

SPOKANE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
Nomination Form

City/County Historic Landmarks Commission
Sixth Floor - City Hall
Spokane, Washington 99201-3333

Type all entries - complete applicable sections _____

1. NAME

Historic and/or common: Spokane Main Carnegie Library

2. LOCATION

Street & Number: South 10 Cedar

City/Town: Spokane Vicinity of: _____

State: Washington County: Spokane

3. CLASSIFICATION

<u>Category</u>	<u>Ownership</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Present Use</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other

Public Acquisition

In Process
 Being considered

Accessible

Yes, restricted
 Yes, unrestricted
 No

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

Name: INTEGRUS Partnership

Street & Number: 244 W. Main

City/Town: Spokane State: WA

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Courthouse, Registry, Of Deeds

Street & Number: Spokane County Courthouse, 1116 W. Broadway

City/Town: Spokane State: WA

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

Title: Survey of Carnegie Libraries in Washington State
Riverside Avenue Historic District

Date: 1982 and 1976 respectively X Federal X State County Local

Depository For Survey Records: Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation

City/Town: Olympia State: WA

7. DESCRIPTION

<u>Condition</u>	<u>Check One</u>	<u>Check One</u>
<u>___</u> Excellent	<u>___</u> Unaltered	<u>X</u> Original Site
<u>___</u> Good	<u>X</u> Altered	<u>___</u> Moved
<u>X</u> Fair		<u>___</u> Date
<u>___</u> Deteriorated		
<u>___</u> Ruins		
<u>___</u> Unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The old main library occupies a small city block of irregular shape. It was one of the early structures in the Civic Center and was completed in 1905 at a cost of \$100,000, according to plans prepared by the local architectural firm of Preusse and Zittel. Rectangular in plan with the entrance facade oriented laterally on its site, the original three-story building (two floors above a daylight basement) measures approximately 90 X 118 feet. Brick exterior facing above a dark stone-faced masonry foundation is grey-buff in color. Bays and corners of the building are set off by rusticated pilasters. Segmented brick arch heads of main/second story window openings have raised voussoirs. Openings in the third story are linteled. Walls are capped by a cornice and parapet which is stepped in profile, including the wall behind the pediment of the central, temple-fronted portico. In some cases, high sections of the parapet wall form flues for fireplaces within the building. The most prominent feature of the building is its monumental portico supported by four terra cotta Corinthian columns, which rise from near ground level to the portico at the roofline. Terra cotta shadow pilasters are used behind the two outer columns. The main entrance is centered behind the peristyle and is recessed at the top of a further flight of steps behind a hooded portal in the facade.

In 1930, a four-story addition (three floors with a daylight basement), employing mostly matching materials and styles, measuring 34 X 36 feet, was added to the rear of the main block. Prior to the construction of the library addition, a floor was added to an original two-story main floor stack room. This floor is suspended from the roof structure approximately one foot six inches above the normal building third floor level. Fenestration on the building consists of very large one-over-one double-hung windows. Some of these are slightly arched and have simulated brick voussoirs of unusually great size.

The old library is the only building located on the truncated city block site. The building is surrounded by lawn, shrubbery, and street trees. Outwardly, the building is well preserved, with the exception of windows, doors and sheet metal cornices. It has been adapted for various uses throughout its history. The floor plan of the main block is intact, however. Originally, the main/second floor housed the skylighted, two story lobby, the ladies' reception room (southeast corner), the general reading room (north), administrative offices (northwest), the open, two story stack room (west) and a study room (south west corner) and a reference room (west). The original third floor was devoted to the assembly room (south) and the children's reading room (north).

The dedication of specific space to a children's section was very innovative for the era and showed a great deal of foresight. Each of the rooms facing the lobby captured the tremendous daylighting opportunities of the skylight to a great advantage. The large windows and large arched opening of each major room added to the monumental impression of the library. Original finish work in the neo-Classical style - ceramic tile floor cover, and marble and iron stairs and 36 inch high ornamental railings around the two-story lobby space - are still intact and in good condition, as are the seven large, ornamental brick fireplaces in rooms on all three original levels. The main floor features ten inch marble baseboards throughout, some of which have been damaged by earlier remodel efforts. The majority of remodel work has consisted of adding partitions to create smaller rooms within the building's large open spaces.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

Period

X 1900 -

Areas of Significance - Check and Justify Below

X Architecture

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Preusse and Zittel

Statement of significance (one paragraph)

The Carnegie Library building is historically significant for a number of reasons.

- It was the first true library structure in Spokane.
- Construction of the building was funded by famed philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, and, as such, is part of a larger designation of historical significance.
- The structure was designed by the well-known Spokane firm of Preusse & Zittel, who were responsible for some of the area's finest architectural works - Our Lady of Lourdes Cathedral, the Fernwell Building, Holy Names Academy, etc.
- Architecturally speaking, it is an excellent example of neo-classical styling, exhibiting many unique features.

The history of Spokane's public library system began in 1880, when a group of women sponsored "sociables" to raise money to purchase books. Several small libraries were formed in the 1880's, and in 1891, three were merged to form the Union Library. Later the same year, the City initiated partial public support and assumed full responsibility in 1894 when the library was moved to the basement of City Hall.

The library building on South Cedar was the result of a movement begun in 1901 by Spokane Mayor, J.M. Comstock. Comstock wrote to philanthropist Andrew Carnegie soliciting funds for construction of a library in Spokane. In March, 1903, after further inquiries by Washington State Senator George Turner, Mr. Carnegie agreed to provide \$85,000 for the project. These funds were contingent upon Spokane's ability to provide a suitable site, and a yearly library budget of no less than \$7,500.

The site, an entire block at the beginning of Browne's Addition, was donated by prominent mining magnate, A.B. Campbell. The building's design - the work of the local architectural firm of Preusse and Zittel - was the result of a design competition. Professor William Ware of Columbia University selected the design from among a number submitted by the Spokane Society of Architects. The laying of the cornerstone September 12, 1904, precipitated a large ceremony. The cornerstone - which was controversial because it places Mr. Campbell's name above Mr. Carnegie's - contains a time capsule of sorts. It holds a copper box containing the following: the deed to the property; the letter from Mr. Carnegie offering his donation; a Virginia treasury note for one dollar, dated July 21, 1862; a copy of each of the Spokane daily newspapers; a copy of the first issue of Spokane's Young Man; photographs of the Library Commission, librarian and staff; a business card of J.H. Skinner; a number of coins; and copies of various blanks and forms used by the Library.

In 1930, an annex was added to the building, but the building was still too small for library needs. The library was relocated in 1962. At that time, the Intercollegiate School of Nursing occupied the building until the late 1970's. The old library has been vacant since that time.

Unlike many Carnegie Libraries, the Spokane Main Library did not follow a proscribed design. The result is an unusual and highly stylized building, well known locally for distinctive exterior character and classic architectural features. Major architectural features include the massive Corinthian columns at the entry and the large windows with unusual brick voussoirs. Significant interior architectural features include the two story skylighted lobby and lobby balconies opposite the main building entrance. In addition, the open main stair off the northeast lobby corner and three of building's seven brick fireplaces make important contributions to the prominence of the building. Ornamental plaster, patterned ceramic mosaic tile floors, and ornamental ironwork embellish the lobby and lobby balconies. The main stair is enriched with marble treads and wainscots, ornamental ironwork and ceramic mosaic landings similar to the lobby floor.

The significance of the Carnegie Library at South 10 Cedar, was recognized by its placement on the National Register of Historic Places on July 30, 1976 as a structure of primary importance in the Riverside Avenue Historic District. It also was placed on the National Register of Historic Places for Carnegie Libraries in the State of Washington, 1982.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- 1976 National Register of Historic Places - Nomination Form for Riverside Avenue Historic District
- 1982 National Register of Historic Places - Nomination Form for Carnegie Libraries of Washington State

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreege of nominated property: 0.66 acres (28,770 s.f.)

Verbal boundary description and justification

Lots 1 through 6, Block 1, Browne's Addition. Bounding streets are Riverside Avenue, Walnut Street, First Avenue, and Cedar Street.
Parcel No. 25241.0101

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

N/A

11. FORM PREPARED BY

<u>Name/Title: Gerald A. Winkler, AIA, Principal</u>	
<u>Organization: INTÉGRUS Architecture</u>	<u>Date:</u>
<u>Street & Number: W. 244 Main</u>	<u>Telephone: (509) 838-8681</u>
<u>City/Town: Spokane</u>	<u>State: Washington</u>

12. SIGNATURE OF OWNERS

Gerald A. Winkler

For Office Use Only:

Date Received: 9-2-92

Attest: Marilyn J. Montgomery
City Clerk

Date Heard: 9-16/10-21-92

Commission Decision: Approved Approved As To Form: _____

Council/Board Action: Approved Approved As To Form: Julay Stewart
Asst. City Attorney

Date: 12-14-92

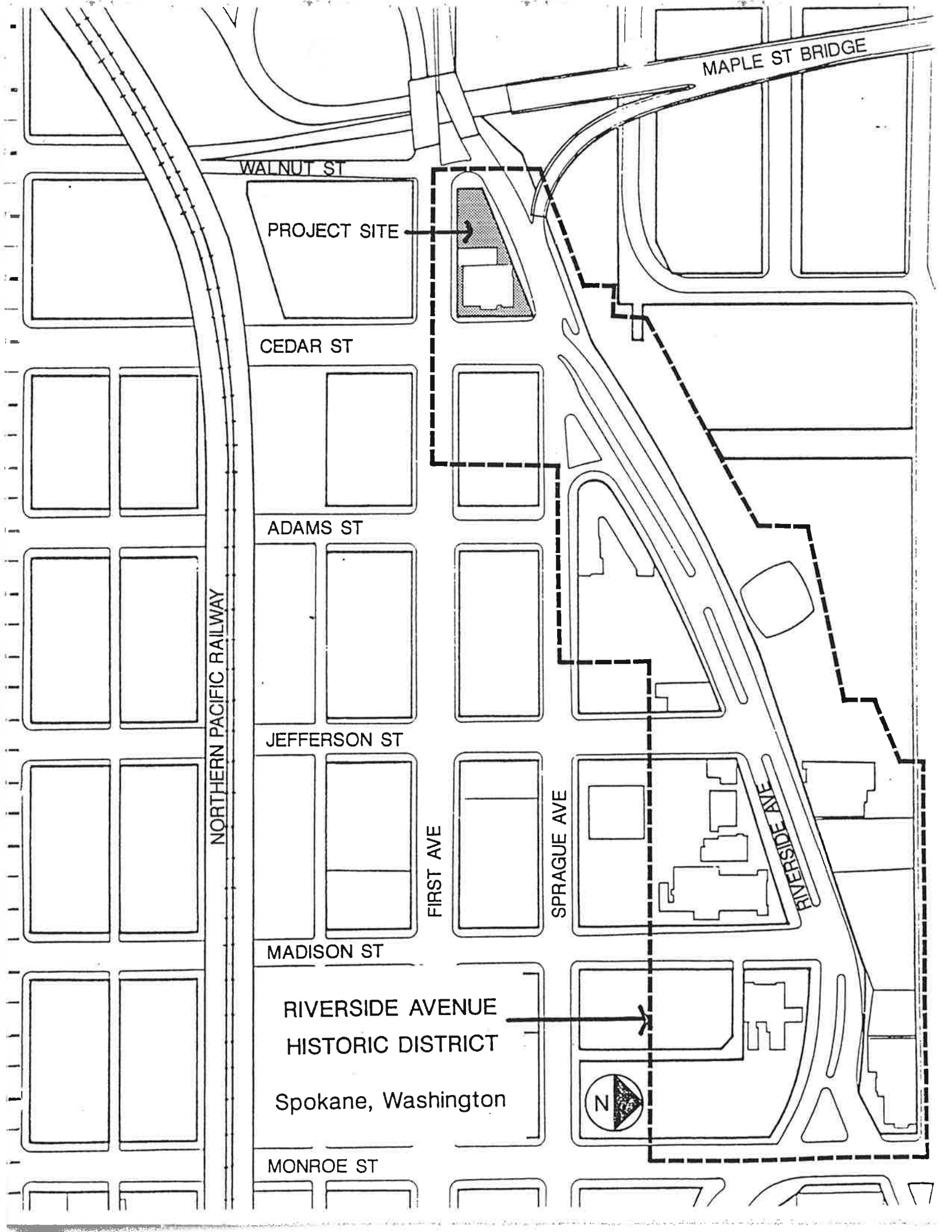
We hereby certify that this property has been listed on the Spokane Register of Historic Places:

Sheri S. Barnard _____
MAYOR, City of Spokane or Chair, Spokane County Commissioners

Robert Ogden _____
CHAIR, Spokane City/County Historic Landmarks Commission

Katherine W. Danett _____
City/County Historic Preservation Officer

**MAP OF RIVERSIDE AVENUE
HISTORIC DISTRICT AND ENVIRONS**



MAPLE ST BRIDGE

WALNUT ST

PROJECT SITE

CEDAR ST

ADAMS ST

JEFFERSON ST

MADISON ST

RIVERSIDE AVENUE
HISTORIC DISTRICT

Spokane, Washington

MONROE ST

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY

FIRST AVE

SPRAGUE AVE

RIVERSIDE AVE



PHOTOGRAPHS

MF41 Ladies Reception Fireplace
View Looking North

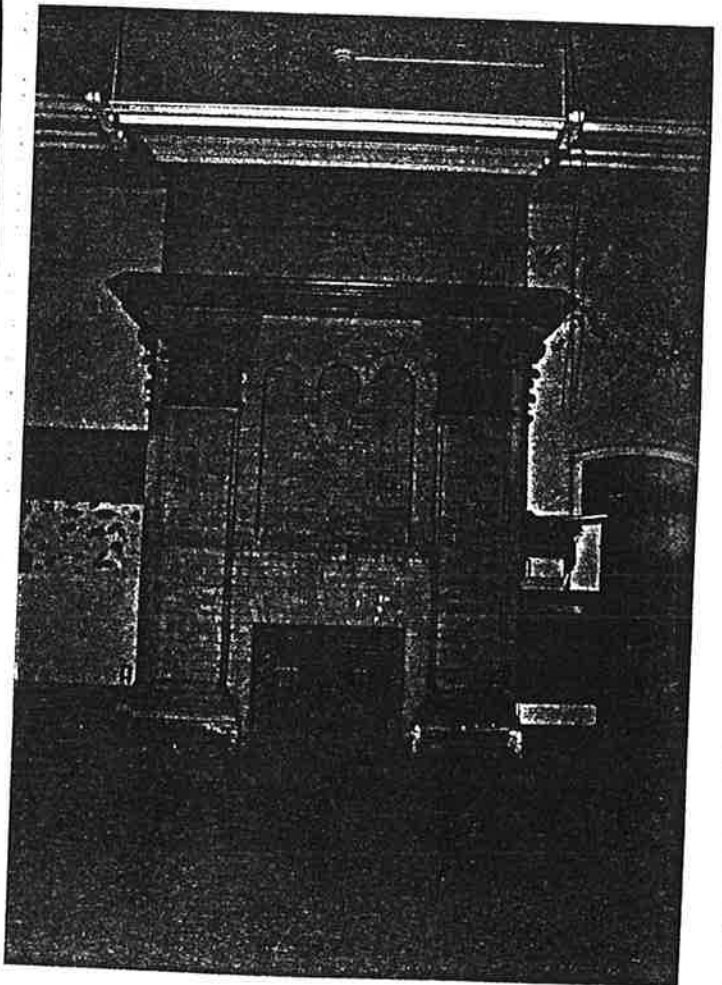
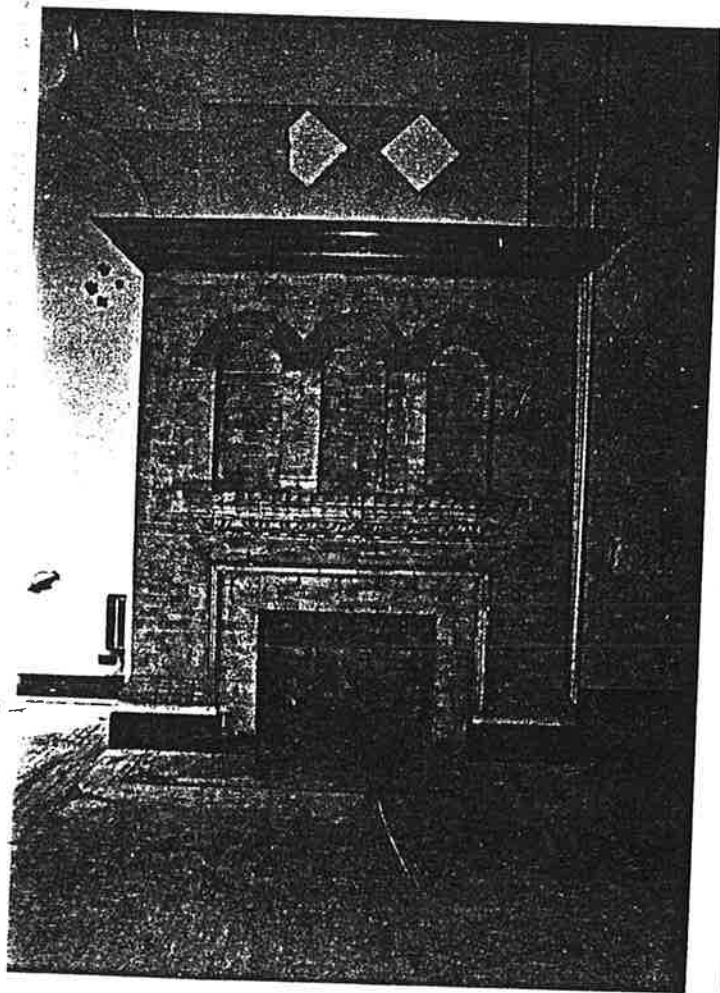
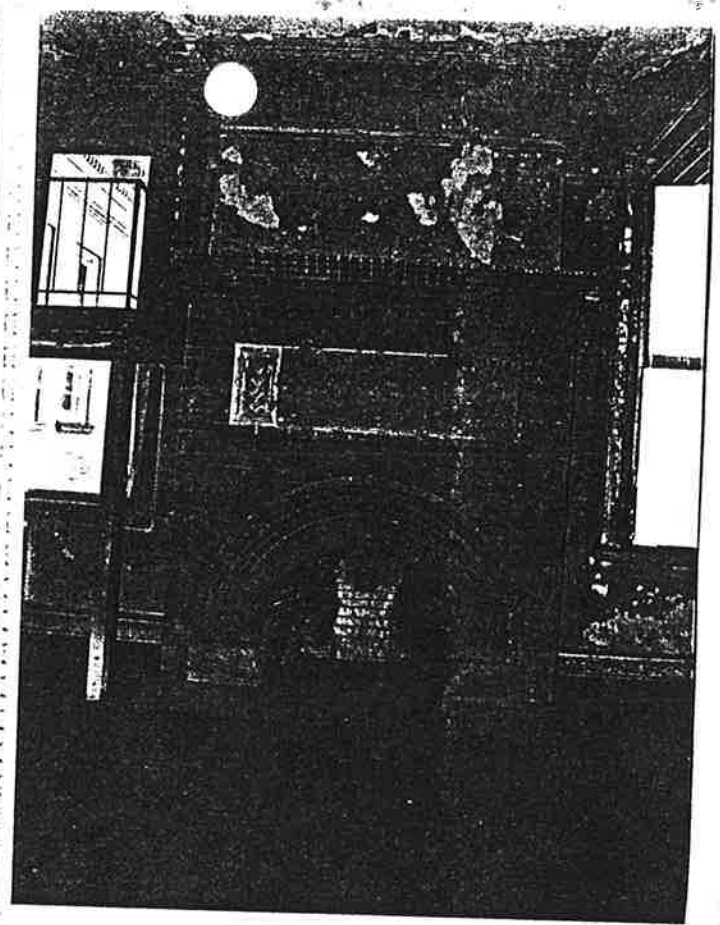
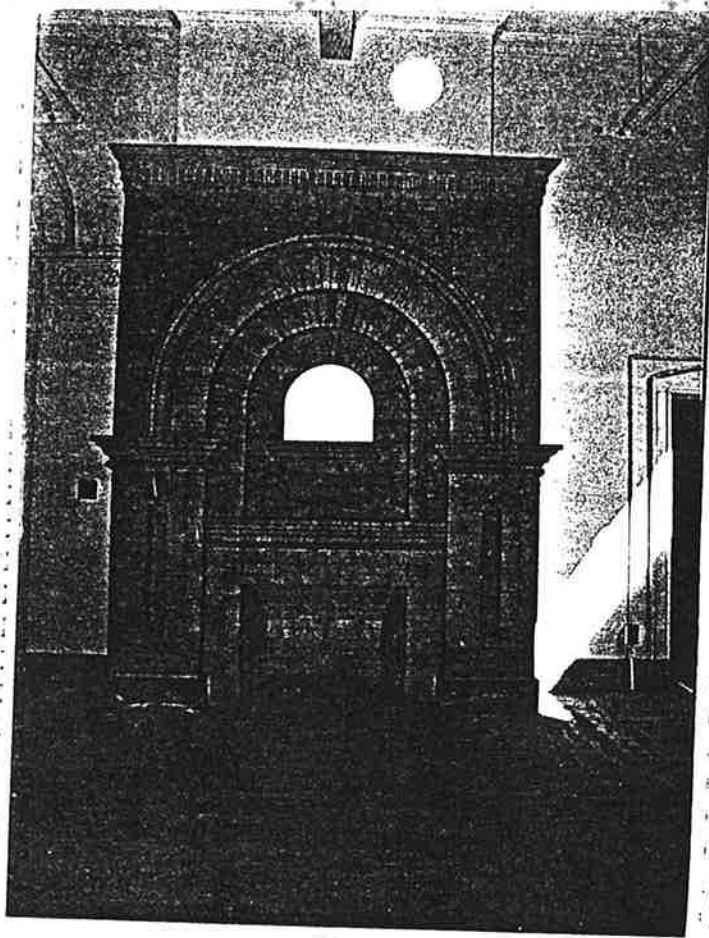
MF36 Reference Room Fireplace
View Looking West

TF9 Children's Reading Room Fireplace
View Looking West

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MF21 General Reading Room Fireplace
View Looking West

1-13



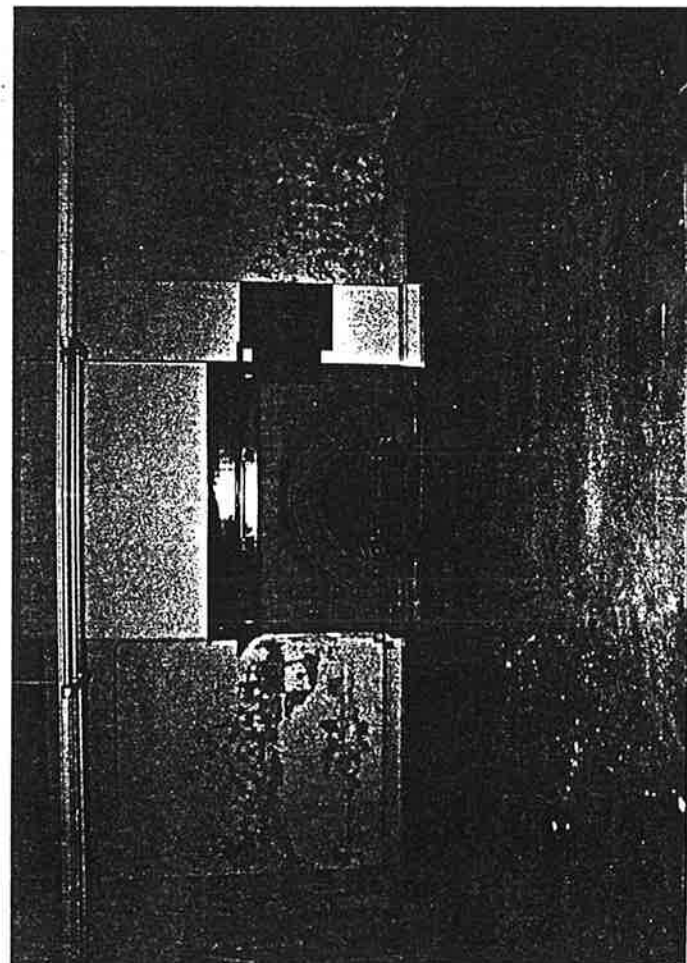
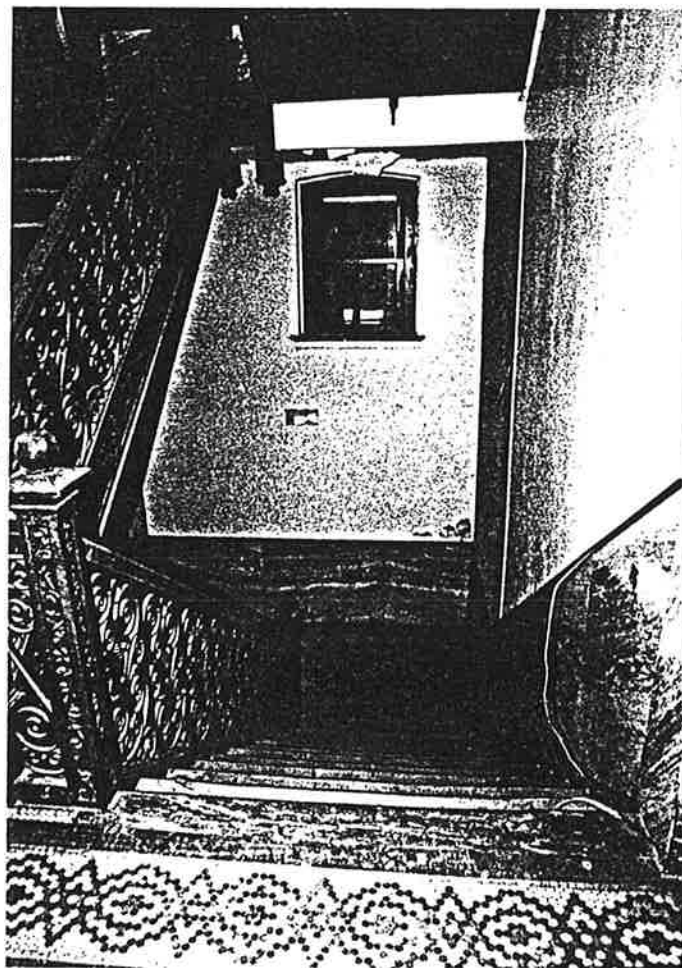
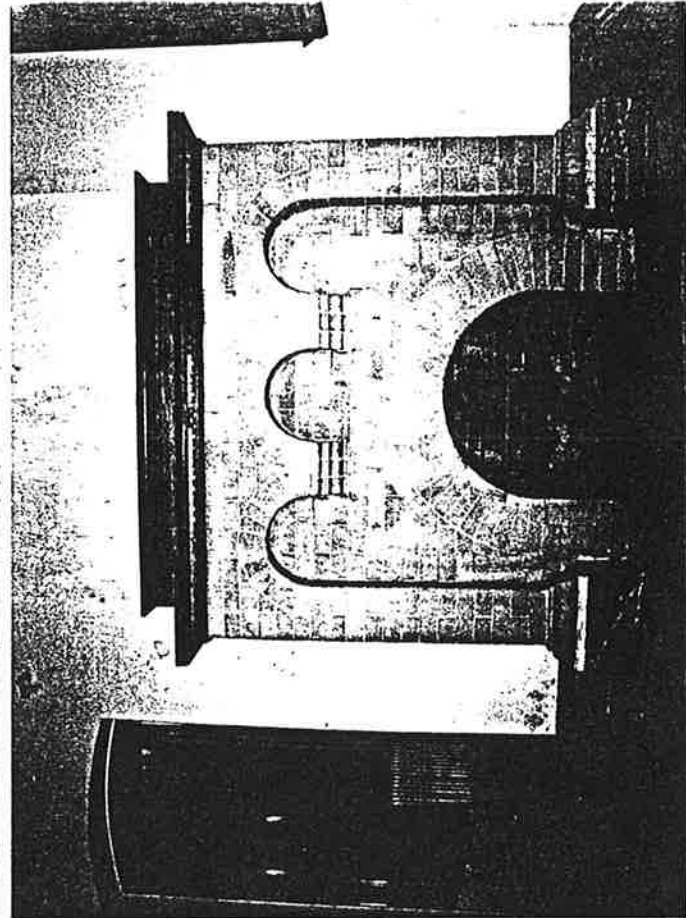
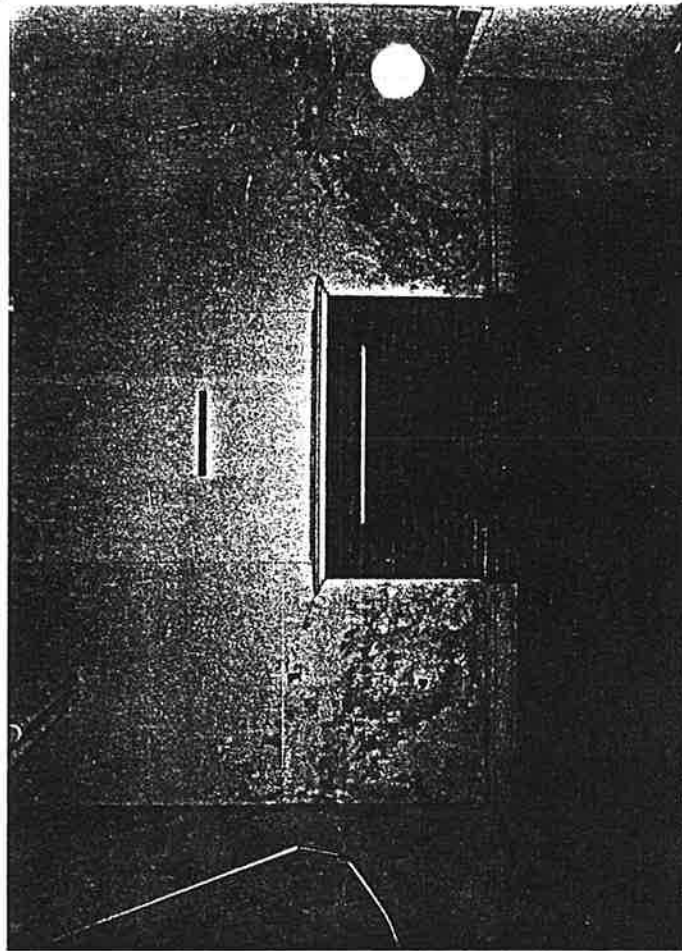
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GF14 Staff Restroom
View Looking East

MF13 Main Stair From Main Lobby
View Looking East

MF23 Librarian Office Fireplace
View Looking East

GF8 Newspaper Room, West End
View Looking West

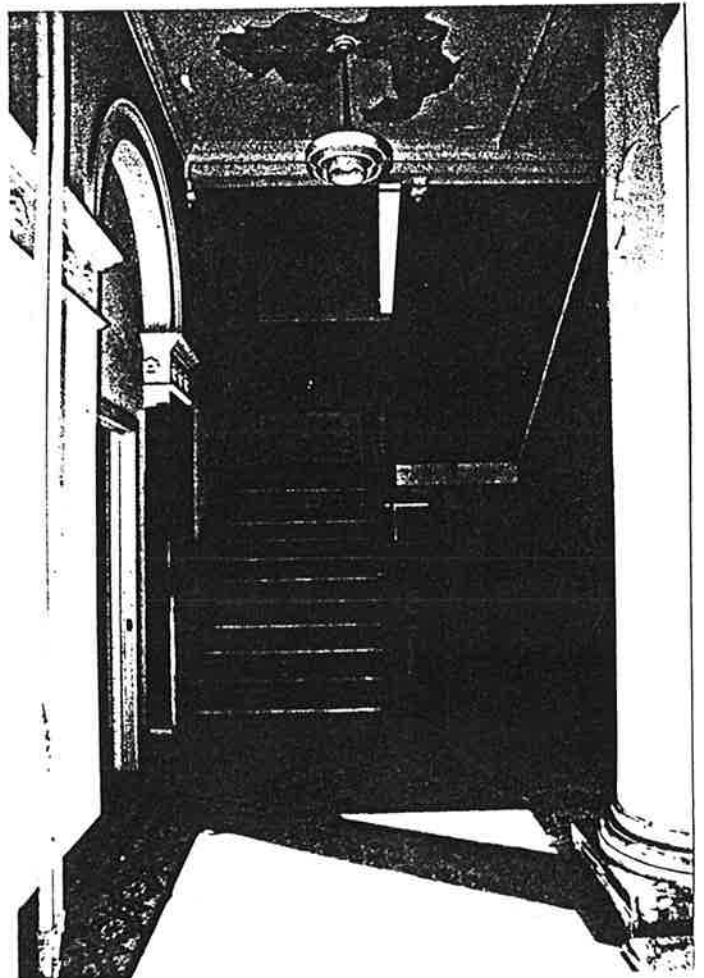
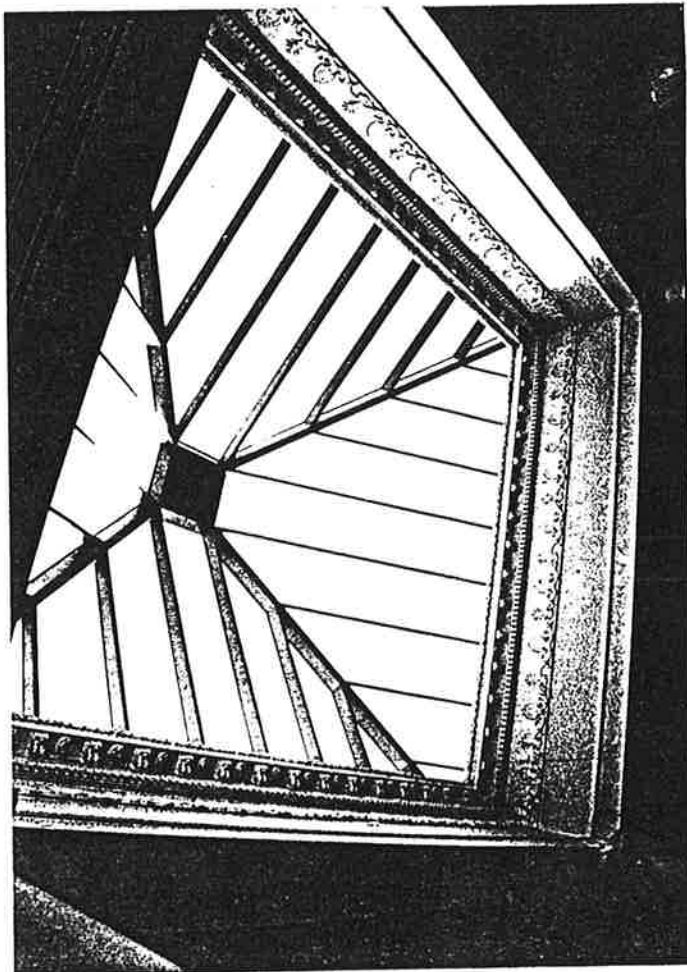
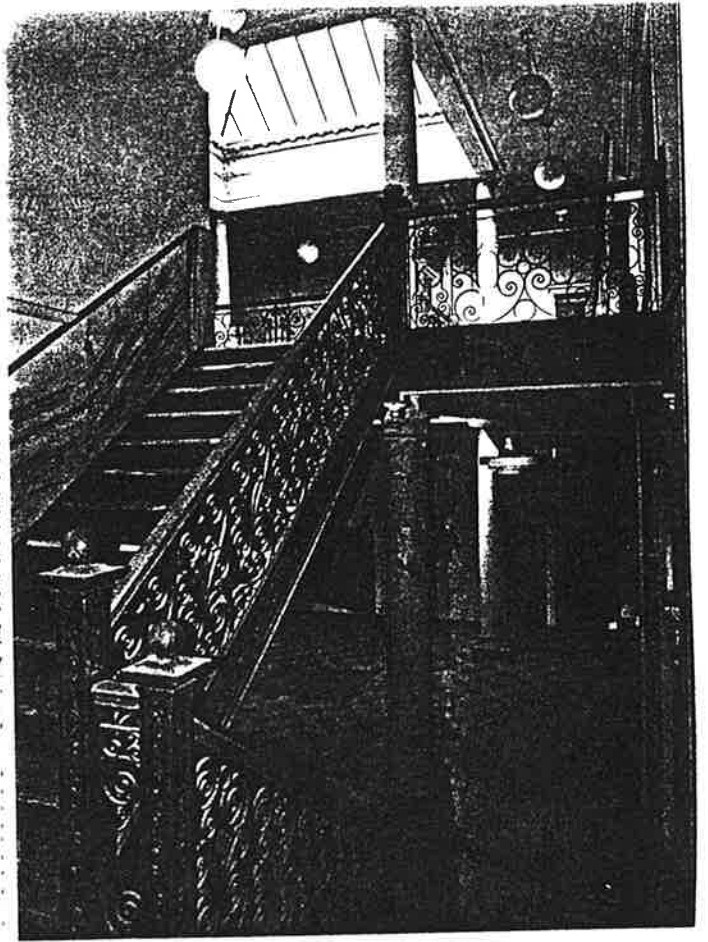
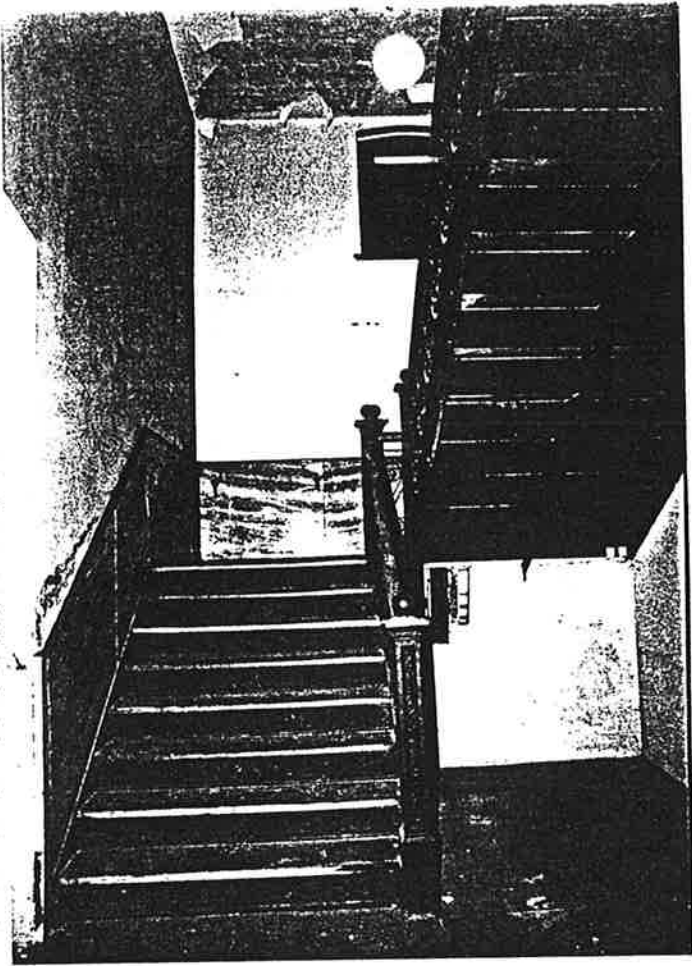


GF2 Main Stair at Ground Floor
View Looking East

TF3 Lobby Skylight, Opening, Ornamental Plaster
View Looking Northwest

MF13A Main Stair and Rail - Lobby in Background
View Looking Southwest

MF12 Main Stair From Main Lobby
View Looking East

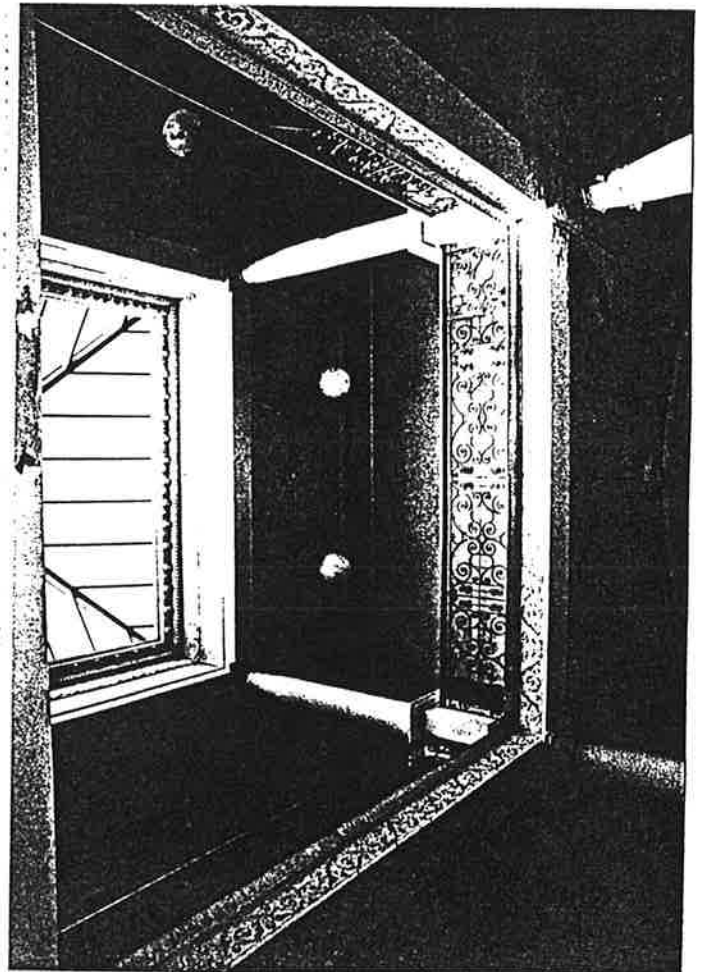
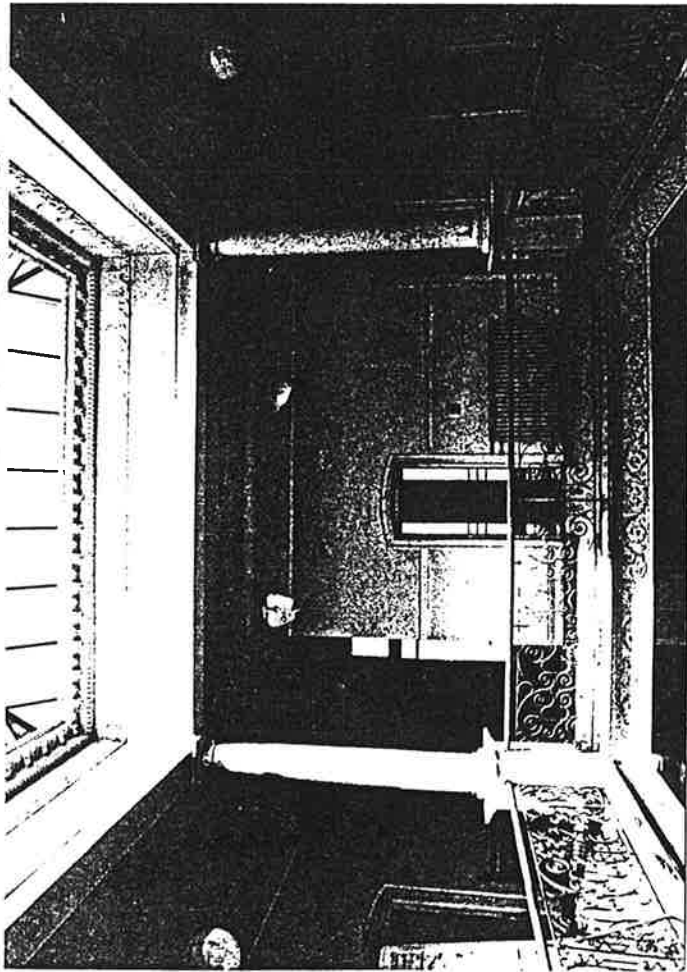
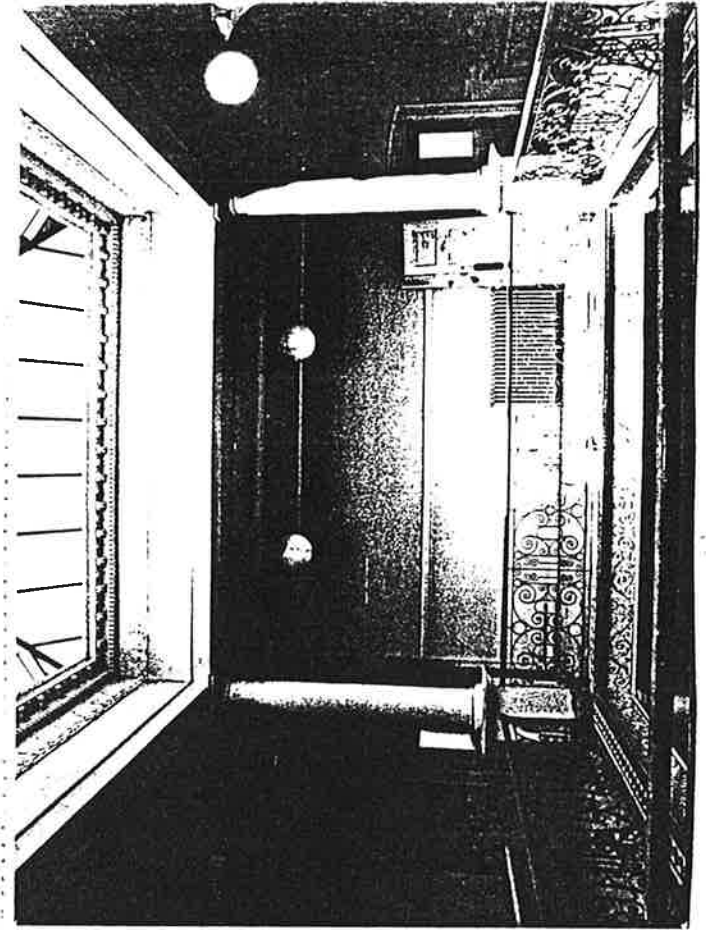
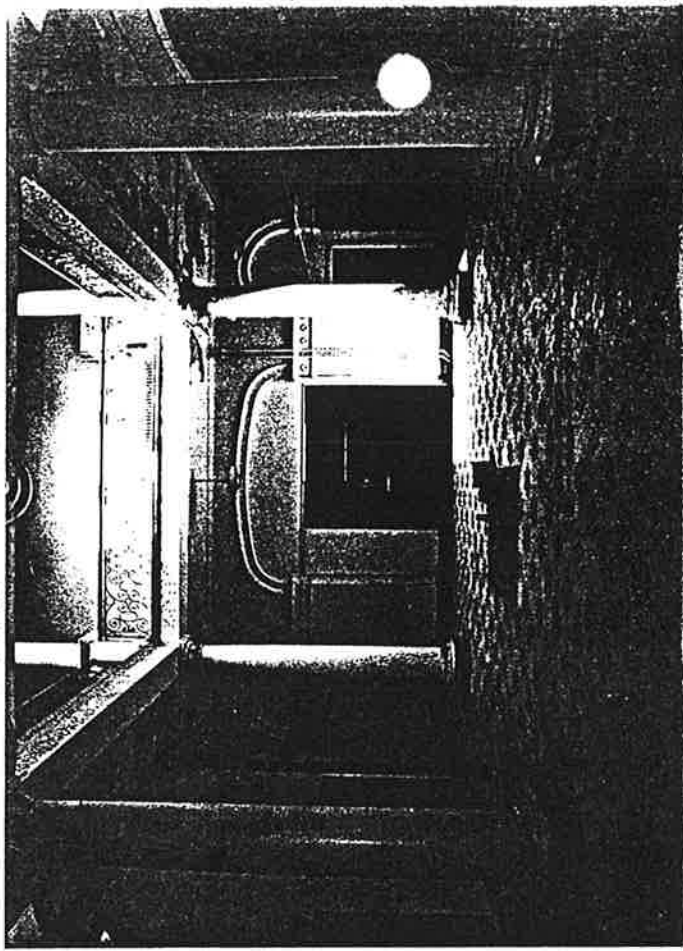


MF10
Main Lobby
View Looking North

TF4
Lobby From Lobby Balcony
View Looking North

TF5
Lobby From Lobby Balcony
View Looking East

MF11
Main Lobby
View Looking North and Up

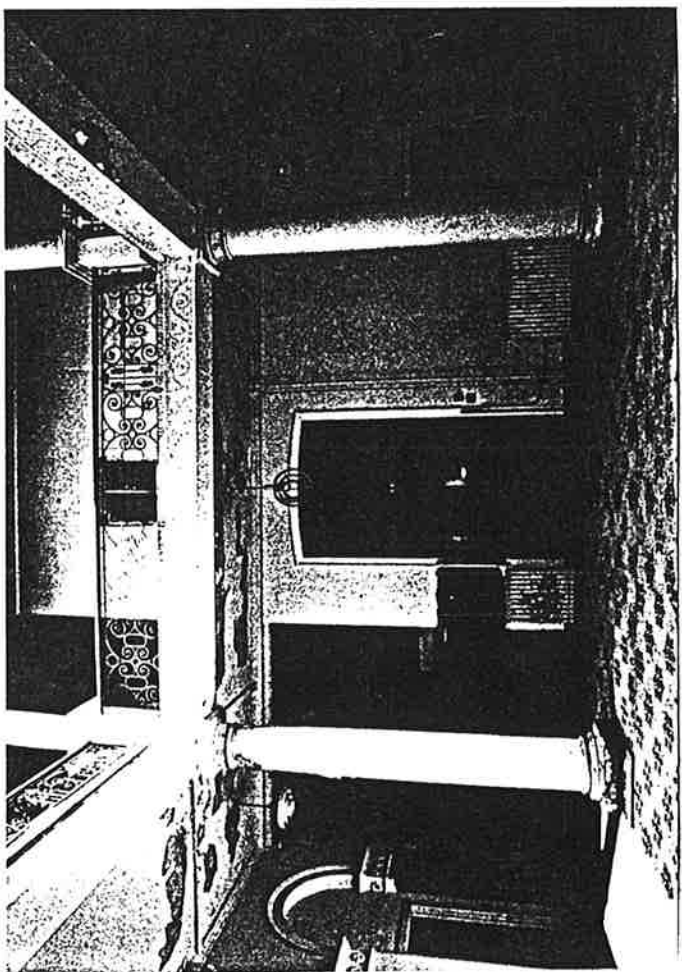
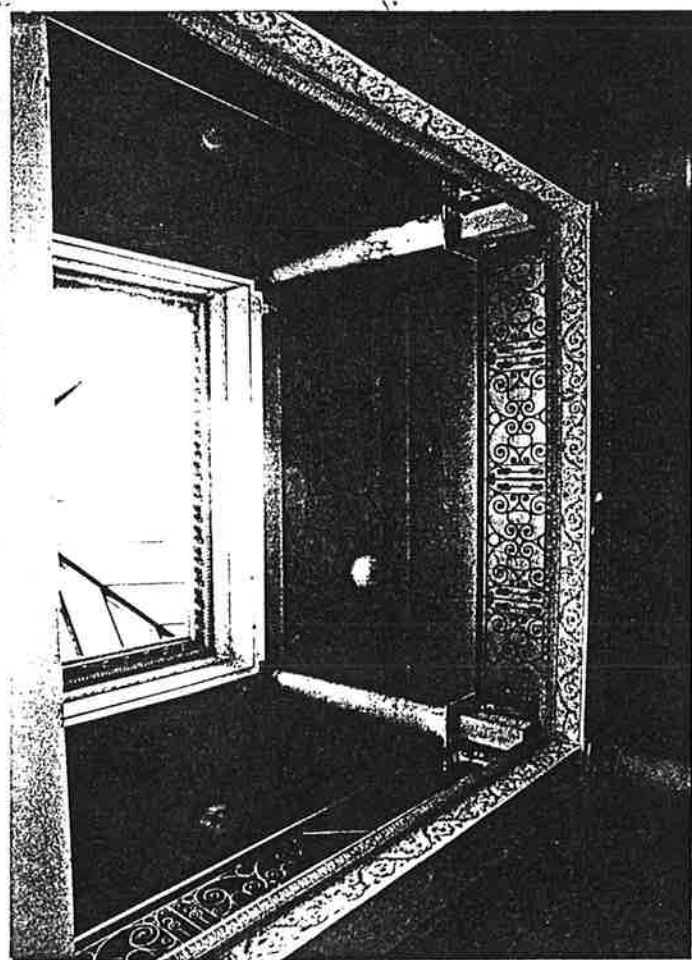
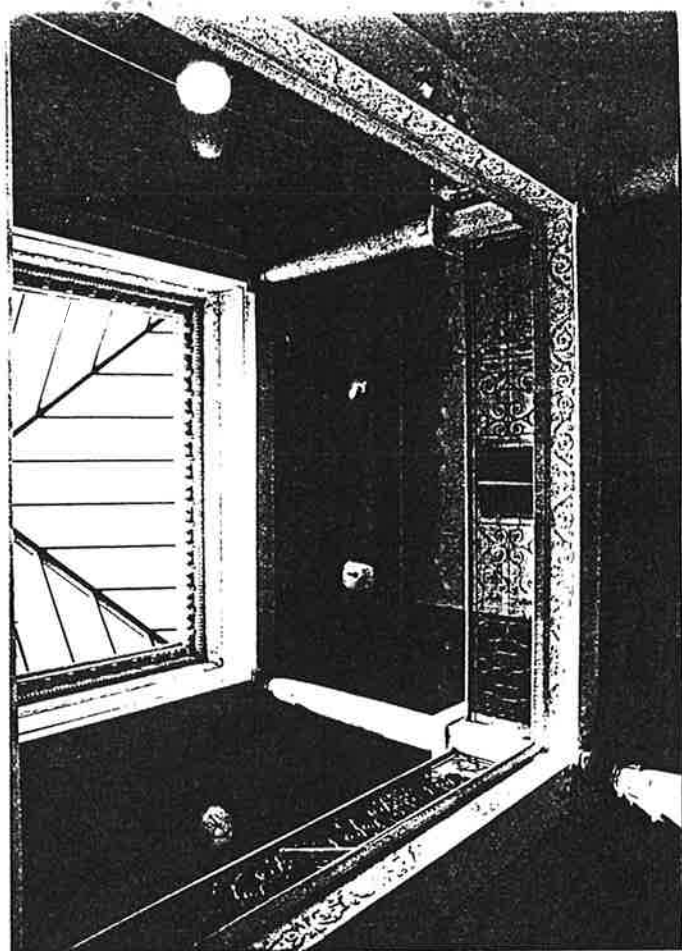
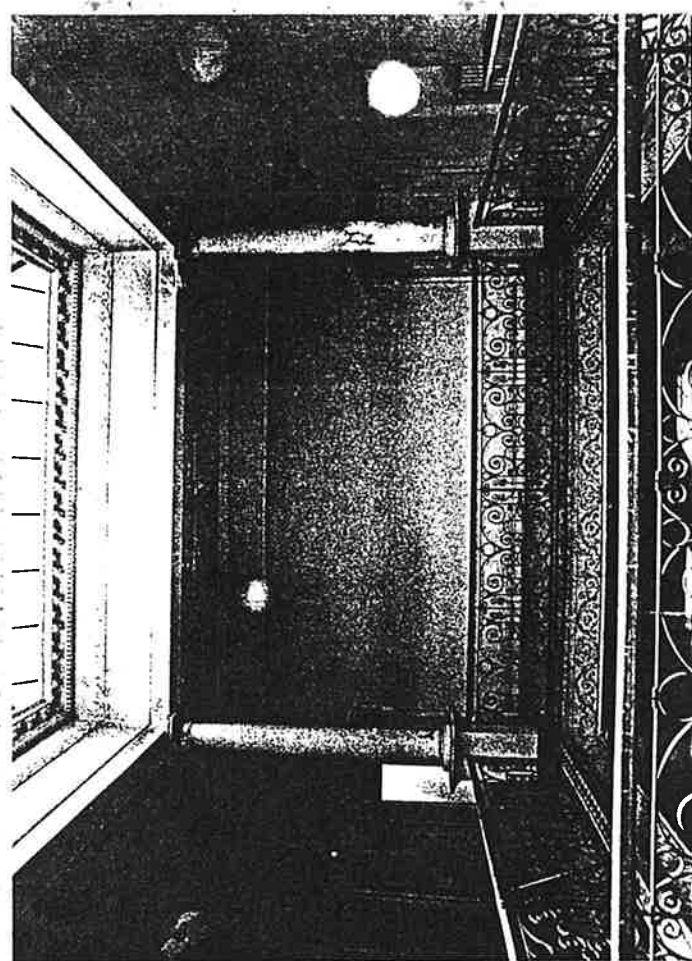


TF6
Lobby From Lobby Balcony
View Looking South

MF7
Main Lobby
View Looking South and Up

MF9
Main Lobby
View Looking East and Up

MF8
Main Lobby
View Looking East

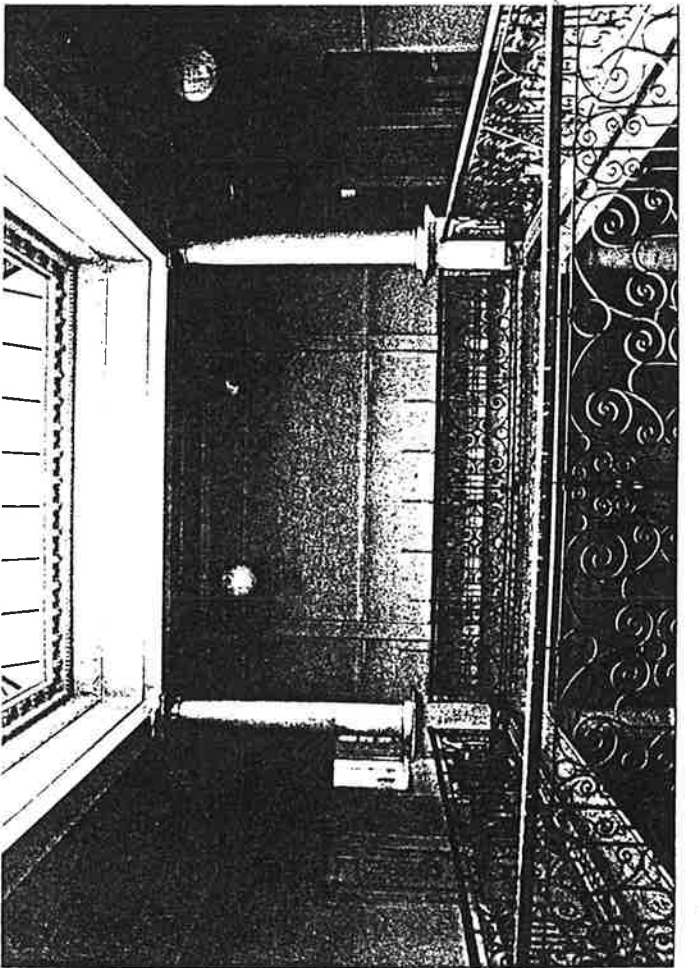
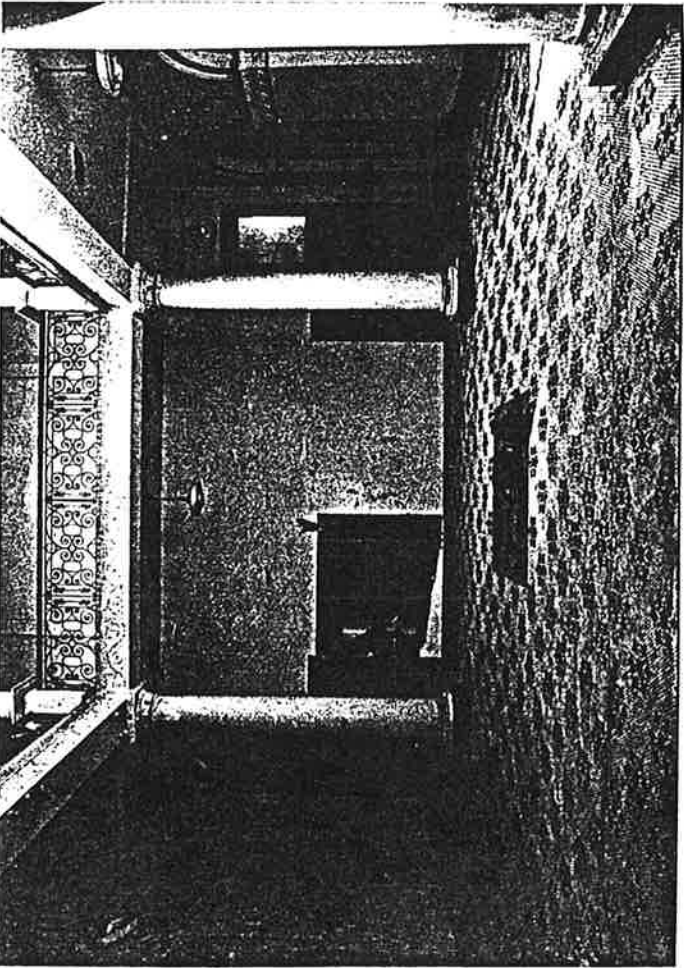
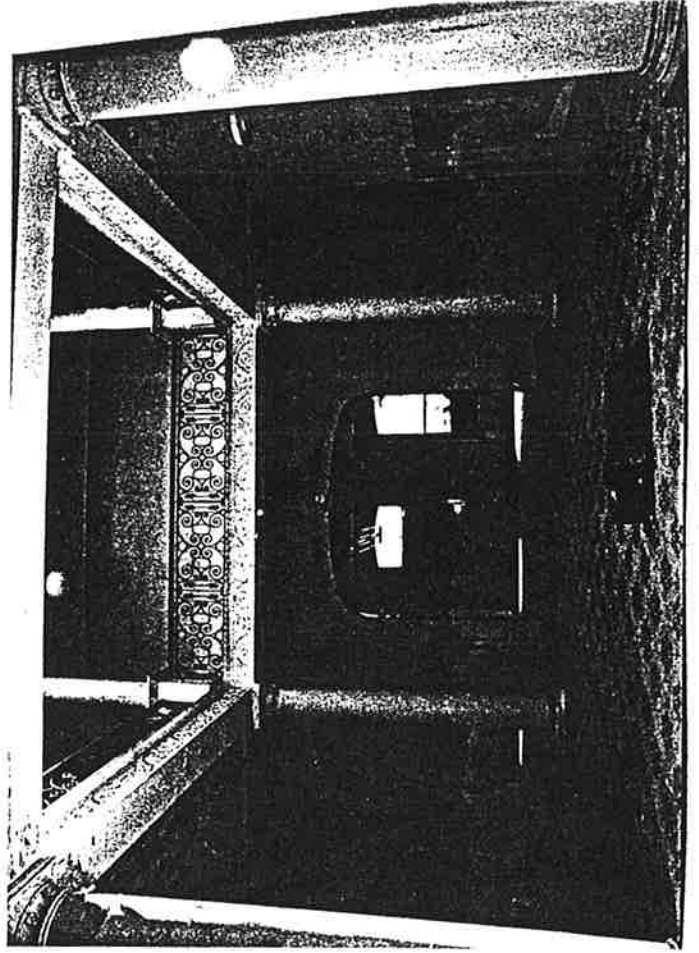
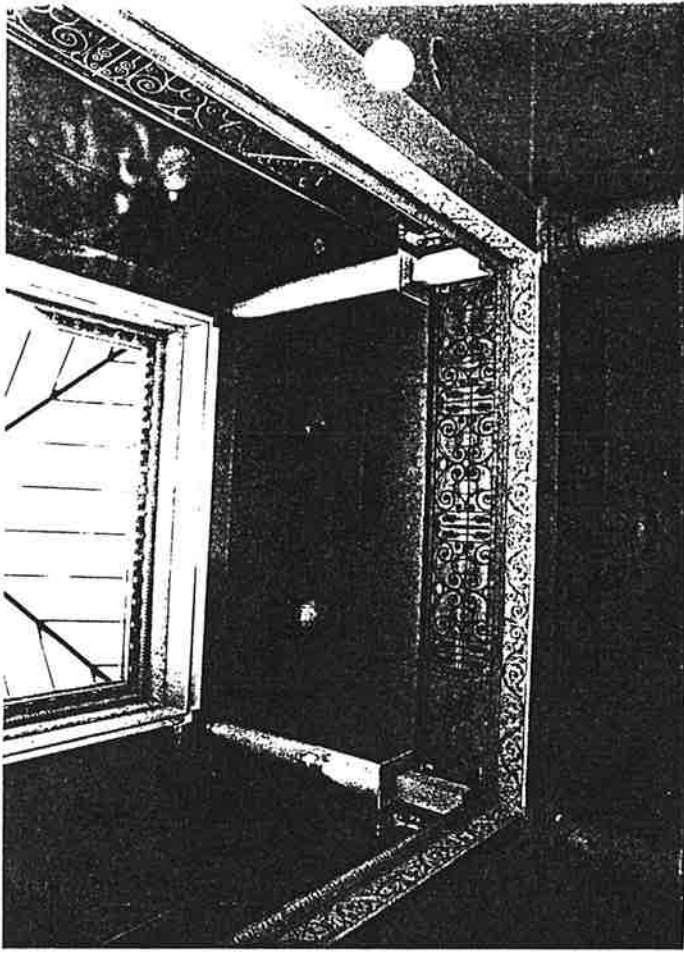


MF5
Main Lobby
View Looking West and Up

MF4
Main Lobby
View Looking East

MF6
Main Lobby
View Looking South

TF2
Lobby From Main Lobby Balcony
View Looking West

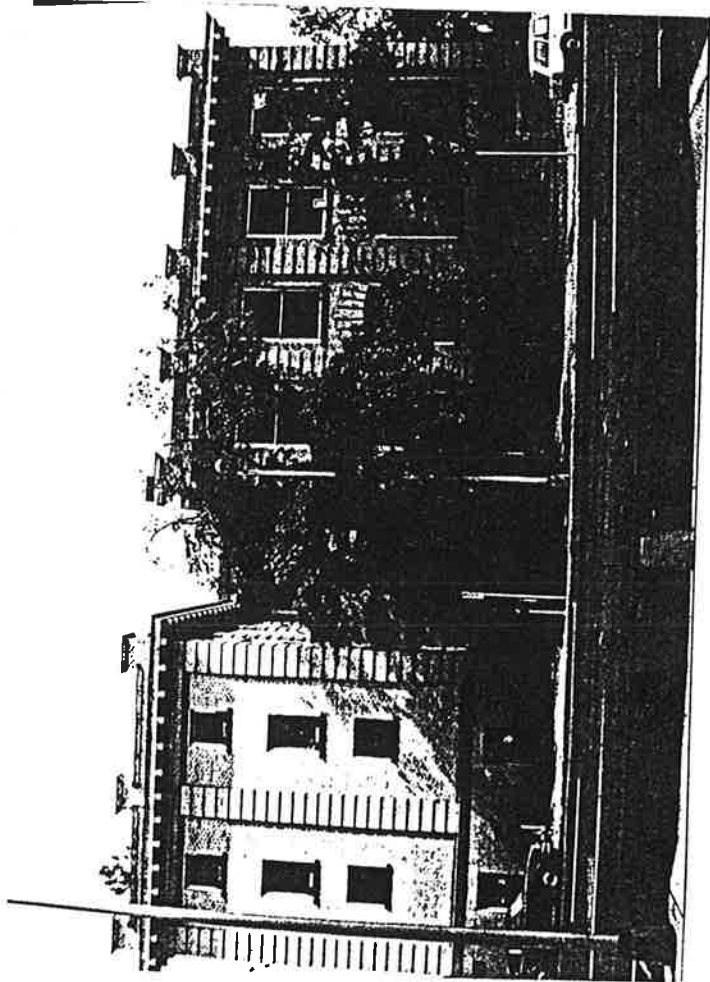
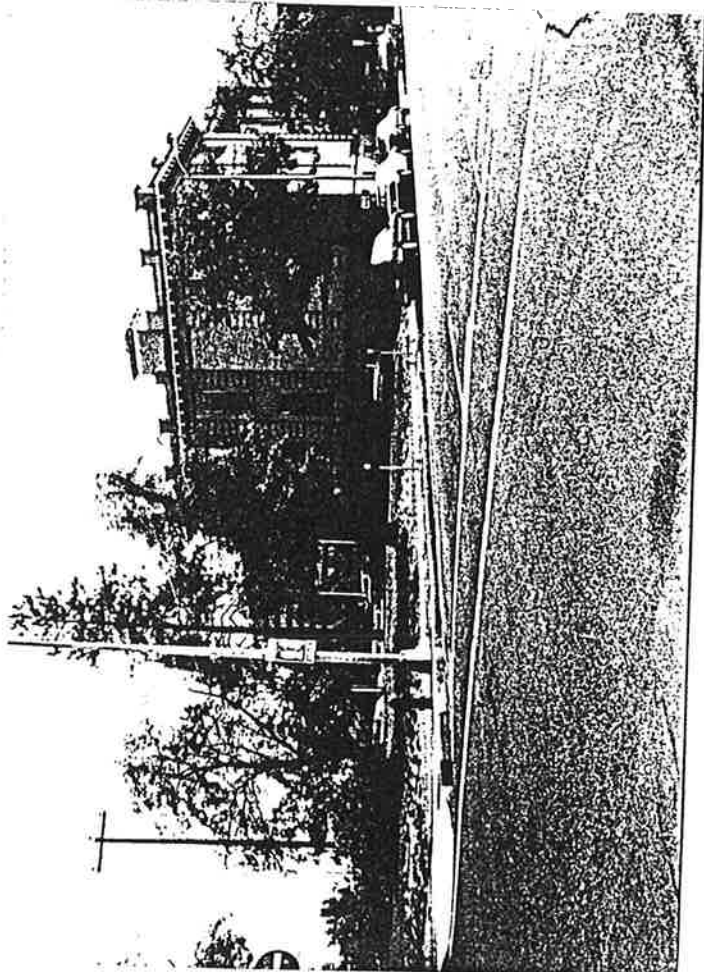
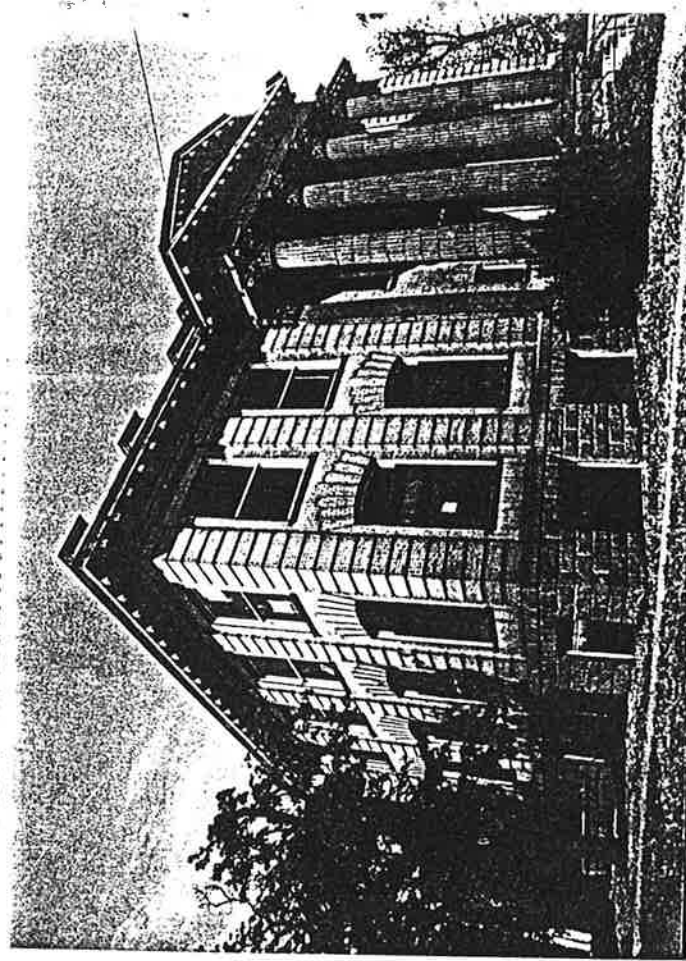
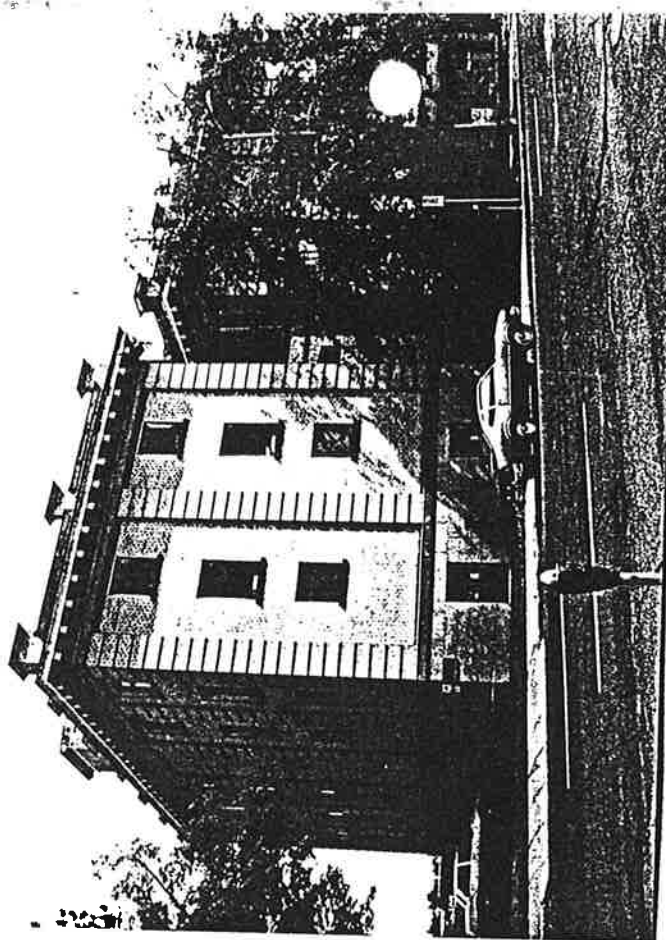


E27
West and South Facade
View Looking Northeast

E25
West and East Site, West and East Facade
View Looking Northeast

E31
South and East Facades
View Looking Northwest

E28
South Facade
View Looking North

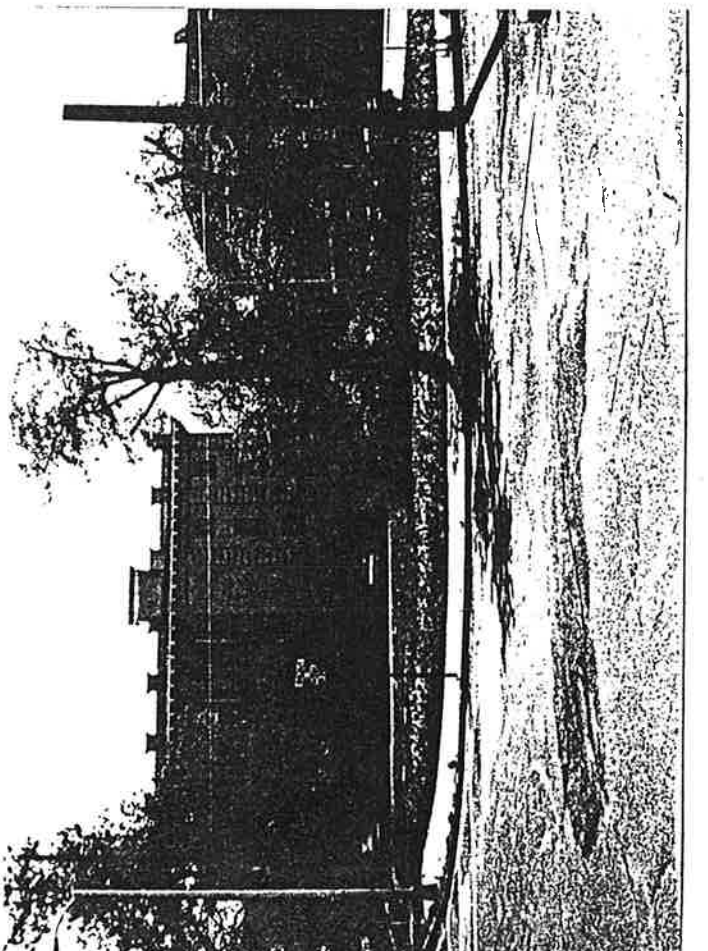
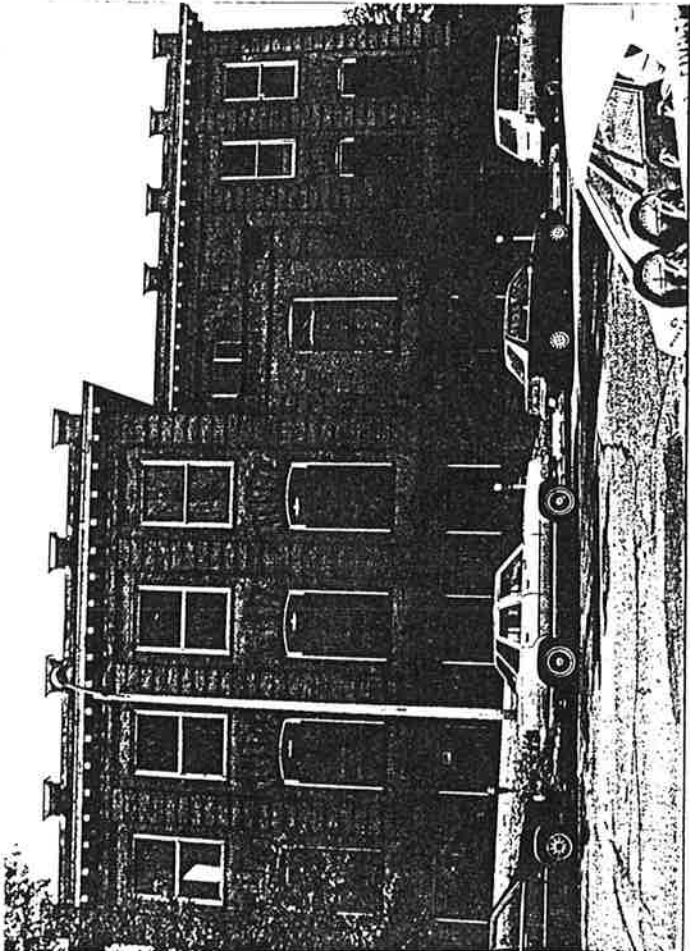
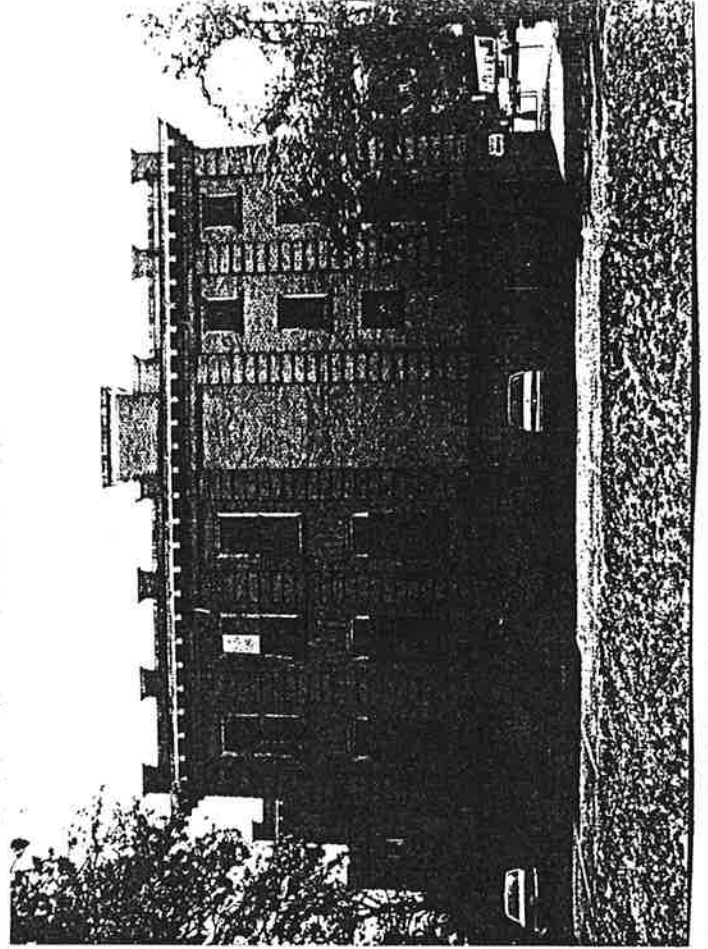
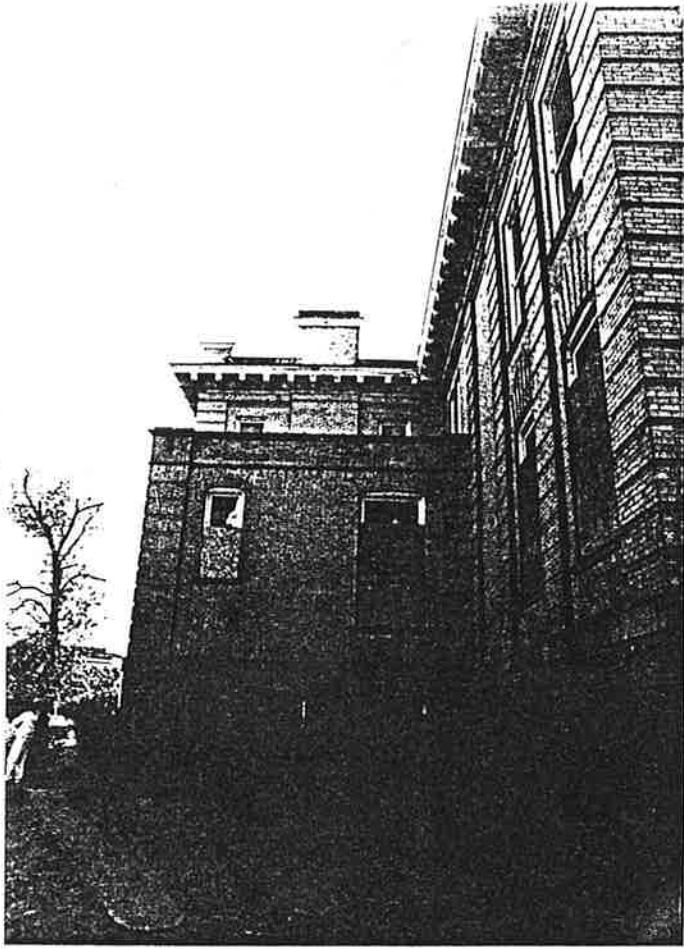


E20
Partial West Facade
View Looking West

E16
North Facade
View Looking South

E24
West Facade
View Looking East

E23
West Site and West Facade
View Looking East

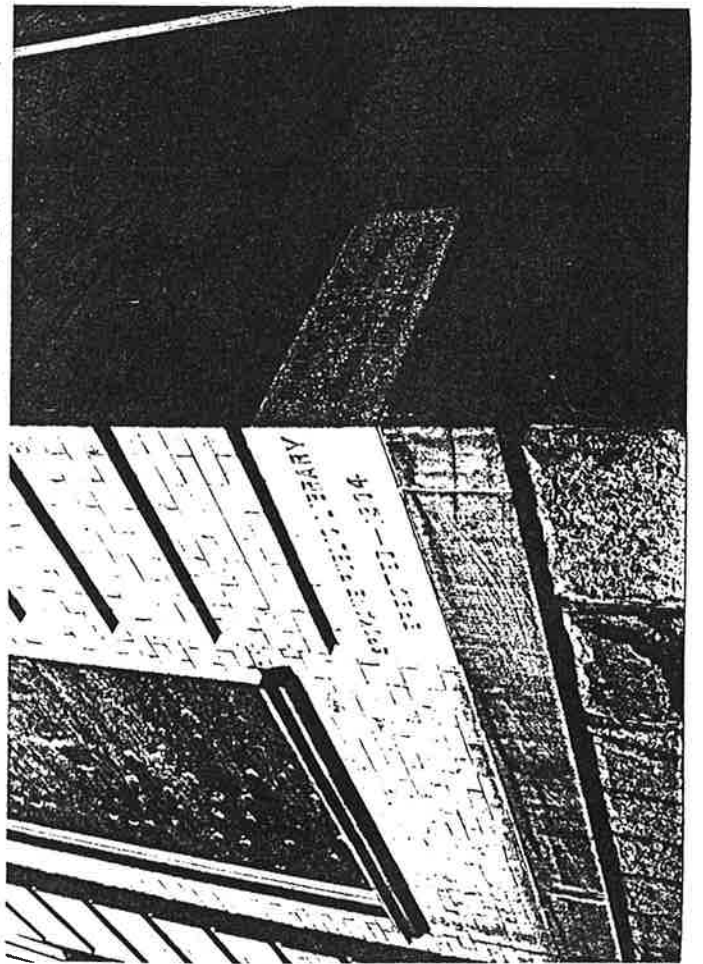
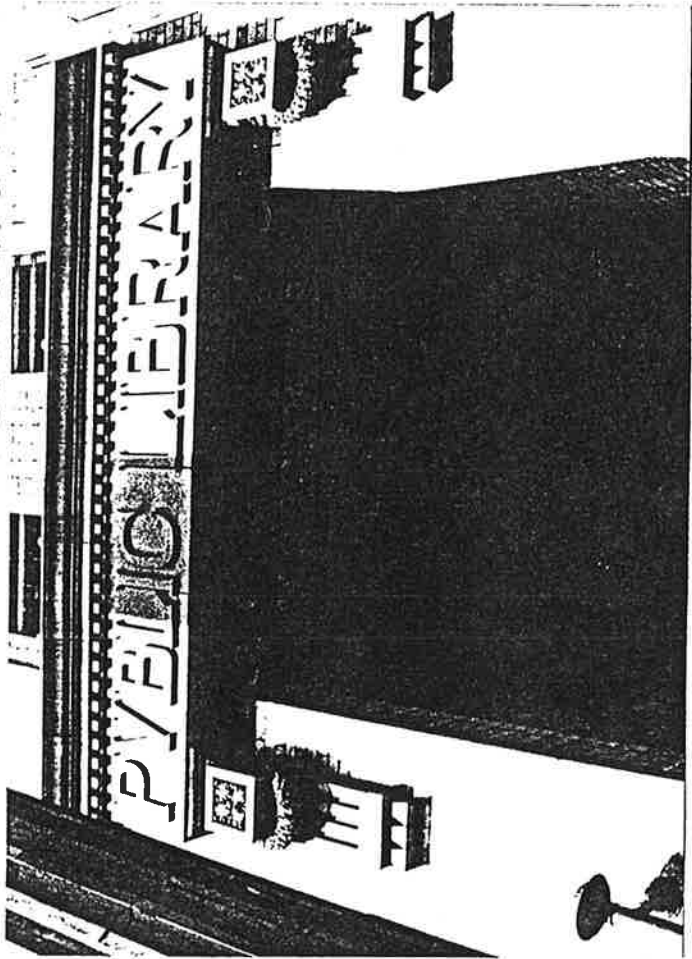
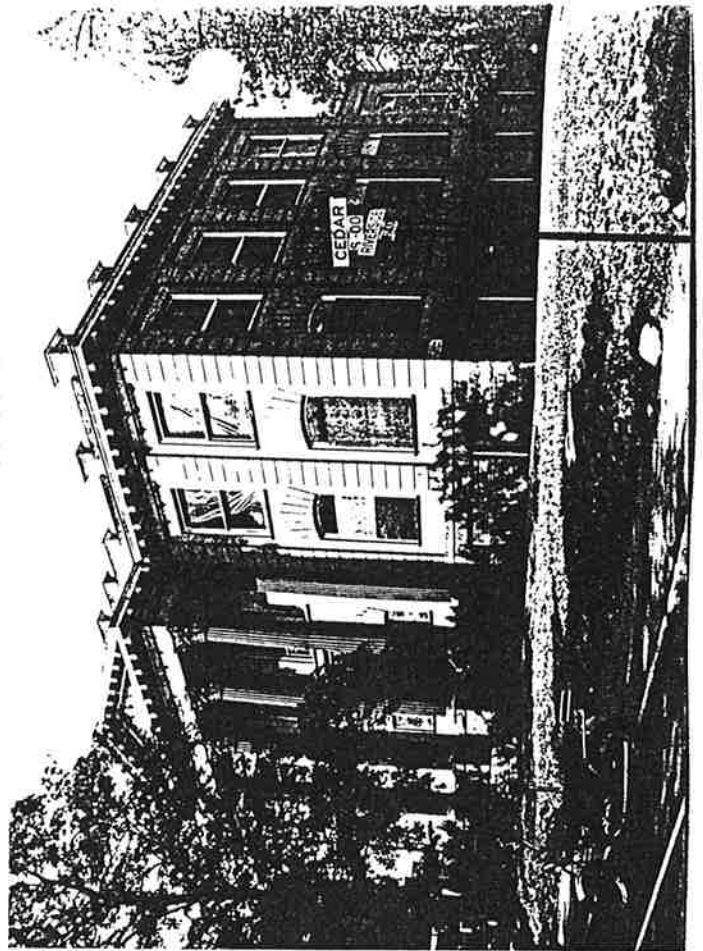
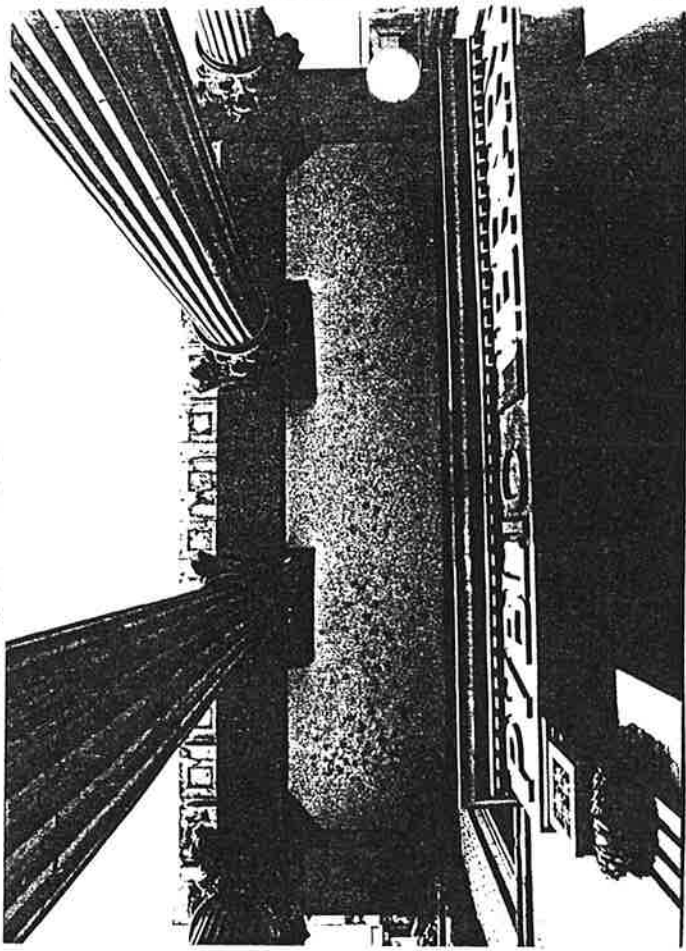


E13 Main Entrance Portico Soffit
View Looking Up

E4 Main Entrance Portal Detail
View Looking West

E14 East and North Facades
View Looking Southwest

E15 Building Cornerstone at Northeast Corner
View Looking Southwest

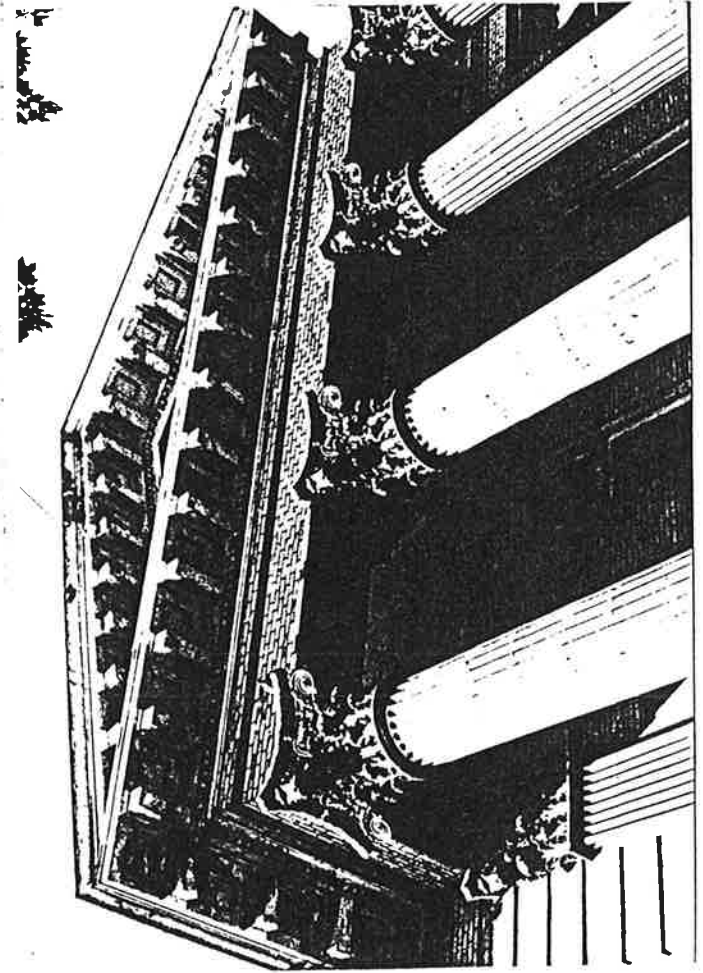
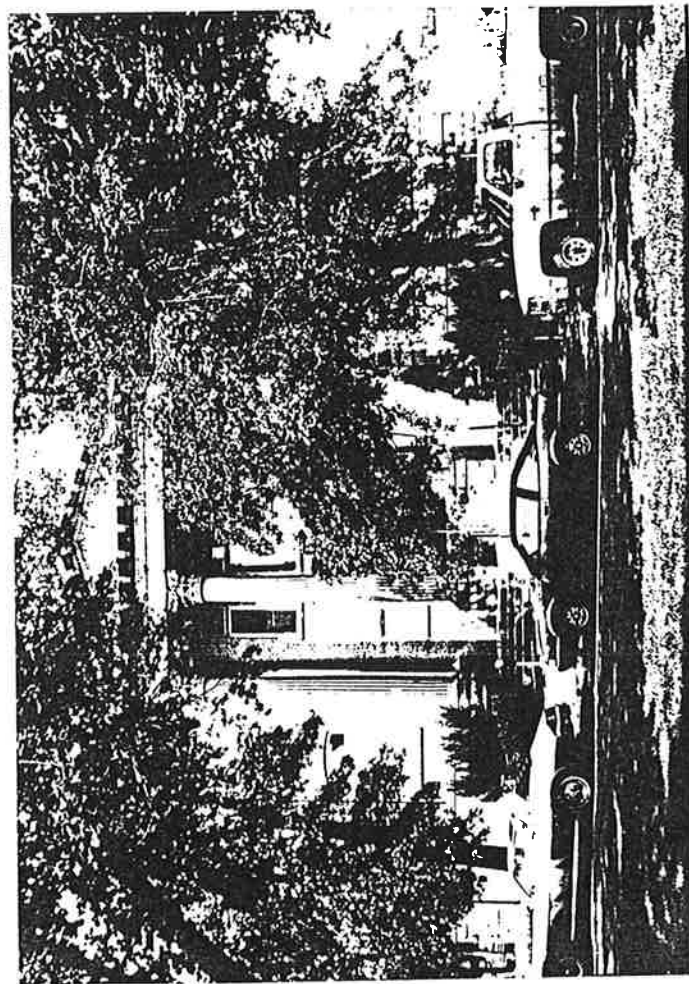
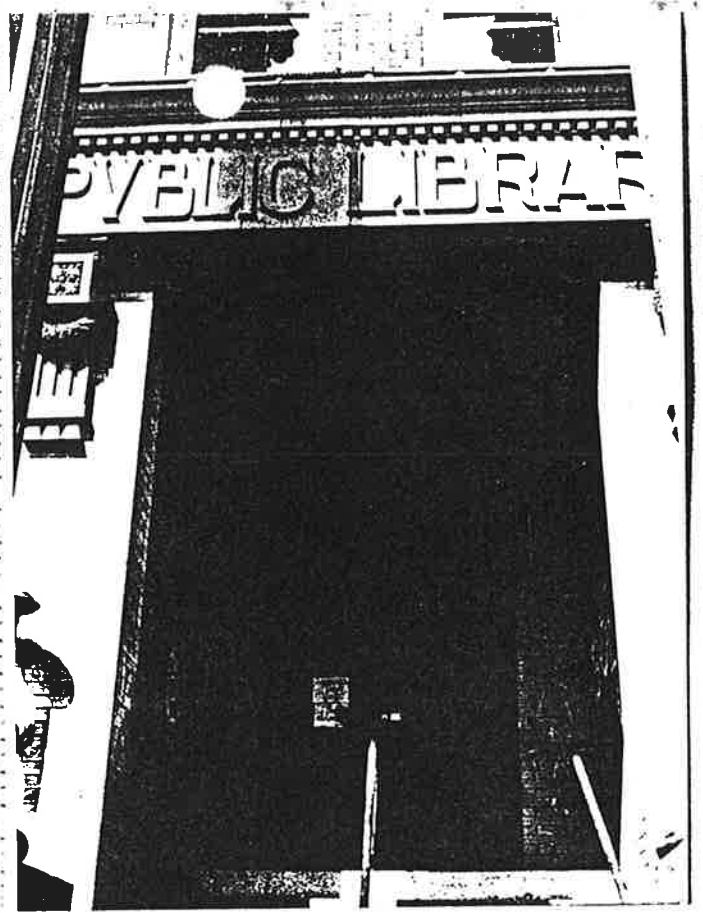


E2
Partial East Facade/Main Entrance
View Looking West

E1
East Facade and Site
View Looking West

E3
East Facade/Main Entrance Portal
View Looking West

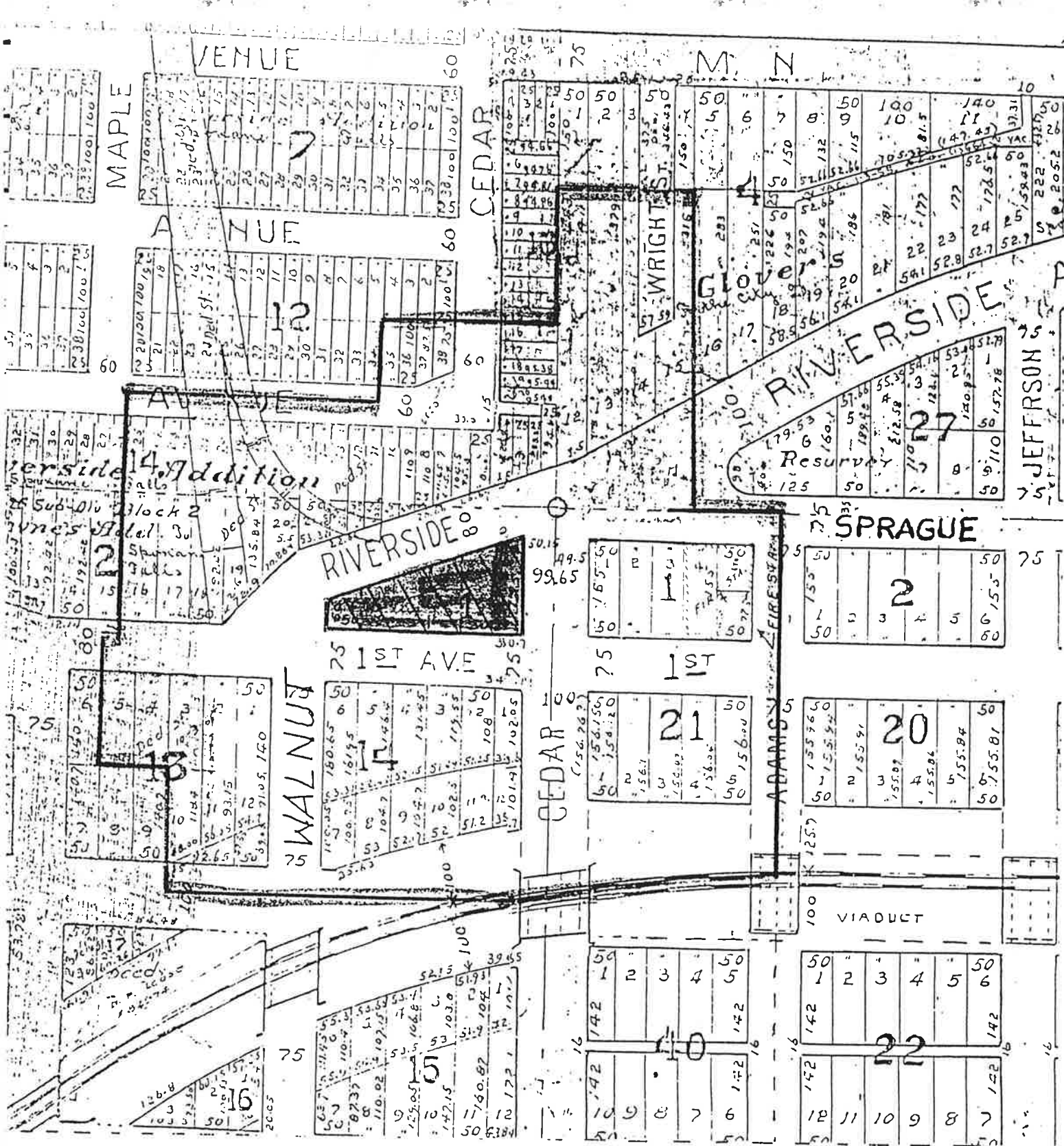
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Main Entrance Portico, Cornices
View Looking Northwest



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COLOR SLIDES

**MAP AND LIST OF
ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS**



APPLICANT: Integrus Architecture
 APPLICATION FOR: Special Permit

- Property for Which Application Was Submitted
- District in Which Property Owners Were Notified
-) No. of Acres Included in Application
-) Approximate Location of Posted Notices

Prep. By: SPD
 Date: 7-28-92
 Chkd. By: _____
 Posted By: _____
 Date: _____

PERMIT AREA

Applicant's Name INTEGRUS ARCHITECTURE

Description CARNEGIE LIBRARY

Location 10 S. CEDAR STREET: PTN. NE 24-25-42

Owner of Record CITY OF SPOKANE

Verified With Transamerica Title Co. By: Donna M. Noll Date: 8-1-92

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OSAME		(APPLICANT)	
CC	10 S. CEDAR STREET		
TJOHN G. & MARY BURYA	1504 W. 10TH AVE., 99204	25241.1201	
OSAME			
CC	1401 W. 1ST AVENUE		
T FARLEY/WISER PROPERTIES	120 S. CEDAR ST., 99204	25241.1202	
OSAME		25241.1203	
		25241.1204	
WASHINGTON TRUST BANK	717 E. SPRAGUE AVE., 99201		
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CD. R. RIEGEL	SAME		
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OLAND A. TAYLOR, II	SAME		
WILLIAM CAMPBELL	1605 W. WILSON AVE., 99201	25134.4704	
AME			
	1527 W. WILSON AVENUE		

PAYER, OWNER, OCCUPANT	ADDRESSES	LOT	BLOCK
ALARIC A. OGRADY J A O GRADY C/O CONSUELA OGRADY	6190 HILLSIDE AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CA 92504 8075 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CA 92504	25134.4513	
	1424 W. WILSON AVENUE		
ESTATE OF MARY E. PIETSCH	C/O FLORENCE SCHUBACH 4805 S. FARR ROAD 99206	25134.4514	
SAME			
	1420 W. WILSON AVENUE		
STEVEN B. LINDEN	7016 LOWER RIDGE RD., EVERETT, WA 98203	25134.4520	
RICHARD C. CISMOWSKI	UNKNOWN		
	13 N. CEDAR STREET		
MARGARET M. KENNEDY	1702 W. PACIFIC, APT. #2 99204	25134.4521	
SAME			
	1410 W. WILSON AVENUE		
JOSEPH D. & KRISTI A. HARWOOD	9908 N. WOODRIDGE DR., 99208	25134.4524	
SAME			
	1406 W. WILSON AVENUE		
MEYLMAN PROPERTIES	3620 W. WEST DRIVE	25134.4612 35183.2214 35183.2215	
SAME			
	18 N. CEDAR STREET		
MARRY RICHARD SCHEID	12 N. CEDAR ST., 99201	25134.4613	
SAME			

TAXPAYER, OWNER, OCCUPANT	ADDRESSES	LOT	BLOCK
WELLS & CO. RENOVATION PARTNERS	911 E. 20TH AVE., 99203	35192.0101	
OSAME		35192.0102	
C:	5 S. CEDAR STREET		
MORRIS B. LITTLE	1312 W. 1ST AVE., 99204	35192.0103	
C S JOLLEY	SAME	35192.0104	
C: G: RAINIER NATIONAL BANK	1318 W. SPRAGUE AVENUE P.O. BOX 366, 99210-0366		
RONALD R. & JULIE W. WELLS	911 E. 20TH AVE., 99203	35192.1401	
) SAME		35192.1402	
CC:	1319 W. 1ST AVENUE 1313 W. 1ST AVENUE		
K & B INVESTMENTS	1303 W. 1ST AVE., 99204	35192.1403	
) SAME			
CC:	1307 W. 1ST AVENUE		
BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD	304 INVERNESS WAY S, #290 ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	35192.5317S	
THOMAS L. PERKO C/O PROP. TAX DEPT	777 MAIN ST., #2680 FORT WORTH, TX 76102	35192.5318T	