

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
 PERMITS IN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICTS
 NOVEMBER 16, 2020
 GF-2020-163127
 910 EAST 14TH STREET
 SWEDISH HILL NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT

PROPOSAL

Construct a two-story rear addition to a one-story contributing house.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

- 1) Demolish existing shed.
- 2) Construct a two-story addition, enclosing the existing rear walls of the house with a flat-roofed connector. The connecting hallway features a fixed glass curtainwall and membrane roof. It is clad in stucco, with a gabled roof of standing-seam metal. Its aluminum-clad fixed and undivided windows are irregularly placed, with both horizontal and vertical orientations.
- 3) Construct a pool.
- 4) Construct a board-form concrete wall around site.

RESEARCH

The house at 910 E. 14th Street was constructed around 1891 by carpenter John Johnson. Johnson lived in the home with his wife Mary until his death in 1902. The Johnsons rented part of the house to the Lundghren family, who purchased the home in 1905.

Charles Lundghren was a bookbinder, working for several local firms until opening Lundghren and Pannell Bookbinders on Congress Avenue in 1906. His brother Eric Lundghren, a plumber, and sisters Emma and Julia also lived at 910 E. 14th Street.

By 1910, the Lundghrens had sold the house to Edgar F. and Carrie Watt. They shared the home with daughters Elizabeth J. and Leona G., who worked as medical attendants, and son Robert A., a student. Edgar F. Watt worked as a ranchman.

From 1922 until at least the 1970s, the Hansson family owned 910 E. 14th Street. Hans Hilding Hansson, a baker, came to the United States in 1914 and served in World War I. An active Freemason, Hansson worked as the baker and chef for the Scottish Rite Dormitory for around twenty years. Clara Free Hansson, his wife, was born in Hutto and worked as a clerk and typist at the Varsity Cafeteria for the University of Texas Food Service Division.

STANDARDS FOR REVIEW

The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation are used to evaluate new construction projects in National Register historic districts. Applicable standards include:

2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.

The proposed plans include enclosure of the existing rear wall so that no historic fabric is removed.

9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.

The proposed addition is differentiated from the historic house by its two-story height, steep front-gabled roofline with shallow eaves, offset massing behind the connecting hallway, stucco cladding, irregular fixed-pane fenestration, and metal roof material.

The addition's placement toward the rear of the lot and its proposed location behind a flat-roofed, single-story connector enhances its compatibility with the historic home; however, its proposed roofing, cladding, scale, and fenestration pattern are less compatible.

10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

If the proposed addition were removed in the future, the historic home would remain intact.

The proposed project somewhat meets the applicable standards.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house contributes to the Swedish Hill National Register Historic District.

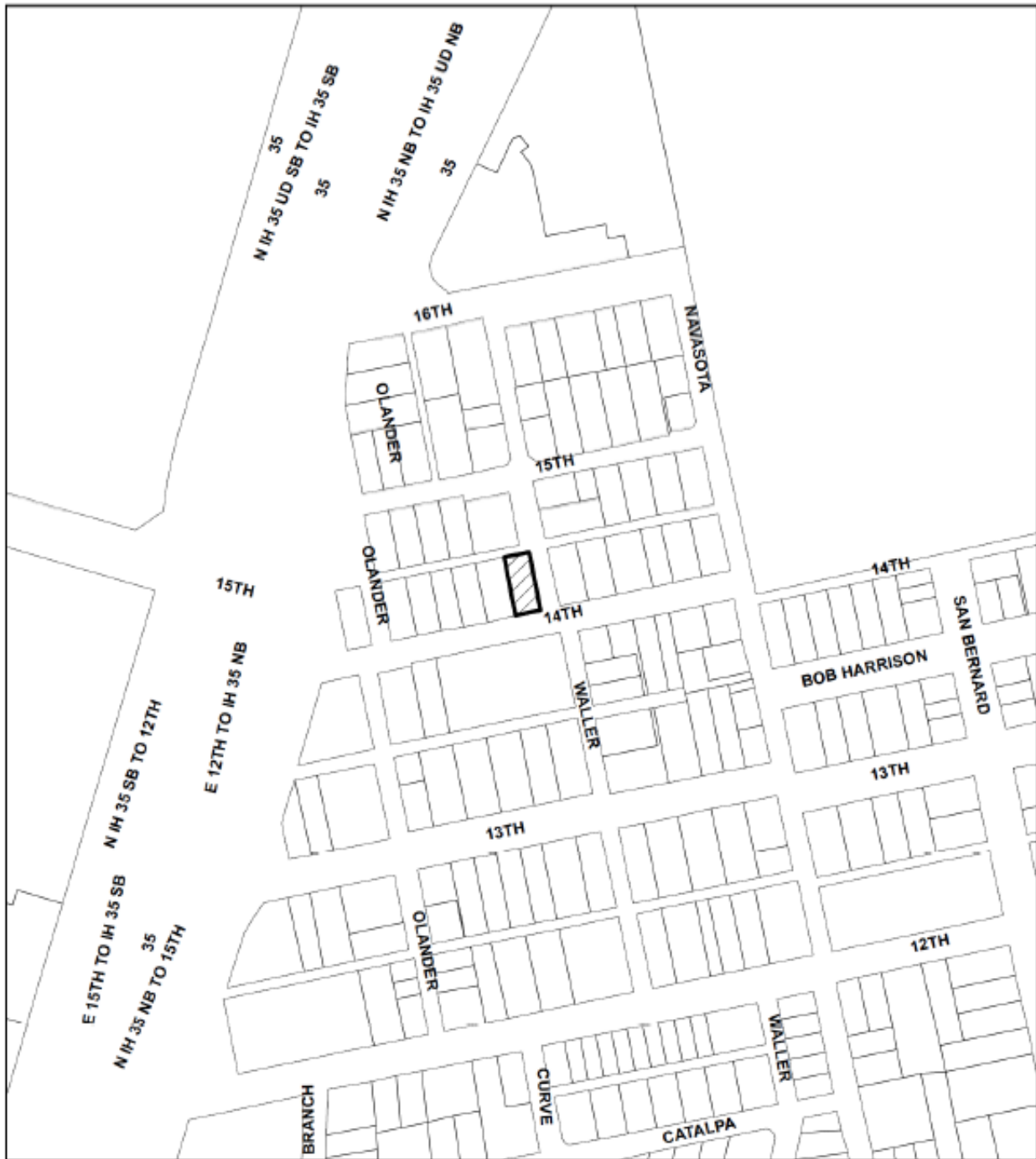
Designation Criteria—Historic Landmark

- 1) The building is more than 50 years old.
- 2) The building appears to retain high integrity.
- 3) Properties must meet two historic designation criteria for landmark designation (LDC §25-2-352):
 - a. *Architecture.* The building is constructed in the Folk Victorian style.
 - b. *Historical association.* The building is associated with the Lundghren and Hansson families, long-term residents whose Swedish heritage is representative of demographic trends and lifeways in the neighborhood.
 - c. *Archaeology.* The building was not evaluated for its potential to yield significant data concerning the human history or prehistory of the region.
 - d. *Community value.* The building does not possess a unique location, physical characteristic, or significant feature that contributes to the character, image, or cultural identity of the city, the neighborhood, or a demographic group.
 - e. *Landscape feature.* The property is not a significant natural or designed landscape with artistic, aesthetic, cultural, or historical value to the city.




STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Comment on and release the plans, recommending a lower roof pitch closer to that of the house, more substantial roof overhang, and more regular window placement on street-facing elevations. Alternately, refer to the Architectural Review Committee and postpone to the December Historic Landmark Commission meeting.

LOCATION MAP



1" = 250'

-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: GF 20-163127
LOCATION: 910 E 14TH STREET

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PROPERTY INFORMATION

Photos



Source: City Historic Preservation Office, 2020



Source: [Realtor.com](https://www.realtor.com), 2018

Occupancy History

City Directory Research, 2020

Note: Post-1959 directory research is unavailable due to facility closure.

1959	Hans Hilding Hansson, owner
1957	H. Hilding and Clara Free Hansson, owners Baker, St. Edwards University
1955	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker, St. Edwards University
1952	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker, St. Edwards University
1949	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker
1947	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory
1944-45	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker Harry H. Hansson, renter Helper, 7 Up Building Co. Corrine Hansson, renter Student at University of Texas
1941	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker-chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory Corrine Hansson, renter Student, University of Texas
1939	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker
1937	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker-chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory
1935	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker-chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory
1932	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker-chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory
1929	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker-chef, Scottish Rite Dormitory
1927	Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Chef
1924	a. Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Baker b. Carl and Eula Seth, renters Clerk, Fromme Co.
1922	a. Hans H. and Clara Hansson, owners Head baker, Bon Ton Bakery b. Wesley and Agnes Johnson, renters Carpenter
1920	Andrew B. and Ellen Landrum Deputy collector, US Internal Revenue Service

1918 Edgar F. and Carrie F. Watt, owners
Stockman

Jennie Watt, renter
Attendant, Dr. R. V. Murray

Leona G. Watt, renter
Operator, Southwest Telephone and Telegraph

1916 Edgar F. Watt, owner
Stockman

Jennie Watt, renter
Attendant, Dr. R. V. Murray

Leona G. Watt, renter
Operator, Southwest Telephone and Telegraph

Robert A. Watt, renter
Student

1914 Edgar F. Watt
Ranchman

Elizabeth J. Watt
Office assistant, Dr. R. V. Murray

Leona Watt
Attendant, Dr S. S. Shackelford

Robert A. Watt

1912 Edgar F. Watt, owner
Ranchman

Leona G. Watt, renter
Operator, Southwest Telephone and Telegraph

1910 Edgar F. Watt, owner
Ranchman

1906 Charles L. Lundghren, owner
Proprietor, Lundghren and Pannell Bookbinders, 915 Congress Ave.

Eric Lundghren, renter
Plumber, George Brush

J. E. Lundghren
Plumber

Walter Lundell, renter
Student, Draughon's Business College

1905 Mrs. Mary Johnson (wid. J. J.)

Charles P. Lundghren
Bookbinder, State Printing Co.

Eric Lundghren
Plumber

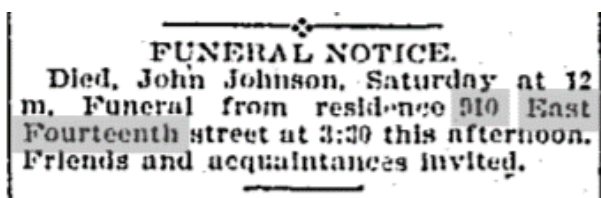
1903 Mary Johnson (Wid. John)

Charles A. Lundghren
Bookbinder, Morgan-Prescott Co.

Eric Lundghren

- Plumber, W. A. Burke
- Julia Lundghren
- 1895 John Johnson, owner
Carpenter
- Charles Lundghren, renter
Bookbinder, Ben C. Jones & Co.
- Emma Lundhgren, renter
- Eric Lundghren, renter
Farmer
- Julia Lundghren, renter
- Charles Newberg, renter
Plumber, F. Raven
- 1893 John Johnson
Carpenter
- Charles Lundghren, renter
Bookbinder
- Emma Lundhgren, renter
Works at Texas Institute for the Deaf and Dumb
- Eric Lundghren, renter
Apprentice bookbinder, Ben C. Jones & Co.
- 1891 Address listed as NS E 14th bt. East Ave and Navasota
John Johnson
Carpenter
- 1889 No listing for Johnson on 14th Street.

Biographical Information



The Austin Statesman (1902-1915); Dec 28, 1902

LIFELESS BODY OF ERIC LUNDGREN FOUND AT HIS HOME TODAY

Death Due to Illness, According
to Inquest Held by Justice
Tannehill.

The lifeless body of Eric Lundgren, plumber, was found on the porch of his home at 2004 Whittier Street at 8 o'clock this morning, death apparently having come some time Friday night, as the body was cold and stiff when found by a friend passing by Lundgren's home, according to the inquest held over the body this morning by Justice of the Peace Frank P. Tannehill.

Evidence secured at the inquest indicated death followed a lingering illness caused by stomach trouble. Lundgren, who was 47 years old, was in the employ of W. G. Andrewartha, who testified at the inquest that Mr. Lundgren had been suffering from stomach trouble for a considerable time. Mr. Andrewartha stated that the deceased plumber was forced to retire from his work for six months last year because of this illness, but that he had been working again since Oct. 1, 1923. According to Mr. Andrewartha's testimony, Mr. Lundgren had worked up to 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon before going to his home.

Testimony given by a next-door neighbor was to the effect that Mr. Lundgren had painted a fence at his home until a late hour after he had come home from his work. His brother, Charles Lundgren, testified that Mr. Lundgren had suffered recently from acute indigestion and for that reason had prevailed on him not to live alone.

Mr. Lundgren is survived by his brother, Charles Lundgren of Austin, and two sisters, Mrs. M. R. Bowen of Austin and Mrs. Julia Algear of Fort Worth. He had been a resident of Austin for a number of years and lived alone at 2004 Whittier Street at the time of his death.

The body was turned over to the Rosengren-Cook Undertaking Company, where it was being prepared for interment. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

LUNDGREN FUNERAL SET FOR THIS AFTERNOON

Funeral services for Eric Lundgren will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock, it was announced Saturday night at the Rosengren-Cook undertaking parlors.

Mr. Lundgren, who was a plumber, died suddenly sometime Friday night or early Saturday morning. His lifeless body was discovered on the porch of his home at 2004 Whittier Street at 8 o'clock Saturday morning by a neighbor who was passing by. An inquest conducted by Justice Frank Tannehill indicated the man had died following a lingering illness caused by stomach trouble.

The funeral services will be held at the home of the late Mr. Lundgren at 2004 Whittier Street with Rev. G. G. Norberg, of the Swedish Methodist Church, officiating.

Pallbearers named for the funeral are: Alfred Anderson, Carl Lundgren, C. C. Giles, Fred Burns, Hal Corbett and Ben Howell. Interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr. Lundgren is survived by one brother, Charles Lundgren, of Austin, and two sisters, Mrs. M. R. Bowen, of Austin, and Mrs. Julia Algear, of Fort Worth.

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Feb 16-17, 1924

WATT—Funeral services for Mrs. Carrie F. Watt, 75, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gail Burkhardt, 65 East avenue, will be held from the Cook Funeral home at 5 p. m. Thursday with the Rev. Kenneth Pope officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood. Pallbearers will be P. J. Plumb, M. H. Strickland, James A. Anderson, W. R. Nabours, D. H. Randolph and Obie Roberts.

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Apr 30, 1942

CHARLES L. LUNDGREN

Charles L. Lundgren died Monday in a local hospital. He had been in the book binding department of the General Land Office for the last 20 years.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. O. C. Watson of Austin and Mrs. W. N. Wells of Edinburg; one son, L. J. Lundgren of Austin; a sister, Mrs. Julia Allgair of Fort Worth; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Cook Funeral Home with the Rev. James E. Parr officiating. Burial was in Capital Memorial Park. Pallbearers were John F. Callan, O. H. Cowan, H. E. Webb, Carl Lundgren, Gordon A. Bailey and Luke Robinson. Employees of the General Land Office were honorary pallbearers.

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Nov 14, 1950

HANS H. HANSSON

Hans H. "Swede" Hansson, 77, of 910 East 14th St., died in a local hospital Wednesday. He was a member of Memorial Methodist Church, Austin Lodge 12, A.F. and A.M. Scottish Rite Bodies, Ben Hur Shrine, and was a World War I veteran. Hansson was born in Sweden and came to America in 1914. He had been a resident of Austin 55 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Clara F. Hansson of Austin; two sons, Harry H. Hansson of Austin and William F. Hansson of Gatesville; one

daughter, Mrs. Corrine Green of San Clemente, Calif.; five grandchildren, Miss Mary Green of San Clemente, Calif., David and Jeff Hansson, both of Austin, and Lucy and Shawn Hansson, both of Gatesville.

Funeral will be 3 p.m. Thursday at Hytlin-Manor Funeral Home, Rev. C. J. Mann officiating. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery with graveside services under the auspices of Austin Lodge 12 AF and AM.

The Austin Statesman (1921-1973); Oct 18, 1972

Site No. 137

Address: 910 East 14th Street

Legal Description: Block 2, lot 1, Outlot 42, Division B

Owner: James Campbell, P.O. Box 3466, Austin, Texas 78764

Date of Construction: 1891

Owner at Time of Construction: John Johnson, carpenter

Category: Contributing

Description and Significance: One-story, late Victorian cottage with gabled roof. Brick piers, covered on a portion of the front by board-and-batten sheathing, are original as is the interesting mixture of different sidings on the house. Fine carpentry details are intact.

1985 National Register nomination, [Texas Historical Commission](#)

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were filed for record in the county clerk's office for the week ending January 4, 1890, as reported for THE STATESMAN by Bergen, Daniel & Gracy, 105 East Sixth street, Austin, Tex.:

H. A. Fitzhugh et al., to A. M. Singleton, 100 acres William Cameron league; warranty deed \$ 2,275 00
J. G. Fitzhugh et al., to William R. Kelley et al., 75 acres William Cameron league; warranty deed 1,800 00
Michael Dean and wife to John J. Johnson, 11 acres Del Valle grant; warranty deed 600 00

by 138 feet 890
Mrs. Nancy Robinson to Charles L. Lundghren, lot 2 in block 2, of sub-division of outlot 42 in division B of Austin, containing 51 by 119 feet 650
J. A. H. Thurman and wife to H. H. Allen, one labor of land

The Austin Statesman (1889-1891); Jan 5, 1890 and Dec 17, 1905

BUILDING PERMITS.

Mrs. E. F. Watt, 910 East Fourteenth Street, bath room, \$75.
Mrs. Carrie A. J. Hall, 1126 West Sixth Street, store building, \$327.50.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Donnelly & White, 302 East Second Street; iron warehouse; \$300.
Hillyer-Deutch Lumber Company, East Fifth Street; lumber sheds; \$4000.
Mrs. E. F. Watt, 910 East Fourteenth; buggy shed; \$20.
E. H. Perry, corner Lavaca and Eleventh; two-story brick veneer dwelling; \$15,000.
Tillotson College; administration building, two-story with basement, concrete; \$15,000.

The Austin Statesman (1902-1915); Jul 31, 1912 and Jan 5, 1913

Form 1 1801 REGISTRATION CARD No. 218

1 Name in full Hans Hilding Engelbrun Hansson Age, in yrs. 21

2 Home address 406 E 16 Austin Travis County Texas, U. S. A.

3 Date of birth Sept 5 1895

4 Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? Declarant

5 Where were you born? Hofman Torp Sweden

6 If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject? Sweden

7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? Order 12

8 By whom employed? Wm Rubenson
Where employed? Austin - Texas

9 Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? no

10 Married or single (which)? Single Race (specify which)? Swedish

11 What military service have you had? Rank _____ branch _____
years _____ Nation or State none

12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? no

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

H. Hilding Hansson
(Signature of registrant)

If person of African descent (see 18)

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1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? Short Slender, medium, or stout (which)? Medium

2 Color of eyes? Grey Color of hair? Light Build? no

3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? no

I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Tom Henderson
(Signature of Registrar)

Precinct 15

City or County Austin Travis County,

State Texas, U. S. A. Date 5th 1917
(State of registration)

Draft card for Hans Hilding Engelbrun Hansson, 1917. [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com)

Austin Board Sends 17 Men to Camp Mabry

A quota of seventeen men reported to the Austin draft board this morning for service at Camp Mabry in the School of Automobile Mechanics. These men are all volunteers, and they will go to Camp Mabry in the morning. Three more men are needed to fill Austin's quota, and any one interested should report to the board early in the morning.

The following men will be sent to camp tomorrow: W. M. Hovis, Harry Lee Gray, J. D. Kelso, Charles Wolf, Paul Martin, Hans Hanson, Eric Larson, Eli W. Boothe, Nells Allerup, Clarence A. Bergstrom, E. J. Fischer, Eugene Belcher, C. C. Ame, F. B. Ingalls, G. A. Searight, Hugo Brueggeman.

The Statesman (1916-1921); Jun 19, 1918 and *The Austin Statesman* (1921-1973); Apr 6, 1936

MRS. HANSSON RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

Re-election of Mrs. H. H. Hansson as president of John B. Winn P.-T.A. for the new year beginning next fall was announced after a business and program meeting of the association Friday at the school.

Bookbinders Are Active in City

Members Aid in All Civic Projects

Bookbinders local union No. 118 was organized and charter issued by the international union in May, 1902, or 35 years ago last May.

The original charter was issued to seven bookbinders then working in Austin. Among the charter members still living, two of them are now residents of Austin, namely Charles S. Lundghren, the present secretary employed by the University Press, and Clark C. Champion, who at present is operating a dairy. Charles Schencken, retired from the government bind-

ery at Washington, D. C., also resides here.

In 1905, the bindery women were organized into a separate union and later on were taken into the parent organization.

Conditions Improved

The eight-hour day was successfully put into effect without a strike in 1908 and in 1921, the 44-hour week was granted after negotiations lasting for one week. Wages have been increased over 100 per cent during the life of this union for the benefit of its members.

The members of the local union have been identified with the civic life and development of Austin, contributing time and money for every worthwhile enterprise.

By conservative and wise leadership, few strikes or disturbances have interfered with the work of the members. Just recently a new contract was entered into with the shops in Austin entitled to use the allied printing trades

label and employing union bookbinders.

Local Union No. 118 and the parent international union are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and the shops signing these contracts are assured of freedom from outside domination in these establishments.

The Austin American (1914-1973); Aug 29, 1937

Plumbers Local Formed in 1895

Group Has Done Much For Workers

One of the oldest, strongest and most active local labor organizations in Austin is the Plumbers union, local No. 286, with a record going back to 1895, when their charter was granted.

Before this local came into existence the plumbers had no conception of what decent hours, working conditions, and wages were, as they were working almost as long as there was daylight and for pay that was too low to be even considered wages.

By carefully training their apprentices, being sure that each member gave "an honest day's work for an honest day's pay," increasing their efficiency and continually working for the advancement of their craft, this local has succeeded in gradually lowering their working hours, bettering their working conditions, and increasing their wages until they are now in a position to give their families at least the necessities of life, with a little pleasure added, and have some time to enjoy life with their wives and children.

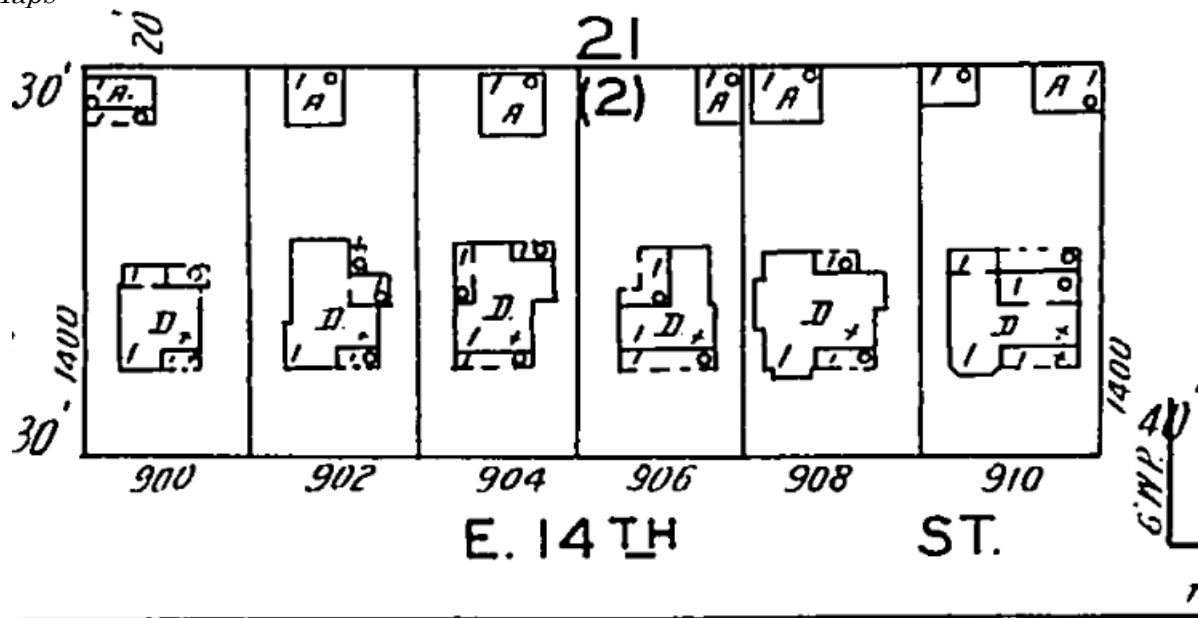
This organization, with the help of the plumbers throughout the state and the Texas Federation of Labor, has also succeeded in having protective laws passed by the legislature that are a wonderful asset to the entire state, both from the standpoint of protection to the citizen and the skilled plumber.

Edgar Fox was the first president of this aggressive organization and was ably supported by R. F. Bacon, Harry Church, Eric Lundgren, W. L. Benson, Joe Hausser, Joe Cluff, J. O. Andrewartha, Tom Lewis and Ed Waechter.



RETIRES—Friends and fellow employes honored Mrs. Clara Hansson with a tea party on her retirement Tuesday, marking 16 years service with the University of Texas division of food service. The party was held in the Varsity Cafeteria where she was employed as clerk-typist. Mrs. Hansson lives at 910 East 14th Street.

Maps



1935 Sanborn map

Permits

H. H. Hansson

910 East 14th. St.

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Lot

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Reroof & refloor front porch

140r - 1/4/39

Remodel permit, 1-4-39