



Application for Naming a Public Facility or Property

Please follow the instructions below when submitting an application for naming a facility or property.

- 1. Complete the application by providing detailed information about the proposed park name. Please include supplemental information such as articles, letters of support and signature list with the application.
- 2. City of Austin Parks & Recreation Department must receive the application within the 90 day public comment period in order for the application to be considered.
- 3. Send all submittals to: Austin Parks and Recreation Department, Attn: April Thedford, 919 W. 28 ½ Street, Austin, TX 78705; (512) 974-9408; april thedford@austintexas.gov.

Proposed Name for the Facility or Property: Charles Page Zilker Park Clubhouse

If proposing the name of an individual, include a biographical description of nominee:

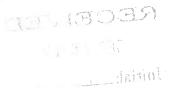
Charles H. Page was the principal of Page Brothers architects who practiced architecture in Austin from 1892-1957. During his time of practice, he designed courthouses, schools, rsidences, municipal and commercial buildings. Some of the notable Austin buildings he designed include the Littlefield Building, Travis County Courthouse, U.S. Federal Courthouse, and Brown Building.

Describe the individual's involvement in the Austin community:

Charles H. Page was active on the Parks and Recreation Board from 1934-1942. He served as Vice President of Construction of Zilker Park and later as President. He also served as president of the American Institute of Architects, Austin in 1932, was appointed Chairman of the Travis County Relief Board and helped to "beautify" Rosewood Park in 1934, and served on the board of the Lions Club.

Describe the individual's connection to the facility or property, if any:

Charles H. Page desinged the Zilker Boy Scouts House, now known as the Zilker Clubhouse, while serving as V.P. of the PARD Board in 1934. Page oversaw the design of several other objects and structures in Zilker Park, including but not liminted to: the Girl Scouts Hut, the Gateway Structure, the Mirror Ponds, and the Ashford/McGill Rectory.



Charles S. Page 1911 Palo Duro Road, Austin, TX 78757 512-470-5143

Date: 9/28/14

To:

April Thedford

City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department

Subject:

Zilker Park Clubhouse Naming

Dear April:

Thank you for the opportunity to recognize my great-grandfather Charles Page's contributions to the Austin Parks and Recreation Department with the naming of the Zilker Park Clubhouse.

I have included several supporting documents for this submittal:

- Application for the Naming of Zilker Park Clubhouse
- Letter of support from AIA, Austin
- Austin Statesman clippings from the Charles Henry Page collection at the Austin History
 Center. The articles exhibit Page's direct involvement in securing funding through the
 Federal WPA and CCC programs for the design and construction of Zilker Park. Page
 was the Vice President of Construction in 1934 and later president of the Austin Parks
 and Recreation Board. He also served as president of the American Institute of
 Architects, Austin in 1932 and was appointed Chairman of the Travis County Relief
 Board in 1934.
- C. H. Page Architect 2014 Calendar Parks and Recreation Austin, Texas. Enclosed are images from the calendar, exemplifying Charles Page's contributions to Parks and Recreation in Austin.
- Profile of Charles Page & Son featured in the 1952 Central Texas Business and Professional Directory

The Page family appreciates your consideration in the naming of the Zilker Park Clubhouse. Thanks to Charles Page's progressive vision and ability, he was able to provide structure and recreational programming for the citizens of Austin. Zilker Park was very important to Page in that respect, and we would be honored to have his name attached to the Zilker Park Clubhouse.

References and additional information are available upon request.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Page

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Name of requester: _	Charles S. Page		
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March 15, 2006

Mr. Charles S. Page 1106 West 6th Street Suite 206 Austin, TX 78703

Ref: Renaming of a City Facility for C.H. Page Sr.

Dear Mr. Page,

It is my pleasure to let you know that on Tuesday, March 7, 2006, the Executive Committee of AIA Austin voted unanimously to endorse the renaming of a City Facility for C.H. Page Sr.

Mr. Page served AIA Austin as president in 1932 and continued serving the profession until his death in 1957.

I understand that much of the work he did for the City was done on a pro-bono basis. His projects included the Travis County Courthouse, State Capitol Repairs, Old City Hall (1906), 300 school buildings in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana, county courthouses in Texas and a number of national registered historic buildings.

C.H. Page Sr. was truly a gift to both the City of Austin and to the profession of architecture.

Sincerely,

Lauren Goldberg, AIA President 503 W. 38th Street Austin, TX 78705 512,452,4332 FAX 512,452,2284 www.alaaustin.org

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BIOGRAPHY-HAGO

Chas. H. Page Architect

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Page Architect For Building

Long-Time Experience In City of Austin

Whenever architecture or city beautification is mentioned, the name of Charles H. Page, Austin architect, is associated with these

Mr. rage, whose ufficer are located on the second floor of the Gracu building on West Seventh street, has been practicing architecture in Austin for the last 35 years, and has drawn plans for buildings all over the state during that time, He is a member of the American Institute of Architects.

When the plans for the American-Statesman building at Colurado and Seventh street were started, the owners of that building stepped across the street from the site of the new building and laid their plans before Mr. Page. The result was the design of the most beautiful and modern newspaper plants in Texas.

Courthouse Designer When the Travis county commissioners court about 1929 decided to construct the million dollar courtconstruct the minion colar court-house at 10th and Guadalupe streets, it called on Mr. Page to design the structure, Mr. Page also designed the beautiful new Austin-National Bank building on Con-gress avenue. The city council availed itself of the services of Mr. Page in employing him to design the beautiful new municipal market completed a year ago at Seventh and East avenue, and also the new nurses home at Brackenridge hospital which was recently completed.

contracts outstanding Other which Mr. Page has supervised as architect include the Potter county courthouse at Amarillo, the auditorium and city hall at Sweetwater, the subterranean vaults for the treasury department at the state capitol building and dormi-tories at the Austin state school.

Buildings under construction for which Mr. Page drew the plans are the mechanical building at the Texas School for the Deaf, the United States courthouse at Eighth and Colorado streets, and reflooring hells, corridors, vestibules and the rotunda on the first floor of the Texas capitol building.

Mr. Page is now designing plans for the new bus terminal in Ausand for the new Charles H

Marsh office building on West Seventh street west of the new American-Statesman building.

Work in Zilker Park

During his residence here, Mr. Page has consistently been associ-ated with all of the leading civic interests here. His desire to help build a more beautiful city result-ed in his appointment as a memed in his appointment as a mem-her of the city park and recreation board. When Zilker park was being developed from a. wilderness by the city, Mr. Page offered his services free to aid in the CWA and CCC programs for its trans-formation into a park for the cit-zenship of Austin. He supervised the construction of the girl and the construction of the girl and boy scout houses, the new skeet field, rock gardens, and the gen-eral plan of beautifying this 300acre park.
Mr. Page also is an active mem-

ber of the Austin Lions club and of the Chamber of Commerce, serving that body for a time as di-

rector.
Mr. Page numbers among his hobbies the growing of flowers and is particularly proud of the huge pansies and giant dahlias which are in his gardens at his home, 708 West 24th street. He also raises tropical fish.

For diversion from his business, Mr. Page goes hunting with deer. mr. rage goes nunting with deer, turkey and ducks as his favorite game and salt water fishing for tarpon, king and other fish.

Office Associates

When Mr. Page is absent from the city. E. Niggli, chief drafts

man, handles the problems of the customers. Mr. Niggli has been associated with Mr. Page for the last 16 years and he is now serving as superintendent for the construction of the New American-Statesman

building. Bubi Jessen, designer of the new American-Statesman building, is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a master of architecture degree after receiving a bachelor of science in architecture degree at the University of Texas. Mr Jessen recently won iffirst prize of \$1000 in the Portland Cement association cement house design competition. This house is now under construction on now under construction on the Texas Centennial exposition grounds at Dallas, Mr. Jessen won the American Institute of Archi-tecture medal in 1928 and has won numerous Beaux Arts medals for his problems.

C. H. Page Jr., son of Mr. Page, ts a bachelor of arts in architecture at the University of Texas, a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lions club and Bache-

lors' club. Others associated with the Page architectural firm are: W. E. Simpson of San Antonio, structural engineer; R. F. Taylor of Dallas, mechanical engineer; J. N. Converse, draftsman; and Mrs. Frances Davis, stenographer and bookeeper.

Charles Page On Relief Board Dr. Gettys Resignation Is Accepted by County

Appointment of Charles H. Page as a member of the Travis county relief and welfare board by the commissioners court Saturday was approved by Adam R. Johnson, state director, Saturday afternoon.

A meeting of the Travis county board will be held probably Tuesday to pick a chairman to succeed Dr. W. E. Gettys, University of Texas professor of sociology, who resigned as chairman and member several days ago. Mr. Page was named to succeed Dr. Gettys.

A meeting of the board was held Friday night to discuss administrative matters. Mr. Taylor presided as acting chairman. Dr. Gettys attended and turned over all records of the board.

Mr. Page was nominated for the post by Commr. Warren S. Freund. County Judge Roy C. Archer said Mr. Page was selected because of his work in Zilker park on projects under the RFC, CWA and FERA.

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"We learned that Mr. Page had the time to devote to this work and we know that he is interested in relief and welfare work. His work at Zilker park was sufficient recommendation for his appointment," Judge Archer said.

The commissioners' court Saturday also accepted the resignation of Dr. Gettys and sent him a letter thanking him for his do-operation, courtesy and hard work.

Mr. Page, the new board member, is a member of the city parks and recreation board, and is head of the construction division.

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Charles H. Page
Is Named Relief
Board Chairman

New Member Succeeds
Dr. Gettys in Travis
County Post

The Travis county selief board Thursday elected Charles H. Page. Austin architect, and newlyappointed member of the board, as its chairman.

Mr. Page succeeded Dr. W. E. Gettys, resigned chairman. He was named on the relief board as Dr. Gettys' successor by the commissioners' court. By unanimous vote of his colleagues Thursday, he was made the new chairman.

Mr. Page was engaged during the day Thursday as chairman of an Austin Chamber of Commerce committee, in conferences looking to the retention in Austin of the state relief administration headquerters. Q. C. Taylor, secretary-member of the county relief board, announced Mr. Page's eelection, and his acceptance of the post, as county relief chairman.

No other changes in the county relief set-up have been made. Other members of the board are Mr. Taylor, L. J. Schneider, W. W. Carson and Emmett Shelton.

Resolutions were adopted, expressing regret at Dr. Gettys' resignation, and praising his loyal, devoted, unselfish service in the relief work. Copies of the resolution were sent Dr. Gettys and Pres. H. Y. Benedict of the University of Texas.

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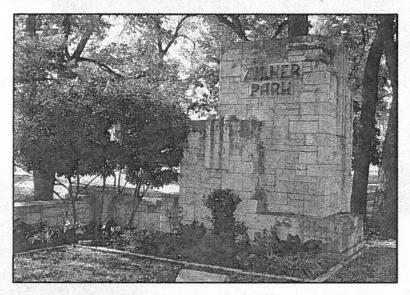
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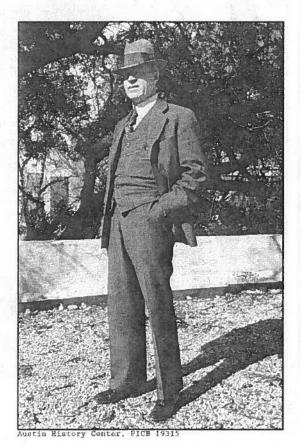
2014 Calendar

Parks & Recreation Austin, Texas



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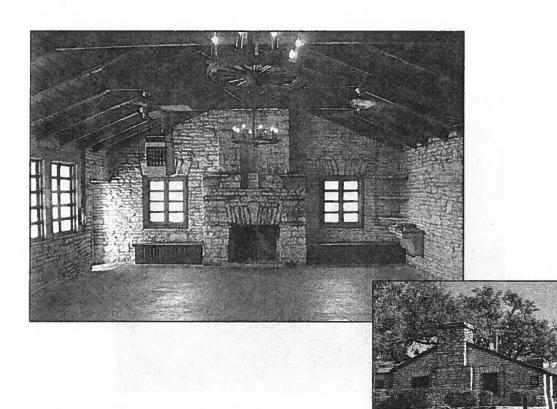
Austin American Statesman July 29, 1937



PAGE, CHARLES HENRY (1876-1957).

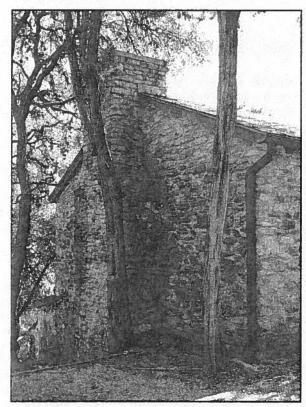
Charles H. Page, architect, was born in 1876 in St. Louis Missouri, to where his parents, Charles Henry and Mary Ann Page, had immigrated from England. His father was a mason and contractor. The family moved to Austin. Texas, in 1886; Page's father worked on the construction of the Capitol. Page was trained in architecture in the office of the local builder-architect Burt McDonald and began practice at the age of nineteen in the firm of Makin and Page. He was in independent practice as C.H. Page, Jr., in 1898 but was soon joined by his brother Louis. His first major commission was for the first Austin National Bank building on Congress Avenue. In 1903 he received the commission for the Texas Building at the St. Louis World's Fair. During his more than sixty years of practice Page's firm grew substantially in size and prestige and designed hundreds of schools and courthouses. Among his varied works of interest is the art deco Travis County Courthouse (1930-1936) in Austin. Page died in Austin on October 5, 1957, leaving his firm, C.H. Page and Son, to Charles Henry Page,

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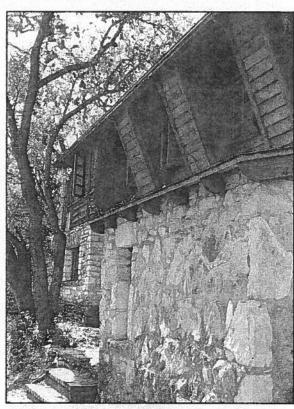


ZILKER PARK CLUBHOUSE Austin, Texas C.H. Page, 1934 Photographs Existing

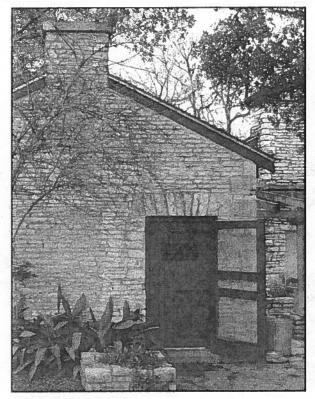
Constructed by the Civil Works Administration (CWA), the Boy Scouts Hut exhibits great handcrafted details including ornamental iron work, lanterns, hinges and doorhandles. Other notable features are the massive stone chimney and wagon wheel chandelier. Today, the Zilker Clubhouse is a popular venue for special events.

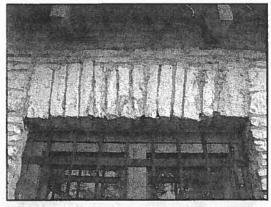


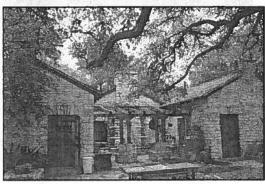
ZILKER PARK GIRL SCOUTS HUT Austin, Texas C.H. Page, 1934 Photographs Existing



Located on Columbus Road in Page Park, the Girl Scouts But was constructed by the Civil Works Administration (CWA). The southern elevation overlooks the Barton Creek Greenbelt. The cabin is an excellent example of parks and recreation architecture during the Depression.

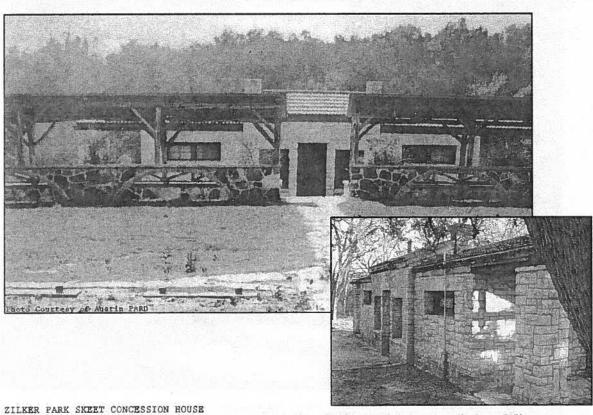






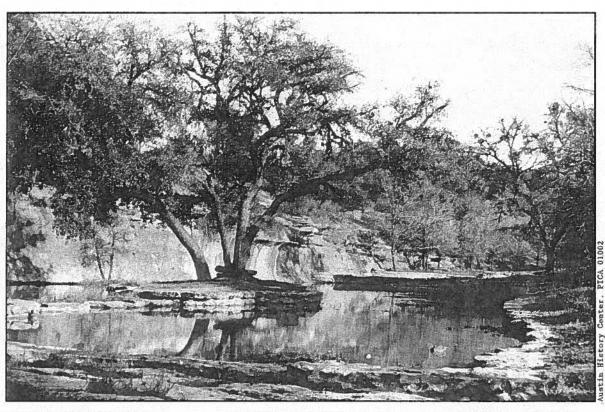
ZILKER PARK REFECTORY ASHFORD McGIILL HOUSE Austin, Texas C.H. Page, 1934 Photograph Existing

Located at 2389 Stratford Drive, the Zilker Park Refectory was originally the 1870s Ashford McGill homestead. The limestone home fell into disrepair, and in 1934 C.H. Page, with the help of the Civil Works Administration (CWA) restored the home and built an addition. Today it is used as a pre-school.

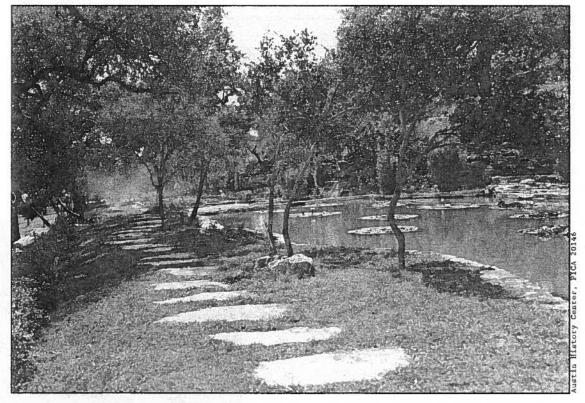


ZILKER PARK SKEET CONCESSION HOUSE Austin, Texas C.H. Page, 1934 Historic and Existing Photographs Existing

Located on Rollingwood Drive just before Zilker Clubhouse Drive, the Zilker Skeet Range, was constructed for bird hunting enthusiasts to practice on skeets. The range is currently abandoned and needs lead abatement.



ZILKER PARK MIRROR PONDS Austin, Texas C.H. Page, 1934 Historic Photograph Existing The Zilker Park Mirror Ponds are located on Eanes Creek below the Austin Nature Center service road. The Mirror Ponds were built by the Civil Works Administration (CWA) as part of the beautification of Zilker Park. Two rock dams and a water line were installed to fill a portion of the dry creek.

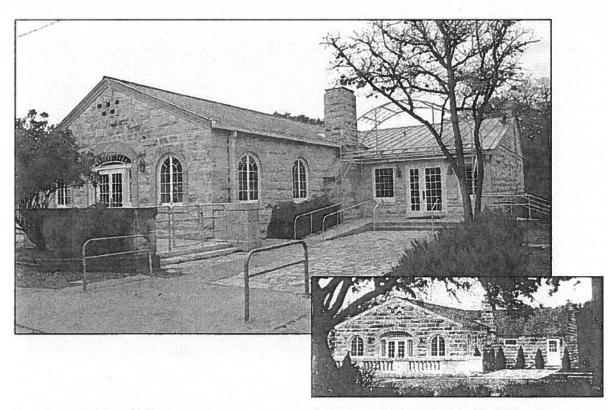


ZILKER PARK ROCK GARDEN Austin, Texas C.H. Page. 1934 Historic Photograph Existing in Disrepair The Zilker Rock Garden ponds are located on the bluff north of Barton Springs Pool dam. The "Charlie Page Rock Garden" is a fine example of Depression Era landscape architecture. The Civilian Works Administration (CWA) constructed footpaths, stone steps and two ponds containing lilies, turtles and goldfish.



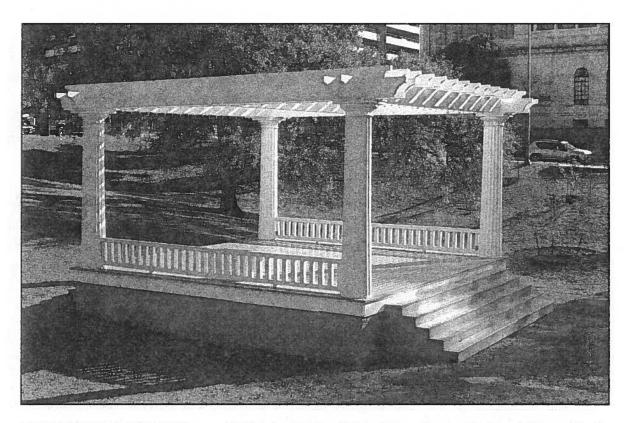
LIONS MUNICIPAL CLUBHOUSE Austin. Texas Page Brothers, 1930 Rendering Existing

Located at 2901 Enfield Road, the Colonial Revival Lions Municipal Clubhouse was built at a cost of \$10,000. In 1951 Lions became the first desegregated golf course in the Southern States of the Old Confederacy. The clubhouse and golf course are in danger of being redeveloped by the University of Texas.

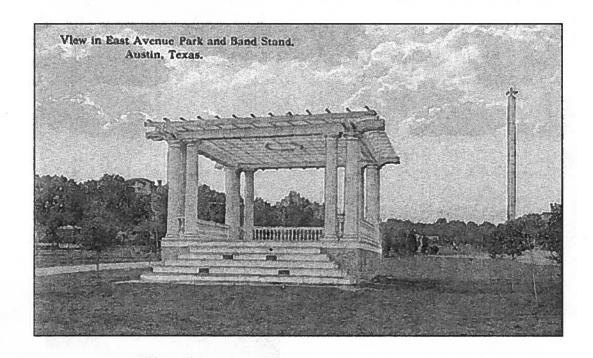


HANCOCK RECREATION CENTER (Formerly Austin Country Club House) Austin, Texas Page Brothers, 1934 Existing and Historic Photographs Existing

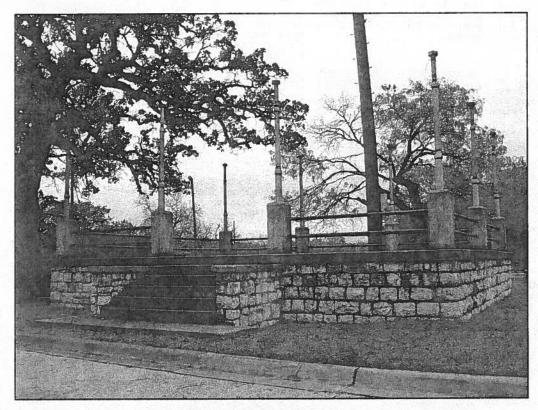
The Hancock Recreation Center, 811 E. 41st Street, designed in a Colonial Revival style, is actually the 3rd Austin Country Club House. It replaced the previous one that was destroyed by a fire. The large cut limestones were reused from the University of Texas' Old Main Building.



WOOLDRIDGE SQUARE BAND STAND Austin, Texas C.H. Page & Bro., 1909 Photograph Existing Wooldridge Square, 900 Guadalupe Street, is one of four original Austin Squares, and was donated by former Austin Mayor A.P Wooldridge. The band stand was the site for several historic political events and became landmarked in 1975. In 2013 several improvements were made to the park followed by a grand reopening.

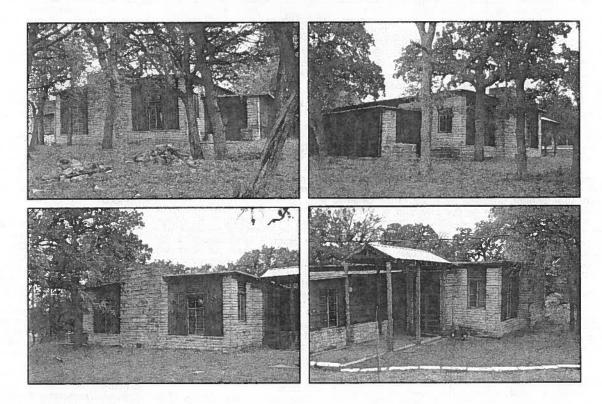


EAST AVENUE PARK & BAND STAND Austin, Texas C.H. Page & A.O. Watson, 1915 Historic Postcard Razed The band stand is attributed to an organization of Austin architects lead by President A.O. Watson, First V.P. C.H. Page, 2nd. V.P. L.N. Iredell. They were responsible for the beautification of East Avenue Park. The park was demolished in the 1970s to make room for the IH 35 expansion and development of Disch-Faulk Field.



ROSEWOOD PARK BAND STAND Austin, Texas Attributed to C.H. Page, 1934 Photograph Existing

As Chairman of the Construction & Maintenance Division of the Austin Parks & Recreation Board, C.H. Page oversaw the improvements of Rosewood Park, 2300 Rosewood Avenue. The band stand and limestone landscaping throughout the park are attributed to C.H. Page.



CAMP TEXLAKE STARCKE LODGE Spicewood, Texas Paul Pressler & C.H. Page, 1949 Photographs Existing

Starcke Lodge is located at 5700 Pace Bend Park Road on 250 acres. The dining and recreational hall are constructed of Austin field stone and cedar wood costing \$35,000. Funds for the development of the camp came from the Texas Colorado Lakes Area Camp Committee.

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WOLF E. JESSEN, Partner, Jesen Jessen Millhouse and Greevin, Austin. A 1936 graduate of he University of Texas' School Architecture, Mr. Jessen enered private practice the followng year as a partner in the orig-

nai lessen architectural firm. Since that time, he and his brother. Bubi, have been joined by Mssrs. Charles A. Millhouse and Alion E. Greeven Among the buildings designed by this firm are the Juann Linn School of Victoria, Texas, and the Alpha Chi Omega sorority house and South Austin High School in Austin.

CHARLES A. MILLHOUSE, Partner, Jessen Jessen Millhouse and Greeven, Austin Mr. Millhouse became a partner in this Austin architectural firm shortly after the end of World War II, during which time he was employed by the U.S. Engineers, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, 8th Corps Area. While connected with the Engineers, he worked on the planning of major installations built by the Army throughout Texas:

A student of architecture and Cesign, Mr. Millhouse received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Architecture from the University of Texas in 1929. He returned to the University the next year as en instructor, holding this position for three years while doing grad-

uate work in architecture. In 1934, Mr. Millhouse was appointed Group Chief in the Office on the Supervising Architect, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. During his four years in Washington, he received valuable experience in the planning and design of large public buildings, Post Offices, Custom Houses and Federal projects throughout the United States and its posses-

Mr. Millhouse returned to Texas in December, 1937 and engaged in private practice until joining the Engineers in March, 1942.

Mr. Millhouse is a native of Austin and received his early education in the local schools.

He was married in Washington, D. C., on Dec. 15, 1934, to Some Wortham Roberts of Mayfield, Ky.

#A member of the American Instrute of Architects, Mr. Millhouse nas served as president of the Central Texas Chapter: He is a charter member of Texas Society of Architects and a registered architect in this state.

ALTON E. GREEVEN, Partner, essen Jessen Millhouse and Greeven, Austin, With many years of experience in architecpare and construction work, espezally in connection with schools.

A registered architect in the as and the Gymnasium at Rice tate of Texas, Mr. Jessen is a Institute. They also furnished plans for the local carpenter's hall. Von Boeckmann-Jones Comliated with the American Insti- pany and Santa Rita Housing project.



JOHN LINN SCOTT. Architect, is sole owner of John Linn Scott and Associates, Architects and Engineers, located at 406 West 17 Street, Austin, Texas. Mr. Scott has been in business for himself since 1939.

Mr. Scott and his firm specialize in institutional architecture primarily: schools, hospitais, of-fice buildings, military installations, and other government work. Recently the firm has built the following: HOSPITALS in Livingston, Corrigan, Hempstead, Karnes City, Sterling City, and San Saba; SCHOOLS in Hemphill, San Saba, Belton, San Angelo, Holland, and Rosebud; OTHERS includes the four-story office buildings in Austin housing the Austin Savings and Loan Association, the State Health Department Building, and numerous health centers throughout the State built under Federal grant. Currently, Mr. Scott is engaged in army and air force construc-tion, in the planning of hotels for Austin and Victoria, in the construction of public housing projects in Luling and Hearne, and in the planning of two cooperative housing projects to be in Killeen and West Columbia.

Mr. Scott is a graduate of the University of Texas School of Architecture. His schooling prior to the University was in the various towns in Texas where his father, John M. Scott, served as superintendent of schools. He was graduated from Buffalo High School:

Mr. Scott served in the Amphibious Forces of the Navy during World War II; and aboard an LST on deck and engineering duty, the participated in the first wave of landings on D Day in Normandy Mr. Scott, while in the Mayy, received reserve officers iraining at the Marine Engineering School, U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. He was sepa-

Mr. Greeven joined this Austin my at Annarolis. He was separated from the Navy as a Lieutenau the Annay the projectly designed by Japan Jensen Milhouse and was married to jear Smith Electron are the journalism was married to jear Smith Electron are the journalism and described a factor.

C. H. PAGE AND SON

One of the oldest architectural firms in Texas, C. H. Page and Son was established by the senior Page in Austin in 1898.
Mr. Page's son, C. H., Jr., joined the firm as a partner in 1936.

Designing buildings of types and supervising their construction, the firm handles work all over the state and its surrounding area. At the present, C. H. Page and Son are working on numerous government buildings and private projects.

Hospitals designed by firm are the \$8,500,000 John Sealy Hospital in Galveston; the Driscoll Foundation Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi; and the 150-bed hospital at Albuquerque, N. M.

The firm handled the remodeling of the State Capital in 1942 Other buildings in Austin designed by this firm include the Federal Building, Brown Building and Littlelield Building.



C. H. PAGE, SR., Partner, C. H. Page and Son, Austin. In 1898, Mr. Page established his architectural firm in Austin. One of the oldest firms of its type in Texas, C. H. Page and Son handles jobs for all of Texas and its surrounding states. Mr. Page is now associated with his son, C. H. Page,

The son of a contractor, Mr. Page first worked with his father in the construction business. He then entered an architectural ofexperience in different architectural offices.

He was born in St. Louis, Mo., on May 21, 1876, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Page, The Page faimly moved to Austinain 1888 and Mr. Page attended the local schools. On Dec. 9, 1908, he was married to Miriam Maas of Austin. Their one son is C. H. Page. Ir., who is a partner in his father's iirm.

President of the Austin Concrete Works, Mr. Page served as the first chairman of the Architectural Examining Board of Texas. He is also associated with the American Institute of Architects and the American and Texas So-cieties of Professional Engineers Mr. Page enjoys the outdoors ris receives unduce sisting and hunting and raising Nowers



C. H. PAGE, JR., Partner, C. H. Page and Son, Austin. Mr. Page became associated with his lainer in the architectural business in 1936. Previous to joining this firm ne had worked for the Federal government.

Born in Austin on July 4, 1910, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Page, Sr. His father had founded the Page architectural firm in 1893. Receiving his early education in the Austin pub-lic schools and Kemper Military Institute, Mr. Page received his B.A. degree from the University of Texas in 1932. He had one year of graduate study.

Mr. Page was married in Austin in 1936 to Marjorie Sutton. They have three children: Miriam Ann, Charles H. III, and Sutton Gibbs.

He is vice-president of the Austin Concrete Works and is on the Board of Directors of the Child Welfare Service, Mr. Page is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Ben Hur Shrine. He is also affiliated with the Austin Club, Austin Country Club, Austin Engineers and Associates Club, the Chamber of Commerce and Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Professionally, Mr. Page is associated with the Texas Society of Registered Architects and the Texas Society for Professional Engineers. He is also a member of the American Institute of Architects.

KUEHNE, BROOKS AND BARR

The architects-engineers firm fice and travelled all over the of Kuehne, Brooks and Barr was United States to work and gain organized in 1951 as successors to Giesecke, Kuehne and Brooks, which was formed in October, 1942, when Bertram E. Giesecke, Hugo Franz Kuehne and R. Max Brooks united their individual architectural and engineering offices. Howard R. Barr, who had been with the firm since 1946, became a patrner following the death of Mr. Giesecke in 1951. The partners established their organization in order to offer the client a full architectural-engineering service backed up by the technical knowledge acquired through years of training and experience, and it is this type of service which they offer today.

Mr. Brooks was granted a leave of absence in October, 1943, to enter service in the U.S. Navy. He resumed his duties with the firm in February, 1946.