



BUILT TO LAST

The Architectural Legacy
of **Day Walter Hilborn**



By Michael Houser, *State Architectural Historian*



Day Walter Hilborn

Age 6



Downtown Columbia City

C. 1908



Columbia City School

1906



Centralia High School

1912

Downtown Centralia

1915





Day Walter Hilborn
C. 1917



American Whippet Tank



Drawings by Day Walter Hilborn
C. 1917 - 1918





Day Walter Hilborn

C. 1920 - WSU



Washington State College

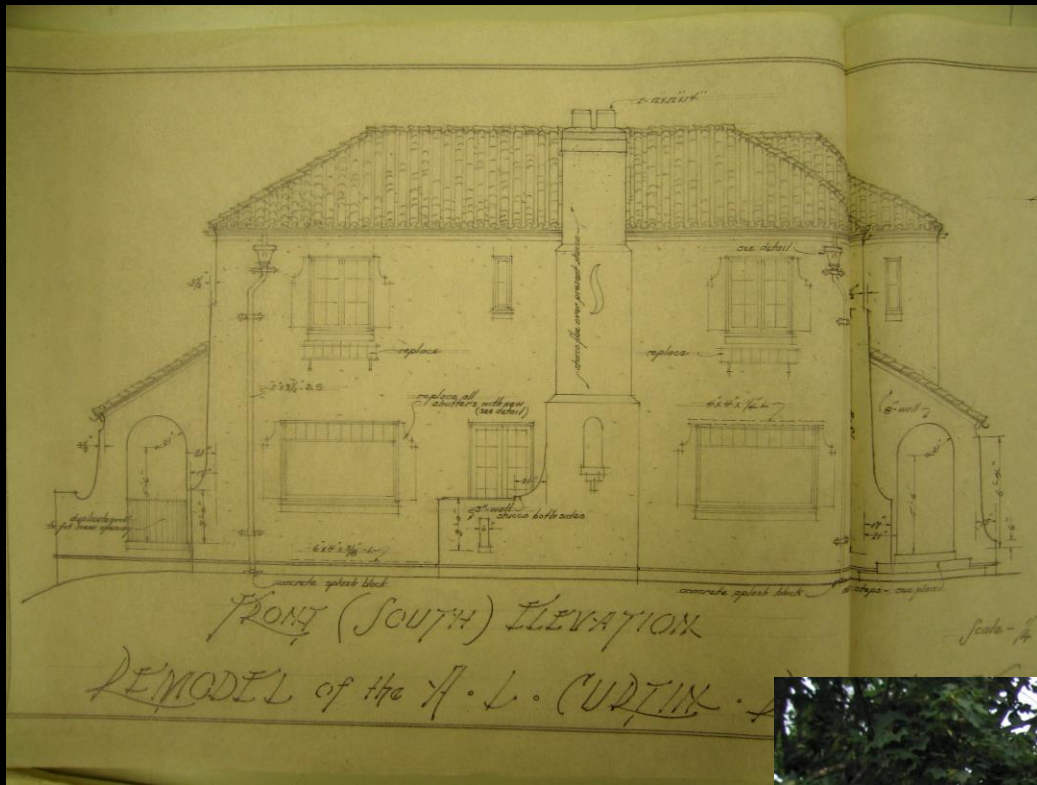
C. 1920



Kresky – Hilborn Co.

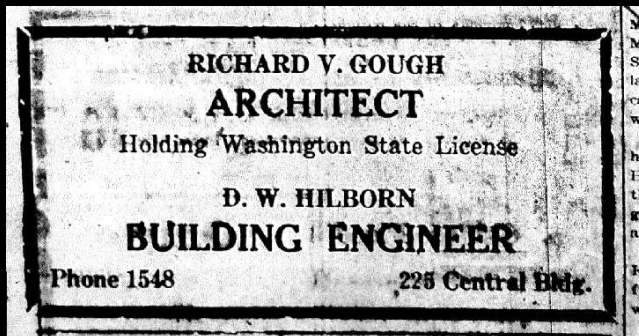
1925 – 26 Polk Directory

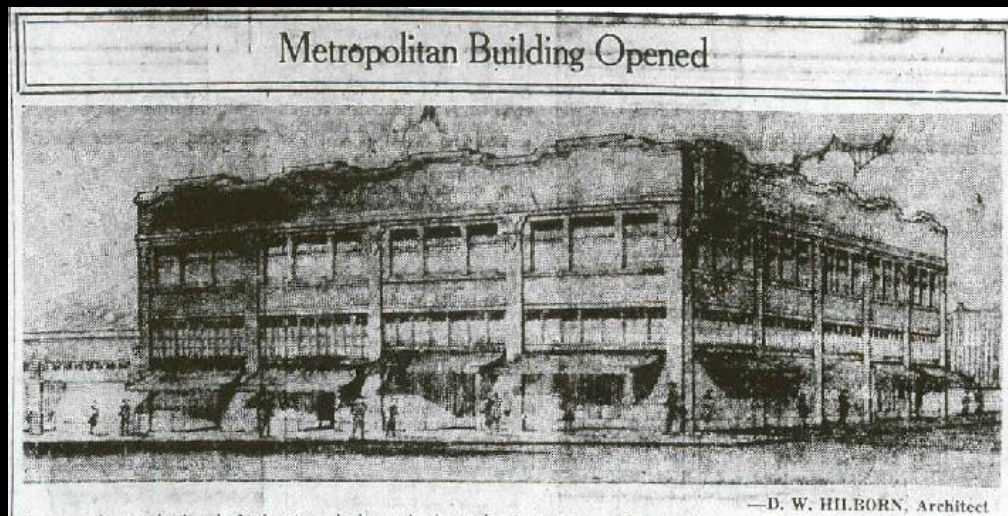
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KRESKY-HILBORN CO (A S Kresky, D W Hilborn), Real
 Estate, Loans, City Property, Farm Lands 121 S Tower Av,
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A.L. Curtin House (remodel)

1928 – 324 36th St., Vancouver





Metropolitan Building

1929 – Vancouver



Arts Building

1928 – 1104 Main St.,
Vancouver





Storm King Ice Cream Store



The Columbian

PAGE THREE

The Columbian Building

Was Designed By
Gough & Hilborn
ARCHITECTS and
BUILDING ENGINEERS

Other Buildings Recently
Designed are:

Arts Building
Eleventh and Main

Washington Laundry
Twentieth and Main

New St. Elmo Hotel
Fifth and Washington

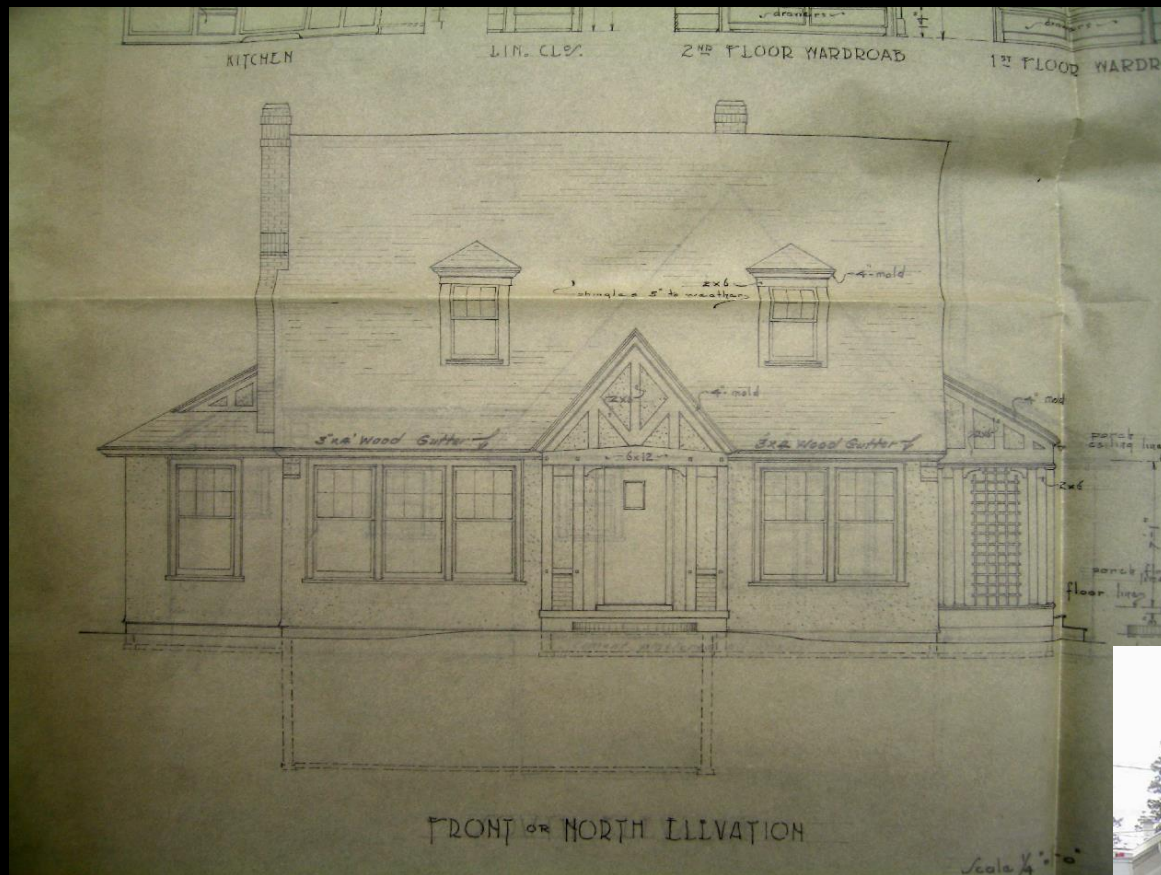
McCready Building
Twentieth and Main

Gough & Hilborn
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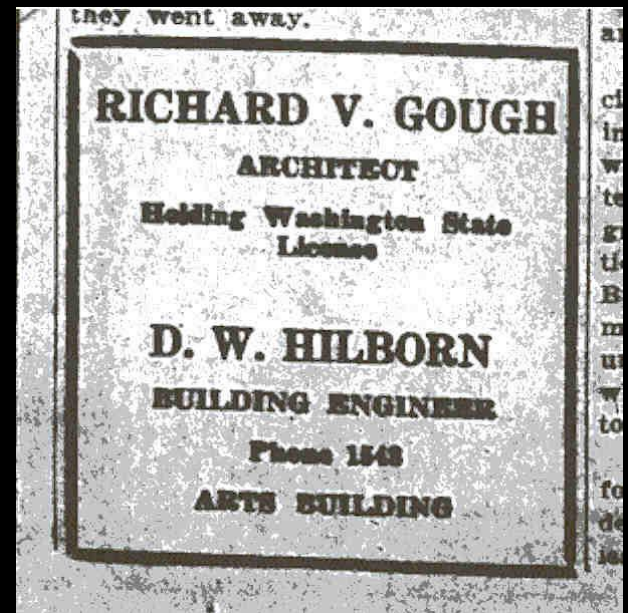
The Columbian – Storm King Ice Cream Store

1928 – 110-112 E. Evergreen, Vancouver



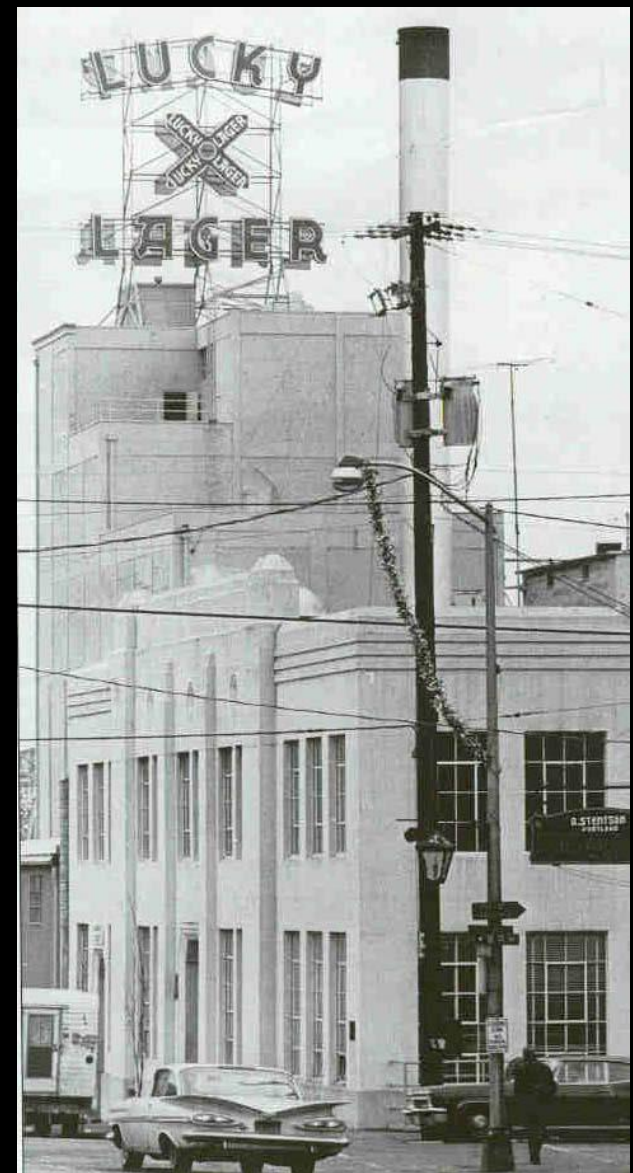
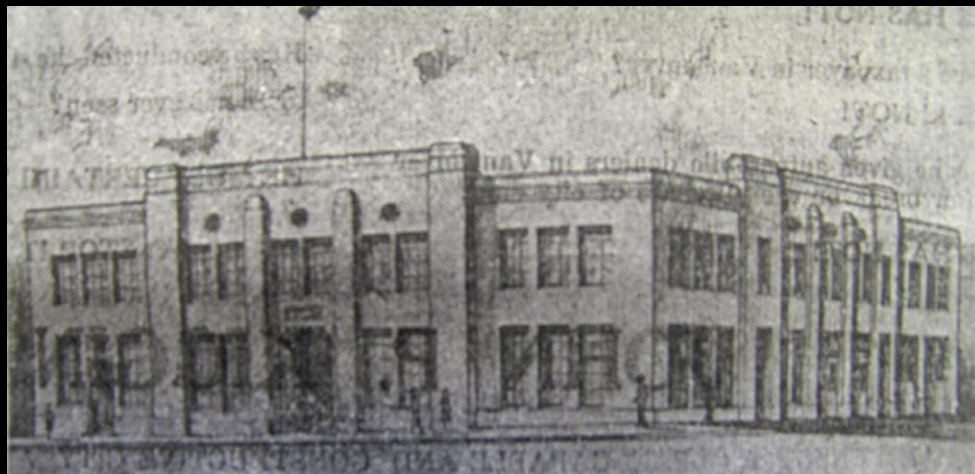
T.W. Jeffers House

1927 – Vancouver



Day Walter Hilborn House (1928 -29)

1928 – 409 W 23rd St., Vancouver



City Hall

1930 – Vancouver

Vacated 1965



Stoller Building

c. 1935 - Camas



The CC Store

1932 - Vancouver

the University of Washington. Other members of the committee are Tom Stoy, Harry Bradford, H. B. Hart, and Ed Mayes.

Tonic Rejuvenates Building



BEFORE and after taking. The building above absorbed a concentrated dose of remodeling tonic to undergo the change revealed in the two pictures. It occupies a site at the intersection of Eighth and Washington streets. Modernizing of the structure was undertaken at the instance of Ed Hunter, local realtor, and accomplished according to specifications fixed by D. W. Hilborn, Vancouver structural engineer. Work of improving the block was completed this week.

Hunter Building II

c1936 - Vancouver



Sprouse-Ritz Co Storefront Remodel

1936 - Vancouver

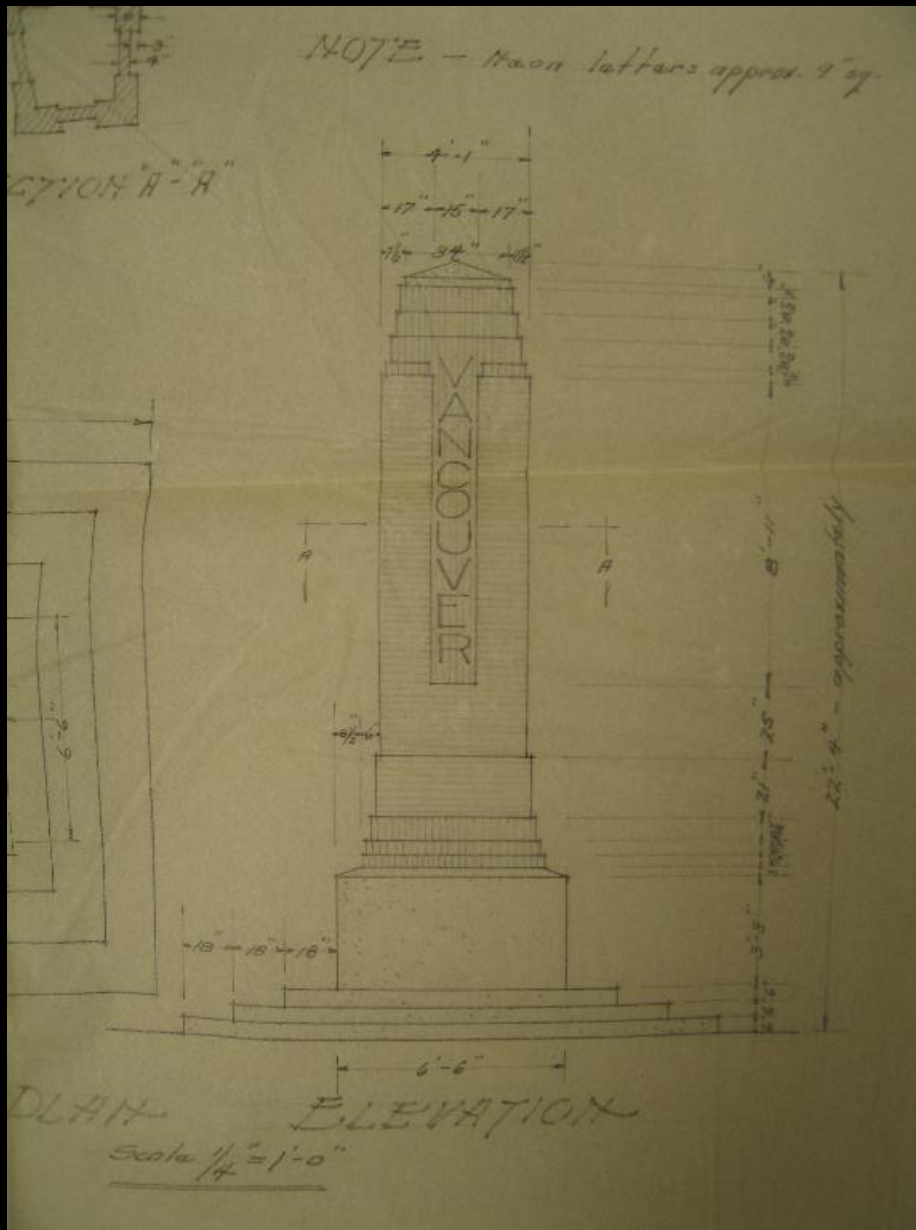
New Business Block Completely Occupied



EVERY storeroom in the new business block shown above is now occupied. The building occupies a site at Seventh and Main streets where it was erected recently at the instance of Ed Hunter, Vancouver realtor. Mrs. Jonnie Brumberg is the latest tenant to take space in the building. She has leased a corner location as the site for a new ladies' ready-to-wear shop.

Hunter Building

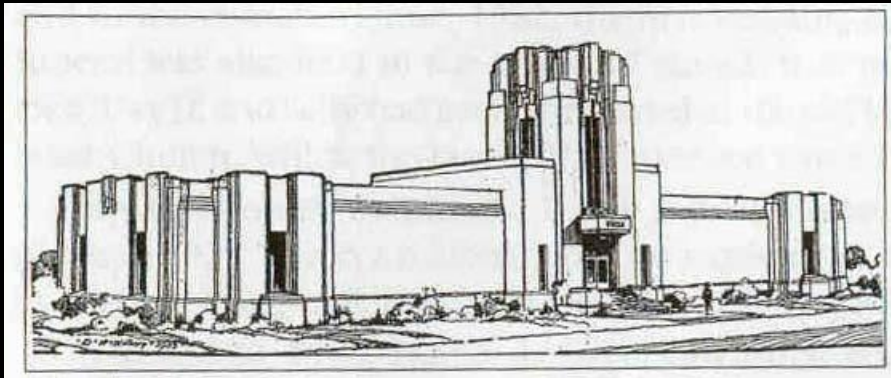
c1934 - Vancouver



City Welcome Marker
c. 1930 - Vancouver

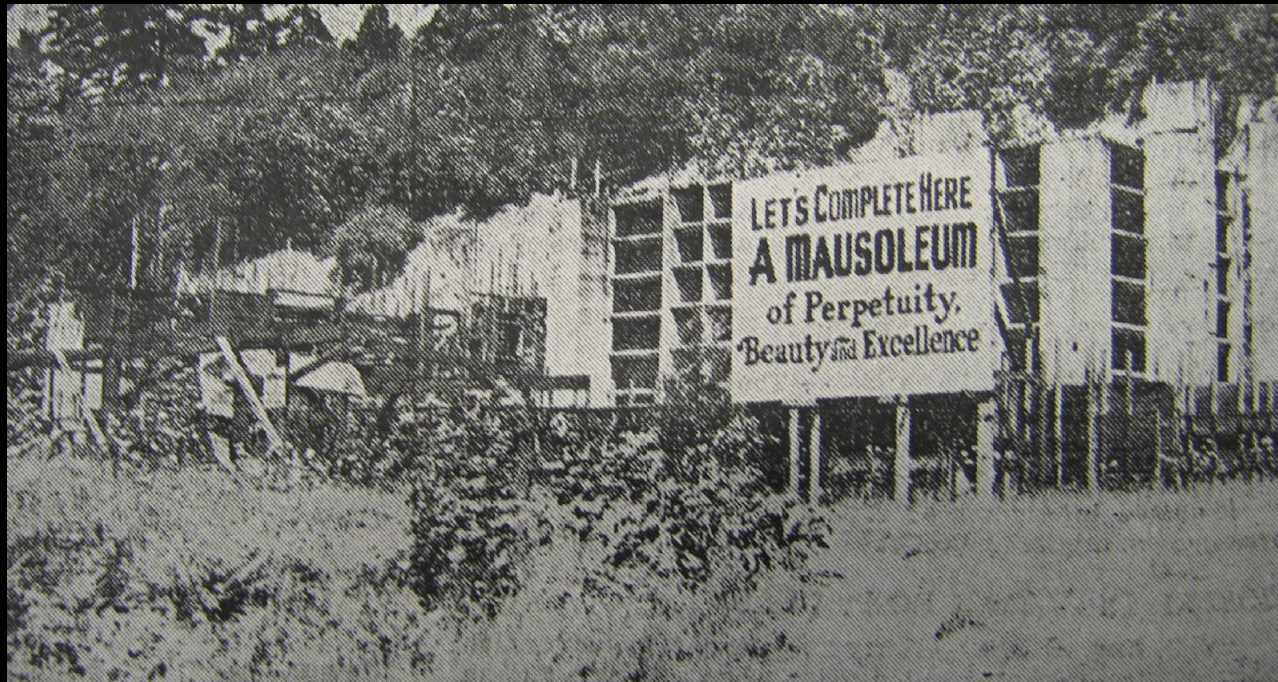
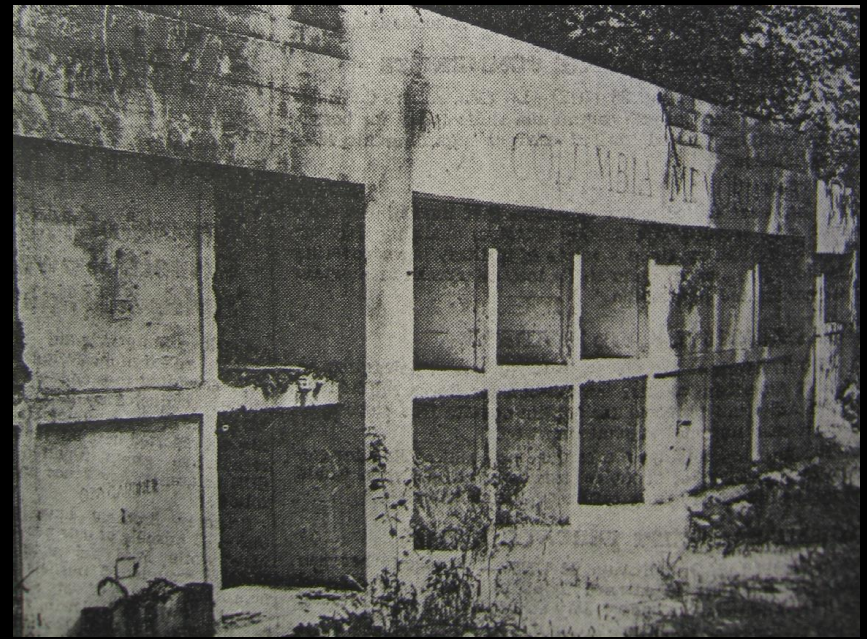


Kiggins Bowl
1933 - Vancouver



Columbia Mausoleum

1933 - Vancouver





Day Walter Hilborn House (1934 - 40)

1934 – 901 E 34th St., Vancouver

S. F. No. 1082—1935. 5737.

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

234059

Application

(See page two for instructions and information)

Remit by Money Order,
Bank Draft or Certified Check.

City of Vancouver State of Washington
June 12, 1937

To the DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

I hereby make application for a license to practice Architecture in the State of Washington.
In submitting this application, it is agreed by me that if any part of it be found false or fraudulent, I forfeit the right to a license.

1. Name Day Walter Hilborn (Name in Full)

2. Address 222 Central Bldg. (Street) Vancouver, Washington (City)

3. Date of birth February 1, 1897 Place of birth Brown City Michigan

4. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes

(a) If of foreign birth, state nationality (b) Naturalized when?

(c) If not a citizen, have you declared your intention to become a citizen? (d) Color?

5. Where have you resided for the past five years? Vancouver, Washington

6. What common school did you attend? Columbia City, Seattle, Washington

7. Of what high school are you a graduate? Centralia, Washington

8. If not a high school graduate, what equivalent education have you had?

9. Of what hospital training school, college, university or other institution are you a graduate?

(a) How many years did you attend? (b) How many months in each year?

(c) What degree or degrees did you receive?

(d) Was resident attendance required? (e) Date of graduation

10. If not a graduate, how many years collegiate training have you had? 2 1/2 yrs. Wash. State College & 1 yr. University of Washington

11. What hospital or other training in cure of the sick have you had? OK

12. How much time have you given to clinical practice?

13. What practical experience have you had in your profession? 5 yrs. associate with R.V. Gough, Architect. 10 yrs. own office as designer.

14. What collateral branches have you studied? Licensed Structural Engineer

15. Have you ever been examined for license in any other state? Yes

(a) If so, where and when? Oregon, May, 1937 (b) Result? Licensed

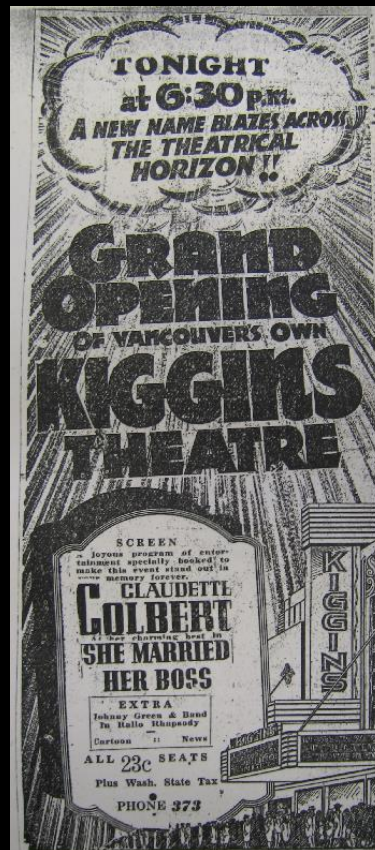
16. Have you ever practiced in any other state? No

State of Washington ss. Day Walter Hilborn
County of Clark (Signature of Applicant)



Hilborn Architectural Office
1938 - Vancouver

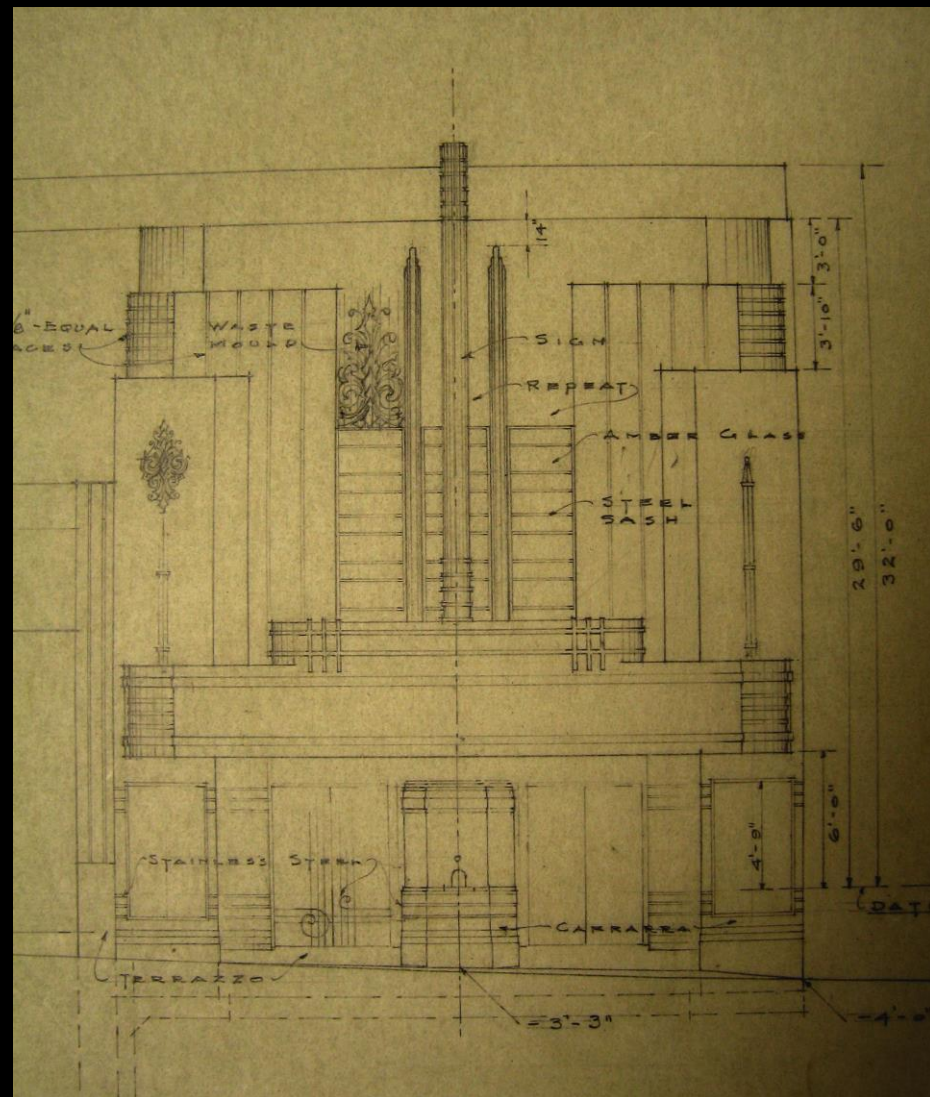
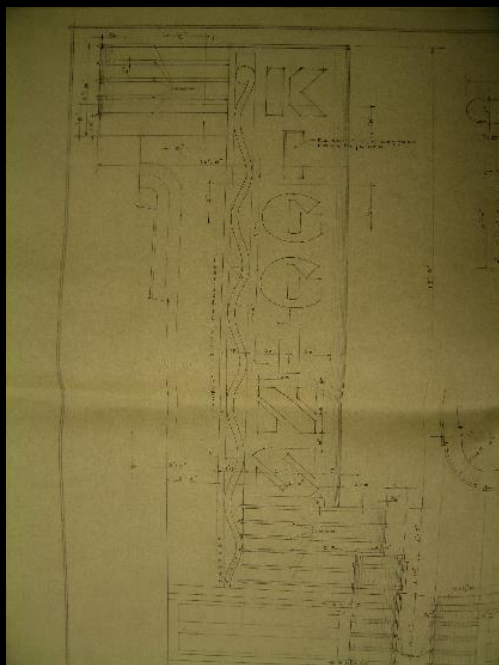
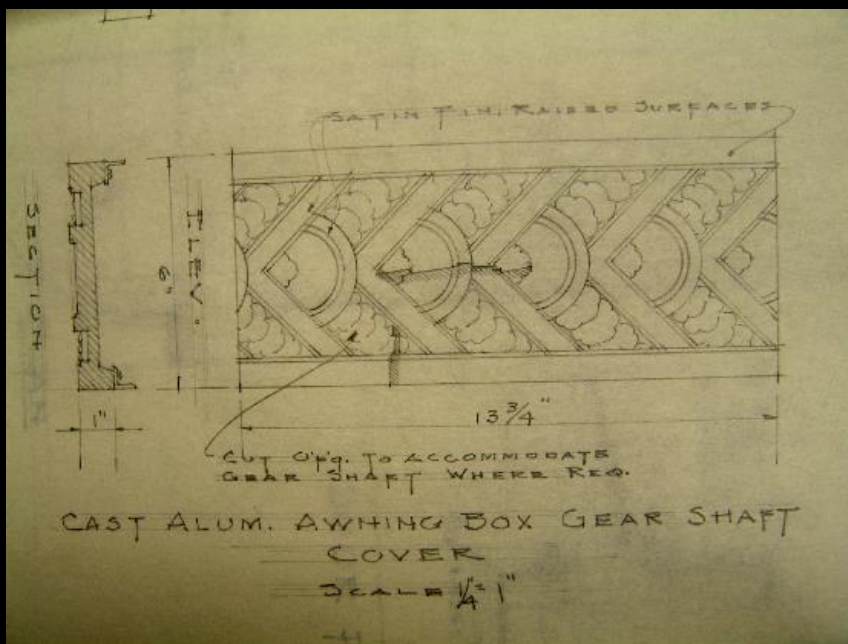




Kiggins Theater

1936 – Vancouver







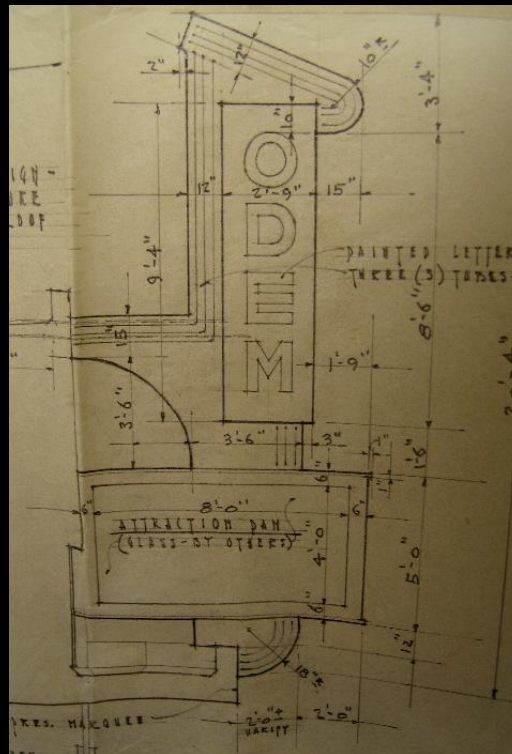
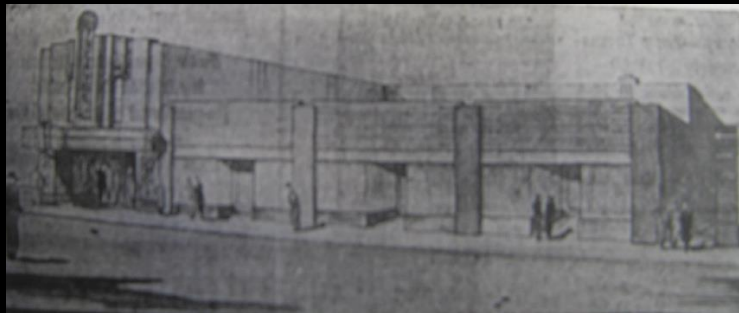


Cameo Theater
1937 – Newburg, OR



Sellwood Theater

1938 – Portland, OR



Odem Theater

1936, 47 – Redmond, OR



Longview Theater

1939 – Longview

Roxy Theater

1937 – Morton





Kelso Theater
1940 – Kelso



Broadway Theater

1947 – Vancouver

Demolished 1982

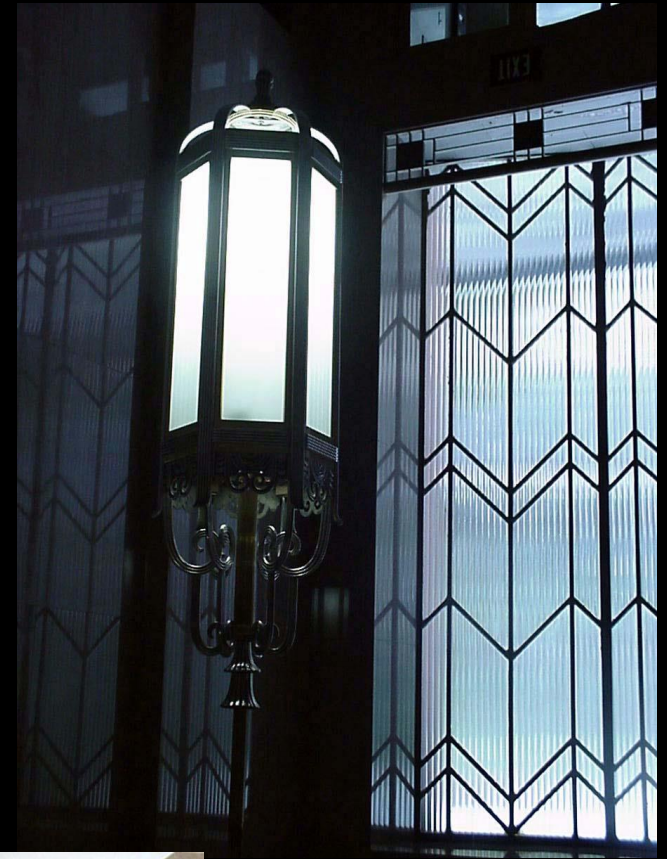


Centralia Armory
1938 - Centralia



Clark County Courthouse
1941 - Vancouver







Klickitat County Courthouse
1942 - Goldendale



City Hall & Library
1940 - Camas



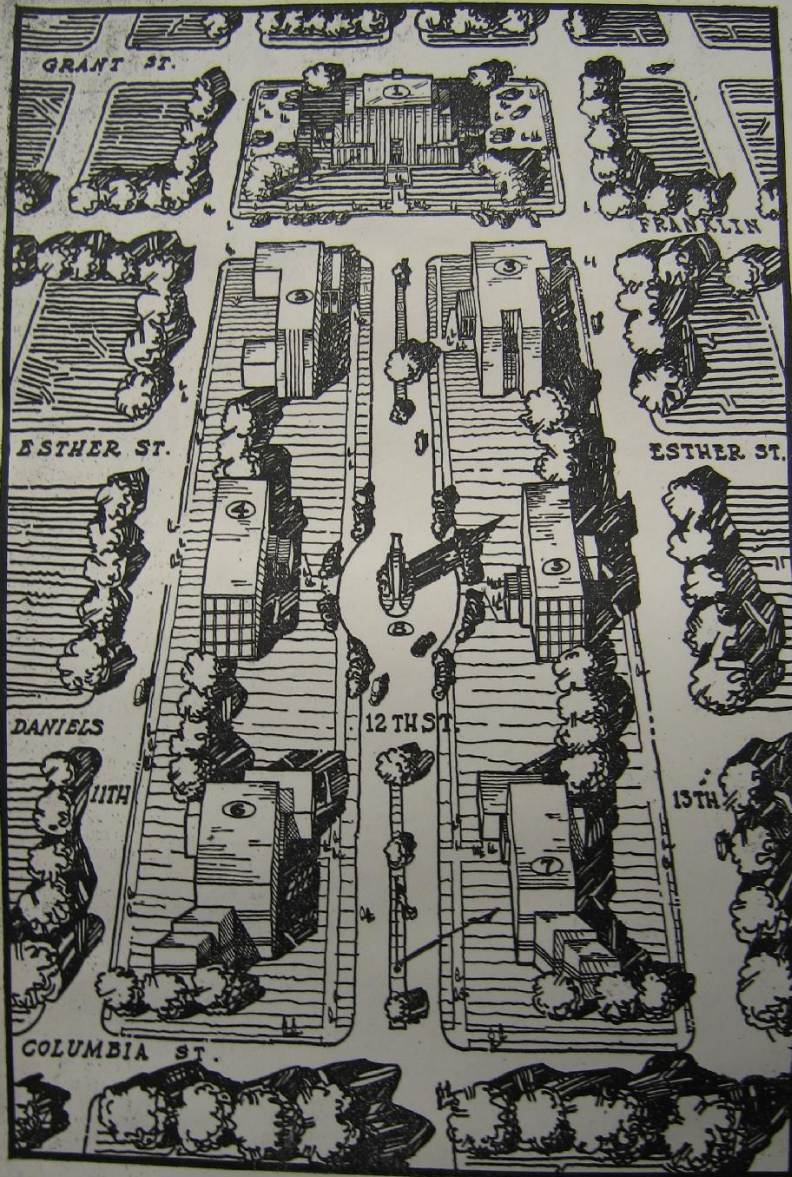
Library Wing Original design above, executed design below



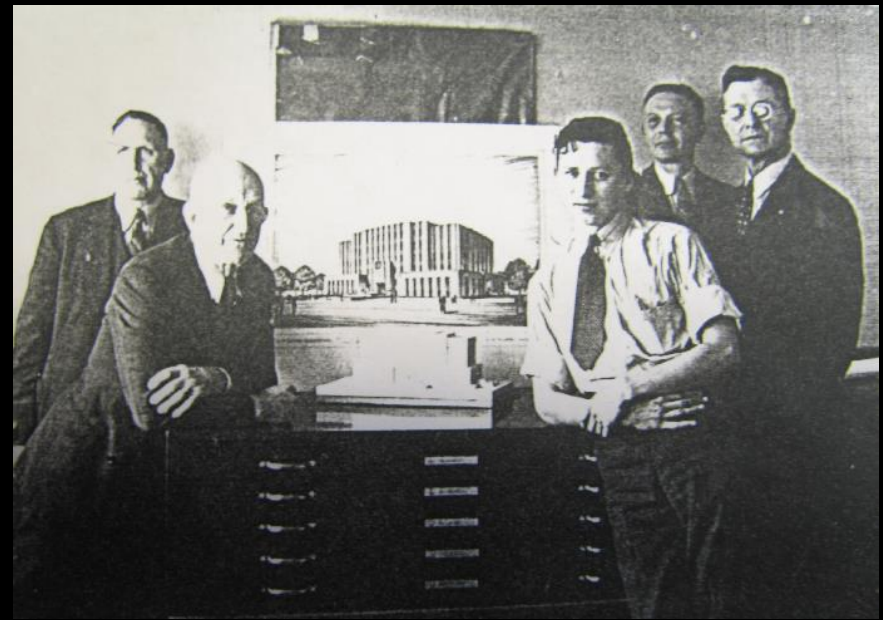
Main Entry



Here's How Civic Center Zone Might Look



This is how Architect D. W. Hilborn visions the proposed Vancouver civic center, for which a zoning move will be subject to public hearing soon. The sketch was drawn at request of the planning commission. It is a bird's eye view looking west from an imaginary vantage point above Washington street. Numerals indicate what such a center might contain, namely (1) courthouse, (2) city hall, (3) federal building, (4) auditorium, (5) post office, (6) museum, (7) library, (8) civic center monument.

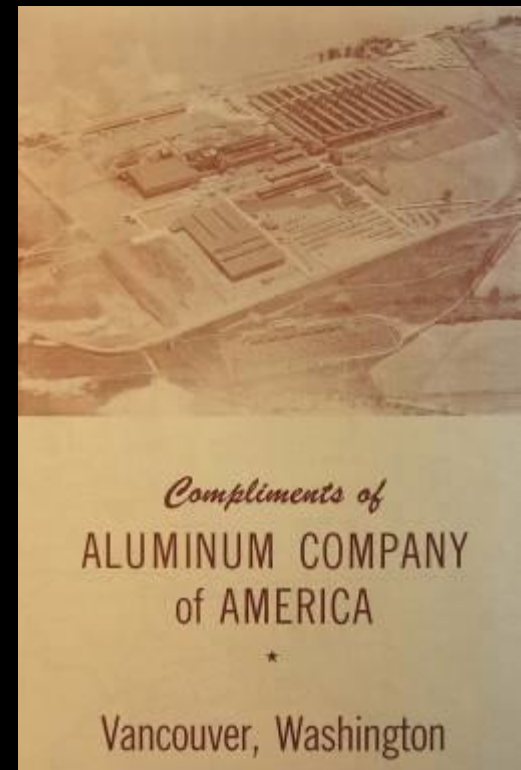
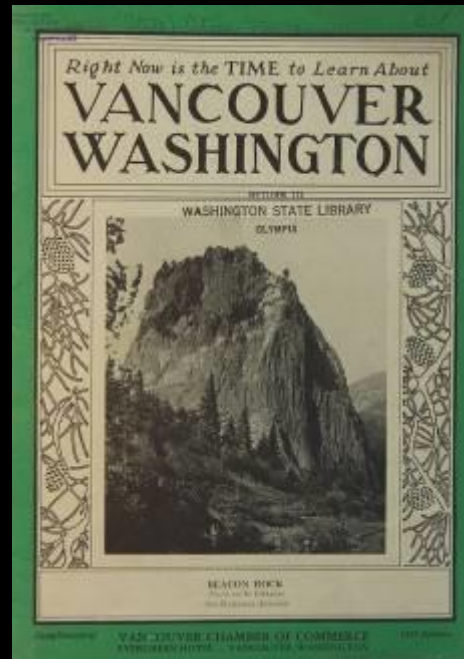
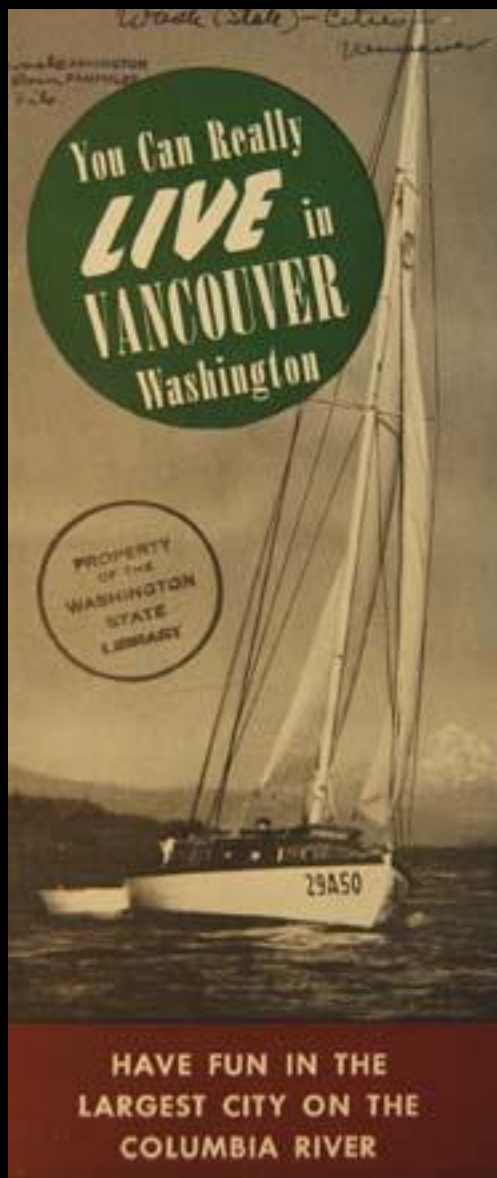


Hilborn Office Staff

c. 1945

Proposed Civic Center

c. 1945 - Vancouver





**FOURTH PLAIN
VILLAGE**
200 unit permanent
project, served Ross
industrial and public
employees.



BURTON HOMES
1,500 unit row house
project near present
Royal Oaks Country
Club was one of first
to be leased.

Within 18 Months these Sprawling

New Cities were in full Swing . . .



**OGDEN
MEADOWS**
2,000 unit apartment
project became first
campus of Clark
College.

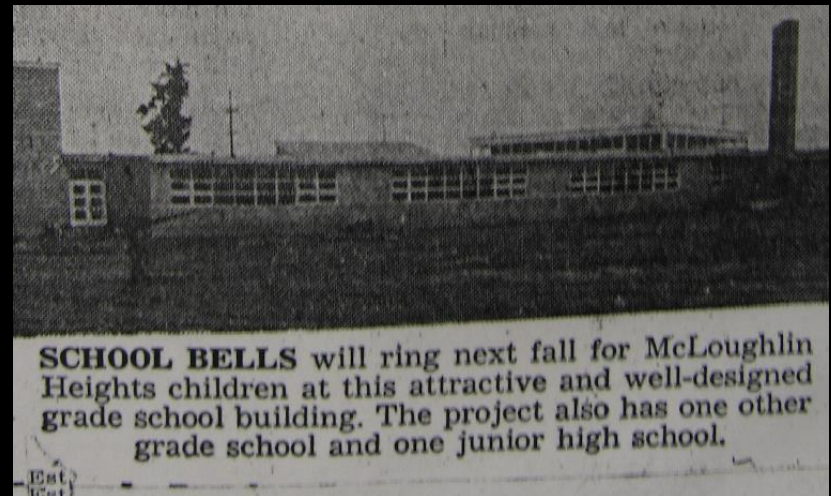
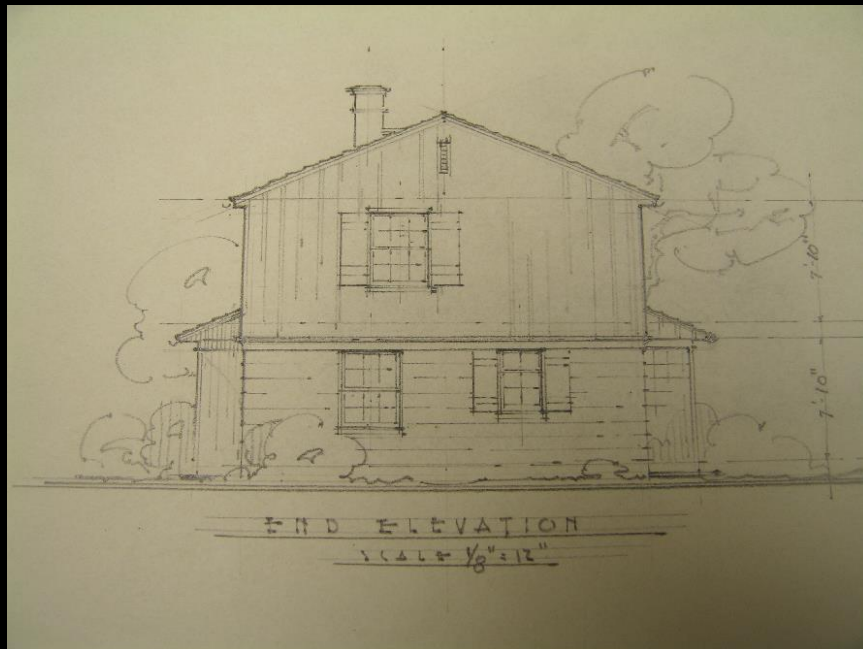
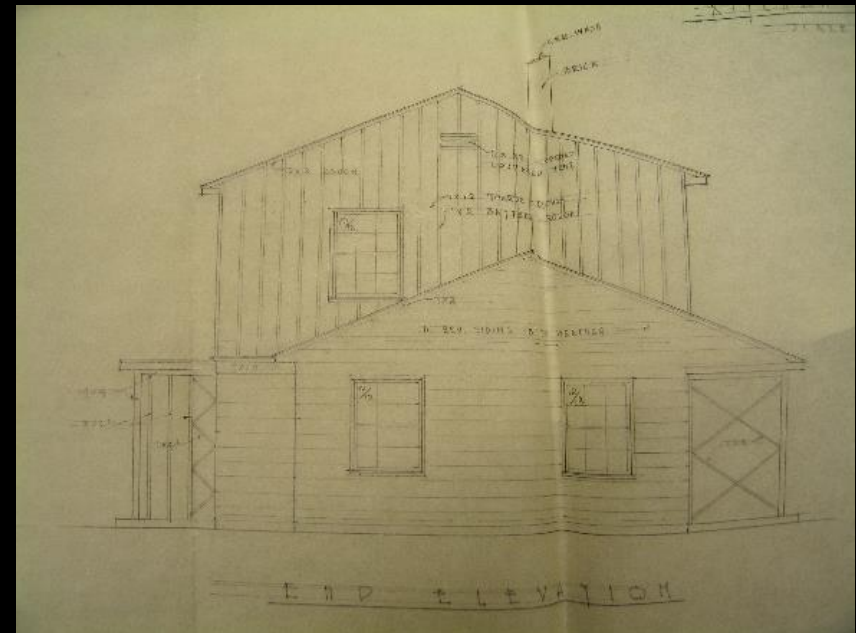


BAGLEY DOWNS
2,100 units of row
houses sprawled over
both sides of Fourth
Plain Ave. Was once
site of race track.



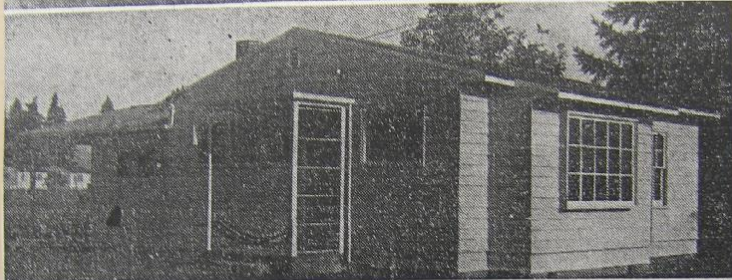
McLoughlin Heights Row Housing

c. 1942 - Vancouver

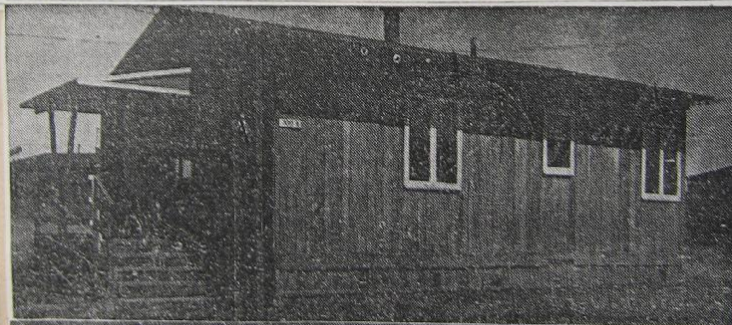


McLoughlin Heights Elementary School

c. 1943 - Vancouver



BEFORE AND AFTER — These two pictures show a two-bedroom McLoughlin Heights dwelling before and after its conversion under Vancouver housing authority direction from a demountable unit to a permanent dwelling. The work was undertaken as an experiment to determine if the wartime units could be salvaged, and for how much (see story on this page, also pictures on Page 10). Col. 812147



SHABBY HEIGHTS UNIT TRANSFORMED — These before-and-after pictures show what has been done to the Shabby Heights unit, one selected by the Vancouver Housing Authority for conversion to a permanent dwelling. Col. 812147



WWII Housing

c. 1947 - Vancouver

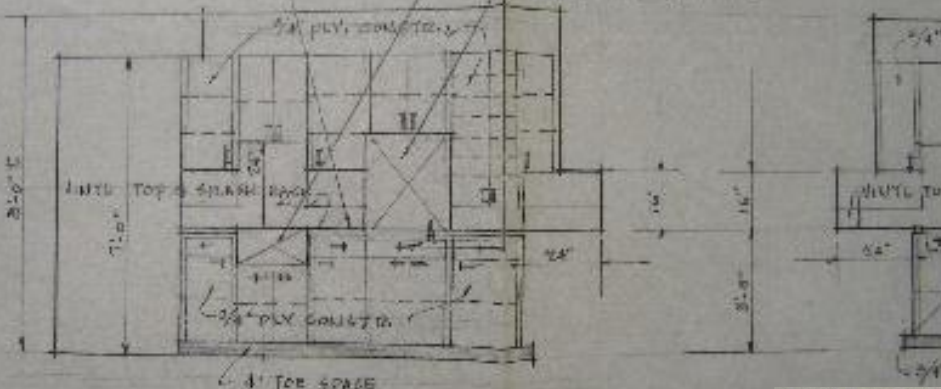
SELF DETAIL

1/4" = 1'-0"

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 1/4" = 1'-0" S. E. 1/4" = 1'-0"

SPACE FOR RANGE
 (BY OWNER)
 REMOVE INTO PLASTER, 1'-0"

SPACE FOR OVEN
 (BY OWNER)
 REMOVE INTO PLASTER, 1'-0"

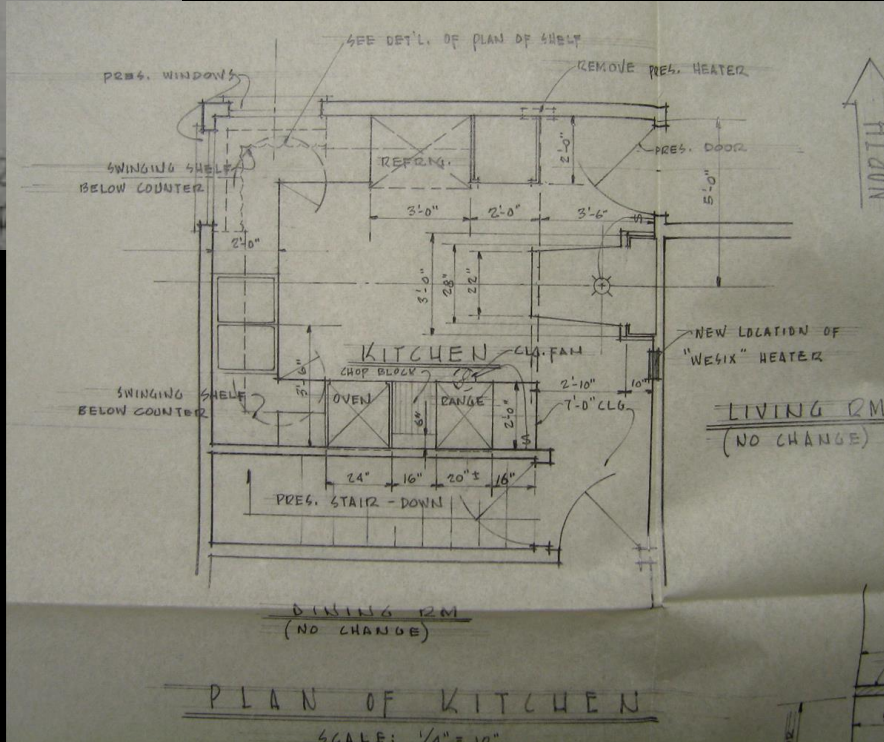


KITCH. LOOKING S.

KITCHEN
 MR. & MRS.

Misc. Kitchen Remodels

mid 1940s



PLAN OF KITCHEN

SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"



D.W. Hilborn
c. 1952



Spic-n-Span Drive In
1949 - Vancouver





Day Walter & Dorothy Hilborn
c. 1960



Left to Right: Earle Castle, Frank
Davies, Gordon Alvord, and D.W.
Hilborn



Hilborn Family Home
1941



Dr. Leslie Nunn House

1936 - Vancouver



Dr. Leslie Nunn Office

1939 - Vancouver



**Dr. Dwight
Parrish
Clinic**
1941 -
Vancouver





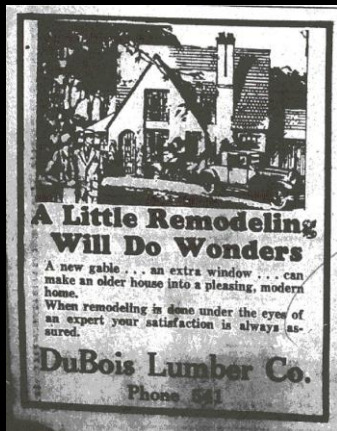
D. Elwood Caples House

1939 - Vancouver



Robert & Kathryn DuBois House

1941 - Vancouver





Raymond & Eleanor Bachman House

1945 - Vancouver



Harold & Pauline Whitfield House

1940 - Vancouver

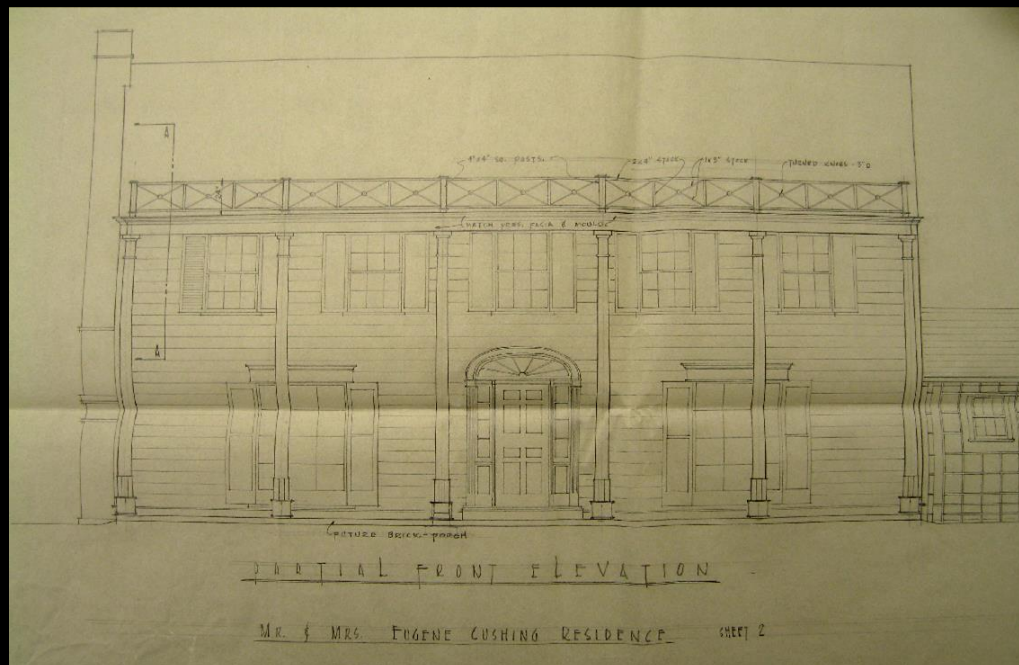


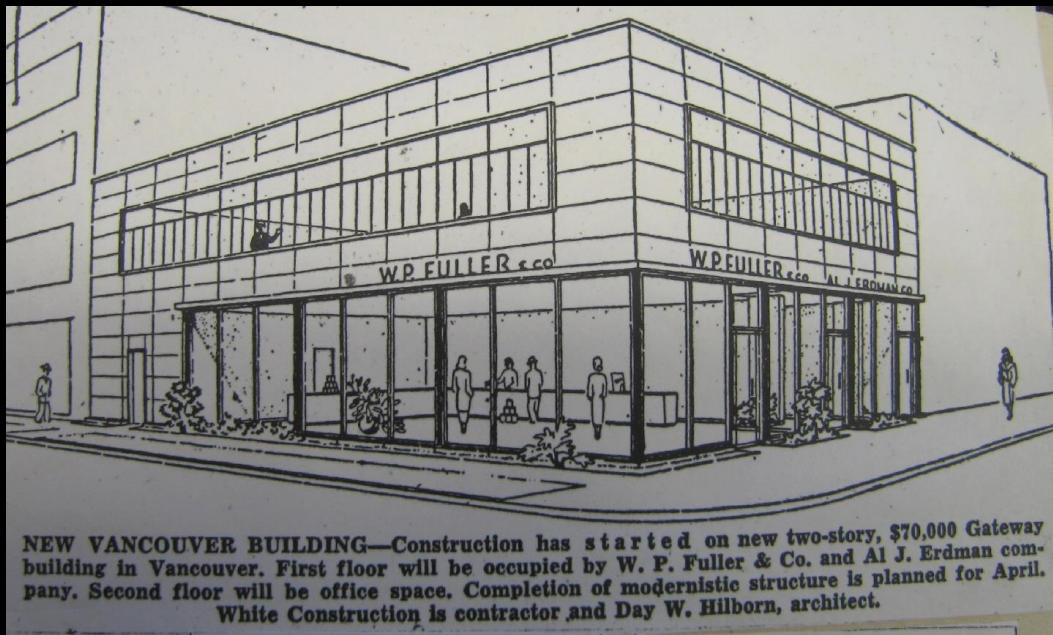
A.W. Kendall House
1950 - Vancouver





Eugene Cushing House
1935 - Vancouver





Gateway Building

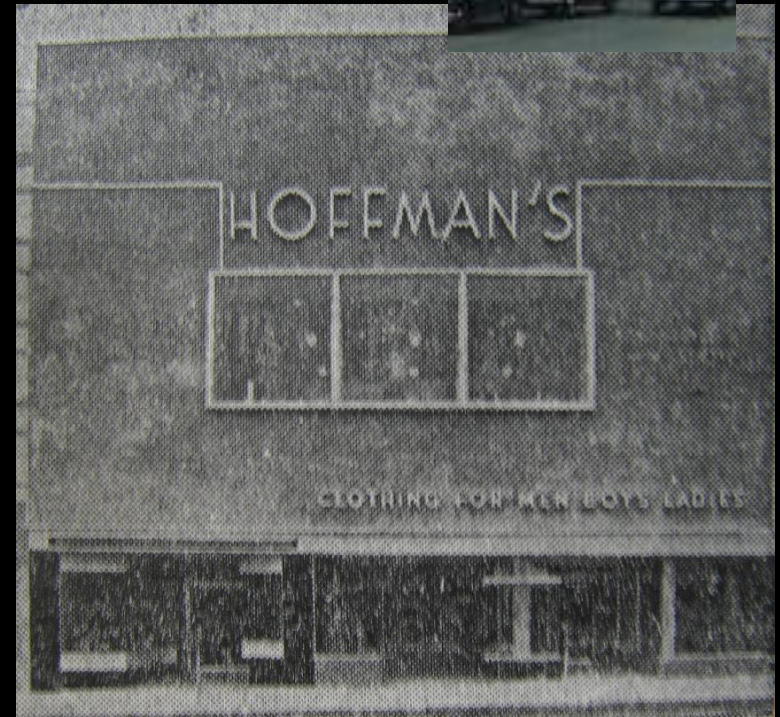
1949 - Vancouver





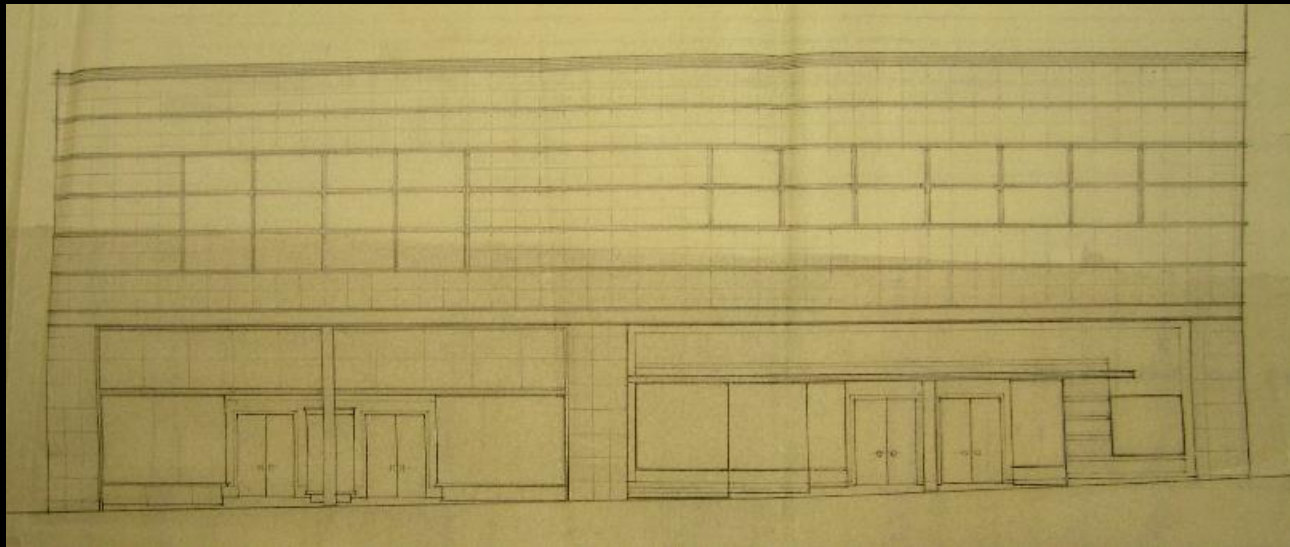
Corder Motors

1951, 58, 60 - Vancouver



Hoffman's Men's Clothing Store

1948 - Vancouver



J.P. Kiggins Building

1937,45 - Vancouver





Salvation Army Building

1952 - Vancouver



THE
Salvation Army

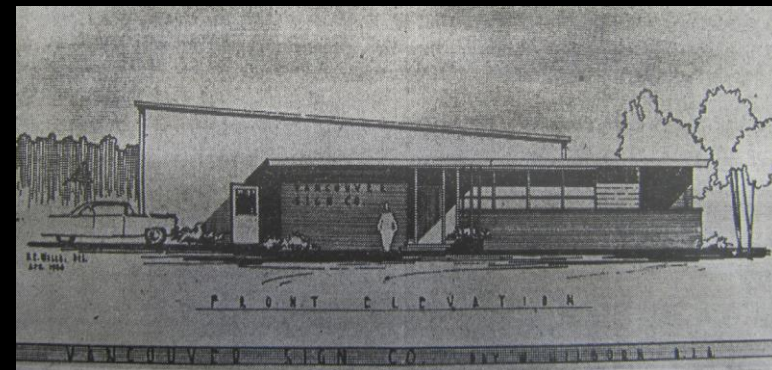


*Local
Activity
Program*

10th and Daniels
Vancouver, Washington

Vancouver Sign Company

1954 - Vancouver





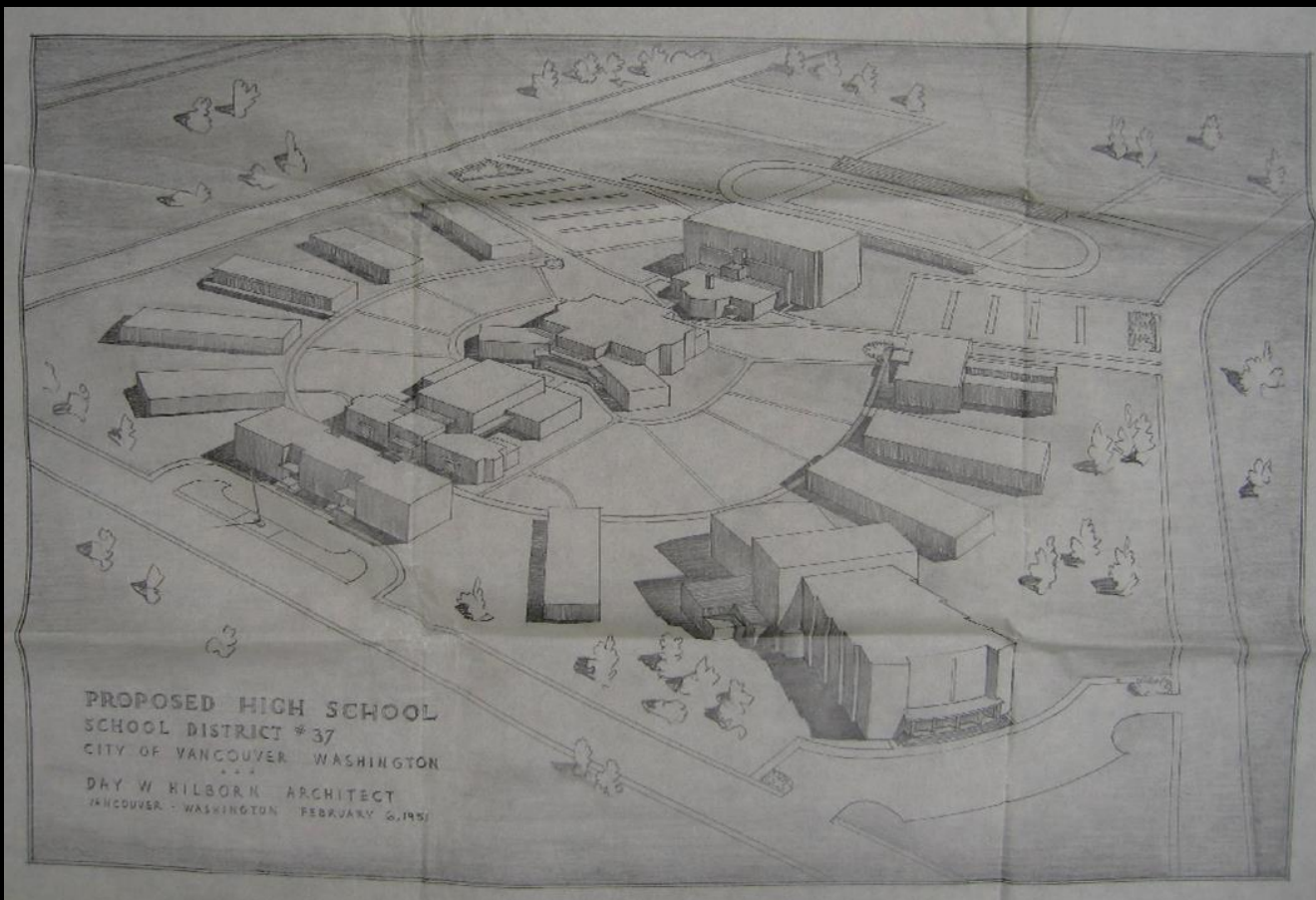
The Columbian
1955 - Vancouver



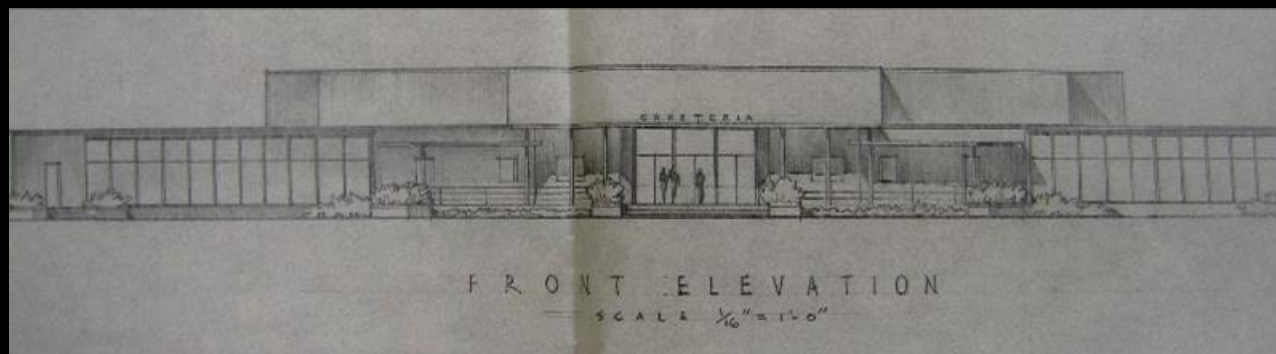
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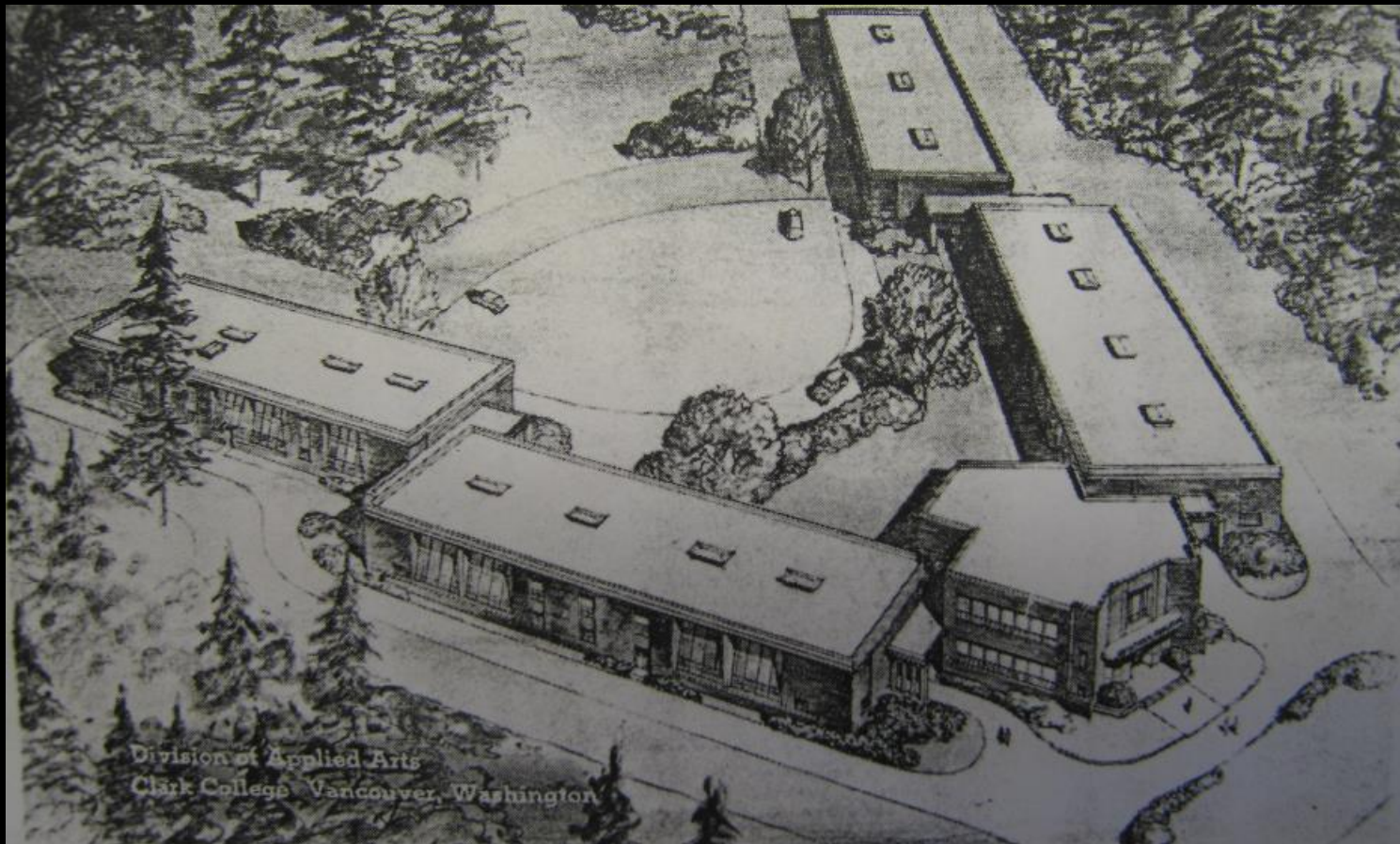
1952 - Vancouver





**High School
 Proposed**
 1952 - Vancouver





Clark College – Anderson Vocational Complex

1950 - Vancouver





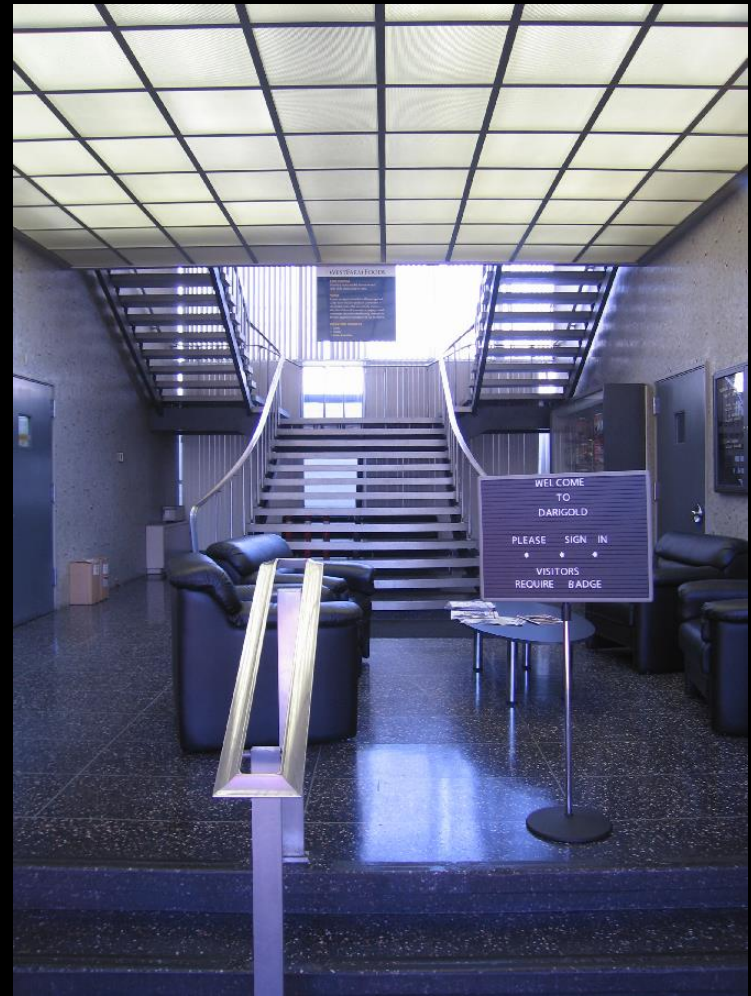
**Vancouver Federal
Savings & Loan**
1960 - Vancouver







Mayflower Dairy
1959 - Portland





Fort Motel
1960 - Vancouver

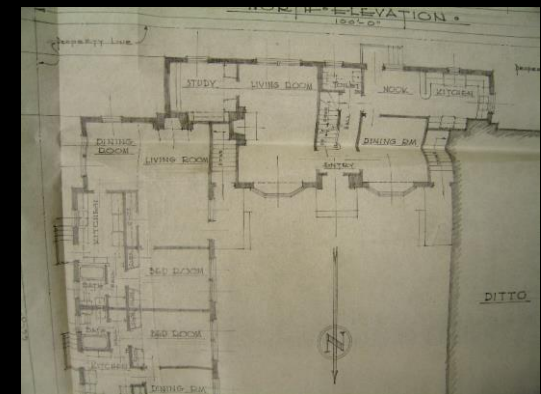


**Campus Court
Apartments**
1947 - Vancouver



Central Court Apartments
1944 - Vancouver





Collins Apartments
c.1939 - Vancouver



**Vincent & Dorothy
Cleaveland House**
1951 - Vancouver





James Benedict House

1963 - Centralia



Day Walter Hilborn

c. 1960



Fire Station No.3

1943 - Vancouver



Joe Knapp House

1937 - Vancouver



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