

December 21, 1937

File # 37/1306-I Avenue 3
P.12/23/37

Mack, The Signist,
44 Canal Street,
Lowell, Maine

Gentlemen:

One of your men came in yesterday to tell us that you had made the changes in the frame of the marquee for Day's Inc., 483 Congress Street in this city and the work was ready for inspection before closing in.

We have stopped work on this marquee and are forced to keep it stopped until you have proceeded according to our rules and filed another amendment to cover the change in the framing of the marquee. If you persist in going ahead without the amendment being issued, it will be necessary for me to issue a formal written stop order on this job.

It seems difficult to understand why you cannot proceed about this work in some kind of orderly fashion. Upon looking over the job yesterday we find that in the end panels of the roof you have introduced next to the six inch channels $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" angles, evidently introduced to support a section of the roof on an 8'6" span. This date is not included on the plan in any way, and these angles acting as a beam are far from adequate to take the load which will come upon them.

Please figure out some way of taking care of this discrepancy, enter it on your plan in this office and file an application for an amendment so that we may be in a position to let the work go forward, on or before December 22, 1937.

Very truly yours,

W.McD/H

Inspector of buildings

December 16, 1957

File: P.57/1596-I

P. H. & J. M. Brown Co.
57 Exchange Street,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

A firm from Lewiston by the name of Mack, the Signist is erecting a marquee and some signs thereon for Day's Inc. in the building which you are reported to own at 489 Congress Street.

In the process of putting in some bolts through the front wall, the erecting company has split or cracked quite badly some of the stone on the front of the building (from the sidewalk it looks like sandstone).

This matter is called to your attention with a copy of the letter to Day's Inc. so that steps satisfactory to you may be taken to make sure that this stone is safe and secure from falling and made permanent so before the erectors leave the job. In case of part of the stone falling it is possible it might land on the public sidewalk of Congress Street with injury to persons or property.

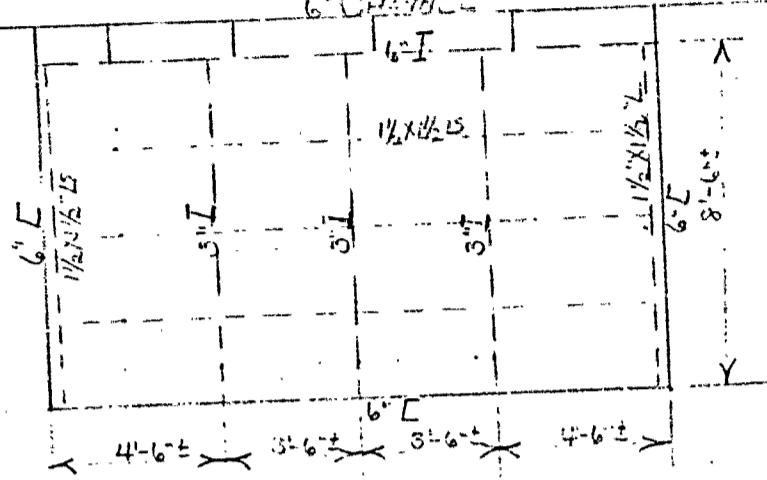
Very truly yours,

RMcD/H
CC: Day's Inc.
489 Congress St.

Inspector of Buildings

BUILDING

6" CHANNEL



$$1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{8} = 0.07 \text{ Mod} - 0.07$$

$$1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{16} = - 0.10$$

$$1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} = - 0.13$$

RECEIVED

DEC 16 1937

DEPT. OF BLDG. M.C.P.
CITY OF PORTLAND

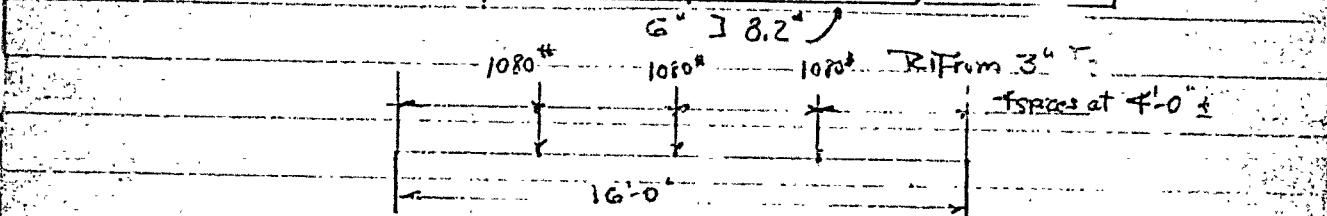
Dec. 15, 1937

To Mack the Signist,
Lewiston, Me.

CHANGEM MARQUEE FRAME
FOR DAYS INC, PORTLAND

Hangers as per Dwg. # 1 Job 373

Present		6" I 8.2 Bolted to wall 4'-0" c-c Exp Sleeves In place
Pipe Septo.		6 I 12.5 "
Remain to take thrust from 3" Is	Replace	5" E with 6" I 12.5 "
2.8		
6"		
3" I 5.7 In place		



$$\text{Max. Wt. } 16.20^{\prime\prime} \times 8.0^{\prime\prime} = 1080 \times 4.0^{\prime\prime} = 8640 \times 12^{\prime\prime} = 103,680^{\prime\prime}$$

$$\frac{103,680}{18000} = 5.75 \text{ ft Required } 6I12.5 = 7.3 \text{ ft}$$

Use

$$\text{Present } 5' E \frac{103,680}{2,96} = 35,000^{\prime\prime} \text{ or over stressed } 100\%$$

Copy to Bldg Department

for Approval 12/15/37

T H Barbour Eng.

File: P. 37/1396-I

November 30, 1937

Mack the Signist,
44 Canal Street
Portland, Maine

Gentleman:

Enclosed is the amendment to building permit at 499 Congress Street.

I am not sure that I understand the alternate methods of fastening the marquee to the building as indicated in Section AA and BB. If AA is to be used, there should be expansion bolts fastening the eight inch channel to the wall to give stiffness. If BB is used, it appears that instead of expansion bolts through bolts should be used.

Please be governed accordingly.

Very truly yours,

McD/H
CC: R. H. Barbour
c/o Megquier & Jones
51 Pearl Street

Inspector of Buildings



Statement Accompanying Application for Amendment No. 4 of Permit No. 37/1396
at 489 Congress Street

October 26, 1937

In consideration of permission to remove the only stairs leading from Congress Street directly to the upper stories of the building at 489 Congress Street, Day's Inc. for itself, its successors and assigns agrees that the second and third stories of this building will not be used for any purpose other than storage as long as the building is under its control.

By: Day's Inc.
Day's Inc.
Its Treasurer

File: P.37/CM38-I

October 20, 1937

Mr. Paul B. McCallum,
304 Ocean Avenue,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Please perform no work under the amendment to building permit at 483 Congress Street, Day's Jewelry Store, which was issued to you yesterday, October 19, 1937, until we have straightened out the matter of removal of the stairs now leading from Congress Street to the second floor of this building.

In issuing the amendment I inadvertently overlooked an item on the plan, but which does not show on the amendment form itself, calling for the removal of the stairs to the second floor and to the cellar.

This is a matter that requires approval of the Board of Fire Engineers before a permit may be issued and it is questionable if that approval can be secured without providing a standard and definite means of leaving the upper stories of the building.

Since the entire job of changing the store front depends upon being allowed to remove these stairs, please perform no part of this work at all until this important question is settled.

I have adopted this method of stopping the work until this question has been settled rather than issue a formal stop order which would be more certain but less agreeable to all of us. Being keenly aware of your full cooperation in the past, I am sure that you will now cooperate with us to the extent of refraining from all work under the amendment in the same manner as though a formal stop order had been issued. A copy of this letter is being sent to Day's Jewelry Store so that the owners will understand the situation.

Very truly yours,

McD/H
CC: Day's Jewelry Store
483 Congress Street

Inspector of Buildings

File: P.37/1596-1

October 19, 1957

Mr. Paul B. McLellan,
534 Ocean Avenue,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is approved amendment to building permit at 439 Congress Street, the amendment to include alterations to the store front. Please note the following:

The right to construct the marquee over the public sidewalk, indicated but not in complete detail on the plan, is not included in this amendment. The permit to cover erection of the marquee may be applied for as an amendment to the original permit covering alterations in the building, but with it should be supplied full details of the marquee and its supports. This amendment must bear the approval of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief of the Fire Department before it is issued. Permit for the sign part of the marquee may only be issued to a bonded sign hanger who must apply for a permit for the sign separately from the original permit and furnish details of it, including the frame and supports of the sign, the fastenings to the marquee, the location of transformers, if any, and such other details as are usually furnished with applications for projecting sign permits. On the plan members are shown in the marquee which appear to be of wood. No burnable material of any description is permitted in any part of this marquee.

Because under the original permit the size of this store has been increased materially, it will be necessary under the Building Code to make the new front door to the store either swing outwards or double acting.

Thickness of fireproofing of the steel lintel is not shown, but at least one and one-half inches of thickness is required all around and plastering is not acceptable for this fireproofing.

It is necessary to keep the plan for the files of this department.

Very truly yours,

Mcl/R

Inspector of Buildings

CJ: Day's Jewelry Store
439 Congress St.



Original Permit No. 37/1523

Amendment No. 3

Supersedes amendment 20/49/1

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Portland, Maine, October 28, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 37/1523 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 439 Congress Street Ward 4 With the Fire Limits? YES Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address Dyer's Jewelers, 439 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address Harry Paul H. McAllan, 2nd Ocean Avenue

Plans filed as part of this Amendment No. of Sheets

Increased cost of work Additional fee

Description of Proposed Work

To alter store front as shown on plan attached. New steel beam to be fireproofed and new front door to be wide double acting; to remove existing stairs to second story and to cellar, closing openings; to cut and provide standard fire door and frame at second floor level in brick wall between section of building now to be altered and section next adjoining on the west.

May's Jewelers
Signature of Owner by Paul H. McAllan

Approved:

John G. French
Chief of Fire Department

Approved:

10/27/37

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Commissioner of Public Works

10/27/37

Inspector of Buildings

REPLACES

Original Permit No. 87-1288

Amendment No. 8

NOV 30 1937

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Portland, Maine, November _____

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 87-1288 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 453 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Units? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner or Lessee's name and address Davis, Inc. 439 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address Mack, The Signist, 44 Canal Street, 290

Plans filed as part of this Amendment yes No. of Sheets 1

Increased cost of work 1500 Additional fee 1.15

Description of Proposed Work
To construct marquee, of all incombustible material, projecting over the public sidewalk
of Congress Street as per plan attached

Mack, The Signist
Signature of Owner M. V. Mack

Approved: 11/30/37

Chief of Fire Department
Edward M. Hinckley
Commissioner of Public Works

Approved: 11/30/37
Inspector of Buildings

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Original Permit No. 37-1886
Amendment No. 4

PERMIT ISSUED

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT 1937

Portland, Maine, December 29, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 37-1886 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 489 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or lessee's name and address Pay'n Jewelry Co., 489 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address Mack, The Signist, 44 Canal Street, Lewiston 230

Plans filed as part of this Amendment yes No. of Sheets 2 1

Increased cost of work Additional fee .55

Description of Proposed Work

To change construction of marquee as per plan submitted with this amendment
(stamped 12/28/37)

Mack, The Signist
Contractor
Signature of Contractor By C. O'Brien

Approved:

Approved:

12/29/37

Chief of Fire Department

Lynch Inspector of Buildings

INVESTIGATION COPY

Commissioner of Public Works

Original Permit No. 37/1338
Amendment No. 5

PERMIT ISSUED

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT # 37/1338

Portland, Maine, October 19, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 37/1338 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, Maine, and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 489 Congress Street

Ward 4

With the Fire Limits yes

Dist. No. 1

Landlord Leasee

Owner or lessee's name and address Dayle Laundry Store, 489 Congress Street

Contractor's name and address Paul B. McLellan, 704 Congress Street

Plans filed as part of this Amendment yes

Increased cost of work \$02.

No. of Sheets 1

Additional fee 1.00

Description of Proposed Work
To alter steps from brick making, larger recessed entrance - no expense wood price except door

and stone trim.

To remove present granite column, 12x2, and support with steel as shown on plan

Dayle Laundry Store

Signature of Dayle Laundry Store

Paul B. McLellan

10/19/37

Approved

Approved

Chief of Fire Department

INSPECTION COPY

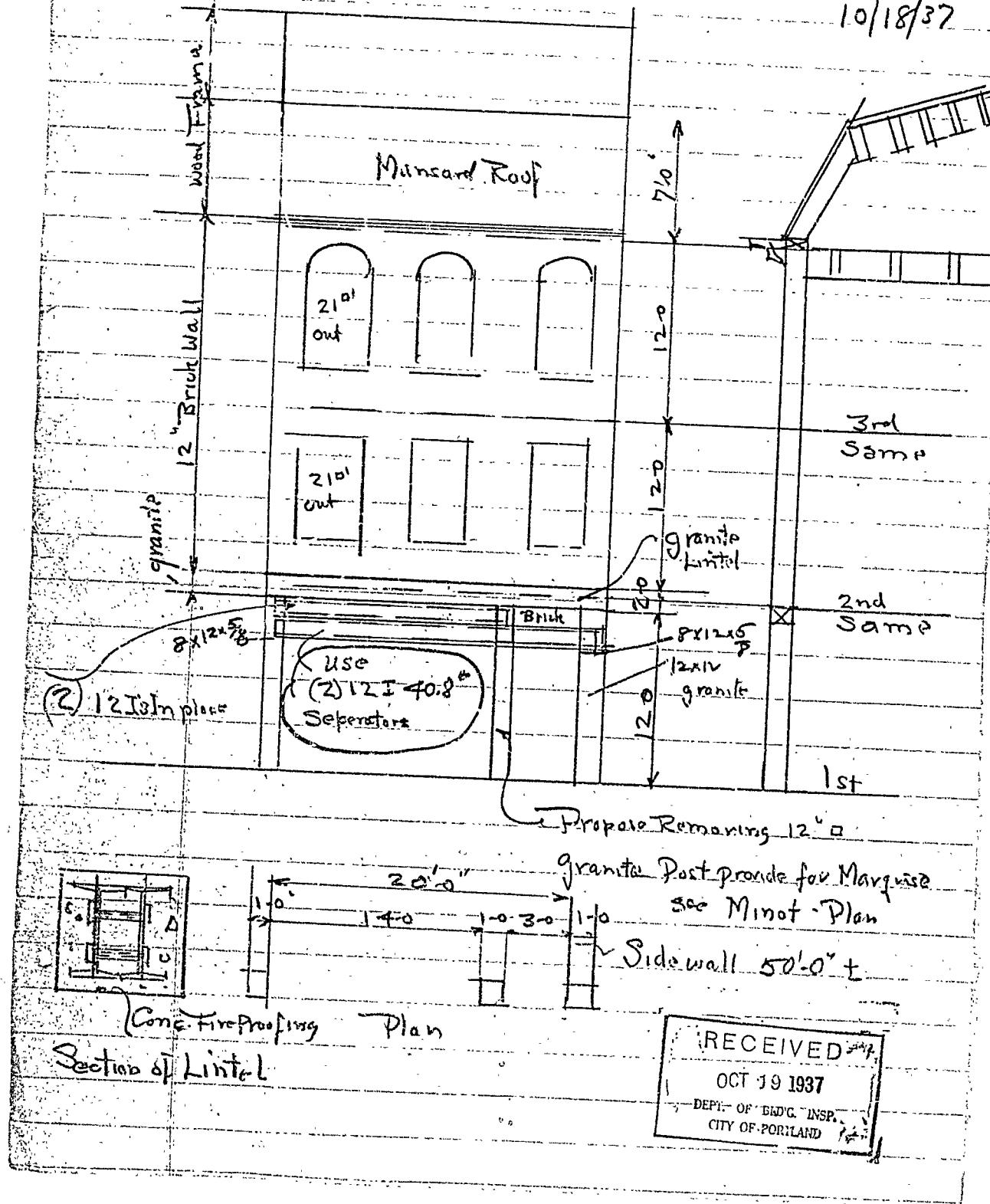
Commissioner of Public Works

NOTE 617
Inspector of Buildings

Sheet
ONE (only)

Dats JEWELERY STORE
489 Congress St. City

10/18/37



These plans (1 sheets) and the specifications accompanying the same, covering construction work on a ~~shed one~~
~~United and Front at 189 Congress City (Day)~~ have been designed and drawn up by the undersigned according to the latest rules of engineering practice and to comply with the allowable working stresses, floor loads, etc. required by the Building Code of the City of Portland.

(Signature) *McQuire & Jones C*

By *R.H. Barber*

(This statement is to be signed by the individual responsible for the design, and he should indicate in the blank provided the particular work to which the statement applies.)

Original PERMIT ISSUED

Amendment No. 1

OCT 14 1937

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Portland, Maine October 14, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 277-198 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 439 Congress Street Ward 6 With the Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store, 439 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address F. G. Pollock, 54 Irving St.

Plans filed as part of this Amendment no. No. of Sheets

Additional fee \$25

Increased cost of work

Description of Proposed Work

To remove 2 1/2" brick rear wall of one story brick building between present building and new addition (non-bearing)

Day's Jewelry Store

Signature of Owner

By

Approved:

Approved

10/14/37

Important Copy

Original Permit No. 37/1398

Amendment No. 1

AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Portland, Maine

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 37/1398 for the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specification:

Location 459 Congress St.

Ward 4 With the Fire Limits? No Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store, 459 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address J. S. Polozelle, 54 Irving Street

Plans filed as part of this Amendment no.

No. of sheets

Description of Proposed Work

To change foundation from concrete to stone laid in mortar at least 18" in thickness.
To change location of new toilets from first floor to basement cutting in window at least three square feet in area for each toilet for ventilation
To change size of roof joists from 2x4, 12" O.C., 22' span to 2x12 full size spruce
at 16" O.C., 22' span.

Signature of Owner

Day's Jewelry Store

By Frank J. Polozelle

Approved:

Approved:

9/16/37

Chief of Fire Department

Commissioner of Public Works

Inspector of Buildings

Frank J. Polozelle

File: 37/1396-I

September 4, 1937

Mr. Sidney Davidson,
489 Congress St.,
Portland, Me.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the building permit covering proposed addition at 489 Congress Street for Day's Jewelry Stores, lessee. You have agreed to comply with the Building Code, and, while it is not possible to recite all of the requirements herein, the following items are called to your attention so that misunderstandings may not arise:

1. Will the public use the new cellar or will workers be habitually employed there. If so, the new stairs should be 3'-6" wide and additional means of egress from the cellar satisfactory to the Board of Fire Engineers will be required. In any event the handrail is required to extend the entire length of these stairs. It is understood that these cellar stairs are to replace present cellar stairs to be closed up. This is important because if both stairs are to remain the new stairs must be enclosed with fire resistive materials and a fire door.
2. All glass in the new east wall is required to be wire glass and this wall must have a masonry parapet wall 8" thick, extending two feet above the roof and capped with wholly non-burnable material. It is understood that a small portion of an existing wall is to be used in this wall, and that this portion is to be underpinned with a concrete foundation wall.
3. The unsupported height of the new brick walls seems to be more than the 12-foot limit permitted for an 8" wall. This may be overcome by continuing the concrete foundation on up about 2'-6" and starting the 8" brick wall on that, thus cutting the distance between top of foundation and bearings of roof joists to not more than 12 feet. The concrete foundation wall is to be no less than 12" thick at the bottom of the wall.
4. Roof covering is marked "built-up". If this is to be covered with tar and gravel it is satisfactory. If not inquiry should be made at this office before materials are purchased.
5. The skylight is required to be wire glass set in metal each and the curb walls are required to be at least metal covered outside.
6. Cross-bridging not less than 1" x 3" is required in each span of first floor joists and two rows in roof soaks, incombustible fire stops where ceiling meets brick walls and metal wall anchors from masonry to underside of roof joists every eight feet.

Not required, but I suggest that you make a pier between windows at north-west corner larger than 8" x 8".

(Signed) WARREN McDONALD
Very truly yours, Insptr. of Bldgs.

of Stones - 14.89 Long tons dd. 9/4/32

Exterior of brick house cellar. If so stone
3' 6" wide & all means of
Hammered entire length of walls.
8" x 8" pavers.
1/4" glass & perhaps wall insulation
Use 1" pavers. Wall
Raise foundation to make 5' wall &
Shay light.
Render existing cellar stones.
Stone chimney. Tan glass, sh. roof?

(P) of

$2 \times 14" - 12' 0" \text{ a spruce on } 23' 0" \text{ fm}$

$23 \times 1.0 \times 6.0 = 138.0; 138.0 \times 22 \times 1.5 = 317.0$

$\frac{69.0}{476.0}$

$\frac{217.0}{115.0} = 18.8 \text{ reg s. } S \text{ of } 2 \times 14 = 65.3$

$4 \times 10 \text{ F.S. } 43.3$

$4 \times 10 \text{ F.S. } 66.7$

OK 6x10 spruce on 8' of an end fm $6 \times 12.22 = 71.32$

$11.5 \times 8 \times .80 = 73.60$

$4 \times 10 - 18" O.C. =$

$23 \times 1.0 \times 6.0 = 20.70$

$\frac{20.70 \times 23 \times 1.5}{103.5} = 714.15$

$\frac{310.5}{23} = 93.15$

$\frac{93.15}{62.10} = 1.5$

$714.15 = 714.15$

$\frac{714.15}{11.00} = 64.9 \text{ reg s.}$

$S \text{ of } 4 \times 10 \text{ full eye} = 66.7.$

BUSINESS ZONE
PERMIT APPLICATION

f. Structure

Portland, Maine, Sept. 1, 1937

EXP 4 1937

THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

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

Location 439 Congress St. Ward Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
 Owner's or Lessee's name and address Day's Jewelry Store 400 Congress St. Telephone
 Contractor's name and address Owner 7 S. Congress Ave., Portland Telephone
 Architect
 Proposed use of building Mercantile Plans filed Yes No. of sheets 4
 Other buildings on same lot
 Estimated cost \$ 1000 Fee \$ 1.00
 Material brick No. stories 3 Heat steam Style of roof flat Roofing Tar & gravel
 Last use mercantile No. families

Description of Present Building to be Altered

General Description of New Work

To build 1 story brick addition 24' x 34' as per plans filed. This permit does not include the removal of the existing wall between the old and new work.

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

Details of New Work

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
~~PERMIT IS WAIVED~~

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____, to be accommodated _____

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner Day's Jewelry Store

by

Sig. Densler

No. 371396

9 Congress St.

Day's Jewelry Store

6/14/37

lg-in 10/14/37

ing-in 10/14/37

issued

NOTES 3-287

11/13/37 -

front entrance

11/13/37 - back door to the Seven Run

11/13/37 - back door to addition has

been changed to a

metal clad full width

door, swinging inward

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED
Permit No. 2075
Portland, Maine November 18, 1937

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

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 489 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
 Owner of building to which sign is to be attached P. H. & J. J. Brown Co.
 Name and address of owner of sign Day's Inc. 489 Congress St.
 Contractor's name and address Mack, The Signist, 44 Canal Street Lewiston Telephone 230
 When does contractor's bond expire? October 1938

Information Concerning Building

No. stories <u>3</u>	Material of wall to which sign is to be attached <u>brick</u>
Details of Sign and Connections consisting of three sections of continuous sign around the edges of new marquee under Building Permit No. 2075/1936	
Electric? <u>yes</u>	Vertical dimension after erection <u>4'8"</u> Horizontal <u>10'</u>
Weight <u>800</u> lbs.	Will there be any hollow spaces? <u>yes</u> Any rigid frame? <u>yes</u>
Material of frame <u>structural steel</u>	No. advertising faces <u>3</u> material <u>metal illuminated</u>
Are rigid connections <u>as per plan</u>	Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? <u>yes</u>
No. through bolts <u>4</u>	Size <u>5/8"</u> Location, top or bottom <u>top</u>
No. guys <u>4</u>	material <u>angle iron</u> Size <u>1$\frac{1}{2}$x1$\frac{1}{2}$x$\frac{1}{16}$</u>
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street <u>9'</u>	
Maximum projection into street <u>10'</u>	

Signature of contractor Mack, The Signist
By M. J. Lohm

USE OF FIRE DEPT.
ACTION COPY

Ward 4 Permit No. 32/2075

489 Congress St.

Owner Deyo's Inc

Date of permit 1/13/39

Sign Contractor

Final Inspn. 1/26/39

NOTES

- St. 12/16/37 - I have agreed
to changes shown
in red. - AG
12/30/37 - Braces not
on sign AG
1/14/38 - Unable to
get into second story
to check on braces AG
1/26/39 - Braces in place
AG



FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

0865

Permit No. ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

JUN 12 1937

Portland, Maine, June 10, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 497 Congress Street Use of Building Store No. Stories 4

Name and address of owner Fessenden News Co., 497 Congress St. Ward 4

Contractor's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., 5 Temple St. Note Telephone 2-8321

OR CLAWSON

General Description of Work

To install gas fired warm air furnace in place of existing warm air furnace ESTIMATE OF OCCUPANCY
REMENT IS WAIVED

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Is heater or source of heat to be in cellar? yes If not, which story _____ Kind of Fuel gas

Material of supports of heater or equipment (concrete floor or what kind) concrete

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of boiler or casing top of furnace, 4'

from top of smoke pipe 15", from front of heater 4' from sides or back of heater 5'

Size of chimney flue 13x13 Other connections to same flue none

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Bryant Labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories? yes

Will operator be always in attendance? _____ Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure) _____

Location oil storage _____ No. and capacity of tanks _____

Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? _____ How many tanks fireproofed? _____

Amount of fee enclosed? 1.00 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.) Port. and Gas Light Co.

Signature of contractor Carl M. Morgan

INSPECTION COPY

Ward	4	Permit No.	37/865
Location	497 Congress St.		
Owner	Passenger News Co.		
Date of permit	6/12/37		
Post Card sent	6/12/37		
Notif. for inspn.	None		
Approval Tag issued	7/7/37 C68		
Oil Burner Check List (date)			
1. Kind of heat	<i>gas fired water air</i>		
2. Label			
3. Anti-siphon			
4. Oil storage			
5. Tank distance			
6. Vent pipe			
7. Fill pipe			
8. Gauge			
9. Rigidity			
10. Feed safety			
11. Pipe sizes and material			
12. Control valve			
13. Ash pit vent			
14. Temp. or pressure safety			
15. Instruction card			
16.			

NOTES

*6/22/37 Corrector - should
be provided where small pipe
6" to 8" below joists alone.
Run at near-right angles.*

*No Thompson Gas Co., Inc. et
they would furnish
insist. A.H.
7/7/37 should not provide
no Thompson, Gas Co. will
attend to this etc.*



FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT NO. 1605

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

OCT 2 1937

Portland, Maine, Oct. 2, 1937

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 493 Congress St., City Use of Building Florist Shop

Name and address of owner George Minott, 493 Congress Street Ward 4

Contractor's name and address Pallari Oil & Equip. Co. of Maine Telephone 2-1931

General Description of Work

To install Oil Burning Equipment - Hot Air Furnace

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Is heater or source of heat to be in cellar? Yes If not, which story _____ Kind of Fuel Oil

Material of supports of heater or equipment (concrete floor or what kind) Concrete

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of boiler or casing top of furnace,

from top of smoke pipe _____, from front of heater _____ from sides or back of heater _____

Size of chimney flue _____ Other connections to same flue _____

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner GBC-A2 Sachem Labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories? Yes

Will operator be always in attendance? Buried in ground under Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure) Pressure

Location oil storage platform at back of store No. and capacity of tanks 1 - 275-Gal.

Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? Yes How many tanks fireproofed? _____

Amount of fee enclosed 1.00 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.) Pallari Oil & Equip. Co. of Me.

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Signature of contractor P.J. DeStefano By L.G.R. - Oil Furnace Division

Ward 4 Permit No. 37/1605

Location 493 Congress St.

Owner George Brinatt

Date of permit 10/21/37

Post Card sent

Notif. for inspn. None

Approval Tag issued 10/15/37. adt.

Oil Burner Check List (date) 10/15/37.

1. Kind of heat Oil Pipe

2. Label 20.3291

3. Anti-siphon ✓

4. Oil storage ✓

5. Tank distance ✓

6. Vent pipe ✓

7. Fill pipe ✓

8. Gauge ✓

9. Rigidity ✓

10. Feed safety ✓

11. Pipe sizes and material ✓

12. Control valve ✓

13. Ash pit vent ✓

14. Temp. or pressure safety ✓

15. Instruction card ✓

16. Draft-O-stat in smokepipe.

NOTES

Chimney has a damper.

July 1, 1938

File: Rec. 7134B-I

P. J. Bailey Company,
43 South Street,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is the building permit covering alterations in the store front at 407 Congress Street.

With regard to fire proofing of the new steel beams, this fire proofing is required to be at least one and one-half inches in thickness and to be of poured concrete or equivalent. I presume that the bottom flanges of the beams will be strapped with mesh or some other equivalent method used to be sure that the fire proofing stays in place.

The channels intended to support these beams at either end should be bolted to the existing piers at frequent intervals, if fire proofing of the channels is to be avoided.

From the details on your plan it is not clear to me how the steel beams are to be fastened to the channels, but I am assuming that these will be adequately fastened to the channels.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

McD/B
CC: Fessenden News Co.



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE PERMIT ISSUED
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

0964

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second fl.

JUL 1 1936

Portland, Maine, June 30, 1936

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 437 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner or lessee's name and address Fraserden Bros. Co., 437 Congress St. Telephone

Contractor's name and address Double Paint & Glass Co., 332 Forest Ave. Telephone 2-2523

Architect's name and address P. G. Bailey Co., 69 South St. Telephone 2-2523

Proposed use of building Store No. families

Other buildings on same lot

Plans filed as part of this application? yes No. of sheets 1

Estimated cost \$ 1,000. Fee \$ 1.00

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material brick No. stories 3 Heat Style of roof Roofing

Last use Stores No. families

General Description of New Work

To provide new store store front as per plan submitted

NO EXTERIOR EXF GLE WOODWORK EXCEPT DOOR

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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

Details of New Work

Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____

To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____

Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of Roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____

No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____

Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____

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

Material columns used: girders _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 3 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.

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

On centers: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____

Maximum span: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____, to be accommodated _____

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

By Fraserden Bros. Co.

Signature of lessee by C. G. Johnson

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4 Permit No. 36) 9641

Address 497 Congress St.
Owner Tessender News Co
Date built 7/1/36

Cert. closing-in

Inspr. closing-in

Final Notif.

Date 7/16/36

Cert. of Occupancy issued None

NOTES

7/7/36 - Yesterd
Floor and finish
is a hallway, 1st
With plastering
of E.O. Baileys
that this will have
to be finished or
crete instead of
plastered - ASI

7/7/36 - Yesterd John &
Ward in # told the only
thing I presented does
to take down what
they had done and
don't right it up

7/16/36 - Work well
along 2nd fl



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 0273

MAR 26 1955

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second class

Portland, Maine,

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location Rear 400 Congress St. Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or lessee's name and address P. M. J. Brown Co., 37 Exchange St. Telephone

Contractor's name and address Oxford Freezing Co., 37 Preble St. Telephone 4-3762

Architect's name and address

Proposed use of building _____ No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot _____

Plans filed as part of this application? No. of sheets _____

Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$.50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material brick No. stories 1 Heat Style of roof Roofing

Last use Storage No. families

General Description of New Work

To demolish 13' x 13' brick building

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

Details of New Work

Size, front depth No. stories Height average grade to top of plate

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

To be erected on solid or filled land? earth or rock?

Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom

Material of underpinning Height Thickness

Kind of Roof Rise per foot Roof covering

No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining

Kind of heat Type of fuel Is gas fitting involved?

Corner posts Sills Girt or ledger board? Size

Material columns under girders Size Max. on centers

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

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

On centers: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

Maximum span: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot, to be accommodated

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? No

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

Signature of owner By: D. F. Stapley
Oxford Freezing Co.

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Ward 4 Permit No. 36/273
Location R. 489 Congress St.
Owner P. H. & J. m. Brown Co.
Date of permit 3/26/36
Notif. closing-in _____
Inspn. closing-in _____
Final Notif. _____
Final Inspn. 4/14/36. OOB.
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

NOTES



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
0019

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class JAN 11 1939

Portland, Maine, January 11, 1939

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 491½ Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Payson, 491½ Congress St. Telephone _____

Contractor's name and address Brown & Berry, Inc. 22 Monument Sq. Telephone E-2452

Architect's name and address _____

Proposed use of building Stores and Offices No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot _____

Plans filed at time of this application? no No. of sheets _____

Estimated cost \$80. - Fee \$.50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

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

Last use Stores and Offices No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To put in celotex partitions (2x4-16" OC) to provide private office in front corner of large room on second floor of building

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

Details of New Work

Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____

To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____

Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of Roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____

No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____

Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____

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

Material columns under girders _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____

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

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

On centers: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____

Maximum span: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____ to be accommodated _____

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

John Payson
Edward P. Berry

Signature of Lessee

By

INSPECTION COPY

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Ward 4 Permit No. 36/19
Location 491 1/2 Congress St.
Owner John Pajoy
Date of permit 1/11/36
Notif. closing-in
Inspe. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. 2/13/36
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

2/13/36 - Work done -
C.G.S.

NOTES

United News Network

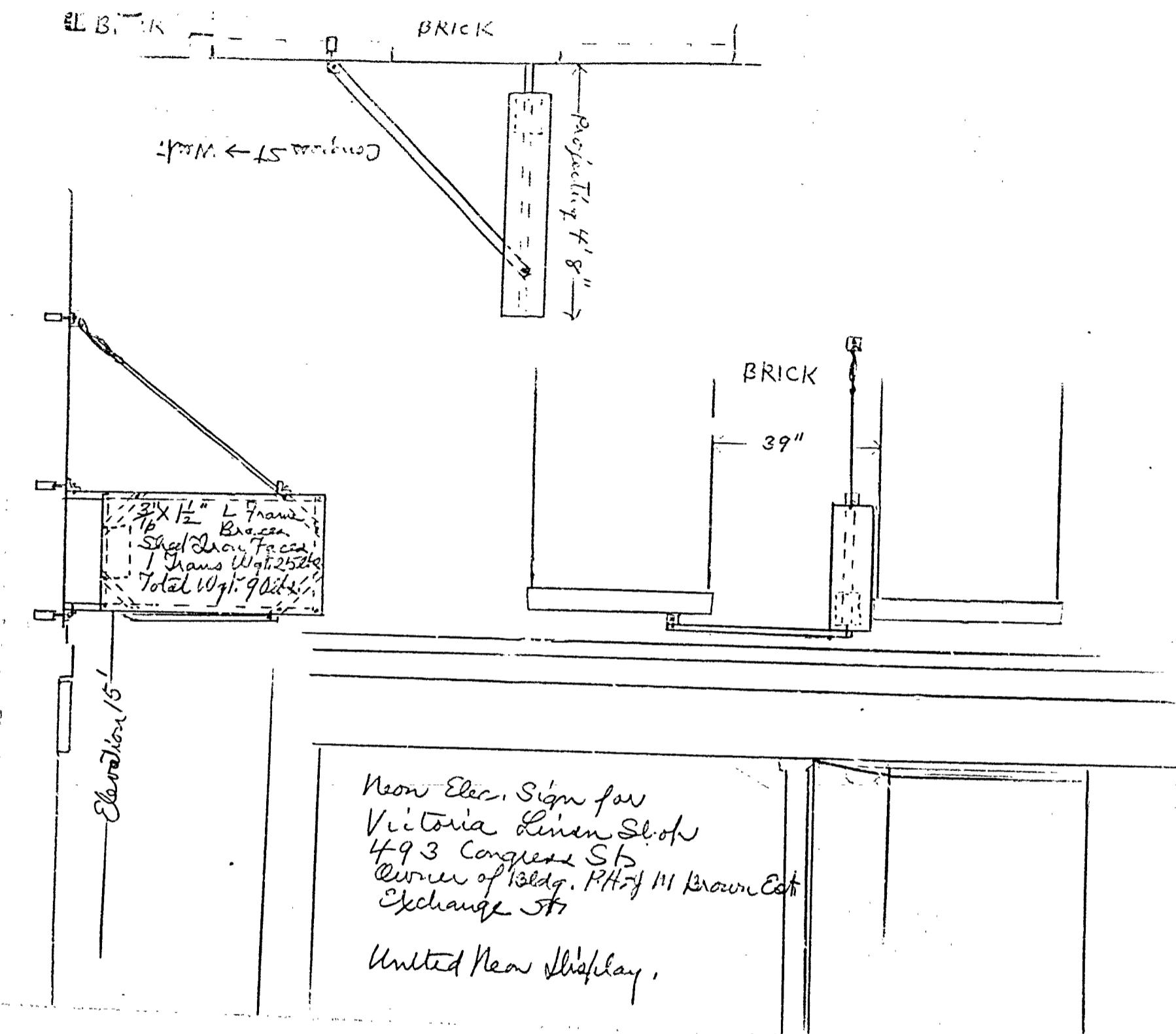
Company East →

SPIRALS CANDY

VICTORIA LINEN SHOP LANE

493

Electric



PERMIT ISSUED
GENERAL BUSINESS CLASS

Permit No. 0004

1936



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN
OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Portland, Maine, January 1, 1936 19

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 493 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached P. H. & J. M. Brown Co.

Name and address of owner of sign Victoria Linen Shop, 435 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address United Neon Display, 27 Monument Sq. Telephone 2-0695

When does contractor's bond expire? August, 1936

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 3 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick

Details of Sign and Connections

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

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

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

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

No. through bolts no Size Location, top or bottom

No. guys 2 material sheet cable and angle iron Size $\frac{1}{8}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{16}$

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 15'

Maximum projection into street 4'

United Neon Display

Fee \$ 1.00

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.
INSPECTION COPY

Signature of contractor By

United Neon Display

Permit No. 36 / 4

Location 493 Congress St.
Victoria Annex Slip

Date of permit 1/16/36

Sig Factor

Final Inspn. 1/9/36, C.R.A.

NOTES

Fleet 1/17/36 O.K. before erection
Shop 1/17/36
Sign file plan made 1/19/36
Clearance above sidewalk 11' - ✓
Ornament Underside 11' - ✓



FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT ISSUE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

AUG 26 1935

August 26, 1935

Portland, Maine,

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 495 Congress Street Use of Building mercantile
Name and address of owner Spear Folks, 495 Congress St. Ward 4
Contractor's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., 5 Temple Street Telephone 2-2821

General Description of Work

To install gas fired warm air furnace in place of existing coal fired warm air furnace.

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE
Is heater or source of heat to be in cellar? yes If not, which story _____
Material of supports of heater or equipment (concrete floor or w... kind) concrete
Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of boiler or casing top of furnace, _____
from top of smoke pipe 20", from front of heater over 4' from sides or back of heater over 5'
Size of chimney flue 8x8 Other connections to same flue gas water heater

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Humphrey Labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories? yes

Will operator be always in attendance? _____ Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure) _____

Location oil storage _____ No. and capacity of tanks _____

Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? _____ How many tanks fireproofed? _____

Amount of fee enclosed? 1.00 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50¢ additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

Signature of contractor By Carl M. Morgan

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Ward 4 Permit No. 235/1322

Location 495 Congress St.

Owner S. J. Doherty

Date of permit 8/26/35

Post Card sent 8/26/35

Notif. for insp. by city heat Bd. forendwirters, Oct 23, 35.
Gas or attached to 35/1613

Oil Burner Check List (date)

1. Kind of heat
2. Label
3. Anti-siphon
4. Oil storage
5. Tank distance
6. Vent pipe
7. Fill pipe
8. Gauge
9. Rigidity
10. Feed safety
11. Pipe sizes and material
12. Control valve
13. Ash pit vent
14. Temp. or pressure safety
15. Instruction card
- 16.

NOTES

J2

J2

~~Draftsman - 469 Bryant St - Kimball System 2/19/~~

$$\frac{(6 \times 4 + 2 \times 5)}{2} \times 10 = 340^*$$

$$m = \frac{w l^2}{2} = \frac{340 \times 5 \times 10}{2} = 10200 \text{ in lbs.}$$

$$\frac{1.7}{7850} = 0.56 \text{ reg. S.}$$

Weight

$$\frac{225 \times 3 \times 10}{2} = 4050 \text{ in lbs.}$$

$$\frac{0.675}{7850} = 0.225 \text{ reg. S.}$$

$$\text{Total reg S} = 0.785$$

$$5 \text{ of } 2 \times 2 \times \frac{1}{4} " L = 0.25 ; \text{ of } 2 L^2 = 0.50$$

Addl. $2 \times 2 \times \frac{1}{4} " L$ in trf - that = 2 at trf back to back
would be OK.

$$\begin{array}{r} 225 \\ 18 \\ \hline 180 \\ 225 \\ \hline 4050 \end{array}$$

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN 1052
OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Portland, Maine, July 17, 1935 19

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

Location 439 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1
 Owner of building to which sign is to be attached P. H. & J. M. Brown Co.
 Name and address of owner of sign Day's Inc. 469 Congress St.
 Contractor's name and address Kimball System of Portland, 51 Cross St. Telephone 2-5047
 When does contractor's bond expire January, 1936

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 4	Material of wall to which sign is to be attached brick
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Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes	Vertical dimension after erection 6' 3"	Horizontal 6'
Weight 450 lbs.	Will there be any hollow spaces? yes	Any rigid frame? yes
Material of frame 2x2x1 angle iron	No. advertising faces 2	material galv. metal
No. rigid connections 4	Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes	
No. through bolts 2	Size 1/2"	Location, top or bottom top
No. guys 5	material angle iron	Size 2x2x3/16 angle
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 15'		
Maximum projection into street 6'		

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

Fee \$ 1.00

Olive F. Dubois Signature of contractor by *Robert C. Gleason*

INSPECTION COPY CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.

Ward	4	Permit No.	35)1062
Location	489 Congress St		
Days Inc.	8/16/35		
Permit	7/20/35		
Sign Contractor			
Final Inspn.	8/16/35, O.K.		
NOTES			
<p>Sticker Electrical Inspr. - 8/7/35 ✓ Shop Inspr. - 8/7/35 ✓ Spotted on Sign Map - 7/29/35 ✓ Sign Survey plan made - 8/16/35 ✓</p> <p>8/1/35. Site of inspr. for main sign. In Alky spray of eliminating angle iron frame in projection of the sign. To fit back to new frame provided before changing of this detail. - C.R. 8/16/35 through Bolts with steel plated O.K. C.R.</p>			

Lights can be ordered installed in 205
a dance hall permit is applied for.
On account of short distance to ground
stink ladder is OK.

Not approved until clear space for
ladder is assured by posts - rail
should extend to edge of roof.

O.T.S.
Hold for minor changes in
plan. See letter 5/10/50

5/4/50

O.T.L.

Please note that any ladder
will fall over pushing off once
so he can straighten it back.
Also that hand and a guard
rail on roof does not extend
to edge of roof at ladder. In
event this ladder is era to a high
place above tall trees I should
think a counterbalanced
planking would be necessary
and perhaps one or more lights
on the roof.

Mod 3/135

THE HUSSEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY

IRONWORKERS SINCE EIGHTEEN THIRTY-FIVE

STRUCTURAL STEEL AND ORNAMENTAL IRON

PHONE 39-2 NORTH BERWICK, ME.

June 13, 1935

Mr. Warren McDonald,
Inspector of Buildings,
City Hall,
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. McDonald:

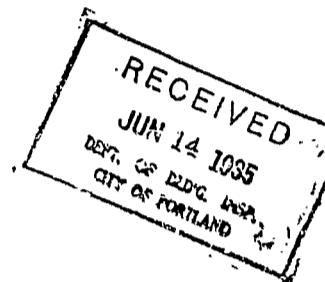
After talking with you yesterday following the receipt of your letter of June 11 about the fire escape we installed for F. H. & J. M. Brown Company, I personally called at the building last night to look the situation over.

I am sorry to say that I did find one loose nut on a post of the rail on the left hand side of the stairs as you come down, and of course this was an oversight and something which gets by once in awhile.

In regard to the drop ladder I am somewhat skeptical whether it will be possible to anchor any such piece of equipment to this particular building and make it safe. The brickwork is in such condition that in most every instance the mortar has been washed out for a distance of from one to two inches in on the bricks. One blow with the hammer starts a brick moving inward, and I am very much afraid the owner could not expect us to attach equipment to this kind of construction. I did find, however, that the attachment at the roof would be in my opinion amply safe and solid. The bracing at the mid point was anything else but that. It would be a simple matter to increase the length of the drop section of the ladder so that it would steady itself in the ground. Evidently the ladder has been used quite a good deal so that it has cut a furrow in the scil below until it hangs almost free.

Please be advised that we stand ready to make any adjustments within reason at the building, but do not feel that we can properly do so until we are given a little more solid construction to attach our work to.

If you have any suggestions to offer I feel that you know us well enough so that you will feel free to let us have them, and then you may rest assured efforts will be made along the lines you suggest
216 Middle Street,
Portland, Maine



May 6, 1935

File Receipt No. 4240B-I

Hussey Mfg. Company,
North Berwick,
Maine.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your application for a permit to construct a fire escape on the building owned by P. H. & J. M. Brown Company at 489 Congress Street, the Chief of the Fire Department feels that he cannot approve this plan until minor changes are made in it.

The wooden guard rail on the roof should extend to the edge of the roof at the ladder so that there would be no possibility of a person missing the ladder.

Some arrangement is required so that automobiles may not be parked in such a location that they would prevent the drop ladder from extending down to the ground. It is suggested that posts might be placed in the parking area parallel to them, thus allowing the hinged ladder to drop in the recess in the walls of the building.

Please have these changes indicated on the plan so that it may be returned to have for approval. It should be noticed that the landing of the fire escape is required to extend at least nine inches beyond the jambs of the exit door.

Very truly yours,

McD/H

Inspector of Buildings.

CC: P.H.&J.M. Brown Co.
216 Middle Street.
Attn: Mr. Holt

THE HUSSEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY

IRONWORKERS SINCE EIGHTEEN THIRTY-FIVE

STRUCTURAL STEEL AND ORNAMENTAL IRON

PHONE 39-2 NORTH BERWICK, ME.

May 11, 1935

Mr. Warren McDonald,
Inspector of Buildings,
City Hall,
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. McDonald:

We have your letter of May 6 in regard to fire escape for the
P. H. & J. M. Brown Company, at 489 Congress Street.

You state that the Chief of the Fire Department feels that some
minor changes should be made in the plan we first submitted with
application for permit.

We are sending you a new drawing herewith showing the proposed
changes such as lengthening out the wooden guard rail on the
roof and changing the folding drop ladder around at right angles
to the side wall of the building for ease in getting on to.

In order that any automobiles may be backed into the area under
the drop ladder it will be necessary to do quite a bit of exca-
vating, as you will find upon visiting the site. Of course it
would be possible to back a big, heavy truck with overhanging
body into the area, but as the chief suggests posts could be
placed in this parking space and believe that the owner would be
willing to attend to this although it does not come inside our
activities on this job.

If you find the equipment to meet the approval of your Depart-
ment we would be pleased to have permit so that we can complete
the installation.

Very truly yours,

THE HUSSEY MFG. COMPANY

PWH/M

P. W. Hussey, Gen. Mgr.

cc to P. H. & J. M. Brown Company,
216 Middle Street,
Portland, Maine

June 11, 1935.

File R.42493-I

Hussey Mfg. Company,
North Berwick,
Maine.

Gentlemen:-

With reference to the fire escape which you have erected for P. H. and J. M. Brown Company at the rear of 480 Congress Street in this City, an inspector from this office reports as follows:

"The ladder from the flat roof to the ground is not securely fastened. The middle fastening is jagged to the brickwork and the lag bolt is so loose that it may be removed by hand. The drop section of the ladder has no stop or guide at the bottom and this section swings so freely as to interfere with the safety of persons trying to come down."

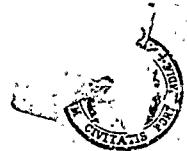
Please have these matters fully taken care of on or before June 29, 1935 so that the permit may be discharged from our records.

Very truly yours,

McD/H

Inspector of Buildings.

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT *Permit No. 0645*
PERMIT ISSUED



Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

MAY 15 1935

Portland, Maine, May 2, 1935

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 489 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address P. H. & J. M. Brown Co., 216 Middle Street Telephone

Contractor's name and address Hussey Mfg. Company, North Berwick, Maine Telephone

Architect's name and address

Proposed use of building Stores, offices & hall

Other buildings on same lot No. families

Plans filed as part of this application? Yes No. of sheets 1

Estimated cost \$ 160.

Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material Brick No. stories 3 Heat Style of roof Roofing

Last use Stores, offices & hall No. families

General Description of New Work

To erect metal fire escape as per plan submitted (Third floor to ground)

*NOTIFICATION BEFORE LATENT
OR CLOSING-IN IS WAIVED.
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED.*

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Details of New Work

Size, front depth No. stories Height average grade to top of plate

To be erected on solid or filled land? earth or rock? Height average grade to highest point of roof

Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom

Material of underpinning Height

Kind of Roof Rise per foot Roof covering Thickness

No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining

Kind of heat Type of fuel Is gas fitting involved?

Corner posts Sills Girt or ledger board? Size

Material columns under girders Size Max. on centers

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

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

On centers: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

Maximum span: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot , to be accommodated

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

*BY: P. H. & J. M. Brown Company
Signature of owner By D. Hussey Mfg. Co.*

INSPCTION COPIES TO BE MADE BY THE INSPECTOR OF FIRE DEPT.

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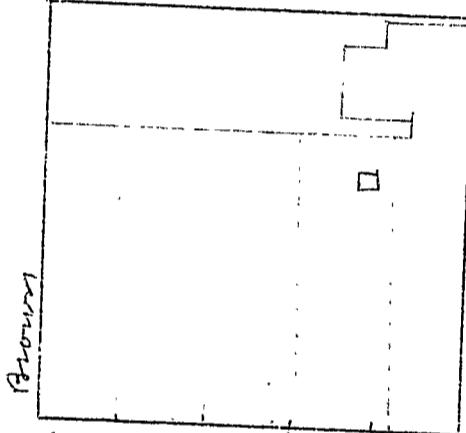
6/22/55, See Hudson
Letter to letter received
File # 1435 CAB

A. E. J. Brown Co.	
Date of permit	5/15/55
Notif. closing-in	10/21/55 - Plans show ladder has been removed and replaced with a single a/c
Inspr. closing-in	
Final Notif.	
Final Inspn.	10/20/55
Cert. of Occupancy issued	None
NOTES	<p>On 6/22/55, the ladder was still intact, no work has been done. The ladder featuring its largest feet at the middle is still in place enough to be used however it is hard to get a grip of the ladder because it is a good distance away from the bottom and you have to climb up with the weight of a person standing up. EXL P-135-Better - m</p>

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
ELEVATOR INSPECTION

1-27
E. No. 57 Block C Sheet of _____
Location of Bldg. 491 Congress St.
Owner Farmers' Life Ins. Co. of America
Occupant Farmers' Life Ins. Co. of America
Inspection by N.H. P. & H. Date 2-19-34
Formal Complaint No. _____ Date _____
Letter sent without complaint.

Building Data
Mat'l outside walls Brick Int. Frame Wood
No. stories 4 Style of Roof Framed
No. elev. in bldg., Passenger 1 Freight 1
Location of Elevator on Street Floor
Shown Below



St. Ave.
This report for 1 identical elevators
Elev. Manf'r Otis
Use of elev., Pass ✓ Frt. Comb'n which
No. stops 4 Bsmt, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Shaftway

Open? — Hatch doors, Autc. — Non-autc. —
Gates, auto. — Semi-auto. — Hand ✓
Enclosed? ✓ Mat'l. of enclosure Plastered
Fire Doors ✓ Normally closed ✓ open —
Are enclosure doors interlocked? +
Height enclosure, full story ✓ what ht. —

Elevator Machinery

Type of Power Elec.
Type of Machine Normal capacity
Location of Machine Basement
Material of Supports Iron or Guides
Material of cables Steel
No. cables, hoisting 2 counterweight 2
Type of brakes Elec.

Has elev. following safeties: Governor ✓
Car Safety ✓; Elect. Brakes ✓; Auto. Terminal Stops top & bottom ✓; Slack Cable
Stops ✓; Safety Floor Stops —
Remarks: (note defects, if any)

Elevator Car

Platform Dimensions 3 1/2 x 4 Capacity 0
Mat'l. of Encl. Plaster No. sides encl. 3

Height of enclosure ✓ No. entrances 1
Type of gates or doors +
Are they interlocked? +

Have they auto-closing device? +
Type operation, Push-Button Operator Hand

Any emergency exit? +
Remarks: (note defects, if any)

General Remarks:

Elevator not in use?

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 1561
PERMIT ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class Date 1-1035
Portland, Maine, May 1, 1935

The INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Address 493 Congress Street Ward 6 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Lessor Lessee's name and address Victoria Linen Shop, 493 Congress St. Telephone _____

Factor's name and address A. J. Bird Co., 52A Portland St. Telephone 2-2723

Architect's name and address _____

Proposed use of building Stores, offices and hall No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot _____

Plans filed as part of this application? no No. of sheets _____

Estimated cost \$ 200. Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material <u>brick</u>	No. stories <u>4</u>	Heat _____	Style of roof _____	Roofing _____
Last use _____	<u>stores, offices and hall</u>			No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To change front entrance door from recess of three feet to recess of nine feet - no structural change -

I understand that this permit does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be taken out separately by and in the name of heating contractor.

Details of New Work

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

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

Is the new work to be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____

Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____

Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____

Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____

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

Size _____ Max. on centers _____

Joists and rafters: 1st floor _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ roof _____
On centers: 1st floor _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ roof _____

Maximum span: 1st floor _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ roof _____

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____ to be accommodated _____

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

Victoria Linen Shop

Signature of owner _____ By _____

A. J. Bird Co.

INVESTIGATION COPY

Ward - 7 Permit No. 88701
Location 493 Congress St

Owner Victoria Axen Shop

Date of permit 5/1/35

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif.

Final Inspn. 5/4/35

Cert. of Occupancy issued None

5/4/35 - Work being
done - A.J.C.



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZON
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 1485 ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class Oct 2 1934

Portland, Maine, Oct. 2 1934

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 439 Congress St. Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address Brown Estate (Mr Coolbroth Agt.) 310 Commercial St. Telephone

Contractor's name and address Paul B. Mc Lellan 504 Ocean Ave. Telephone 4-3802

Architect's name and address

Proposed use of building Mercantile No. families

Other buildings on same lot none

Plans filed as part of this application? No No. of sheets

Estimated cost \$ 500. Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material Brick No. stories 3 Heat _____ Style of roof Flat Roofing _____

Last use Mercantile No. families

General Description of New Work

Extend vestibule entrance 6'-0 into store lengthening side show windows by so doing.
no structural changes.

NOTIFICATION BEFORE LATHING
OR CLOSING-IN IS WAIVED.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED.

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

Details of New Work

Height average grade to top of plate

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

To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock?

Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of Roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____

No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____

Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved?

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

Material columns under girders _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____

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

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

On centers: 1st floor _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ roof _____

Maximum span: 1st floor _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ roof _____

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

If a Garage

No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____ to be accommodated _____

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? No

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

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Signature of owner: Paul B. Mc Lellan

Ward 4 Permit No. 3411485
Location 4891 Argus St.
Owner P. H. & J. D. Brown Co.
Date of permit 10/2/34
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. 10/6/34
Cert. of Occupancy issued 10/6/34

NOTES

10/6/34 Work being
done - A.G.



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE PERMIT ISSUED
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN **0557**
OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET **JUL 18 1934**

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 **407 Congress Street** Ward **4** Within Fire Limits? **yes** Dist. No. **1**

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached **R. H. & J. M. Brown Co.**

Name and address of owner of sign **Fessenden News Shop 497 Congress St.**

Contractor's name and address **Charles Carter, Jr. 455 Congress St.** Telephone **0566**

When does contractor's bond expire? **June 1935**

Information Concerning Building

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

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric **no** Vertical dimension after erection **12"** Horizontal **22"** *NOTIFICATION BEFORE LATHING
OR CLOSING-IN IS WAIVED.*

Weight **6** lbs. Will there be any hollow spaces? **no** Any rigid frame? **yes** *CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED.*

Material of frame **wood** No. advertising faces **2**, material **wood**

No. rigid connections **1** Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? **yes**

No. through-bolts **none**, Size **—**, Location, top or bottom **—**

No. guys **none**, material **—**, Size **—**

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street **11'**

Maximum projection into street **22"**

REMOVED

Charles Carter, Jr. Signature of contractor Fee \$ **.50**

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.

INSPECTION COPY

4	Permit No. <u>34/957</u>
Location <u>497 Congress St.</u>	
<u>Pensender News Shop</u>	
Date of permit	<u>7/16/34</u>
Sign Contractor	
Final Inspn.	<u>2/3/34</u>
NOTES <u>8/3/34 sign up - OJS</u>	



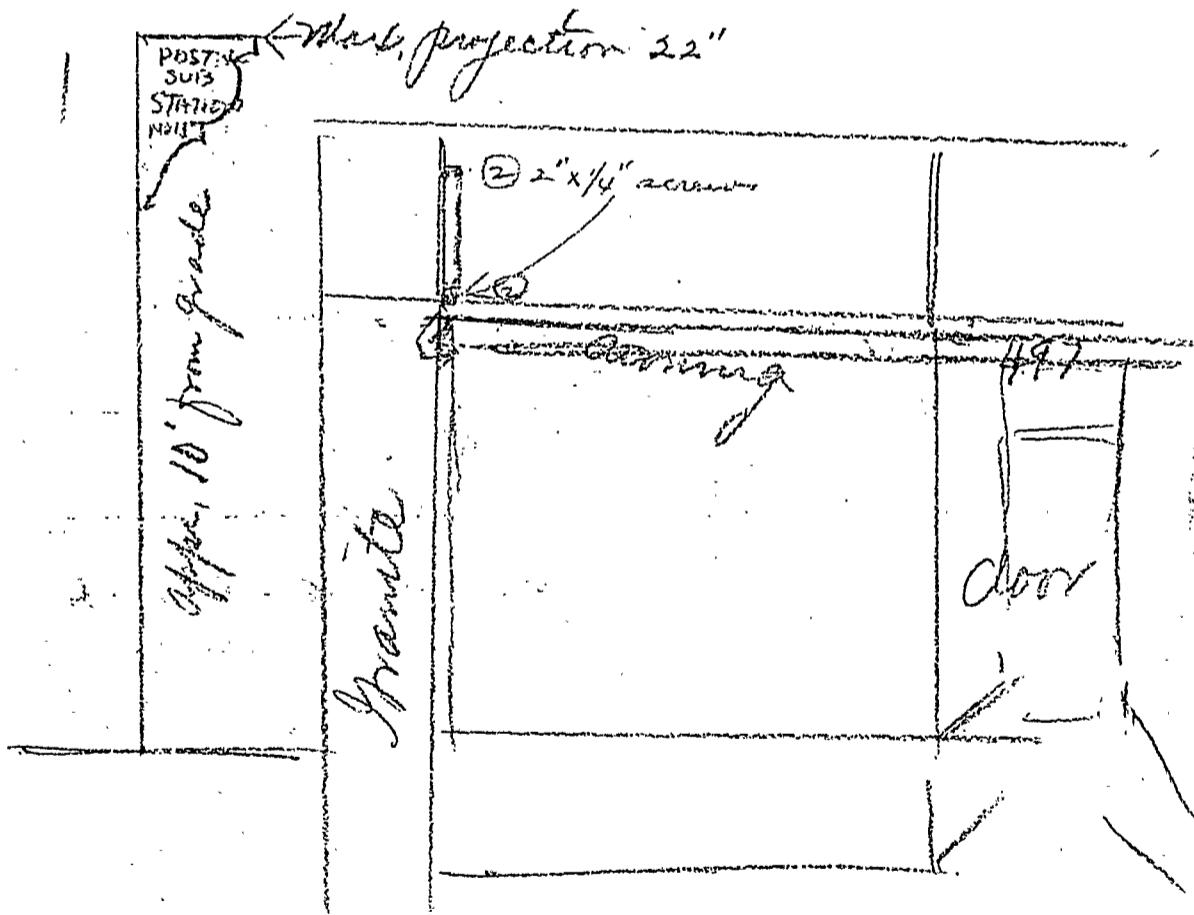
CHARLES OERTER, JR.
SIGNS

WINDOW LETTERING - STORE FRONT PUBLICITY - DECORATIVE DISPLAY - ELECTRIC SIGNS ANY DESCRIPTION
BANNERS - WALLS - BULLETINS

46 WILLARD ST., SOUTH PORTLAND, ME.

443 Congress St., Portland,


Persauden News Shop -
497 Congress St -
projecting sign - 20" x 20"
wood construction =



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 0086

JAN 30 1934

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, January 30, 1934

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 495 Congress Street Ward 4 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
 Owner's or lessee's name and address Spear Folks, 495 Congress St. Telephone _____
 Contractor's name and address John E. Fogg, 67 Motley St. Telephone 2-5468

Architect's name and address _____
 Proposed use of building Stores and Office No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot _____
 Plans filed as part of this application? no No. of sheets _____

Estimated cost \$ 30. Fee \$.50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material brick No. stories 2½ Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
 Last use stores and Offices No. families _____

General Description of New Work
To cut in new door (S') in existing brick wall to provide entrance from office on second floor to entrance hall No. 495½

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED.

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

Details of New Work

Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____
 To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____

Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____
 Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of Roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____
 No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____

Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____
 Corner posts _____ Sills _____ Girt or ledger board? _____ Size _____

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Miscellaneous

Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

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

Signature of Lessee Spear Folks By John E. Fogg

INSPECTION COPY

Ward 11 Permit No. 34)86
Location 495 Congress St.
Owner Special Tylers
Date of permit 1/30/34
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. 3/6/34
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

NOTES

3/6/34 - Work done - AS