

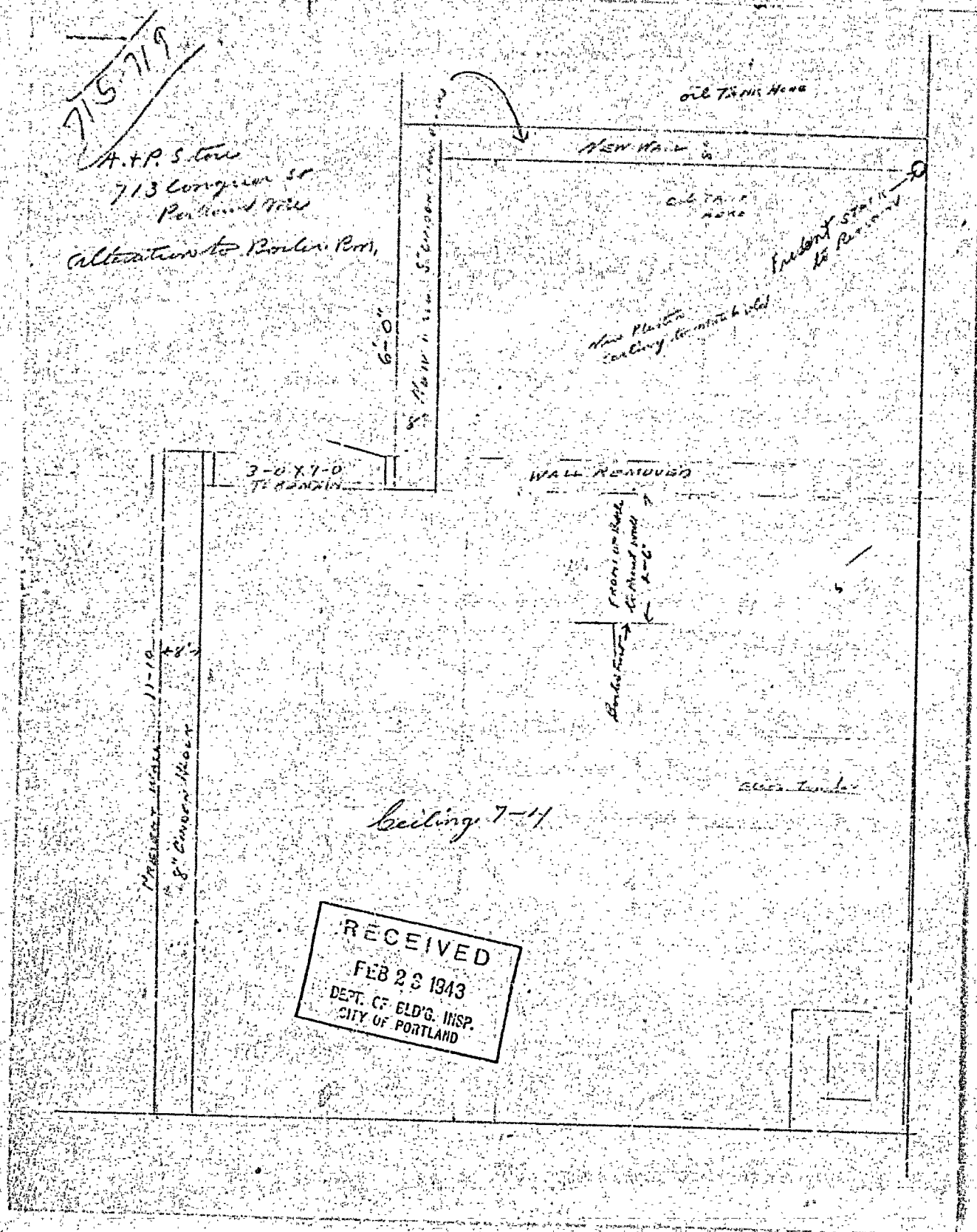
715-719 CONGRESS STREET

SHAW-WALKER

Full cut #920R - Half cut #920R - Third cut #920R - Full cut #920R

715-719

A.P. Stone
713 Congress St
Portland, Ore.
Alteration to Barber Room



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CITY OF PORTLAND



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure Second ClassPermit No. 3186
FEB 22 1943

Portland, Maine, February 22, 1943

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 712 Commercial Street Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Estate of Fred E. Dow Telephone _____
Lessee Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., 93 Kennebec St.
Contractor's name and address O. G. H. Robinson, 17 Fitch St. Westbrook Telephone 311
Architect _____ Plans filed yes No. of sheets _____
Proposed use of building Store No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ 200 Fee: 1.00

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material brick No. stories 1 Heat steam Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Last use Store No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To enlarge boiler room in basement as shown on plan - wall to be removed non-bearing -
new wall to be cinder block or concrete block 8" thick - 7'6" high
new ceiling to be metal lath and plaster

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

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? _____
Is any electrical work involved in this work? _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____ 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 _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.

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

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

If a Garage

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

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

Miscellaneous

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

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

Signature of owner Estate of Fred E. Dow
By Great Atlantic & Pacific Teas Co.

INSPECTION COPY

By O. G. H. Robinson

Permit No. 43/186
Location 713 Congress St
Owner Edw. J. Dowd & P. T. Tala
Date of permit 2/23/43.
Notif. closing-in 2/27/43
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. 2/27/43
Cert. of Occupancy issued one

NOTES

2/27/43 - Told foreman
O.K. to close ceiling OK

~~2/27/43 - Told foreman
O.K. to close ceiling OK~~

S.R. 40/836

Permit No. 40/1674

Location 713 Congress St.

Owner Estate of Fred H. Dow

Date of Permit 10/23/40

Post Card sent

Notif. for inspu.

Approval Tag issued 12/7/40

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.

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(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
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Class of Building or Type of Structure Second Class

Portland, Maine, September 18, 1940 SEP 20 1940

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter install the following building structural 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 717 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Estata Fred N. Dow Telephone
Real Est., 12 Monument Sq.
Contractor's name and address A. & P. Maintenance Department, 91 Kennebec Street Telephone
Architect Plans filed no. No. of sheets
Proposed use of building Store No. families
Other buildings on same lot
Estimated cost \$ 2000. Fee \$ 3.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material linder No. stories 1 Heat Style of roof Roofing
block
Last use Store No. families

General Description of New Work

To install refrigeration equipment in store.
Compressor in basement.

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

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? yes
Is any electrical work involved in this work? yes Height average grade to top of plate
Size, front depth No. stories Height average grade to highest point of roof
To be erected on solid or filled land? earth or rock?
Material of foundation Thickness, top bottom 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 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

INSTRUCTION COPY Signature of Owner Est. Fred N. Dow.
A. & P. Maintenance Department
Alfred King

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Permit No. 40/1387 ^{Sec 4.7/836}

Location 717 Congress Street

Owner Est. Shea n Over

Date of permit 9/20/40

Notif. closing-in

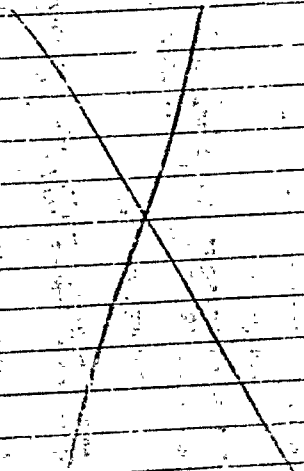
Inspn. closing-in

Final Notif.

Final Inspn. 10/7/40

Cert. of Occupancy issued None

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FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT ISSUED
7804
SEP 9 1940

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, September 9, 1940

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: 715-717 Congress Street Use of Building: Store No. Stories: 1 New Building
Name and address of owner of appliance: Estate of Fred H. Dow, - New Dow, 22 Monument Sq.
Installer's name and address: Community Oil Co., 512 Cumberland Avenue Telephone 2-7481

General Description of Work

To install Oil burning equipment in connection with steam heat

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

715-717 Congress St.—Owner: Estate F. H. Dow—Installer, Community Oil Co.—9/9/40

To Installer:

If oil feed pipes from tanks to burner lead downwards from the bottom of the tanks so that oil will flow by gravity from tanks to burner assembly, the installation is considered to have gravity feed, and a three way valve is required so arranged that oil cannot be taken from both tanks at the same time.

CC Estate of F. H. Dow, 12 Monument Square

(Signed) Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings



FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 1804
SEP 9 1940

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

CITY INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, September 9, 1940

Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace
from top of smoke pipe _____ from front of appliance _____ from sides or back of appliance _____
Size of chimney flue _____ Other connections to same flue _____

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Silent Glow Labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories? yes
Will operator be always in attendance? _____ Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure) gravity pressure
Location oil storage basement No. and capacity of tanks 2-275 gal.
Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? yes How many tanks fireproofed? _____

Amount of fee enclosed? 1.20 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

Signature of Installer By: _____

INSPECTION COPY

Community Oil Co.

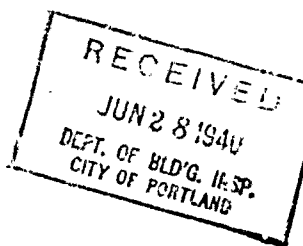
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40/1304
Permit No. 40/1304
Location 715-719 Congress St.
Owner Estate of Fred A. Dow
Date of Permit 9/9/40

Post Card sent
Notif. for insp.
Approval ~~Inspected~~ INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED

- Oil Burner Check List (date) 12/7/40
1. Kind of heat Hot water
 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.

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12/7/40 - Return for vent line



CAMILLO PROFENNO CO.
GENERAL CONTRACTORS
25 FREE STREET
PORTLAND MAINE

June 27, 1940

Mr. Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings
389 Congress St.
Portland, Me.

Re: A & P Store, 717 Congress St., City.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of June 27 relative to the building permit for the proposed A&P store at 717 Congress Street, for the Estate of Fred M. Dow we submit the following information in accordance with items listed in your letter.

1. The front part over the store front has been changed to steel lintels, metal studs, and stucco to comply with the Building Code.
2. There is to be a floor drain and also a sink in the basement for the dripping from the fish case. These were not shown on the plans due to the fact that at the present time we do not know their location until notified by the A & P Company. The toilet partitions and toilets have been changed according to the agreement between Mr. Bunting of the Health Department and ourselves.
3. There will be a parapet as noted on the plans on the westerly side of the building two feet high to the five foot property line.
4. The three inch lally column will be changed to three and one-half inches. We feel after checking with Mr. Barbour that the fourteen inch I-beam is ample heavy enough to carry the roof load. You will note on the new design the change in the I-beams over the front entrance.
5. The metal wall anchors will be provided as required by the Code. The lumber for the roof is to be genuine Douglas fir. There will be two rows of bridging instead of one as shown originally. Due to an error in the original plan the sixteen inch should have been fourteen inch spacings on roof joists.
6. The foundation wall around the unexcavated part will extend at least four feet below the finished grade.
7. The risers of stairs and hand rail will be installed as required by Code.
8. All of the windows in the basement toilets rooms are more than three feet square per opening.

CAMILLO PROFENNO CO.

GENERAL CONTRACTORS
25 FREE STREET
PORTLAND . . . MAINE

Mr. Warren McDonald

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June 27, 1940

9. We have provided additional windows in the cellar space.
10. Checking up with an awning concern we find that the height we have the awning bar now shown on plans, the awning will not come below seven feet at the highest level of the sidewalk.
11. The rear exit door will be installed according to requirements.
12. The exit sign will be installed in the electrical contract.
13. The interior partitions in the store not shown will, no doubt, be put in later, are not part of our contract. The understanding is now that they will be installed by A & P Company workmen. The A & P Company will apply for their own permits for this work.
14. The permits for the heating plants, etc. will be issued to contractors doing the work.
15. The concrete blocks used will carry the brand which is registered in your office.
16. The fire extinguishers are not part of our contract. However, we presume that the owners will take care of this item.

Very truly yours,

CAMILLO PROFENNO CO.

By *Donato C. Profenno*
Donato C. Profenno
Treasurer

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cc: F. N. Dow Est.

June 27, 1940

Camillo Profeano Co.,
25 Free Street,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen;

The following matters are called to your attention relating to the application for a building permit to construct a one story building at 717 Congress Street for the Estate of Fred H. Dow to be used as a retail store, some of these matters having been talked over with Mr. Evans yesterday:

1. The upper part of the store front is clearly third class frame construction which is not allowable in Fire District No. 1 where the property is located. I understand that you will make the lintels over the show windows of structural steel and make the wall above of incombustible material exclusively. If this wall above is made of masonry, the steel lintels and the supporting metal columns ought to be fireproofed as required by the Building Code.

2. The Health Department which is to approve the permit before it is issued, require increased toilet facilities and rearrangement of the toilet rooms as shown on the original plan and will require a cellar drain and also a sink in the basement for drippings from the "fish case". Mr. Evans has talked with Mr. Bunting of the Health Department about this matter, and I understand the plan is being revised accordingly.

3. Wherever the westerly side wall is closer than five feet to the westerly side property line a masonry parapet wall extending at least two feet above the level of the roof and contact with it is required, the wall to be at least eight inches in thickness and having a cap of incombustible material without the use of any woodwork whatever.

4. I note the use of three inch light weight Lally columns in several places. We do not happen to have any data on this type of Lally column, but we are accepting them under Mr. Barbour's statement of design. There appears to be very little, if any, surplus strength in the 14 inch beam supporting the roof, especially on the front span which appears to be 18 feet and 6 inches. Especially on this account care should be taken to see that the top flange is thoroughly braced by actual contact of the roof joists, or otherwise. Apparently there is a discrepancy between the first floor plan and the foundation plan, in that the first floor plan shows the building in front to be 60 feet wide, 6 feet wider than the same plan shows it in the rear. I am assuring that the first floor plan is in error and that the building does not taper. The first floor framing plan agrees with the foundation plan. We are unable to check the design of the 10 inch I-beam over the front entrance even on the basis of the frame construction shown. I presume this will be redesigned on the basis of the new type of construction overhead.

5. Metal wall anchors are to be provided all around the roof and all around the part of the first floor framing where the cellar occurs beneath, these anchors to be fastened to the bottoms of the joists, spaced not more than eight feet

June 27, 1940

from center to center, built into the masonry walls, at least 16 inches in length where the joists are at right angles to the wall and long enough to engage at least three joists where the joists are parallel to the wall. We would like a letter of certification from the seller of the floor and roof framing that the lumber is genuine Douglas fir, as we are according it a 1500 pounds per square inch fibre stress. Although not precisely required by the Building Code, we recommend not less than two rows of bridging not less than 1x3 in each roof span instead of one as shown. Our original check of the roof joists was based on the dimension shown on the foundation plan which indicates a building 50 feet wide out to out and therefore a 24 foot span on the rafters. Apparently the building is 54 feet wide out to out, however, which means a 26 foot span on the rafters. On this basis the 2x14 roof joists do not figure out unless they are of select dense structural grade which allows a fibre stress of 1750 pounds per square inch.

6. The foundation wall around unexcavated portion is required to extend at least four feet below the grade of the ground.

7. Risers of stairs are required to be no more than eight and one-half inches and treads no less than nine inches. A handrail is required on at least one side of each stairs.

8. The windows ventilating the toilet rooms are required to be at least three square feet in area of opening.

9. It would be well to provide windows or other openings from the outside to the cellar in other places than into the boiler room and into the toilet rooms for the benefit of firemen in case of fire.

10. The height of the awning bar must be such above the public sidewalk that the awning when installed and lowered will not have any part of it closer than seven feet to the highest level of the sidewalk. We shall appreciate your taking this matter up with the people who are to furnish the awning before the awning bar is placed as we have had considerable difficulty with awnings being too close to the sidewalk. The legal distance of all parts of the awning, including the fringe, above the public sidewalk is seven feet.

11. The rear exit door is required to have such hardware on it and only such that it cannot be locked against persons from the inside getting out, but so that persons on the inside may open it merely by turning the usual knob.

12. An exit sign is required over the top of this door also.

13. Evidently some of the partitions which will be required by the use of the store are not shown on the plans. The permit issued under this application will only cover the work included on the plans and in the application. Extra partitions or any other structural parts must be covered by an amendment to this permit or by a separate permit, supplying full information at the time of application.

14. Separate permits are required to cover the installation of heating plants and the installation of refrigerating equipment, these permits to be applied for by and issued to the installer.

Camillo Profanno—3

June 27, 1940

15. All concrete blocks to be used in the building are required to carry in each block the brand of the manufacturer which should have previously been registered in this office.

16. Before the building is occupied and before the legal certificate of occupancy can be issued, fire extinguishers are required to be in place, - one in the basement and four in the first story, all in conspicuous places and already for use.

I presume that you will let us have this additional information either on the plans or in specifications without delay so that we may be in position to issue the permit.

Very truly yours,

WCD/K

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Robert H. Barbour
198 High Street

Est. Fred N. Dow
c/o Neal Dow
12 Monument Square

A & P Supermarket.

Location 717 Congress St

Date 11-30-44

Permit ☒

Inquiry ☐

Complaint ☐

Mr. McD-

Only one of the two doors in the front of the A & P Market swung out.

Both on the plain steel doors swinging out.

The man I talked with said they were losing too much merchandise.

The side door, (east side) had so many empty cartons piled in front of the door that I was unable to see what was in the door for hardware.

The rear door had a sliding bolt on the frame and I had to release this bolt.

Before I could open the door this door swung in.

J. Ford



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure

Portland, Maine,

JUN 29 1940

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 717 Congress Street Ward 6 Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Estate of Fred N. Dow Telephone _____
Neal Dow, 12 Monument Sq.
Contractor's name and address Camillo Profenna Co., 25 Free St. Telephone 3-9311
Architect _____ Plans filed yes No. of sheets 6
Proposed use of building Store (A. P. Super Market) No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$20,000 Fee \$ 10.00

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Memorandum from Department of Building Inspection, Portland, Maine

717 Congress St.-Owner, Estate of Fred N. Dow- Contractor, Camillo Profenna Co. 6/28/40

To Builder:

If any of the windows in westerly wall are to be closer than five feet to the westerly property line, they are required to be glazed with wire glass.

(Signed) Warren McDonald
Inspector of Buildings

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

Details of New Work

Height average grade to top of plate _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories 1 Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? solid earth or rock? earth
Material of foundation concrete Thickness, top _____ bottom _____
Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____
Kind of Roof flat Rise per foot _____ Roof covering T&G 5 ply
No. of chimneys 1 Material of chimneys brick of lining tile
Kind of heat steam 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 _____ 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? 12" height? 16'6"

If a Garage

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

Miscellaneous

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

Signature of owner _____
By Estate of Fred N. Dow
By Camillo Profenna Co.

INSPECTION COPY

Warren McDonald

7-9-40



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED

Class of Building or Type of Structure

JUN 29 1940

Portland, Maine

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

General Description of New Work

To erect one story ^{single} ~~concrete~~ block, stucco finish, building 130' x 54'
(labelled blocks)

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 1 Height average grade to top of plate _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? solid Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
Material of foundation concrete earth or rock? earth
Material of underpinning _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____
Kind of Roof flat Rise per foot _____ Roof covering T&G 5 ply Thickness _____
No. of chimneys 1 Material of chimneys brick of lining tile
Kind of heat steam Type of fuel _____ Is gas fitting involved? _____
Corner posts _____ Sills _____ Girt or ledger board? _____ Size _____
Material columns under girders _____ 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? 12" height? 16'6"

If a Garage

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

Miscellaneous

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

Signature of owner By Camille Profenno Co.
By Douglas C. Evans.

INSPECTION COPY

Amos B. Bunting

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Ward 6 Permit No. 40/836 IP
Location 717 Congress St.
Owner Estate Fred N. Davis
Date of permit 6/29/40
Notif. closing-in
Inspn. closing-in
Final Notif.
Final Inspn. **INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED**
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES
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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
Permit No. 0673

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

JUN 4 1940

Portland, Maine, June 4, 1940

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter ~~to~~ 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 715 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Fred N. Dow Estate, 12 Monument Sq. Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Oxford Wrecking Co., 73 Main St., So. Portland Telephone 4-3762
Architect _____ Plans filed _____ No. of sheets _____
Proposed use of building _____ No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 1 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Last use dwelling house No. families 1

General Description of New Work

To demolish building 24' x 28'

Do you agree to tightly and permanently close all sewers or drains connecting with public or private sewers from this building or structure to be demolished, under the supervision and to the approval of the Department of Public Works of the City of Portland? yes

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

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? _____
Is any electrical work involved in this work? _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____ 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 _____ 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? noWill there be in charge of the above work a person competent to see that the State and City requirements pertaining thereto are observed? yesSignature of owner Fred N. Dow Estate
By Oxford Wrecking Co.

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By Wm. P. Stafford

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

PERMIT ISSUED
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Class of Building or Type of Structure

Portland, Maine,

June 4, 1940

JUN 4 1940

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 or the following specifications:

Location 717 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? YES Dist. No. 1
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Fred M. Dow Estate Telephone _____
Contractor's name and address Oxford Wrecking Co., 73 Main St., S. Portland Telephone 493762
Architect _____ Plans filed _____ No. of sheets _____
Proposed use of building _____ No. families _____
Other buildings on same lot _____ Fee \$ 1.00
Estimated cost \$ _____

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 3 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Last use tenement dwelling house No. families 3

General Description of New Work

To demolish building app. 40' x 30'

Do you agree to tightly and permanently close all sewers or drains connecting with public or private sewers from this building or structure to be demolished, under the supervision and to the approval of the Department of Public Works of the City of Portland? yes

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

Is any plumbing work involved in this work? _____
Is any electrical work involved in this work? _____ Height average grade to top of plate _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____ 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? _____ Size _____
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 _____, height? _____

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

If a Garage

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

Miscellaneous

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

Signature of owner. Fred M. Dow Estate
By Oxford Wrecking Co.By Wm. P. [Signature]

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7/5/40 - Work done on

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7/5/40 - Work done - OK

December 16, 1938

Rept. 3542C-1

Mr. Neal Dow,
12 Monument Square,
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is the building permit covering alterations in the building of the Fred N. Dow Estate at 717 Congress Street, including a change of use of the first story from living quarters to offices, additional information having been added to the application with your consent according to our telephone conversation.

Please note the following:

It is understood that for the present only two suites of offices will be provided and both of those in the first story, the janitor's apartment being in the rear. The second story will remain as it is, whether used or not, and the third story will have in it, exclusively, a single apartment. It seems that the second story may later be converted for offices, but this conversion will require another permit or an amendment to this permit, if the time between is not too long, whether physical changes are made in the second story or not.

Before this present change is put into use, a certificate of occupancy on account of the change of use of the first story is required from this department, and no indication of readiness for final inspection should be given sufficiently far in advance, so that the inspection may be made, and the certificate issued before the offices are finally occupied.

The Building Code requires fire extinguishers of a type bearing the label of approval of the Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. for the use intended, four in all, one in the cellar and one in each of the three stories above.

No new closets are allowed beneath stairs and if any closets exist beneath stairs they should be eliminated.

The change to a mercantile use makes it necessary to provide at least one separate toilet room in the building for the exclusive use of women.

In making plans for converting the second story for offices, it should be borne in mind that the Building Code controls the width of stairs, does not permit winders in the stairs, and the means of egress from all floors in the building, also that suitable exit lights will probably be required, at least in the second story when the change is made.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Buildings

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Rept. 35240-I

December 12, 1938

Fred H. Dow Estate,
12 Monument Square,
Portland, Maine

Gentlemen:

I tried without success on Saturday to contact you over the telephone concerning the alterations in the building of Fred H. Dow Estate at 717 Congress Street.

While the physical changes proposed are very minor indeed, the important change from the standpoint of the Building Code is the change of occupancy from a rooming house or habitation to a mercantile use, such as the doctors' offices would be.

As I understand it you intend now to provide two suites of doctors' offices in the first story and to make alterations by way of providing a new bathroom on the third floor in connection with an existing room to be used by one of the doctors who is to have an office on the first floor. Will all of the rooms above the first story be used for living quarters after this change is made?

Now that even a part of the building is to be changed to mercantile purposes, the Building Code seems to require that fire extinguishers be provided, one in the cellar and one at each floor above the cellar, four in all, each extinguisher to be of a type approved and labelled by the Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. for the particular use intended.

If any rooms above the first story or any rooms in the basement are to be used for offices or the like, other than habitations, there will be the question of width of stairs as requirement for these widths is greater in mercantile buildings than in lodging houses or tenements. If rooms above the second story are to be used for offices or mercantile purposes, there will be a question of enclosure of the heating plant in a standard fireproof heater room. At any rate we should know explicitly what each floor is to be used for.

Then, before any part of the building is put to its new use, a certificate of occupancy from this department is required.

May I hear from you concerning these particulars, preferably entering them upon the application for the permit or in a supplementary specification which might be done by letter?

Very truly yours,

P.S. There will also be the matter of separate toilets for men and women in the building, but perhaps you have this in mind anyway.

Warren McDonald

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Inspector of Buildings

W/MCD/H



GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Permit No.

1001170
2145

Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Portland, Maine, December 9, 1938

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To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect or alter 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 717 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 1
Owner's or lessor's name and address Fred N. Dow Estate, 12 Monument Square Telephone 3-7123
Contractor's name and address Owner Telephone _____
Architect _____ Plans filed no No. of sheets _____
Proposed use of building Doctors Offices (2) and apartment No. families 4
(janitor's - rear)
Other buildings on same lot _____
Estimated cost \$ 200. Fee \$.75

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 2 1/2 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____
Last use Rooming house No. families _____

General Description of New Work

To enlarge an existing closet on third floor to provide new bath room 6' x 10', to be ventilated by vent shaft through roof at least fifty-six square inches in cross section (2x4 studs 16" OC). This bath room to be used in connection with an existing room on this floor to be used by doctor who has an office on first floor.

First story to be converted for two (2) suites of offices; 2d story to remain as is for present; 3d story to have single apartment. Second story may later be converted for offices but separate will be secured. Third story has two means of egress or two will be provided. Changes will not interfere with any means of egress. Four fire extinguishers will be provided: one in cellar, and one in each story above. (This paragraph added substantially by direction of Mr. Neal Dow) 12/15/38

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

Details of New Work

Height average grade to top of plate _____
Size, front _____ depth _____ No. stories _____ Height average grade to highest point of roof _____
To be erected on solid or filled land? _____ earth or rock? _____
Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____ 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 _____ Size _____ Max. on centers _____
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Girders 6x8 or larger. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet. Sills and corner posts all one piece in cross section.
Joists and rafters: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
On centers: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
Maximum span: 1st floor _____, 2nd _____, 3rd _____, roof _____
If one story building with masonry walls, thickness of walls? _____ height? _____

If a Garage

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

Miscellaneous

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

Signature of owner Fred N. Dow Estate
R E Hunt Foreman

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12/19/38 - *Work started*

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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure 5rd

Portland, Maine May 22 1929

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to ~~erect~~ alter ^{add} the following building ~~erecting~~ 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 717 (Rear) Congdon St. Ward 6 Within Fire Limits? Yes Dist. No. 1

Owner's or Lessee's name and address Fred W. Deane Monument Sq. Telephone 399

Contractor's name and address Owner Telephone _____

Architect's name and address _____

Proposed use of building _____ No. families _____

Other buildings on same lot Garage adjoining

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 1 Heat _____ Style of roof _____ Roofing _____

Last use Storage No. families _____

General Description of New Work

Demolish 1 story building 30' x 30'

NOTIFICATION BEFORE LAYING
OR CLOSING IS WANTED

CERTIFICATE OF DOCUMENT
REQUIRED AND IS WANTED

Details of New Work

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

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

Material of foundation _____ Thickness, top _____ bottom _____

Material of underpinning _____ Height _____ Thickness _____

Kind of roof _____ Roof covering _____

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

Kind of heat _____ Type of fuel _____ Distance, heater to chimney _____

If oil burner, name and model _____

Capacity and location of oil tanks _____

Is gas fitting involved? _____ Size of service _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

If a Garage

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

Total number commercial cars to be accommodated _____

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

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Will above work require removal or disturbance of a tree on a public street? no

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

Estimated cost \$ _____ Fee \$ 1.00

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

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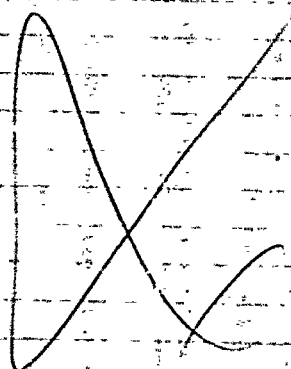
Signature of owner

Fred W. Deane

By J. B. Bence 8710 H

Ward 6 Permit No. 29/307
Location 717 (Rear) Congress St.
Owner Fred H. Dow
Date of permit 3/20/59
Notif. closing-in _____
Inspn. closing-in _____
Final Notif. _____
Final Inspn. _____
Cert. of Occupancy issued _____

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

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO BUILD (3D CLASS BUILDING)

Portland, Me., October 5, 1924 19

TO THE

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to build, according to the following Specifications:—

Location r 717 Congress Street Ward 7 Fire Limits? no
Name of owner is? Fred H Dow Address 12 Monument Sq
Name of mechanic is? Owner Address _____
Name of architect is? _____ Address _____
Proposed occupancy of building (purpose)? dwellling
If a dwelling or tenement house, for how many families? 1
Are there to be stores in the lower story? _____
Size of lot, No. of feet front? _____; No. of feet rear? _____; No. of feet deep? _____
Size of building, No. of feet front? 27ft; No. of feet rear? 27ft; No. of feet deep? 28ft
No. of stories, front? 2; rear? _____
No. of feet in height from the mean grade of street to the highest part of the roof? 29ft
Distance from lot lines, front? _____ feet; side? _____ feet; side? _____ feet; rear? _____
Firestop to be used? yes
Will the building be erected on solid or filled land? solid
Will the foundation be laid on earth, rock or piles? _____
If on piles, No. of rows? _____ distance on centers? _____ length of? _____
Diameter, top of? _____ diameter, bottom of? _____
Size of posts, 4x6 Studding 2x4 16 O. C. Sills 4x8 Roof Rafters 2x6 24 O. C. Girders 6x8
Size of girts 4x4
Size of floor timbers? 1st floor 2x8, 2d 2x8, 3d _____, 4th _____
O. C. " " " 16, 2d 16, 3d _____, 4th _____
Span " " " not over 16ft, not over 16ft, 3d _____, 4th _____
Will the building be properly braced? yes Bridging in every floor span over 8ft
Building, how framed? _____
Material of foundation? cement thickness of? 12in laid with mortar? _____
Underpinning, material of? cement height of? 3ft thickness of? 8in
Will the roof be flat, pitch, mansard or hip? flat Material of roofing? tar & gravel
Will the building be heated by steam, furnaces, stoves or grates? furnace Will the flues be lined? yes
Will the building conform to the requirements of the law? yes
Means of egress? _____

If the building is to be occupied as a Tenement House, give the following particulars

What is the height of cellar or basement? _____

What will be the clear height of first story? _____ second? _____ third? _____

State what means of egress is to be provided _____

Scuttle and stepladder to roof? _____

Estimated Cost,

\$ 3500.

Signature of owner or authorized representative, F H Dow

Address, 12 Monument Sq

Plans submitted? _____

Received by? _____

PERMIT MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK



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

Application for Permit for Alterations, etc.

To the Inspector of Buildings: Portland, August 5, 1921

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

Location near 717 Congress Ward, 7 in fire-limits? no
Name of Owner or Lessee, Fred N Dow Address Express Bldg.
" " Contractor, owner " "
" " Architect " "

Description of Present Bldg.

Material of Building is wood Style of Roof, pitch Material of Roofing, shingle
Size of Building is 40ft feet long; 20ft feet wide. No. of Stories, 1
Cellar Wall is constructed of posts is inches wide on bottom and batters to inches on top.
Underpinning is is inches thick; is feet in height.
Height of Building 12ft Wall, if Brick; 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th,
What was Building last used for? private garage (owner's cars) No. of Families?
What will Building now be used for? same

DETAIL OF PROPOSED WORK

Build on 8 inches, new partitions, asphalt roof, cement floor, new door
all to comply with the building ordinance

Estimated Cost \$ 400.

IF EXTENDED ON ANY SIDE

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

WHEN MOVED, RAISED OR BUILT UPON

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

IF ANY PORTION OF THE EXTERNAL OR PARTY WALLS ARE REMOVED

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

Signature of Owner or
Authorized Representative

Address

J. B. Dow
12 Mc Sq

PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK



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

Application for Permit for Alterations, etc.

To the
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS:

Portland, June 27, 191

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

Location 720 Oak Street Ward, 1 in fire-limits? no
Name of Owner or Lessee, Thos. J. Baker Address 1211 Commercial St
" " Contractor, Thos. J. Baker Address 1211 Commercial St
" " Architect, _____
Description of Building: Material of Building is wood Style of Roof, flat Material of Roofing, asph. & flt.
Present Size of Building is 50 feet long: 7 feet wide. No. of Stories, 2
Bldg. Cellar Wall is constructed of _____ is _____ inches wide on bottom and batters to _____ inches on top.
Underpinning is posts is _____ inches thick; is _____ feet in height.
Height of Building, 25 ft. Wall, if Brick; 1st, _____ 2d, _____ 3d, _____ 4th, _____ 5th, _____
What was Building last used for? store No. of Families? _____
What will Building now be used for? store Estimated Cost, \$ 750.00

DETAIL OF PROPOSED WORK

Put in cement underpinning, put in floors, put in new partitions
to comply with the building ordinance

IF EXTENDED ON ANY SIDE

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

WHEN MOVED, RAISED OR BUILT UPON

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

IF ANY PORTION OF THE EXTERNAL OR PARTY WALLS ARE REMOVED

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

Signature of Owner or
Authorized Representative

Address

F. N. Leach
G. Beuch
137 Thorne St

PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK