OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
COUNTY: CLATSOP

HIST. NAME: Niemi Hotel Building
COMMON NAME: Elliot Hotel

ADDRESS: 357 - 389 Twelfth Street
1170 Duane

CITY: Astoria, 97103
OWNER: Baumann, William F (Jr)
Marilyn

T/R/S: T8N/R9W/S8
MAP NO.: 80908CA TAX LOT: 5200
ADDITION: McClure's Astoria
BLOCK: 61 LOT: 8 QUAD: Astoria

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1924
ORIGINAL USE: hotel, retail, office
PRESENT USE: apartments, retail

ARCHITECT: W.W. Lucius
BUILDER: Alberston, Cornell Bros & Walsh
THEME: commerce & urban dev.
STYLE: 20th Century commercial

xBLDG STRUC DIST SITE OBJ

PLAN TYPE/SHAPE: rectangular
FOUNDATION MATERIAL: conc/pier
ROOF FORM & MATERIALS: flat/built-up
WALL CONSTRUCTION: reinforced conc
PRIMARY WINDOW TYPE: fixed in aluminum frame; 8/1 double hung in wood frame; projecting transom in aluminum frame
EXTERIOR SURFACING MATERIALS: finished concrete, brick veneer
DECORATIVE FEATURES: brick veener at base; string course at 4th and 5th floor
OTHER: "Elliot Hotel" neon sign; "Wonderful Beds" wall painted sign

NO. OF STORIES: five
BASEMENT: yes
STRUCTURAL FRAME: reinf conc

CLASSIFICATION: secondary
STRUCTURAL STATUS: GOOD xFAIR POOR MOVED (DATE)
HISTORICAL INTEGRITY: slighlty altered
EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: aggregate panels added to buttress brick faced columns, windows and transoms are slightly recessed and their openings reduced to accommodate; transoms covered and window openigs greatly reduced on SW corner; transoms covered and brick veneer added to kickplate on NE corner

NOTEWORTHY LANDSCAPE FEATURES: none
ASSOCIATED STRUCTURES: none
KNOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL FEATURES: none

SETTING: NW corner, 12th & Duane; two elevations exposed

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Charles Niemi awarded the firm of Albertson, Cornell Brothers and Walsh the contract for the construction of this hotel and office building on April 11, 1924. W.W. Lucius of Portland was the architect. A building permit was issued April 22, 1924, for the erection of a concrete, four story building to contain fifty-one hotel rooms. Construction began May 1, 1924, and on May 15, Mr. Niemi announced that an additional floor

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would be added to the building and the number of hotel rooms would be increased to sixty-eight. Also on this date it was revealed that John Elliot and his son, J. Elliot, Jr., Portland hotel men, had signed a ten year lease on the building. The formal opening of this $75,000 hotel building was held September 11, 1924. In addition to the hotel lobby and rooms, the building offered office and store space. Sanitary Cleaners and Dyers moved into the building on September 25, 1924, and remained there until 1937. John H. Olsen, an optometrist, had his office in the building from 1930 through 1942. Astoria Stationary Company was a tenant from 1934 through 1955. The Elliot Hotel Coffee Shoppe opened on February 17, 1928, and operated until 1942. The building is presently used as an apartment building and Pretty Prints Wall Covering Store and The Lighthouse Gift Shop occupy storefronts.

SOURCES: Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps; Astoria Evening Budget, April 11, 1924, April 22, 1924, May 1, 1924, May 15, 1924, September 11, 1924, September 25, 1924, February 17, 1928; Astoria and Clatsop County Telephone Directory; Polk's Astoria and Clatsop County Directory

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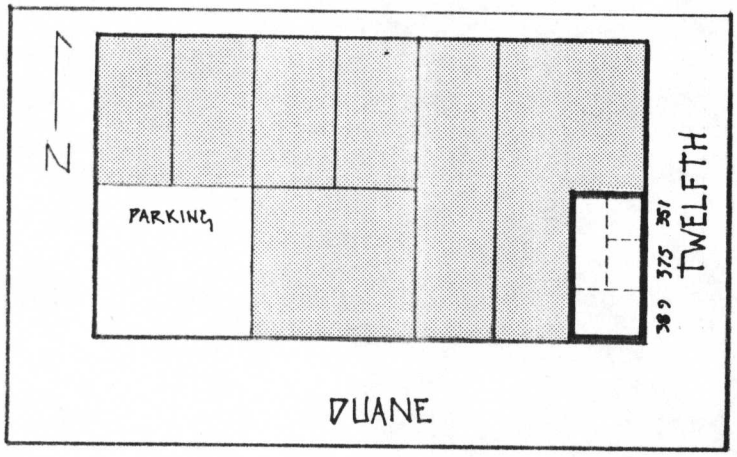
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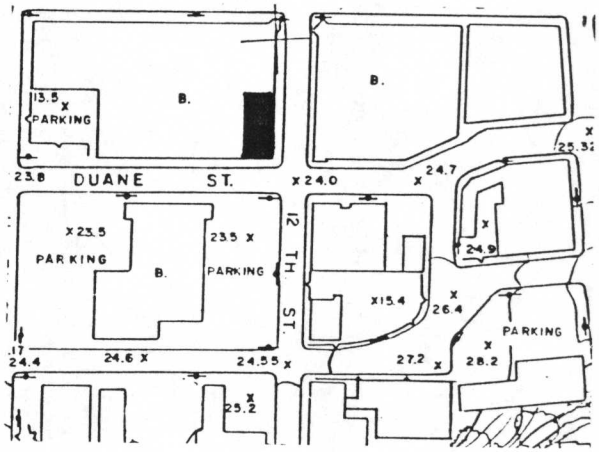
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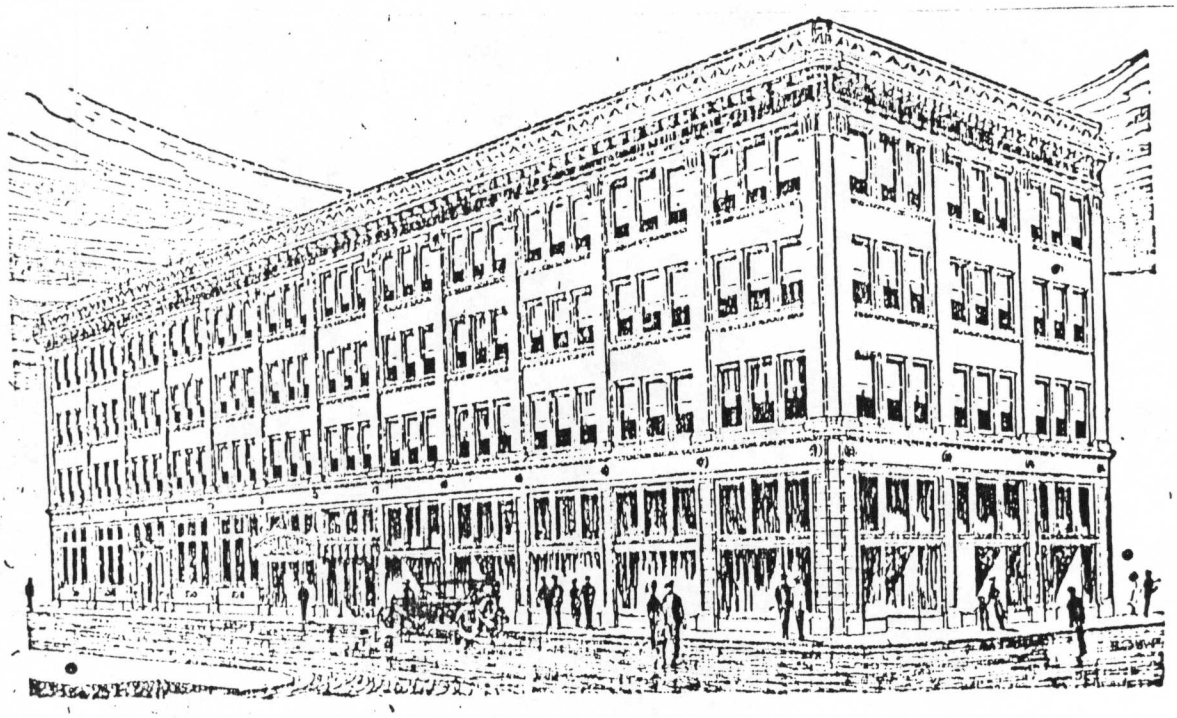




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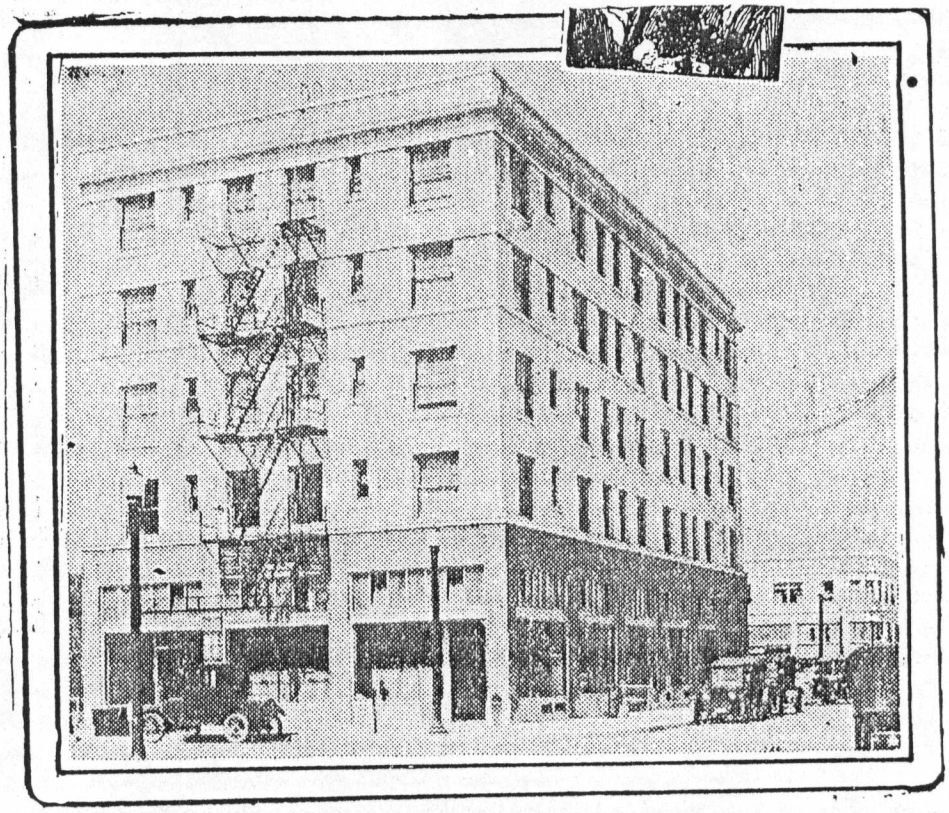
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