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Scranton
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Location: 226 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, Lackawanna County
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USGS Scranton, PA Quadrangle
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
18.444130.4584125

Significance: 226 Lackawanna Avenue is one of a row of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial buildings that made up the heart of Scranton's business district during the city's greatest period of prosperity. The building displays the period's fondness for large areas of plate glass and minimal structure on commercial facades.

Description: This three story building faces onto Lackawanna Avenue. The first story front is recent. The upper floors of the facade are of sheet metal and stone and exhibit a heavy modillioned cornice, large plate glass windows, and ornamented spandrel panels. The rear, which faces onto Bogart Place and the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad viaduct, is brick and has a relatively recent one story concrete block addition.

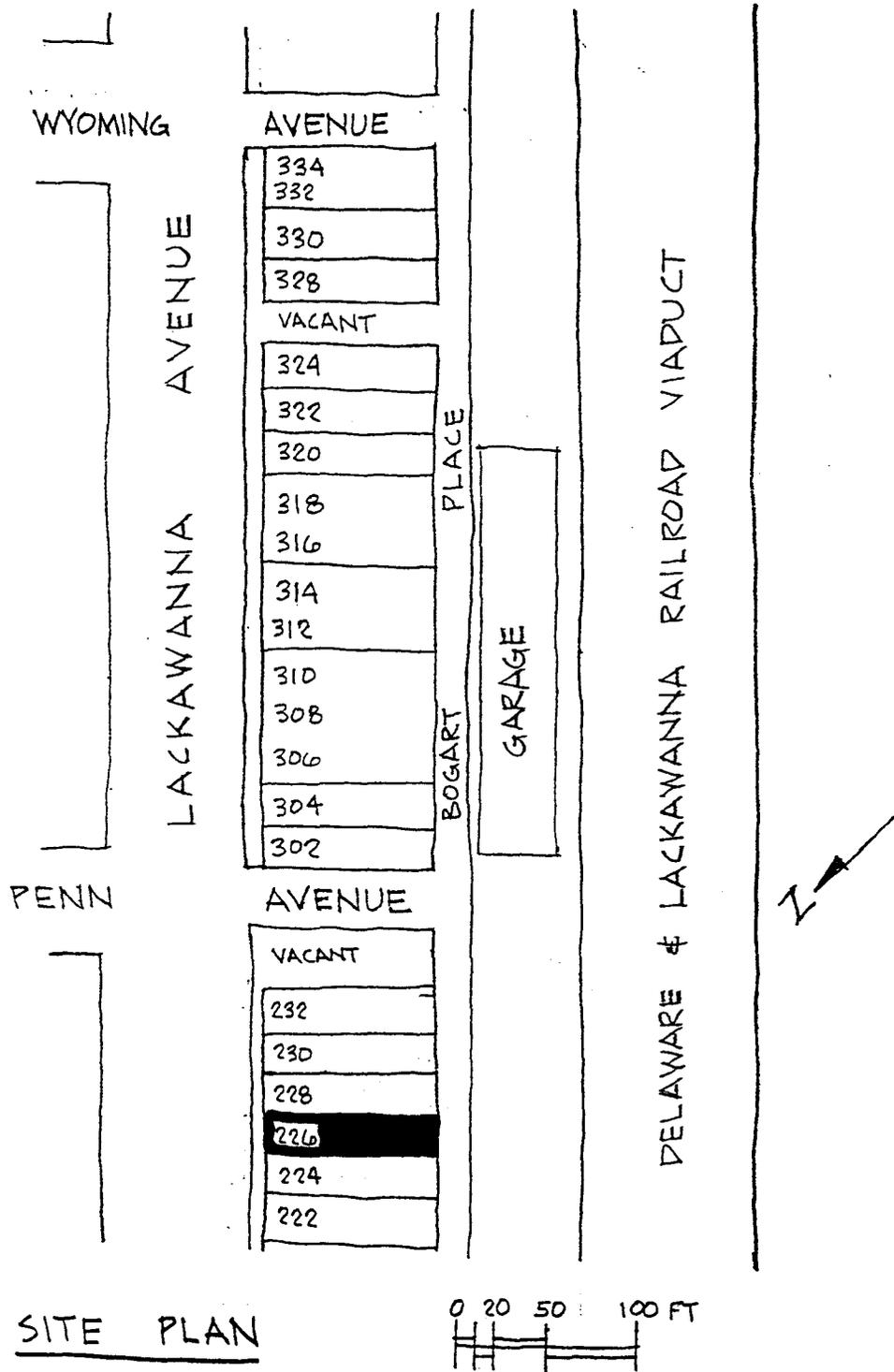
History: In its present form this building probably dates from the early twentieth century, to judge by stylistic comparison with other examples on the street. However, it may well contain earlier fabric. A three story brick building existed on the site as early as 1877, and others in this block of Lackawanna Avenue survive from the middle third of the nineteenth century. At the turn of the century the building housed Michael F. Reilly's saloon, also known as the Hotel Calpin. At other times in its history it has held other commercial establishments.

The building was included in the Lackawanna Avenue Commercial Historic District, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1983. The building is scheduled for demolition in February 1992.

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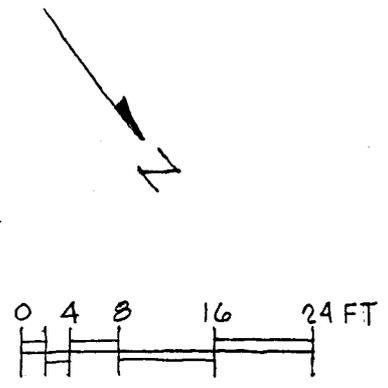
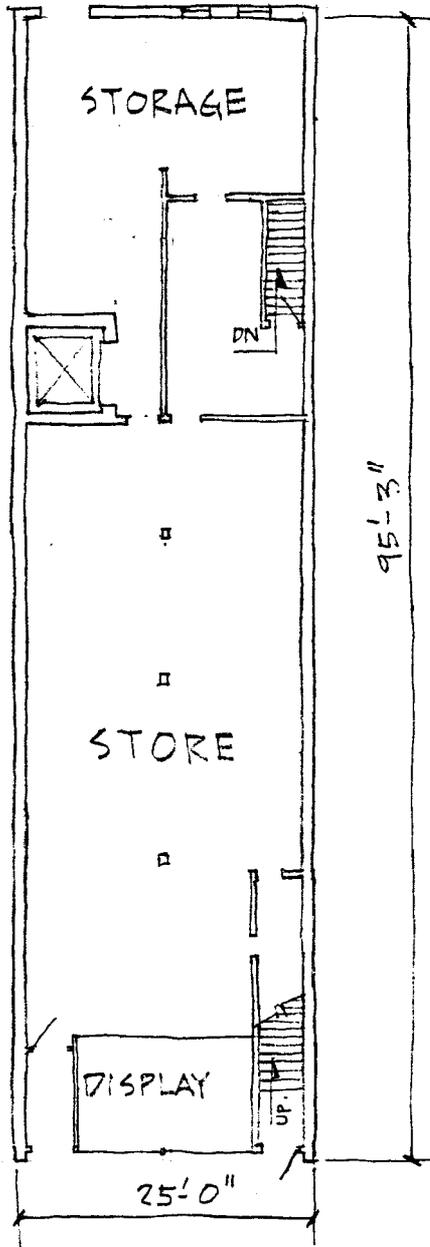
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