

Permit No. 39/2251

at 273 Congress St

Owner: E. M. Lewis Theatres

Date of permit 12/18/39

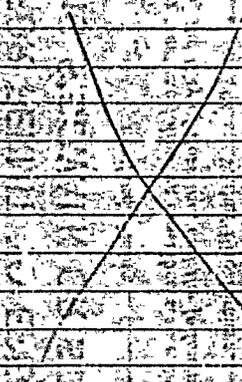
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St. Louis

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at time of original erection
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Rept. 2703C-I

August 31, 1938

Mr. John Trouvalis,
631 Congress Street,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

It will be necessary for you to furnish a plan showing the arrangement of the floor framing of your restaurant at 631 Congress Street and how you propose to support it in connection with the deepening of the cellar. This plan should be to scale, should show the location and material of posts, the kind of foundations and what is intended to retain the earth where the cellar is deepened.

In the meantime it is not lawful for you to even commence any of the excavation until the permit card is actually in your possession and posted upon the premises.

I am sending Mr. Beck a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Building

WMD/R

CC: Carroll L. Beck
647 Westbrook Street
South Portland, Maine

58/1321-1

September 6, 1933

Mr. John Trouvalis,
651 Congress Street,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the building permit covering alterations in the building at 651 Congress Street. The following matters are called to your attention:

The doorway between the cellar under the restaurant and the cellar under the theatre, which you had cut in without a permit, is to be completely and tightly bricked up with a brick wall at least eight inches thick, so that the restaurant cellar and the theatre will be completely separated.

The 4x8 girder beneath the restaurant floor ought to either be replaced with a 6x8 set with the eight inches vertical, or the four inch iron posts should be placed no more than five feet from center to center. It is understood that there is to be concrete footings put beneath these iron posts and that suitable metal plates are to be used at the top and at the bottom of each post, the bottom of the post being securely anchored to the concrete footing and the top securely fastened to the girder.

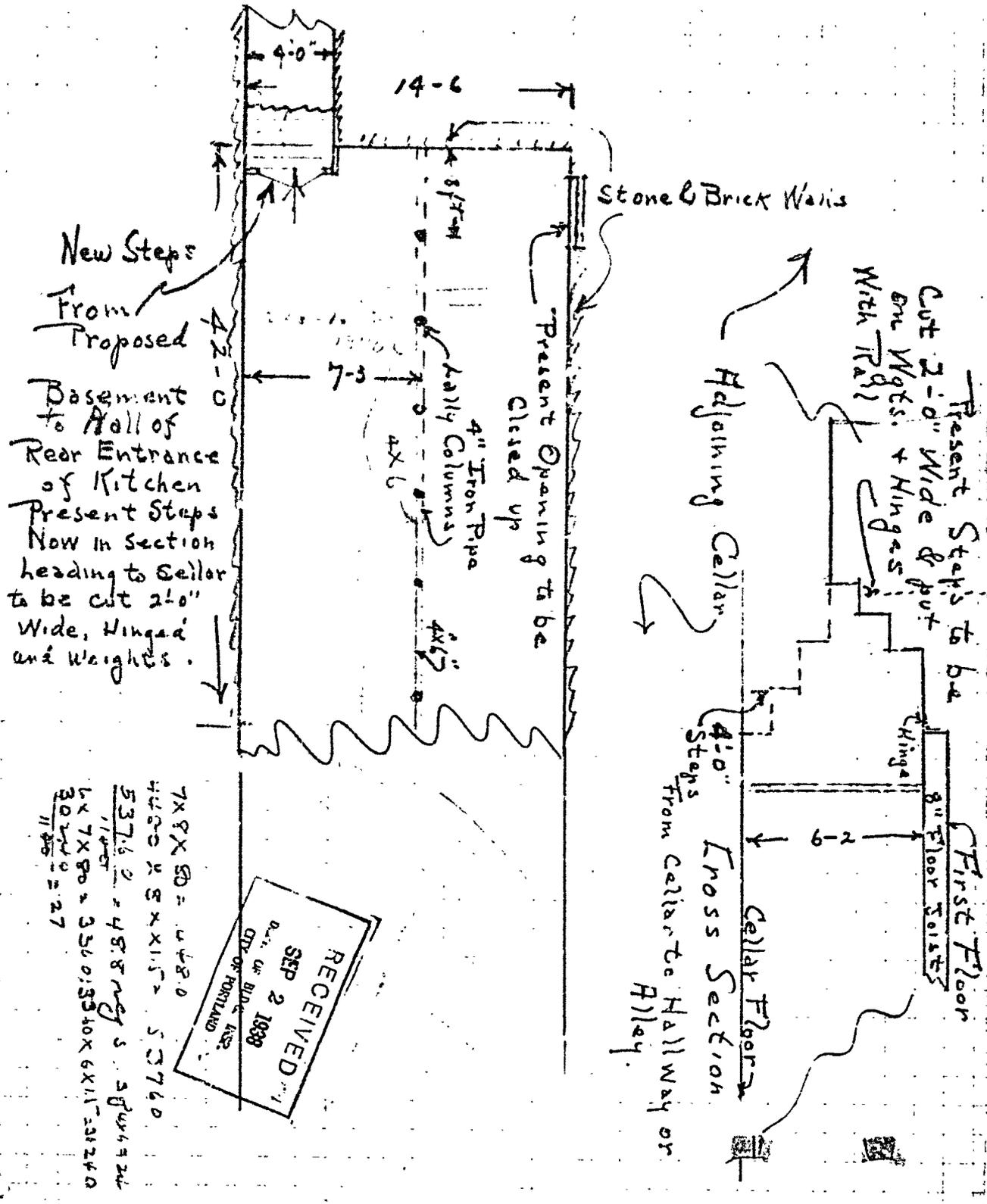
It is understood that you will thoroughly strengthen and repair any part of the stone foundation wall which requires repairs when the excavation is completed, and that you will have a careful carpenter go over all the supports under the restaurant and make them permanent and undoubtedly strong enough. This includes the front part of the cellar as well as the back part where you intend to do the major part of the work.

Very truly yours,

Edw/H

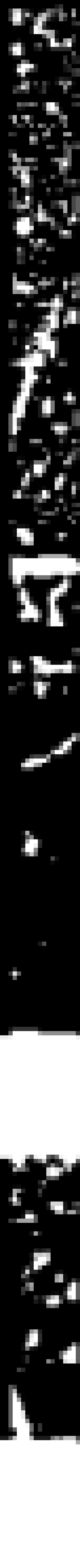
Inspector of Buildings

CC: Carroll Beck 647 Westbrook St.
Dudley C. Lunt, Pine Point



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 Div. of Bldg. & Lnc.
 City of Portland



Rcpt. 61230-1

December 7, 1939

United Neon Displays
27 Monument Square,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

On December 6, 1939 the Municipal Officers voted to sustain the appeal in the name of Paul C. Lunt, et al, relating to the structure which is proposed for E. M. Loew's Theatres, Inc. at 827 1/2 Congress Street intended to support certain projecting signs for which you have applied for a permit, interpreting the structure as being a marquee upon which signs may be supported as provided in detail in the Building Code.

Since you made the application for the permit, I have talked with Mr. Frank of C. I. Brink, Inc. and told him that even though the structure upon which the signs were to be supported were classified as a marquee, the top of the advertising device is proposed too high above the sidewalk of Congress Street to satisfy the Ordinance requirements. He said that that dimension would be adjusted to satisfy the requirements of the Building Code.

The detailed requirements provide that the height of such an advertising device around the edges of a marquee may be a maximum of sixteen feet above the sidewalk but that this maximum may occur only at the center of the ends and the front of the marquee; that the average height of the top of the sign or advertising device shall not exceed fourteen feet above the level of the sidewalk. The sidewalk is on a slope toward the curb, of course, and we shall figure the grade of the sidewalk as that midway between the building and the curb line beneath each side of the structure. From your plan I think the tops of the letters in the word "Capital" and probably the tops of the ornaments at the outside face of the structure are too high. If you can lower the letters and the ornaments so that no part of them will be more than fourteen feet above the average point of the sidewalk mentioned above, the signs will no doubt satisfy the requirements.

The plan should be revised to show this change clearly and new copies furnished here.

At the same time a statement of design signed by the actual designer of the sign structure in person should be attached to the plan as required by the Building Code and as indicated in my letter of December 4, 1939.

C. I. Brink, Inc. is receiving a copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

RMCD/H
CC: Robert DeWolfe
102 Exchange Street

Rept. 6183C-I

December 2, 1959

United Neon Display,
27 Monument Square,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

Referring to your application for a permit to cover erection of a so-called "marquee" over the public sidewalk at 627 1/2 Congress Street for E. M. Loew's Theatres, I am unable to issue this permit because I am not convinced that this structure is a marquee. Apparently the principal purpose of the structure is not a shelter but to support signs. Special allowances are made as to amount of projection over a sidewalk and closeness to sidewalk for signs built around the edges of marquees.

It seems to me that your client has two options, either to make a bona fide marquee of the type usually used for a shelter and arrange the border signs around it; or else cut down the projection of the structure which you plan to the allowable six feet for a projecting sign and raise it so that the bottom of it will be at least 15 feet above the sidewalk.

In either case there will be required attached to the plan a statement of design signed by the designer in person and the designer should be one thoroughly competent to design structural steel, preferably an engineer registered in this state.

Very truly yours,

FMcD/H
CC: Frederick Stone, Mgr.
Portland Theatre
Preble Street

Inspector of Buildings

December 15, 1939

P.S. These signs are required to be inspected on the interior of them before erection by our inspector and the electrical inspector.

E. M. Loew's Theatres,
c/o Frederick Stone, Mgr.
Portland Theatre
Freble Street
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

With relation to the marquee and signs proposed to project over the sidewalk at 627½ Congress Street (former Casco Theatre) we have application from United Neon Displays for the erection of the signs, but there is necessary a separate permit (or this may be an amendment to the existing permit covering alterations in the theatre) to cover the construction and erection of the marquee. In order to get the matter straightened out I am phoning Mr. Stone so that he may come and file application for the amendment to cover the marquee. This amendment will be issued with this letter as soon as we can secure the approval of it by the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief of the Fire Department, these approvals being required by the Building Code.

Relating to the marquee there is a note on the design sheet: "it has been assumed that the building contractor will frame lobby ceiling and roof upon 2x8" WF 21# beams and they have been calculated accordingly to assume this extra load."

These beams shown in the plan of the lobby roof are 8" beams and the lintel over the entrance to the lobby shows a different arrangement on the building plans than on the marquee plan. I am assuming that the owner or his contractor will clear up this confusion.

United Neon have filed with their application the structural plans of the marquee, but there are no structural plans of the signs. We will file the marquee plans with the amendment that Mr. Stone is to file. Brink, Inc. should file at once framing and fastening details of the signs, showing all members, fastenings, location of transformers, etc. We are accustomed to require an outline angle frame for such signs and bar or angle 45 degree braces at every corner.

It is understood that Brink is manufacturing the signs. They are to be erected under the United Neon bond. We shall include that all concerned are in violation of the Building Code unless the signs are actually erected by United Neon's regular and permanent employees.

C. I. Brink, Inc. and United Neon Displays are receiving copies of this letter.

Very truly yours,

SMcD/11

CC: J. J. Brink, Inc.
147 W. Fourth St., So. Boston

Inspector of Buildings

United Neon Display
27 Monument Square



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT
 City of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

PERMIT ISSUED
 Permit No. _____

SEP 6 1938

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, August 31, 1938

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect/alter/invent 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 851 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
 Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Trouvalis, 851 Congress St. Telephone _____
 Contractor's name and address Carroll Beck, Westbrook Street Telephone _____
 Architect _____ Telephone _____
 Proposed use of building Theatre, stores and offices Plans filed no No. of sheets _____
 Other buildings on same lot _____ No. families _____
 Estimated cost \$ 2000. Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material brick No. stories 5 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
 Last use Theatre, stores, and apartments No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To excavate section 10' x 15' four feet deep
 To provide new outside rear entrance to basement where former door was closed up

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? _____
 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 _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____
 Framing Lumber—Kind _____ Dressed or Full Size? _____
 Corner posts _____ Sills _____ Girt or ledger board? _____ Size _____
 Material columns under girders _____ Sills _____ 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 _____
 Or 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 Lessee

John Trouvalis

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Permit No. 38/1381
 Location: 631 Congress St.
 Ow. Robert Morales
 Date of permit: 9/16/38
 Notif. closing-in: _____
 Closing-in: _____

Final Notif. _____
 Final INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED
 Cert. of Occupancy issued _____

NOTES
 9/19/38 Work Reinstated
 Posts under 4x6 at sides
 in concrete columns
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C-58-125-I

August 9, 1938

Congress Square Garage, Inc.
48 Forest Avenue,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

The janitor at the Somerset Apartments, 633 Congress Street, which your company is reported to own, has complained about gas or odor coming from a certain low chimney in the building at 629-631 Congress Street.

Upon examination we find that there is no fire hazard involved apparently, but there may be a question of the effect upon the health of the occupants of the Somerset.

If you believe that to be the case, a complaint should be lodged with the Health Officer with whom we shall be glad to cooperate if a question comes up as to the structure of the chimney.

Very truly yours,

W McD/H

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Dr. Tetreau

The chimney referred to is apparently the one which serves the restaurant ranges of the Splendid Restaurant at 629-631 Congress Street. These are coal-fired ranges and no doubt the chimney does give off considerable gas both night and day. There is a large vent pipe which ventilates the kitchen of the restaurant by means of a large electric exhaust fan. The odors from this pipe must be annoying, but I should think they would hardly be unhealthful.

Warren McDonald

Rcpt. 1521C-1

April 8, 1938

Casco Theatre,
629 Congress Street,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is the permit covering alterations in the walls of the passageway of the Casco Theatre at 629 Congress Street.

The Inspection Board approves this construction work upon the condition that the one or more present or former window openings between the passageway and the store on the west side shall be completely and tightly covered over while this change in ornamentation is taking place; also that special care be used to make the metal base tight against the floor of the passageway at all points, and that this metal base be carried around the advertising signs on both sides of the passageway near the entrance and that the metal be made tight against the floor of the passageway.

Please be governed accordingly.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WMD/

P.S. The intent of the clause above relating to closing former window openings is that the openings will be permanently closed, not merely while the work is being done.



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
986

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

JUL 3 1939

Portland, Maine, July 5, 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 651 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Trouvalis, 851 Congress Street Telephone _____

Contractor's name and address Bellard Oil & Equipment Co., 151 Cumberland Avenue Telephone 2-1971

Architect _____ Plans filed _____ No. of sheets _____

Proposed use of building Mercentile (Splendid Restaurant) No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot None

Estimated cost \$ 1200.00 Fee \$ 3.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material Brick No. stories 2 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____

Last use Mercentile No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To install refrigeration equipment for air conditioning of restaurant

No part of this equipment will be installed in the kitchen or the cellar except one or more supply and return ducts for cooling the kitchen.

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? _____

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 chimney _____ of lining _____

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

Framing Lumber—Kind _____ Dressed or Full Size? _____

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

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

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2-1-14" 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? _____

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 John Trouvalis

By Bellard Oil & Equipment Co.

By P. E. T. [Signature]

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MOLES
Camp of Occurrence: 155
Camp: C-28-155
Final Inspr: 11/28/38
Final Month: 11/38
Inspr closing-in: 11/38
Month closing-in: 11/38
Date of Exam: 11/19/38
Camp: 155
Location: P 31
Permit No: 28/289

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Signature of owner

James M. [Signature]
James M. [Signature]

Site proposed by 250

Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto
Will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street? no

Miscellaneous

Will automobile repairing be done other than minor repairs to cars habitually stored in the proposed building?
Total number commercial cars to be accommodated
No. cars now accommodated on same lot _____ to be accommodated _____

It is desired

If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls _____ height _____
Maximum span: 1st floor _____ and _____ 2nd floor _____ roof _____
On centers: 1st floor _____ and _____ 2nd floor _____ roof _____
Joists and rafters: 1st floor _____ and _____ 2nd floor _____ roof _____
span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.
Sills (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-10" O. C. Chords 2x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof
Material columns under girders _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____
Corner posts _____ Sills _____ Chords or ledger posts _____ Size _____
Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved?
No. of chimneys _____ Material of chimneys _____ of lining _____
Kind of roof _____ Rise per foot _____ Roof covering _____
Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
Height average grade to top of base _____

Details of New Work

It is understood that this permit does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be _____ on and in the name of _____

covered with metal and sheetrock - the wood sheetrock -
the top half of wall - this to be applied over present walls upon the new masonry
masonry with metal covered joists & metal sheetrock - braced masonry
to cover the walls of basements to provide with masonry as shown on plans - see _____

General Description of New Work

Footings _____ No. stories _____
Material of exterior walls _____ Height _____ Size of roof _____ Roofing _____

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Estimated cost \$ 250 Fee \$ 25
Other buildings on same lot _____
Proposed use of building _____ No. stories _____
Architect _____ Plans filed _____ No. of sheets _____
Contractor's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Owner's or Lessee's name and address _____ Telephone _____
Location _____ Ward _____ Within Fire Limits? _____ Dist. No. _____

and the following specifications:
The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect, alter, repair, or demolish the following building structure _____ in accordance

to the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.
Portland, Maine, March 28, 1928



Class of Building or Type of Structure _____

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT
TO ERECT, ALTER, REPAIR, OR DEMOLISH

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Date of Receipt
Owner
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Permit No. 32/328

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner PLI

Thomas J. ...
Thomas J. ...
Cresco Electric

is observed yes

Will there be in charge of the work a person competent to see that the City and State requirements pertaining thereto
Will above work require removal or disturbing of any grade (on a public street) no

Miscellaneous

Will automobile repairing be done other than under repairs to cars partially stored in the proposed building?
Total number commercial cars to be accommodated
No. cars now accommodated on same lot to be accommodated

It's Outline

If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of wall, height
Maximum span: 1st floor, 2nd floor, roof
On centers: 1st floor, 2nd floor, roof
Joists and rafters: 1st floor, 2nd floor, roof
Span over 8 feet. Girders and corner posts all one piece in one section.
Girders (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2-4-10, O. C. (Girders over 8 feet, bridging in every bay and flat roof
Material columns under girders Size Max. on centers
Corner posts Size Girth or ledger posts? Size
Kind of beam Type of steel Is gas fitting involved?
No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining
Kind of roof Rise per foot Roof covering
Material of underpinning Height Thickness
Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom
To be erected on solid or filled land? earth or rock?
Size, front depth No. stories Height average grade to highest point of roof
Height average grade to top of base

Details of 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

General Description of New Work
The existing street type column at the southeast corner, etc. to be erected in
and the new floor will be concrete. The floor columns of the building
will be erected under the roof over the basement to make the basement
water tight. The non-combustible material, and the rest of it to be covered with
existing masonry wall of the building. The rest of the wall to be covered with
brickwork with metal cladding as indicated on sketch. These claddings to be supported on the
8" x 12" oak the main entrance and iron double doors. This plan is to be
over the top of the floor of the second story and to be supported by steel girders
resting on the existing brick wall, supported on the foundation extending to the
street line and below the ground level. The concrete columns of the basement at the southeast
corner of the building and the brickwork columns of the basement at the southeast
corner of the building shall be of the same material as the existing masonry. The
columns of the same size shall be erected on the existing foundation and
to make alterations in the concrete street line of the structure entrance consisting of

General Description of Present Building to be Altered
Use residential No. families
Material brick No. stories 2 Heat gas Style of roof flat Roofing
Estimated cost \$10,000 Fee \$200
Other buildings on same lot
Proposed use of building residential No. families
Architect ... Plans filed No. of sheets
Contractor's name and address Thomas J. ... Telephone ...
Owner's name and address Cresco Electric, 323 Congress Street Telephone
Location 323 Congress Street Ward 2 Within fire limits? yes Dist. No. 1

and the following specifications:
with the time of the time of filing, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications if any submitted herewith
The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect after filing the following building structure equipment in accordance
To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.
Portland, Maine, February 12, 1938



Class of Building or Type of Structure
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT
PERMIT ISSUED
CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

~~Permit No. 38/120
Date of permit 9/1/88
Name of permit holder
Address of permit holder
City of permit holder
State of permit holder
County of permit holder
District of permit holder
Municipality of permit holder
Type of permit
Purpose of permit
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City of Occurrence Issued
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Inspr. closing-in
Date of permit 9/1/88
Name of permit holder
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Type of permit
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INSPECTION OF... BY... WILL there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto will above work require removal or dismantling of any shade tree on a public street?

MISCELLANEOUS

Will automobile repairing be done other than minor repairs to cars temporarily stored in the proposed building? Total number commercial cars to be accommodated No. cars now accommodated on same lot

It is Contingent

If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? height? Maximum span: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof. On centers: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof. Joists and rafters: 1st floor, 2nd, 3rd, roof. Spans over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section. Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-10, O. C. Studs 2x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof. Material columns under girders. Size Max. on centers. Corner posts. Sills. Size of ledger boards. Size. Kind of floor. Type of fuel. Is gas fitting involved? No. of chimneys. Material of chimneys. of lining. Kind of Roof. Rise per foot. Roof covering. Material of underpinning. Height. Thickness. Material of foundation. Thickness, top. Bottom. To be erected on soil or filled land? earth or rock? Size front depth. No. stories. Height, average grade to highest point of roof. Height average grade to top of beam.

Details of 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... MODIFICATION BEFORE GRANTING

TO ELUCIDATE THE BASIS OF DOUBLE EXISTING DOORS IN REAR PORCH TO BE REMOVED AS SHOWN ON PLAN General Description of New Work. Part use. Number. No. families. Material floor. No. stories. Height. Style of roof. Roof. Description of Present Building to be Altered. Estimated cost \$ 200. Fee \$ 10. Other buildings on same lot. Proposed use of building. Number. No. families. Architect. Plans filed. No. of sheets. Contractor's name and address. Portland Cement Works, 1019 Congress St. Telephone 2-806. Owner's or lessee's name and address. Paul J. Murray, 405 Temple St. Telephone. Location. 251 1/2 Congress Street. Ward 2. Within Fire Limits? Yes. Dist. No. 1.

and the following specifications: The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect other than the following building structure... TO THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.



Portland, Maine, November 12, 1931. Class of Building or Type of Structure. Third and second. APPLICATION FOR PERMIT. PERMIT NO. 1226

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State of Occurrence issued
 Final Report 3/13/35
 Date of permit 11/13/35
 Location 1500 G Street
 Permit No. 35/1891

NOTES
 This has been
 approved by
 the Board of
 Health

CC: 9014 JLOPANTTA
HSD/H

INVESTIGATION REPORT

DATE: 11/15/82

ON 11/15/82, THE DIRECTOR OF THE FBI RECEIVED A REPORT FROM THE
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WAS IDENTIFIED AS JOHN J. ROSS.

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FOR THE DIRECTOR
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BUILDING VI BY CONGRESS SHEET BY JOHN W. ...
SPECIFICATIONS ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATION FOR PERMIT TO COVER SPECIFICATIONS IN THE

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of applicant

John Bonavita

Site observed by

Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto will above work require removal or disturbing of any shade tree on a public street?

Miscellaneous

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

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated

No. cars now accommodated on same lot

It is Charge

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

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

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

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

span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.

Sills (outside walls and carrying partitions) 4x4-10, O. C. Sills 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and 1st roof

Material columns under girders

Corner posts

Kind of feet

No. of chimneys

Kind of roof

Material of underpinning

Material of foundation

To be erected on soil or filled land?

Size, front

Height average grade to highest point of roof

Height average grade to top of plate

Details of New Work

It is intended that the above description of building represents which is to be taken out as specified by and in the name of

plans and signed specifications attached hereto to equal the floor of the building to be removed for the door - all in accordance with permit the City of Portland

To restriction of room for re-arrangement front 4.0m wide of front 14.0m long in the ceiling

General Description of New Work

First use: Restaurant and theatre

Material block, No. stories, 3, Heat, Style of roof, Roofing

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Estimated cost \$120,000

Other buildings on same lot

Proposed use of building: Restaurant and theatre

Architect: Plans filed, No. of sheets

Contractor's name and address: Carroll Beck, 1102 Washington Ave.

Owner's name and address: John Bonavita, 221 Congress St.

Location: 221 Congress Street, Ward 2, Within Fire Limits, Yes, Dist. No. 1

and the following specifications: with the rules of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect and alter the following building structure-construction in accordance to the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, June 28, 1922



Class of Building or Type of Structure

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT PERMIT ISSUED

~~3/2/98 - 10/2/98
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NOTES
City of Occurrence: None
Event Number: 5/5/98
Event Month:
Number Closing-in:
Date Closing-in:
Date of Birth: 1/22/31
Name: John J. ...
Location: ...
Date of Birth: 3/1/98

INSPECTION COPY

Signature of owner

Henry C. ...

are observed: Yes

Will there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto
Will above work require removal or dismantling of any grade tree on a public street?

Miscellaneous

Will appropriate reporting be done other than what reports to city normally stored in the proposed building?

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated

No. cars now accommodated on same lot to be accommodated

It is Change

Is one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls, height

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

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

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

Span over 8 feet. Gills and corner posts all one piece in cross section

Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-12, O. C. Studs 2x8 or larger. Building in every floor and top roof

Material columns under girders Size Max. on centers

Corner posts Gills Girt or ledger boards Size

Kind of roof Type of fuel Is gas fitting involved?

No. of chimneys Material of chimneys of lining

Kind of roof Size per foot Roof covering

Material of underpinning Height Thickness

Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom

To be erected on soil of filled lands earth or rock?

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

Height average grade to top of building

Details of New Work

the existing construction. This underfoot detail does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be taken out separately by and at the name of

RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ENGINEER

NO EXTENSION EXCEEDING WORKING ...

From local authority ...

to obtain above from ...

General Description of New Work

First use Stories and Offices No. families

Material of 1st floor No. stories 2nd floor Style of roof 1st floor Roofing

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Estimated cost \$ Fee \$

Plans filed as part of this application No. of sheets

Other buildings on same lot

Proposed use of building Stories and Offices No. families

Architect's name and address

Contractor's name and address Henry C. ... Telephone 2-2262

Owner's of present's name and address Henry C. ... Telephone

Location 228 Congress Street Ward 2 Within Fire Limits Yes Dist. No. 1

and approved permits and the following specifications:

accordance with the laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code of the City of Portland, Maine and specifications of

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter modify the following building ...

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, November 6, 1922

Class of Building or Type of Structure ...

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT



Wa 5 Permit No. 36/1945

Loc 029 Congress St

Owner Paul C. Lund

Permit 11/9/36

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

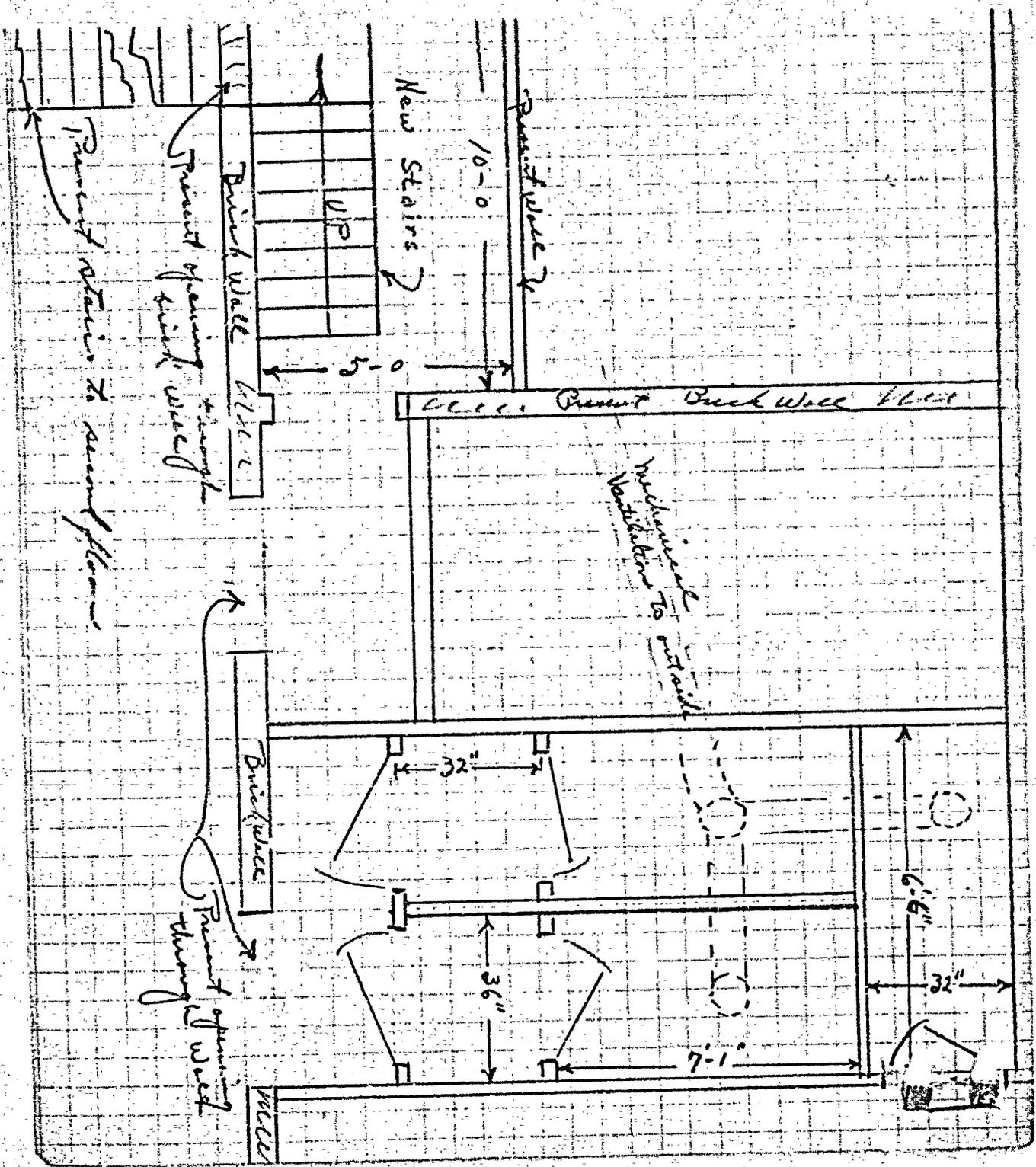
Final Notif.

Final Inspn. 12/8/36

Cert. of Occupancy issued Nov 2

NOTES

11/3/36 - This was a due
order to be a...
capacity...
11/23/36 - Work not
yet completed
C. J. G.





AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Original Permit No. 26/217
Amendment No. 1

PERMIT ISSUED
JUN 16 1936

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME

Portland, Maine, June 15, 1936

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 26/217 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 651 Congress Street Ward 8 With the Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Trouvalis, 651 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address Carroll Beck, 1105 Washington St.

Plans filed as part of this Amendment? yes P-8229

Increased cost of work 200. No. of Sheets 1 Additional fee 125

Description of Proposed Work
To relocate existing stairway, first to second floor, from kitchen of restaurant
To put in insulating board partitions, 2x3 studs 1 1/2" CG, to ceiling to provide new toilets
as shown on plan submitted, doors to be at least 24" wide and made self-closing in
such a way that there will be little chance of both doors being open at the same time.
Toilets will be ventilated by metal duct leading to outside air with suitable electric
exhaust fan on outer end.
Partitions to be covered on both sides

Approved: _____
Restaurant Inspector

Signature of Owner By John Trouvalis
Carroll Beck

Approved: 6/16/36

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GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. 0717
MAY 28 1936

Class of Building or Type of Structure Trade

Portland, Maine, May 27, 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 211 Congress Street Trouville 3rd & Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Travales, 621 Congress Street Telephone _____

Contractor's name and address Portland Cabinet Works, 1018 Congress St. Telephone 6055

Architect's name and address _____

Proposed use of building Restaurant and tenement No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot no

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

Estimated cost \$ 100. Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material Frame No. stories 2 1/2 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____

Last use Restaurant and tenement No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To provide new store front changing entrance from front center to side, no structural change. No exposed woodwork, aluminum black glass to be used. To set non-carrying wall on back about 10', new toilet room to be covered under the existing entrance door, swinging in. The new entrance will consist of double doors, each 12' x 7'6" wide, one swinging in and the other swinging out.

Approved by Restaurant Inspector F. J. B. G.
It is understood that this permit does not include installation of heating apparatus which is to be taken out separately by and in the presence of the heating contractor.

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
RESUBMIT IN WAREHOUSE

Details of New Work

Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____
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 no 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 By: John Travales
Portland Cabinet Works
John Nicholas

6/4/36

Permit No. 86/717 **F**

City of Chicago, Illinois

City of Chicago, Illinois

Date of permit 5/25/36

Notif. closing-in

Inspn. closing-in

Final Inspn.

Permit of Occupancy issued

NOTES: 1. 2. 3.

7/1/36 - 20th Street

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File: P. 35/717-I

January 7, 1938

Mr. John Trouvallis,
631 Congress Street,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

With relation to your restaurant at 631 Congress Street, I find that you have done nothing to correct the conditions which existed in violation of the Building Code in the restaurant and of which you were aware in July 1936.

These conditions are as follows:

You have relocated the coal-fired range and a gas range in the kitchen without first securing a permit to cover the change. You have not provided a hood of incombustible material over the ranges or over the electric frying stove in the same set-up. The electric frying stove has been set up by you or some other party without first securing a building permit.

When you made the alterations in 1936 providing two new toilet rooms, the metal duct ventilating or intended to ventilate the toilet rooms was run through the kitchen and stops with an open end directly in front of a very large exhaust fan in the rear outside wall of the kitchen in spite of the fact that it was agreed in the application for the permit and required by the Building Code that you extend the duct through the outside wall and provide an exhaust fan to serve this duct alone.

On January 6th the large exhaust fan in the outside wall of the kitchen was out of commission and, although you had an auxiliary fan on a stand in the kitchen in operation, there can be no doubt that the toilet rooms were then ventilating into the kitchen, contrary to the rules of common sense as well as the rules of the Health Department.

If the relocation of these ranges is not properly covered by building permit; if the required hood is not provided over all of the ranges, and if the toilet rooms are not ventilated as required by the Building Code on or before February 1, 1938, I shall seek a warrant from the Municipal Court against you, personally, for violation of the Building Code, without further notice to you.

Very truly yours,

WMcD/H

Inspector of Buildings

Copy for Thomas Skinner

December 7, 1934

File Permit No. 34/1897B-I

Mr. John Trouvalis,
631 Congress Street,
Portland, Maine.

Dear Sir:

With relation to the store porch which you have provided outside of the rear door of your restaurant at 631 Congress Street, an inspector from this office reports that you have used wooden sheathing upon the metal frame of the roof and have just covered this sheathing with metal on the outside in spite of the fact that the Chief of the Fire Department told you, in my presence, that any wood or combustible material of any description in the roof would not be satisfactory and in spite of the fact that the application for the permit, placed over your signature, that the roof will be built without the use of wood or other combustible material.

Under these circumstances it is necessary for me to require that you have this woodwork in the roof removed completely on or before December 15, 1934.

Very truly yours,

McE/H

Inspector of Buildings.



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT **PERMIT ISSUED**

Class of Building or Type of Structure Nov 16 1934

Portland, Maine, November 16, 1934
Supersedes application of 12/7/21

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 531 Congress Street Ward 5 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner or Lessee's name and address John Trouvalis, et al 531 Congress Street Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Ronan Rodrigue, 150 Free Street Telephone _____
Architect's name and address _____
Proposed use of building Restaurant No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Plans filed as part of this application? _____ No. of sheets _____
Estimated cost \$ 75. Fee \$ 50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material _____ No. stories _____ Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Last use _____ No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To build store porch outside of rear door of restaurant approximately 12' deep and 4' wide. This porch is to be between the brick walls of two existing buildings which are 4' apart. All window and door openings in these brick walls which will come within the porch enclosure will be closed permanently with brick masonry. The floor of the porch is to be supported by 4x4 posts no more than 8 feet on centers bolted to brick walls - on these posts are to be laid 4x8 with 8" vertical and crossways; on the 4x8's are to be laid 2" tongued and grooved plank on four foot span. The frame and covering of roof are to be of metal or similar incombustible material without the use of wood or other combustible material.

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

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Signature of owner John Trouvalis

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GENERIC ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No. _____

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

New plan received 11/8/54.

Portland, Maine, March 7, 1951

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 671 Congress Street Ward 5 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address John Trouvalis et al 651 Congress St. Telephone _____

Contractor's name and address Roman Rodriguez 150 Free St. Telephone _____

Architect's name and address _____ Telephone F 7465

Proposed use of building _____

Other buildings on same lot _____ No. families _____

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

Estimated cost \$ 40 Fee \$.50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

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

Last use _____ No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To provide roof over passageway between two buildings (both 4' x 18')

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 _____ earth or rock? _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of Roof pitch flat Pitch per foot 3" Roof covering asphalt roofing Class C Und Lab

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 2x8

On centers: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof 11"

Maximum span: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof 8'

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 John Trouvalis by Roman Rodriguez

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQ. PERMIT IS _____

6-45-54

Work 5 Permit No. 34/1897
Location 631 Congress St.
Job John Truvalis et al
Date of permit 12/16/34
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. 4/5/35
Cert. of Occupancy issued None

1/9/35 - Work not done - A.G.S.
2/7/35 - Same - A.G.S.
6/5/35 - Metal on under side of roof - A.G.S.

NOTES

11/2/34 - Work started
A.G.S.
11/28/34 - Work nearly completed. Metal has been constructed of angle iron frame with matched sheathing covered on top with shell iron roof covering - A.G.S.
12/7/34 - Better - mm
12/21/34 - This appears to be done with sheet metal & covered over at all points under work on inside of roof. Work was not as well done - A.G.S.



(3) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 1707
OCT 28 1934

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME. Portland, Maine, October 22, 1934 19
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 627 1/2 Congress St. Ward 5 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1
Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Paul Hart 492 Profile St. So. Portland
Name and address of owner of sign Charles Hunter 647 1/2 Congress St.
Contractor's name and address United Neon Display 27 Monument St. Telephone 8-6335
When does contractor's bond expire? October 1935

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 3 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached Brick CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? Yes Vertical dimension after erection 42" Horizontal 10" Any rigid frame? Yes
Weight 800 lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? Yes material Glass & Metal
Material of frame angle iron No. advertising faces 2 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? Yes
No. rigid connections 2 Location, top or bottom Top
No. through bolts none, Size 3/8"
No. guys 3, material angle iron, Size 3/8"x1/2"
Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 75' 0"

Oliver T. Sanborn
CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.
INSPECTION COPY

Signature of contractor United Neon Display
J. Curry

Fee \$1.00

3167

Ward D Permit No: E-4/1757

Owner 627 Congress St
Cambridge

Date of permit 10/26/34

Sign Contractor

Fire Inspn. 4/4/35 CRB

NOTES

Sign erected as per
plans, 50' x 100' x 100'
angle omitted. 200'
will stand the sign with
the carrying capacity
of 4/4/35 W. Donald
sent stamp O.K. CRB

DEWITK OR STEEL
PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN

Details of sign and construction

Permit to erect sign

✓ Copy given to Mr. Dennis Down, Mgr. of Casco Theatre on 6/20/34
#33/80-I

June 19, 1934

Mr. J. H. Middlebrook
12 Elm Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

With reference to the sign which you propose to hang for E. H. Loew's Theatre Corporation at 627 1/2 Congress Street, and the sketch of the sign which you filed here some time ago, I presume that you are getting your information with regard to the wiring from the Electrical Inspector because I am not undertaking to pass upon this part of the work.

With regard to the structure of the sign and the proposed fastenings, I was unable to examine all of the interior of the sign, but one of the side angles of the frame of the sign is badly corroded at the bottom and it seems to me that this entire angle, at least, must be replaced. Apparently all of the angles making up the frame of the sign, except those at the top and the bottom, are only 1/8th inch in thickness which is lighter than we are now approving for new signs, but inasmuch as a permit has actually been issued for the erection of this sign once, I feel that we should go along with this thickness of angles in this particular sign. Some of the wooden mouldings which hold the glass in place require repairs and proper fastening to the sign itself.

You have given the weight of the sign as 360 lbs. I am unable to find where you get so much weight, but have assumed that you are right. I am unable to approve the arrangement shown where the main supporting angles at top and bottom are spliced, and I think it will be necessary to have at least one bolt down through the timbers of the roof fastening the upper main angle. If you care to substitute for the angle that runs to the roof, a 3" x 3" x 1/2" angle extending to the outside edge of the sign and securely bolted to the angle iron frame of the sign, and with at least two bolts into the roof, one of them to be a through bolt, I shall be able to approve the rest of the connections.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

RM/HC

#33/80-I

November 2, 1933

Mr. J. H. Middlebrook
12 Elm Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

With relation to the sign intended for the Casco Theatre to project over the public sidewalk of Congress Street, the design drawing which you furnished several days ago is not complete enough for me to definitely check the arrangement.

If the drawing is to scale, the scale is not noted. The overall dimensions and detailed dimensions such as that of the thickness of the box of the sign, the weight of the sign, the fact as to whether or not there is any special electrical equipment inside the sign such as transformers and the location of the same, the size of the lag bolts into the vertical studs of the building, and the size of some of the angles and some of the bolts are not shown. The gauge of the metal covering of the sign is not shown.

It is necessary for me to have sufficient information so that I can check within a few pounds the actual weight of the sign, where all special loads are applied, and whether or not the frame of the sign and the fastenings to the building are adequate to take these loads.

You have furnished no location plan of the sign since the sign has been taken down, neither does the plan show the angles at which the sign guys take off from the building or from the sign.

I take it that you do not wish me to take anything for granted with regard to this sign, but that you are submitting to the owner a figure for which you intend to strengthen this sign and hang it. Undoubtedly, you do not wish me to guess at some of the details and then find out later after you have the job that they are not satisfactory. I dislike very much to appear to be unduly precise about these matters, but since this department has started out on a new program with regard to projecting signs, I think that we must set certain standards and live up to them. I suggest that you submit a design plan and a location plan at the present time precisely in the same manner as you would be expected to do if this proposition had never been before this office before. Of course, it is not necessary for you to apply for a new permit. This is the only difference as against an entirely new job.

As soon as time will permit, I hope to furnish to each bonded sign hanger a typical drawing showing about what is needed in this office before a permit can be issued, this to aid all of the sign hangers in accommodating themselves to our needs, a task which I realize fully will be quite difficult.

I had to go over this proposition at the Casco Theatre carefully and in

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November 2, 1933

Mr. J. H. Middlebrook—2

detail as soon as full information is furnished. It is also necessary, of course, that the Electrical Inspector be satisfied as regards the wiring and electrical equipment in and about the sign.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WJ/HO

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Sept. 23, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

The writer had planned to be in
Portland yesterday but on account of the bad
weather we encountered on a very large job
in down town Boston we have been held up, and
I was delayed in getting to Portland.

I will be at your office next
Tuesday morning, September 26th, and will take up
the matter of the Casco Theatre sign with you at
that time.

Very truly yours,

EAGLE SIGN COMPANY

William Werner.

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on the
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Aug. 31, 1933

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

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of August 25.

We have talked over the matter of the sign at the Casco Theatre with Mr. E. M. Loew, and this is to advise you that our representative will be in Portland on Thursday, September 7 and will see that this matter is adjusted to the satisfaction of yourself and the electrical inspector.

Assuring you of our co-operation in this matter, we beg to remain

Very truly yours,

EAGLE SIGN COMPANY

J. Hermet

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- on the
- BOSTON SKY LINE
- HOTEL STATLER
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E. M. LOEW'S THEATRES

216 TREMONT STREET

BOSTON, MASS.



August
26th
1933.

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

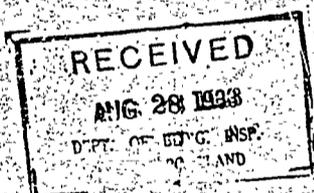
Dear Mr. McDonald:

Replying to yours of the 25th, I want to inform
you that, though the time is short I will do
my level best to carry out your request by September
1st. If I find I cannot do so I shall let you know
Wednesday morning.

Very truly yours,

J. Loew

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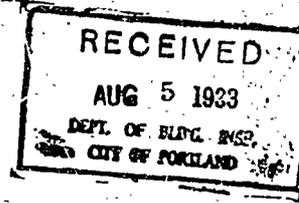
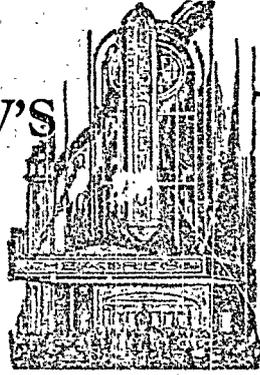


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216 TREMONT STREET

BOSTON, MASS.



August
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Mr. Warren McDonald
Building Inspector
City of Portland
Maine.

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I know when I see a letter from you that it means bad news. I expect to be in Portland the first part of next week and shall see the electrician - I shall also pay you a visit at that time.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. M. Loew". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed closing.

EML:T

33/80-1

August 25, 1933

Mr. E. H. Loew
216 Tremont Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Loew:

With relation to the sign at the Casco Theatre, I appreciate your prompt reply.

I think I am correct in the statement that this sign had never been hung in the City of Portland, at least over the sidewalk, prior to the time that it was placed in its present position.

The sign does not comply with the requirements in two particulars. The fastenings and supports of the sign are not the same as the sign hanger agreed to put in when the application for the permit was filed, and they are not heavy enough to support the sign and to maintain it in case of high winds so that it will be undoubtful safe. It might be possible to correct these deficient features without taking the sign down, but I doubt it and believe it would not be economical.

The sign is not wired properly, and the Electrical Inspector not only will not approve it, but he will not allow the sign to be connected for lighting. He tells me that it is not possible to correct this deficiency in the electrical work without taking the sign down.

I have already dismissed consideration of some minor details in which the sign does not precisely comply with our law, but these, too, cannot be so dismissed.

We would gladly have examined the sign before it was erected had we been notified that you desired it.

There is only one solution to this problem, and that may only be accomplished by first removing the sign. The date of September 1, 1933 set in my letter of August 22nd still stands.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WE/HO

R-9/1/33

August 25, 1933

Eagle Sign Company
575 Albany Street
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Your prompt cooperation is requested to clear up a situation which has arisen with relation to the erection of a sign for E. M. Loew at 627 1/2 Congress Street in this city.

Long before this sign was hung, a representative from your company came to this office and I put in considerable time explaining to him the requirements for hanging signs over public sidewalks, these requirements including one for bonding of the sign hanger.

Some time later, we received a bond executed in the name of your company by the New Amsterdam Casualty Company, Wallace Egerton, Agent. Some time after that application for a permit to cover hanging a sign in the same location about which your representative talked was received from J. H. Middlebrook, a sign hanger in this city. This permit was issued. Apparently there was some arrangement between your company and Mr. Middlebrook, as it appears that Mr. Middlebrook did not hang the sign, but that your workmen did hang it.

The supports of the sign are not in accordance with the information given with the application for the permit and are not adequate in the opinion of this department. The electrical work in connection with this sign is not satisfactory to our Electrical Inspector and he will not allow the electric wires to be connected to the sign. The sign cannot be fixed so as to comply with the requirements without being removed.

Some time after the sign had been hung, we received a request for information from your bonding company to ascertain if you had hung any signs under the bond. Knowing of the arrangement between you and Mr. Middlebrook, we were under the impression that Middlebrook had actually hung the sign and told the bonding company that you had hung no signs in the city under the bond. It is perfectly clear now that you had hung this sign.

After I had informed Mr. Loew that he must have the sign removed, he writes me in part as follows: "the Eagle Sign Company/hang that sign claim there is not enough money in it to go up and take it down again. Their contract was only to take it down and hang it at the Gasco, there were no alterations made, except for painting the sign....."

I believe that your company has violated the Building Code of the City of

Eagle Sign Company—2

August 25, 1933

Portland An that you actually hung the sign and had not permit in your name as required by law so to do. I believe in all fairness you are obligated to have the sign removed either doing the work with your own forces, or having Mr. Middlebrook do it.

Please let me know at once what you propose to do under these circumstances.

Very truly yours,

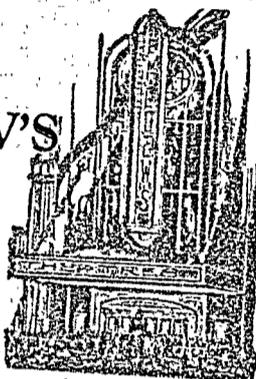
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E. M. LOEW'S

216 TREMONT STREET



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BOSTON, MASS.

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DEPT. OF BLDG. Insp.
CITY OF PORTLAND

August
24th
1933.

Mr. Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings
Portland, Me.

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I have your letter of the 22nd. I was up to Portland but arrived too late to see you.

The Eagle Sign Company who hung that sign claim there is not enough money in it to go up and take it down again. Their contract was only to take it down and hang it at the Casco, there were no alterations made, except for painting the sign, and that is why I cannot understand why if it met with the city regulations before, it is not all right now. It is not so much fixing it up to meet with your requirements, as it is the trouble to have it taken down and hung again. It is too bad it was not seen before it was hung.

However, it is my desire to give you full cooperation, and I would appreciate your forwarding me a copy of your engineer's report, as to just what is wrong with the sign now.

I wish you would eliminate some of the smaller requirements as the sign is really only used one hour each evening, for if you think the sign is fastened strongly, that is there is no danger of it falling, I would then not have to hire someone in Portland to strengthen it. If you could let the matter rest with minor improvements I will greatly appreciate it. Had I known before the sign was hung that you did not approve of it, I surely would not have gone against your orders.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. M. Loew".

EML:T

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COPY to Mr. J. H. Middlebrook, 12 Elm Street

August 22, 1933

Mr. E. H. Loew
218 Tremont Street
Boston, Mass

Dear Mr. Loew:

I have your note of August 4th, saying that you would be in Portland the week of August 7th and would come in about the sign. (You did not turn up.

This sign proposition has dragged along for more than six months, and apparently little progress has been made. Since it is undoubtedly necessary that the sign be taken down to make the necessary changes so that it comply with the law, will you not order your sign men to take the sign down at once and hold it for your decision as to altering it and hanging it again?

I cannot be satisfied to allow the sign to remain under the circumstances very much longer, and if cooperation on your part is not forthcoming, I shall have to seek some legal course to force the removal of the sign.

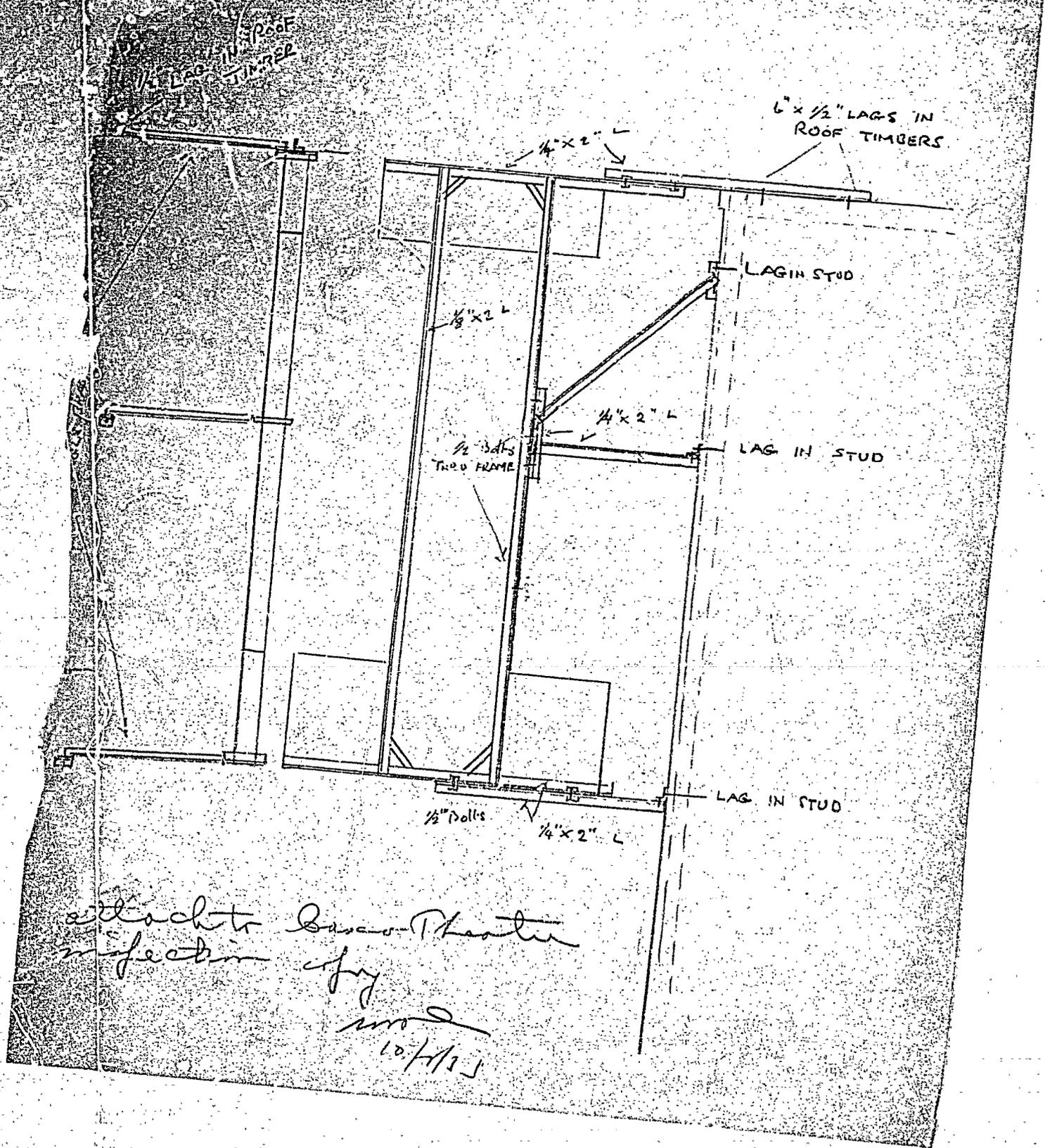
If the sign is not removed by September 1, 1933, I shall assume that you do not intend to cooperate with this department in getting the matter cleared up.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

M/ID

LOU'S RACE THEATRE SIGN



attach to base of theatre
infection of
[Signature]
10/1/15

55/80-1

Copy to Mr. J. H. Middlebrook, 12 Elm Street

July 31, 1935

E. M. Loew's Theatre Corporation
216 Armont Street
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I am writing to you concerning a sign which has been erected at 627 1/2 Congress Street in this city for E. M. Loew's Theatre Corporation.

This sign is an electric sign and was erected under permit No. 33/80 issued from this office on January 24, 1933. The permit was issued to J. H. Middlebrook, a local sign hanger, but I am advised that he merely supervised the work as he is a local sign hanger, while the real work was done by the Eagle Sign Company of Boston.

The fastenings of the sign are not adequate and are not in accordance with the details shown in the application for the permit. Furthermore the City Electrician has condemned the sign as far as its electrical arrangements are concerned, and says that it is not possible to make the sign comply with the requirements without removing the sign and doing considerable work upon it.

Under these circumstances it seems necessary to remove the sign, although you may desire to have it rebuilt and erected at the same location at a later date. Will you not, therefore, give orders to your sign company in Boston to have the sign removed and as to its disposal, this to be done without delay, so that we may avoid the unpleasant steps necessary to compel the removal of the sign.

Will you be kind enough to acknowledge receipt of this letter, and let us know direct what you propose to do in the matter?

WJ/RS

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Extra copy sent to J. H. Middlebrook

May 23, 1933

Mr. J. H. Middlebrook
12 Elm Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

With reference to the sign erected for E. H. Lobe's Theatre Corporation at 627 1/2 Congress Street, and to my letter of April 12, 1933 calling your attention to the fact that the sign had been erected contrary to the specifications contained in the application and that the design of the fastenings was not considered adequate, and suggesting that the sign be removed completely from the building and either altered to satisfy the requirements, or also be left down on or before April 18, 1933, has not produced any concrete result. The sign is still in place in practically the same condition as before my complaint.

I am compelled to require that you have the sign completely removed on or before June 10, 1933, or we shall find it necessary to proceed as directed by law to enforce the ordinance.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

WJ/ED

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April 24th, 1933.

J. H. Middlebrook,
12 Elm Street,
Portland, Maine.

Gentlemen:

With reference to the vertical sign at the Casco Theatre, Portland, Maine we are enclosing herewith report made by our Construction Dept. in connection with the complaint of Mr. W. McDonald, Bldg. Inspector.

Plans for this sign had been made up on the basis that it would be newly constructed, but as the sign was an existing one and had been taken down from another of E.M. Loe's houses, the center leg shown on the plan was not put on.

I have made computations as per the attached report showing that the sign will be safe without the above mentioned member.

The bottom angle that goes from the sign to the building is of 1/8" metal which of course should not be used in outdoor installations.

Will you please take the matter up with Mr. McDonald and see if he will pass the sign if you bolt another 1/8" angle to the one now in the sign making the aggregate section 1/4" which would be sufficient.

With reference to the wooden moulding that the glass faces are set in, I do not believe same unsafe in any way, even though the regulations require the exclusive use of non-combustible materials. The wooden mouldings are protected at the back and at the side by sheet-metal and if a fire should start in the sign it would be entirely confined to the insulation of the wires.

Will you please see if you can straighten this member and advise us.

EAGLE
SIGNS
on the
BOSTON
SKY LINE
HOTEL
STATLER
NORTH STATION
BOSTON GARDEN
EDISON
NEON CLOCK

Vertical sign at Casco Theatre, 627 1/2 Congress St., Portland, Me.
Complaint of Mr. Warren McDonald, Building Inspector

1. Missing center leg from sign to building.

Although shown on plan and omitted when sign was erected I find upon computation that the leg is not necessary and that the sign will be safe without it. Further the outside vertical iron in the sign has a swaybrace supporting it against lateral bending. Not regarding the presence of this brace and figuring the vertical irons as unsupported laterally from the top to the bottom of the sign, a length of 14'6", the following computations result:

Windpressure one angle only (one-half area of sign)

W equals $(1 \times 11 \times 10)$ plus $(2 \times 1.5 \times 10)$ plus $(2 \times 2.5 \times 10)$
 W equals 190

Wl equals $190 \times 14.5 \times 12$ equals 4133

$\frac{8}{S}$ Sec required $\frac{4133}{18000}$ equals 0.23

$2 \times 2 \times \frac{1}{4}$ angle used has sectin of 0.25

2. Wooden molding.

Although the regulations specify that combustible material shall not be used in the construction of signs, this molding is merely ornamental and serves no structural purpose. It is protected at the back and at the sides by sheetmetal.

3. Splice in leg angle.

This splice was necessary as the sign originally only had a 15" piece of angle sticking out. The splice is made in an approved manner with 3 bolts and I cannot see where it would be structurally unsound.

4. Bottom angle

is of $\frac{1}{8}$ " material. This should be changed to $\frac{1}{4}$ " at least as the use of material less than $\frac{1}{4}$ " in secondary construction is prohibited by law.

William Werner.

April 18, 1933

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Copy to E. M. Loew's Theatre Corp. 216 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
April 12, 1933

Mr. J. H. Middlebrook
12 Elm Street
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Upon examination of the sign which you have erected projecting over the public sidewalk at 627 1/2 Congress Street for E. M. Loew's Theatre Corporation, I find that this electrical sign has wooden moulding around the face of it although an electric sign is required to be entirely of non-combustible material; and further I find that the sign is not adequately supported and has not been erected as called for in the sketch submitted with the application.

The plan with the application indicates that there are to be three 2x2 1/2 inch angles besides the gyps, one at the top, one at the middle, and one at the bottom. There are only two angles directly supporting the sign, one at the top and one at the bottom, and the one at the bottom is 1/8th inch thick instead of 1/2 inch thick. Furthermore the support at the bottom is broken up with two connections in a manner which is not structurally sound.

Under the circumstances, I believe it will be necessary to remove the sign completely from the building, altering it to satisfy the requirements and again erect it in a manner calculated to safely hold the sign in position, or also leave the sign down and forego the use of it.

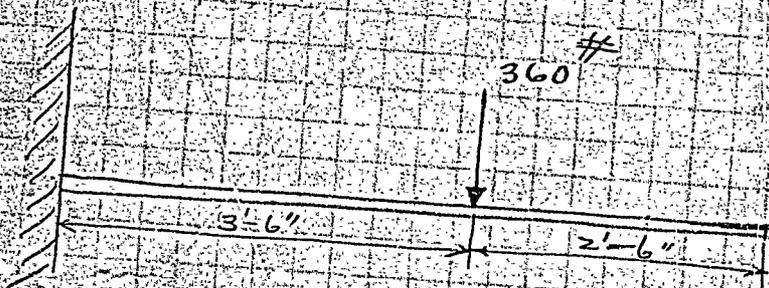
Please attend to this matter on or before April 18, 1933.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the owner of the sign.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings.

E-27 Beam Photo Sign = 627 lb long run 4'



$$M = Wb = 360 \times 3.5 \times 12 = 15120 \text{ in lb}$$

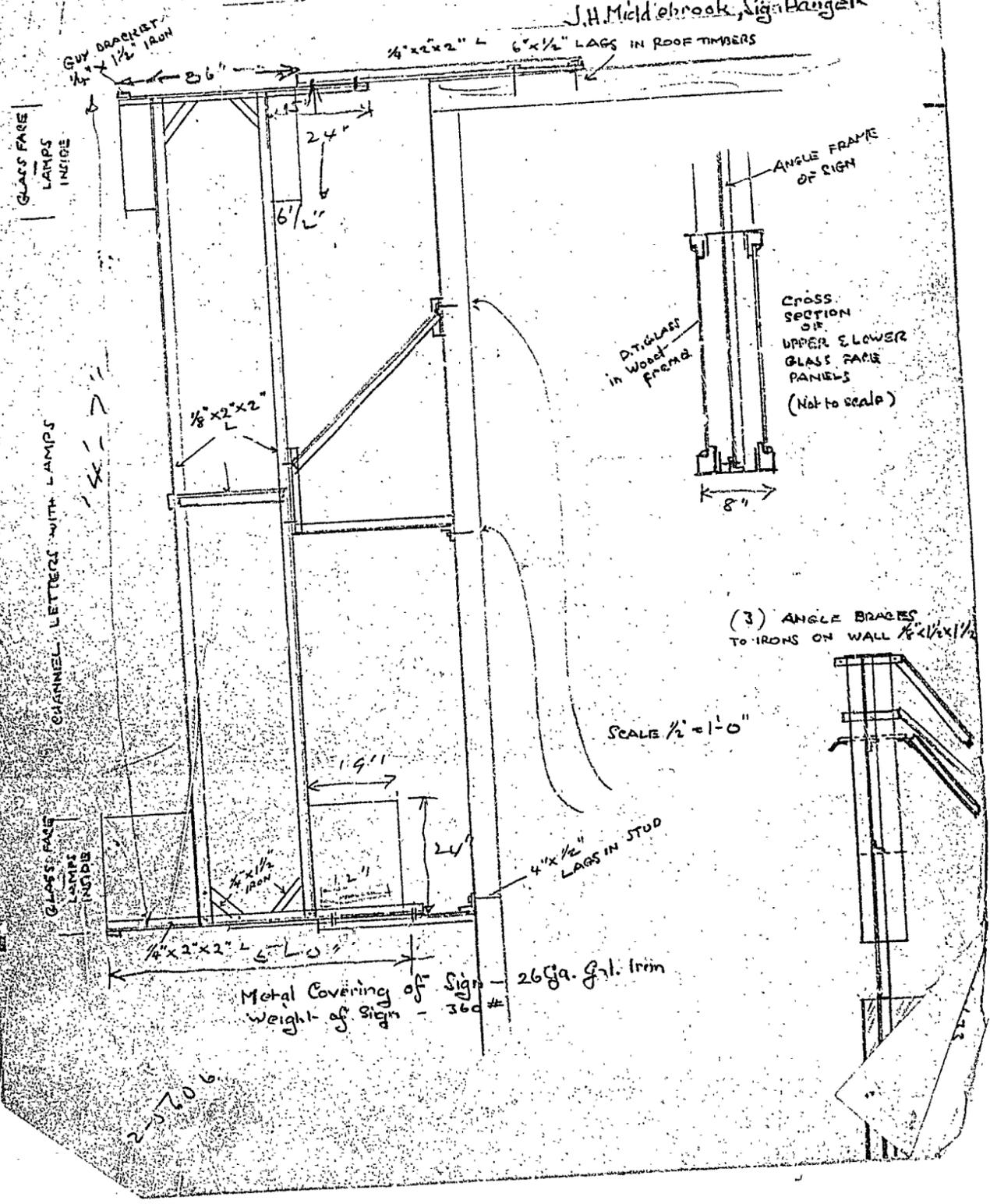
$$\text{Required sect mod} = \frac{15120}{18000} = 0.84$$

$$\text{Sect mod of } 2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \text{ L} = 0.39$$

OK 3 L's used = 1.17

Electric Sign for E.M. Loew's Theatre Corp.
 Casco Theatre, 627 1/2 Congress St.
 12/13/33

J.H. Middlebrook, Sign Hanger



Electric Sign for E. I. L.
CASCO THEATRE.

7/7/34

$\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 3$ HEAVY ANGLE
BOLTED TO ANGLE
INSIDE SIGN

6" legs in roof
timber

$\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$

$\frac{1}{8} \times 2 \times 2$

ANGLE GUY
BRACKET
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ IRON

$\frac{1}{4} \times 2 \times 2$
Angle Brace
4 Buddies

NEW SECTION
 $\frac{1}{8} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$ L
to brace
old section

$\frac{1}{4} \times 2 \times 2$

$\frac{1}{8} \times 2 \times 2$
EXTENSION

Rec'd 7/25/34
mm

Sign for E.M. Boer at 627 1/2 Congress St.

Weight

$$31 \text{ ft } 2 \times 2 \times 1/8" \text{ L} = 31 \times 1.60 = 50 \text{ #}$$

$$8 \text{ ft } 2 \times 2 \times 1/4" \text{ L} = 8 \times 3.19 = 26 \text{ #}$$

$$44 \text{ sq ft } 26 \text{ ga metal} = 1.4 \times 0.65 = 29 \text{ #}$$

$$32 \text{ sq ft } \text{insulation} = 32 \times 3.5 = 112 \text{ #}$$

$$\text{Misc} = 30 \text{ #}$$

248 #

$$\text{Bantline as at top } 4 \times 360 \times 12 = 1440 \times 12$$

$$\frac{1440 \times 12}{3} = \frac{17280}{3} = 5760$$

Wind

$$\frac{360 \times 15 \times 12}{3} = \frac{67500}{3} = 22500$$

$$\frac{6750 \times 4}{3} = \frac{27000}{3} = 9000$$

All corner angles to be at least 3/16"

Fastenings will be satisfactory if

3 x 3 x 1/4" L is run from edge to
outside edge of sign and out least
one through hole through sign

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John H. ...

(Signature of addressee's agent)

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