

163 CONGRESS STREET



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February 9, 1931

Mr. J. T. Johnston  
157 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Upon inspection of the heater installed in your building  
151 Congress Street, we find several details in connection with the  
chimney to be taken care of.

The opening through the first floor next to the chimney should  
be tightly closed with sheet metal or asbestos lumber so that in case  
of fire in the cellar, it will not pass upwards through the building  
quickly. A cast iron cleanout door and frame is required at the bottom  
of the chimney flue. There is a hole in the chimney in the cellar, which,  
if not to be used, should be closed up with brick masonry. There is a  
smokepipe opening in the first floor which is not in use. If this is  
not to be used again, the opening should be closed up with brick masonry.  
If it is to be used again sometime in the future, a tight fitting metal  
flue stop should be provided. There are certain places where the Upson  
board is against the chimney. This should be removed so that there will  
be at least one inch between it and the chimney.

Please arrange to have these details taken care of as promptly as  
possible, and notify this office when the work has been done so that another  
inspection may be made.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WM/HC



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# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Permit No. 1843

Aug. 25 1930

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To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, \_\_\_\_\_

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

Location

157 Congress St.

Use of Building

Name and address of owner

J. T. Johnston 157 Congress St.

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Contractor's name and address

Halverson Bros. 9 Union St.

Telephone

One pipe heater General Description of Work

To install

## IF HEATER, BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Is heater or source of heat to be in cellar? \_\_\_\_\_. If not, which story \_\_\_\_\_ Kind of Fuel \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

from top of smoke pipe \_\_\_\_\_, from front of heater \_\_\_\_\_ from sides or back of heater \_\_\_\_\_

## IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner \_\_\_\_\_

Approved

Underwriters' Laboratories? \_\_\_\_\_

Location oil storage \_\_\_\_\_

No. and capacity of tanks \_\_\_\_\_

Will all tanks be more than \_\_\_\_\_ feet from any flame? \_\_\_\_\_ How many tanks fireproofed? \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of fee enclosed? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Building at same time.)

Signature of contractor

Halverson Bros.  
E. H. Goodrich

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August 22, 1928.

Mr. W. A. Guphill  
198 Commercial Street  
Portland, Maine.

Dear Sir:

An Inspector from this office reports that you have failed to comply with the Building Ordinance in the construction of a concrete foundation under your building at 161 Congress Street.

Please come to this office at the earliest possible date and see what may be done to remedy this situation. It would be well for you to come at sunset during the Inspector's office hours named above.

Very truly yours,

WM/EP

Inspector of Buildings.



# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, July 24, 1930

JUL 25 1930

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 161 Congress Street (161 1/2) Ward 2 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 8

Owner's or Lessee's name and address W. A. Guphill, 189 Commercial St. Telephone F4345

Contractor's name and address Chas. Anderson, Fred Johnson, 58 Fessenden St. Telephone

Architect's name and address

Proposed use of building Dwelling house No. families 1

Other buildings on same lot none

## Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material Wood No. stories  Heat  Style of roof  Roofing

Last use Dwelling house No. families

## General Description of New Work

To excavate and build concrete foundation under building  
(with concrete floor)

## Details of New Work

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

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

Material of foundation concrete Thickness, top 16" bottom 12"

Material of underpinning  Height  Thickness

Kind of roof  Roof covering

No. of chimneys  Material of chimneys  of lining

Kind of heat  Type of fuel  Distance, heater to chimney

If oil burner, name and model

Capacity and location of oil tanks

Is gas fitting involved?  Size of service

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

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

Estimated cost \$ 185. Fee \$ .75

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

W. A. Guphill

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Location, Ownership and detail must be correct, complete and legible.  
Separate application required for every building.  
Plans must be filed with this application.

## Application for Permit for Alterations, etc.

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Portland, August 20, 1927 102

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS:

The undersigned applies for a permit to alter the following described building:—

Location 163 Congress Street Ward 1 in fire-limit 10  
Name of Owner or Lessee William G. B. Hall Address 163 Congress Street  
Contractor A. B. Taylor 24 Harbor Street  
Architect

Descrip-  
tion of  
Present  
Bldg.

Material of Building is wood Style of Roof Pitch Material of Roofing shingle  
Size of Building is 20 ft feet long; 20 ft feet wide No. of Stories 1 1/2  
Cellar Wall is constructed of 205 is inches wide on bottom and batters to inches on top.  
Underpinning is is inches thick; is feet in height.  
Height of Building 20 ft Wall, if Brick; 1st 2d 3d 4th 5th  
What was Building last used for? dwelling No. of families 1  
What will Building now be used for? dwelling (one family)

### Detail of Proposed Work

Set building back on lot and put on posts  
all to comply with the building ordinance

Estimated Cost \$ 1,000.

### If Extended On Any Side

Size of Extension, No. of feet long; No. of feet wide; No. of feet high above sidewalk?  
No. of Stories high; Style of Roof; Material of Roofing?  
Of what material will the Extension be built? Foundation?  
If of Brick, what will be the thickness of External Walls inches; and Party Walls inches.  
How will the extension be occupied? How connected with Main Building?

### When Moved, Raised or Built Upon

No. of Stories in height when Moved, Raised or Built upon? Proposed Foundations  
No. of feet high from level of ground to highest part of Roof to be?  
How many feet will the External Walls be increased in height? Party Walls

### If Any Portion of the External or Party Walls Are Removed

Will an opening be made in the Party or External Walls? in St-  
Size of the opening? How protected?  
How will the remaining portion of the wall be supported?

Signature of Owner or  
Authorized Representative

Address

William G. B. Hall  
163 Congress Street  
Portland, Oregon

PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK