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ZONE "H"

FIRE DIST. 1

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

Verbal
By Telephone

DATE 7/16/45

LOCATION 74 1/2 Commercial St. OWNER

MADE BY Mr. Jeanette Williams TEL. 3-9604

ADDRESS 834 Commercial St.

PRESENT USE OF BUILDING Restaurant & Lodging

CLASS OF CONSTRUCTION Frame NO. OF STORIES 2

REMARKS:

INQUIRY: Could permit rooming list at this
lodging house be used in permit application?

ANSWER: See letter

DATE OF REPLY 7/26/45

REPLY BY Wm. H.

WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES
AT 74 1/2 CONGRESS ST IN PORTLAND, MAINE

_____, being the owner of the
premises at 74 1/2 CONGRESS ST in Portland, Maine hereby gives
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by ALBERT'S LUNGH
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit
to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit 7
F. H. BATE, owner of said premises, in event said sign
shall cease to serve the purpose for which it was erected or shall become
dangerous and in event the owner of said sign shall fail to remove said sign
or make it permanently safe in case the sign still serves the purpose for
which it was erected, hereby agrees for himself or itself, for his heirs,
its successors, and his or its assigns, to completely remove said sign
within ten days of notice from said Inspector of Buildings that said sign
is in such condition and of order from him to remove it.

In Witness whereof the owner of said premises has signed this
consent and agreement this 29 day of APRIL, 1945

W. P. Boland
Witness

F. H. Bate
Owner

RECEIVED

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT RELATING TO REMOVAL OF PROJECTED SIGN FOR ALBERT'S RESTAURANT
(ALBERT FALLIS PROPRIETOR) AT 711 CONGRESS STREET

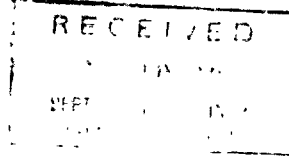
April 10, 1945

In consideration of building permit issued by the City of Portland to restore the above sign to its former location without written consent and agreement of the owner of the building relating thereto as required by Section 211-2-10 of the Building Code, I, Albert Fallis, proprietor of Albert's Restaurant and owner of the sign hereby agrees as follows:

In event written consent of the owner of the building as to the location of the sign and written agreement from said owner binding him to remove the sign in event it should become dangerous or cease to serve the purpose for which it was erected, as required by the City Inspector of Buildings on or before May 3rd, 1945, then the sign and its supports and fastenings will be removed from the building.

Witness:

[Signature] Albert Fallis





(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 264
APR 10 1945

Portland, Maine, April 7, 1945

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 711 1/2 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 3

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached

Name and address of owner of sign Albert's Restaurant

Telephone 3-3052

Contractor's name and address Metro Neon, 96 Exchange Street

When does contractor's bond expire? January 1946

Information Concerning Building

CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

No. stories 1 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached wood

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 5' Horizontal 2'

Weight 200 lbs. Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

Material of frame metal No. advertising faces 2 material metal

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

No. through bolts none Size none

Permit No. 45/264

Location 741/2 Congress St

Owner Albert's Restaurant

Date of permit 4/10/45

Sign Contractor

Final Insp.

NOTES

INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED



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PERMIT ISSUED
Permit No. _____

GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE SEP 29 1942
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, September 29, 1942

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 741 Congress Street Use of Building Restaurant No. Stories 2 New Existing Existing

Name and address of owner of appliance Albert Fellic, 741 Congress Street

Installer's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., 5 Temple St. Telephone 2-8721

General Description of Work

To install gas fired range

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Is appliance or source of heat to be in cellar? no If not, which story 1st Kind of Fuel gas

Material of supports of appliance (concrete floor or what kind) wood - 8" above floor

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace, 6"
from top of smoke pipe 3' from front of appliance over 1' from sides or back of appliance 8"

Permit No. 42/1142
Location 741 1/2 Congress St.
Owner Albert Pallin
Date of Permit 9/30/42
Post Card sent _____
Notif. for insp. _____
Approval Tag issued 4-4-45. 97-105
9/12/95
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

10/3/42, installed in unit
started to burn after this
is to be converted to gas



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Complete Equipment for Restaurants, Hotels

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24 PARK STREET

TEL. 629

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Billiard Tables
and Supplies

Bowling Alleys
and Supplies

Kitchen Equipment
Dining Room

Equipment

Soda Fountain

Equipment and

Supplies

Electrical

Appliances

September 1, 1942

Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

We wish to thank you for your letter of the 26th, together with the permit for the Rallis restaurant of your city.

The writer was in Portland yesterday and was in to see you, but was told that you were out of town.

Our men have started to work on the job, and we would appreciate it very much if you were to go down and go over it in detail, so that it may go as per planned with your approval.

*File with Billingsworth
info re 8/24/42*

BOX SHOOKS
LUMBER
LOG CABINS

L. C. ANDREW
SOUTH WINDHAM, MAINE



HARDWARE
PAINT
BUILDING MATERIALS

187 Brighton Avenue
Portland, Maine
August 22, 1942

RECEIVED

AUG 29 1942

DEPT. OF S.D.G. BLDG.
CITY OF PORTLAND

Mr. Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings
City of Portland

Dear Sir:

I have here a copy of your letter addressed to the Ideal Equipment Company, 24 Park Street, Lewiston, Maine. The various things mentioned in your letter I assume will be taken care of by the contractor. The thing that interested me was in item 7, your closing paragraph, in which you mention the \$500 limitation under the L-41 order of the War Production Board. It is our understanding that on industrial or institutional buildings of the type shown on our plan that \$5000 is the limit on remodeling. I think that the contractor in this case should be advised to this effect by you to correct the \$500 that was mentioned.

Re: Letter to Ideal Equipment Co.

Very truly yours,

L. C. Andrew

by *D. K. Allen*

DKA/as

P. 42/355-1

August 23, 1942

Subject: Alterations to restaurant
and lodging house at 711 Congress Street

Ideal Equipment Co.
21 Park Street,
Beverton, Maine

Gentlemen:

It has been called to my attention that paragraph numbered 7 in my letter of August 20th on the above subject relating to compliance with Conservation Order L-41 of the War Production Board is worded so that unnecessary fears might be aroused, in that the paragraph may imply that the limit of cost set by the order is less than \$500.

It is my understanding of the order that work of this type is not to be undertaken without special permission if the estimated cost is \$500 or over. I have the impression that the alterations will require largely refitting of the restaurant and probably considerable new if not all new kitchen equipment and perhaps refrigerator. I have no idea what figure this will all run to, and it seemed best to include the job in our report to the Government which we are requested to give. If the total job is to run under \$500, no harm would be done; while if the job would by an outside chance run to \$500, or more it is better to know it now and take the proper steps to arrange for priorities and special order if necessary before starting the work.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

WACB/H

Recd. 13858-1

August 26, 1944

Idol Equipment Co.
24 Park Street,
Lewiston, Maine

Subject: building permit to cover alterations
to restaurant and lodging house at 741 Congress
Street

Gentlemen:

The above building permit is enclosed based on a new plan made by L. C. Andrew and dated August 18, 1944.

A few details are called to your attention which are either not shown or not shown correctly on the plan to satisfy the Building Code:

1. The doors at the top of the short runs of steps leading from the restaurant to men's and women's toilet rooms have been omitted from the plan. These are necessary both under the Building Code and the State Health rules as otherwise the toilet rooms would have to be considered as opening directly to the dining room. These doors and the doors to both toilet rooms are required to be self-closing and tight-fitting, the term "self-closing" meaning a door which is normally closed and kept closed by a suitable device. The provision of these doors at the tops of these steps will have to be carefully done as they are likely to contribute to accident. The landings are rather small, and the arrangement will probably be awkward at best, since the doors would undoubtedly have to swing into the vestibule. To make them swing out over the steps would be very dangerous indeed.

2. A hand rail on at

FRANCIS H. BATE
FORMER STATE'S ATTORNEY
FOR KENNEBEC COUNTY

TELEPHONE 77

LAW OFFICES
BATE AND POOLER

UNION STREET

August 18, 1942 WINTHROP, MAINE

BEATRICE M. POOLER

Mr. Warren McDonald
Department of Building Inspection
Portland, Maine

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Rept. 1935D-I

This will acknowledge receipt of your notice to me relative to condition of supports of the one and two story rear portions of the building at 741-43 Congress Street, and your recommendation in connection therewith.

I may say that I plan to be in Portland the first of next month, that is September 1st, and would appreciate the opportunity of going over the matter with you at that time.

Very truly yours,

Francis H. Bate

Rept. 1955D-1

none

CO Mr. Albert Re'llis,
741 Congress
Mr. Francis Bates,
Winthrop, Maine

August 10, 1942

Ideal Equipment Co.,
24 Park St.,
Lewiston, Maine

Subject: Application for Building Permit to
Cover Alterations to Restaurant and Lodging
House at 741 Congress St. References thus
(212-b-2) are to sections and paragraphs of
the Portland Building Code.

Gentlemen:

I am wholly unable to issue a building permit based upon the two confusing and incomplete plans which you have furnished to cover the above job. I have looked the building over, and talked to Mr. Rallis about the proposition. The only suggestion I can make is that you or he employ some person accustomed to making plans and make complete plans to scale to show all the work contemplated, and distinguishing between existing work to remain as is, existing work to be removed and the proposed new work. These plans should be filed as blue prints with all of the information on them printed from the originals. The two plans filed are not complete, one of them is not to scale, taken together they do not explain the job, and some of the requirements of the Building Code as to fire protection and safety are not shown on either.

Under the Building Code the restaurant part is classified as an assembly hall while the rest of the building is a lodging house. The restaurant

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Portland, Maine.

Inspector of Buildings,
City of Portland,
Maine.

Fully understanding the conditions of the erecting of
a sign on my property, I hereby give my full consent.

Signed Francis W. Mott



(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

Permit No. 0603
MAY 6 1941

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine May 1941

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 this City of Portland, and the following specifications:

Location 741 Congress Street

Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Francis Bates

Name and address of owner of sign Albert Roll



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(C) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 0399
APR 5 1941

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

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 741 Congress Street Use of Building Restaurant No. Stories 1 New Building
Name and address of owner of appliance Albert Rallis, 741 Congress St. Existing
Installer's name and address Portland Gas Light Co., Temple St. Telephone 2-8321

General Description of Work

To install Penfield water

Permit No. 41/399
Location 741 Congress St.
Owner Albert Rallis
415/41

Date of Permit
Post Card sent
Notif. for insp. None 5/8/41. OK
Approval 4/1/31/41

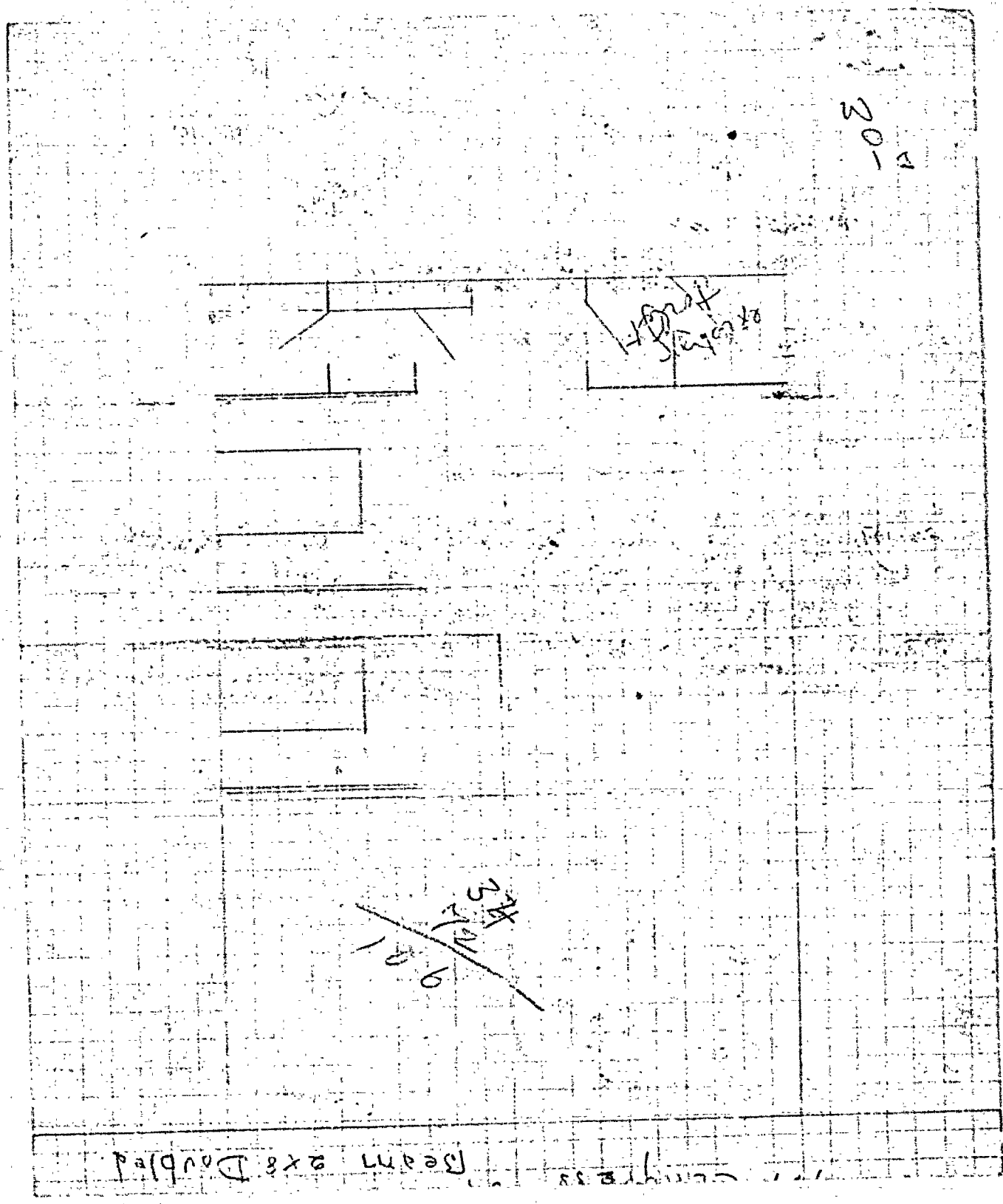
Oil-Burner Check List (date)

1. Kind of heat gas units
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.

from pits. OK.
5/8/41. There was a slight
odor of gas from outside of
water heater vent. Mr.
McGowan said he would
check on this. OK.

NOTES

4/1/41. Installation started. OK
4/25/41. Installation complete.
hood vent not connected to



December 12, 1940

C: 40-159-1

12-23-40-11

Francis H. Bate,
Winthrop,
Maine

Dear Sir:

A dangerous condition has been discovered in the building which you are reported to own at 743 Congress Street in that coal gas from the heater in the cellar is reaching in dangerous quantities the front room on the second floor, evidently through the small opening in the floor of the fireplace in that room, this opening being for the purpose of cleaning out the fireplace and dropping the ashes down to the brick vault built into the chimney in the cellar.

It seems evident that there must be some opening in the masonry wall between the flue to which the heater is connected and the vault below the fireplace.

As authorized by Section 11 of the Building Code of the City of Portland and Sections 28, 29, 30 and 32 of Chapter 35, Revised Statutes of Maine, copies of both attached hereto, it is my duty to direct and you are hereby directed to have this condition permanently corrected at least by December 21, 1940.

Realizing that you are out of town, and believing that this condition threatens the health if not the life of any occupant of this room, I have directed your tenant to take sufficient temporary steps to close this opening in some safe manner so that the coal gas will not reach this living room.

It appears that to permanently correct the situation it will probably be necessary either to make the wall between the two parts of the chimney tight or



INSPECTION COPY

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

COMPLAINT

Complaint No. _____

Date received 12/12/13

Location 743 Congress Street

Use of Building Dwelling House

Owner's name and address Francis R. Bate, Winthrop, Maine

Telephone _____

Tenant's name and address Alex Chesley, 743 Congress Street

Telephone _____

Complainant's name and address A Tenant

Telephone _____

Description: Coal gas from furnace in cellar escapes through fireplace into front room second floor.

*several days ago on 12/12/13
I believe about 10:00 AM
meant should be
employed to prevent
coal gas from coming
out into the room. It
3000. The gas was closed
and high made at the
after the furnace was
made (12/12/13) 10:00*

(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
Complaint No. 40-159-1

Location 743 Congress St.

Date Received 12/12/40

Date Disposed of See note 7/25/41, etc.

NOTES

12/13/40, Mr. Chissey called this A.M. and asked investigator and friend condition as stated in attached letter. 12/12/40, Letter filed. 12/16/40, Mr. Bates came to city with a request to take care of this matter. Called this office around noon. Mr. Hendrickson said I could not go there at that particular time but should be in between 12+1. It was decided to have her man come down here to see me. As there was a rain and ice storm they were anxious to get back on the road, therefore the desire for quick contact and settlement. They called

again a little after the first call but I was not here and they left no word. I called back after lunch and they had gone. I talked with Mr. Chissey.

12/19/40, I looked this over with Mr. Chissey this morning.



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CENTRAL BUSINESS ZONE

PERMIT ~~ISSUED~~

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

FEB 1 1938

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, February 1, 1938

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 741A Congress Street

Use of Building Restaurant & dwelling No. Stories 2 1/2

Name and address of owner Mrs. Lucy F. Furr, 741A Congress Street

Ward 6 Permit No. 38/103
Location 741A Congress St.
Owner Lucy E. Burns
Date of permit 2/1/38.
Post Card sent
Notif. for insp.
Approval For issued 3/22/41 See note
see #44 4/1/318
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
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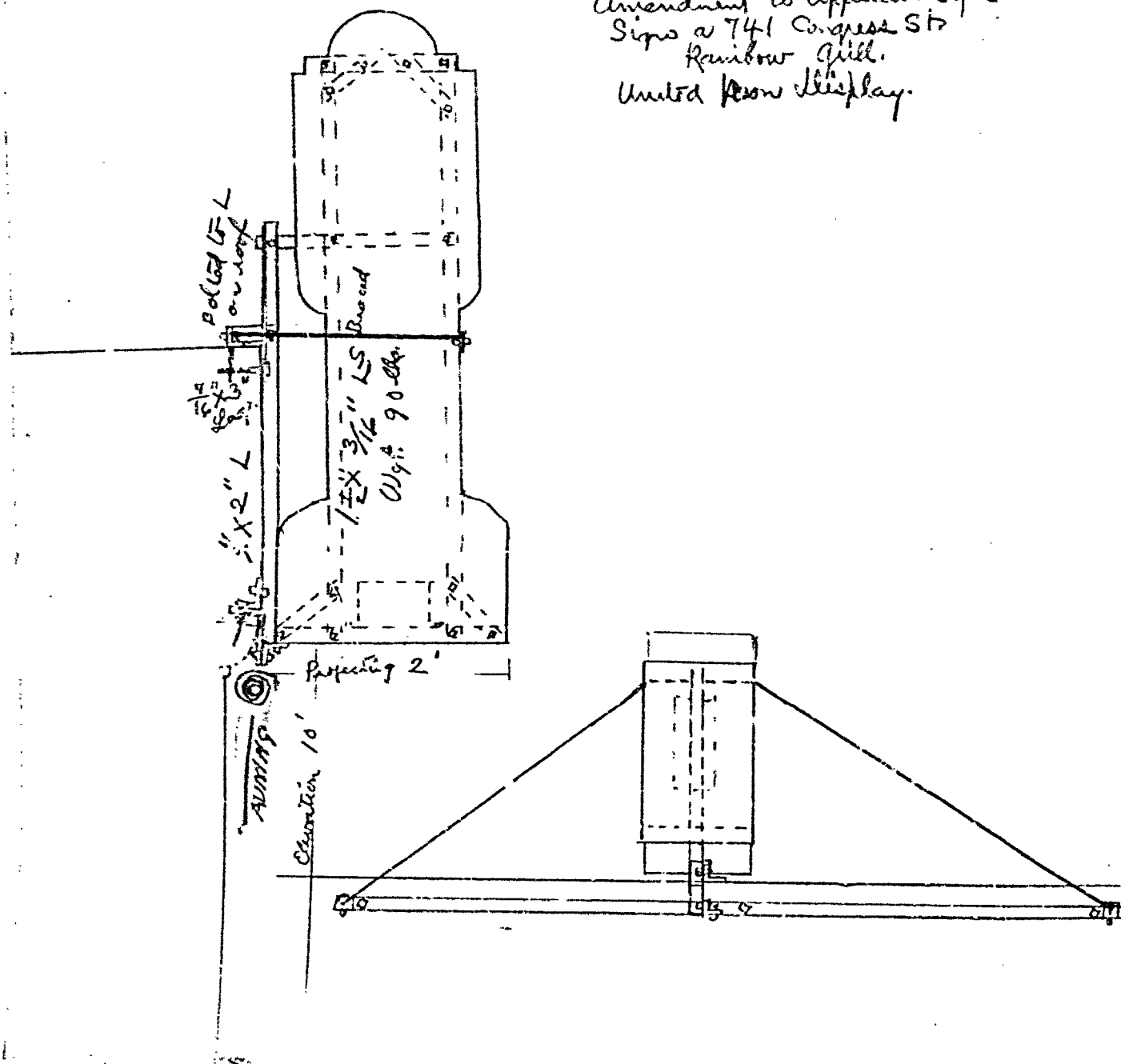
NOTES

2/14/38 - Vent from oven
is fed directly to wooden
stove and it is old

proportion that this
should be extended
to a gas furnace
into a gas furnace
3/22/41 this equipment
removed

Scale 1" = 1'

Amendment to Application for
Signs at 741 Congress St
Rainbow Grill.
United Room Display.



Rapt 9277B-1

May 10, 1937

United Neon Display,
27 Monument Square,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

With reference to your application in the ^{name of the} Rainbow Grill for a permit to cover erection of a sign projecting over the public sidewalk at 741 Congress Street, I note that this sign requires a structure on the roof.

Your attention is again called to my letter of June 29, 1936, containing the ruling of this department that applications for permits for projecting signs requiring any type of roof structure must be accompanied by a plan by a competent designer showing the design of sign and roof structure and bearing a statement of design specified by the Building Code, signed by the designer. It was also suggested that the designer show his computations on the plan to save time.

There is no reason apparent why we should vary this ruling in the case of the sign now applied for. Please file the necessary information promptly, and refrain from filing insufficient information with similar applications in the future.

Very truly yours,

Warren W. Donahue
Inspector of Buildings



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GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

Permit No. 0769
PERMIT ISSUED

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, June 5, 1936

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 741 Congress Street Use of Building Restaurant
Name and address of owner Matthew H. Kerwin, 14 Pitt Street Ward 6
Contractor's name and address Carl M. Haskell Plumbing Co., 384 Cumberland Ave Telephone 2-2168

General Description of Work

To ~~relocate~~ relocate gas hot water heater in same building about 18"
This is vented into hood of range

