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Front view mantel



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Typical door & lock



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Central Off. mantel



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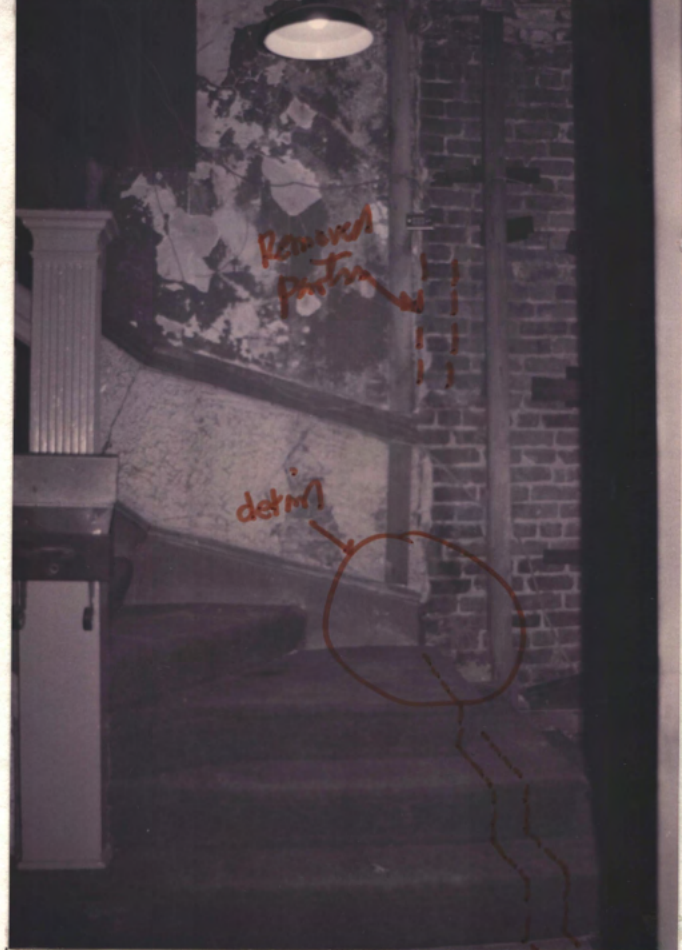
Central Office
 NOTE stand-up bookkeepers desk
 in typical 19th cent. fashion
 (very few remain)



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 Hall
 looking
 west to
 front

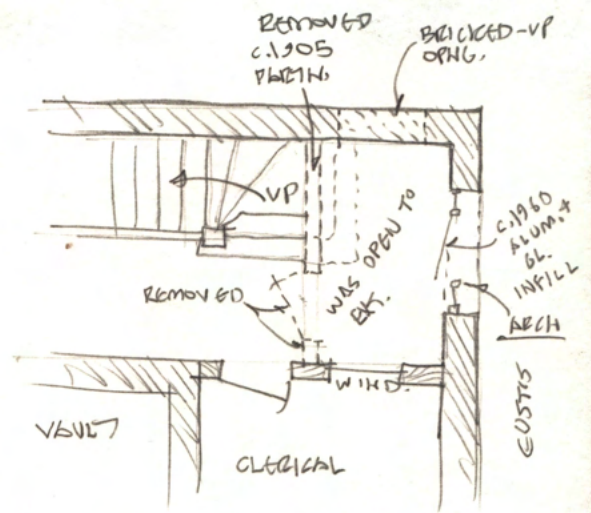


Vault door



REAR ENTRY

removed part
was ext.



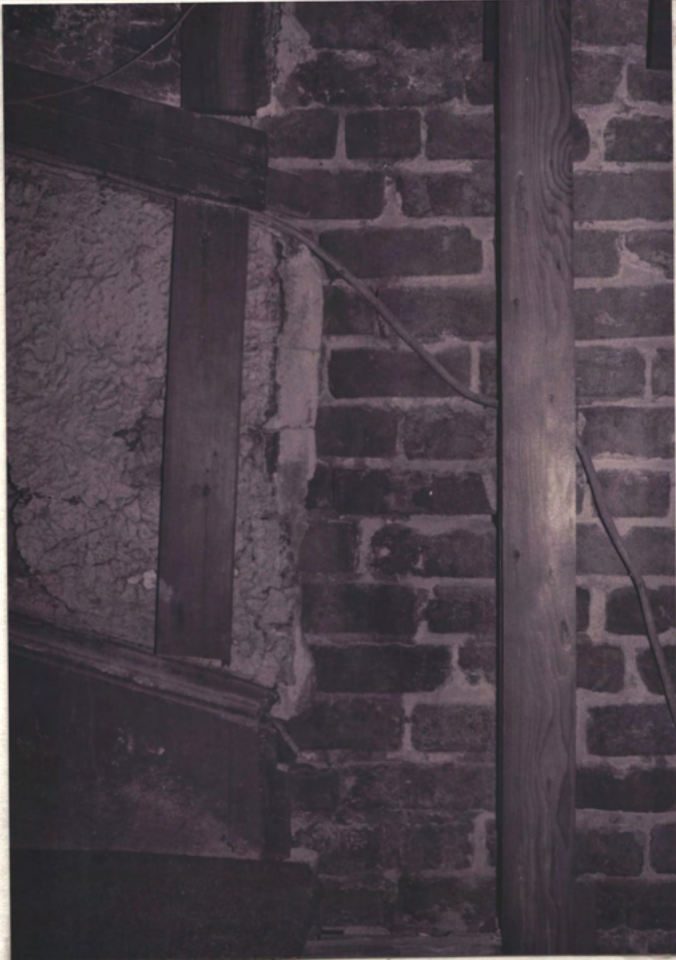
WAS EXT. WALL

Rear S.E. Entry Plans

modified c.1960 by removing part of installing alum. & gl. arch



REMOVED PARTN. (see plan at left)



removed portion
was ext.



removed ext. wall
was ext.
c. 1960 extended steps



removed
ext.
wall

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Stamped metal coils

(A) - was on ext. (c.1905)
above entry,
now enclosed in c.1960

(B) unpainted.
Apparent patches

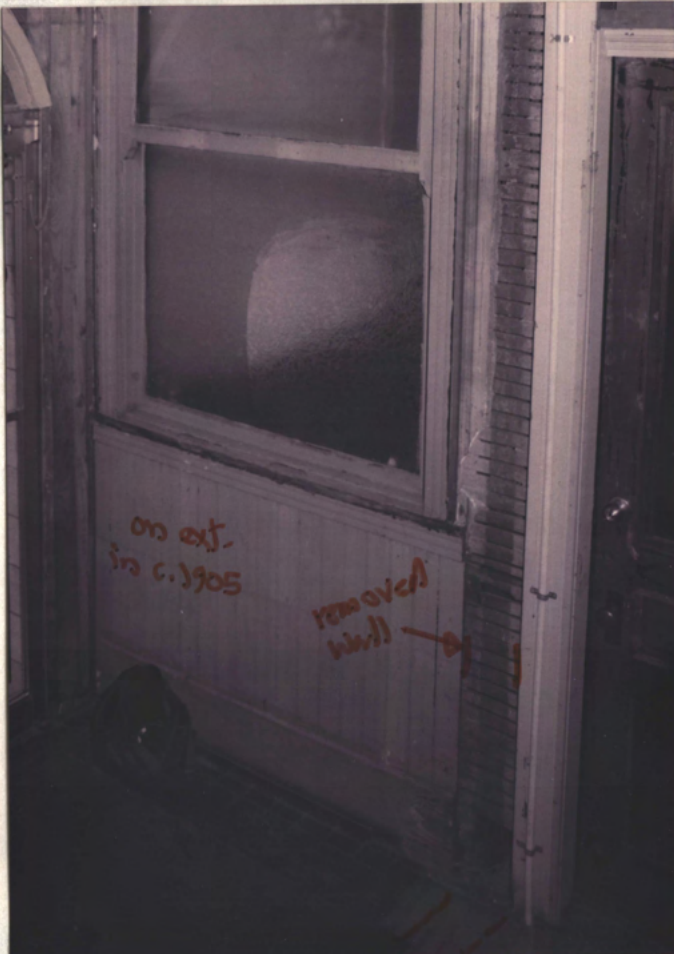
(C) c.1905 stair-hall
metal coil.

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door to
"Clerical"

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SCHIFFMAN BLDG.

THE STONE BUILDING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE SQUARE from the 1895 Weekly Mercury

Feb. 13, 1895, page 2, col. 2 "Local Brevities" "It was rumored yesterday that the Southern Building & Loan Association had purchased the three story brick building No. 1 east side Public Square."

(ADV) Feb. 13, 1895, page 6, col. 2 "All kinds of dress goods and trimmings at T. B. ~~Connally~~ Connally's Commission House, No. 1, East Side of the Square."

(Same issue, same page) (ADV)"T. B. Connally has the cheapest groceries in town on commission. Try him before buying."

March 13, 1895, page 6, col. 3 "A Handsome Building - The Specifications For the Building and Loan Offices Received" "The plans and specifications for the Southern Building & Loan Association's new structure were received Friday, and very much admired by those who examined them. The front on the Square will be built of stone, splendidly arched over the vestibuled entrance and the large window opening into the President's office which will be in front. # Passing down the corridor the next door will open into the Secretary's office and further along will be found the bookkeepers apartment, which will be decidedly the largest room in the building. The basement will be used for storage purposes and will contain an immense vault in which books and papers of possible value will be stored. Immediately over this on the first floor will be the main vault opening into the book-keepers room. # The Eustis street side of the building will not be changed very much except four windows will be cut for the lower floor and stone casements will be placed in the others. An entrance will be made at the east end of the building on Eustis street leading to the stairway. The second floor will consist of four handsome offices, also ladies and gentlemen's ~~toilet~~ toilet rooms. The third floor will have five nice offices, each nicely lighted and conveniently arranged. # The building will be a credit to the Association and an ornament to the East side Square. The interior finish and furnishings will be the prettiest and most serviceable that can be purchased and will cause neighbors in plain offices to turn green with envy. It will really be pleasant to go over and pay monthly dues on gilt edged stock."

April 10, 1895, last page, col. 4 (no heading) "While the heavy stones were being placed in position on Building and Loan Association front yesterday large crowds were attracted."

1895, page 6, col. 2 "The Last Stone Laid - The Building and Loan Front Completed Yesterday Evening" "At a quarter past two o'clock yesterday evening the last cap stone was laid on the massive front of the new Southern Building and Loan structure. The archway, ventilators and windows are all completed at the front and the outlines of a magnificent structure may now be seen. # The contract calls for a completion of brick and stone work by May 2nd, and from present indications the work will be completed some before that time. The windows on the south side were enlarged yesterday and the stone sills are being put in. The wood workmen will begin immediately after the brickwork has been completed. Mr. D. E. Dinnedy, of Nashville, is the contractor."

May 8, 1895, page 7, col. 6 (no heading) "The mail yesterday morning brought in orders for \$38,000 worth of stock in Southern Building and Loan Association. This is a good business and indicates better times."

May 15, 1895, page 6, col. 2 "Local Brevities" "The frontage of the Southern Building and Loan offices show up splendidly. Messrs. Whitten and Cruse will have decidedly the prettiest offices in the city when completed."

July 17, 1895, page 3, col. 2 "A Handsome Pavement" "A contract was let yesterday to lay a handsome granite pavement around the new Southern Building and Loan structure. It will begin at the alley on Eustis street and extend clear around the front. This will be the finishing touch to the improvements on that corner and makes it the handsomest office building in Alabama."

August 14, 1895, page 6, col. 3 "The Spirit of Improvement" "It is a noticeable fact that if a new building is erected or a house repaired and painted among a block, that the neighboring houses will also be touched up. Thus it is with the block of buildings next to the Southern Building and Loan's new building. The store house next to it has been in the hands of the painter and plasterer for several days, preparatory to being occupied by a new business firm. On the same block is S. L. & T. T. Terry's dry goods house. This firm is having some needed repairs put on their front. The show windows will be changed and improved new shelving put up and repaired generally before the rush of the fall trade. Over on the north side the old Racket Store has been metamorphosed under the hand of the carpenter and painter and will present a neat appearance when the new clothing firm get their stock into it."

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into this, the 19th day of February, 1895, by and between Samuel H. Lowry and his wife, Jimmie F. Lowry and Claude LeVert Coleman and her husband, Daniel Coleman, of the County of Madison, State of Alabama, of the one part and the Southern Building and Loan Association- a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Alabama, with its principal place of business in the City of Huntsville in said State, of the other part.

WITNESSETH: That the said Samuel H. Lowry and his wife, Jimmie P. Lowry and Claude LeVert Coleman and her husband, Daniel Coleman, for and in consideration of the sum of Five Thousand (\$5000.00) Dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have this day given, granted, bargained, sold and conveyed and by these presents do give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto The Southern Building and Loan Association- a corporation as aforesaid, the following described lot or parcel of land, situated in the City of Huntsville, County of Madison, State of Alabama, to-wit:

The three story brick building or store house and lot situated on the South-east corner of the Public Square and North side of Eustis Street in Huntsville, Alabama; fronting twenty-one (21) feet on the Square, according to deed from Jas. H. Mastin, Trustee to Matthews Peete & White, and according to deed from Samuel Peete to R. C. Smith; but by actual measurement (this day) the store house, which has been standing for over thirty years, is twenty-two (22) feet wide between the walls, and has an eighteen inch wall on North side of Eustis Street including the pilasters; and the lot is entitled to one-half the wall or the space thereof which divides it from the adjoining store house; and running back eighty-one (81) feet on Eustis Street to an alley, with the use of said alley.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described lot or parcel of land, with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belong-

hereby granted premises unto the said The Southern Building and Loan Association- a corporation as aforesaid, from and against themselves and all persons claiming or holding under them, as well as against the title, claim, demand and estate of any and all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Samuel H. Lowry and his wife, Jimmie P. Lowry and Claude LeVert Coleman and her husband, Daniel Coleman hereunto subscribe their names and affix their seals, the day and year above written.

Samuel H. Lowry (SEAL.)
Jimmie P. Lowry (SEAL.)
Claude LeVert Coleman (SEAL.)
Daniel Coleman (SEAL.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
MADISON COUNTY.
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I, A. E. Mastin a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Samuel H. Lowry and his wife, Jimmie P. Lowry and Claude LeVert Coleman and her husband, Daniel Coleman, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, they executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand, this, 20 day of February, 1895.

A. E. Mastin
Notary Public

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into this 30th day of September, 1905 by and between Lawrence Cooper as Receiver of the Southern Building & Loan Association, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Alabama, of the one part, and Isaac Schiffman of the County of Madison, State of Alabama, of the other part.

WITNESSETH: That, whereas heretofore in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Northern Division of the Northern District of Alabama, in the case of Anna W. Barker Vs. The Southern Building & Loan Association pending therein, the said Lawrence Cooper was duly appointed Receiver of the properties and assets of the said Southern Building & Loan Association for the purpose of closing its affairs and distributing its assets among its creditors and shareholders, and,

WHEREAS under a decree rendered in said cause on the 19th day of August, 1905, the said Lawrence Cooper as such Receiver was directed to sell the property in the petition filed therein by him, to the said Isaac Schiffman at and for the sum of Nine Thousand (\$9,000.00) Dollars, the same being the property hereinafter particularly described, and

WHEREAS by said decree it was provided; "IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED; That Lawrence Cooper as Receiver of the Southern Building & Loan Association be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered, upon the payment of said sum of Nine Thousand (\$9,000.00) Dollars by said Isaac Schiffman, to make and execute deeds conveying said real and personal property in said petition particularly described, to the said Isaac Schiffman",

NOW, THEREFORE, the said Lawrence Cooper as Receiver of the Southern Building & Loan Association, for and in consideration of the premises and of the said sum of Nine Thousand (\$9,000.00) Dollars in hand paid by the said Isaac Schiffman, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and under and by virtue of the authority and power vested in him under the decree of the said Circuit Court of the United States for the Northern

Division of the Northern District of Alabama, and in pursuance of the terms and directions thereof hath this day given, granted, bargained, sold and conveyed unto the said Isaac Schiffman, his heirs and assigns forever, the following described lot or parcel of land situated in the County of Madison, State of Alabama, to-wit:

The three story brick building or store house and lot, situated on the South East corner of the Public Square and North side of Eustis Street, in Huntsville, Alabama; fronting twenty-one (21) feet on the Square, according to deed from Jas. H. Mastin, Trustee, to Matthews, Peete & White, and according to deed from Samuel Peete to R. C. Smith; but by actual measurement, the store house which has been standing for over thirty years, is twenty-two feet wide between the walls, and has an eighteen inch wall on North side of Eustis Street, including the pilasters, and the lot is entitled to one half the wall or space thereof, which divides it from the adjoining store house; and running back eighty-one feet on Eustis Street to an alley, with the use of said alley; being the same realty conveyed to the Southern Building & Loan Association on the 19th day of February, 1895, by Samuel H. Lowry and his wife, Jimmie P. Lowry, and Claude LeVert Coleman and her husband, of record in the office of the Judge of Probate of the County of Madison, State of Alabama, in Book 51, page 177.

Also the following described personal property, to-wit:

Three large rugs.

Seven small rugs.

One typewriter desk.

Three standing desks, Oak.

One flat top desk and chair.

One standing desk, cherry.

One table. Four chairs.

One base burner, and two coal scuttles.

Three waste paper baskets, and three spittoons.

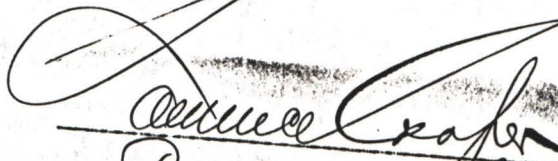
One letter press, and stand.

Vault fixtures and appurtenances.

One rubber doormat.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described lot or parcel of land with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, unto the said Isaac Schiffman, his heirs and assigns forever, as well as to have and to hold the said personal property hereinbefore described, as fully and completely as the said Lawrence Cooper as Receiver for the Southern Building & Loan Association, under the decrees aforesaid can or ought to convey the same unto the said Isaac Schiffman.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Lawrence Cooper as Receiver of the Southern Building & Loan Association, a corporation as aforesaid, has hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his seal the day and date first above written.

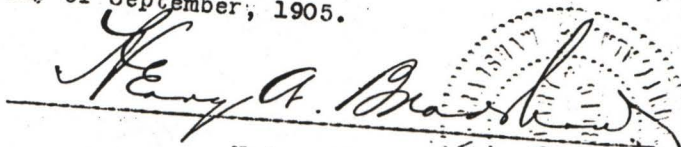


Receiver
The Southern Building & Loan Association
(Seal)


STATE OF ALABAMA.
MADISON COUNTY.

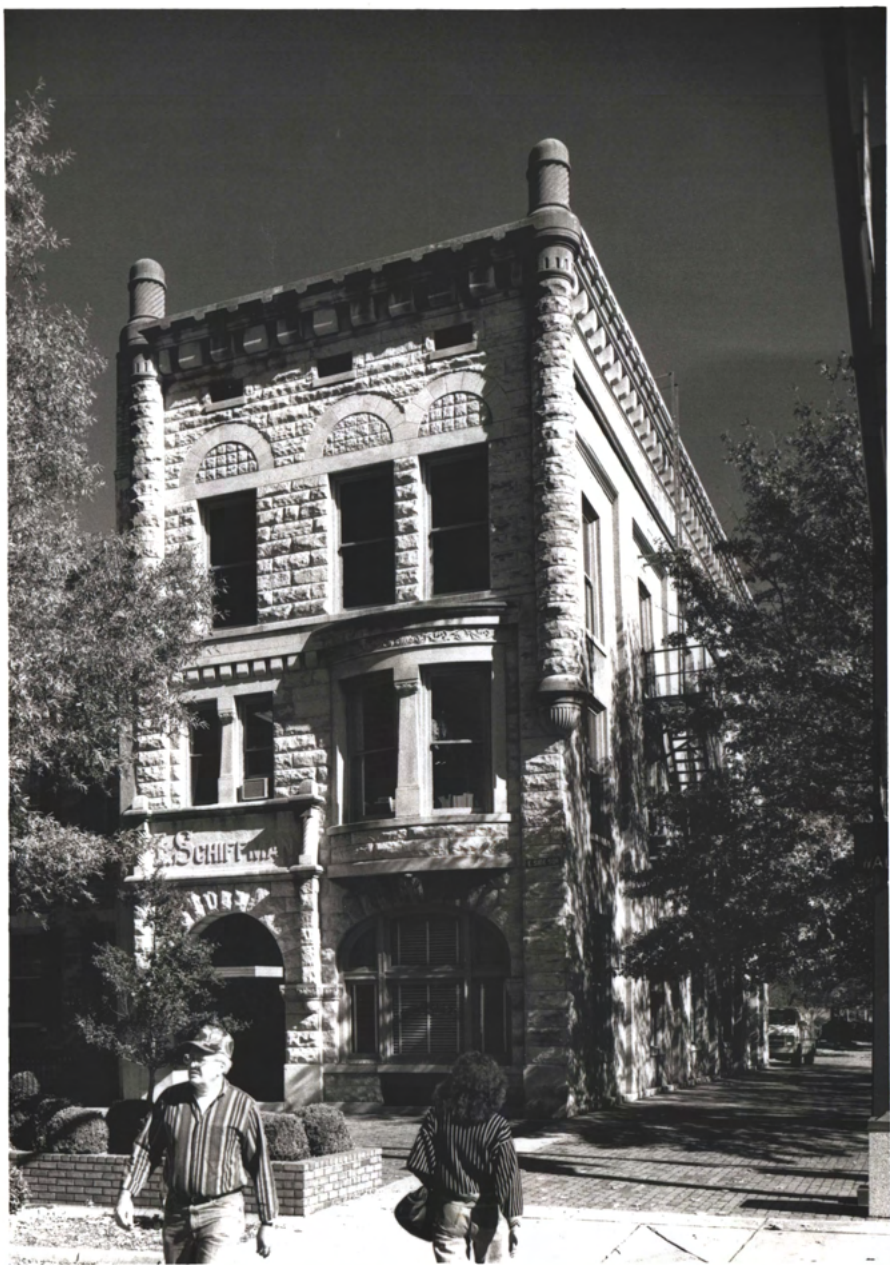
I, Henry A. Bradshaw, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that Lawrence Cooper as Receiver for the Southern Building & Loan Association, a corporation, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Huntsville, Alabama, this 30th day of September, 1905.



Notary Public.





c.1845(+1895 remodeling) Schiffman bldg. -1895 facade
 E. side Sp. Hunt with photo Harris P. Jones PA16 - Nov '95



S. side entry arch (c.1905)

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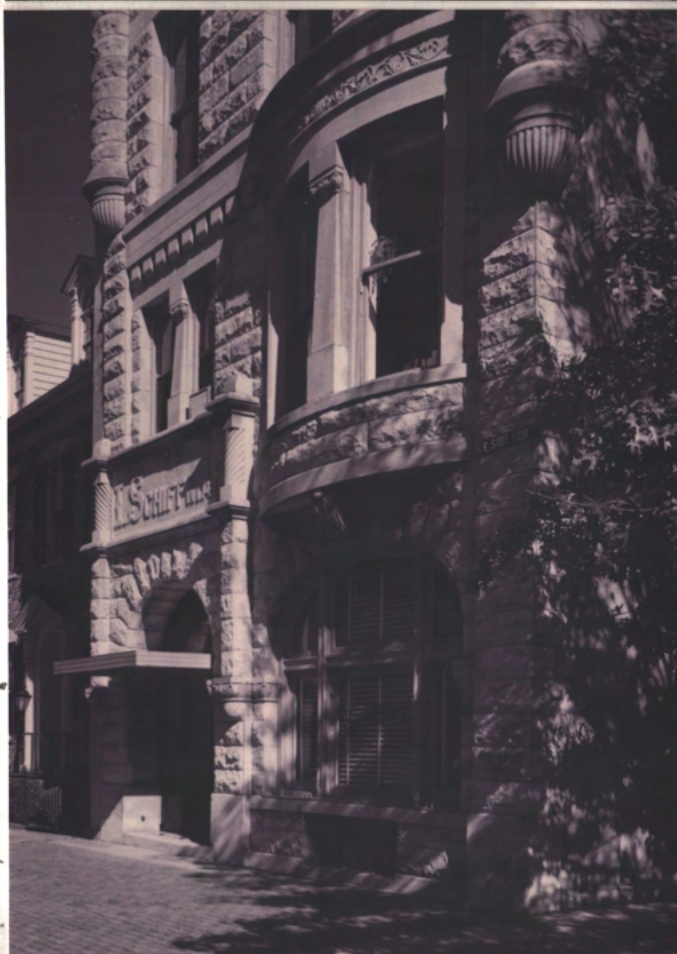
H. 2, 3
above
entry
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next blk. is
c. 1975

above
canopy is
c. 1960

1975
1960



SW
corner

1996 Owner
Margaret Ann Schiffman (Herman)

Schiffman Bldg - S.E. corner of Childs Sq.
Huntsville, AL. Photos Nov 95 Harviel Doro Falls



1969

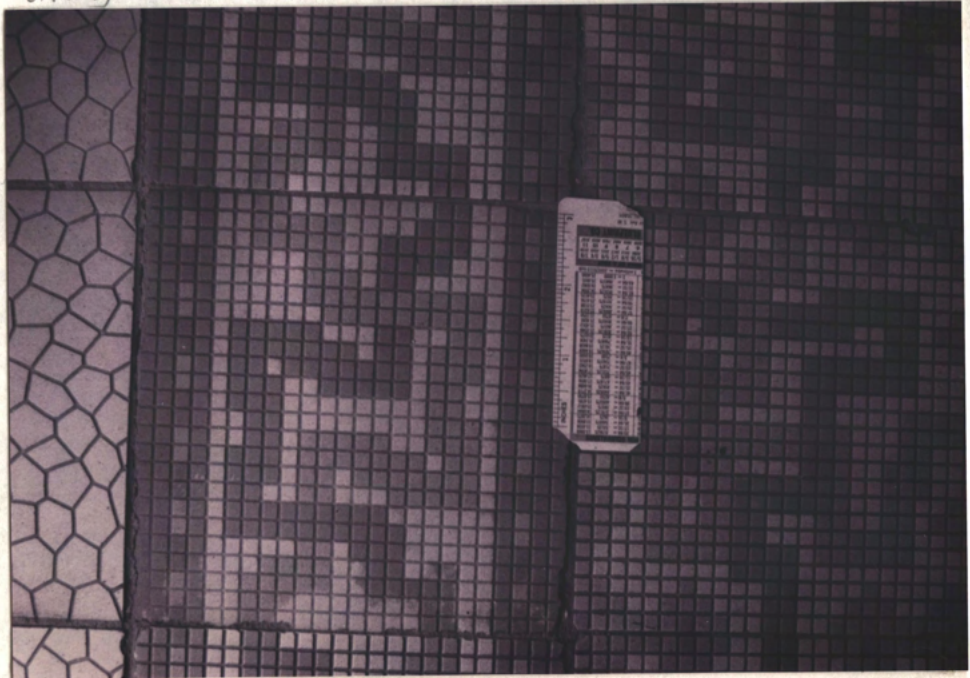
c. 1960
ALUM.



West Entry
(front)

limestone

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Encaustic tile at entry, same in int. hall

"anti-loufer" spikes
on sill
Wrought iron at basement vent



Schuyler Bldg. - S.E. Corner of St. Ann St.
Huntsville, AL photos Nov 1995 MLP Jane FALA
Bldg is 5 1/3 of 1840's - 3 bays, "blonde".
2/3 done, in 1960's Urban Renewal program.
Front part is 1895 remodeling
stamped
methyl on
S. cornice



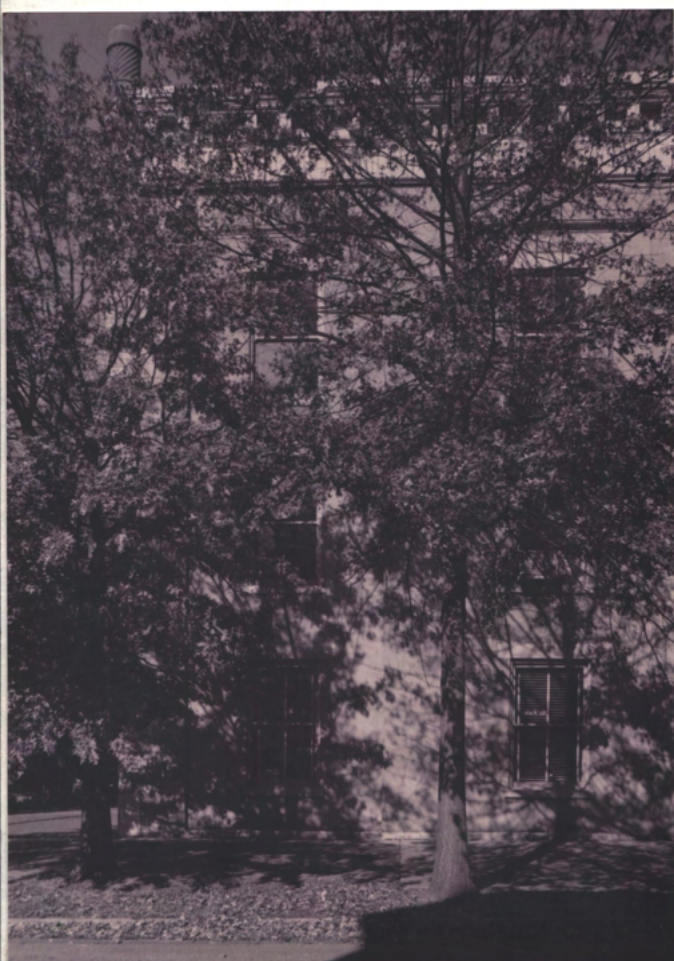


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West
front
entry



limestone yard at S. entry



scared stones (like stone)



c. 1960
above
of
infill

S. Wall at East's Ave
(scared stones) →

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↑ N S. Entry at S.E. corner

All interior work, looks 1895
in excellent condition



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↑ vault door
beyond.
See p. 2

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cent. off.

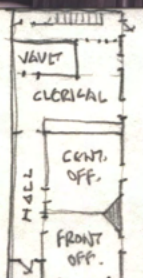
N. W. wall of cent. off.
looking into hall

N ←

c. 1905 stamped metal ceiling



N. W. wall of cent. off. ↑ N



Hall, looking
west to front
entry

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