Tel. 4-2591
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Second Sheet (3)

Location 499 Congress St.

Complaint No.

Permit No. [illegible]

8-4-53 [illegible] received from [illegible] about [illegible] walls [illegible] permit [illegible] Remove the [illegible]. Ha

9-[illegible]-53 [illegible] Mr. [illegible]

9-15-53 Permission for 3rd [illegible] Brown St. [illegible] 2nd floor [illegible] new entrance. Ha

9-22-53 Permission for [illegible] closing in 3rd floor rear wall [illegible] one side [illegible] cutting away [illegible] electrical [illegible] Wall 1-2-3 from Brown St. 1+2 to within 6" from floor and 3 [illegible] Clarke. Ha

9-28-53. Went over with Mr. [illegible] work not [illegible] Mr. Hodgkins will [illegible] Went [illegible] Brown [illegible]. Ha

10/9/53 - [illegible] of floor of vault - A.S.

10-13-53. Mr. Hodgkins to apply for an amendment to cover [illegible]

11/2/53 - [illegible] of plans

[illegible] Hodgkins [illegible] St. [illegible] front wall [illegible] of rear beam [illegible] 4 Congress St. [illegible] Congress St. [illegible]. Ha

11-4-53 Went over front (Out PP) [illegible] Piper [illegible] as detail. Ha

11-6-53 [illegible] Piper said front is changed [illegible] amendment to be filed Monday. Ha

11-23-53 [illegible] told them as they did not have [illegible] parallel with Congress St. Ha

11-24-53 Gave [illegible] R.T. for second floor (3 bays) and rear stairway Brown St. [illegible]

12-15-53. R.T. Permission to close in room near Brown St. and clerk room. [illegible]

1/09/54 - Gave permission on red tag to close in walls and ceiling of third story hall and ceiling of 2nd story hall A.J.

Second Sheet (4)

Location 491-499

~~Complaint No.~~

Permit No. 53-434

4-2-54 G.T. given to close in Jewelry Repair section & adjoining Hall 3rd Floor. Firestopping complete above. Sprinkler system being tested by Grinnell men.

4/26/54 - Better about draft stops in concealed spaces

4-26-54 Asbestos Draft stops in place over show cases.

5-7-54 All wood in rear section. Old bar being shored.

5-14-54 Check Elevator draft enclosure between basement & 2nd floor. 1-28-54 Elevator well. Extend basement to 2nd floor & to be lathed.

6-23-54 Elevator well enclosed. Main entrance basement needs in Air Cond. room. Need door & Toilet room change in basement.

6-25-54 Green tag left to close in 2nd floor elevator Hall Front 2 Rooms & proposed toilet room.

7-26-54 Firestopping required 1st floor old store around pipe & Air ducts.

7-28-54 Green tag left for closing in 1st floor of old store location.

8-10-54 All progressing well. Told Piper no need for door at front of rear cellar stairs as recreation room discontinued.

[illegible] Needs [illegible] Fire doors in basement need closers. Fire escape back of 3rd floor doors rear 3 floor angles & upright on railing. Question of concealed spaces & tam-ducts needing sprinkler heads to be checked with fire underwriters by Mr. Piper. Exit signs marked on 1st floor.

9-27-54 Needs hatches in ceiling of incinerator room. Needs Exit → sign middle side wall next to hose follows. Exit sign → rear corridor to rear exit. Boiler room fire doors not closing properly.

9/29/54 - Better - [illegible]

9-30-54 Incinerator ceiling OK

10/1/54 - Second letter about platforms [illegible]

49-497 Bongiorno
Dunlop

11-17-[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] signs [illegible] —
+11) 1st Floor Customer
space exit in [illegible]
leading to Brown St —
Directional sign near
elevator or wall along
long hallway side of Bldg —
Directional in rear
passageway to back
exit. Question lock
on swing doors leading
to rear passageway.
Question the danger
of leaving rear most
loading doors open (outward)
in Exit passageway
(3 ft drop to ground)

INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED

September 29, 1954

BP 491-497 Congress Street
Finishing up the job at Day's, Inc.

Copies to: Mr. Davidson for man in charge of the work

Mr. Harold Lee Berry
Brown Estate
192 Middle St.

Mr. Sidney A. Davidson, Treasurer
Day's, Inc.
489 Congress St.

Dear Mr. Davidson:-

With the exception of the loading platforms in the rear, it appears that your extensive work is nearing completion, and you and your associates are to be congratulated on the appearance of what seems like an entirely new establishment.

In trying to gather up some of the loose ends controlled by the Building Code, our inspector reports a few minor details to be cared for, as follows:

—a hole in the ceiling of the incinerator room requires making tight with non-burnable material.

—a neat, and as decorative as you care to make it, directional exit sign is required at the rear in the first story store farther from Brown St. to indicate to occupants of the customers' space the direction to take to reach the emergency exit at the rear of the "ell". Because the elevator enclosure obstructs the view of such a sign if placed on the exterior wall, we has concluded with Mr. Piper that the best place for it was on the elevator enclosure itself over the doors with a directional arrow or "hand" pointing toward the rear exit. This can be an exit light if you prefer but may be only a sign. If the latter, the letters in the word exit should be six inches high, should now on an appropriate background.

—at the rear of the "ell" some rooms have been constructed (toilet rooms I believe) which obstruct the view of the exterior emergency door in the rear wall. This door is reached by a passageway at the left of these rooms (as one faces the rear) which then turns right against the rear wall and thence to the emergency door. Our inspector reports that there is a suitable exit sign or light over the entrance to the passageway so that any person in the customers' space accepting and following the direction of the exit sign indicated above will clearly see the indication of this passageway. However, there is also needed a similar directional exit sign against the inside of the exterior rear wall of the "ell" so that persons entering the passageway will know unerringly that they should turn to the right to reach the emergency exit door.

Will you be good enough to have these details cared for as soon as possible—then notify this office of readiness for inspection. As far as we can see now, this will "wind-up" the interior work.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMcD/C

Re 491-497 Congress St.

September 2, 1953

Copies to: Mr. Sidney L. Davidson, Treas.
Day's Jewelry Store, Inc.
489 Congress St.
Mr. Harold Lee Berry
Brown Estate
192 Middle St.
Miller & Beal, Inc.
465 Congress St.

Mr. Robert J. Hodsdon
c/o Day's, Inc.
489 Congress St.

Dear Mr. Hodsdon:-

This letter will confirm some things we talked about yesterday in connection with the Day job at 491-497 Congress St.

With regard to the fireproofing of the large steel beam running parallel to Congress St. and across the tops of the steel columns beneath the second floor, since the architects' specifications for two inches of poured concrete have not been followed and brick has been used to fireproof the web of the beam at least on the outside, and the two flanges and perhaps inside of the beam are not now fireproofed at all, we concluded that

—the fireproofing of the flanges outside could be done by providing solid stucco outside of the flanges to a thickness of at least 1½ inches - this in view of the fact that the steel is not exposed to any combustible material on the outside.

—the bottom flange of the beam is to be fireproofed with no less than two inches of poured concrete reinforced with the bars which you already have in place.

—the inside of the beam, both flanges and web, are to be fireproofed either by two inches of poured concrete or 1½ inches of poured concrete with 3/4 inches of cement plaster outside, the latter to a total thickness of 2¼ inches.

As I think the job over, I can see some difficulties to getting poured concrete beneath this bottom flange. It appears that the only way you can do it is to provide a form beneath the beam and up the inside and pour the concrete of fine aggregate. It is important that you do not go ahead on this piece of fireproofing without having it clearly in mind that it will meet the above requirements. If in doubt, file a plan of what you have in mind for approval before starting.

We found that the change in the Brown St. entrance and the stairway is well along although we have not yet been able to approve and issue amendment therefor because of lack of information.

Of especial importance is the fact that a reinforced concrete slab has been constructed from the first story stairhall, and there apparently is not a plan in existence.

You agreed that you would have the architect investigate the slab the way it has been reinforced, and if he found it of sufficient strength, he would make a detailed plan and attach his signed statement of design so that the plan could be filed here with the application for amendment which you have already filed. Also, you agreed to have the architect detail the fireproofing to be used on all of the steel beams involved

(Cont'd.)

September 2, 1953

in the Brown St. entrance and stairway change, showing thickness, materials to be used and methods to be followed.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMcD/G

491-497 Congress St.,-I

March 31, 1953

Bryan Whitney, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works

Copy to: Corporation Counsel

Warren McDonald, Inspector of Buildings

Protection of public sidewalk and streets at the Day job—491-497 Congress St., corner of Brown.

We are issuing a general construction permit to continue the remodelling of the building occuppied by Day's Jewelry Store. The man to deal with there is Robert Hodsdon, who is superintendent of construction, and his assistant is Carl Piper. I have explained to Mr. Hodsdon that it appeared that they had not been careful enough in the work thus far to take precautions to protect the public when they were working on the Congress St., and on the Brown St., fronts. He has agreed to care for all of this and the permits to occupy the sidewalk from DPW.

To emphasize the matter in a letter issued with the permit to continue the work, I have included the following paragraph:

"Arrangements are to be made immediately with the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for permits to occupy the public sidewalks of Congress T., and Brown St., with whatever structures the Commissioner deems necessary to protect the public, all in accordance with Sects. 802 to 806 inclusive of the Code. Too much work has been done heretofore, especially on the Brown St., wall without sufficient protection being afforded to persons and property on public sidewalks and streets, and Mr. Hodsdon has agreed to carefully take care of all of these features, observing also carefu l/ any time limits set and any stipulations made by the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works"

We are coming to the season when it will be a misfortune to have any obstructions on either Congress St., or Brown St., and the job is likely to last well into the summer on both fronts. Among other things they are to erect a marquee the entire length of the Congress St., front and part of the length of the Brown St., front. I recollect that you used to limit the periods of permits for occupying the sidewalk, and that years ago builders and owners were inclined to delay about getting the obstructions removed as soon as possible.

This is quite a major operation in that the greater part of the remaining front wall on Congress St., is to be removed and the part above the first story rebuilt and stucco applied. In addition to that, they are to remove the supporting walls now in the first story, shore the building up and support the upper stories on steel work, the front wall above the first story to be on the same plane as now but supported upon cantilever beams with their supporting columns about four feet from the present street line.

I am reciting this somewhat in detail so that you may have more of an understanding as to what steps ought to be taken to protect the public sidewalks and streets, which the Building Code sections cited seem to place under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Inspector of Buildings

Attachment: Copies of pages 163 and 164 of the Building Code

AP 491-497 Congress St.,
(Day's Inc.)
WMcl 4/16/53

March 30, 1953

Mr. Robert J. Holsion
c/o Day's Inc.,
489 Congress St.,
Mr. Sidney A. Davidson, Treas.,
Day's Jewelry, Inc.,
489 Congress St.,
Brown Estate
192 Middle St.,

Copies to: Miller & Leal Inc.,
469 Congress St.,

Mr. Hamilton Gray
University of Maine
Orono, Maine

Gentlemen:

Building permit to continue alterations at 491-497 Congress St., corner of Brown St., based on the attached list of plans, specifications and other information, is issued to Mr. Holsion, herewith, but excluding all work on first story store fronts and attaching of mesh and application of stucco to exterior walls on both streets, and subject to the following conditions. If these conditions are not understood, or if you are unable or unwilling to comply with them, it is important that you contact this office without delay with additional information.

1. Rather than cause further delay to furnish detailed estimates to support the estimated cost of the entire job—$60,000, which we believe to be essentially less than the true total cost of excavations, general construction, plumbing, heating, electrical work and all built-in construction and equipment called for by Sect.105-c of the Building Code before a permit is issued, as agreed over the telephone to furnish the true cost, when the work is nearing completion, and to pay additional building permit fee if indicated by that true figure. For ease in understanding, this cost figure should be broken down to show engineering and architectural fees; removal of top story and construction of new roof; elevator work; excavation, backfilling and foundations, including those of stair tower; structural steel, not including erection; store fronts and entrances and installation by Hamner; stucco on outside walls; plumbing and fixtures; electrical work and fixtures; heating and air conditioning; sprinkler system; painting and decorating; all other construction work, including everything not above and shoring, temporary supports, temporary partitions or barricades and structures over or upon public sidewalks for protection of the public.

2. Arrangements are to be made immediately with the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for permits to occupy the public sidewalks of Congress St., and Brown St., with whatever structures the Commissioner deems necessary to protect the public, all in accordance with Sects. 602 to 606 inclusive of the Code. Too much work has been done heretofore, especially on the Brown St., wall without sufficient protection being afforded to persons and property on public sidewalks and streets, and Mr. Holsion has agreed to carefully take care of all of these features, observing also carefully any time limits set and any stipulations made by the Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

3. The stucco on exterior walls is excluded from this permit because the fastening of the galvanized woven mesh to newly constructed masonry walls, fill-in walls in former openings, whether all ready constructed or still to be, and the reconstructed wall at the top of the Congress St., front, have not been adequately specified.

It is our understanding that none of the former brick veneer is to be left on the Congress St., wall. The mesh for the stucco on the Brown St., front is to be fastened and at the same time held out from the wall for a clinch by the same through bolts, every two square feet of surface, which are to secure the old veneer. The Consulting Engineers or the owners of the building at last accounts had not fully decided upon the most acceptable method of fastening the mesh, either where the brick walls have been or are to be reconstructed.

The fastening and erection of mesh and application of the stucco must be covered by amendment to the permit now issued to be applied for and secured by Mr. Hodsdon, as agent for the owners, filing with application full information, before construction of brick work in outside wall is resumed and certainly before May 1, 1953.

4. The first story store front and entrances are excluded from this permit because we have not plans of these features. It is understood that this work is to be supplied by the Hammer Co., and perhaps installed by them. When their plans are ready, prints are to be filed here by Mr. Hodsdon with application for another amendment to the permit now issued, and the work of installing the store fronts and entrances is not to start in any way until this amendment has been approved.

5. Specifications contained in report to owners by Barr, Gleason & Barr, Inc., of February 10, 1953, are to be generally followed and recommendations, including especially lateral bracing for the shoring and keeping posts plumb in first story and the bearings of the Lally columns supporting roof in third story, upon the eight inch brick wall below.

6. Structural steel columns, girders and beams supporting masonry walls, directly or indirectly, are specified to be fireproofed with 2-inch thickness of reinforced concrete, the outer one-half inch to be plastered and counted as part of the required 2-inch thickness. If this method is to be used, Sect. 303-d-1.3 of the Code allows the outer one-half inch of poured concrete to be replaced by plaster, but the plaster must be on metal lath and 3/4 of an inch thick, thus making the total thickness of fireproofing at least 2¼ inches.

Savings in weight and perhaps some saving in cost of this fireproofing could be accomplished by using gypsum-vermiculite plaster on metal lath. If this seems attractive, you should have the architect work out precise specifications and typical details and file them with application for amendment to the permit without delay.

7. Floor and roof joists in the new stair tower require "fire cuts" where they bear on masonry walls, and require metal anchors built into the masonry walls and fastened to the bottom edge of the joists, all as stipulated in Sect. 312-c-3.2 (c) of the Code, bearing in mind what where the joists are parallel to the masonry walls, the same spacing of anchors is required and the anchors are to be long enough to engage the bottom edges of at least three joists. The latter requirement will apply also at each floor level where the Congress St., brick wall is to be rebuilt.

In both the present building and the new stair tower, wherever masonry walls are to be stripped and wherever there would otherwise be openings from the spaces behind the wall plaster to the framing over the ceiling or from the spaces over the ceiling and the space behind the wall plaster of the story above, non-burnable fire stops are required where floors or ceilings contact masonry walls. The method of doing this should be decided upon and the non-burnable fire stops should all be in place before required notice for inspection before closing-in any part of

the job is given.

8. All welding of structural steel, including that of timber hangers to girders, must be performed only by welding operators, who hold effective qualification certificates from this department. Note that these certificates must be effective when the welder is working on this job. Tests must be taken and certificates renewed every 12 months. Each certificate bears the expiration date.

9. Each required fire door must bear the label of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., or Factory Mutual Laboratories, identifying the door as being approved by that agency for the typical location in volved. All fire door frames in masonry walls are required to be all metal, not wood metal-covered.

Fire door at boiler room should be Class B (typically designated for use in vertical shafts). This door is required to be made self-closing by means of a liquid door closer or automatic closing by standard automatic hardware. Fire doors at the Brown St., entrance required to be labelled as either Class E or F(typically approved for outside exposure), but Class C labelled doors may be used at this location if desired, if adapted to exposure to the atmosphere.

To get the maximum of protection the fire doors indicated for access to stair tower from each floor should be Class C and should be equipped with a liquid door closer.

10. The locksets and hardware for the entrance doors and all exit doors, including the interior doors on third floor, which will be necessary to be used to reach the emergency means of egress, seem to be pretty well specified. However, we have had much difficulty in other jobs with these features, and it would be best for Mr. Hodsdon to go over them in detail with the inspector in the field before the material is ordered. There has been one conference with the Kaunear people, and it is understood that they are to furnish the doors and the hardware for the entrance from Congress St. Presumably their plans will show full details and specifications.

11. Designation of all means of egress except the main first story entrance from Congress St., is required by standard exit signs (standard exit lights may be used if desired), directional or otherwise as may be necessary so that all persons depending upon the emergency means of egress will know unerringly what direction to take in case of emergency. Special care must be taken on the third floor, where persons will have to pass through more than one doorway connecting small rooms in order to reach the existing fire escape. Refer to Sect. 212-e-4 of the Code for description of standard exit signs and lights. The matter of exit designations are often left until the last part of a job like this, and difficulty experienced in getting the designations made and located and illuminated during the dark hours in a reasonable manner to serve the purpose for which they are intended. It is suggested that Mr. Hodsdon go over these matters with the field inspector sometime before the end of the job is in sight, and before decoration is started, and submit to him diagrams showing where he proposes to locate these signs or lights, which will be directional, and what the designations will be like as to design.

12. You are reminded that separate permits, to be applied for by and issuable only to the actual installer, are required from this department for installation of heating boiler and air conditioning, for construction of any new projecting signs, whether on the new marquee or not, and for installation of the sprinkler system, the latter system requiring with the application the sprinkler contractor's plan, bearing upon it the stamp of approval of the New England Fire Insurance Rating Association or some equivalent authority.

Mr. Robert J. Hodsdon
Mr. Jimmy A. Davidson
Grove Estate

March 30, 1953

13. It is noted with some misgivings that the design of the marquee calls for the supporting beams of the marquee to be bolted to the lower flange of the main cantilever beams. Obviously special non-loosening bolts should be used and considerable care exercised in supporting the beams in this fashion.

Very truly yours,

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

WMcD/B

Inclosures to Messrs. Davidson & Hodsdon—Copy of Sect. 105-a of the Code

Dr. Gray: Your careful analysis, report and conclusions are much appreciated, and it is hoped that you may be engaged in much more similar work in this area.

On any other similar work will you be good enough to attach to the plans the statement of design called for by Sect. 104-b-3 of the Code (mimeographed copy attached), but under the circumstances no such statement is necessary for the Day job.

It is my recollection thatin your analysis you assumed 30 pounds per square foot live load on the roof. While it obviously makes little difference on this particular job, the live load stipulated by the Building Code is actually 40 pounds per square foot without allowance for reduction.

Enc: Copy of Statement of Design

Warren McDonald

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND OTHER INFORMATION ON WHICH BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON MARCH 30TH, 1953 - OWNERS ARCHITECTS OF THE BUILDING IS [illegible] BY THE DRAKE [illegible] AT 491-[illegible] STREET [illegible], OWNER OF [illegible] TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON LAYTS [illegible].

March 30, 1953

Miller & Beal Plans

Sheets 1, 2, 3, 4.....Revised February 25, 1952

Sheet 2-A (Revised Girder Design bearing R & J Statement of Design).....Not Dated, Rec'd. by BI 4/30/53

Sheets 5, 6, 7, 8.....Dated December 31, 1951

Sheet 9 (Roof Framing)..... " October 6, 1952

Sheet 10 (Elevator Penthouse)..... " October 22, 1952

Sheet Without Number, Showing Gargoyes and Brass Door Elevations..... No Date

Sheet Without Number (Computations and Statement of Design of Miller & Beal).....Dated February 25, 1952

Structural Steel and Foundations (Dr. Hamilton Gray Design).....Revised to March 9, 1953

Marmelar & Jones

Sheet 1 Details of Girders and Beams.....Dated January 19, 1953

Sheet 2-B (Second Floor Framing Plan - R & J Statement of Design.....Dated January 22, 1953

Specifications and Other Information

Specifications by Robert Hoosdon (5 Pages & Letter of Transmittal of 1/24/53

Specifications for Backfilling of Pits and for Foundations (5 Sheets by Dr. Gray)

Report on Foundations (9 Pages plus 13 Sheets of Diagrams by Dr. Gray)

ALTERATION TO DAY'S JEWELRY COMPANY BUILDING
CONGRESS STREET, PORTLAND, MAINE

The following report is based on an investigation on the site by Mr. Anthony Curcio, a letter of intention to the Portland, Maine, Building Department dated January 26, 1953, and discussions with Mr. Robert W. Gleason of Barr, Gleason & Barr, Inc., New York City:-

1. A letter of intent regarding shoring and needling to the Building Department is satisfactory if followed through. Special attention is called for some additional lateral bracing for the shoring in the first story and particular attention is called to the posts that must be plumb. It would be more satisfactory if the Contractor would do this new work in sections rather than working the whole area at one time.

2. Fastening brick work as specified is satisfactory. The letter calls for anchoring with through bolts and plate washers every two square feet not as two feet square as some people have interpreted. These fastenings to meet the dual purpose of fastening face brick and the wiring of the lath for the stucco to said fastenings. Nailing the lath is undesirable. All new brick work to be toothed at intervals to old work.

3. Stucco: It would be preferable to use a galvanized woven wire mesh rather than a welded mesh. The galvanized woven wire mesh resists corrosion and several samples we have cut out recently that are forty to fifty years old show no signs of corrosion.

The materials for the stucco can have lime added in the first two coats but the last coat must be devoided of any lime. The integral waterproofing should be added to the stucco exactly as per manufacturers' specifications. (Too often this is neglected). We recommend any of the large waterproofing manufacturers, such as, L. Sonneborn & Sons or Anti-Hydro for the integral waterproofing compound.

The returns of the stucco in the window jamb to the window frames should have a bead of caulking compound applied after this work is done to prevent any leakage between the stucco and the frame.

4. The flashing behind the coping has signs of corrosion and are unable to satisfy ourselves if any method for expansion has provided. The flashing of the marquee should be turned in two courses. This varies from the detail.

lally columns on the third story supporting the roof
eight inch party brick wall. Every precaution should
sure that these lally columns have full bearing.

ON & BARR, INC.

501 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

COPY

February 10, 1953.

John F. Dana, Esq.
57 Exchange Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. Dana:

Enclosed is a brief review on some of the existing conditions in the building that is now being renovated by Day's Jewelry Company and our comments covering same.

Sincerely yours,

BARR, GLEASON AND BARR, INC.

Robert W. Gleason

Robert W. Gleason

RWG/GT
Encl.
cc-Mr. Harold Lee Berry
Mr. Warren MacDonald
Mr. Anthony Curcio

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
00037
JAN 21 1953
CITY of PORTLAND

Class of Building or Type of Structure .....

Portland, Maine, January 21, 1953

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

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

Location 491-497 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's name and address Brown Estate, c/o Harold Berry, 192 Middle St. Telephone .....

Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store, 491 Congress St. Telephone .....

Contractor's name and address Robert Hodsdon, Yarmouth, Maine Telephone .....

Architect ..... Specifications ..... Plans yes No. of sheets 1

Proposed use of building Store No. families .....

Last use " No. families .....

Material brick No. stories 4 Heat ..... Style of roof ..... Roofing .....

Other buildings on same lot .....

Estimated cost $ 65.00 Fee $ .50

General Description of New Work

with at least 8" of brickwork
To brick up one window in first story on side of building towards Maine Historical Society.

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*** Robert Hodsdon

Details of New Work

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

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

Height average grade to top of plate ..... Height average grade to highest point of roof .....

Size, front ..... depth ..... No. stories ..... solid or filled land? ..... earth or rock? .....

Material of foundation ..... Thickness, top ..... bottom ..... cellar .....

Material of underpinning ..... Height ..... Thickness .....

Kind of roof ..... Rise per foot ..... Roof covering .....

No. of chimneys ..... Material of chimneys ..... of lining ..... Kind of heat ..... fuel .....

Framing lumber—Kind ..... Dressed or full size? .....

Corner posts ..... Sills ..... Girt or ledger board? ..... Size .....

Girders ..... Size ..... Columns under girders ..... Size ..... Max. on centers .....

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet.

Joists and rafters:	1st floor	2nd	3rd	roof .....
On centers:	1st floor	2nd	3rd	roof .....
Maximum span:	1st floor	2nd	3rd	roof .....

If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? ..... height? .....

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:

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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

Brown Estate
Day's Jewelry Store

Signature of owner by: Robert J. Hodsdon

INSPECTION COPY

Permit No. 53/87

Location 491-497 Congress St.

Owner Day's Jewelry Store

Date of permit 11/21/53

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif.

Final Inspn. 2-10-53. DE

Cert. of Occupancy issued. None.

NOTES

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
OCT 18 1952
CITY of PORTLAND

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, March 26, 1952

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 491-497 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's name and address Brown Estate, c/o Harold Berry, 192 Middle Street Telephone 3-5226

Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store, 491-491½ Congress Street Telephone 2-2863

Contractor's name and address Day's Inc., 489 Congress Street Telephone

Architect Specifications Plans yes No. of sheets ~~7~~ 8

Proposed use of building Stores and offices No. families

Last use " " No. families

Material brick No. stories 4 Heat Style of roof Roofing

Other buildings on same lot SIDNEY DAVIDSON - 4-1009

Estimated cost $ 17,500. 24,500 42,000. Fee $ 18.00 24.00 42.00

General Description of New Work

To make alterations as per plans filed ~~January 29, 1952~~ February 28, 1952.

Advance permit to remove 4th story and construct new roof at 4th floor level only as per plans, issued with letter 10/18/52

Work discontinued about 1/20/53 and permit cancelled 3/31/53

Permit Issued with Letter Advance permit.

General → Permit Issued with Letter 1/10/53

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*** Day's Inc.

Details of New Work

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

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

Height average grade to top of plate Height average grade to highest point of roof

Size, front depth No. stories solid or filled land? earth or rock?

Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom cellar

Material of underpinning Height Thickness

Kind of roof Rise per foot Roof covering

No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining Kind of heat fuel

Framing lumber—Kind Dressed or full size?

Corner posts Sills Girt or ledger board? Size

Girders Size Columns under girders Size Max. on centers

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet.

Joists and rafters: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

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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 A. E. Coy

Brown Estate
Day's Inc.

Signature of owner by: John A. Dawson Treas.
A. E. Coy

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Permit No. 52/1847
Location 491-497 Cuyler Ave
Owner Cayo Cendlar Hope
Date of permit 10/15/52
Notif. closing-in
Insp. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn.
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES

11-5-52 Work not started. Mr Hodgdon said that the [illegible] contractor when [illegible] [illegible] Ho

11-21-52 Framing not Cmpt. Ho.

12-1-52. Proof dimensions drop. on third floor since 10"x14" D.F. is + [illegible] and [illegible] members noted from [illegible] this south flow now [illegible]. Mr Sidney Davidson said Mr Moore [illegible] for [illegible] this change and this [illegible] Mr Davidson is aware of the change from the plans. Mr Hodgdon is foreman on the job. No one [illegible] here in charge at this time but went over matter of further plumbing and bearing [illegible] on erection. Said will write Mr Davidson and [illegible] this particular work. [illegible] framing stairs third floor [illegible] and found in [illegible] as indicated on floor, stairs and bulkhead [illegible] [illegible] repairs. Ho.

12-8-52. Mr Sidney Davidson called for est. insp. from authorization it seems [illegible] with Mr Davidson. New girder in place with bearing [illegible] tie. When original beam sags slightly hardwood wedges are driven in place, also a tie where new girder will in center. When third floor has been [illegible] & take measurements, permit this inspector over brick walls. Mr Davidson said they started to start first floor work. Said have finished [illegible] and are waiting this [illegible]. Mr Hodgdon & Davidson said [illegible] & get permit issued. Ho

12-10-52 Went over this job with Mr Hodgdon in our office. Minutes #2 issued at this time. Notified in letter dated Oct 18th and over. Mr Hodgdon to go over these letters with Mr Sidney Davidson. Have if enough information can be given or permit for entry it can be issued. Ho

12-12-52. Mr Hodgdon called me at home said the individuals have been picked up and third floor work is carrying through. Called Mr Davidson left message and requested to review [illegible] with him. Would have Mr Davidson [illegible] Ho

12/20/52 Bell [illegible]

12/23/52 Messrs Sidney Davidson and Hodgdon here in, and agreed to apply for amendment for work going on without a permit and to clean up all matters in my letter by 12/26/52 [illegible]

12-27-52. Mr Hodgdon in, plans are now to build addition in rear and answer cellar dividing wall. Said Mr Benjamin Hall been engaged to do drawing and building. Mr Davidson [illegible] Ho

See 2nd Sheet

Second Sheet

Complaint No. —

Permit No. 52-1847

Location 491-497 Carolina St

1-12-53. Rec'd [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
call [illegible]

1-15-53. Met over letter of
Jan 9th with Mr. Hodson. Notes
[illegible]
spoke of no evidence of
fastening of 4" brick veneer
to wall (original wall + veneer)
because of extra weight of new
wall coming on it. With the
exception of 8 or 10 ft to 4'-6" x
2' the front wall will be
either new or through its
thickness or else brick
work will be tied into old
8" wall. — JB.

Stopped work on this front
wall in presence of Mr. Richard
Sanders and Mr. Frank Freedman
Told them we need all plans
and elevation showing areas
of old veneer wall that
are to remain when front
has been shored. JB
1/16/53 — Ltr. — order
and letter

PERMIT ISSUED
DEC 10 1952
CITY of PORTLAND

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO PERMIT

Amendment No. 2

Portland, Maine, Dec. 9, 1952

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, MAINE

The undersigned hereby applies for amendment to Permit No. 52/1847 *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 491-497 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's name and address Brown Estate, c/o Harold Berry, 192 Middle Street Telephone

Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store, 491-491½ Congress Street Telephone 2-2863

Contractor's name and address Day's Inc., 489 Congress Street Telephone

Architect Plans filed no No. of sheets

Proposed use of building stores and offices No. families

Last use " " No. families

Increased cost of work Additional fee .50

Description of Proposed Work

To brick up two window openings in Brown Street wall at third story level directly beneath ends of new beams supporting roof construction.
To brick up every other window on second and third floors, front and rear walls of building.
12/10/52
To brick up all windows, first story rear, parking area side.

Permit Issued with Memo

Permit to be issued to Day's Jewelry Store

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Approved:

Brown Estate
Day's Inc.

Signature of Owner by: [signature]

Approved: 12/10/52 [signature]
Inspector of Build

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Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

491-497 Congress St. - Alterations to Building for Day's Jewelry Store
by Day's Inc. - 12/10/52

Amendment #2 to Permit 52/1847 covering the bricking up of certain window openings in the second and third story walls of the building at 491-497 Congress St. is issued herewith subject to the condition that the new walls are to be not less than 8 in. thick and that the new work is to be "toothed" into the existing brickwork.

c.c. Brown Estate, c/o Harold Berry
192 Middle St.

AJS/G

(*Signed*) Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings