. families _____
Last use _____ No. families _____
Material _____ No. stories _____ Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

General Description of New Work

To install mechanical ventilation as per plan.

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** M. B. Bourne & Sons

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? 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

George's Restaurant
M. B. Bourne & Sons

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Signature of owner by: George's Restaurant

[Faint, illegible handwritten notes]

Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

434 Congress Street—Installation of mechanical ventilation system in that part of first story of Chase Hotel building to be occupied by George's Restaurant by H. D. Burns & Son, installer—
1/18/49

Having issued at least one other permit for installation of equipment in this restaurant, I think all concerned have been notified of the interest of the Health Department in all of the appointments connected with such a restaurant, but your attention is particularly called to the provisions of Section 235-g-1 of the Building Code which provides that mechanical or natural system of ventilation for kitchens where food or drink is prepared to be sold for consumption on the premises shall be adequate as determined by the Health Officer.

Presumably the proprietor of the restaurant or the installer of the ventilation have seen to it that the Health Officer has approved the proposed arrangement. I take it that there is no other appliance of any kind being served or to be served by this particular chimney flue to which the exhaust duct is to be connected.

WMD/O

CC: George's Restaurant
22 Monument Square

/ Estate of W. W. Thomas
188 Middle Street

Dr. Albert D. Foster
Health Officer

(Signed) Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings



FILL IN AND SIGN WITH INK

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, January 10, 1949

ISSUED
00057
1949
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 434 Congress Street Use of Building Restaurant No. Stories Existing Building
Name and address of owner of appliance George Bress, 22 Monument Square
Installer's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., 5 Temple St. Telephone 2-8321

Health Notices to
Health Officer and thus ☒ General Description of Work
To install gas-fired restaurant range (2)

IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance or source of heat _____ Type of floor beneath appliance _____
If wood, how protected? _____ Kind of fuel _____
Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace _____
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 _____

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner _____ Labelled by underwriter's laboratories? _____
Will operator be always in attendance? _____ Does oil supply line feed from top or bottom of tank? _____
Type of floor beneath burner _____
Location of oil storage _____ Number and capacity of tanks _____
If two 275-gallon tanks, will three-way valve be provided? _____
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? _____ How many tanks fire proofed? _____
Total capacity of any existing storage tanks for furnace burners _____

IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance First floor Kind of fuel gas Type of floor beneath appliance concrete
If wood, how protected? _____
Minimum distance to wood or combustible material from top of appliance over 4' from hood to ceiling
From front of appliance over 4' From sides and back over 4' From top of smokepipe _____
Size of chimney flue _____ Other connections to same flue none
Is hood to be provided? yes If so, how vented? chimney
If gas fired, how vented? to hood Rated maximum demand per hour 25,000 BTU each

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

Amount of fee enclosed? 2.50 (\$2.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

APPROVED:

1-11-49. CDB

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 Company

Signature of Installer by: Robert A. Lane

INSPECTION COPY

Permit No. 49/57

Location 434 Congress St.

Owner George Bress

Date of permit 1/12/49

Approved 2/16/49. G.B.

NOTES

1. Fuel Type
2. Vent Pipe
3. Kind of Heat
4. Burner Rating & Supports
5. Name & Label
6. Stack Control
7. High Limit Control
8. Reset Control
9. Pipe Connections & Direction
10. Valves
11. Capacity of Tanks
12. Tank Height & Supports
13. Tank Distance
14. Gauge
15. Instruction Card
- 16.



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, January 7, 1949

ISSUED

00046

JAN 11 1949

CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect, repair, alter, or~~ 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:

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Contractor's name and address A. F. Briggs Company, 369 Forest Avenue Telephone 4-2689
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans yes Fire Dept. No. of sheets 1
Proposed use of building Restaurant No. families _____
Last use _____ " No. families _____
Material brick No. stories 6 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

General Description of New Work

To install refrigeration equipment in first floor restaurant. Refrigerant - Freon

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** A. F. Briggs

Sent to Fire Dept. 1/7/49
Rec'd from Fire Dept. 1/10/49

Detail 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:

Oliver T. Lubow

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

George's Delicatessen
A. F. Briggs Company

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner by: *ERWallace*

Permit No. 49/46
Location 43rd Congress St.
Owner Georges P. Catana
Date of permit 1/11/49
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. For Sept.
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES FOR PERMIT

NOTES

Special Provision of Local Act

For 2100



sub site (G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED
00054
JAN 12 1949
Permit No. _____
CITY of PORTLAND

Portland, Maine, January 6, 1949

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

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

Name and address of owner of sign George's Restaurant, 434 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address United Neon, 74 Elm Street

Telephone 2-0695

When does contractor's bond expire? Dec. 31, 1949

Information Concerning Building 1-11-49 O.K. 206

No. stories 4 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 3' Horizontal 7' 4"

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

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

No. rigid connections 4 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

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

No. guys 1 material wire rope Size 3/8"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 10'

Maximum projection into street 7' 4"

United Neon

Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor by: J. S. Cogan

ORIGINAL

This right belt is not checked in the

A document with a large 'X' drawn across it, indicating it is crossed out or void. The document contains several lines of text, which are mostly illegible due to the heavy noise and the 'X' mark. The text appears to be a list or a series of entries, possibly related to a legal or official record. The 'X' is drawn in a dark ink, and the overall image quality is poor, with significant noise and artifacts.

Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine
434 Congress Street—Erection of projecting sign for George's Restaurant by United Neon
Display — 1/11/49

To Owner & Contractor:

The sketch filed with the application for the permit leaves some doubt as to whether or not the location of the proposed sign or braces or guys would not interfere with Fire Department access to the window at second floor level. Such interference with access by the Fire Department in case of fire should be avoided for the benefit of efficient action by the Fire Department and for the benefit of the owner of the building in case of fire in it.

Should substantial change in location of the sign or its guys or bracing become necessary, installer should first apply for amendment to the permit now issued and with the application file a revised plan showing the true location.

WMD/H

CC: George's Restaurant
434 Congress Street

United Neon Display
74 Elm Street

Chief of Fire Dept.

(Signed) Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE

ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES

AT 434 Congress Street IN PORTLAND, MAINE

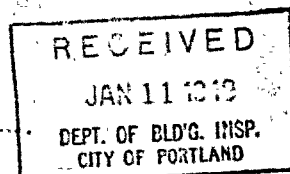
Aucousis Co., being the owner of the premises at 434 Congress Street in Portland, Maine hereby gives consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by George's Restaurant projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit Aucousis Co., 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 8th day of January, 1948

Charles D. [Signature]
Witness

Aucousis Co.
by Thos. [Signature] Pres.
Owner





(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED
02384
DEC 28 1948
CITY OF PORTLAND

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 434 Congress Street

Portland, Maine, December 28, 1948

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached William W. Thomas

Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Name and address of owner of sign New Chase House, 434 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 29 Exchange Street, 74 Elm St

When does contractor's bond expire? December 31, 1948

Sign to be taken down and repainted.

No. stories 6

Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

Electric? yes

Weight 375 lbs.

Material of frame angle iron

No. rigid connections 1

No. through bolts 2

No. guys see plan

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 12' 4"

Maximum projection into street 6' 9"

Vertical dimension after erection 4'

Will there be any hollow spaces? yes

No. advertising faces 2

Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

Location, top or bottom top

Size 1 1/4" x 7/16"

Any rigid frame? yes

material metal

Horizontal 1'

Information Concerning Building

Details of Sign and Connections

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED
12/28/48 O.K. C.S.B.

Ins.
ORIGINAL

Signature of contractor by: United Neon Display

Fee \$ 1.00

LOCATION USC Congress

DATE 7/2/41

PERMIT ☒ 48/941

INQUIRY ☐

COMPLAINT ☐

On this
day with
this date
attached

The total
has decided
not to do
such extensive
work as before
another contract
who has applied
for another
permit.

See new
application
of 8/2/41

[Signature]

AP 134 Congress Street-1
(New Chase Hotel)

June 11, 1943

Burnham-McLellan
52 Marginal Way
New Chase Hotel
134 Congress Street
Attn: Mr. Holland

Subject: Building permit to change
in first story of the New Chase Hotel to
change retail store off lobby to dining room

Gentlemen:

Building permit for the above work is issued to the contractor, herewith, subject to the following:

1. Being unable to accept under the Building Code the proposed arrangement of providing an exit door from the rear of the diningroom in the proposed folding screen, Mr. Holland and I have talked the matter over at the hotel and it is agreed that there will be provided a stationary doorway in the opening between main diningroom and the rear part adjacent to the columns on the west side of the opening and that the folding door or screen will be anchored at the east side of the opening, and when it is desired to close the opening the screen will be pulled out and fastened against the side of the new doorway toward the lobby.
2. The new doorway is to be no less than 3' wide in the clear and no less than 6' 4" high, but if it should be decided to use a pivot hinge on the floor, allowance will have to be made so that the actual width of opening afforded when the door is wide open will be substantially 3'. The door may be double-acting or it may be single-acting if made to swing toward the rear of the building. If any latch or lockset is necessary on the new door, it is to be a vestibule latch set which may be released at all times merely by turning the knob from the diningroom side.
3. A standard exit light is required over the door showing on the diningroom side and sufficient lights in the rear room and in the room back of the lobby so as to show clearly the way to reach the exterior exit door out of this rear room—all of these white lights and all of the exit lights to be on a single circuit and controlled by a single switch in that is feasible.
4. If any reason appears to the contractor why this door arrangement cannot be worked out, it is understood that we will all get together and see what can be done to provide a stationary means of egress and still meet the needs of the management for closing off the rear part of first story from the diningroom when desired.
5. The plan filed here shows three rows of tables, one against the west wall of the diningroom, one against the east wall (toward the lobby) and one row in the center containing three tables. The table in the center row nearest the counter is too close to the counter to afford a 3-foot aisle between the stools at the counter and the nearest chair at the table and the rear table of the center row is too close to the wall between diningroom and proposed toilet rooms to afford a 3-foot wide aisle which is the minimum. It may be possible to relocate the entire center row of three tables toward the west wall and toward Congress Street so that both of these too narrow aisles may be made to equal 3' and still maintain an aisle of 3' in width between the center row of tables and the row against the west wall.
6. Inasmuch as we issued not long ago a certificate of occupancy to make this

Lummas-McLellan, New Chase hotel — 2

June 11, 1918

former restaurant & retail store, it will be necessary to secure another certificate of occupancy before the diningroom is put into use to reclassify the space as a diningroom or Minor Assembly Hall as classified by the Building Code. When the work is far enough along so that all features of the Building Code have been complied with, a notice to this office will bring inspection, when, if everything is found in order, a new certificate of occupancy will be issued.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WRC/S

CC: W. H. Thomas Estate
134 1/2 Middle Street

AP 434 Congress Street-1

June 4, 1949

Burnham-McLellan
52 Marginal Way
New Chase Hotel
434 Congress Street

Subject: Application for permit for alterations to dining room at 434 Congress Street

Gentlemen:

A check of the plan filed with the application discloses two questions as to compliance with requirements. These are as follows:

1. There is apparently not at least a 3' clearance shown between the stools at the counter and the seats at the first table in the center row. An aisle of at least this width is required to be provided at all times for exit purposes. Likewise a 3' clear aisle must be provided at all times between the last table in the center row and the partition between the main dining room and the smaller room at the rear.
2. Since the exit door into the room marked "future cocktail lounge" must be considered as a required exit from the main dining room, the folding doors in the large opening in partition between main dining room and the small room in the rear are not allowable. A single swinging door at least 3' wide would meet the requirements of the situation.

Under these circumstances will you please let us know how you plan to take care of these questions?

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

AJS/L

CC: W. W. Thomas Estate
184 1/2 Middle Street



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, August 20, 1948

PERMIT ISSUED

01568
1948

CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ~~repairs~~ ~~and~~ ~~improve~~ 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 434 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Lessee's name and address New Chase Hotel, 434 Congress Street Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Donald Currie, 1695 Broadway, So. Portland Telephone 3-7928
Architect _____ Specifications _____ Plans yes No. of sheets 1
Proposed use of building Hotel No. families _____
Last use _____ No. families _____
Material brick No. stories 4 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ 500. Fee \$ 2.00

General Description of New Work

To partition off two toilet rooms and vestibules in existing dining room, ^{first} ~~first~~ floor, as per plan. 8' partitions and to be ceiled over.
To partition off vestibule for front entrance recessing front entrance door.
To cut in 5' opening in partition between dining room and kitchen. 4x6 header.
Studs 2x4, 16" O.C., sheet-rock both sides.
Doors to vestibules and toilets to be at least 24" wide and made self-closing in such a way that there will be little chance of both doors being open at the same time.

Permit issued with Letter **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 Donald Currie**

Health Notices to
Health Officer and thus ✓

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? 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

New Chase Hotel

By:

Donald Currie

NOTES

Permit No. 48/1566
 Location 424 Commercial
 Owner Mr. George H. H. H.
 Date of permit 9/1/48
 No. of closing-in 2
 Insp. closing-in 9/15/48 AT
 Final No.
 Final Insp. 8/16/49. WGE
 Cert. of Occupancy issued None

~~1. The building is a two-story structure with a flat roof. The exterior walls are made of brick. The interior walls are made of plaster. The floor is made of concrete. The ceiling is made of plaster. The roof is made of asphalt. The building is located at 424 Commercial Street, New York City. The building is owned by Mr. George H. H. H. The building is used for commercial purposes. The building is in good condition. The building is safe and sound. The building is well-maintained. The building is a valuable asset to the community.~~

9/15/48. AT. 2 doors on second floor, partition, etc. ceiling, etc. etc. that no partition, ceiling and to keep at least 3' from all landing, etc.
 10/30/48. Toilet partition made completed. etc.
 1/3/49. Front door outside built, but door not closing, etc.

1-434 Congress Street

January 19, 1949

George's Restaurant
22 Monument Square
Mr. Edward Holland, Manager
New Chase Hotel
434 Congress Street

Subject: Change of use of a portion of first
story of Chase Hotel at 434 Congress Street
from a retail store back to a restaurant

Gentlemen:

In connection with the above change, the question has come up as to where would be the best emergency means of egress from the new restaurant, and it seems far better to be able to utilize the emergency means of egress which was established before when this same space was used as a restaurant under the hotel management—through a door on the left hand side of the restaurant as one faces the kitchen, thence through a rear room of the hotel occupancy back of the lobby to an exterior emergency exit door onto a platform at the rear of the hotel with steps leading to the ground—this rather than having the emergency exit through the kitchen which is always undesirable unless absolutely necessary on account of other arrangements.

The drawback to the first mentioned means of egress is that the room at the rear of the lobby is a part of the hotel occupancy, and therefore represents quarters occupied by others than George's Restaurant. I have talked the matter over with Mr. Holland, Manager of the hotel, and he is agreeable to having this means of egress used for the restaurant, involving the proposal that anyone in the restaurant could go from the restaurant into this rear room at any time because, if so used as a part of a means of egress, this door from restaurant to rear room would have to be equipped with such hardware that any person in the restaurant could open the door quickly at any time, whether the restaurant was open for business or not, merely by turning the usual knob and without requiring a key or any special knowledge.

I understand that George's Restaurant is willing to go along with this arrangement, at least as a trial. If that is done, the following will be needed if not already provided. The above described lock on the door between restaurant and rear room of hotel, and all fastenings of other kinds removed; a standard exit light over this doorway on the restaurant side (letters on the word exit to be no less than 4 1/2" high and to show red on an appropriate background); a standard exit light over the exterior door (I think this is already in place); at least one white light in this rear room and another outside of the exterior exit door, all four of these lights to be under the control of the restaurant management and the switch to be always available to the restaurant management and clearly marked on the panel "exit lights". I understand that the exterior exit door already has anti-panic hardware on it, which is proper; also that the door from the restaurant to the rear room swings toward the rear room. Anti-panic hardware would be all right on this latter door, if already provided or desired, the only difference being that anti-panic hardware has a "crash-bar" clear across the door to operate the latch instead of a knob. The crash-bar is not required because the capacity of the restaurant including employees would not exceed 150.

Because this change represents a change of class of use from Business and Industrial to Minor Assembly Hall (restaurant), a certificate of occupancy is required before the restaurant is actually opened. When all features controlled by the Building Code are completed (not necessarily all the decorations etc.), please see that notification is given to us of readiness for final inspection. Whereupon if everything is found in order, the certificate of occupancy will be issued.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

George's Restaurant
Mr. Edward Holland, Manager-----2

January 17, 1949

CC: Associated Company
184 1/2 Middle Street

Mr. Earl A. Oxner
c/o Albert's Restaurant
92 Oak Street

Dear Mr. Oxner:

We have issued permits for the ranges for ventilation, also I think for refrigeration, but it runs in my mind that other cooking appliances are to be provided in the front of the restaurant. These may be electric and perhaps we talked over the matter of whether or not they were portable or the plug-in type which would not require a permit. If they are to be permanently wired in, they do require a permit, and perhaps you have in mind telling the installer that. I think you have a better plan than we have had filed yet. If that is so, I would appreciate filing a blueprint of it so that our record may be complete.

Warren McDonald

INQUIRY BLANK

ZONE _____

FIRE DIST. _____

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

Verbal
~~By Telephone~~

Date about 1/4/49

LOCATION 434 Congress OWNER _____

MADE BY Thompson-Wichita Co. representative TEL. _____

ADDRESS _____

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING _____

CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION _____ NO. OF STORIES _____

REMARKS: _____

INQUIRY: How does proposed layout of
restaurant satisfy requirements of
Bldg Code?

ANSWER: See letter

DATE OF REPLY 1/19/49 REPLY BY WMD

BI 76

AP 434 Congress Street-1

September 1, 1943

Mr. Donald Currie
1695 Broadway
So. Portland, Maine
Mr. Edward Holland, Mgr.
New Chase Hotel
434 Congress Street

Subject: Building permit for alterations in
connection with first story diningroom at
New Chase Hotel, 434 Congress Street

Gentlemen:

Building permit for the above work is issued subject to the following:

1. The hotel is of such a height as to be required to be of First Class or Fireproof Construction, and it is my impression that much of the hotel building is of Fireproof Construction, for instance, the floors and perhaps the room and corridor partitions. However, the fire insurance atlas shows the building to be of Second Class or ordinary joisted construction. This could hardly mean that the fire insurance people did not recognize any of the fireproof qualities of the hotel, but probably that they found sufficient wooden interior construction that would reduce the class of construction from fireproof to ordinary joisted.

If the building were in fact of First Class or Fireproof Construction, the question of constructing the wooden stud partitions around the toilet rooms would arise. In First Class Construction the Building Code allows partitions but not ceilings or floors to be of combustible construction if the area of a single tenancy is less than 5,000 square feet, but even under such limited area, forbids the use of combustible material in the framing of partitions separating public corridors and public toilet or service rooms. If this were in a building of First Class or Fireproof Construction, the question would arise at once as to whether or not these rooms now proposed are public toilet rooms. I take it that these toilet rooms are intended to serve the patrons of the restaurant only and not to serve the hotel generally, the public toilet rooms of the hotel being in the basement. Even if the building is of First Class Construction, I am inclined to hold that these toilet rooms would not be public toilet rooms in the sense meant in the Building Code. On that basis of interpretation the partitions could be of wooden stud construction whether the building is classified as First Class Construction or not. If the building is of First Class Construction in fact, the wooden frame ceiling indicated would not be allowable, but it would be necessary to extend the partitions to the ceiling under second floor.

Will Mr. Holland be good enough to get this matter of class of construction straightened out (we will help all we can), and if it appears that the building is, as would be required now if built new, of First Class or Fireproof Construction, see to it that the wooden frame partitions are extended to the ceiling under second floor.

In any event this being classified as a Minor Assembly Hall and the restaurant being subject to control under victualer's license by the Municipal Officers, the wooden framing of the proposed ceiling should not be exposed above, but even if the building is classified as other than First Class Construction, the wooden framing of the ceiling should be covered over the top tightly with incombustible material.

2. The door from diningroom to vestibule of men's toilet room, both doors from this vestibule to the men's toilet room, the door from restaurant to vestibule in front of women's toilet room, and the door in solid partition between this vestibule and the women's toilet room are all to be made self-closing which means that they will be normally closed and kept closed by a suitable device.

Mr. Donald Currie
Mr. Edward Holland — 2

September 1, 1948

3. The recessed front entrance door is to be so arranged that no part of it will swing over the public sidewalk under any circumstances, and the door is to be equipped with a vestibule lockset which is one whereby any person on the inside can quickly open the door merely by turning the usual knob or pressing on the usual thumb lever, without requiring a key or any special knowledge.

4. If the new entrance vestibule partitions are not to be carried to the present ceiling but a new ceiling provided overhead, the same conditions apply as in connection with the ceiling over the toilet room, and you should be governed accordingly.

5. Since the last certificate of occupancy for this building indicated this space as a retail store, the class of use is now to be definitely changed, and when all features controlled by the Building Code have been completed, notice is to be given to this office of readiness for final inspection (this is in addition to the notice required from the contractor for inspection before covering up any of the partitions or ceilings) whereupon if everything is found in order, a new certificate covering the change from the retail store to the restaurant or Minor Assembly Hall will be issued. It is not lawful to occupy the restaurant until that certificate is in the hands of the hotel management.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WECB/S

CC: William B. Bunting
Chief Inspector
Health Department

P.S. A separate permit is required from this department for the installation of the mechanical ventilation of the toilet rooms. This permit is to be applied for by and is issuable only to the actual installer.



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, June 1, 1948

PERMIT ISSUED

00942
JUN 12 1948

CITY of PORTLAND

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ~~repairs~~ ~~and~~ 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 434 Congress Street
Owner's name and address W. W. Thomas Est., 1841 Middle Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 51
Lessee's name and address New Chase Hotel, 434 Congress St. Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Burnham-McLellan, 52 Marginal Way Telephone _____
Architect _____ Telephone 2-5951
Proposed use of building Hotel Specifications _____ Plans yes No. of sheets 1
Last use _____ No. families _____
Material brick No. stories 6 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____ Roofing _____
Estimated cost \$ 4000.

General Description of New Work

Fee \$ 4.50

To provide new vestibule front of first floor, as per plan, in new dining room.
To partition off two toilet rooms, first floor, "
To provide sliding doors between dining room and kitchen, as per plan.

was not to be
done under this permit
Permit Issued with Letter 8/20/48

Health Notices to
Health Officer and thus

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

See official
9/25/48
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 Burnham-McLellan

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? 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

New Chase Hotel

Burnham-McLellan

Philip W. Burnham

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner By: _____

NOTES

6/16/48. Work not started. 12th
 6/24/48. Tailed with in.
 Held back a 4 hour delay
 6/25/48. at 10:00 - at 10:00
 to a large motor vehicle
 + 1 hour delay. 12th
 6/26/48. 12th 12th
 6/27/48. 12th 12th
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Permit No. 418/942
 Location 434 Conquest St.
 Owner New Chase Hotel
 Date of permit 6/12/48
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 Cert. of Occupancy issued

COPY

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
Department of Building Inspection

Certificate of Occupancy



Date of Issue December 4, 1947

Issued to Martin K. Broszlor

This is to certify that the building, premises, or part thereof, indicated below, and ~~has~~ changed as to use at 434a Congress Street under Building Permit No. 47/2942, has had final inspection, has been found to conform substantially to requirements of Zoning Ordinance and Building Code of the City, and is hereby approved for occupancy, limited or otherwise, as indicated below.

PORTION OF BUILDING OR PREMISES

Former first floor restaurant

APPROVED OCCUPANCY

Variety store

Limiting Conditions:

(Established use of balance of building--hotel)

This certificate supersedes
certificate issued

March 24, 1943

CC: W. W. Thomas Estate, 194 1/2 Middle Street

Inspector of Buildings

Notice: This certificate identifies lawful use of building or premises, and ought to be transferred from owner to owner when property changes hands. Copy will be furnished to owner or lessee for one dollar.

CC: W. W. Thomas Estate
184 1/2 Middle Street

Mr. Donald Currie
1695 Broadway
So. Portland, Maine

Health Officer

October 30, 1947

Mr. Martin M. Bressler
434A Congress Street
Portland 3, Maine

Subject: Building permit for change of use of
restaurant in first story of hotel at 434A
Congress Street to variety store

Dear Sir:

As per our conversation at the Building yesterday, this building permit is
issued subject to the following:

1. The former emergency exit door from restaurant to Congress Street is per-
mitted to swing into the proposed store because the rated capacity of the store would
not exceed 50 persons. To swing the door in, however, will require the removal of
the anti-panic latch on the door at present and installation of a vestibule lockset,
which is a type of lockset whereby any person on the inside can always open the door
quickly, merely by pressing the usual thumb latch or turning the usual knob without
requiring a key or any special knowledge.
2. The former exit door from the rear of the dining room, leading across a
large room in the rear of the lobby to an emergency exit door with exit light over it
in the rear exterior wall of the hotel, is to be fitted as a rear emergency exit door
from the proposed store. This door now has a padlock on it, but must be fitted with
a vestibule lockset and all other fastenings of every description removed.
3. It is allowable to remove the exit light over what will be the entrance
door to the store from Congress Street, but the exit light over the rear exit door
from the store and over the exterior emergency door are to be maintained and used to
indicate the means of egress.
4. It is understood that the kitchen is not to be used for cooking, as long
as the store is there, except in an incidental way for the hotel management or em-
ployees, and that no food is to be prepared, at least cooked on the premises for sale
in the store. It is also understood that nothing of a highly inflammable or explosive
nature is to be stored or sold from the store.
5. It is understood that no physical alterations other than changing the swing
of the front door are to be made, and, if any are later decided upon, that application
for amendment to the permit now issued will be made with full particulars and the
physical changes not made until the approved amendment has been issued.
6. When the minor changes as to swing of door, etc. have been made and all
other features controlled by the Building Code are in order, notice should be given
to this office of readiness for final inspection; when, if everything is found in
order, the certificate of occupancy, required before the store is occupied for busi-
ness, will be issued.
7. Of course arrangements will have to be made with the hotel management to
always keep a clear passageway in the room in the rear of the lobby from the emergency
exit door from the rear of the store to the outside emergency exit.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WncD/S

Permit No. 47 2942

Location 734 Congress St.

Owner Martin A. Bussler

Date of permit 10/31/47

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif. 11/12/47 (3:15)

Final Inspn. 12/3/47

Cert. of Occupancy issued 12/4/47

NOTES

10/29/47

Frame joining

work on front

7'12" x 7'2" = 17'3"

34'8"

17'3" = 47'

47'10" clear door frame

been made to opening

Handicapped persons to

been signed on with

cert. to call when done

12/3/47 Handicapped O.K.

O.K.

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

Application for a Victualer's License

The undersigned applies for a Victualer's License for period ending

.....JUNE 30, 1948.....

1. Firm Name ...Casco Hotel Restaurant.....
2. Name (under which license be granted)....Casco Hotel Restaurant....
3. Location .434 Congress Street.....
4. Name and Address of Applicant David T. Ambrose, .434 Congress Street.
5. Name and Address of ManagerSame.....
6. If other than individual, give names and addresses of partners or principal officers of corporation.....
7. Name and Address of Owner of Building .W. V. Thomas, Portland, Me...
8. Location in Building of Restaurant. Capacity Persons Employed
.....Ground Floor.....100.....
-Name of Room, if any ...Casco Hotel Restaurant.....
9. Will malt beverages be served on the premises?.....no.....
10. Will Vinous and Spirituous Liquors be served on premises?..no.....
11. Time of opening and closing of Restaurant...8 AM to 8 PM.....
12. Have either the applicants or the managers been convicted of a crime?..no.
13. If so, when and where?.....

I agree to abide by all laws, orders, ordinances, rules and regulations governing restaurants in the City of Portland, Maine.

.....David T. Ambrose.....
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REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Recommendation: Approved ~~Disapproved~~

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.....Albert D. Foster MD.....
Health Officer

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Recommendation: Approved 6/24/46 Disapproved

.....Subject to compliance with detailed requirements of the.....
Public Assemblage Ordinance.....
.....Warren McDonald.....
Building Inspector

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

Recommendation: Approved ~~Disapproved~~

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.....John E. Newell.....
Chief of Police

REPORT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Recommendation: Approved ~~Disapproved~~

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.....Q. T. Sanborn.....
Chief of Fire Department

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JUN 18 1946
DET. OF BLD'G. INSPECTION
CITY OF PORTLAND

COPY

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

Application for a Victualer's License

The undersign applies for a Victualer's License for the period ending

... January 5, 1945 ...

1. Firm Name ... New Chase House ...
2. Name (under which the license be granted) ...
... New Chase House ...
3. Location 434 Congress Street ...
4. Name and address of applicant Martin M. Bressler ...
... 434 Congress Street ...
5. Name and address of Manager ... A. E. Warren ...
... 16 Shepley Street, Portland, Maine ...
6. If other than individual, give names and address of partners or principal officers of corporation.
... Individual ...
7. Name and address of owner of building W. W. Thomas ...
... 184 1/2 Middle Street, Portland, Maine ...
8. Location in Building of Restaurant Capacity Persons Employed
... Lobby Floor ... 125 ... 4 to 12 ...
Name of Room, if any
... New Chase House Restaurant ...
9. Will malt beverages be served on the premises? No ...
10. Will Vinous and Spirituous Liquors be served on premises? No ...
11. Time of opening and closing of Restaurant 7 A.M. to 8 P.M. ...
12. Have either the applicants or the managers been convicted of a crime? Martin M. Bressler, fined \$300 for misdemeanor
13. If so, when and where? At Chase House, March, 1944 ...

I agree to abide by all laws, orders, ordinances, rules and regulations governing restaurants in the City of Portland, Me.

... Martin M. Bressler ...
... 434 Congress Street ...
... Portland, Maine ...

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Recommendation: ~~Approved~~ Disapproved
...Strongly disapproved in view of nature of offense of which...
applicant was convicted..... T. P. Burroughs, V.D.....
.....
..... Health Officer

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Recommendation: Approved conditionally ~~Disapproved~~
...subject to supplying duplicate blueprints of the layout of the
establishment and making certain improvements as to public safety be-
fore the license is actually issued, and in compliance with the Public
Assemblage Ordinance.
..... Warren McDonald..... 1/13/45.....
..... Inspector of Buildings

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

Recommendation: ~~Approved~~ Disapproved
..... Disapproved on applicants past record.....
.....
..... John F. Newell.....
..... Chief of Police

REPORT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Recommendation: ~~Approved~~ Disapproved
..... Disapproved on account of the number of fires and lax of....
operating methods.....
..... Oliver T. Sanborn.....
..... Chief of Fire Department

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

Application for a Victualer's License

The undersign applies for a Victualer's License for the period ending

..... June 30.....19. 46...

1. Firm NameHotel Casco.....
2. Name (under which the license be granted).....Hotel Casco Restaurant.....
3. Location.....434 Congress Street.....
4. Name and address of applicant.....David T. Ambrose.....
5. Name and address of Manager.....David T. Ambrose, 434 Congress Street.....
6. If other than individual, give names and address of partners or principal officers of corporation.
.....David T. Ambrose, City & Martin M. Bressler, Lisbon Me.
.....
7. Name and address of owner of building.....W. W. Thomas, City.....
8. Location in Building of Restaurant \ Capacity Persons Employed
.....Ground floor off lobby..... 120.....
.....
Name of Room, if any
.....Hotel Casco Restaurant.....
9. Will malt beverages be served on the premises? No.....
10. Will Vinous and Spirituous Liquors be served on premises? No.....
11. Time of opening and closing of Restaurant..7A.M.-8.P.M.....
12. Have either the applicants or the managers been convicted of a crime?No.....
13. If so, when and where?.....

I agree to abide by all laws, orders, ordinances, rules and regulations governing restaurants in the City of Portland, Me.

.....David T. Ambrose.....
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.....

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Recommendation:

Approved

Disapproved

Health Officer

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Recommendation:

Approved conditionally 2/4/46

~~Disapproved~~

.....subject to supplying duplicate blueprints of the layout of
the establishment and making certain improvements as to public
safety before license is actually issued, all in accordance with
Public Assemblage Ordinance.

Inspector of Buildings

Warren McDonald

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

Recommendation:

~~Disapproved~~

Disapproved

.....This is the record of Mr. Brasler in our department.....

John E. Newell
Chief of Police

REPORT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Recommendation:

Approved

Disapproved

Chief of Fire Department

GENERAL DATA SHEET ---- ACTIVITY LICENSED BY MUNICIPAL OFFICERSType of License Victualer'sLocation 434-434 1/2 Congress StreetName of General Establishment New Chase HotelName and Location in Building of Particular Rooms Licensed with Capacity of
Each in Persons:

	Capacity in Persons Theoretical by B.C.	Limits Set in License

Name and Address of Owner of Building William W. Thomas, 184 1/2 Middle StreetName and Address of Licensee Martin M. Bressler, Prop., 434 Congress Street

Data about Plans Filed and License

Current License?	Date of Expiration	Plans Filed	No. Sheets?

Public Labeled Page
Cassio Hotel (former Cassio House) 434 Congress St. 7-9-46. ①
W.H. Thompson, owner. David J. Conthorst, Mgr.
Check of safety features for floor in connection with window license

The only plans we have of this establishment is with permit 42/193, and is of little value regards Public Labeled Page. We should have two sets of plans showing seating, safety features, etc.

The only plans we have had on this were in connection with the alterations. When this inspection was made there seemed to be little if any regular seating arrangement in the dining room, yet the 1946 victualer's license called for a capacity of 106, employees not included. We should have two sets of plans showing use of various front floor rooms, safety features and seating capacities.

The main entrance doors (which serve the dining room as well the entire hotel) swing out, but have a slide bolt, and the standing door has top and bottom bolts. Vest door has dead bolt.

Main D.R. - The front emergency door from large dining room swings out, has exit light and inside panic bar. There is also a small hand operated dead bolt that should be removed (entrance to D.R.)

Door between large dining room and lobby double acting but have a key operated dead bolt that should be removed.

Door between large dining room and small D.R. which is not used now, are O.K. except for a hook and eye on S.D.R. side that must be removed. There is an exit light over this opening.

Door, rear of large dining room, that leads through passage to rear outside door, apparently is not considered an exit now. There are no exit lights and both doors can be locked.

Small D.R. - The rear exit door is O.K. except there should be handrails on both sides of outside steps.

— OVER —

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Door from small dining room to lobby opens out
but has both dead bolt and slide bolt.

11/15/93 — Since changes started in this hotel under permit
42/1193 there have been changes in management,
resulting changes (not structural) in use of rooms etc.
Originally the westerly door in the rear of the large
dining room acted as a means of egress and led to a
rear outside door. At this time the small room ^{now vacant} near
the lobby and east side of building and connected with
large dining room, was used for emergency sleeping
quarters, and a new means of egress was provided
in the rear wall of this room. This provided the large
dining room, and the adjoining smaller room with two
well separated means of egress.

Some time since the approval of this arrangement
the use of one or more rooms has been changed, as
well as the means of egress. Things are about the
same on this in respect to as they were on my Jan 11, 95
inspection. At that time I concluded that arrangement
and as I remember, Chief Sanborn called you
because his dept. had A.K'd it.

It seems to me that the filing of the required
prints for checking, showing the egress features and
use of various rooms would settle this question
for all concerned. Since prints are created in basement
it would be well to have basement plans.

Public Assemblage
New Chase House 434 Congress St.
Application for license by Martin M. Brosnan.

①
1-11-45.

OK

Manager

A. E. Warner

Owner Bldg.

W. W. Thomas

The only plan we have of this establishment was filed with the permit (42/1183) and is of little value from standpoint of Public Assemblage. We need two sets of plans as called for in letter of May 5, 1944 sent to them.

Due to fairly recent changes the layout is not too bad.

1. I could not find the switch controlling the exit lights.
2. There is no white light outside of the Congress St. emergency exit.
3. The exit light shown over the archway of hall leading to rear exit is actually located on the restaurant side of the kitchen wall. It is important this be a directional sign.
4. The rear outside stairs should have handrails both sides.
5. Door between large dining room and hall is double acting but has lock with dead bolt. Should be removed.
6. Vestibule doors, hall to outside door swing out but have lock with dead bolt. This should be removed.
7. Door between large dining room, and what is shown as small dining room on plan, but is actually a storage room, has had lock and latch removed, but has lock on storage room side. It seems to me this door should be marked on the dining room side "Not an exit."

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

Martin M. Bressler, Prop.
New Chase Hotel
434 Congress St.
Portland, Maine

May 5, 1944

Gentlemen:

Since your establishment has a capacity in persons, including employees, of one hundred or more, it comes under the Public Assemblage Ordinance (copy enclosed). Section 3 contains minimum standards of safety. It is at all times the responsibility of the operator of such an establishment as yours to see to it that the establishment complies with these standards and with all other details of law without waiting for notification of non-compliance from any Enforcing Officer. You should at once, therefore, study the ordinance, examine your establishment in the light of it and proceed accordingly.

If resulting improvements require materials called "critical" in the war emergency, file copy of this letter with application to War Production Board for priorities, enumerating the kinds and amount of critical materials necessary for your establishment to so comply.

Note Section 4-Enforcement and the various fields of responsibility of Enforcing Officers as set forth there in general terms. While at present the extent of these fields of responsibility and a tendency for them to overlap, may be confusing, patience and a spirit of cooperation all around will clear up questions of doubt and make progress to the end that all of our places of public assemblage may be as safe as they can be.

Note also in Section 4-a-2 requirement of furnishing plans of your establishment in duplicate for permanent filing here. Please employ at once a thoroughly competent party to prepare such plans and secure his assistance in going over your establishment as to compliance, so plans may be made as the establishment now exists and then indicated on them clearly, before printing the changes proposed to make establishment comply. To assist in this, I am enclosing set of suggestions for preparing such plans.

Very few establishments such as yours are now in compliance with Section 3-a-2 as to type of hardware on both entrance and exit doors. Note that only doors serving places of assembly accommodating more than 150 persons are required to have anti-panic hardware. Places accommodating a less number, including employees, may have the other type of lockset described in 3-a-2. The Building Code says where anti-panic hardware is required, doors shall be equipped with such locks or latches only, that all fastenings which would keep door from opening would be released instantly without fail by moderate pressure at normal height on any part of width of inside of door or pair of doors. Inner doors which do not require locking, will be deemed equivalent to doors having anti-panic hardware if all fastenings and locks of every description are entirely removed from them.

Your victualer's license expires on June 30th, next. Enforcing Officers will be required to approve or disapprove application for renewal. From these facts you will see the need of proceeding with all haste toward placing your establishment in compliance with the law.

Very truly yours,

Wanewm Donald
Inspector of Buildings

WMoD/H



(3) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 00249
FEB 22 1946

Portland, Maine, Feb. 19, 1946

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 434 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner of building to which sign is to be attached W.W. Thomas
Name and address of owner of sign New Hotel Casco 434 Congress St. Telephone 2-0695
Contractor's name and address United Neon Display 74 Elm St.
When does contractor's bond expire? Jan 1947

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 6 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick
Sign removed for repainting Details of Sign and Connections
Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 4' Horizontal 6'
Weight 375 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 4 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes
No. through bolts 2 Size 3/4 Location, top or bottom top
No. guys 0 material 0 Size 0
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 12'-4"
Maximum projection into street 6'-9"

Fee \$ 1.00

John T. [Signature]
ORIGINAL
CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.

United Neon Display
Signature of contractor

P. C. Roberts

9472D

Permit No. 46/249

Location 434 Congress St

Owner New Hotel Ours

Date of permit 2/21/46

Sign Contractor

Final Inspn. 2/21/46

NOTES

2/21/46 The permit was
detail and in the plan
for this sign has been
mistakenly placed



(C) GENERAL BUSINESS 2017

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 357

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, April 25, 1945

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 434 Congress Street
Owner of building to which sign is to be attached W. W. Thomas
Name and address of owner of sign United Seamen's Service
Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 74 Elm Street
When does contractor's bond expire? January 1946

Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 6
Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick
Sign to be removed and painted yes
Electric? yes
Weight 375 lbs. Vertical dimension after erection 4'
Horizontal 6'

NOTIFICATION BEFORE LATHING
OR CLOSING-IN IS WAIVED
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

Details of Sign and Connections

Material of frame angle iron
No. rigid connections 4
No. through bolts 2
No. guys material
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 12' 4"
Maximum projection into street 6' 0"
No. advertising faces 2
Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes
Location, top or bottom top
Size 3/4"

INSPECTION COPY

Sent to Fire Dept. 4/26/45
Rec'd from Fire Dept. 4/26/45

Signature of contractor By

United Neon Display

Fee \$ 1.00

Permit No. 45/357

Location 434-434 1/2 Congress Street
Owner W. W. TE

Owner: W. W. Thomas

Date of permit 4/26/45

Sign Contractor.

Final Inspn.

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