

Clark County Heritage Register Nomination Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A) <http://www.nps.gov/history/nr/publications/bulletins/nrb16a/>. Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. **This form is similar but not exact to the National Register of Historic Places nomination form. Some sections of the National Register form were not applicable to the local register therefore were not included. When using the National Register Bulletin 16A to fill out the form, look for the section names for information on completing the specific section.** If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets. Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

Historic name **Ranck Building**

Other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number **901 Washington Street**

not for publication

city or town **Vancouver**

vicinity

State **Washington** code **WA** county **Clark** code **11** zip code **98660**

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

☒ private

☐ public-local

☐ public-State

☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

☒ building(s)

☐ district

☐ site

☐ structure

☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not incl. previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing

Non-Contributing

1

buildings

sites

structures

objects

1

Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources
previously listed in the Clark
County Heritage Register

0

4. Owner Consent for Nomination, Designation and Listing

I (we) consent to the nomination, and designation of the above property on the Clark County Heritage Register. I (we) also certify that I am/we are the legal owner(s) of the above property.

03/15/2015

Owner signature

Date

Owner signature

Date

5. Functions or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Commerce/Trade: Business

Domestic/ multi family dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Commerce/Trade: Restaurant

Commerce/Trade: Business

Commerce/Trade: Specialty Store

6. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

1908 Two-part block (Commercial)

Queen Anne (2-story with Basement)

Richardson Romanesque (CRC)

Beaux Arts – Italian Renaissance Revival (ESNRS)

50'x 100'

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete-Poured

walls Brick

roof Asphalt/Composition (Flat w\parapet)

other Stucco Cladding

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

7. Statement of Significance

Applicable Clark County Heritage Register Criteria

- ☒ **1** It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state, or local history.
- ☒ **2** It embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style, or method of design or construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- ☐ **3** It is an outstanding work of a designer, builder, or Architect who has made a substantial contribution to their field.
- ☐ **4** It exemplifies or reflects special elements of the county's history.
- ☒ **5** It is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state, or local history
- ☐ **6** It has yielded or may be likely to yield important Archaeological information related to history or prehistory.
- ☐ **7** It is an historic building or cultural resource removed from its original location but which is significant for architectural value, or association with an historic person or event, or prehistory.
- ☐ **8** It is a birthplace of grave of a prehistoric or historical Figure of outstanding importance and is the only surviving structure or site associated with that person.
- ☐ **9** It is a cemetery or burial site which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, or cultural patterns.
- ☐ **10** It is a reconstructed building that has been executed in a historically accurate manner on the original site.
- ☐ **11** It is a creative and unique example of folk architecture and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and which does not fit into formal architectural or historical categories.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE

SOCIAL

COMMUNICATIONS

Period of Significance

1908

Significant Dates

1908

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion 2 is marked above)

Glenn Ranck

Cultural Affiliation

Clark County/Vancouver/Northwest Newspapers

The Chronicle, Independent and Sun

Architect/Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property.)

See Attached Continuation Sheets

8. Major Bibliographical Research

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

See Attached Documents Page

Previous documentation on file (CCHR):

- ☐ Preliminary determination of individual listing has been requested
☐ Previously listed in the Clark County Heritage Register
☐ Previously determined eligible by the Clark County Heritage Register
☐ Recorded by Clark County Cultural Resources Inventory Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☐ Local government
☐ University
☐ Other

Name of repository: _____

9. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: **Less than One Acre.**

UTM References

(Place additional UTM References on a continuation sheet.)

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Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The nominated property is located in downtown Vancouver, WA and is legally described as Wyche & Stephens Addn #2 LOTS 5 & 6; BLK A.

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The nominated property encompasses the entire urban tax lot occupied by the Ranck Building.

10. Form Prepared By

name/title Mark Dodd
organization _____ date Mar 15, 2015
street & number 106 W 9th Street telephone 360-607-7946
city or town Vancouver state WA zip code 98660

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets Attached

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative photographs of the property. **Attached**

Additional items

(Check with the CCHPC Staff)

Property Owner

name W. Dean Irvin\Owner
street & number 114 E. 6th Street telephone 360-737-8929
city or town Vancouver state WA zip code 98660

4b. **CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

In my opinion, the property meets / does not meet the Clark County Heritage Register criteria.
(See continuation sheet.)

Signature of commenting staff

Date

4c. **CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION / DECISION**

IN THE OPINION OF THE CLARK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION, THE
PROPERTY MEETS / DOES NOT MEET THE CLARK COUNTY HERITAGE REGISTER
CRITERIA. (See continuation sheet.)

CHAIRPERSON,
Clark County Historic Preservation Commission

Date

Clark County Heritage Register Continuation Sheet -

PROPERTY NAME:
CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON

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The Design and Construction of the RANCK Building

The Ranck Building was built in 1908.

The Ranck's design is a two-story building with basement typical of early 1900's two-part block commercial construction, located on the corner of Washington St. and 9th St. It has a rectangular footprint measuring 50' x 100' with a flat roof with parapet designed for commercial and social use.

The decorative exterior is representative of Queen Anne style. The CRC categorizes it as Richardsonian Romanesque. The ESNRS categorizes it as Beaux Arts-Italian Renaissance Revival.

When originally constructed it was characterized by a horizontal division into two distinct zones. The exterior zones reflects differences in its interior use. The street level indicates public spaces for commercial enterprises, while the upper section suggests more private spaces reserved for offices or apartments. It was built with classical ornamentation, although not overly elaborate and still features heavy, solid, rugged brick and stone components, including massive low arches, sills and variously sized windows.

The basement is a strongly built foundation, walls and flooring. The floor is thick concrete with a cement finish coat. The walls are concrete. The first floor and basement are accessible via two sets of stairs and an original hand-powered freight elevator; its platform acts as the floor when not in use. Although, when first built, it was not fitted with a printing press, in 1914 the historic Campbell press was set-up and used. There are multiple exterior basement entrances in the sidewalk; accessible under steel doors.

It's front lower elevation featured three archways and various sized windows and single door entrances. Originally, the two of the archways located at the

southwest corner shared porch access to a main entry door. The third archway is located on ninth street front and provides access to the upstairs, street level shops, offices and freight elevator and basement stairwell. These arches were set on squat columns and were enhanced by masonry voussoirs of wedge-shaped brick. Above the second floor windows was a cornice that was eventually removed and replaced by stucco and painted.

The interior of the building maintains much of its originality. The brick on the ground floor and second floor is exposed and the woodwork including doors, frames and moulding still in place. The building was equipped with gas lighting; some of the piping and terminus are visible. The original sinks that each room was equipped with remain and are functioning.

The building's exterior received a makeover at one point. The cornice removed and stuccoed over. The original brick was painted. The southwest corner archways were converted to window frames and additional doorways added to facilitate minor changes to the interior layout. The lower windows were replaced with modern display windows.

Today the exterior of the building has been stripped of the paint and period style sign brackets and lighting added. It is the owners intent to replace the cornice feature and decorative features. The interior is very similar to its original look despite the many occupants. This is likely due to the quality and design factors that accommodate all period style and function. Ranck provided large entryways, quality wood flooring and high ceilings with lots of light. There are open shafts that provide light to the interior rooms and offices.

The building was home to many businesses including W.S. Wood auctioneer, A to Zeller's office supply's, MGH Engineers, various restaurants; most recently, Lil' Italy's. The rooming house became apartments at one time and eventually offices.

The Ranck building is located within the Esther Short neighborhood which incorporates Vancouver downtown core as well as a neighborhood area. It has its beginning in the 1840s donation land claim of Amos and Esther Short. Main Street, the major commercial thoroughfare was a former Trail turned military Road and was part of the old US Highway 99 route.

The current owner of the Ranck building has that desire and passion. He has improved the building and began renovations.

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PROPERTY NAME:
CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON

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SIGNIFICANCE STATEMENT

Glenn N. Ranck erected an \$18,000, two-story brick building with a full basement in 1908 at the southeast corner of Washington and Ninth Streets, in Vancouver, Washington.

Ranck was a true native of Clark County and Vancouver. He was born there on November 24, 1869 to William and Kate Neer Ranck. He was the youngest of three children; older sisters were Lulu and Bertha.

Glenn has been called one of city's loyal sons and a member of an old and prominent family of Washington. His lineage traces to the Dutch country to about 1685. His ancestors settled in the colony founded by William Penn and were men of courage and patriotism.

William Ranck, the father of Glenn, was born July 30, 1829, in Butler county, Pennsylvania. He heard about the discovery of gold in California and in 1852 made the long and dangerous journey across the plains in a "prairie schooner" and was successful as a placer miner. Afterward he traveled to Washington, settling in Vancouver in 1858. For some years he was a government wheelwright at Fort Vancouver and purchased much property in the county. William owned a large portion of the downtown waterfront, which he eventually sold to the railroad.

Glenn attended the public schools of Vancouver and aided his father in the cultivation of the family ranch. For a time he was employed by of the government, working with a surveying party in the northeastern part of Clark county, and later as a teacher in country schools. Afterward he was assistant to the city engineer and the county surveyor.

In 1893, he joined Company G of the First Washington Volunteer Infantry and fought in the Spanish-American war. He rose to the rank of sergeant and was wounded at Guadeloupe Ridge while aiding in quelling the insurrection in the Philippines. After his release from military duty, he returned home and had a general store in Camas, Washington.

He was elected to the state legislature in 1903, serving two terms as a representative, he sat in the same seat his father had occupied years before. He also continued his commitment to the military by joining the Oregon State Guard in 1903. Ranck entered the field of journalism, he became editor of the Vancouver Chronicle and published the paper for several years.

By 1908, Ranck had already served in battle overseas, been elected as a state legislator and was a respected newspaper man and published a book. He owned properties at Washington and Ninth Street and wanted to construct a two-story brick building with a full basement that would serve as the Chronicle's office, establish additional income and provide boarding rooms on the upper level. At the City Council meeting of March 16, 1908, Ranck petitioned for permission to use portions of the streets to deposit materials to be used during the construction of his building.

The lots were being used recreationally up until 1908; serving as outdoor lawn tennis courts. Ranck began excavating in March and by mid-April had finished the basement. The Vancouver Independent reported, "The walls are strong enough to carry ten or twelve stories and if the balance of the building is finished in like proportions this will be the best constructed building in the city."

During the construction period, Ranck solicited the Washington Home Telephone Company, hoping to lease a good portion of the building to them and readying the upstairs rooming house, that would be called Central House.

1908 was a prosperous year in Vancouver; a record-breaking year for structural improvements and new businesses. Forty blocks of bitulithic pavement had been laid at a cost of \$200,000. Cement sidewalks had replace wooden ones. A complete new street railway had been constructed and was operational and a new railroad station was being built. A new \$150,000 lumber plant was approved as well as a cannery, a hydraulic ram and machinery plant and other manufactories.

The Ranck building wasn't the only new business block constructed. There was the \$40,000 three-story Blaker building. J.A. Webber, Mayor John P. Kiggins, C.C. Gridley and J.L. Marsh all had constructed downtown buildings that were immediately occupied by them and other businesses.

All of the 1908 additions were tributary to Vancouver's then ten sawmills, three brickyards, one vitrified brick and tile works, one brewery with a capacity of 250 barrels a day, two creameries, two fruit packing houses, a large soda works, a power and lighting plant, and waterworks company.

When the Ranck building was completed late in 1908, Glenn moved the newspaper's office there. The deal with Washington Home Telephone had fallen through as a result of the companies inability to meet city deadlines, the rooming house was to be run by Ida Betzing.

Glenn announced his candidacy for State Representative in July but failed to win re-election. His father passed away in September.

Over the next few years, Ranck married his first wife, Abigail McCavett Bissner, they had twins, a daughter, Winifred and son, William. He bought the Independent newspaper from Lloyd DuBois in 1910 and merged it with his Chronicle paper; selling the consolidated paper to R.F. Guerin in 1911. According to a biographical sketch in, "History of the Columbia River Valley From The Dalles to the Sea" (1928"), Ranck become well known through his contribution to the history of the Pacific northwest and also through his journalistic activities and his public service.

From 1912 until 1916 he served as the register in the United States land office at Vancouver; a federal position he had been appointed to.

During the same period of time, Ed Curran, editor and proprietor of the Clark County Sun newspaper, bought the Independent-Chronicle and ceased its publication. He ran the Sun out of the Ranck building. In 1914, Curran moved the historic Cambell printing press from its original location of Columbia and 13th Streets to the Ranck Building. The press had been use to print various papers since the late 1880's.

Ranck published his book, "Legends and Traditions of Northwestern History" in 1914. It was comprised of a collection of writings in prose and verse. The book made an interesting addition to the literature of the Northwest at the time. Professor Paddy Hough said in his introduction, "My friend and former pupil, Glenn Ranck, has had a varied and interesting western career. When still a boy he planted the first tree ever planted on the public school grounds at Vancouver and in recognition of this act, a flourishing tree has been planted in his honor by the pupils of the Columbia School of this city. His rich experiences as teacher, editor, soldier and legislator, and the part he has played in the public and political affairs of this state, add immensely to his qualifications as a historian and writer. I have known the author intimately since his childhood, and have found him, in his adolescent and mature years, to be a close student of history, which he always read with a degree of patriotism, not always apparent even in those we consider students of, or authors on history."

When the nation entered World War I, he volunteered for service; for six months he was connected with the quartermaster's department at Camp Lewis, Washington, before returning to Vancouver.

The building that Glenn Ranck built in 1908 was sold in 1919 to "persons interested in the advancement of labor." It was sold for \$19,500 and was the Labor Temple and union store.

In January, 1919, Ranck was appointed a deputy in the office of the county treasurer of Clark county and served in that capacity for four years. In 1921 he ran for and was elected county treasurer. From 1923 until 1927 his time was mostly spent doing historical and journalistic work. In 1927 he was elected city treasurer and served two terms.

Ranck was known as "Mr. Vancouver" throughout his life he put his talents to good use and displayed rare qualities as a public servant. His favorite study was the History of the United States and of the "Oregon Country" in particular, and drawn to the history of old Fort Vancouver. He is credited with naming most of the city's streets west of Main Street. At one time he was at the head of the volunteer fire department, he was also a justice of the peace, clerk of the school board, chairman of the county republican committee and trustee of the city library. From its inception, he was president of the Vancouver Historical Society.

He's remembered for his organization of civic leaders and their trip to Victoria BC, Canada in 1920 to celebrate the Hudson's Bay company's 250th anniversary. His oversight and leadership of the Vancouver Historical society and there successful saving and transfer of the Old Covington House; the structure built in 1826 was purchased by the society. His opposition to removing veteran groups from meeting in the basement of the library in 1922. The vigorous stand resulted in quite a shake-up within the library board. Ranck immediately resigned his place on the board when all other members voted to oust the groups. A number of organizations, committees and groups sided with the veterans and Ranck. The groups rallied and called for the removal of the library board. It was presented to city council and the result was the appointment of a new board.

Ranck was also instrumental in the reconstruction efforts of Fort Vancouver's stockade. He asked U.S. Representative Albert Johnson to introduce a bill in Congress to restore the old stockade. Johnson introduced a \$60,000 bill to complete restoration and President Calvin Coolidge sign in 1925. The passing of the bill was celebrated on July 4th.

Glenn continued to write profusely and actively participate in politics and and in the community until his death in November 1939 at the age of 69. He had remarried to Gladys Bella Courtney Hughes in 1934. They were happily married until his death. He is buried at St. James Cemetery in Vancouver under a simple stone that celebrates his military rank of sergeant. He was a man committed to service and humble till the end.

Ranck Building 901 Washington Street
List of Documents

- CCHP Nomination Form
- City of Vancouver LUP Application
- Clark County Property Information
- Clark County Map
- Current Photos of Property (11) (Exterior and Interior)
- Sanborn Maps, 1907, 1911, 1928 and 1928-49
- 1908 Photos of Property (2)
- 1910 Photo of Property CCHM
- 1995 Photos of Property (9)
- Vancouver City Council minutes March 16 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) March 19 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) April 16 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) April 1 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) April 2 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) April 2 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) July 23 1908
- Newspaper Vancouver Independent (VI) September 17 1908 (2 pgs)
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian September 17 1908
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian December 14 1908 (2 pgs)
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian February 21 1909
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian April 18 1909
- Marriage Certificate 1909
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 3 1910
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian May 12 1911
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian December 14 1911
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian March 1912
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian March 1912
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian May 5 1912
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 7 1913
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian February 5 1914 (2 pgs)
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 2 1914
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 2 1914
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian December 27 1918
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian October 9 1919
- Newspaper Vancouver Daily Columbian May 21 1920 (2 pgs)
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian February 9 1921
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 24 1921
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian March 29 1922
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian March 30 1922
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian August 13 1922
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian December 14 1923
- Newspaper Sunday Oregonian January 6 1925
- Newspaper Morning Oregonian November 3 1928

- Polk Directory Central House listing, 1911
- Polk Directory Advertisement, Independent-Chronicle, 1911
- Polk Directory Advertisement, Independent-Chronicle, 1912
- Polk Directory Clark County Sun listing, 1916
- 1903 Photo of State Representatives WA Archives
- 1907 Photo of State Representatives WA Archives
- 1922 Photo of Ranck's Candidate Card CCHM
- Photo of Glenn, Lulu and Bertha CCHM
- Photo of Glenn 1918 CCHM
- Photo of Abigail McCavett Ranck CCHM
- Photo of Glenn CCHM
- Photo of Glenn and others CCHM
- Photo of Glenn and other city leaders CCHM
- Photo of William Ranck CCHM
- Photo of Ranck's house CCHM
- Photo of Ranck's Grave at St. James Cemetery CCHM
- National Park Service Article, Fort Vancouver Website 1925
- Excerpt from Book, Pictures From NW History, Glenn Ranck, 1902 (3 pgs)
- Excerpt from Book, Legends & Traditions of NW History,, Glenn Ranck, 1914 (8 pgs)
- Excerpt from Book, Clark County Historic Annual, Glenn Ranck, Vol 22 (3 pgs)
- Article from Columbian Website about Glenn Ranck, 1989
- Book, History of the ColumbiaRiver Valley 1928 Vol 2, S.J. Clarke Pub (3 pgs)
- Excerpt from Book, Clark County Historic Annual, Glenn Ranck, Vol 22 (3 pgs)
- Excerpt from Book, WA Historic Quarterly, 1914



Planning Permit Application

LAND USE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION (LUP)

415 W 6th ST ~ Vancouver, WA 98660
PO Box 1995 ~ Vancouver, WA 98668
Phone (360) 487-7800
www.cityofvancouver.us

Type Of Work

- ☐ Type I ☐ Type II ☒ Type III
☐ Type IV ☐ Tree Removal Only **

Use Type (Check One Box Only)

- ☐ Single Family ☒ Commercial ☐ Multi-Family
☐ Industrial ☐ Residential ☐ Duplex
☐ Wireless Communications Facility (new) please see VMC 20.890

Process Type

- ☒ Standard ☐ Streamline

Project Site Information And Location

Project site address: 901 Washington St
Suite/bldg./apt #:
Project name: Ranck Building
Tax Assessor Serial Number: 51650000
Nearest intersection if no site address:

Description Of Project

Clark County Heritage Registration

Property Owner

Name: Dean W Irvin
Address: 114 E 6th St
City/State/Zip: Vancouver, WA 98660
Phone: 360 737 8929
E-mail: deanirvin@yahoo.com

Applicant

Name: Same As Above
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Phone:
E-mail (required):

Contact

Name: Mark Dodd
Address: 106 W 9th St
City/State/Zip: Vancouver, WA 98660
Phone: 360 607 7946
E-mail (required): mwdodd@me.com

Additional Information

Special Review type: (if applicable)

- ☐ Tenant Improvement ☒ Other
☐ Unoccupied Commercial/Utility Structure

Plan Approval Type: (if applicable)

- ☐ Conceptual ☐ Detailed ☐ Hybrid

Sewage Disposal:

- ☐ Septic ☒ Public

Water Source:

- ☐ Private Well ☒ Public

of Units:

of Proposed Lots:

of Acres:

Size:

- ☐ Up to 25 acres ☐ Over 25 acres

Impervious Area sf:

Sq Ft:

Ground Floor:

Upper Floor:

Notice

I/we understand that per VMC 20.210.090 (Review for Counter Complete Status), if it is determined that the application is not complete, the City shall immediately reject and return the application.

I/we agree that City of Vancouver staff may enter upon the subject property at any reasonable time to consider the merits of the application, to take photographs and to post public notices.

Required Signatures

Applicant signature:

Print name: Dean Irvin

Date:

Property Owner signature:

Print name: Dean Irwin

Date:

**These application sub-types must be submitted as a separate LUP application.

City of Vanc LUP APP

①

APPLICATION SUB TYPES				
Please check all applicable boxes and enter information where necessary				
<input type="checkbox"/> Archaeological Predetermination (fill out supplemental application)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Binding Site Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Extensive	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Residential		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Pad	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied Com/Utility Structure		
<input type="checkbox"/> Boundary Line Adjustment		# of lots to be reviewed:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Plan Amendment				
<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Permit	Type of Use:			
	Civil Review required?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
<input type="checkbox"/> Covenant Release				
<input type="checkbox"/> Critical Areas Permit (fill out supplemental application)	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor Exception		<input type="checkbox"/> Reasonable Use	
	Area Types:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish & Wildlife		<input type="checkbox"/> Frequency Flooded	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Geological Hazard		<input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands	
<input type="checkbox"/> Design Review (contact case manager for submittal requirements)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vancouver Central Park			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Downtown	<input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Modification Only		
<input type="checkbox"/> Development Agreement (see VMC 20.250 for requirements)	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial Agreement			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Modification			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Extension			
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Variance Request Road Modification (see supplemental checklist)	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Major			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Technical / Minor			
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation ** (contact case manager for submittal requirements)	Historic Type:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Major Modification			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Place Property on Registry			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Valuation			
	Register Type:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> Local		
<input type="checkbox"/> National				
<input type="checkbox"/> Human Services Siting Request (fill out supplemental application)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Use Parking Agreement (see VMC 20.945.030 for requirements)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Lot Determination	# of lots to be reviewed:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan Public Facilities				
<input type="checkbox"/> Modification	Modification Type:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Major		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Use Master Plan			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Facilities Master Plan			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Post Decision Review Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Planning and Engineering		
<input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development / Master Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential			
<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Land Division	Plat Alteration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	

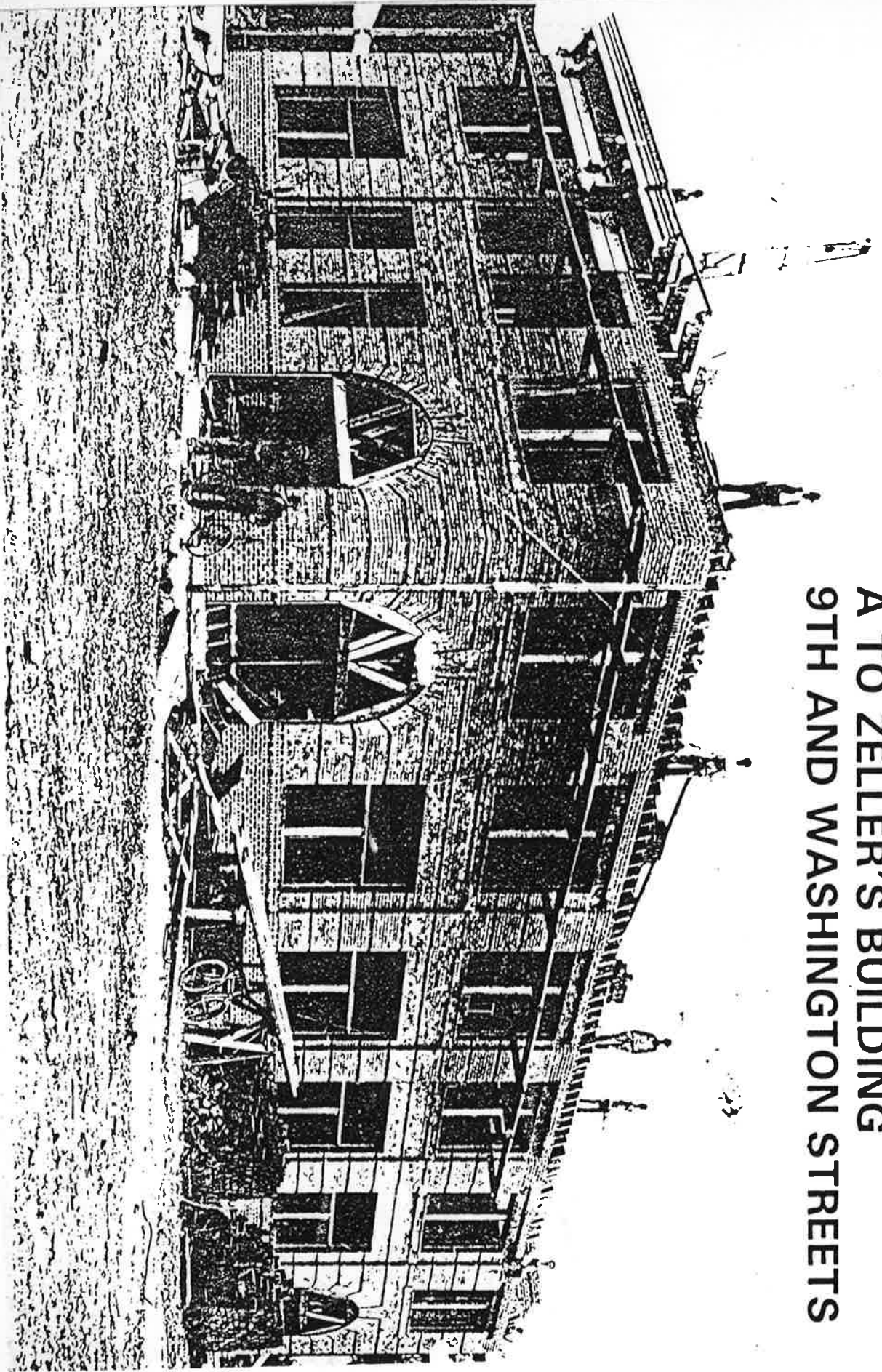
<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Site Plan Review	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Pad	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Extensive
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> Residential
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied Comm'l/Utility Structure	
<input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline Permit	Request Type:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Variance Request	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Substantial Development	
	Shoreline Designation:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic	<input type="checkbox"/> Natural
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**These application sub-types must be submitted as a separate LUP application. They may not be bundled with other sub-types.

901 WASHINGTON ST
RANCH BUILDING



**A TO ZELLER'S BUILDING
9TH AND WASHINGTON STREETS**



☒ New Search

Clark County Property Information Account Summary

Property Identification Number: 51650000 [MapOnline](#) ☒
Property Type: Real
Property Status: Active **Tax Status:** Regular
Site Address: 901 WASHINGTON ST, VANCOUVER, 98660 (Situated Addresses)
Abbreviated Legal Description: WYCHE & STEPHENS ADDN #2 LOTS 5 & 6 BLK A

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Property Owner IRVIN WILLIAM DEAN		Owner Mailing Address 114 E 6TH ST VANCOUVER WA , 98660 US		Property Location Address 901 WASHINGTON ST, VANCOUVER, 98660 Google Maps Street View Bing Maps Birds Eye	
Administrative Data		Land Data		Assessment Data	
Zoning Designation Zoning Overlay(s)		Clark County Road Atlas Approximate Area Info...		2014 Values for 2015 Taxes Market Value as of January 1, 2014	
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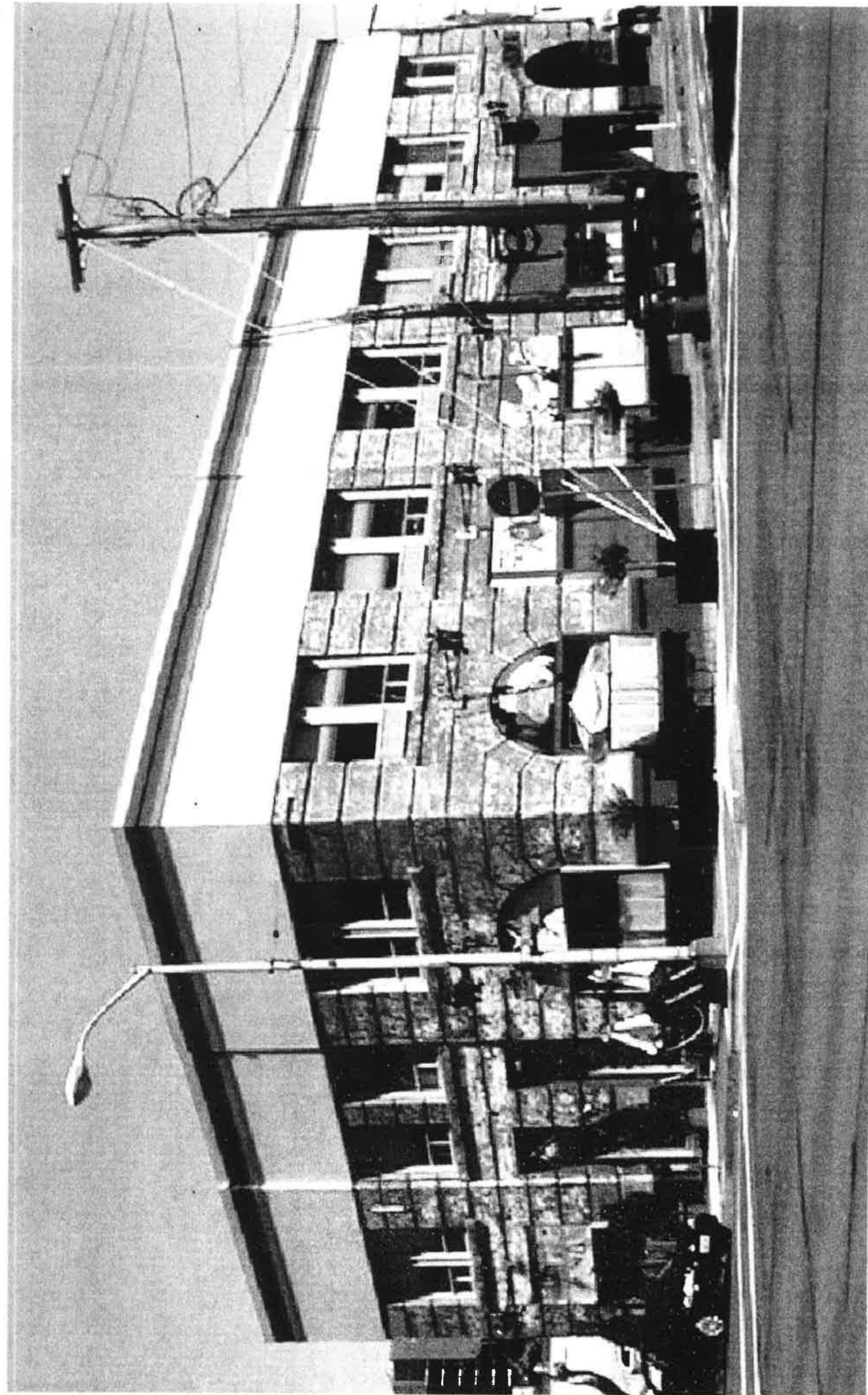
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CPU Lighting Utility District	No	
Burning Allowed	No Mapping Indicators	
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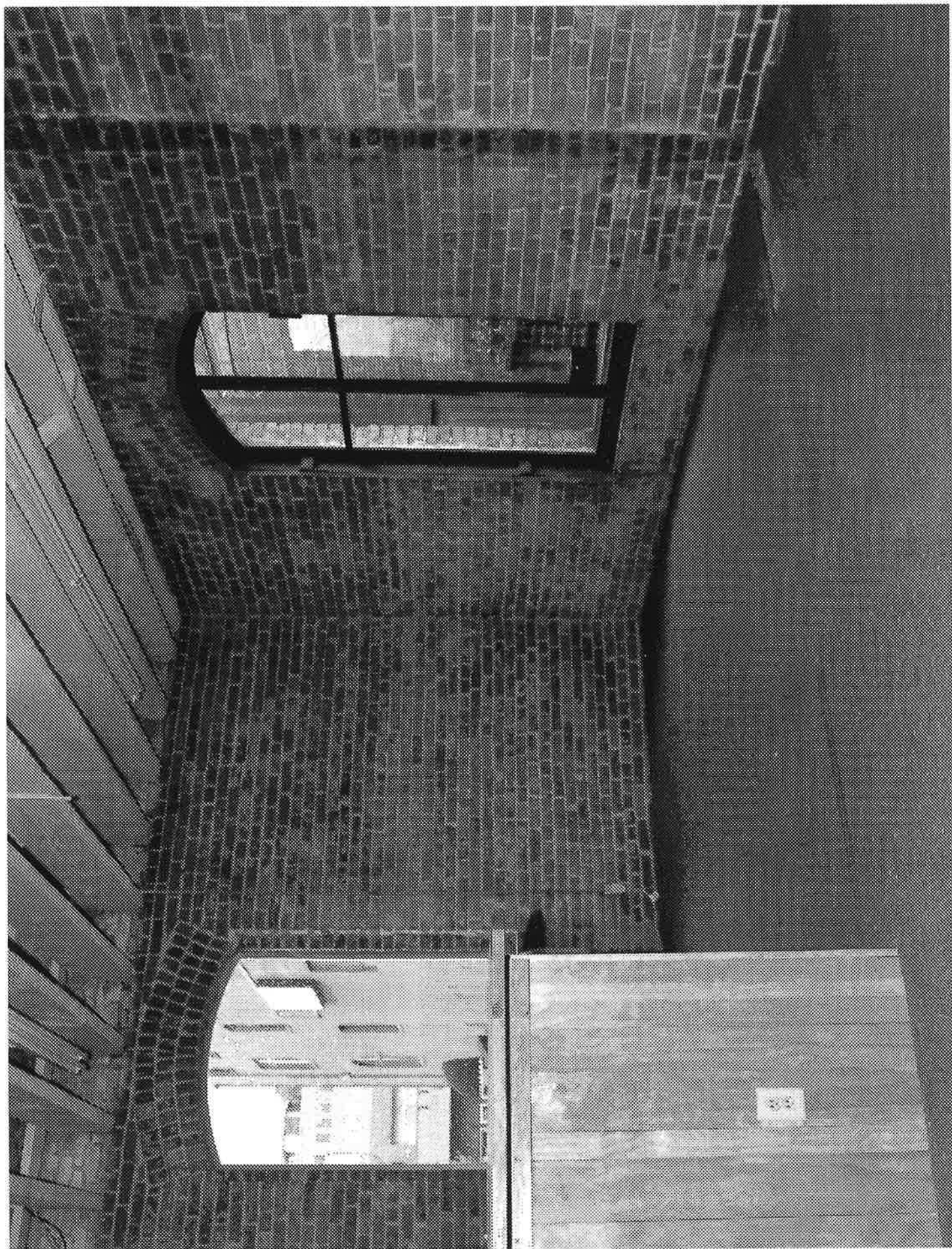
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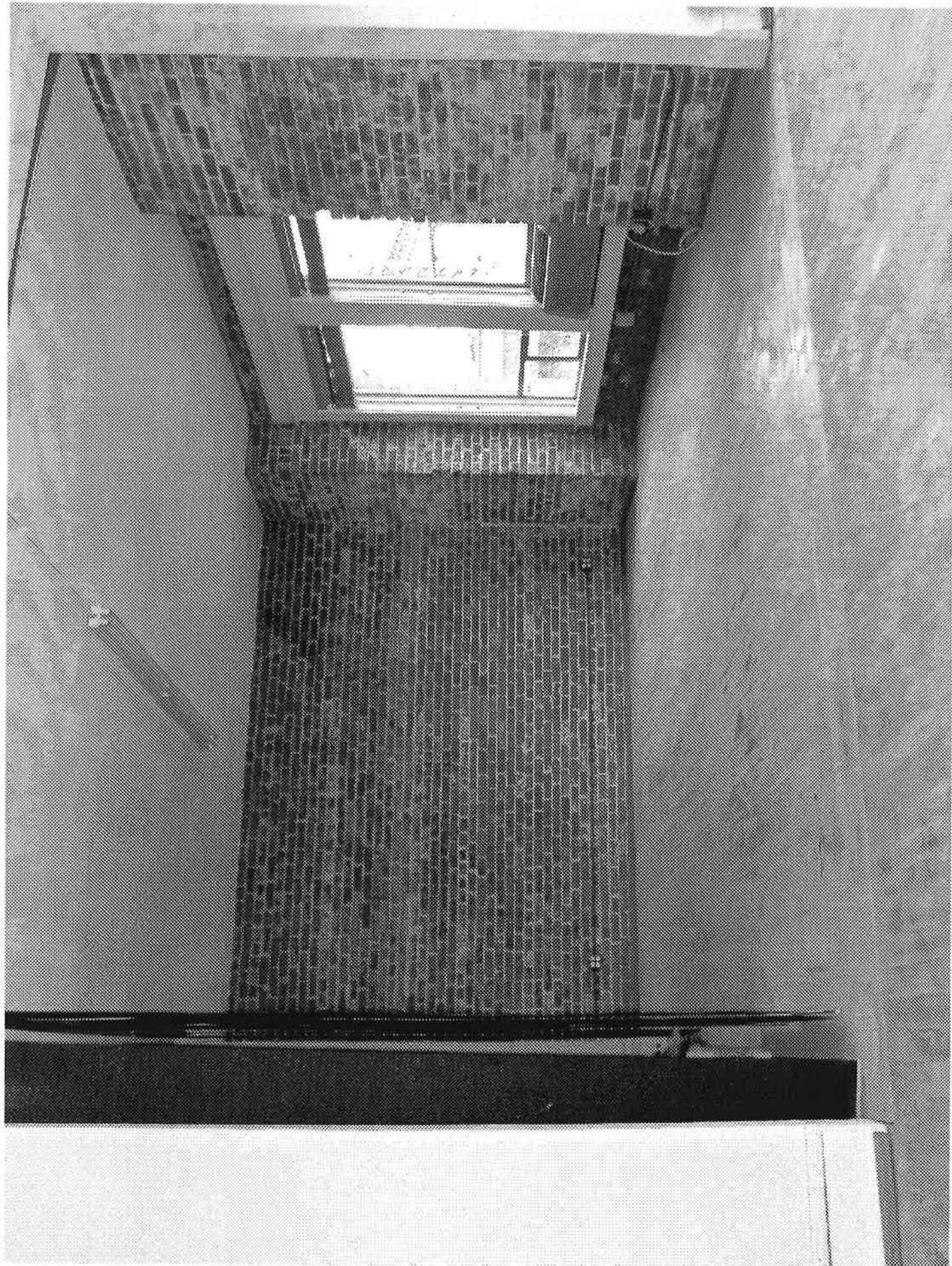
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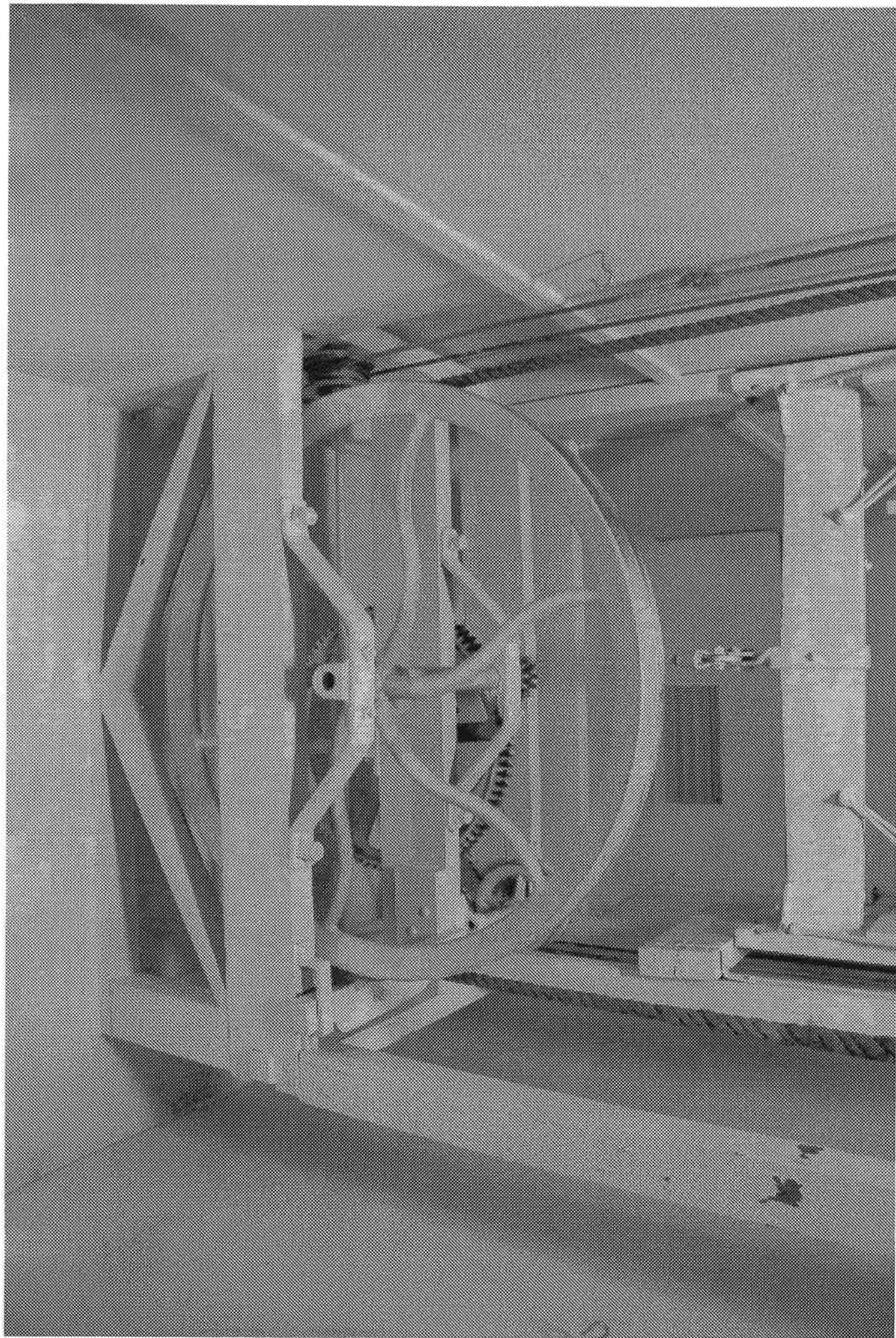
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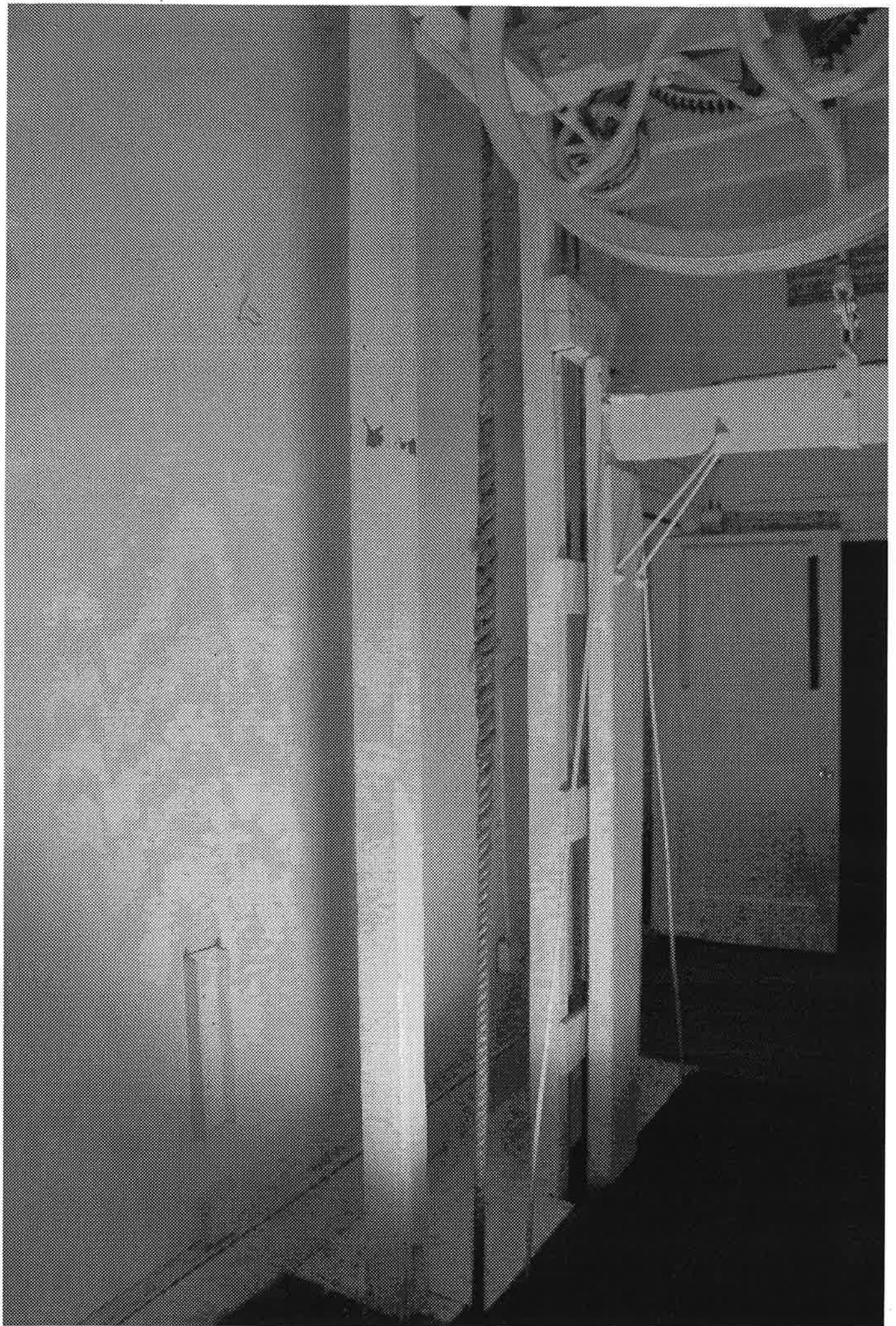


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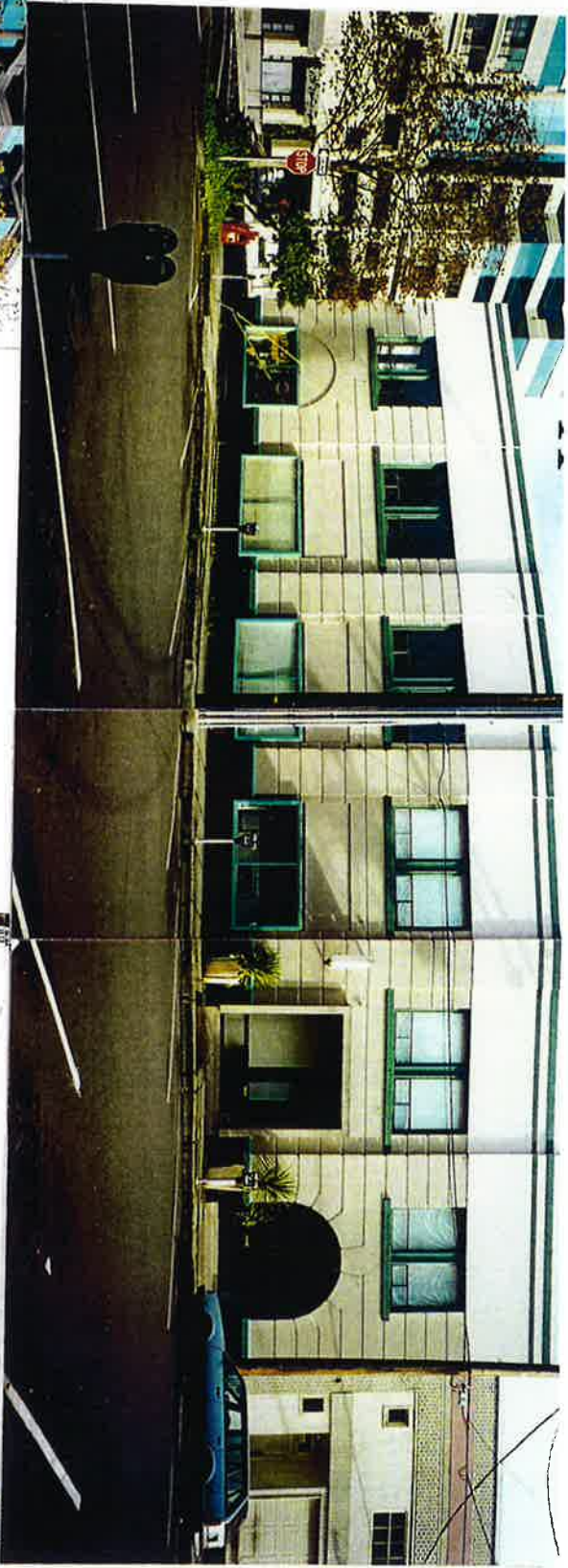
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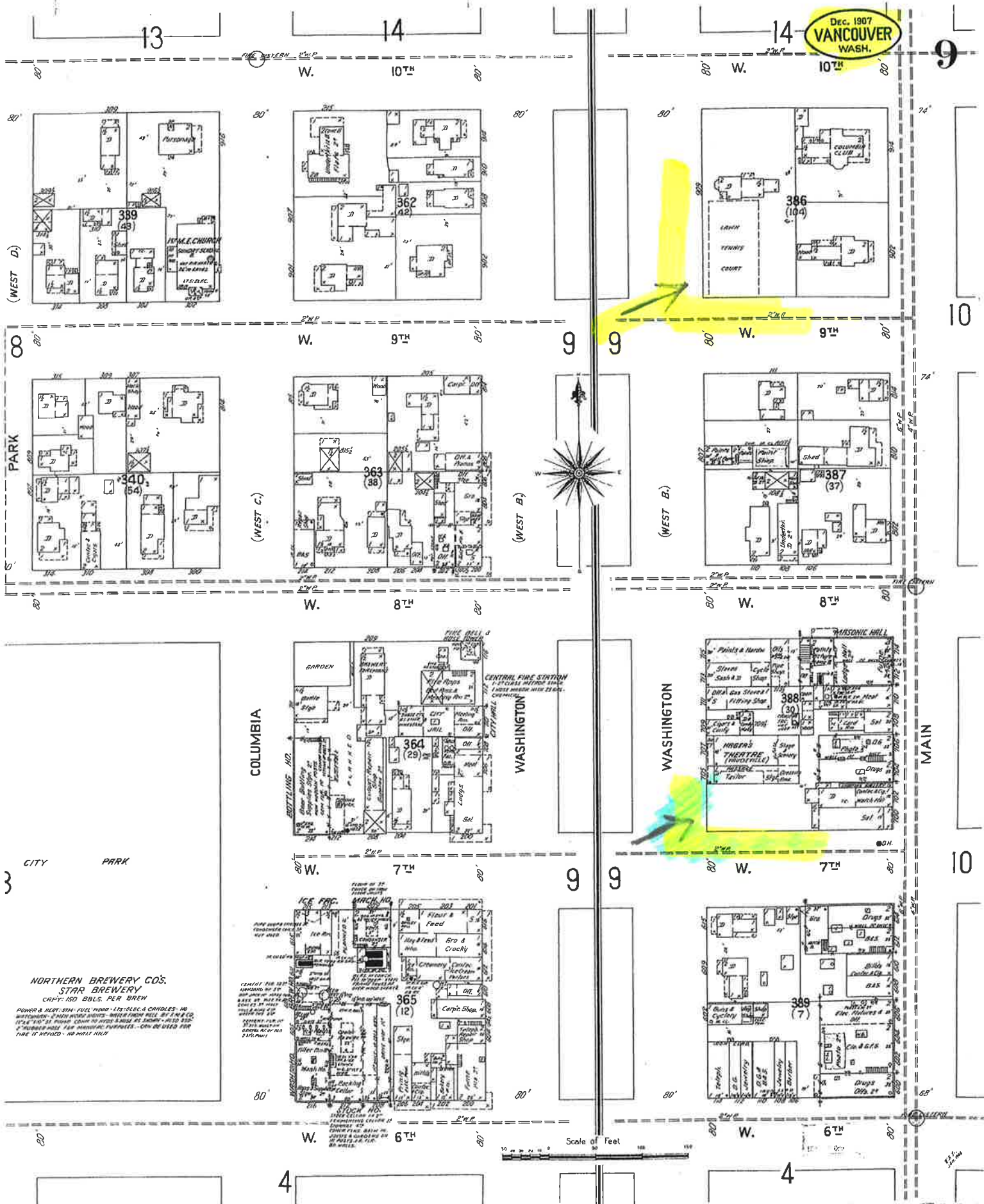




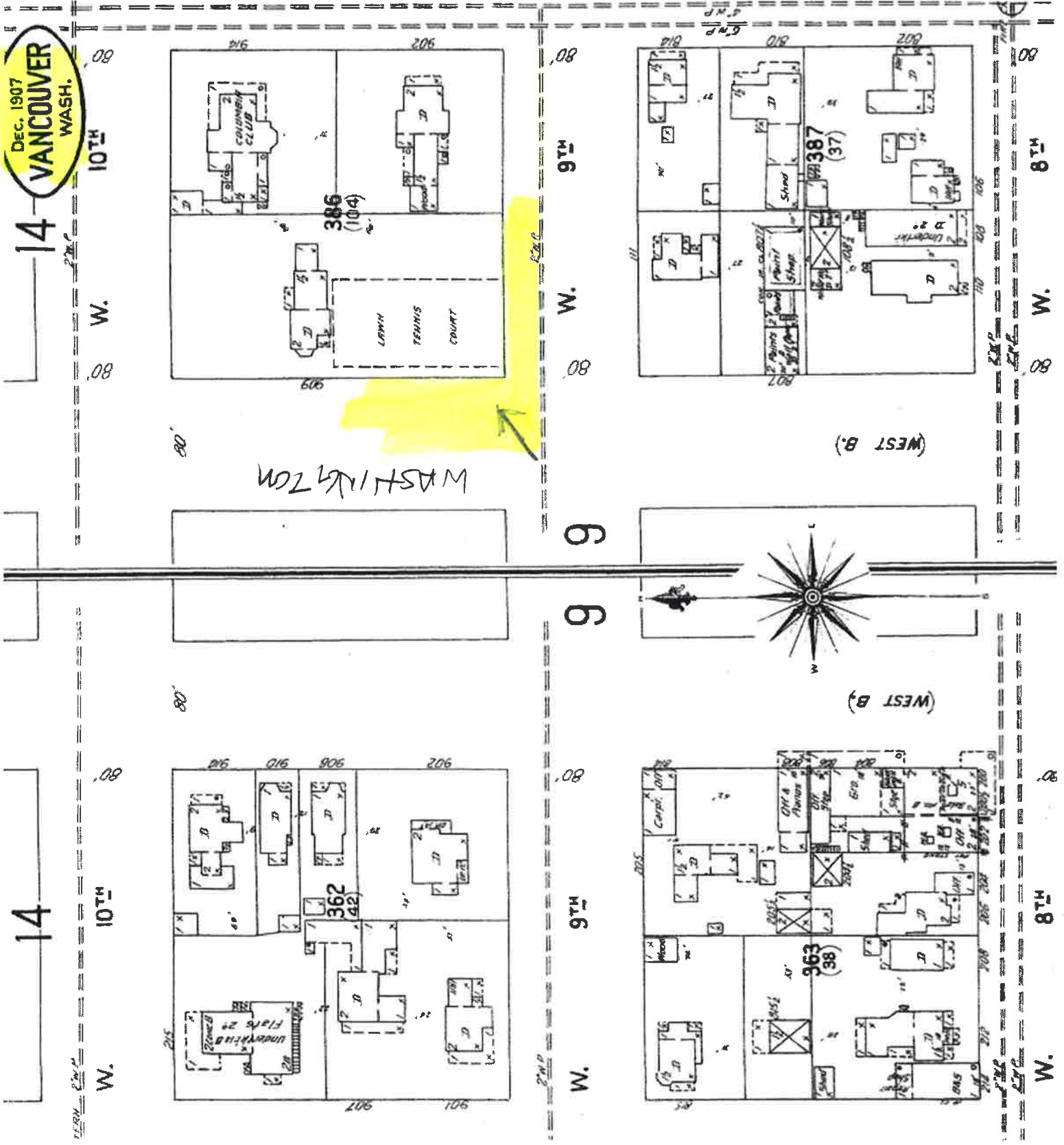
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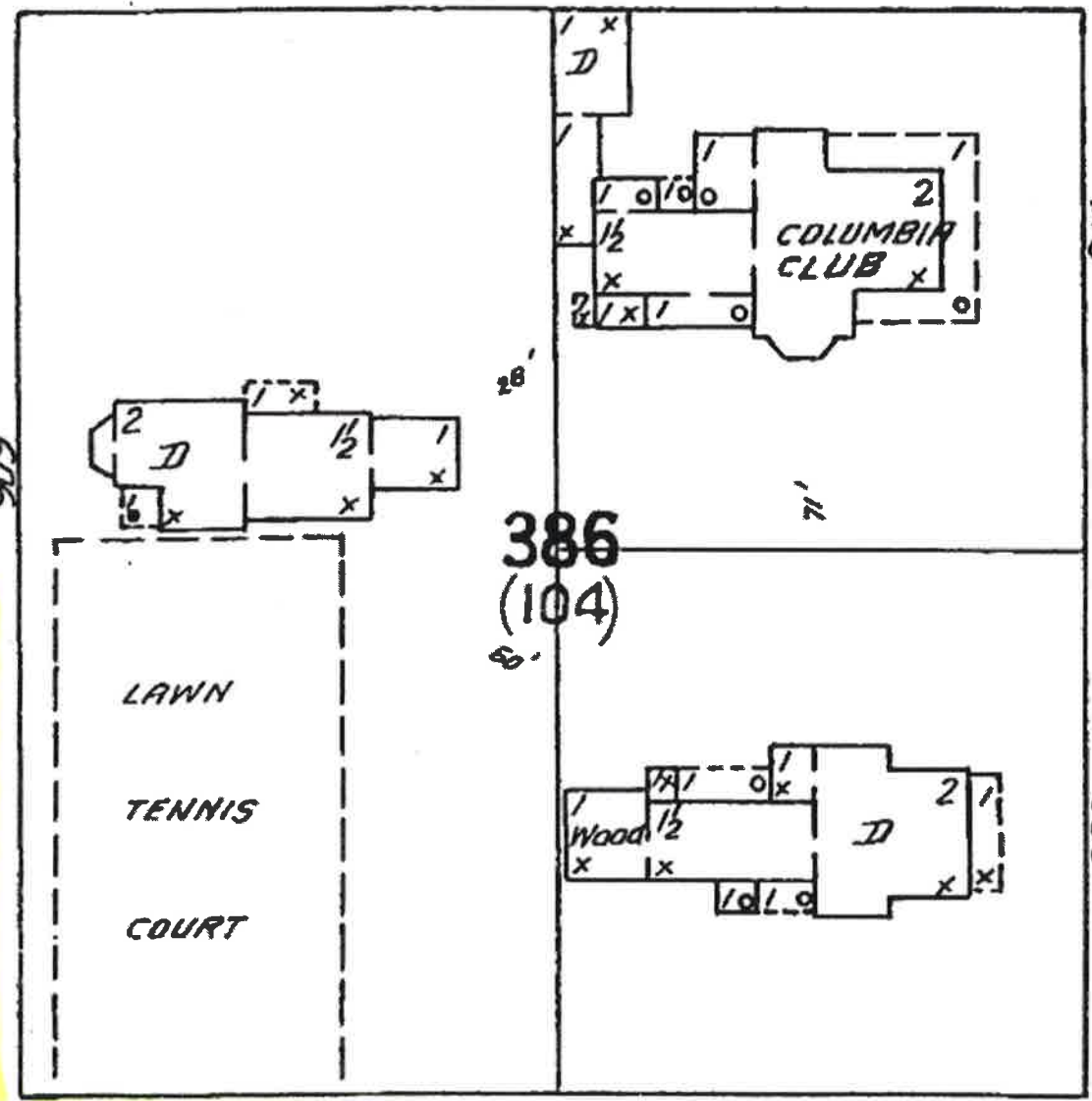


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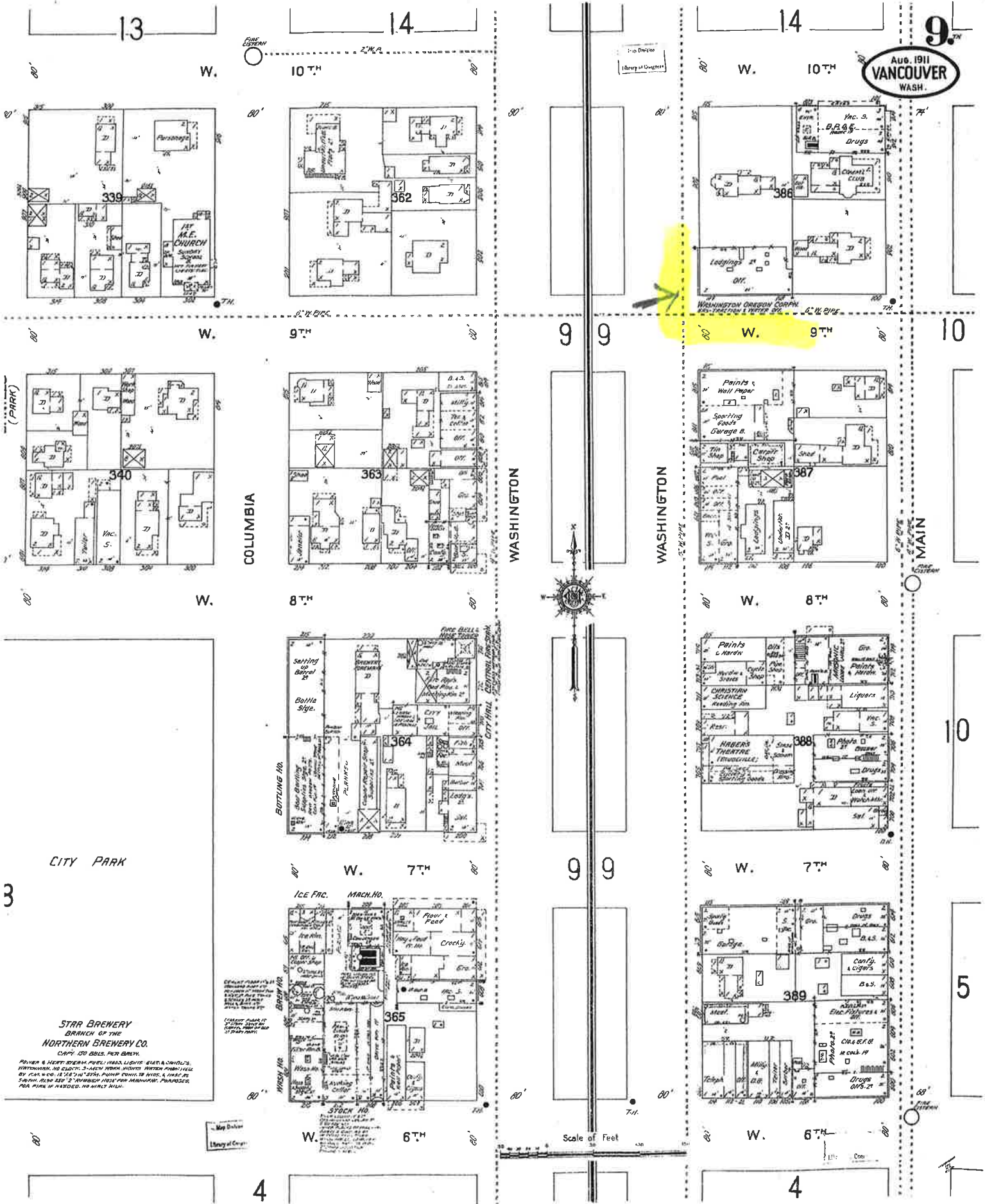


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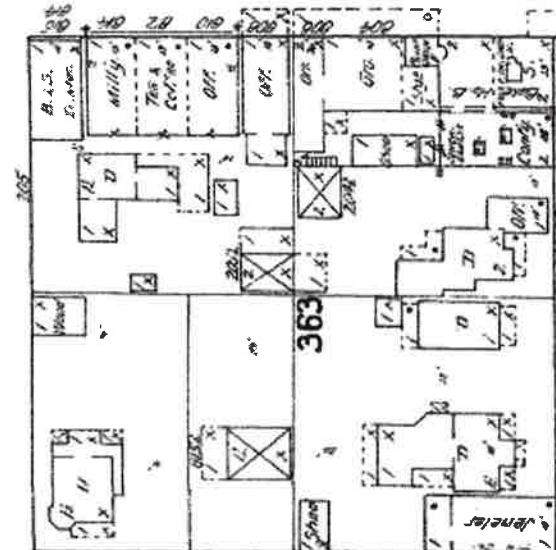
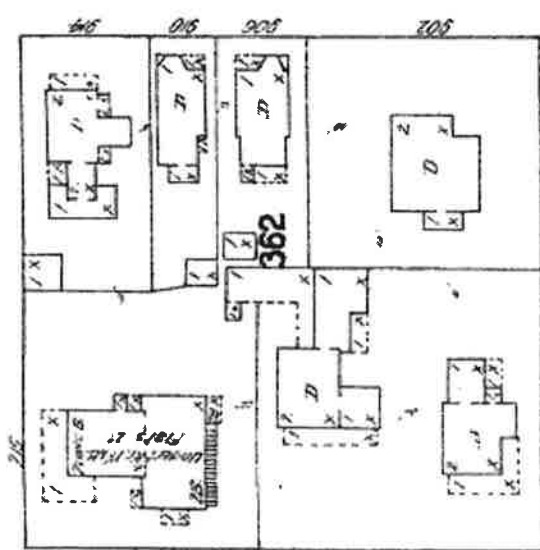
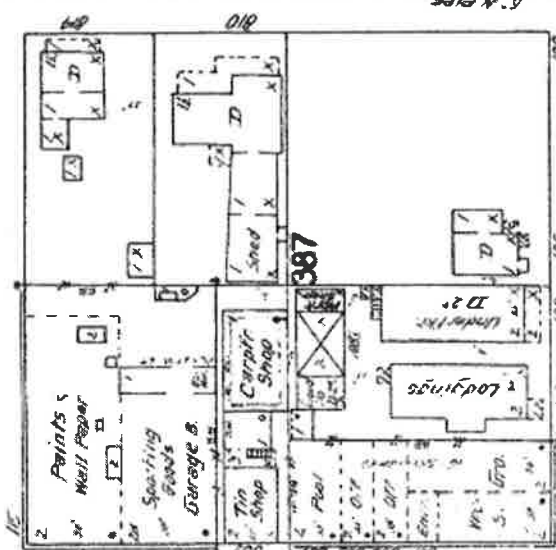
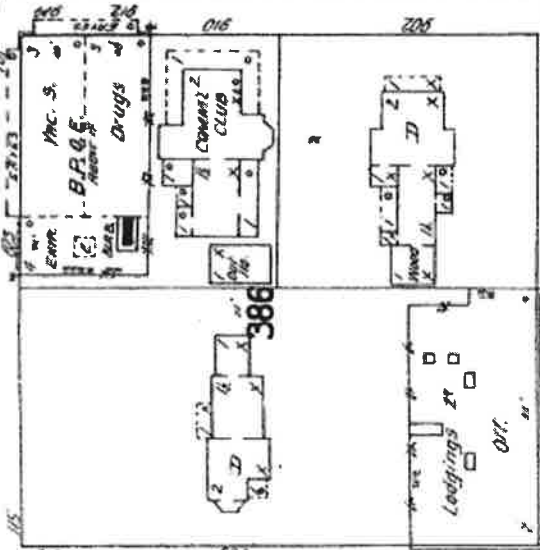
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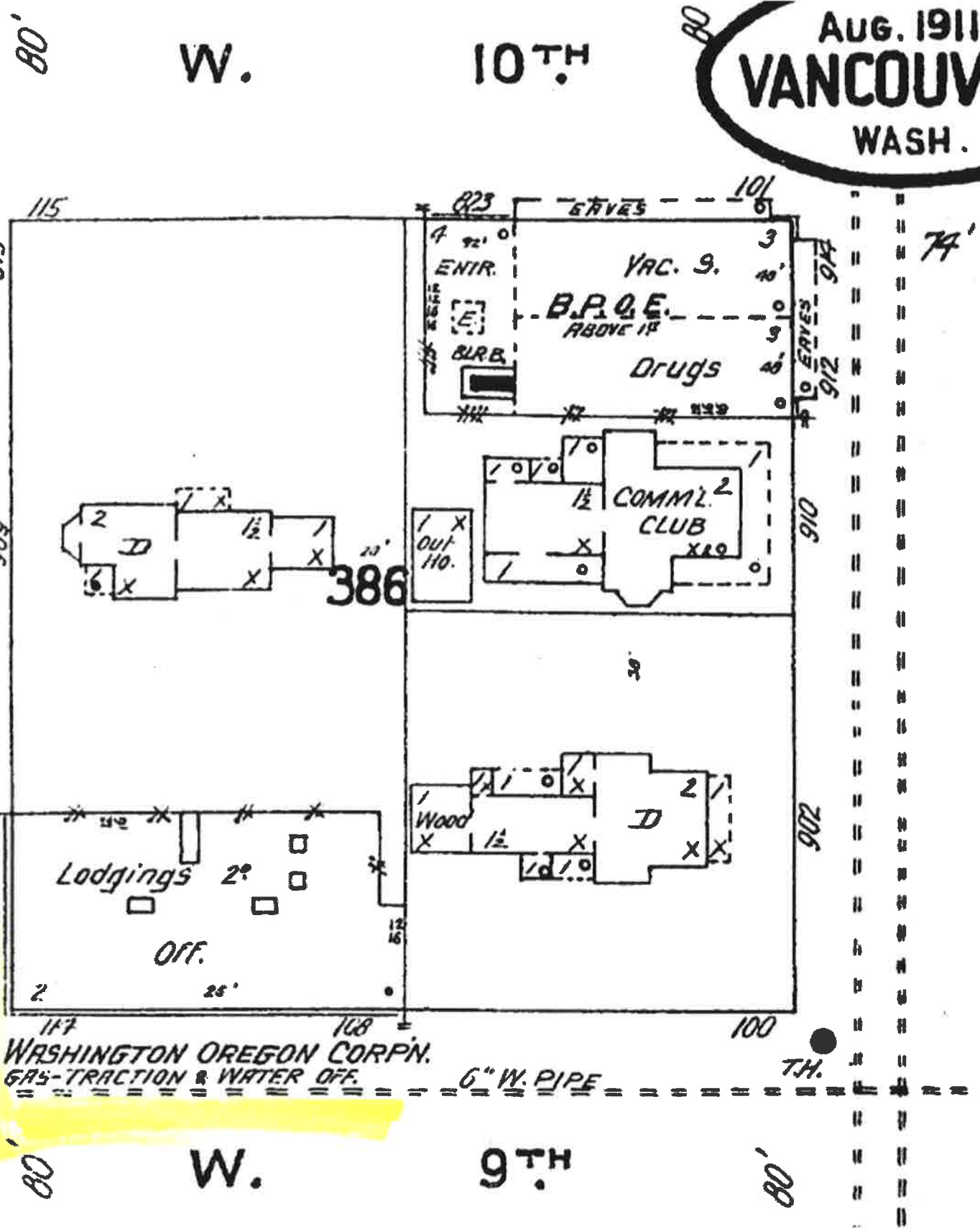


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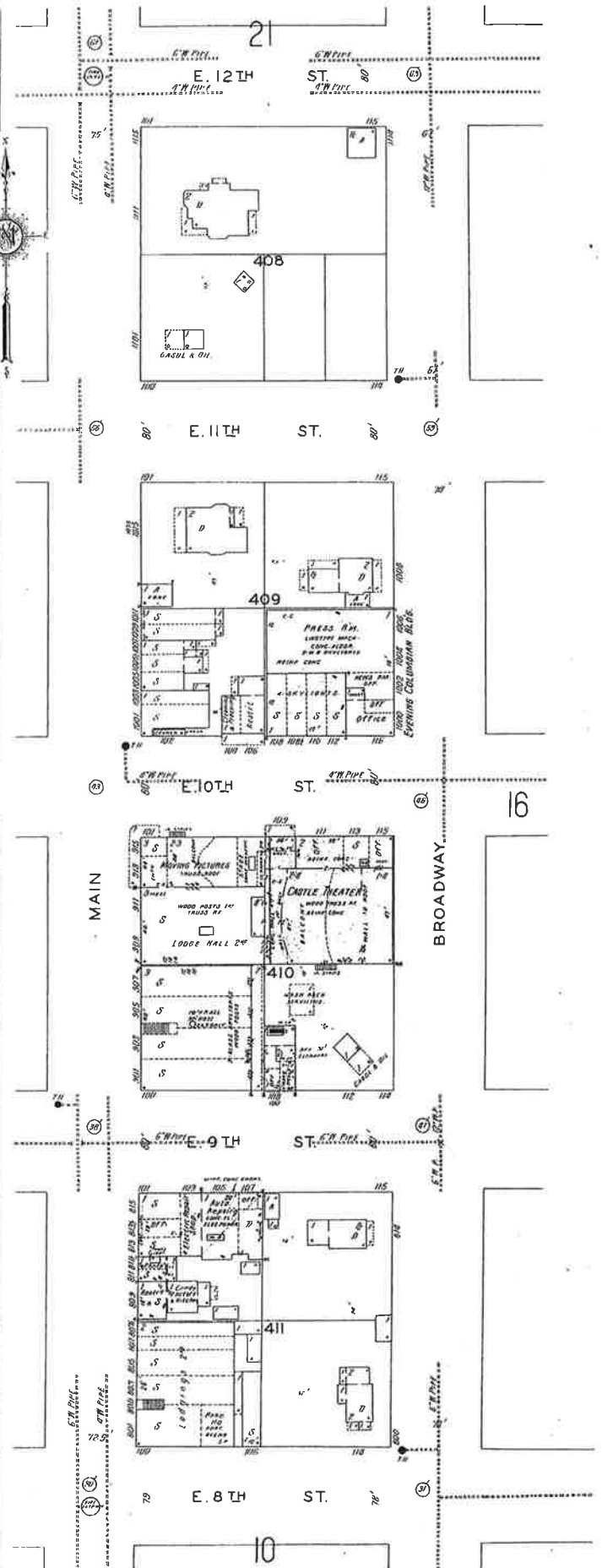
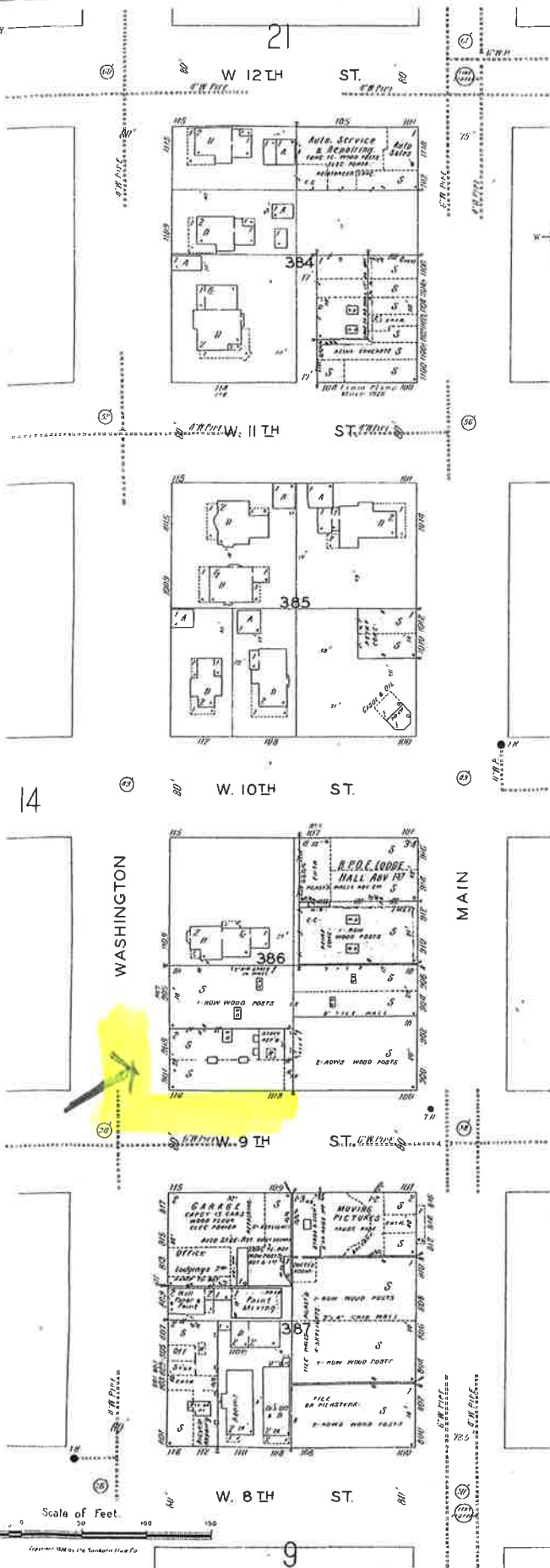
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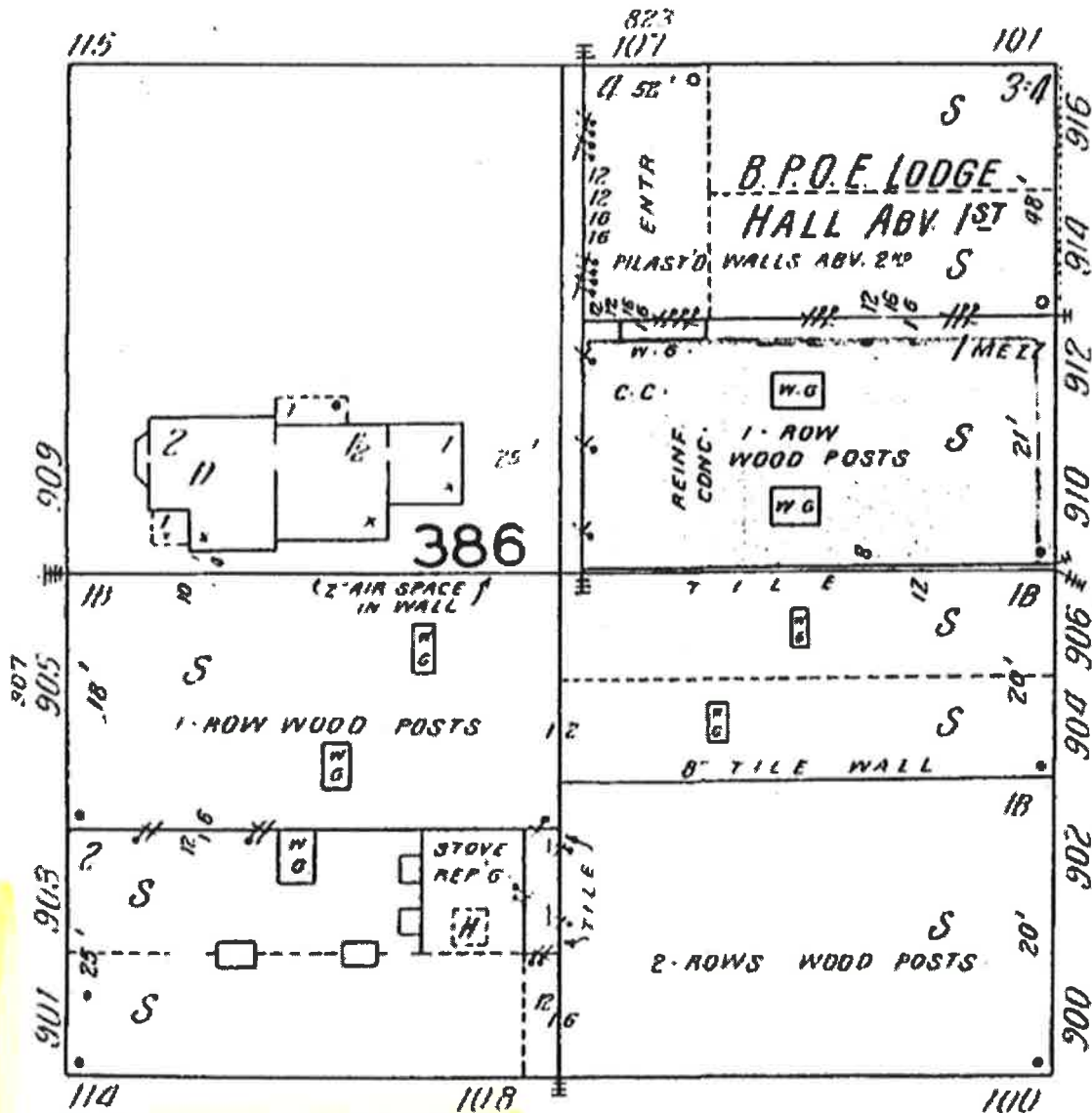
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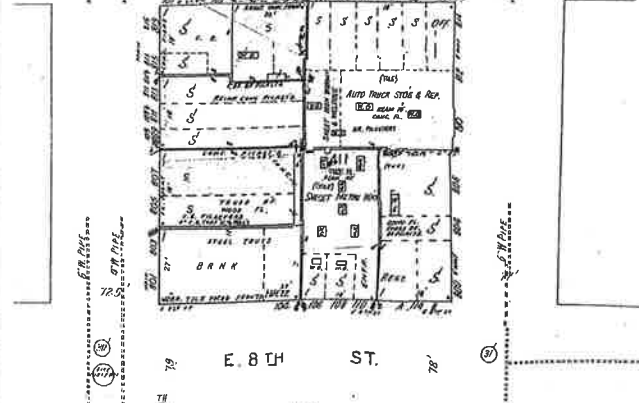
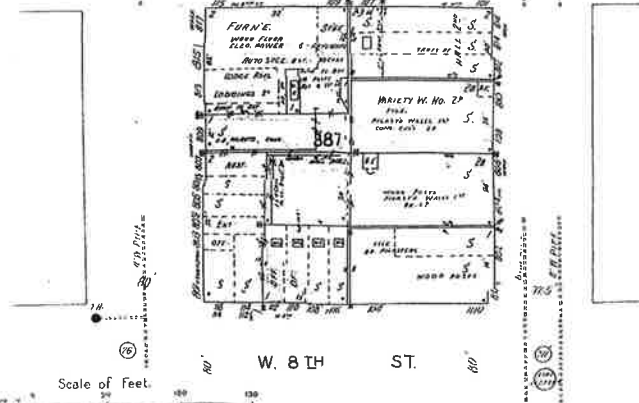
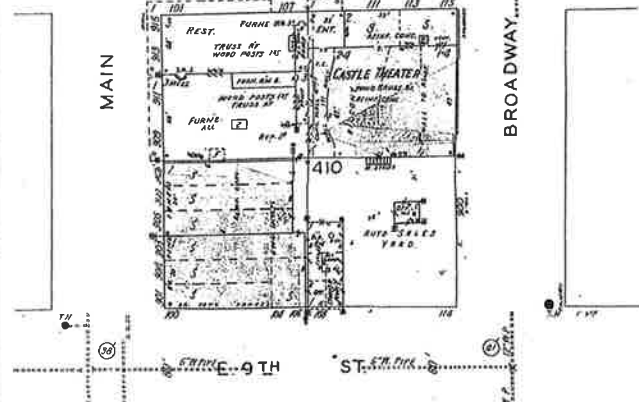
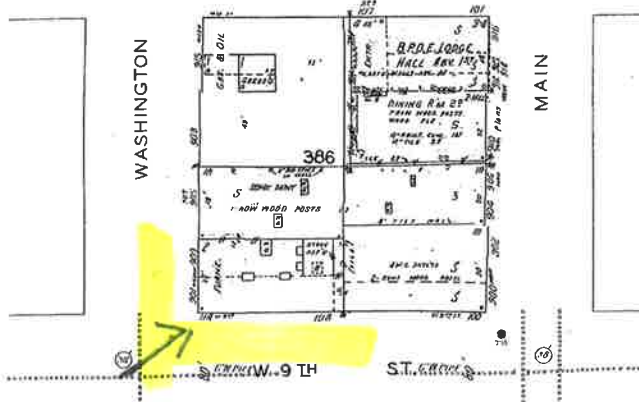
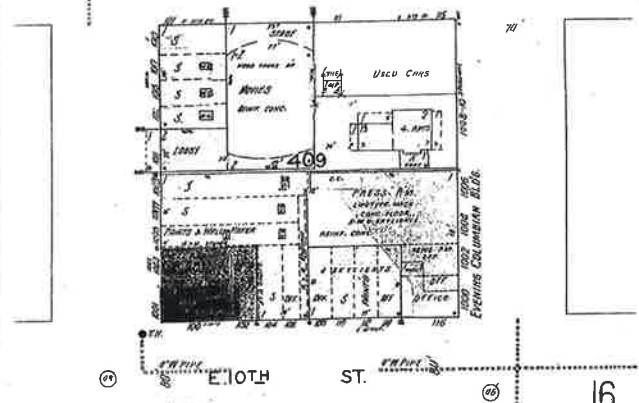
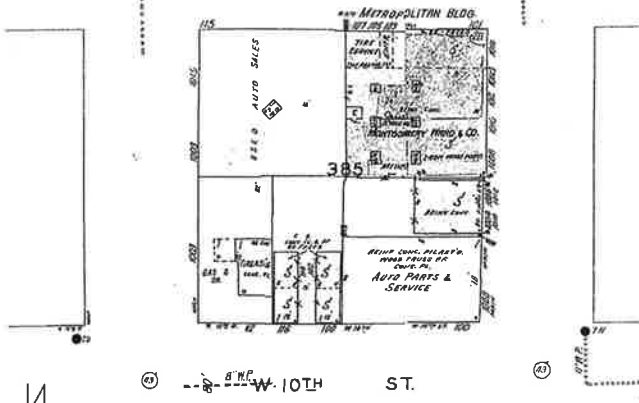
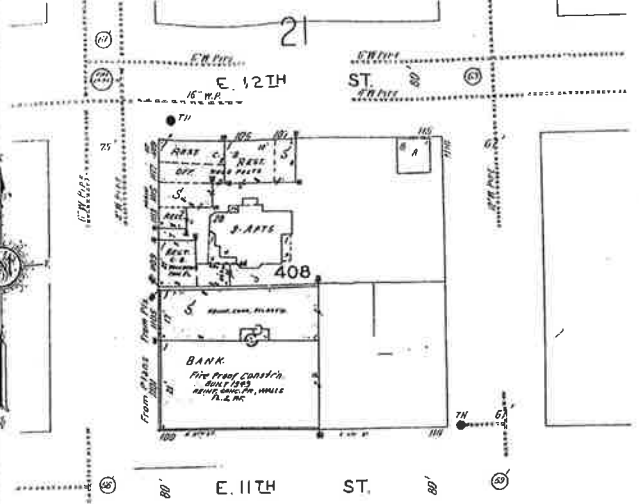
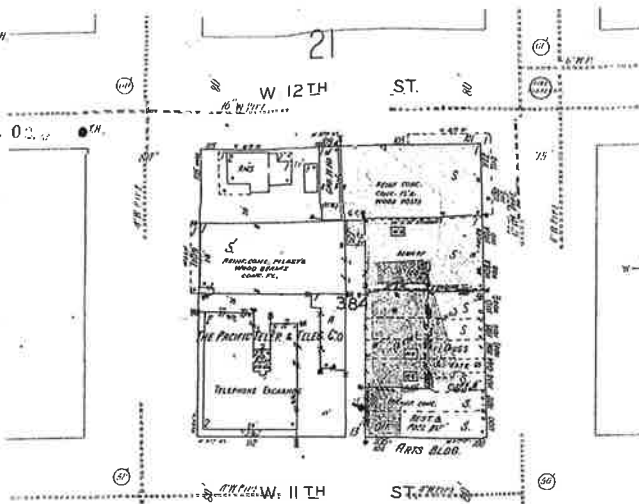
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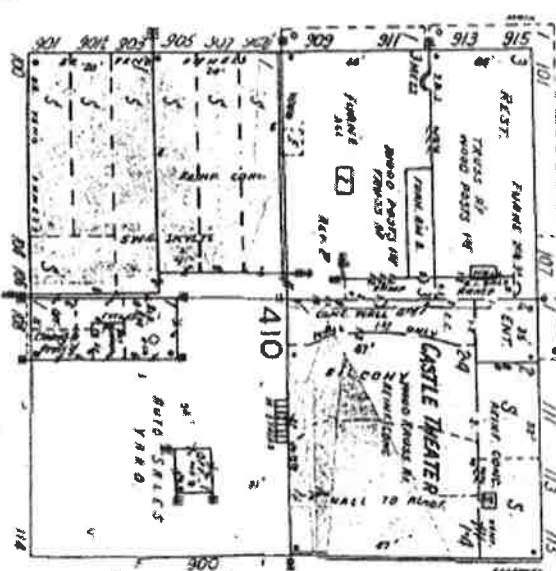
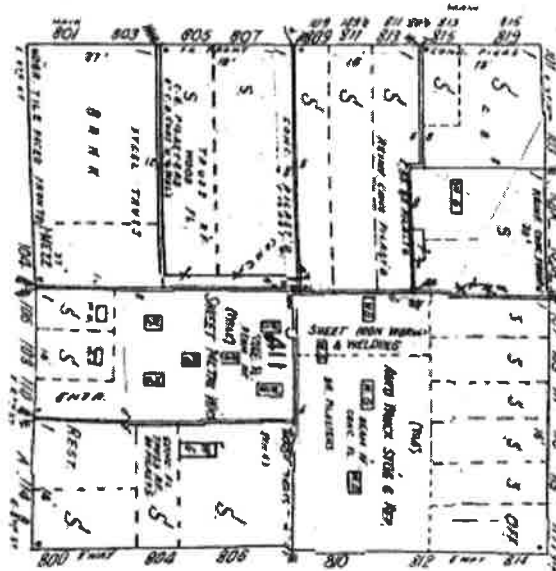
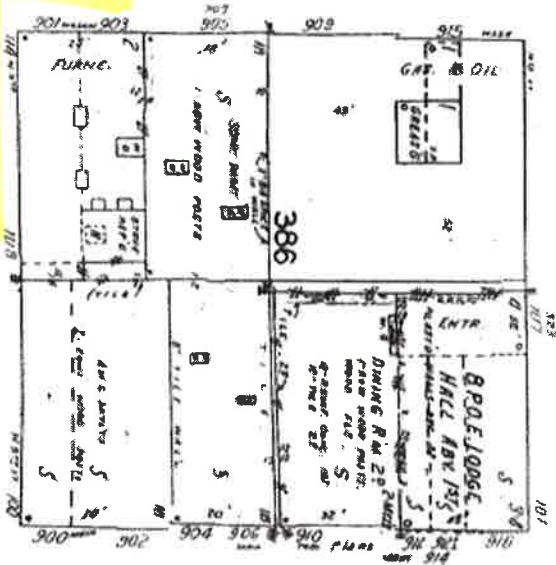
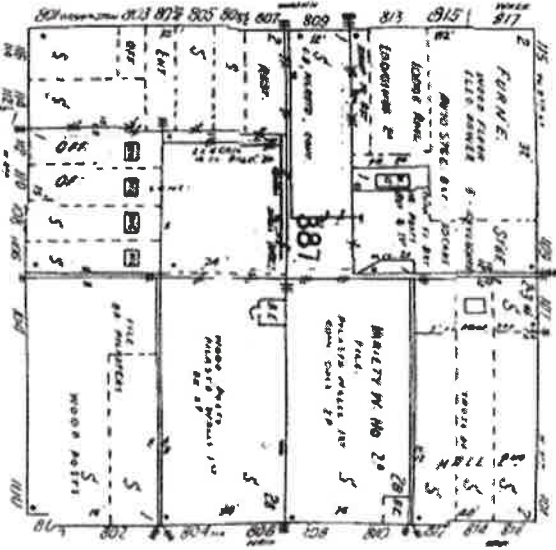
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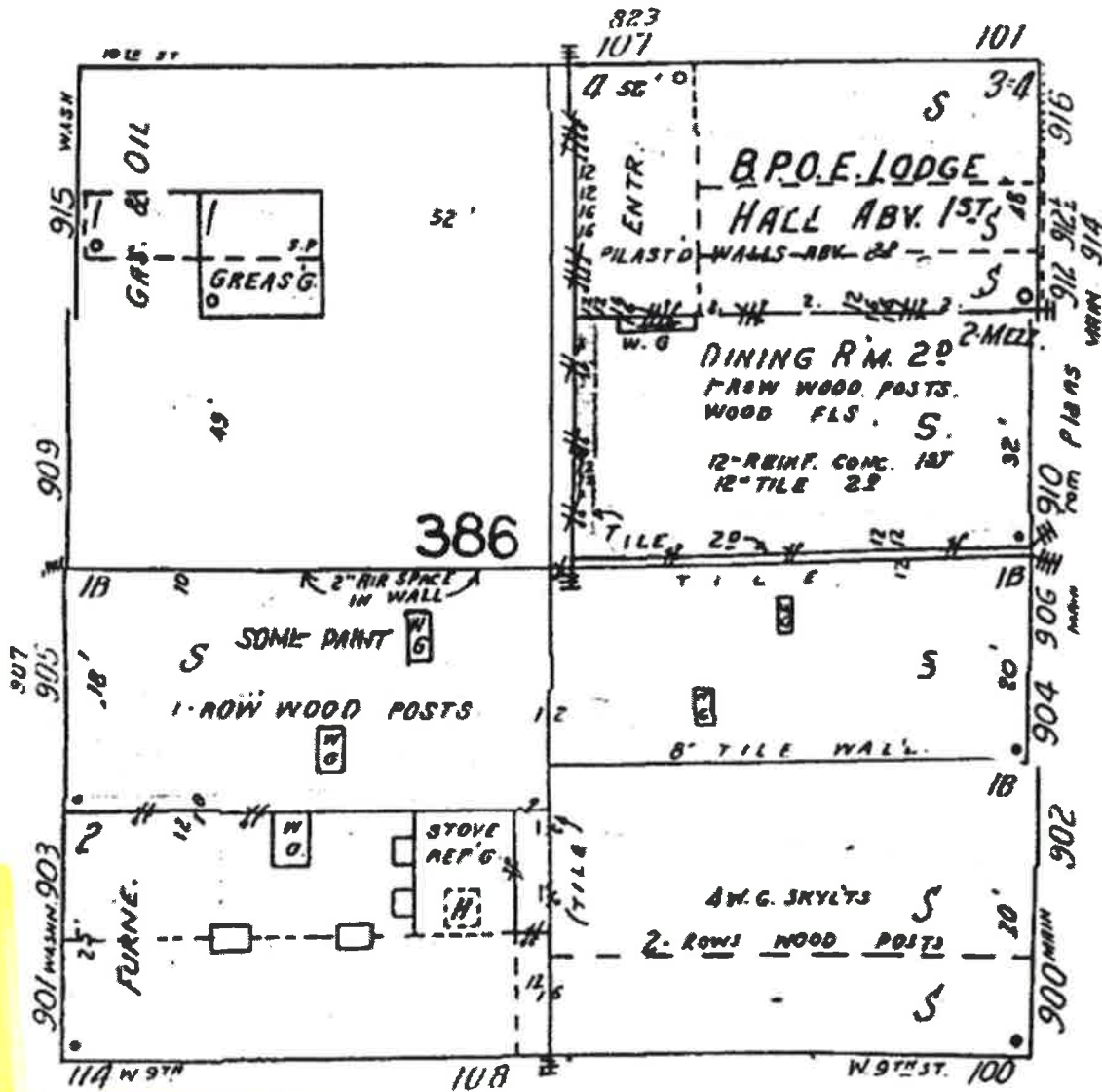
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City Minutes March 16, 1908
Ramble Building Perimeter

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present are not petition that the Washington State Telephone and Telegraph Co., the present owner of said franchise, be allowed to deposit as security bond in the sum of \$5000 in lieu of so certified check as required by said Ordinance. The motion is so ordered that the petition be denied.

On motion the Council went adjourned

J. S. Wilson, City Clerk

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Council Minutes, Municipal Year, March, 16, 1908

The City Council of the City of Vancouver met in regular session the date, March 16th, 1908, Councilman Bisselton, President, Councilman Higgins, Speaker and Councilman and the City Clerk, Minutes of the meeting of March 5th, 1908 were read and approved.

Resolution is presented from Council of February 18th, 1908 asking that they be granted permission to license their property to the use of the constructed sidewalk. The motion the petition is denied.

Resolution is presented for permission to use portions of Washington and Bond streets for the deposit of materials during the construction of the building. The motion the permission is granted.

Resolution is presented for permission to remove the one story frame building now occupied by him as a warehouse and to erect a two story brick building on the same lot and to erect a two story brick building on the same lot.

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Permission was granted G. N. Radek to erect a two-story brick on his lots at Ninth and Washington streets. Permission was also granted John L. Marsh to move his blacksmith shop from its present location to lots below the Elcom building and to erect a two story brick where the shop now stands. The permits all carry the usual restrictions.

VI March 19 1905
City Council gave permission
to Radek to Build

The building of Glenn N. Rance's on Ninth and Washington streets now has the basement completed. The walls in this basement are strong enough to carry ten or twelve stories and if the balance of the building is finished in like proportions this will be the best constructed building in this city.

VI April 16 1908

Rance Building Basement Status

"The walls are best constructed in city"

AUTOMATIC PHONES SOON

Vancouver Plant of Home Telephone Company Progressing.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—The Home Telephone Company will have an automatic telephone system in Vancouver in operation within a short time. The company has underground cables in the business section of the city. Articles of incorporation have been filed. The capital stock is \$150,000, divided into 1500 shares of \$100 each. The principal stockholders in the company are local men. Among them are H. C. Phillips, president of the Commercial Bank; Judge W. W. McCredie, Judge A. L. Mill and J. D. Eaton, of Vancouver, and C. C. Craig. H. M. Friendly and Robert Tucker, of Portland.

Home Tele Co.

Mar 31, 1908

The Washington Home Telephone Company this week deposited with the city treasurer the \$1000 cash forfeit demanded by the city council as a surety that work on the plant would commence and be completed within a certain period. There is every evidence that the company will complete their system in this city within the next few weeks.

VI April 2 1908
Wash Home Telephone Co. Motion

One of the Columbia Club's special whoop-er-up meetings was held last Monday evening at the Club quarters. Varied subjects of interest to the city were discussed, the speakers being as follows: E. E. Beard, J. A. Munday, J. P. Stapleton, H. C. Phillips, Wm. B. DuBois, Paul Schults, G. N. Ranck, J. H. Elwell and S. N. Wilkins. These subjects embraced everything from street improvements to removing sand bars in the river. Steps were taken to encourage the building of an opera house by Baker & Barron on the lots recently acquired by them on Ninth and Main streets. Mr. Elwell stated that the belgian blocks for the street car track would be here in a few days and would be laid ahead of the street pavement. Twenty thousand of the booklets recently published by the Sunset magazine company have arrived and can be procured for distribution by addressing Ralph Ogan, secretary of the club. These books are artistically printed and contain many local pictures besides an excellent write-up of the resources of the county.

VI Apr 2 1908
"Whoop-er-up" Columbia Club Speakers

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OVER \$2,000,000 IN IMPROVEMENTS

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MANY PROJECTS NEXT YEAR

Street Railway System Will Be Ex-
tended to Interior of Clark
County—Building Record In-
cludes Many Manufactories.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 13.—(Spe-
cial.)—During the year 1908 more than
\$2,000,000 has been spent in Vancouver in
improvements of various kinds, and plans
for the new year that are already under
way will include at least an equal ex-
penditure.

Forty blocks of bitulithic pavement have
been laid in the city, at a cost of \$200,000.
The City Council has already arranged to
pave with a hard surface almost the en-
tire length of Tenth and Eleventh streets,
as soon as the Spring opens, and in addi-
tion, some bitulithic pavement will be
laid on Columbia street, just west of
Washington.

A complete new street railway system
has been constructed and put in opera-
tion. There are now laid in the city about
three miles of track and more than a
mile of suburban road to the northeast of
the city. A force of men is now at work
extending the railway system in the
northwestern part of the city, and a pre-
liminary survey has already been ordered
for building this end of the line on out
north through Felida, Sara, Ridgefield
and La Center. The cars now run out to
the carbarns on the way to Orchards, and
the Vancouver Traction Company, which
owns the street railway system, is ar-
ranging to build the line to Orchards,
which is six miles out, and from there,
with the proper encouragement of the
farmers who have everywhere been im-

months. A conservative estimate of the
average cost of these would be \$1000, mak-
ing a total of \$300,000 that have been spent
during the last year in the erection of
new homes in Vancouver.

There have been extensive improve-
ments and additions to both the North
Bank and Northern Pacific Railroads
within the city. As Vancouver, it is un-
derstood, is to be made the terminus for
all freight coming from the east and
from the north, this means still further
extensions during the coming year. A
new railway station is now being built,
at a cost of \$13,000.

More Industries Promised.

A few of the new industries that will
be located in Vancouver next year include
a \$150,000 lumber plant, to be erected on
the river front below the new bridge, by
Somerville Bros.; a \$50,000 car factory to
be built on the river front east of the
garrison; a large plant for the manufac-
ture of hydraulic rams; a manufactory
for automobiles; a \$14,000 canning factory
and a number of others.

A committee of the Vancouver Commer-
cial Club has taken up with the Govern-
ment Engineers the project of building a
jetty below the big railway bridge about
a mile long, which is to run at an oblique
angle from the Oregon shore. The Gov-
ernment Engineers have expressed them-

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...who have every where been general in their treatment of the company, it is expected that the line will be extended to Hockinson, Brush Prairie and beyond. The street railway company has already spent in the construction of the lines now in operation close to \$150,000, and if present plans are carried out, much more than this will be spent next year.

Water System Improved.

The Vancouver Waterworks Company has spent during the past 12 months \$20,000 in improvements of various kinds. Five miles of new pipe were laid in the city, and a new pumping plant was put in east of the garrison. This plant is being used in pumping water from the big reservoir east of the garrison to the reservoir on the hill. Many improvements were also made by the company at the springs, four miles up the Columbia River, whence comes the pure water for Vancouver.

Many new business blocks have been erected during the past year. The Blaker building, which is now nearing completion, will cost \$40,000. It is a three-story block with two large stores on the first floor. The two upper stories will be used as flats. Glenn N. Ranck has erected an \$18,000 brick building, part of which is being used as a newspaper office by the Chronicle, and the remainder will be used by the Home Telephone Company. J. A. Febber has a new two-story brick block that cost \$12,000. J. P. Higgins, Mayor-elect, erected a two-story brick building on Main street at a cost of \$13,000. The Schofield block on Sixth street cost \$3000. The two-story brick block erected on Washington street by C. C. Gridley cost \$4000. J. L. Marsh has begun the construction of a two-story brick building on Main street which will cost \$6000. All of these new business blocks, except the Marsh building, are now occupied, and till there is demand for more business houses.

Many Manufacturing Plants.

In the industrial line an \$8000-cooperage plant was built on West Seventeenth street, near the railroad tracks, by Louis Hermann. It is 50 by 75 feet, and is two stories high. The first floor will be used as a storeroom for the iron and steel bopping, etc. The upper floor will be used as a cooperage and will accommodate 20 workmen.

Frank Fletcher, at a cost of \$3000, erected a large plant in East Vancouver for the pasteurizing of milk. Two new foundries and iron works have been established in Vancouver during 1908. Each is equipped to manufacture castings, molds, pumps, cylinders, etc., and to make patterns of all kinds. The factories are situated along the railroad, where the shipping facilities are the best.

The Vancouver Ice & Cold Storage Company, which has a large plant on West Eighth street, alongside the railroad tracks, for the manufacture of distilled water ice and the storage of fruits and various other kinds of perishable goods, has doubled the capacity of its plant the last year.

The erection of a new \$10,000 public library has already been started, to be completed on or before June 1, 1909. In the matter of telephone extension during the year of 1908...

selves as being in favor of the plan, hence it is only the question of a short time before it will be built. By means of this jetty a permanent deep-water channel between Vancouver and the Willamette will be made, and all ocean-going vessels will be able to load to their full capacity in the docks in the Vancouver harbor.

In addition to the manufacturing industries enumerated above, there are tributary to Vancouver ten sawmills, three brickyards, one vitrified brick and tile works, costing over \$200,000, one brewery with a capacity of 250 barrels daily, two creameries, two fruit packing establishments, a large soda works, two steam laundries and a large power and lighting



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HANK PEARSON'S FAMOUS RIDE

Most Remarkable Authentic Ride in History—Vancouver to Fort Benton, Montana.

As today's Oregonian contained an extract from the New York Sun regarding the remarkable ride of W. H. Pearson, during the Oregon Indian War of 1855, I send you a description of that historic ride, which may be of interest. It was written some years ago for use in Clark County schools, after talks with many pioneers who were well acquainted with the famous courier. It is not just as I would write it now, and departs from historic truth in speaking of the death of the rider, who survived several years after his dangerous journey.

GLENN N. RANCK.

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 30.

HANK PEARSON'S RIDE.

From "Pictures from Northwest History," by Glenn N. Ranck, Vancouver, Wash.

AT THE beginning of the Indian uprising under Chiefs Kamiakin and Kanasket, in November of 1855, Governor Stevens was near Fort Benton, Montana, attending the Blackfoot council. As the people needed their gallant leader in this great emergency, Hank Pearson volunteered to hasten onward with the dispatch to the Governor.

His course led him through 500 miles of hostile land filled with lurking savages, and over rough, snow-covered mountains. When one horse was worn out he jumped upon another and pressed on without pausing for rest. When he reached his destination his clothes were frozen stiff to his body and he was so weak withal that he had to be lifted from the horse and carried into the house. Pearson lived at Vancouver, and was widely known for his expert horsemanship, having served as a courier on many occasions.

While this dangerous ride did not result in the rider's instant death, as related in the verse, it greatly hastened his untimely end; and the story of his heroic self-sacrifice remains a poetic truth.

Among the famous rides of history none are more thrilling than this, and it is rendered doubly precious by its associations with the name of our heroic Governor, Isaac I. Stevens.

A Courier of the West.

"Heaven's cherubim, horsed upon the eight-less couriers of the air,
Shall blow the horrid deed in every eye."

THE WARNING.

Around the firesides of the West lingers this tale of a hero brave.

Who breathed his last in storied past, while striving human life to save.

During the Fall of '55 on a dark and stormy night,

Adown the swift Columbia, like an eagle in its flight,

Darted the light canoe of friendly Indian Jack

To warn the people at The Dalles of a dreaded night attack.

The startled villagers for self-defense prepared.

Then called for a volunteer, for one who freely dared

To carry the news to Stevens about the war at hand,

Through five hundred lonely miles, where skulked the savage band.

Then rose that gallant yeoman, Hank Pearson, bold and strong,

And started on that mountain ride, so perilous and long.

Not his the classic face, not his the rhythmic name

That sculptor on marble loves to trace, or minstrel softly gives to fame,

But fiercer for him by far, is granite's rude, enduring heart.

And sweeter rings his name afar, when comrade sings his noble part.

THE RIDE.

Fast he rode by Columbia's stream,

Guided by day-star or moon's pale beam;

By day and night he hastened on,

Passing Celilo, whence had gone

All the braves of the fishing village,

The last to leave for war's rude pillage.

As he neared Walla Walla's lovely vale,

He spied a ploughman in the dale;

Telling his tale, so fierce and new,

He asked for a horse to carry him through.

"Take 'Astelope,' a steed more true

Ne'er from the meadow dashed the dew."

Springing upon the gallant black,

He breathed his name, the rein held slack;

Forward flew the quivering steed,

Straining his limbs to the utmost speed.

Not faster the startled deer is borne

When soundeth aear the huntsman's horn;

Not surer flies the unerring dart

Seeking its rest in that trembling heart.

Leaving Walla Walla's plain,

He dashed on through the Coeur d'Alene.

THE ARRIVAL AND THE PASSING.

So without pause by night or day,

He rode, until one morning gray,

Spattered with variation of every ground,

That 'twixt The Dalles and Benton is found.

He was lifted tenderly from the back

Of the gallant but all breathless black;

And was carried in through the open door

Straight to the side of our war-Governor;

Then striving to rise, bold Pearson spoke—

Though his words by frequent gasps were

broke—

"Kamiakin and fierce Kanasket

Have raised on high the bloody hatchet;

For their leader's return, your people pray,

Make haste, brave Stevens, haste away!"

In the arms of friends, his last words said,

The messenger falls with drooping head;

His eyelids close, his deeds are o'er,

The courier will ride on steeds no more,

Softly our Roman his orders told:

"Keep tender vigils o'er hero bold;

My people are calling, I hasten on,

I'd pause not now for my own dear son."

Stevens sped on to reach Hell Gate,

Where Spotted Eagle impatient did wait

To safely guide the Governor

O'er mountain path to seat of war;

Where he led his men in gallant fight,

Till peace soon followed the war's dark

night.

THE CLOSING STRAIN.

Still in the hearth-stones of the West

Lingers this tale of a hero brave,

Who breathed his last in storied past,

While striving human life to save.

Still whisper gray fires 'round hearths at

dame.

That sometimes in the weird moonlight,
A phantom rider on horse aloam,
Comes and vanishes in the night;
A sign that once more in time of need,
He will ride, as of yore, his gallant steed.

The tale is told, the hearth is cold,
But the heart throbs warm for the hero bold;

And ever may his memory last
While hearts are thrilled with tales of the past.

"For whether on the scaffold high,

Or in the battle's van,

The fittest place for man to die,

Is where he dies for man."

FOOTNOTES.

"My people are calling, I hasten on,

I'd pause not now for my own dear son."

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Where Spotted Eagle impatient did wait."

In describing the death of General

Stevens, the New York Tribune of Sep-

tember 5, 1862, says: "A moment after

Stevens seized the colors, his son

Hazzard fell wounded, and cried to his

father that he was hurt. With a glance

backward, that Roman father said, 'I

can't attend you now, Hazzard; Corporal

Thompson, see to my boy.'"

That was his last farewell; a few mo-

ments afterward he lay cold and still on

the field of Chantilly, his fingers still

clasping, like bands of steel, the flag he

loved so well.

The Nez Perce chiefs, Spotted Eagle

and Three Feathers, with 70 followers,

acted as bodyguard for Governor Stevens

on his perilous return.

Spotted Eagle and his band proved

faithful to the whites throughout the

war, and fought gallantly with them in

several engagements.

VANCOUVER EDITOR TO WED

Glenn N. Ranck to Marry Mrs. Abby
McCavet Blissner Today.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—The marriage of Glenn N. Ranck and Mrs. Abbie McCavet Blissner, of this city, is announced to take place tomorrow morning at the priest's house in this city at 9:30 o'clock, Rev. Father Felix Verwilghen officiating. Only relatives and a few intimate friends will be present. The bride is to be given away by her brother, William McCavet. Miss Kate Fauble is to be bridesmaid and D. E. Hardin groomsmen, and Miss Mildred Shepherd, a niece of the groom, will act as flower girl.

Following the wedding ceremony luncheon will be served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McCavet. The bridal couple will leave in the afternoon for a two-weeks' wedding trip to Puget Sound and Victoria, B. C.

The groom is the owner of the Vancouver Chronicle. He was for two terms Representative from Clark County in the State Legislature.

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Certificate of Marriage

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STATE OF WASHINGTON, }
County of Clarke. } ss.

I Hereby Certify, That on the

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in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and

in the County and State aforesaid, I, the undersigned, a

by authority of a License bearing date the

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John Veynigh
Pastor James Church
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Signed, Glenn M. Ranck Groom.

Signed, Abbie M. Carter Bismar Bride.

INDEPENDENT PRINT, VANCOUVER.

NOTE—This Certificate must be returned to the County Clerk of Clarke County within three months from the date of marriage.

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VANCOUVER PAPER IS SOLD

**Independent Merged With Chronicle
Under Hyphenated Name.**

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—After completing the 35th year of its publication last Thursday, the Independent, a weekly Republican paper, was sold to Glen N. Ranck, owner of the Vancouver Chronicle, Republican.

Mr. Ranck will consolidate the two papers under the name of the Independent-Chronicle. Lloyd DuBois, owner of the Independent since 1894, and who has been connected with the paper since

1884, will continue to run his job office. The Independent was the county official paper the past year. The contract for the county printing was let today to the Vancouver Chronicle.

This combination leaves only two weekly papers in Vancouver, the county seat, and both are Republican. This is overwhelmingly a Republican county.

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Chronicle Sold

Vancouver Officials Veterans.

VANCOUVER, Wash. June 11—(Special.)—During the week the Spanish-American War Veterans held their annual encampment here the fact was brought out forcibly that the Mayor, John P. Higgins; the Sheriff, Ira C. Cresap; the County Attorney, Fred W. Tempes, and the Constable, George E. Thompson, are Spanish-American War Veterans. Glenn N. Ranck, owner of the Independent-Chronicle, was member of the Legislature and is a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

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RANCK MAY GET OFFICE

Representatives Approve Poindexter in Land Office Choice.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 13.—(Special)—Glen N. Ranck, who has been recommended by Senator Poindexter for register of the United States District land office in this city, to succeed Hugh C. Phillips, is a pioneer of the county.

Mr. Ranck has served two terms in the State Legislature, is a Spanish-American War Veteran and until recently was editor of the Independent-Chronicle. His father was assessor in this county before the Civil War, and Mr. Ranck has made his home here since he was born. He was told by Senator Jones and Congressman Warburton that they would concur with Senator Poindexter in the recommendation.

The salary of the office is from fees collected and may run to \$250 a month or much lower. Mr. Phillips' term expires January 1, 1912, after four years of service.

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RANCK GETS APPOINTMENT

Objectionable Editorials Found to
Have Been Written by Lessee.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 1.—Glenn M. Ranck was nominated today as Register of the Vancouver Land Office, on the joint recommendation of Senators Jones and Polindexter. Soon after the Senators first indorsed Ranck clippings from his newspaper, criticising President Taft and his Administration, were forwarded to Washington and using these clippings as a basis, Secretary Fisher opposed the appointment.

It was found that Ranck had leased his paper to other persons; that it was while it was operating under this lease when the objectionable editorials appeared. Ranck was in no way responsible and on that showing Secretary Fisher withdrew his opposition. Ranck will be confirmed.

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NATIVE OF VANCOUVER IS NEW REGISTER OF LAND OFFICE.

Glenn N. Ranck.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 2. —(Special.)—Glenn N. Ranck, who has been appointed Register of the United States Land Office of this city, is a native of Vancouver and the son of one of the pioneers of the Pacific Coast.

In 1898 Mr. Ranck joined Company G, Washington Volunteers, and went to Cuba, where he served 18 months in the Army, retiring as color-sergeant when the war was over. He was elected as Representative to the State Legislature in 1903 and again in 1907. He established the Vancouver Chronicle, a weekly paper, in Vancouver, which he published for several years, merging it with the Vancouver Independent in 1910, but this he sold a few months ago. Mr. Ranck is chairman of the Republican County Central Committee and also proud of the fact that he is father of twins, a boy and a girl.

Mr. Ranck, who succeeds H. C. Phillips in the Land Office, will assume his new duties as soon as the office can be checked over to him, which will require several weeks.



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RANCK LAND OFFICE
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T. R. PREDOMINATES IN CLARK

Red Ivory Billiard Ball Used as Gavel in Vancouver Meeting.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 4.—(Special.)—A red ivory billiard ball was used to call the last county convention to be held in the state to order in the County Courthouse today, when the Republicans met to elect 16 delegates to the Republican state convention, to be held in Aberdeen, May 17. The Roosevelt faction strongly predominated and on a straw vote, "a Presidential preference primary," which the convention strongly favored, Roosevelt received 73½ votes; Taft, 32; La Follette, 31; Cummins, 1, and Hughes, 1. While the delegates will vote the strength of Clark County as a unit, they are not instructed further than the "straw vote." Donald McMaster, Judge of the Superior Court, was indorsed unanimously as a delegate to the National convention to be held in Chicago.

Glen N. Ranck, county chairman of the Republican Central Committee, called to the meeting to order, and failed to find a minister to offer prayer. "We hope to have a harmonious meeting," said Mr. Ranck, and it is usually the custom for prayer to be offered on such an occasion as this." Not a minister was present.

Only one woman, Mrs. Mary E. Nerton, of Orchards, sat in the convention. Mrs. William B. DuBois, who was elected delegate in the city, gave her proxy to her husband, and Mrs. Milton H. Evans gave hers to Lloyd DuBois. The 16 delegates named are: Donald McMaster, James P. Stapleton, John Anderson, Ira Spencer, E. A. Blackmore, Charles W. Hall, T. L. Simmons, M. L. Ryan, N. R. Rashford, Alexander Hildon, I. W. Emery, Marlon McIrvin, Oscar McBride, John P. Kiggins and Glen N. Ranck.

The resolutions adopted favored a progressive candidate, such as Theodore Roosevelt, Robert La Follette, and progressive Senators; Presidential preference primaries and popular vote of United States Senators.

The names of Donald McMaster and John P. Kiggins were placed in nomination to be indorsed for candidates to be sent to the National convention. McMaster received 98 votes and Kiggins 34. The convention pledged itself to stand by the Republican nominee of the Chicago convention whoever he may be.

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Vancouver Editor Absorbs Four Weekly Papers

Edward Curran Acquires Independent and Camas Sun—One Plant Is Shipped to Raymond, Wash.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 6.—(Special.)—Edward Curran, editor and proprietor of the Clark County Sun, has absorbed four weekly papers. In a deal, which was closed yesterday, Mr. Curran acquired the Vancouver Independent, which was the Independent and Vancouver Chronicle combined. The plant was shipped to Raymond, Wash., to publish the Pacific County Times.

Mr. Curran was publishing the Washougal Sun in Washougal, and there he absorbed the Camas Citizen. Later he moved to Vancouver and changed the name of his publication to the Clark County Sun, and bought the Independent-Chronicle.

The Vancouver Independent was published here for 38 consecutive years, being at one time the strongest weekly paper in Southwestern Washington. It was for many years edited by Lloyd DuBois, now president of the Washington Exchange Bank. He sold the plant to Glen Ranck, now receiver in the land office, who was at that time editor of the Vancouver Chronicle. In a short time the hyphenated name was dropped and the Independent survived.

be in Ireland, as in so many parts of the empire, an Irish local Parliament, with a responsible executive to carry out its decrees, and then, for my part, I will gladly discuss with him every single provision of the bill, with an earnest and sincere desire to accommodate every detail of the measure to the needs and desires of those men whom he represents. That is my intention; that is, if you like my challenge to him.

"Sir E. Carson reminds us that he and his friends are disinterested. I have never imputed motives to him or to any of his friends, but when he makes that claim I am entitled to say that he has for many years enjoyed high office, both in the government of Ireland and in this country; but, we have never held office. The end, thank God, is in sight, but the end is not yet attained. If this were a Scotch home-rule bill and the Catholics of

Scotland said, 'No, if you attempt to pass it we will offer armed resistance,' what would happen? Rightly, you would laugh at the threat, and I ask you to laugh at the threat of Sir Edward Carson."

Speaking later at Leeds, Mr. Redmond declared that the appeal of Sir Edward Carson to the country to dash the cup of comfort and hope from the lips of Ireland now offered to her had failed.

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ISLAND WAR RECALLED

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF FILIPINO UPRISING OBSERVED.

**Company G, Washington Volunteers
Hold Banquet in Vancouver at
Home of Fred W. Tempes.**

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 4.—(Special)—The 15th anniversary of the beginning of the Filipino Insurrection, was appropriately celebrated tonight at the home, on Vancouver Heights, of Fred W. Tempes, a member of Company G, Washington Volunteers. Twenty members of Company G, and others who took part in the insurrection, were present. Rollcall of the 102 members of Company G was read by Charles W. Hall, now an attorney here. Frank Dye spoke on "The Fourteenth Infantry," and Glenn N. Ranck responded to the toast "G Troop." Mr. Ranck is now Register of the United States Land

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Charles Hasson, City Clerk, spoke on "The First Washington Volunteers," and George E. Thompson, Constable, of Vancouver, responded to "Campaigning in the Philippines." J. J. Cairns, a proprietor of a barbershop, spoke on "Army Life," while others gave reminiscences on the insurrection.

Among those present were: Fred W. Tæmpes, A. H. Fletcher, Luther Kays and William G. Kays, Chapin Mills, George E. Thompson, Ira C. Cresap, Sheriff of Clarke County; Charles E. Cook, John P. Kiggins, John Williams, Frank Huston, Arthur Choran, Tobey Henrichsen, Charles A. Hasson, J. J. Cairns, Fred Sturges, George Spurgeon, S. C. Cready, James McSparren, steward Commercial Club; Walter Reed, Charles W. Hall

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HISTORIC PRESS IS MOVED

Start of Vancouver Notables Made on
Old Machine.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—The old Campbell printing press, on which the Vancouver Independent was printed for 24 years before it was sold to another paper, and on which a number of now prominent citizens learned the printing trade, was removed from the Independent building today to the Ranck building, at Ninth and Washington streets, where it will be used by Edward Curran in getting out the Clarke County Sun.

Among those who learned their trade on this press are included Lloyd DuBols, president of the Washington-Exchange Bank; William DuBois, vice-president of the DuBols Lumber Company; James P. Clancy, proprietor of the Pioneer Job Printing Company, and

Walter Moriarty, owner of the Washington Printing Company.

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Legends and Traditions of Northwest History, by Glean N. Ranck. Illustrated. American Printing and Stationery Co., Vancouver, Wash.

Our author is register of the United States land office at Vancouver, Wash., and this book—in prose and verse—of 152 pages is a souvenir edition of a publication of much public and historical value. Pacific Northwest history, and especially the men who have made it loom large in achievement, is faithfully and graphically mirrored. It is to the "sturdy pioneer and his noble wife" that the book is "humbly and reverently dedicated."

Mr. Ranck was born of pioneer parents at Vancouver, Wash., and his maternal grandparents were early pioneers of the Oregon Territory. He taught in country schools and kept a country store, and was for some years the editor of a Vancouver, Wash., newspaper. He grew up in that region and became familiar with its history. He served as private, corporal and sergeant in the Spanish-American War and subsequent campaigns against the Filipinos.

To young Americans just beginning to learn United States history, to those citizens of more mature years who like to recall bygone days, and to foreigners who are anxious to have a better mental grasp of historical beginnings connected with this region, this book can be commended confidently.

One of the most powerfully written sketches in the book is "A Western Cromwell," being an appreciation of Colonel H. F. Shaw, of Grand Ronde.

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DEPUTIES ARE ANNOUNCED

Change in Office of Clarke Treasurer Takes Effect January 13.

VANCOUVER, Wash. Dec. 26.—(Special).—T. L. Henrichsen, County Treasurer-elect, has named William R. Laughlin, Glenn N. Ranck and Miss Nellie Yale as deputies in his office, the duties of which he will assume shortly after the first of the year.

Mr. Henrichsen will take over the duties of Treasurer January 13, succeeding L. G. Conant, who has served four years in that office. Both were Republicans and Mr. Henrichsen was elected without opposition either at the primaries or the general election.

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UNION STORE PROFITABLE

Vancouver Labor's Enterprise
Shows \$1000 Net Profit.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 30.—
(Special.)—At a stockholders' meeting last night of the union store, established here last summer, a profit of \$1000 in addition to a 5 per cent dividend to stockholders was shown. It was decided to assess the stockholders to raise funds to enlarge the store, which is rapidly growing in favor with the union workers.

A woman's auxiliary also was organized and a membership campaign will be inaugurated. The store is located in the Ranck building at Ninth and Washington streets.

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The Hudson Bay Company And Vancouver History

(By Glenn N. Ranck.)

The celebration now being held at Victoria and other places in British Columbia to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the organization of the Hudson's Bay company has aroused a revival of interest in the dramatic and romantic history of that great fur-trading company. It is attracting the attention of many thousands to the old forts and fur-trading posts established by that powerful organization, and especially to the thrilling and romantic story of Old Fort Vancouver. In 1670 Charles II, King of England, granted a charter to his cousin, Prince Rupert and his "company of gentlemen adventurers," authorizing them to carry on a general fur-trading business in the district tributary to Hudson's Bay and giving them general control of that region. This celebrated company thus possessed dominion over a vast empire, and with their soldiers and retainers, French-Canada voyagers, fur-trappers, hunters, Indian vassals and scouts, became the most powerful

and picturesque corporation in all history. Its organizer and first governor, Prince Rupert, was the nephew of King Charles I, and in the Civil wars which waged in England from 1640-46, was the great cavalry leader of the Royal forces. But this dash-horseman and his curly-haired cavaliers were defeated and unhorsed by Oliver Cromwell and his Puritan roundheads. So Prince Rupert and his "gentlemen adventurers" turned their attention to colonial affairs and fur-trading explorations in the savage and untraveled wilderness of North America.

When Astoria was captured by the British during the war of 1812, its name was changed to Fort George, and it was made the chief headquarters for the Hudson's Bay company in the northwest. But, according to the terms of the peace treaty, Fort George or Astoria, as it was re-christened, had to be restored to the United States, so the company felt the

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need of selecting a new post for headquarters. It had become apparent that the British would be forced to withdraw from the south side of the Columbia, so Chief Factor John McLoughlin established the new headquarters on the north bank of that stream, six miles from the mouth of

FRATERNAL ORDERS

KUMTUX TRIBE, NO. 3, I. O. R. M.
—Meets every Monday evening at I. O. O. F. hall. Visitors always welcome. Chas. A. Schmidt, sache; G. C. Cates, C. of R.

COLUMBIA AERIE NO. 253, FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES.
—Meets every Wednesday at 8 p. m. Dr. L. Schlemmle, worthy president; Geo. Hausch, secretary.

D. P. O. E., NO. 322, VANCOUVER.
—Meets every Tuesday evening at 8 p. m. Club rooms open 10 a. m. to 12 p. m. daily. C. A. Pender, exalted ruler; F. W. Blaker, secretary.

W. O. W. CAMP NO. 85.—Fred B. Weston, counsel commander; James O. Blair, clerk. Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, in I. O. O. F. hall.

VANCOUVER LODGE NO. 3, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Tuesday evening at I. O. O. F. hall, corner of Fourth and Washington streets. Wm. Smith, N. G.; James O. Blair, secretary.

MOUNT HOOD LODGE NO. 82, F. & A. M.—Meets second and fourth Thursday evenings at Eighth and Main Sts. Visiting brothers welcome. Donald McMaster, W. M.; William C. Bates, secretary.

WASHINGTON LODGE NO. 4, F. & A. M.—Meets first and third Saturdays. M. W. Odell, W. M.; Dan E. Hardin, secretary.

the Willamette, in 1824 or 1825. A strong stockaded fort was erected at this place and it was named Fort Vancouver, in honor of the distinguished British navigator who had explored the North Pacific coast in 1792. The company continued doing business in this stockade until 1860, when it removed to Victoria.

While in possession of this place the company developed the agricultural and industrial resources of Clarke county and vicinity. They cultivated large vegetable gardens, fruit orchards, fields of waving grain and fertile dairy farms, and established a saw mill and a flouring mill a few miles up the river. They thus did a worthy part in bringing civilization to this savage and hostile western coast, and when they finally departed, many of their former retainers remained behind. These frontiersmen took up donation land claims and built homes and served as strong bulwarks to the infant colony against the attacks of the red men, and many of their descendants are useful citizens of Vancouver and vicinity. Among these we might mention the following families:

Ough, Bird, Proulx (pronounced "Pru"), Pupuis (Dupwee), Petrain, Plomondon, Nerton, Bersch, Ernat, La Belle, Slanger and others. Several of these families were well represented in the Spanish war and in the recent world war. One, Edward Moore, fell while following the American flag in the far-off Philippines, while John Hood and young Proulx, the latter a grandson of brave Chief Chehalis, were among the first to defend our banner on the high seas in 1917. The old Hudson's Bay company blockhouse on Fourth Plain is the last building still standing, strong and

true, as the solitary sentinel of that historic past.

Under Governor McLoughlin and the other chiefs of that famous company, Fort Vancouver was noted for its war, unsurpassed hospitality, and though the lords and chiefs have long since departed, many of their good old customs have been retained. When Fort Vancouver celebrates her centennial th stranger within our gates will not hear uttered that cold, unfriendly word, "Klatawa," but will be welcomed with warm greeting of hospitality; for that cheerful watchword, "Klahowya," still remains the countersign of old Fort Vancouver!

COST OF STARTING A COMMERCIAL POULTRY BUSINESS

By Mr. and Mrs. Geo. R. Shoup

There seems to be much misconception as to the cost and necessary stock and equipment required to start a commercial poultry plant.

Size Of Flock.

The least number of pullets which can support even a small family on a ranch which also produces the necessary vegetables and the sustenance for one or two cows is about three hundred. They must be bred to lay and sufficiently early hatched to produce a maximum yield during the period of highest prices. The profit secured in the four months following October 15th under modern management is equal to that of the other eight months. The flock, which is of sufficient size to produce a livelihood for a family, permits the caretaker giving them all the care and attention required. While, the flock of one hundred fifty to two hundred birds, not bringing in sufficient revenue for the living, requires that the bread winner engage in some other occupation to the consequent neglect of the pullets. Hence the smaller flock very rarely

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HISTORICAL MEETING SET

Vancouver Society to Banquet on
February 22.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 18.—
(Special.)—The annual banquet of the
Vancouver Historical society will be
at 12:30 o'clock, February 22; in the
Young Women's Christian association

rooms at Seventh and Main streets.
Glenn N. Ranck, local historian, is
president of the society. Following
the banquet, a public meeting will be
held in the Vancouver chamber of
commerce rooms, and George H.
Himes, Oregon historian, and Fred
Lockley have been invited to deliver
speeches.

The public is urged to attend the
meeting.

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MOVING LANDMARK PLAN

Transfer of Covington House to Fair Site Is Proposed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 23.—(Special.)—The old Covington house near Orchards, built by the Hudson's Bay company in 1826, may be removed to the site selected for the Portland 1925 exposition if a recent proposal is adopted, according to the owners of the structure.

The house is thought to have been the first built in the northwest and was used as a home for persons working at Fourth Plain for the Hudson's Bay company. Another plan for the disposition of the historic old building is to move it nearer the highway at Orchards and use it for a community building.

The house was purchased for the Historical society recently by A. Quarnburg, Glenn Ranck, J. J. Donovan, Foster Hidden and J. W. Shaw.

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CIVIL WAR GROUPS PUT OUT OF HOME

Vancouver Library Board
Ejects Old People.

VETERANS TO PROTEST

Only One Vote Cast Against Move.

That by Glenn N. Ranck, Who
Upholds Cause of G. A. R.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 28.—(Special.)—Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Women's Relief Corps, who have been meeting for many years in one of the rooms in the basement of the city library, have been asked to vacate their room by April 15. At the meeting of the Vancouver public library board last night a resolution to this effect was adopted, four voting in favor, of it and one, Glenn N. Ranck, voting against it. As a result, Mr. Ranck has resigned his place on the library board.

No quarters ever were built for the members of these two patriotic organizations in Vancouver, and they were pleased to meet in the room in the basement of the library, where they held their meetings. It is easy of access and centrally located, and the women have carpeted it and furnished it comfortably.

More Book Room Held Needed.

L. M. Hidden, president of the board, said today that the room is needed for the children's room, and more book room is needed for the library. He said also that the organizations occasionally have banquets served there and the crumbs left have attracted mice.

The American Legion, the auxiliary of the American Legion, the Spanish War Veterans and the two organizations in question have appointed committees of two each to protest to the city council against old men and women being ejected from the quarters which has been their home for so long. It is understood that a request will be made to the mayor and city council, asking for a whole new library board.

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Ranck, prominent Spanish War Veteran, said: "I cannot longer serve on a board where no courtesy or respect is shown me and where the heroes who saved my country in its greatest crisis are heartlessly insulted and humiliated."

Treatment Declared Brutal.

"In their vigorous young manhood, when Abraham Lincoln called them to the colors, these veterans were assured that their presence was more valuable than their room. Now they are brutally told in their feeble old age their room is needed more than their presence. The hypocritical claim is made that the room is needed for books. This is untrue. There is room for more shelving and thousands of more books in the library room."

"But, in any case, it would be cruel to turn these old heroes out into the gutter just to put in some more books. Even if the room was filled with books, I would throw out the books and welcome in the heroic veterans of the Grand Army. These old soldiers are living books; living pages of history. The children can learn more by seeing these veterans of other days tottering into the library, with feeble steps and slow, and rallying once more around the flag of the union. They would learn more by far than by reading a hundred frivolous, sensational novels of today."

"I sincerely trust that the 'boys of the old brigade' will continue to

hold fort as they did in the days of Grant, Sherman and Sheridan; and my resignation is tendered in the hope that it may lead to the resignation of the entire board and the appointment of a new board more responsive to the patriotic spirit and inspiration of American history and American patriotism."

Mr. Hidden also said that the Carnegie library officials have remonstrated against us: the library for other than library purposes.

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OUSTER BRINGS REBUKE

VETERANS CONDEMN ACTION OF VANCOUVER LIBRARY BODY

Resolution Is Adopted and Will Be
Presented to Mayor and Coun-
cil for Consideration.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 29.—
(Special.)—The action of four mem-
bers of the Vancouver Library board,
H. M. Hidden, president, Mrs. Emma
Williams, M. M. Connor and Mrs. A. A.
Tompe, in voting to oust the mem-
bers of the Grand Army of the Re-
public and the Women's Relief corps
from a room they have occupied in
the Vancouver public library since it
was built, has brought down upon

their heads the condemnation of the
committees of the American Legion,
the Spanish War Veterans, the Vet-
erans of Foreign Wars and the two
organizations in question.

These committees held a meeting
today and discussed the action of the
library board from which Glenn N.

Ranck resigned when four members
voted to eject the old people.

A resolution was adopted without
question and will be presented to the
mayor and city council for its con-
sideration at the next meeting. The
resolution in part follows:

"Whereas, this action of the library
board is the result of an uncalled for
antagonism on the part of the pres-
ent librarian toward the Grand Army
of the Republic and auxiliary organi-
zations, and is not called for because
of any real need of the space now oc-
cupied by these organizations for li-
brary purposes, and

"Whereas, we feel that the country
owes to the Grand Army of the Re-
public and its auxiliary organizations
a debt of gratitude for their services
during the country's years of civil
strife,

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the
members of the United Spanish War
Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign
Wars and the American Legion of the
city of Vancouver, do hereby condemn
the action of the said library board in
voting to oust the Grand Army of the
Republic and its auxiliary organiza-
tions, and do hereby call upon the
mayor at once to remove the present
library board and to appoint with
the approval of the city council a new
board who will be more in harmony
with the spirit and ideals of this
community."

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Library Rebuke

CLARKE HAS 62 ASPIRANTS

Scramble for 15 Offices Now Is On in County.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The scramble for office in Clarke county is now on and it is known that 62 aspiring candidates will make the race for the 15 offices.

Names of the candidates follow:

Auditor—Frank W. Blaker, M. E. Carson, Myron B. Kies, T. L. Henrichsen, Fred F. Strickling; democrat, James F. Farrell.

Attorney—Joseph E. Hall, incumbent; Roy C. Sugg, democrat.

Treasurer—William Laughlin, Glenn N. Ranck, Chris Engleman, George W. Callender, J. D. Riordan; democrat, Dudley Eshelman.

Clerk—John W. Schaefer.

Sheriff—Ira C. Cresap, Abe Miller, Charles McCafferty, Fred O. Bowman, W. W. Laws; democrat, William A. Thompson, incumbent.

Coroner—Victor Hugo Limber, incumbent; W. J. Knapp; democrat, Edward A. Hamilton.

Engineer—Walter A. Schwarz.

Assessor—W. E. Lentz, Frank L. Bunnell, R. Burnham, Chester F. Palmer.

Superintendent of schools—Mary Alexander, Charles E. Smith, Hoyt F. Blair, Albert F. Krohn, Eliza Scherzer; democrat, Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling.

Justice of the peace—Vancouver, Frank E. Vaughn, incumbent; James O. Blair; Minnehaha, W. R. Wilson.

Constable—Thomas N. Vessey, incumbent.

Commissioner, district No. 1—A. N. Davis, John G. Eddings, George A. Ungemach, J. L. Garrett, Carl A. Hilberg, Chapin A. Mills, N. C. Hall; democrat, F. L. Davis.

Commissioner, district No. 2—J. N. Dubach, George S. Allen, C. A. Sperber, C. L. Hoover, Walter Marchbank, W. F. Bennett, C. Sliderberg, H. N. Swank, Axel H. Lindh, J. W. Jamison, F. E. Payne; democrat, Charles M. Gibbons.

Representatives—Charles W. Ryan, George W. Hopp, incumbents; Fred W. Brooker.

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REPLICA OF FORT SUGGESTED

Reproduction Would Create Great Interest in Vancouver Centennial.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 9. — (To the Editor.) — In The Oregonian recently appeared a communication, over the signature of Glenn Ranck, dealing with the interesting and commendable purpose of celebrating the centennial of establishment of Fort Vancouver. No one conversant with the history of old Oregon, but will cheerfully and enthusiastically give every possible assistance toward making a grand success of such a celebration.

Being keenly interested in the project I take the liberty of offering a suggestion: Would it not be possible to have constructed, on the exact spot where stood old Fort Vancouver of the Hudson's Bay company days, a complete reproduction of that fort? I believe the United States government would readily grant permission for its erection on the old site; and, perhaps, give some financial aid in its rehabilitation.

Were such a project to materialize, what a wonderful attraction it would be; and what historic memories it would arouse. Who could enter within the precincts of that old rectangular stockade, with its bastion towers, in which old-fashioned muzzle-loading cannon were mounted, to repel the attacks of any enemy, no matter what his complexion might be, without thinking of that benevolent autocrat, Dr. John McLoughlin, who held undisputed sway for so many years over the vast region of which it was then the hub around which all activities of the Oregon country revolved. And how many notable men, who came hither in those early days, were cordially received and hospitably entertained by that grand old despot. Wyeth, the first American who had the hardihood to come as a rival and contest the supremacy of the all-powerful Hudson's Bay company, was a welcome guest.

The first American missionary, too, Jason Lee, was welcomed at that old fort, and given sage advice where to pitch his evangelical tent. He had come 3000 miles, over mountains and across deserts, to answer the call of the benighted savages, who were seeking knowledge of the white man's religion, and who had sent a delegation of their wise men across the continent to St. Louis for that purpose. Inspired by the religious fervor aroused by that extraordinary event, Dr. Marcus Whitman and his noble wife, Narcissa, followed shortly after Jason Lee, and repaired to Fort Vancouver for aid and counsel in their meritorious, though perilous undertaking. They also found in the chief factor a wise adviser and a staunch friend.

Here, also, many of the leading men of the early pioneers found rest and shelter after their weary and toilsome journey, Burnett, Nesmith and Applegate among the number.

That reconstructed old fort would bring thousands from far and near to view its quaint appointments and awaken the old memories that cluster around it.

And last, though not least, it would make it possible to have a moving picture made of the scene, as a fitting close of the contemplated project for depicting all the outstanding incidents and thrilling episodes of the "Oregon Trail." For, was not Fort Vancouver the real terminus of that historic highway?

A few months ago the Pioneers of America was incorporated in New York, with the venerable Eza Meeker as president, for the purpose of making imperishable records of all the great events that happened in the acquisition of the west. The indefatigable labors of this old master spirit of pioneers in keeping alive a wholesome interest in everything relating to the great migrations that followed the Oregon Trail in the early Westward-Ho! movement are too well known to need any comment. But it would be a great thing to have Vancouver and its famous old fort appear on the screen in every considerable town and city throughout the land.

MAURICE FITZGERALD.

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CELEBRATION TO BE HELD

Hudson Bay Stockade to Be Restored at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—"The news that Senator Jones introduced a bill in the United States senate for the restoration of the old Hudson Bay stockade here looks encouraging for the centennial celebration of the founding of Fort Vancouver by the Hudson's Bay company in 1825," said **Glenn Ranck**, chairman of the general committee working on the exposition plans. Mr. **Ranck** has written several letters to the Washington delegation in congress urging restoration and permanent maintenance of the stockade as an object of historical interest to the nation.

The original stockade was 150 by 350 feet in area and 18 feet high, built of logs set on end with the top end sharpened. The Hudson Bay post buildings were within the enclosure.

It is planned to open the celebration July 4, 1925, and continue it two months, according to Mr. **Ranck**.

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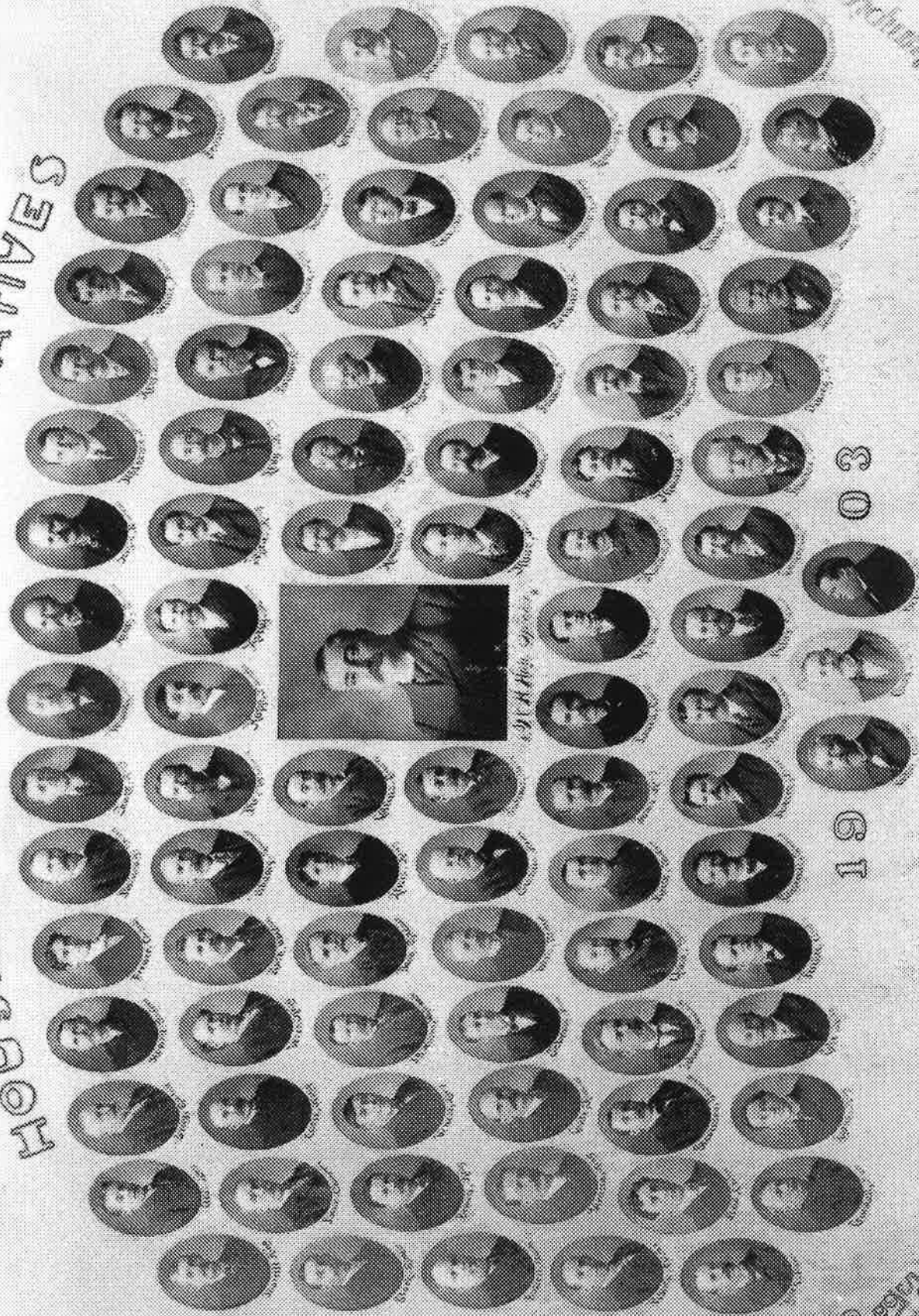


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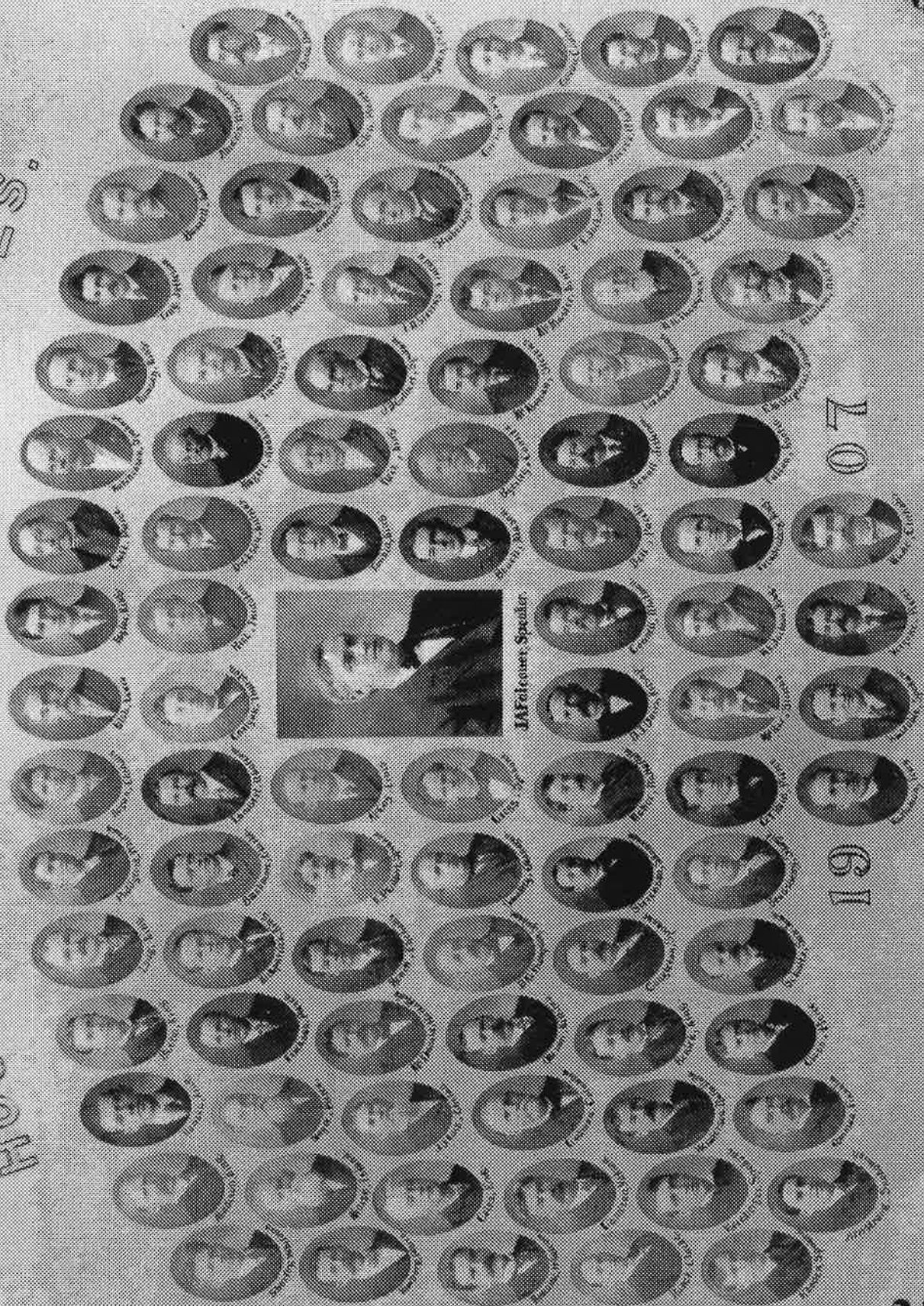
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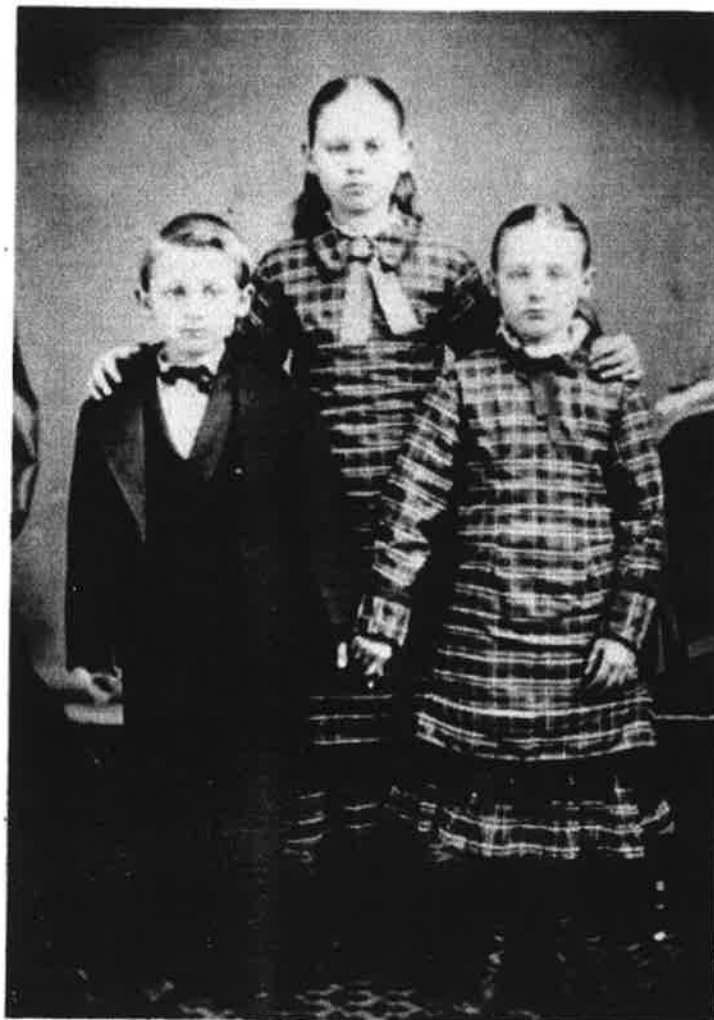
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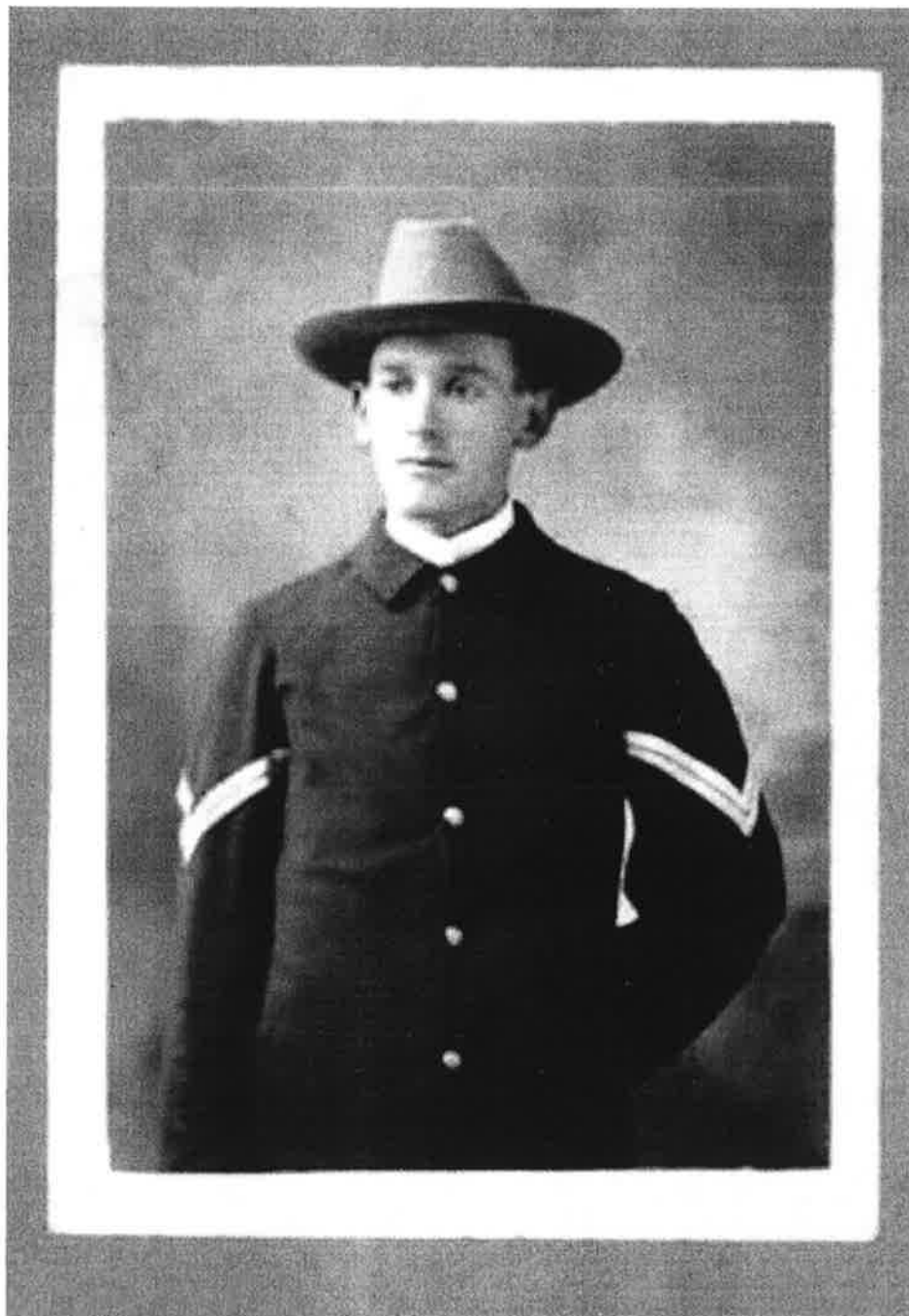
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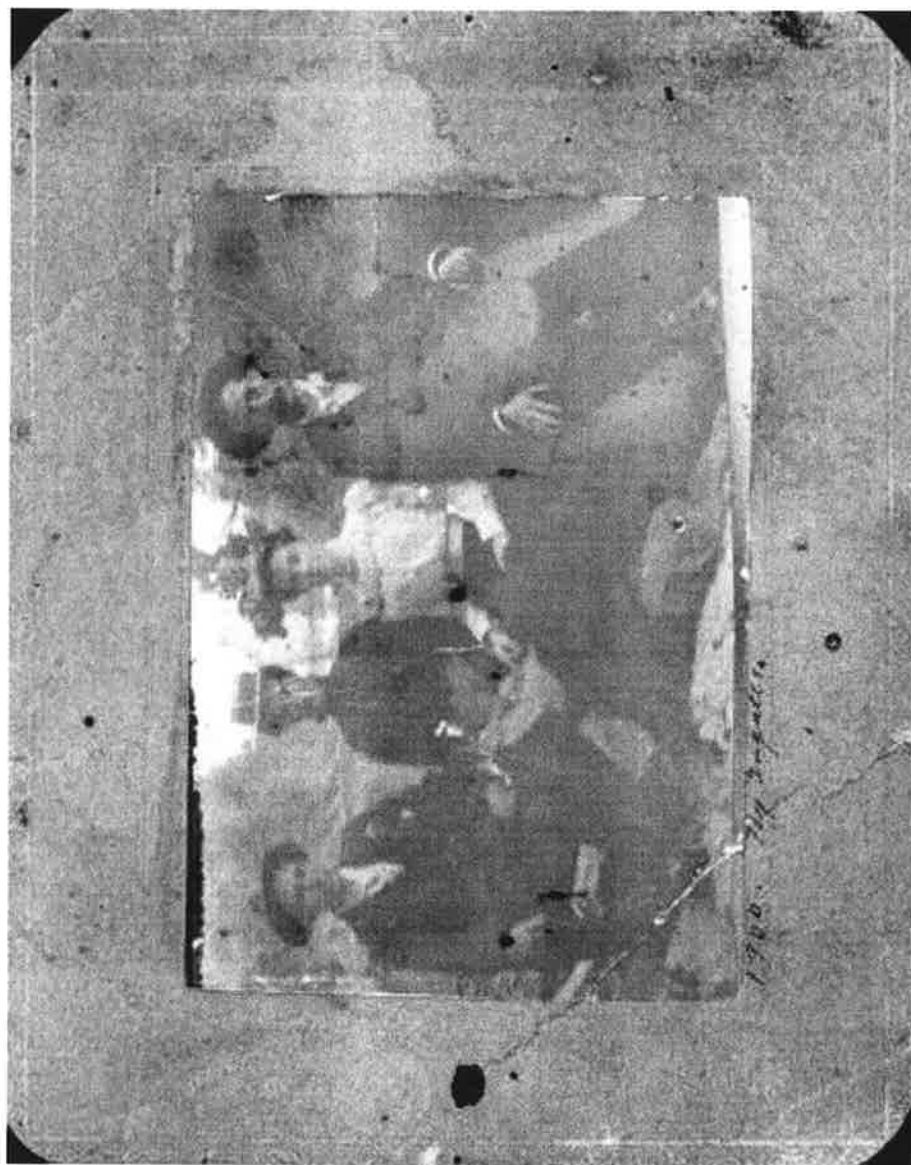
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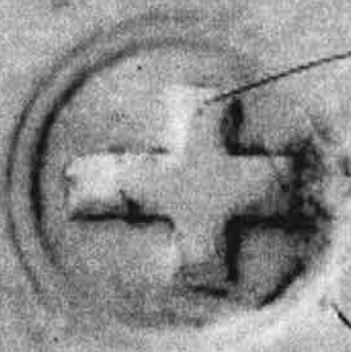
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Undaunted by the failed legislation, the Oregon Historical Society and the Washington State Historical Society planned to place a historic marker to commemorate the site of Fort Vancouver for its 100th anniversary in 1925. The Fort Vancouver Centennial Corporation, led by local businessman Glenn Ranck, organized the celebration. On June 7, 1924 W.P. Bonney, secretary of the Washington State Historical Society, wrote to T. C. Elliott, curator at the Oregon Historical Society, that a certain "Mr. McWhorter suggested that one panel [of the commemorative marker] should carry a design, showing the uncivilized condition of the locality when the H.B. Co. first went there." [7] Other local citizens and associations wanted to put their special mark on the celebration. Much to T.C. Elliott's consternation, "Mr. T. Foster Hidden, as Sec. of Vancouver Hist. Soc., has written me that their present idea is for [a commemorative] marker to be placed in their Auto Park, which is no where near to the site of the original Fort." [8] But, before any of these projects got off the ground, the Directors of the Fort Vancouver Centennial Corporation disincorporated, ending the plans for the 100th year celebration. [9]

Commemorating Fort Vancouver, however, was an idea that would not die. Late in 1924, Glenn Ranck persuaded the Prunarians, an association of local prune growers and other Vancouver businessmen organized in 1919, to ask U.S. Representative Albert Johnson to introduce another bill in Congress to restore the old stockade. [10] Even the Vancouver Barracks commander favored the restoration and promised that the remaining buildings of the Spruce Division cut-up mill would be removed from the site to accommodate the restoration. The Prunarians were successful; Representative Johnson introduced a \$60,000 bill to complete restoration of the Hudson's Bay Company fort by July 1, 1925 in time for its centennial celebration. Calvin Coolidge signed the bill (43 Stat.1113; HR 10472) on March 4, 1925, which once again had no funding. [11]

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INTRODUCTION.

It is highly desirable that the people of any State or Nation should be familiar with its history. We take a just pride in the settlement and early history of the United States. The landing of the Pilgrim Fathers, the coming of the Puritans and Quakers, and the early Colonial wars are known to all.

The "beginnings" of any State are always of absorbing interest. This is especially true of Oregon and Washington. Through our trackless forests roamed the dusky redman, the swarthy French-Canadian, the reckless fur-trapper, the venturesome courier-de-bois and other wandering "soldiers of fortune." Adown our crystal streams floated the light canoe of the French "voyageur," making the forests resound with his boisterous mirth and musical chansons. Amid these scenes of gaiety and strife moved the sombre frock of the devout missionary—Roman Catholic and Protestant. Here Fathers Blanchet and Brouillet, Dr. Spalding and Marcus Whitman vied with each other in the spreading of the Gospel.

And then came the sturdy pioneer, with his noble wife and his children. His worldly possessions were few, but with his indomitable resolve and ardent patriotism, he founded these grand sister-States and saved this region for the Union.

The history of the Pacific Northwest begins with the discovery of the Columbia River by an American sailor, Robert Gray, on May 11, 1792. This was followed by other explorations on sea and land, including the famous expedition by Lewis and Clark in 1805. Then came the fur-trappers and the ill-fated attempt of John Jacob Astor to establish a trading post at Astoria. On the other side, the British spirit of acquisition was typified in that powerful organization, the Hudson's Bay Company, which soon made its appearance upon the scene. The early missionaries came in the 30's and the first home builders in the 40's. In 1818 the United States and England signed the Treaty of Joint Occupation. This treaty was renewed every ten years until 1846, when it was abrogated by a new treaty by which the Oregon Territory became an undisputed part of the United States.

While waiting for the settlement of the boundary dispute between the United States and England, the settlers of the Oregon Territory organized a provisional government, with George Abernethy as Governor. This lasted

from 1815 to 1849, when the Territory was duly organized by act of Congress. The new Governor, General Joseph Lane, took the oath of office on the last day of President Polk's administration. Washington Territory was organized in 1853, Isaac I. Stevens being the first Governor. Oregon was admitted to statehood in 1859, and Washington in 1889.

Until 1853, the Oregon Territory included all of Oregon and Washington and a part of Idaho.

The first Indian war in the Northwest began with the Whitman massacre in 1847. Six years afterwards a short campaign was carried on against the Indians of the Rogue River Valley. In the winter of 1855-56 occurred the great Indian uprising which lighted the Western hills with beacon fires of burning log cabins from the lava beds of Klamath to the blue shores of Puget Sound. This was the result of a powerful coalition among the savage tribes, known as the "Conspiracy of Kamiakin."

The story of this great onslaught is replete with bloody massacres and hard-fought battles. This terrible struggle was a severe trial of the courage and fortitude of the early settlers. It has left for us many thrilling traditions—a dramatic story for every storm-swept crag, a tender legend for every sun-lit vale. Shall we hear them?

This series of disconnected sketches is written with the hope of awakening an interest in the hearts of all, especially of the school children, in our long-neglected Northwest history. A feeble attempt has been made to invest the scenes with the same life and spirit with which they were enacted. It is hoped that these pages will not be found dull and colorless to the reader. Indeed, to the sympathetic student any account of the trials, hardships and the heroic deeds of our gallant pioneer men and women, should never be found lacking in life or spirit.

Too much credit cannot be given our patriotic pioneers. Leaving home and friends behind them, they traveled for months across the desert plains, erected homes, schools and churches, endured the hardships of Indian warfare, founded three noble commonwealths, and fairly won this magnificent domain for the Union.

To the writer the "short and simple annals" of the early settlers—their strivings, their sufferings, their heroism, "their homely joys and destiny obscure" are of entrancing, absorbing interest. He wishes to lay his faint but fervent tribute of praise at their feet.

To the sturdy pioneer and his noble wife this volume is humbly and reverently dedicated.

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"And he shall see old planets pass and alien stars arise,
And give the gale his reckless sail in shadows of new skies.
He shall desire loneliness, and his desire shall bring
Hard on his heels a thousand wheels, a people and a king.
He shall come back on his own track, and by his scarce cool camp,
There shall he meet the roaring street, the derrick and the stamp;
For he must blaze a nation's ways, with hatchet and with brand,
Till on his last-won wilderness an empire's bulwarks stand."

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INTRODUCTION AND APPRECIATION

(Note—Professor Hough, the writer of this introduction, taught school in Vancouver thirty years, and was for many years principal of the Vancouver High School. A quarter of a century ago he was the beloved school teacher of the author of this work. GLENN N. RANCK.)

History furnishes a fascinating topic for both the author and the reader. In special fields of historic research no writer has a more important task, or a labor more interesting and fruitful, than he who collects, records, and embellishes the memories, the experiences, the traditions and legends of pioneers in any extended region.

This is especially true of the historic birth of the Pacific Northwest. Here the pioneer days teemed with events pathetic, heroic, even tragic, and always patriotic. The collection and annotation of these memories is a useful and valuable work. Such productions ought to be greatly enjoyed by the immediate descendants and successors of those esteemed pioneers. They will certainly be highly appreciated by the future historian seeking source-material for more pretentious historical tomes.

For these and other reasons—some personal—the following pages are greatly appreciated by me. I have known the author intimately since his childhood, and have found him, in his adolescent and mature years, to be a close student of history, which he always read with a degree of patriotism, not always apparent even in those we consider students of, or authors on history. Mr. Ranck was born of intelligent and patriotic pioneer parents in Vancouver, Washington. His maternal grandparents also having been early pioneers of the Oregon Territory. In childhood he inherited, absorbed and assimilated this intelligent patriotism of the pioneers. For him it has been a labor of love to sit with the pioneers of this section—as they successively lapsed into the reminiscent age—and to store his mind with their graphic descriptions of the experiences, the deeds, the heroism, and the patriotism of the

men and women who laid the foundations of the present great commonwealths of the Pacific Northwest—These reminiscences and historic data he has faithfully collected and interestingly recorded in the following pages.

My friend and former pupil, Glenn Ranck, has had a varied and interesting western career. His early days were spent on his father's farm adjoining Vancouver and in the village school. Some twenty and twenty-five years ago he participated in government surveys among the wilds of the Cathlapcodle or Lewis River, and was brought in close contact with the homesteaders and backwoodsmen of that region. He taught in country schools and kept a country store, and was for some years editor of a Vancouver newspaper. When still a boy he planted the first tree ever planted on the public school grounds at Vancouver and in recognition of this act, a flourishing tree has been planted in his honor by the pupils of the Columbia School of this city. With the sons of other pioneers, he served as private, corporal and sergeant in the Washington Volunteer Regiment during the Spanish war and Philippine campaigns; has been trustee of the City Library, President of the Volunteer Fire Department, Justice of the Peace, has twice represented his native county of Clarke in the State Legislature, and is at present Register of the U. S. Land Office at Vancouver. His rich experiences as teacher, editor, soldier and legislator, and the part he has played in the public and political affairs of this state, add immensely to his qualifications as a historian and writer.

Especially do I think this record is of value to the young people, the rising and future generations of citizens. Here they will find **concrete** and **inspiring** examples of that sturdy spirit and patriotic individuality which has been so marked a characteristic of the citizens of this region, and which we hope will continue to predominate in the characters of succeeding generations here.

To the citizens in general; to our youth especially; and to the writer engaged in research may this modest work prove as interesting, useful, and enjoyable as it has been to the author's friend,

P. HOUGH.

OTHER WORDS OF APPRECIATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT

(From Eva Emery Dye, author of "McLoughlin and Old Oregon," "McDonald of Oregon," "The Conquest, The Story of Lewis and Clark," etc.)

Oregon City, Oregon, November 4, 1913.

Hon. Glen N. Ranck,

Vancouver, Washington.

Dear Mr. Ranck,—

With very great satisfaction I have read the first installment of your "Pictures From Northwest History." Your writings seem to bring us nearer to the heart of the soil, and were an inspiration to me, full of anecdote and reminiscence. Out of chronicles such as yours, history is made, real history, the life of a time and a people. Back of all formal records lie these traditions of a people.

I wish more would follow in your footsteps, ploughing the ground for the future Shakespeare. Out of these bits of heroism, plays may come, dramas, poems, operas, paintings, statuary,—the future of Pacific literature and of art.

Giving you my best encouragement, I am,

Yours truly,

EVA EMERY DYE.

(From George H. Himes, Secretary Oregon Pioneers' Association.)

Portland, Oregon, March 15, 1897.

Glenn N. Ranck,

Vancouver, Washington.

Dear Sir,—

I read with much interest your article in Sunday's Oregonian, on "A Western Cromwell." I lived but a few miles from Fort Steilacoom in 1856, and had for three years previous, and knew all the persons you name.

As to the "powdered wig" business, that reads well—but—well, so far as I know Judge Lander was never suspected of wearing a wig, much less having it powdered. But little things like these should not spoil a good story. I knew Col. Shaw well. It was in 1854 or '55 that he stayed all night at my father's house. The incident you refer to was true—and a big mess grew out of it.

Yours truly,

GEO. H. HIMES,

OF NORTHWEST HISTORY

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(From Edmond S. Meany, Professor of History, University of Washington.)

University Station, Seattle, Washington, Oct. 23, 1902
Hon. Glenn N. Ranck,
Camas, Washington.

Dear Sir,—

I have heard of you often and have wished to see you. One thing I wish you would do now for me. On November 10, I deliver an address in which I would like to use your poem on "Pearson's Ride." Will you please send me a signed copy for my archives? If this will take too much time, please send me the poem to be copied here. Yours faithfully,

EDMOND S. MEANY.

(From Hon. Miles Poindexter, U. S. Senator from Washington.)

United States Senate, Washington, D. C., July 24, 1911
Hon. Glenn Ranck,
Vancouver, Washington.

Dear Ranck,—

I appreciate exceedingly your booklet of historical sketches. I have read them over and will fully enjoy them later, at greater leisure. They have real literary charm and local flavor, and I would like to see you develop them a little further and publish in book form.

With best wishes, Very truly yours,

MILES POINDEXTER.

(From former President Theodore Roosevelt, upon receipt of a letter from the author, inclosing some of his historical articles and speaking of his intention to publish them in book form.)

Office of Theodore Roosevelt,

The Outlook, 287 Fourth Ave., New York, Dec. 13, 1911
Hon. Glenn N. Ranck,
Vancouver, Washington.

My Dear Comrade Ranck,—

It was fine to get your letter, and I was glad to learn all about your activities. Naturally I should like to receive a copy of that little book which you have written. It is good of you to suggest sending it, and I appreciate your kindness.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

TYPICAL PIONEERS AND BUILDERS OF CLARKE COUNTY

*Writing before World War I,
the late Glenn Ranck, patriotic
local historian, recalled with
admiration some founders and
sustainers of our county.*

By

GLENN N. RANCK*

The pioneers and founders of Clarke County were a strong, sturdy, patriotic people; they were domestic and home-loving, and, as time went on, they developed a deep love for this locality. This love for Clarke County they instilled into their children and so we find their descendants, their children and grand-children among the most patriotic, public-spirited, intelligent and industrious citizens of our county today. We believe the history of our county and its pioneers and builders, their legends and traditions, can be developed into a great patriotic and commercial asset for Vancouver and Clarke County. It should unite us and make us more harmonious and active in our labors for the public welfare. This sentiment of loyalty, patriotism and pride in our community and its glorious traditions will bind us together and help to draw others to us, and should be a great help in the development and building up of our beautiful and historic county. With all these inspiring legends and traditions, memories and mutual affection, the true citizen of Clarke County cannot be truly happy or content in any other place; he wants to live all his life among its lovely valleys and fir-clad hills, and he wants other progressive, patriotic citizens to join us here and make this the most happy, prosperous and progressive community in all the world.

* A biographical sketch of the author is included in these portraits, which appeared in Mr. Ranck's book *Legends and Traditions of Northwest History* (Vancouver, WA: American Printing and Stationery Company, n.d.). The pieces included in the book were written between 1895 and about 1914. Clarke County became Clark County again in 1926.

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He came to Vancouver in 1858 and established the pioneer wagon-making shop there, and planted one of the early prune orchards in Clarke County on his farm adjoining Vancouver; he also worked for some years as government wheel-wright at Fort Vancouver. He was married to Kate Neer in Vancouver in 1864, and had three children, Lulu, Bertha and Glenn. He was a member of the City Council, Chief of the Fire Department, School Director, Justice of the Peace, Representative in the Legislature, County Commissioner and Probate Judge for four terms. One of his monuments is the present court house, which was built while he was Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners. He was for fifty years a public-spirited and patriotic citizen of Clarke County.

GLENN N. RANCK

Glenn N. Ranck, the son of William and Kate Neer Ranck, was born in Vancouver, Washington, November 24, 1869; his maternal grandfather was also a pioneer of the Northwest and a veteran of the Mexican War, and some members of the family served in the Civil War and in the Indian campaigns of the Northwest frontier. He attended the public schools, worked on his father's ranch and participated in the government survey of the Northeastern part of Clarke County, spending some time with the backwoodsmen of that frontier district; also taught several terms in country schools and worked for several years as assistant to the City Engineer and the County Surveyor. He served as private, corporal and sergeant in Co. G, First Washington Volunteers during the Spanish War and in the Philippine Insurrection, sustaining a slight wound at Guadaloupe Ridge, and being in the military service for about eighteen months.

After the war he conducted a general merchandise store at Camas and for several years was editor and publisher of the Vancouver Chronicle; has served the people as Trustee Public

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Library, Clerk of the School Board, President Volunteer Fire Department, Chairman County Committee, Justice of the Peace, twice as Representative of his native county in the state legislature, and is at present Register United States Land Office. He is the author of "Pictures from Northwest History," "Legends and Traditions of Northwest History," and other historical writings.

Mr. Ranck is blessed with a happy home, an estimable wife, and two twin children, William and Winifred. He is among those who believe that wealth and commercial gain are not all there is to this life; that deep affection and friendship, kind deeds and pleasant memories, and sentiment, song and poetry, are, after all, what brings the warmth and glow to life, and "makes the world go round."

LOWELL M. HIDDEN

This well-known citizen was born in Craftsbury, Vermont, December 16, 1841, and went to San Francisco, California, by way of Panama, in the gold mining days of 1864. He came to Vancouver the following year, 1865, and has resided here ever since. In 1869 he returned to Vermont and was married to Mary S. Eastman, bringing her back to the new home in the West. Four children were born to them. W. Foster, Oliver M.; Mabel Lucy; and Julia.

Mr. Hidden has taken a prominent part in the development of this city and served for a number of years on the City Council and also as County Commissioner. He has engaged in many enterprises in the city and county, but spent most of his time in the manufacture of brick and in farming. He is now Vice-President of the United States National Bank of Vancouver, but has retired from his general activities, and enjoys nothing better than a fishing trip to Four Lakes. His sons, who are among our enterprising citizens, have succeeded to his business.

J. J. HENRICHSEN

J. J. Henrichsen, Vancouver's pioneer cabinet-maker, was born at Utland, Denmark, November 12, 1832, and learned his trade as an apprentice at Apperadee, Denmark. He served in

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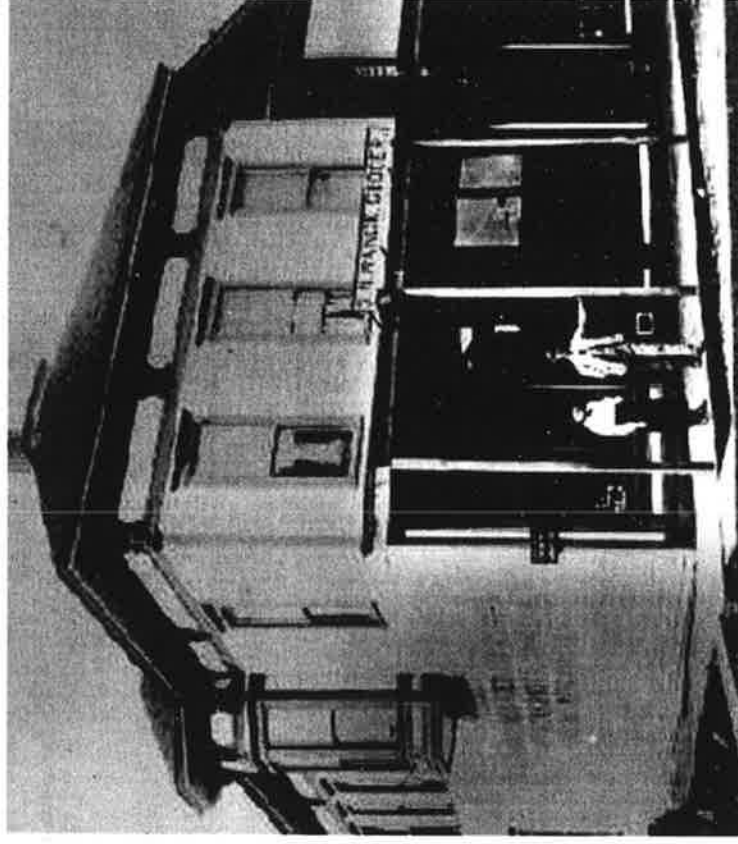
Vancouver area's history was the favorite subject of Glenn Ranck, public official, editor and Spanish-American War veteran. Ranck also was credited with naming most of the city's streets west of Main Street while he was working as a city surveyor.

He was the son of William Ranck, who came to Vancouver in 1858 and married Kate Neer several years later. The elder Ranck was a wagon shop operator, judge, county commissioner, fire chief, state legislator and Republican Party leader.

Glenn Ranck went overseas with the First Washington Volunteer Infantry in 1898, and was wounded in the Philippines.

He operated a store in Camas, edited the weekly Vancouver Chronicle for several years, served two terms in the State Legislature, and was employed several years as registrar of the U.S. Land Office in Vancouver. He also worked as a deputy Clark County treasurer, city treasurer, justice of the peace, school board clerk and in other public positions.

Ranck wrote a book and many articles on early history. He was one of the first proponents of organizing a historical society here. When he died in 1939 at the age of 69 he was president of Vancouver Historical Society.



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GLENN N. RANCK. Endowed with literary talent, Glenn N. Ranck has become well known through his contribution to the history of the Pacific northwest and also through his journalistic activities and his public service. He is one of Vancouver's loyal sons and a member of an old and prominent family of Washington. Mr. Ranck was born November 24, 1869, and is of Dutch lineage, tracing his ancestry in this country to about 1685. His forbears settled in the colony founded by William Penn and were men of courage and patriotism. His

great-great-grandfather in the paternal line lived within hearing distance of some of the notable battles of the Revolutionary war and served under Washington at Brandywine and Germantown.

William Ranck, the father of Glenn N. Ranck, was born July 30, 1829, in Butler county, Pennsylvania, and was reared in that state. Lured by the discovery of the yellow metal in California, he made the long and dangerous journey across the plains in a "prairie schooner" in 1852 and was successful in his quest. The material in the gold ring he afterward wore was obtained while he was engaged in placer mining and this relic of the early days is now one of the treasured possessions of his son Glenn. While in California, William Ranck was active in forming the republican party, voting for "Fremont and freedom" in 1856. Afterward he migrated to Washington, settling at Vancouver in 1858, and in 1860 aided in organizing the republican party in Clark county. For some years he was a government wheelwright at Fort Vancouver

and his was the pioneer wagon-shop in this locality. A progressive agriculturist, he planted one of the early prune orchards of Clark county and prosperity attended his business and farming operations. At one time he was chief of the fire department of Vancouver and served both the city and state of his adoption to the extent of his ability. He was elected justice of the peace and became one of the councilmen of Vancouver. For four terms he was

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probate judge and the present courthouse was built when he was chairman of the

board of county commissioners. Mr. Ranck was also a member of the Washington

territorial legislature and faithfully met every trust reposed in him, whether of a public or private nature. In Vancouver he was married in 1864 to Miss Kate Neer, a daughter of Caleb G. and Elizabeth (King) Neer. The father fought in the Mexican war and crossed the plains in 1852, when his daughter Kate was a child of eight years. He located on the Columbia river and his farm was situated in the vicinity of the Goble donation land claim near St. Helens, Oregon. During her girlhood Kate Neer attended school in Vancouver and lived with the family of Captain Troup, her father's friend, who was in command of a Columbia river steamboat. She remained with the family until she was about nineteen years of age and during that time became acquainted with William Ranck, to whom she plighted her troth. Mrs. Ranck's demise occurred in 1892, and her husband passed away in 1908. Their three children, Lulu, Bertha and Glenn N., were born in Vancouver and the last named resides in the house which his father was building when he met and courted Miss Neer.

Glenn N. Ranck attended the public schools of Vancouver and aided his father in the cultivation of the ranch. For a time he was in the employ of the government, working with a surveying party in the northeastern part of Clark county, and was next engaged in teaching in country schools. Afterward he was assistant to the city engineer and the county surveyor and during the Spanish-American war he joined Company G of the First Washington Volunteer Infantry. He rose to the rank of sergeant and was wounded at Guadeloupe Ridge while aiding in quelling the insurrection in the Philippines. After his release from military duty Mr. Ranck engaged in general merchandising at Camas, Washington.

Entering the field of journalism, he became editor of the Vancouver Chronicle and published the paper for several years. While engaged in editorial work he was chosen as the first native-born citizen of Clark county elected to the state legislature, of which he was a member for two terms, and sat in the same seat which his father had occupied many years before. From 1912 until 1916 he was register in the United States land office at Vancouver, and when the nation was drawn into the vortex of the World war he volunteered for service but owing to his age was not designated for active military duty. For six months he was connected with the quartermaster's department at Camp Lewis, Washington, aiding in forming regiments as they came in, and after the departure of the Nineteenth Division he returned to Vancouver. Mr. Ranck was asked to take an examination for the commission of captain in the United States Guards and complied with the request but was never called upon for service. Meanwhile he had joined the Oregon State Guard and was made sergeant

of his company, with which he served until the close of the war.

In January, 1919, Mr. Ranck was appointed a deputy in the office of the county treasurer of Clark county and acted in that capacity for four years. During the period from 1923 until 1927 his time was chiefly given to historical and journalistic work and since January of the latter year he has been city treasurer, discharging his duties with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency. At one time he was at the head of the volunteer fire department and a trustee of the public library. He was also a justice of the peace, clerk of the school board, chairman of the county republican committee and trustee of the city library. Since its organization he has been president of the Vancouver Historical Society and is the author of an interesting volume entitled "Legends and Traditions of Northwestern History," published in 1914. Mr. Ranck was married in Vancouver and has two children, who are also natives of the city. He has put his talents to good use and displays rare qualities as a public servant. His favorite study is the History of the United States and of the "Oregon Country" in particular, and he now has in preparation a history of old Fort Vancouver.

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THE POWER OF IDEALS IN AMERICAN HISTORY. By E. D. Adams, Ph. D. Professor of History, Leland Stanford, Jr. University. (New Haven, Yale University Press, 1913. Pp. 159.)

Five lectures delivered at Yale University on The Responsibilities of Citizenship are collected by Professor Adams into a handsome and stimulating little volume. In a sense they are an offset to the prevailing emphasis in American History upon economic and geographic influences, for Professor Adams, without denying the influence of these factors, emphasizes the power of five ideals that have played a large part in American History. These ideals are nationality, anti-slavery, manifest destiny, religion and democracy.

LEGENDS AND TRADITIONS OF NORTHWEST HISTORY. By Glenn N. Ranck. (Vancouver, Washington, 1914. Pp. 152.)

The title does not fully cover this book and it is doubtful if any title could do so. It comprises a collection of Mr. Ranck's writings in prose and verse. Mr. Ranck was born in the city of Vancouver where he still lives. He served in the Spanish American war and has held many public offices including that of legislator and register of the United States Land Office. He has a lively interest in the dramatic incidents of Northwestern history and these he has tried to catch in the meshes of his verse and colorful prose.

The book makes an interesting addition to the growing literature of the Northwest. Future writers are sure to find helpful suggestions here of fact and fancy. Present day readers will find the book entertaining as it springs from one of the most historic portions of the Pacific Coast.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1911, VOLUME II. By American Historical Association. (Washington, 1913. Pp. 759.)

This is an important addition to Americana. It does not, however, touch the Northwest and therefore will receive no extended notice in this Quarterly. It comprises the correspondence of Robert Toombs, Alexander H. Stephens, and Howell Cobb.

LIST OF REFERENCES ON THE HISTORY OF THE WEST. By Frederick Jackson Turner. (Cambridge, Harvard University Press, 1913. Pp. 129.)

Professor Turner will participate in the summer sessions of the University of Oregon and the University of Washington during 1914. Thus the pamphlet, prepared for Harvard University, will have a distinct

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