

GLASS: Window, Picture, Heavy Sheet, Plate, Crystal, Safety, Rough, Wire, Ribbed, Figured, Ground, Chipped, Mirrors, Metal Store Fronts, Subcord, Glass Blo

## C. H. FARLEY & COMPANY, INC.

DIVISION OF THE BOSTON PLATE AND WINDOW GLASS COMPANY

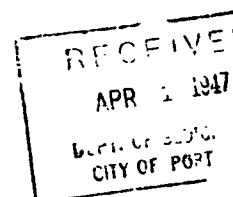
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13 - 23 MILK STREET  
Portland 3, Maine  
March 31, 1947

City of Portland  
Department of Building Inspection  
Portland, Maine

Attention: Mr. Warren McDonald  
Inspector of Building

Subject: Alterations at 953 Congress St. Portland, Me  
Gentlemen:



With reference to the above subject job, we have conferred with the contractors, J. Page-Pistaki & Son, with reference to your letter of March 26, 1947. We wish to advise that the conditions mentioned by you in the first paragraph of your letter will be taken care of as you have instructed, namely, no structural glass will be used in any section which covers an area greater than eight square feet. The woodwork will be so arranged that it will be completely covered by the cement stucco and no glass veneer will be applied in any instance.

The contractor has advised that the steel lathe cement stucco will be nailed directly to the studs and the stucco and no sheathing will be used.

This contractor also advises that the seven inch curb ~~below~~ which the bottom of the structural glass will be built on top of the foundation and will be six inches below the level of the sidewalk line that is to be applied above the basecourse with a lip angle on either the vertical or horizontal and be secured through the back in the proper continuous angles or shelf angles of the proper material used to receive the structural glass over the entrance.

Trusting these conditions will meet with your approval, remain,

Very truly yours

C. H. Farley &

*H. F. Hinds*

H. F. Hinds  
Mgr. Const. Dept

LEADED GLASS - 1110  
MEMORIAL WINDOWS  
H.F.H:sk

BP 47/364-Amdt. A1-1

March 25, 1947

J. Page-Pinto & Sons  
12 Briggs Street  
Mr. Harry Veronis  
34 Dartmouth Street

Subject: Application for amendment to permit for alterations at 953 Congress Street, corner of St. John Street.

Gentlemen:

We are unable to issue the above amendment because the plans submitted do not show compliance with Building Code regulations in several particulars.

1. There are several questions regarding the structural glass veneer to be provided on the front of the building, which as shown on plan, do not comply with the standards for such veneers adopted by the Municipal Officers as a part of Building Code requirements. There are a number of sections of the structural glass over the show windows which are greater in area than the maximum of eight square feet allowable under these standards. Most of the veneer as shown on the sectional plan submitted is placed directly against workmark contrary to these regulations. No indication is given as to the reinforcement of the concrete structure in order as to how it is to be fastened to the wall of the building. Where the veneer is applied at where glass veneer extends to the sidewalk surface, each section shall rest on a continuous metal angle with a face lip, securely anchored to the backing, with  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch space between sidewalk and bottom of angles. It is also provided that where glass veneer is applied above the base course, the mastic cement binding shall be supplemented by the use of a metal lip angle of a design approved by the Inspector and that angles shall be located in each vertical or horizontal edge of each section of veneer and secured through the backing directly into the wall behind by means of expansion or toggle bolts. Angles are required to be of at least No. 16 US gauge and shall hold the glass in a vertical plane independent of the mastic cement. It is clear from the plan that none of this is contemplated, but nevertheless it is a requirement of law that these angles be provided.

2. Since there is a door in the rear wall to serve as a second means of egress from the store, it may remain as is, but the door in the new partition separating storeroom from the store space is required to be at least three feet wide and six feet four inches high. A vestibule lockset is required on the rear outside door and a similar one on the door in the new partition. It is to be provided with locks of any kind. Since the floor of the rear addition is to be raised from its present position, it will no doubt be considerably higher above the ground outside than it is at present. This probably will require the need for a platform and steps outside the rear exit door. Information concerning the size, framing, and foundations of platform and steps, together with handrails on steps, should be furnished.

3. The latest plan submitted shows that the roof over the store is carried on an 8x10 girder on a maximum span of about 17 feet. This is rather light depending somewhat on the species of wood and whether the timber is full size or dressed. If these timbers show any sign of distress, steps should be taken to reinforce them at this time.

Will you please furnish the above necessary information promptly so that we may be able to issue the amendment to the permit?

Very truly yours,

AJS/S

CC: G. H. Farley & Co., Inc., 13 Milk St., Harry Lessard, 41 Gleckler Road

Inspector of Buildings



# APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO PERMIT

Amendment No. 1

Portland, Maine, March 19, 1947

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To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 47/364 pertaining to the building or structure comprised in the original application in accordance with the Laws of the State of Maine, the Building Code and Zoning Ordinance of the City of Portland, plans and specifications, if any, submitted herewith, and the following specifications:

Location 953 Congress Street

Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3

Owner's name and address Harry Lessard, 41 Glackler Rd.

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Lessee's name and address Harry Verenis, 953 Congress St.

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor's name and address Page-Pistakki & Sons, 12 Briggs Street

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed use of building Store

Plans filed yes No. of sheets 2

Increased cost of work \_\_\_\_\_

No. families \_\_\_\_\_

Additional fee 25

## Description of Proposed Work

To provide glass veneer store front as per plan.

To frame roof as per plan.

Existing rear exit door is 2'8" wide and 6'6" high - new inside rear door to be made 3' wide and 6'4" high. Vestibule lockset to be provided on exit door and front door.

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_ Height average grade to highest point of roof \_\_\_\_\_  
Size, front \_\_\_\_\_ depth \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Framing lumber—Kind \_\_\_\_\_ Dressed or full size? \_\_\_\_\_  
Corner posts \_\_\_\_\_ Sills \_\_\_\_\_ Girt or ledger board? \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_  
Girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Columns under girders \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_ Max. on centers \_\_\_\_\_  
Studs (outside walls and carrying partitions) 2x4-16" O. C. Bridging in every floor and flat roof span over 8 feet  
Joists and rafters: 1st floor \_\_\_\_\_, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof \_\_\_\_\_  
On centers: 1st floor \_\_\_\_\_, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof \_\_\_\_\_  
Maximum span: 1st floor \_\_\_\_\_, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Harry Verenis

Signature of Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: Page Pistakki  
4/3/47 Wint

Inspector of Building

INSPECTION COPY

AP 953 Congress Street-1

March 8, 1947

J. Page-Fistaki & Sons  
12 Congress Street  
Mr. Harry Vachon  
34 Eastmouth Street

Subject: Conditional building permit for alterations  
at 95 Congress Street, corner of St. John Street

Gentlemen:

Partial and conditional permit for the above work is issued to the contractor herewith, subject to the following; but if for any reason you are unwilling or unable to comply with the conditions, the work should not be started and the building permit returned immediately:

1. The new glass veneer for the store front is excluded from the permit because there is not sufficient detail to show how it would be in compliance with Building Code requirements therefor. It will be necessary to cover the veneer by application for amendment to the permit now issued and with the application details of the fastening, backing-up and support of the veneer to show compliance with the requirements.

Each of the required standards for such structural glass veneer can be procured by calling at this office, and Mr. Page, if he made the plan, should procure a copy and then show compliance with the application of these veneer standards on the plan. Perhaps this can be best shown by a cross-section through the front indicating the method of support of the glass veneer, the use of backing, anchors etc. We will note that the standards call for the backing to be of a rigid and stability equal to or greater than that provided by one-inch thick cement mortar on wire lath secured to studs spaced 12 inches on center, and that it is unlawful to use wood backing surfaces. All of this is very important to the safety of the building and the tenant as well as the public at the sidewalk, since there have been a number of failures of various types of veneer throughout the country, and we have had more than one in Portland.

Mr. Page should also show the size of beams acting as lintels over the show windows and over the entrance doorway, also which way the roof joists run as if they get bearing over the lintels and the beams of the roof joists are. This is necessary to check the strength of the lintels as beams, since the new glass veneer will add quite substantially to the load on these lintels. The application says there is no structural change proposed in the new store front, but this added weight certainly does have a bearing on the structure of the store front. Furthermore, it may be necessary to reinforce the studs in the store front in order to comply with the standards for the structural glass veneer.

2. The area of the store (customer space) will be such that a rear exit is required, the exit door to be in the rear wall or in the side wall along St. John Street near the rear wall, to be no less than 5 feet wide nor 6 feet four inches high, to be equipped with a vestibule lockset--such a lockset that any person on the inside can quickly open the door with a key or any special knowledge whether the store is open for business or not--and with a standard exit sign, directional or otherwise, to show clearly to the patrons of the store what direction to take to reach the emergency exit. The floor plans will have to be revised to show this arrangement and this change included in the application for amendment.

3. The plans do not show clearly how any physical change is to be made in the store front, but if any other than the existing entrance door is to be used, a vestibule lockset is required on the door also. The plans call for a new step in front of the entrance door. If there is a single step there now and no substantial change in

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this situation except for the better is contemplated, we shall raise no objection to this single step, but if there is no single step, then now, it is necessary to avoid one in the new situation, perhaps by a rafter or otherwise.

4. Where new roof framing of the rear shed is to be provided at a higher level, it will not be in compliance with the requirements to erect short studs on the top of the present roof plate because such construction would make a weak joint without possibility of lateral tie at the present plate line and would violate the requirements of studs running continuously from sill to under side of plate.

5. Framing as to size, spans, spacing and direction of roof and ceiling joists ought to be shown. While the new ceiling board will not add a great weight to the roof or ceiling construction, it will add some, and it is the duty of this office to make sure that the roof framing is not already overloaded to such an extent that no addition should be made. While the proposed 4x9 beam between main store and new rear part is plenty strong enough to support the roof load from the rear part, it may not be strong enough to support the roof load and ceiling load which may come from the main store, if the roof and ceiling joists run that way.

Very truly yours;

Director of Buildings

WACB/S

CC: Mr. Harry P. Leonard  
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March 4, 1947

Mr. Harry J. Denis  
953 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

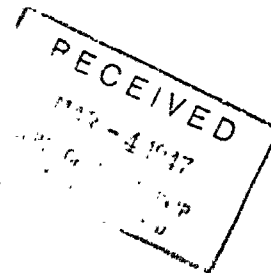
In looking over your application and plans filed with the Building Inspector we find that you omitted showing the toilet room and ante room upon same.

Please have your contractor include these on plan as soon as possible so that clearance and approval may be given by our department, thus causing you undue delay in securing your permit.

Very truly yours

Wm. B. Fusting  
Chief Inspector

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CC: Building Inspector



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Permit No. 47, 264

Location 953 Congress St

Owner Harry Bernard

Date of permit 3/2/47

Notif. closing-in 4/11/47 (1:20)

Inspn. closing-in 4/11/47 C

Final Notif.

Final insp.

Cert. of Occupancy issued

INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED

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3/2/47. Inspect start  
work putting up side  
wall on corner of

3/26/47. Inspect corner  
chase on corner of

4/24/47. Inspect, structural

glass part started etc

4/24/47. Glass front part started  
etc

4/24/47. Glass front part etc

4/24/47. Work completed

nothing done to interior

see case outside door

has ventilable lockout

None of this sign etc

12/1/48. Time did not

permit further insp. etc





FILL IN AND SIGN WITH INK  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR  
HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

Portland, Maine, October 23, 1946

PERMIT  
102111  
OCT 25 1946

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 953 Congress Street Use of Building Variety Store No. Stories 1 ~~Now Building~~ Existing "  
Name and address of owner of appliance Harry Verinies, 953 Congress Street  
Installer's name and address The Paine Co., 441 Fore Street Telephone 3-6671

General Description of Work

To install gravity warm air one pipe furnace.

IF HEATER, OR POWER BOILER

Location of appliance or source of heat Basement Type of floor beneath appliance Concrete.  
If wood, how protected? Kind of fuel coal  
Minimum distance to wood or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace  
From top of smoke pipe 15" From front of appliance over 4' From sides or back of appliance over 3'  
Size of chimney flue 3x10 Other connections to same flue none  
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour

IF OIL BURNER

Name and type of burner Labelled by underwriters' laboratories?  
Will operator be always in attendance? Does oil supply line feed from top or bottom of tank?  
Type of floor beneath burner  
Location of oil storage Number and capacity of tanks  
If two 275-gallon tanks, will three-way valve be provided?  
Will all tanks be more than five feet from any flame? How many tanks fire proofed?

IF COOKING APPLIANCE

Location of appliance Kind of fuel Type of floor beneath appliance  
If wood, how protected?  
Minimum distance to wood or combustible material from top of appliance  
From front of appliance From sides and back From top of smokepipe  
Size of chimney flue Other connections to same flue  
Is hood to be provided? If so, how vented?  
If gas fired, how vented? Rated maximum demand per hour

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT OR SPECIAL INFORMATION

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

APPROVED:

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 Installer

The Paine Company

By: *[Signature]*

Permit No. 46/211  
Location 950 Congre. St  
Owner H. J. Terries  
Date of permit 10/25/46  
Approved 11-17-46 V. J. [Signature]

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FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 1716  
NOV 30 1945

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HEATING, COOKING OR POWER EQUIPMENT

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

Portland, Maine, Nov 28 - 1945

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 951 Congress St Use of Building Restaurant No. Stories 1 New Building Existing

Name and address of owner of appliance Arthur Varlamos

Installer's name and address Portland Gas & Electric Co

Telephone 2-8-721

General Description of Work

To install Warm Air Furnace

1 Pitco Radiator Under existing floor

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE

Is appliance or source of heat to be in cellar? yes If not, which story 1st Kind of Fuel Gas

Material of supports of appliance (concrete floor or what kind) Concrete

Minimum distance from top of smoke pipe or combustible material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace, 15"

Size of chimney flue 12x12 from front of appliance 6' from sides or back of appliance 6'

Other connections to same flue Gas Water Heaters (Automatic Shut-offs Provided)

Name and type of burner IF OIL BURNER

Will operator be always in attendance? Does oil labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories?

Location oil storage Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure)

Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? No. and capacity of tanks

Amount of fee enclosed? \$1.50 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

ASSESSOR'S COPY

Signature of Installer Portland Gas & Electric Co  
Paul H. Morgan

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Bumgarner

Permit No. <u>45/1716</u>	<u>2-1-1946</u>
Locat on <u>951 Congress St.</u>	<u>Prus</u>
Owner <u>Arthur Vaslamov</u>	<u>2749 7th-11th</u>
Date of permit <u>11/30/46</u>	<u>1711</u>
Post Card sent	
Notif. for insp.	
Approval Fee issued <u>11/9/46</u>	
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 size and material	
12. Control valve	
13. Ash pit vent	
14. Temp. or pressure safety	
15. Instruction card	
16.	

NOTES

12-31-45 Trip to  
has not been  
installed. Inspect



# AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Original Permit No. 15/121

Amendment No. 1

City of Portland, Maine

July 25, 1945

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for an amendment to Permit No. 15/121, 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, and Specifications, if any, submitted herewith, in the following specifications:

Location: 99 Congress Street  
Owner's or Lessee's name and address: Marcus Lewis, 99 Congress Street  
Contractor's name and address: Metro Neon, 99 Exchange Street (near)  
Plans filed as part of this Amendment: Yes  
Is any climbing work involved in this work? No  
Increased cost of work: No  
Framing Lumber: Kind?  
Within Fire Limits? Yes  
Dist. No. 2  
No. of Sheets  
Is any electrical work involved in this work?  
Additional fee  
Dressed or Full Size

## Description of Proposed Work

To erect a panel at bottom of existing sign, as per plan.

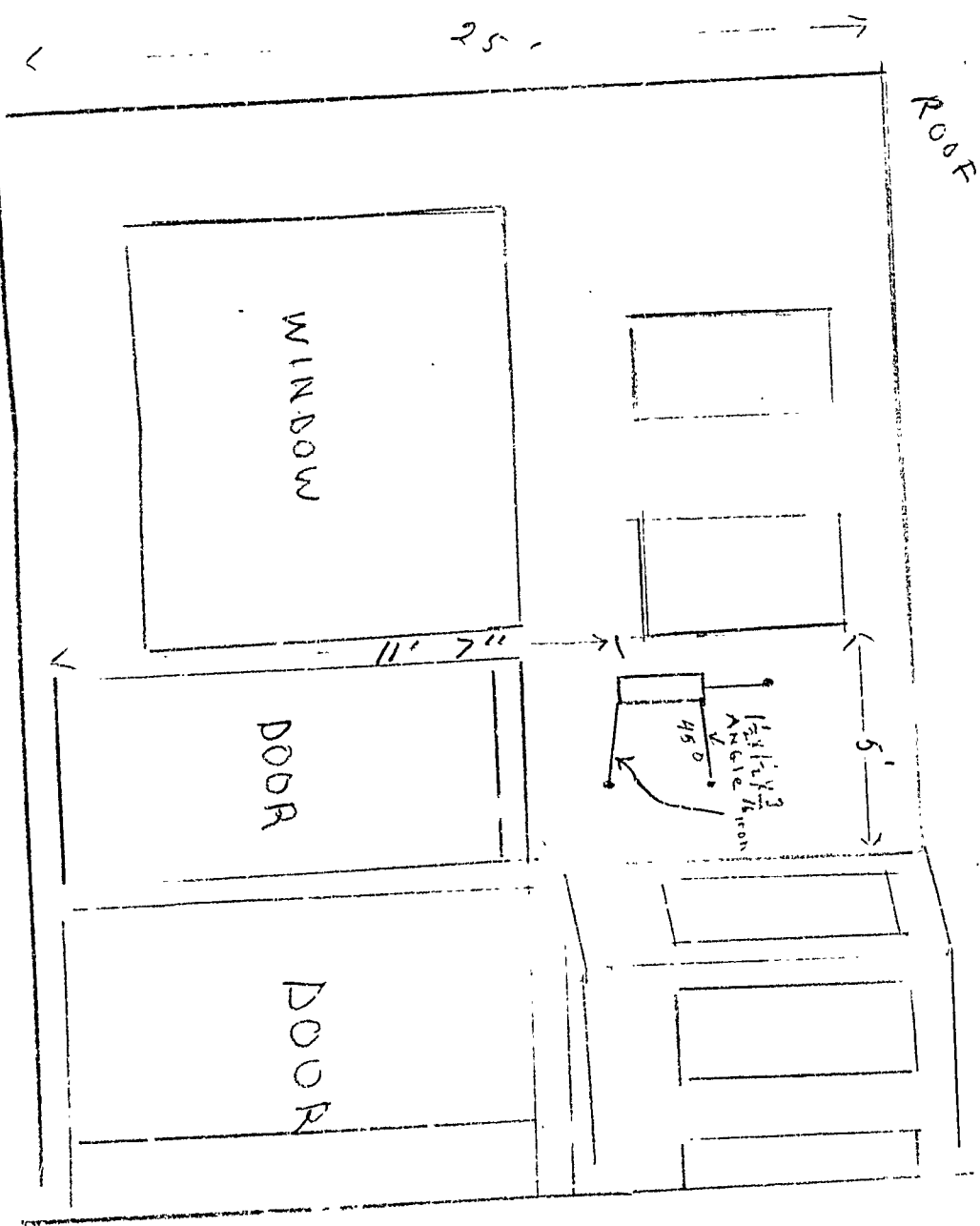
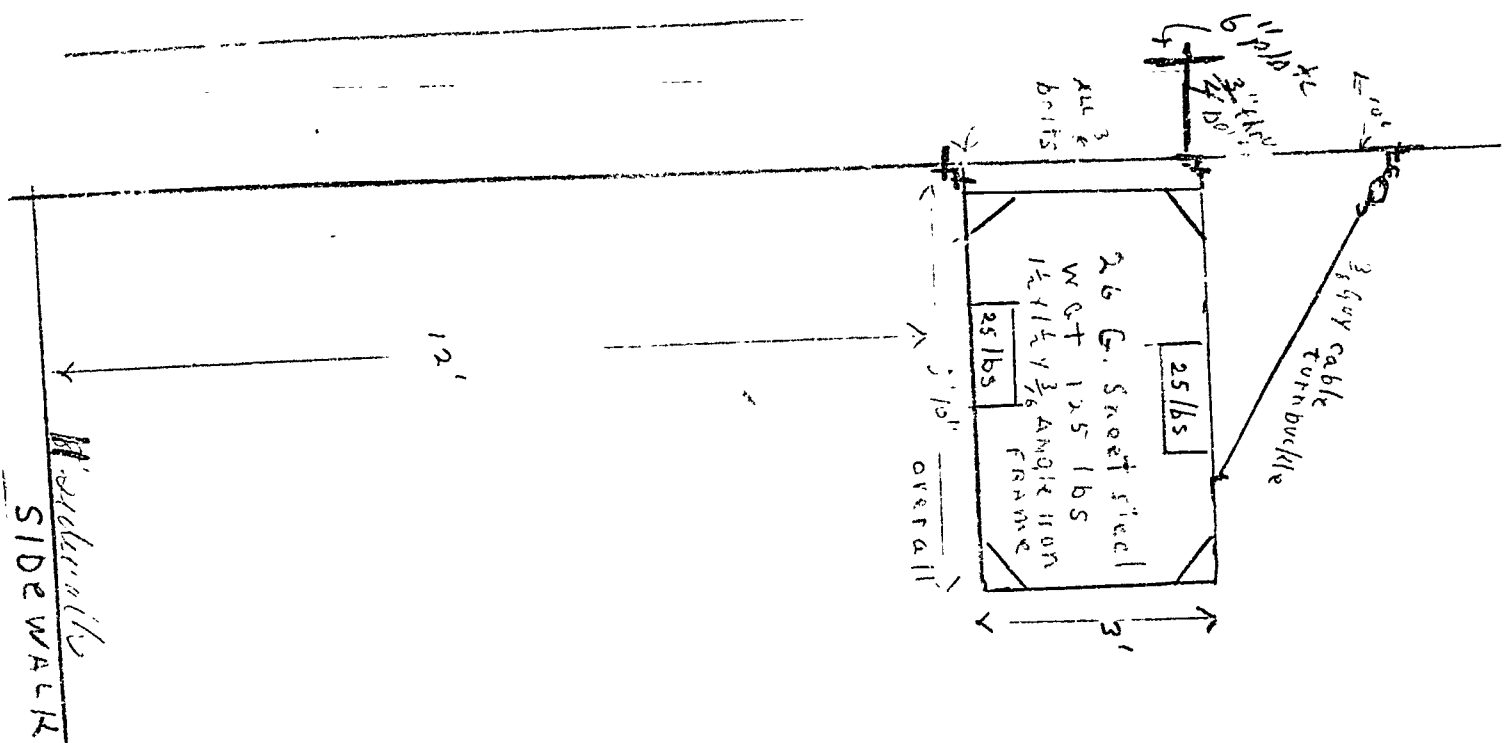
Approved: *John A. Neon*  
Chief of Fire Department

Signature of Owner: *John A. Neon*

Commissioner of Public Works

Approved: *John A. Neon*  
Inspector of Buildings





Sheet metal box bolts to frame  
all 3 bolts on fastenings [except three bolts]

949 Congress



WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT 949 Congress St. IN PORTLAND, MAINE

Harry Miller, being the owner of the  
premises at 949 Congress St. in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by Marcus Jewelry Co.  
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 I  
Harry Miller, 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 9 day of July, 19 45

William V. Gatti  
Witness

Harry Miller Owner



APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO ERECT  
SIGN OVER PUBLIC SIDEWALK OR STREET

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 737  
JUL 11 1945

Portland, Maine, July 10, 1945 19

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 949 Congress St. Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3

Owner of building to which sign is to be attached Harry Miller 157 Polton St.

Name and address of owner of sign Marcus Jewelry & Co. 949 Congress St.

Contractor's name and address Metro Neon 96 Exchange St. (rear) Telephone 3-3052

When does contractor's bond expire? Sept. 1945

Information Concerning Building

No. stories 2 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached frame

Details of Sign and Connections

Electric? yes Vertical dimension after erection 3' Horizontal 5'-10"

Weight 125# lbs., Will there be any hollow spaces? yes Any rigid frame? yes

Material of frame Angle 3x1 1/2 x 3/16 No. advertising faces 2, material metal

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

No. through bolts 1, Size 3/4, Location, top or bottom top

No. guys 1 up lift, material 3/8 cable, Size 3/8

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 12'

Maximum projection into street 5'-10"

John C. Miller Signature of contractor Metro Neon of Portland

Fee \$ 1.00

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPT.  
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Permit No. 45/737  
Location 749 Congress St  
Owner Marcus Jewelry Co  
Date of permit 7/1/49  
Sign Contractor  
Final Inspn. 8/14/45 OSG

NOTES

7/1/45. Saw vs. Stuck  
Last in submission to frame  
to be replaced by Stuck  
7/23/45. Mr. Calver notified  
the inspector. Unable  
to get out to check back.  
He called in at time  
of inspection and was  
present. OSG.

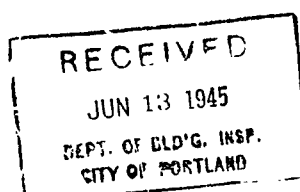
8/14/45. Frank to 1611 W.  
Rd.

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

June 12, 1945



Mr. Warren McDonald  
Building Inspector  
CITY BUILDING

Dear Mr. McDonald:

It has been reported to me that at the Pine State Lunch at 951 Congress Street, the brick sidewalk keeps caving in adjacent to the building.

This sidewalk has been repaired four times with bituminous mix, brick-bats, and the sidewalk bricks have been relayed. It is reported that other than a few loose boards there doesn't seem to be much of a wall to hold the material supporting the sidewalk.

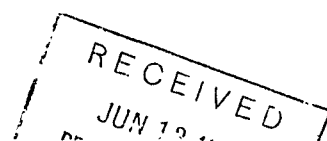
It is reported that the owner of the property is H. P. Lessard, and that the agent for the property is Mrs. Ruby Martel of 26 A Street Portland. This last information has not been verified.

If within your province would you have your inspector examine into this condition and if the wall is defective take the proper steps to have the condition remedied.

Very truly yours,

*George H. May*  
George H. May  
Commissioner of Public Works

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(G) GENERAL BUSINESS 70

Complaint No. 45-72

Location 949-751 Congress St.

Date Received 6/13/45

Date Disposed of

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6/20/45. It is not possible to see or determine anything definite regarding this condition.

See the cellar, the foundation, as soon as I could place it off is about 6 ft inside of the street line. This is all <sup>ends the original wall</sup> as laid up in masonry.

and does not look weakened, close to the center facing Congress St. there is an opening or <sup>possibly a former entrance</sup> passage 3'-6" x 4' wide.

This is so full of junk it is impossible to see where it leads or what it might be. The confusing thing is that the joint floor joists and flooring appear to extend some distance beyond the

street line. This would mean that several feet of the sidewalk is built on this sort of footing.

The removal of a coal chute cover in the sidewalk and if the junk in the passage like this cellar might see all some of the details.

A more definite way would be to remove enough of the sidewalk to see definitely what it is all about. We are concerned as to what supports the front of the building which is about 6 in front of the only foundation we can see now etc.





(G) GENERAL BUSINESS ZONE

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

PERMIT No. 674

Portland, Maine, June 5, 1945 19

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND, ME.

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

Location 303 St. John Street (See 949-953 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 Sportsmen Supply Co.

Contractor's name and address Metro Neon, 96 Exchange St. Telephone 3-3052

When does contractor's bond expire? January 1946

## Information Concerning Building

No. stories 2 Material of wall to which sign is to be attached wood

## Details of Sign and Connections

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

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

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

No. rigid connections 3 Are they fastened directly to frame of sign? yes

No. through bolts none, Size \_\_\_\_\_, Location, top or bottom \_\_\_\_\_

No. guys 2, material angle iron - cable, Size 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 x 3/16" 1"

Minimum clear height above sidewalk or street 12'

Maximum projection into street 5'

Metro Neon Fee \$ 1.00

Signature of contractor By: Gred E. May

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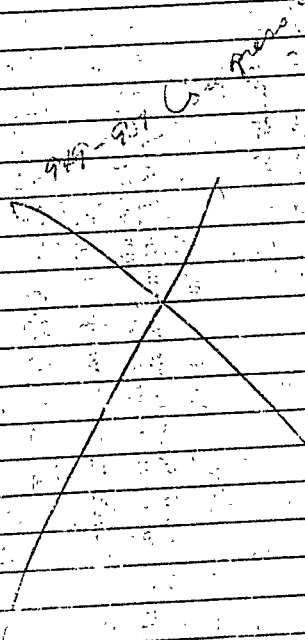
CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY  
REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED

See to Fire Dept. 6/15/45  
Should have this done 6/6/45

Permit No. 45/574  
Location 303 St. John St.  
Owner Sportsman's Supply Co  
Date of permit 6/12/45  
Sign Contractor \_\_\_\_\_  
Final Inspu. \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES

6/12/45  
Ready for inspection  
6/14/45. Work p. imp. OK. etc.



WRITTEN CONSENT AND AGREEMENT RELATING TO A CERTAIN SIGN PROPOSED TO BE  
ERECTED PROJECTING OVER A PUBLIC SIDEWALK FROM THE PREMISES  
AT 303 St. John Street IN PORTLAND, MAINE

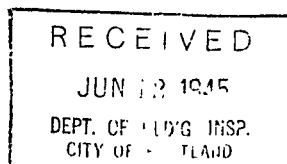
Harry P. Lessard, being the owner of the  
premises at 303 St. John Street in Portland, Maine hereby gives  
consent to the erection of a certain sign owned by Sportsmen's Supply Shop  
projecting over the public sidewalk from said premises as described in  
application to the Inspector of Buildings of Portland, Maine for a permit  
to cover erection of said sign;

And in consideration of the issuance of said permit I  
Harry P. Lessard, 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 12th day of June, 19 45.

Henry E. O'Leary Witness

Harry P. Lessard  
By John W. Maloney Owner  
Agent



Rept. 55138-1

October 10, 1945

Mr. J. H. Kennedy,  
105 Preble Street,  
Portland, Maine

Subject: Building permit to cover rec. distraction  
and enlargement of rear shed attached to shed  
to store at 353 Congress Street

Dear Sir:

The foundation posts and sill indicated along the rear side to support half of first floor and half of roof of addition is not strong enough in view of the fact that this shed is obviously to be used for storage in connection with the store. Besides cedar posts under the two outside corners, three intermediate posts instead of two are required and a 6x8 sill instead of a 4x6, the bottom of the sill to be at least six inches above the ground, the cedar posts to extend that far above the ground for fast purpose and to extend at least four feet into the ground, and space between bottom of the sill and the ground to be filled in in suitable manner to prevent refuse and all animals from getting underneath the shed and at the same time so that heaving of frost will not take place against this construction below sill and tend to lift the shed.

It is assumed that the outside walls are to be sheathed with wooden boards and covered with suitable weather-resistant covering.

Suitable gutters, conductors and other appurtenances are to be provided on the new roof so that water from the roof will under no circumstances run upon the public sidewalk of St. John Street or into such a place as to do damage to this or any other building.

Very truly yours,

WHD/H

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Harry's Handy Store  
353 Congress Street

Harry Messard  
41 Gloucester Road

Bed in New Road  
Hwy. 7 - 1/2 mile Sore

101 Comp. St.  
10/15/43. ①

I am assuming it at place originally filed  
4 1/2 in. in application.

Taking the first as three equal spaces  
the 4 1/2 in. (one side) 7 1/2 in. is good for 2000 #

Flow  $4.25 \times 7 \times 45 = 1340 \#$   
 Outside wall  $8 \times 7 \times 12 = 672 \#$   
 Surf  $4.25 \times 7 \times 45 = 1340 \#$   
 $3352 \#$

Not  
Good  
Should be  
6 x 8 good for  
5400 #

Empl. wall 4 1/2 in. 8 1/2 in. 10 1/2 in. O.K.  
 $19.1 \times 1100 = 21010 \times 8 = 168080$   
 $102 = 1648 \#$  good for.

Flow just to good for about 100 #

Wall  $1.33 \times 8.5 \times 45 = 510 \#$   
 $510 \times 102 = 52020$   
 $1100 \times 65.03 = 71533$  (6 Sect. O.K.)  
 2 x 6 covered two sect. 816 #

Taking everything in consideration it  
might be advisable to know what these  
outside wall are to be covered with.

Side - 6 x 6 on 5' span good for  
 $4067 - 4.5 \times 7 \times 105 = 3111$   
 $201 =$   
 $5126$

4.25  
 $\frac{7}{1}$   
 $29.75$   
 $\frac{44.5}{1}$   
 $14875$   
 $11900$   
 $133875$   
 $\frac{32}{12}$   
 $\frac{112}{56}$   
 $672$   
  
 $19.1$   
 $\frac{1100}{1}$   
 $19100$   
 $191$   
 $210108$   
 $168080$   
 $102 \times 168080 = 17136160$   
 $\frac{660}{102}$   
 $612$   
 $488$   
 $404$   
 $600$   
  
 $133$   
 $\frac{8.5}{1}$   
 $66.5$   
 $1064$   
 $11565$   
 $\frac{45}{1}$   
 $56525$   
 $45220$   
 $508725$   
  
 $63.75$   
 $\frac{102}{1}$   
 $12750$   
 $6375$   
 $650250$   
 $\frac{24.75}{101}$   
 $14875$   
 $2975$   
 $31225$



# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Class of Building or Type of Structure \_\_\_\_\_

PERMIT ISSUED  
Permit No. 10

OCT 18 1943

Portland, Maine, October 17, 1943  
Supersedes application 7/28/43

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 573 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3  
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Harry Lessard Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee Harry's Handy Store, 953 Congress Street  
Contractor's name and address J. P. Kennedy, 105 Noble Street Telephone 3-9672  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Plans filed \_\_\_\_\_ No. of sheets \_\_\_\_\_  
Proposed use of building Store No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ 300. Fee \$ 1.00  
50¢ p/

## Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 1 Heat steam Style of roof flat Roofing T&G  
Last use Store No. families \_\_\_\_\_

## General Description of New Work

To remove existing rear shed 14'6" x 8'6" and  
To build new shed entire width of building, 8'6" x 21'

INSPECTION NOT COMPLETED

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 \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
Size, front \_\_\_\_\_ depth \_\_\_\_\_ No. stories 1 Height average grade to highest point of roof 10'  
To be erected on solid or filled land? solid earth or rock? earth  
Material of foundation cedar posts Thickness, top \_\_\_\_\_ bottom \_\_\_\_\_ cellar \_\_\_\_\_  
Material of underpinning \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_  
Kind of roof flat Rise per foot 3" Roof covering Asphalt roofing Class C Und. Lab.  
No. of chimneys no Material of chimneys \_\_\_\_\_ of lining \_\_\_\_\_  
Kind of heat \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fuel \_\_\_\_\_ Is gas fitting involved? \_\_\_\_\_  
Framing lumber—Kind hemlock Dressed or full size? dressed  
Corner posts 4x4 Sills 4x6 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 2x8, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 2x6  
On centers: 1st floor 16", 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 16"  
Maximum span: 1st floor 21'6", 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 21'6"

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 Harry Lessard  
By Harry's Handy Store

INSPECTION COPY



Expt. 35715-1

August 10, 1943

Mr. Harry Lazzard,  
41 Gloucester Road,  
Portland 5, Maine

Subject: Application for permit to cover  
removal of existing waste box at rear of  
store at 953 Congress Street and building  
addition of existing rear shed out to  
building line

Dear Sir:

I am unable to issue this permit for the reason that the existing one story shed to which you propose the addition is in such bad condition structurally that it must be thoroughly and permanently strengthened and perhaps foundations made good, or else rebuilt before any addition is built to it. Our inspector believes that the present shed will have to be rebuilt to make it satisfactory. The addition was practically filled with cases when he was there so that he could not tell the true condition.

I am familiar with the desire of the tenant for more storage and with the difficulties of providing that space perhaps within the allowances of the War Production Board under Conservation Order 4-41, but I cannot go along with the proposition of building a new addition to this already dilapidated, if not dangerous, shed. Neither will temporary measures to patch up the existing shed temporarily suffice.

For the benefit of all concerned I advise you to revise your plans to include demolition of the present shed and construction of an addition to the main building of such size that will meet the needs of the tenant, having a plan made to show compliance with the Building Code, and file application with the War Production Board for permission to go ahead with the work as directed under Conservation Order 4-41.

If you should decide not to go ahead with the work, Mr. Kennedy, the builder, can receive a refund of the fee for the permit if he will return the receipt to this office not later than August 23, 1943. If you follow that line of least resistance, it will not be very long before we will have to issue some type of orders to take care of this shed.

Very truly yours,

WHD/H

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Harry's HandyStore  
953 Congress Street

J. H. Kennedy,  
105 Preble St.

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A.H.

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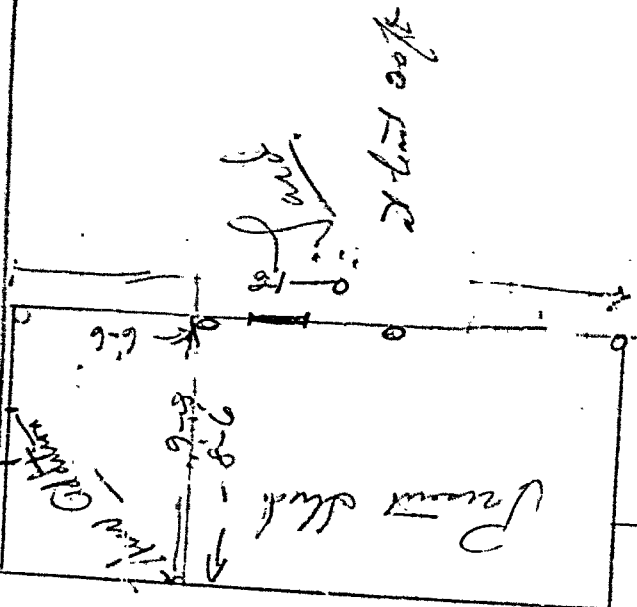
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I am content with the terms and the interest  
of course it is a mortgage. I would  
prefer to enlarge my mortgage - will break  
a high will. I will sell a lot of other articles  
and put all the proceeds into a mortgage.  
I should like to see you in the future.  
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St John St

Happy Landy Store



Restaurant



UNLIMITED BUSINESS ZONE  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT  
Class of Building or Type of Structure Third Class

Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Portland, Maine, July 28, 1943

To the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS, PORTLAND ME.

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to erect alter install the following building structure 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 953 Congress Street Within Fire Limits? yes Dist. No. 3  
Corner St. John Street  
Owner's or Lessee's name and address Harry Lesgard Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Lessee - Harry's Handy Store, 953 Congress St.  
Contractor's name and address J. E. Kennedy, 105 Preble St. Telephone 2-0672  
Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Plans filed yes No. of sheets 1  
Proposed use of building Store No. families \_\_\_\_\_  
Other buildings on same lot \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated cost \$ 100. Fee \$ 50

Description of Present Building to be Altered

Material wood No. stories 1 Heat \_\_\_\_\_ Style of roof \_\_\_\_\_ Roofing \_\_\_\_\_  
Last use Store No. families \_\_\_\_\_

General Description of New Work

To remove existing waste box on rear of store and  
To extend existing shed out to building line app. 6'6" x 8'6" - removing existing end wall of shed (

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 8'  
To be erected on solid or filled land? solid earth or rock? earth  
Material of foundation cedar post Thickness, top \_\_\_\_\_ bottom \_\_\_\_\_ cellar \_\_\_\_\_  
Material of underpinning \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Thickness \_\_\_\_\_  
Kind of roof flat Rise 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? \_\_\_\_\_  
Framing lumber—Kind hemlock Dressed or full size? dressed  
Corner posts 4x4 Sills 4x6 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 2x6, 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 2x6  
On centers: 1st floor 16", 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 16"  
Maximum span: 1st floor 8'6", 2nd \_\_\_\_\_, 3rd \_\_\_\_\_, roof 8'6"  
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

Harry Lesgard  
Harry's Handy Store

By J. E. Kennedy

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Permit No. 43/1057  
Location 953 Angiers St  
Owner Harry Handy  
Date of permit 10/19/43  
Notif. closing-in  
Inspn. closing-in  
Final Notif.  
Final Inspn.  
Cert. of Occupancy issued

NOTES

NOT FOR REUSE



FILL IN COMPLETELY AND SIGN WITH INK

PERMIT ISSUED

Permit No. 1068

# 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:

Portland, Maine, October 13, 1943

Location 951 Congress Street Use of Building Restaurant No. Stories 1 NEW Building  
Name and address of owner of appliance Pine State Lunch, 951 Congress St. Existing "EXISTING"  
Installer's name and address F. H. Sanborn, 85 Codman St. Telephone 3-1622

General Description of Work  
To install hot air furnace (replacement in new location) OK 10/20/43

IF HEATER, POWER BOILER OR COOKING DEVICE  
Is appliance or source of heat to be in cell? yes If not, which story \_\_\_\_\_ Kind of Fuel coal  
Material of supports of appliance \_\_\_\_\_ or what kind) concrete  
Minimum distance to wood or \_\_\_\_\_ material, from top of appliance or casing top of furnace, 2'  
from top of smoke pipe 12" from front of appliance over 1' from sides or back of appliance over 3'  
Size of chimney flue 12x14 Other connections to same flue none

IF OIL BURNER  
Name and type of burner \_\_\_\_\_ Labeled and approved by Underwriters' Laboratories? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will operator be always in attendance? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of oil feed (gravity or pressure) \_\_\_\_\_  
Location oil storage \_\_\_\_\_ No. and capacity of tanks \_\_\_\_\_  
Will all tanks be more than seven feet from any flame? \_\_\_\_\_ How many tanks fireproofed? \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount of fee enclosed? 1.00 (\$1.00 for one heater, etc., 50 cents additional for each additional heater, etc., in same building at same time.)

INSPECTOR P. B. Burroughs MW Signature of Installer F. H. Sanborn 3928



Permit No. 43/1068  
Location 951 Congress St.  
Owner Pine State Lunch  
Date of Permit 10/20/43  
Post Card sent

Notif. for insp. 11/17/43  
Approval 11/17/43  
City Engineer Check 11/17/43

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

11/5/43. Installation  
completed. Tank cover  
control has not been left

out of one register was  
acquired 11/6/43.  
11/5/43. Tank cover  
will be removed. Tank from  
one narrow pipe etc.

P. 43/714-I

September 9, 1943

Mr. Arthur Varianos,  
c/o Pine State Lunch  
949 Congress Street,  
Portland, Maine

Subject: Approval of victualer's license  
for Pine State Lunch at 951 Congress Street

Dear Sir:

My objections to issuing your victualer's license and those of the Health Department having been removed, the Municipal Officers voted to issue that license on September 8, 1943. There are still some matters to be taken care of, but I thought it only fair to give you a chance to fix them up and in the meantime to get open for business. These details are as follows:

The vent from the gas burners of the range has been connected to the chimney flue (the same chimney flue to which the new heater will later be connected), contrary to our understanding of what was intended. Since there are already two automatic gas-fired hot water heaters in the cellar to be connected to this same chimney flue it is not good and safe practice to connect the gas-fired range to the same flue. I do not claim to know very much about the venting of gas-fired appliances, but I suggest that you contact Mr. Morgan of the Portland Gas Light Company and ask him to advise you as to the best safe practice. It is my impression that in similar installations where the Gas Company itself has been responsible for venting the appliance, that they have deemed it best to run a short vent pipe from the vent outlet on the appliance merely up to the point where the duct from the hood over the range takes off. I hope you will not take this letter as the reason for disconnecting from the chimney flue at once and following this latter procedure. Mr. Morgan is the best informed of anyone I know of about this arrangement and I shall expect you to get his opinion and be governed accordingly. If for any reason he feels that the range should be vented to the chimney flue, I should like to know about that decision because it will not be considered safe unless some protective device is installed to prevent unburned gas from the range entering the live heater flue.

It is my understanding that you or the owner of the building is to install a new heater in the cellar. That installation must be covered by a permit to be on the premises before the installation is commenced, and application for that permit and the issuance of it is to be only to the actual installer. While I feel that probably you, yourself, are not fully aware of requirements for permits, I do feel that if you were a little more careful about the matter there would be a much better record than the present one of installation of equipment without permits. Needless to say the new heater is to be installed to comply with Building Code requirements including clearances from top of heater and from smokepipe connection to chimney. The vents from the two hot water heaters in the cellar are not to be connected to the smokepipe from the heater but a new connection to the flue made, preferably at a higher level than the heater connection. The two hot water heater vents may be connected before connecting to the chimney flue in the new location if desired and Mr. Morgan approves such an arrangement, but both hot water heaters must have a safety device which will instantly shut off all the gas supply to the heater in event the pilot light becomes extinguished. If there is not a cast iron cleanout door and frame at the bottom of this chimney flue, one must be provided and the flue thoroughly cleaned out. It is my impression that there is not very much area of chimney wall exposed in

Mr. Arthur Varlanos—2

September 9, 1943

the cellar at present to make all these connections, cleanout door opening, etc., and still maintain necessary clearances to combustible material. If that is the case then you or the owner must secure an approved amendment to the permit which Mr. Kennedy took out and extend the chimney downwards to a good foundation at about the cellar floor level, and if that is necessary arrangements should be made to line with tile the entire bottom of the flue from the first floor level down.

The coal bin is to be moved away from the chimney.

Very truly yours,

WMS/H

Inspector of Buildings

CC: Raymond Oakes, 465 Congress Street

Harry Lessard, 41 Gleckler Road