

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
 CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 59 SOUTH PROSPECT STREET, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Town No.: _____ Site No.: _____

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QUAD: _____

DISTRICT IF NR. SPECIFY

S NR Actual Potential

Whitney Avenue 222-375-2

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME (Common) _____ (Historic) _____

2. TOWN/CITY _____ VILLAGE _____ COUNTY _____

3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) _____

4. OWNER(S) _____ Public Private

5. USE (Present) _____ (Historic) _____

6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE IF YES, EXPLAIN

Yes No Yes No Business hours

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING _____ DATE OF CONSTRUCTION _____

8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)

Clapboard Asbestos Siding Brick Other (Specify) _____

Wood Shingle Asphalt Siding Fieldstone

Board & Batten Stucco Cobblestone

Aluminum Siding Concrete Type: _____ Cut stone Type: limestone, marble

9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

Wood frame Post and beam balloon

Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel

Other (Specify) _____

10. ROOF (Type)

Gable Flat Mansard Monitor sawtooth

Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other (Specify) _____

(Material)

Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate

Asphalt shingle Built up Tile Other (Specify) _____

11. NUMBER OF STORIES _____ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS _____

3 140' X 140'

12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

13. INTEGRITY (Location) WHEN? (Alterations) IF YES, EXPLAIN

On original site Moved _____ Yes No

14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES

Barn Shed Garage Other landscape features or buildings (Specify) Asphalt parking lot on south side.

Carriage house Shop Garden

15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

Open land Wood-land Residential Scattered buildings visible from site

Commercial Indus-trial Rural High building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

Located in a mixed-use area. Adjacent and connected to 175 Whitney, a Colonial Revival building, to the north. Looks out onto the John North House, 150 Whitney Avenue, and the Peabody Museum.

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIPTION (Continued)

Symmetrical, rectangular building with a 12 bay facade in the Modernistic style. Standard features include the rectangular projections composed symmetrically around the entrance and the use of 2 different types of stone, limestone and marble, to create a polychromatic effect on the otherwise plain facade.

Two sets of doors, both plate glass and metal are set in a stepped marble centerpiece. A grouping of 3 figures is in relief above the doors.

Windows are of 6 rectangular panes. Square metal panels above 2nd and 3rd story windows. Windows and panels have wrap-around marble trim, forming "columns."

18 ARCHITECT

Douglas Orr

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Architectural Douglas Orr (1892-1966) was a highly respected Connecticut architect who designed many buildings in the Modernistic and Modern styles. His offices were located in New Haven. Among the several New Haven buildings he designed are the New Haven Lawn Club (193 Whitney) and the First Church of Christ Scientist (691 Whitney).

Background: Together with 175 Whitney, purchased by Yale in 1905 from the Security Insurance Co. of New Haven. Now used by Yale Alumni Fund, and provides office for the Assoc. Comptroller, the Assist. Treasurer, the Administrative Data Systems Computer, the Campaign for Yale, and the University Department of Personnel.

SOURCES

1950, 1956 (Sanborn) maps.

Yale, p.39.

Journal of the New Haven Colony Historical Society, Douglas W. Orr F.A.I.A. Exhibition, September, 1980.

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS



21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

- None known
 Highways
 Vandalism
 Developers
 Other _____
 Renewal
 Private
 Deterioration
 Zoning
 Explosion _____