

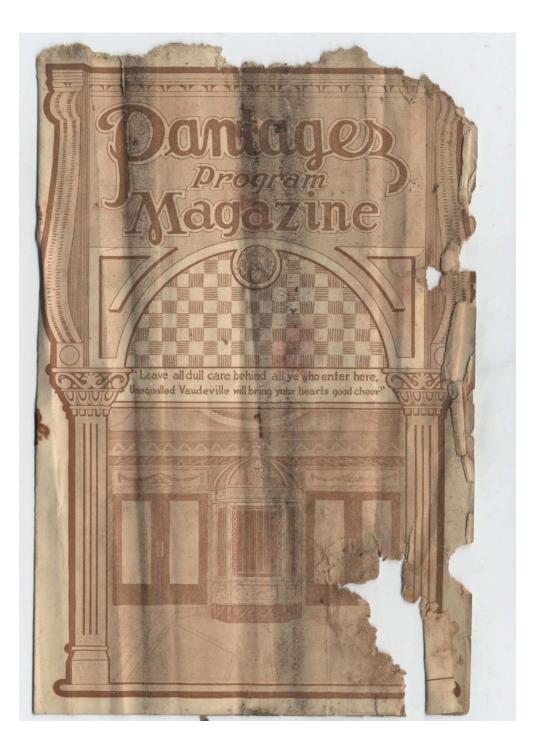


Pantages Theatre with original marquee and flag (1916)



Hennepin Avenue in the early 1920's.

On the left are the Lyric & Pantages Theatres with original marquee and flag.



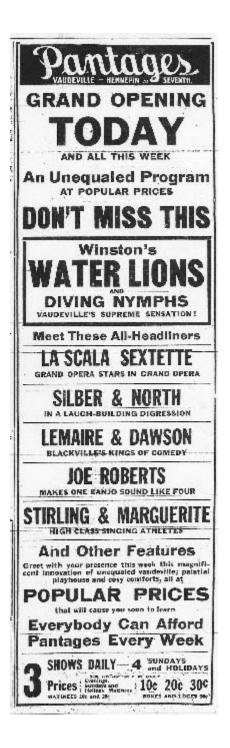
Program magazine dated April 18, 1917 found rolled up inside a wall during demolition





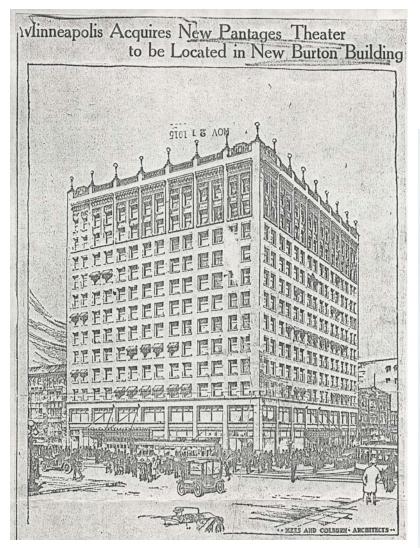






Opening Night
1916
&
2002





The Burton Building, renamed the Stimson, was originally designed as a 12-story building but was never completed.





7th and Hennepin in 1954...not much changed over the next 50 years.

7th and Hennepin (2000)before construction begins

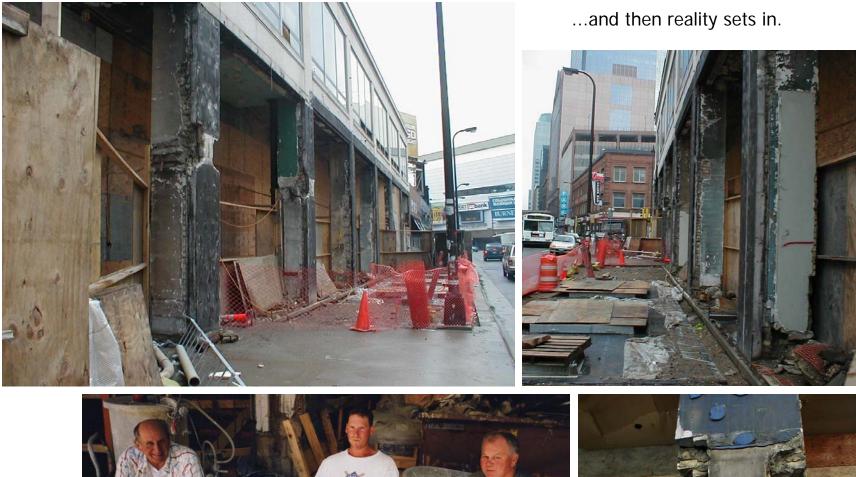








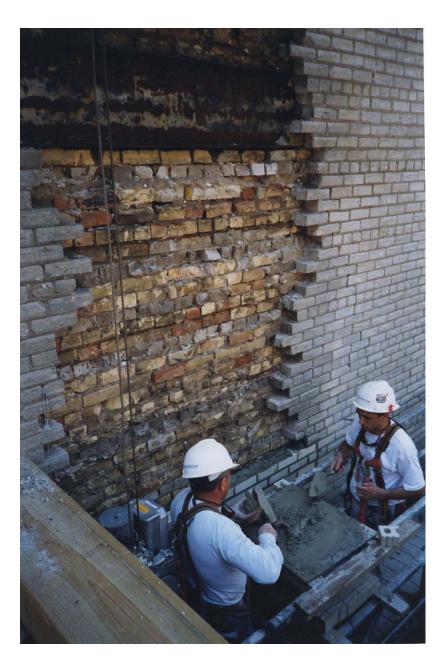
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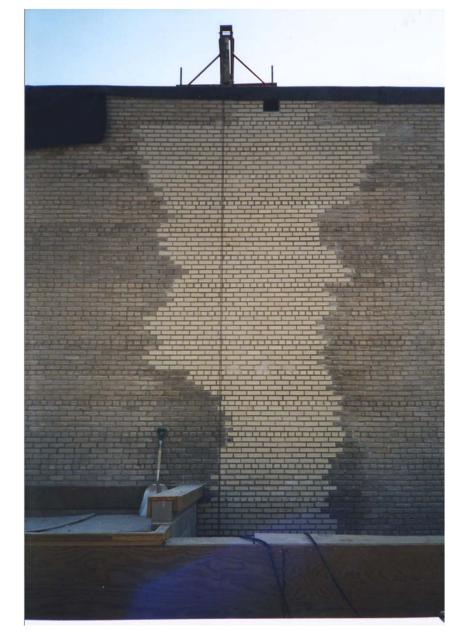


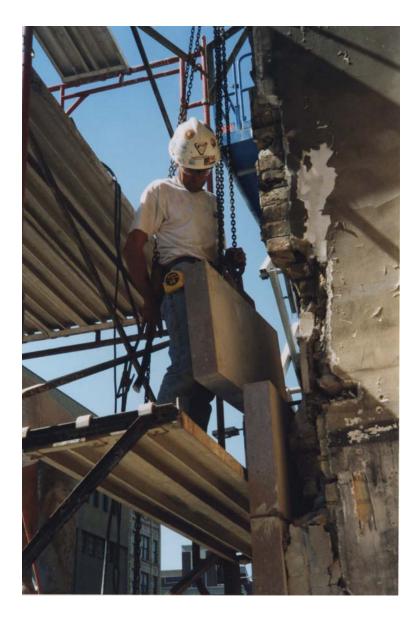














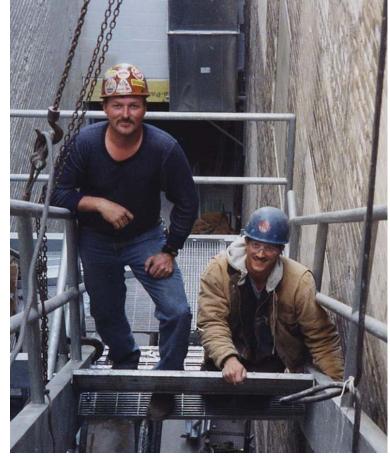














Back of stage house (2000)





Back of stage house (1930's)



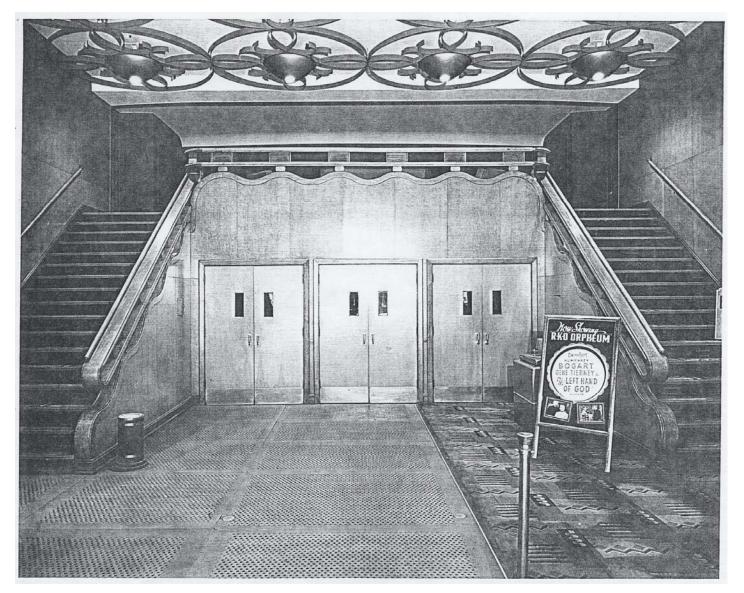




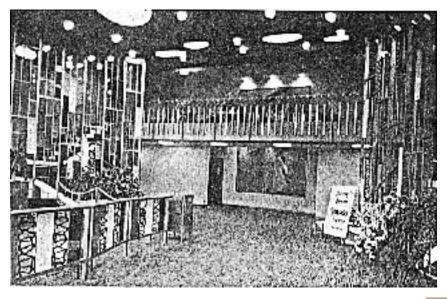


The original lobby was covered but open to the exterior. (1916)

The bar is located where the ticket booth once was



The lobby was extensively remodeled many times over the years....this photo dates back to 1946 opening of the RKO Pan.



The 1961 renovation of the Mann Theater obliterated all traces of previous lobby iterations...by 2000, there wasn't much left of that left either.



























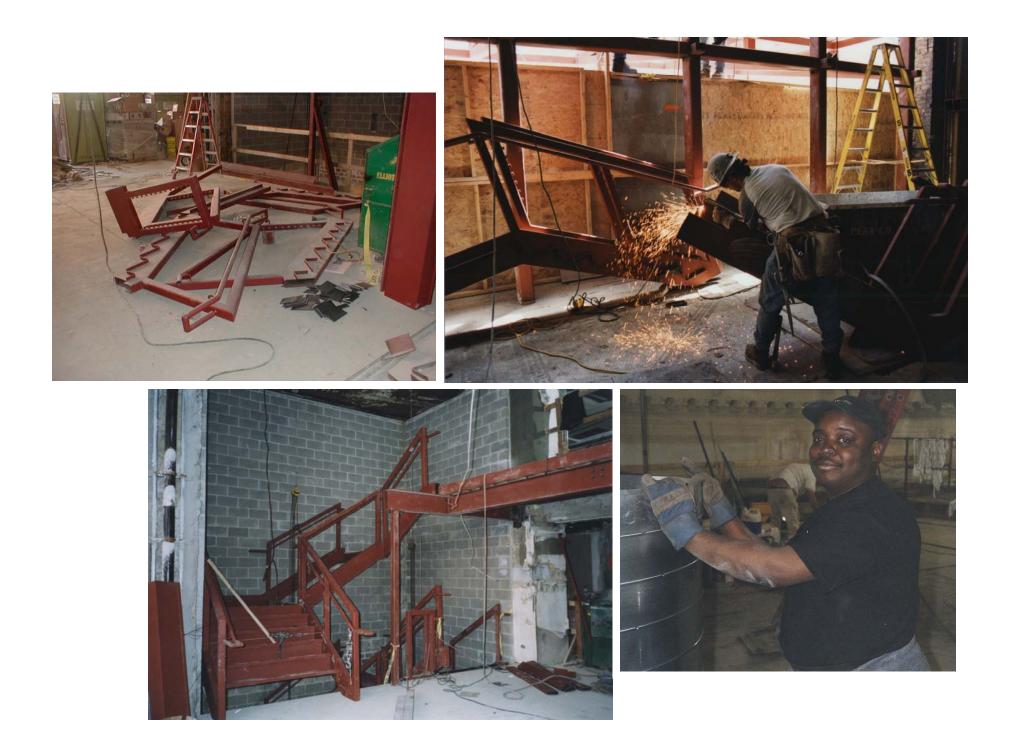
















The last remaining evidence of the original lobby... repeated trips by the bobcat during demolition eventually wore off most of the ceramic tile.

































This is the foyer under the mezzanine balcony in the main lobby. The 1961 lay-in ceiling was removed and much to everyone's surprise.....

John...."Really...I think it will work."

Kent is thinking....."you're out of your %#&^#*%&R^#) mind"









....behind remnants of the 1947 plaster ceiling, the coffered ceiling from the original lobby was found almost intact.













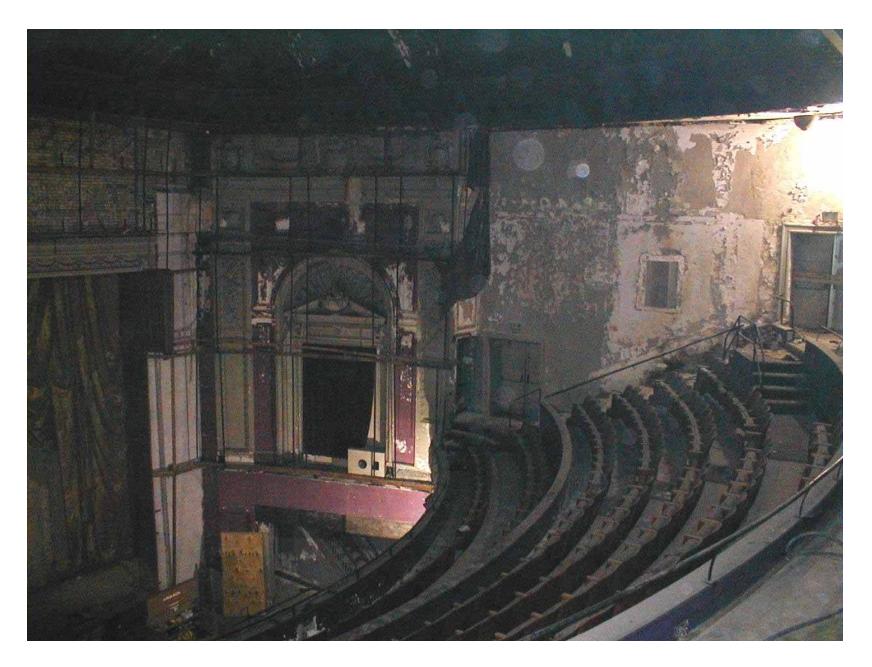








Although the original paint scheme had been covered over, the proscenium and side boxes remained intact until Ted Mann renovated the theater in 1961. (1954)

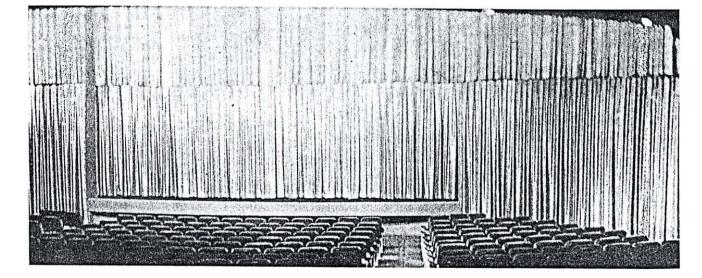


For the 2002 renovation, only the side boxes and ceiling had intact decorative plaster





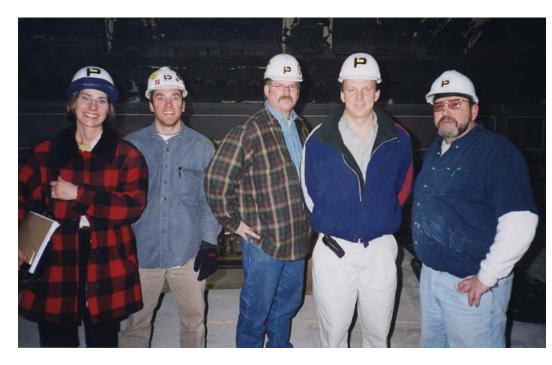
Most of the decorative plaster, including the flanking columns, was removed. The proscenium and side boxes were completely draped to create a more "modern" look.



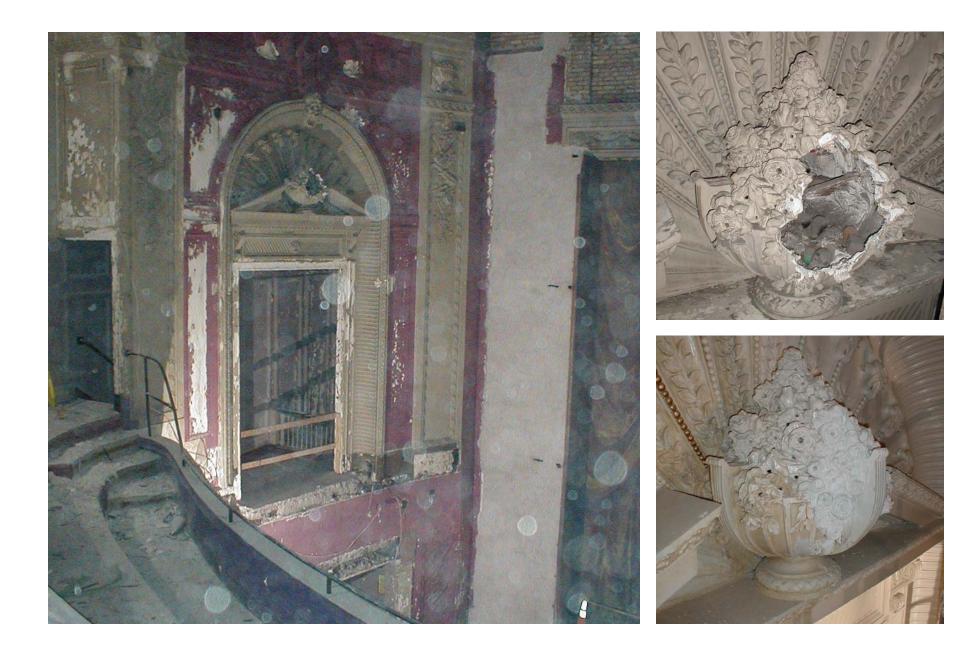


Pantages Theatre Restoration . Minneapolis

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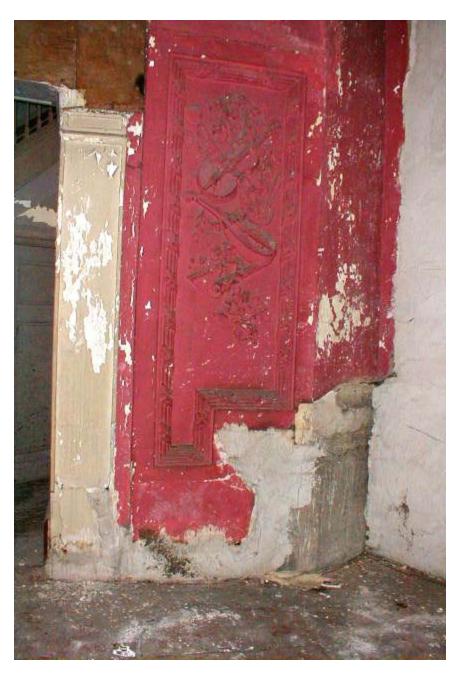


















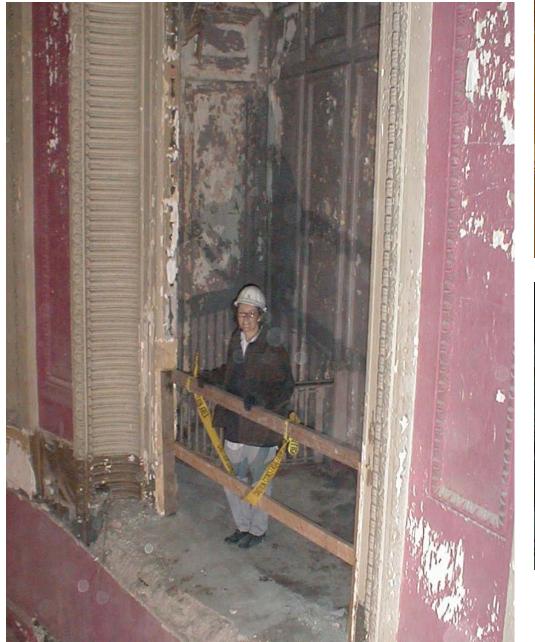
















































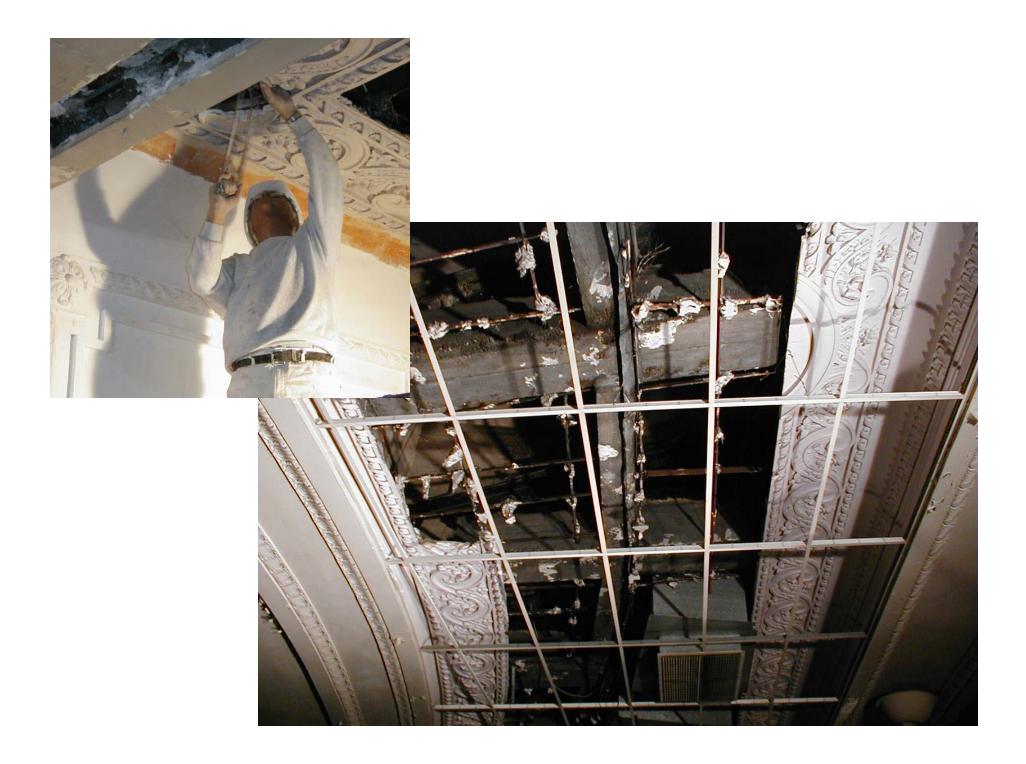


























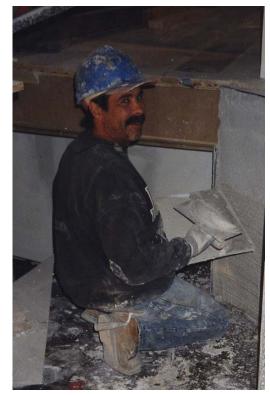


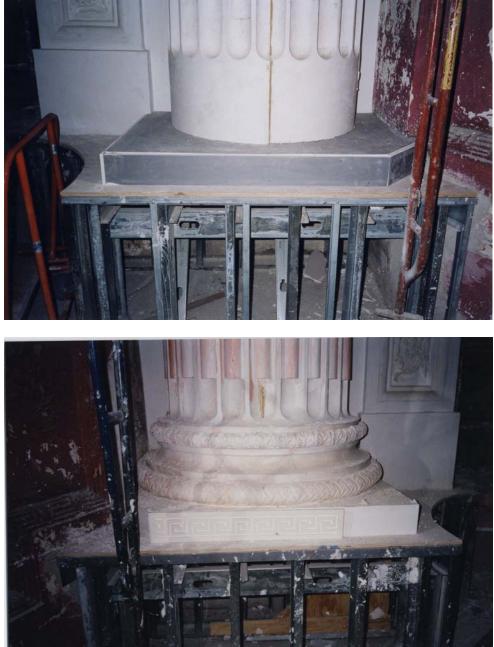








































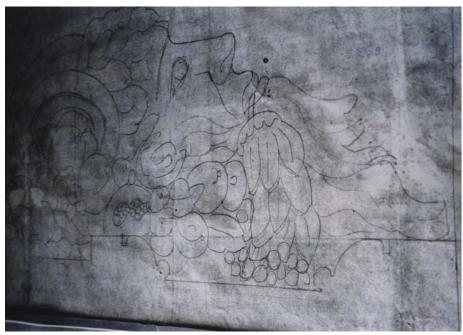




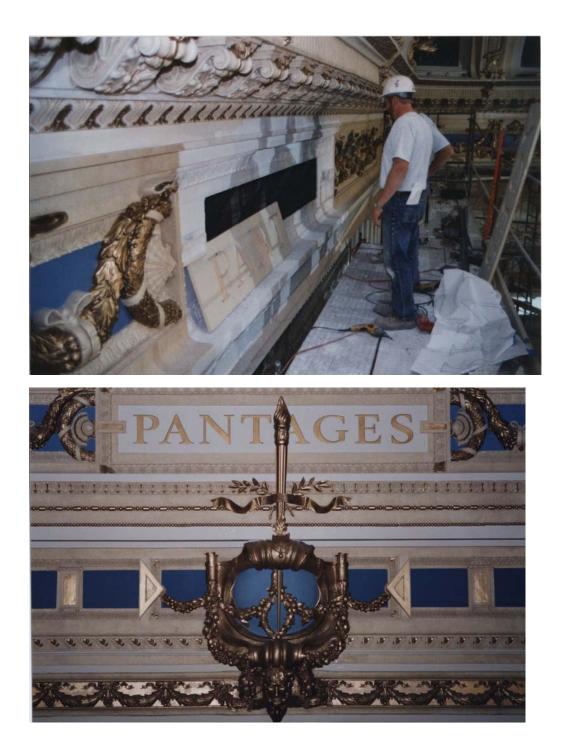












The sign is 10" too long for the space...Pat is trying to figure out how to make that not a problem



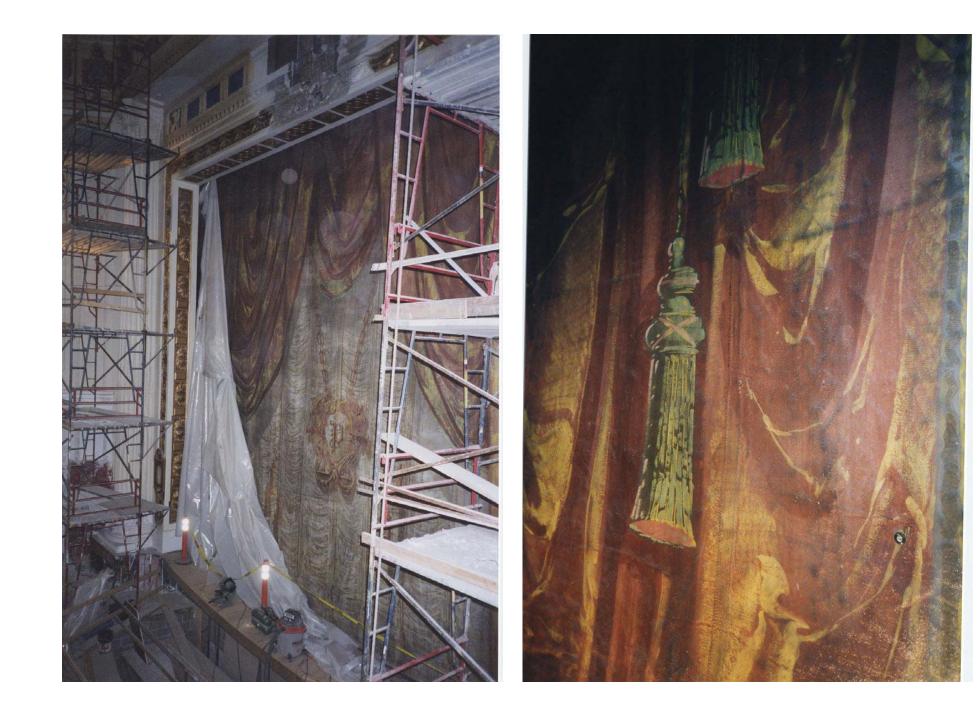
















Ken and Don conspiring to demo the entire building so they can start over - or - debating which architect to toss over the railing first

















































Every theater has a ghost..... ours followed Kent home last May....we're hoping it moves back in when the dust settles











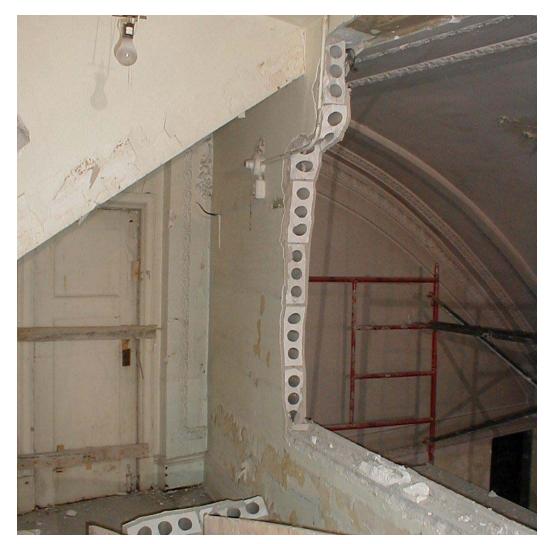




The mezzanine balcony was infilled with gypsum block in the 1920's.

The balcony is now once again open to the acoustic accelerator and auditorium below.











The mezzanine stairs to the upper balcony had also been filled in with gypsum block.





The mezzanine balcony was opened to overlook the main lobby in the 1961 renovation. The new mezzanine lobby is being extended to accommodate the new stair configuration.







The original decorative plaster framing had previously been removed from the mezzanine balcony ceiling although remnants were discovered behind a "modern" light cove. Ceiling tiles, moldy from years of water infiltration, were glued to the original flat plaster ceiling with mastic. The flat entire ceiling system was demolished and rebuilt.







The original decorative plaster framing can be seen to the left of the historical curtain track slot. Plaster framing was created to match existing and a new curtain track was installed.



















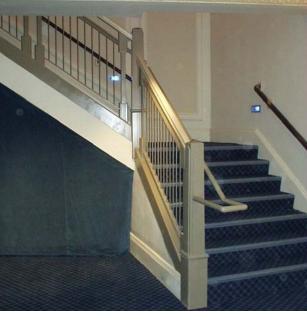


























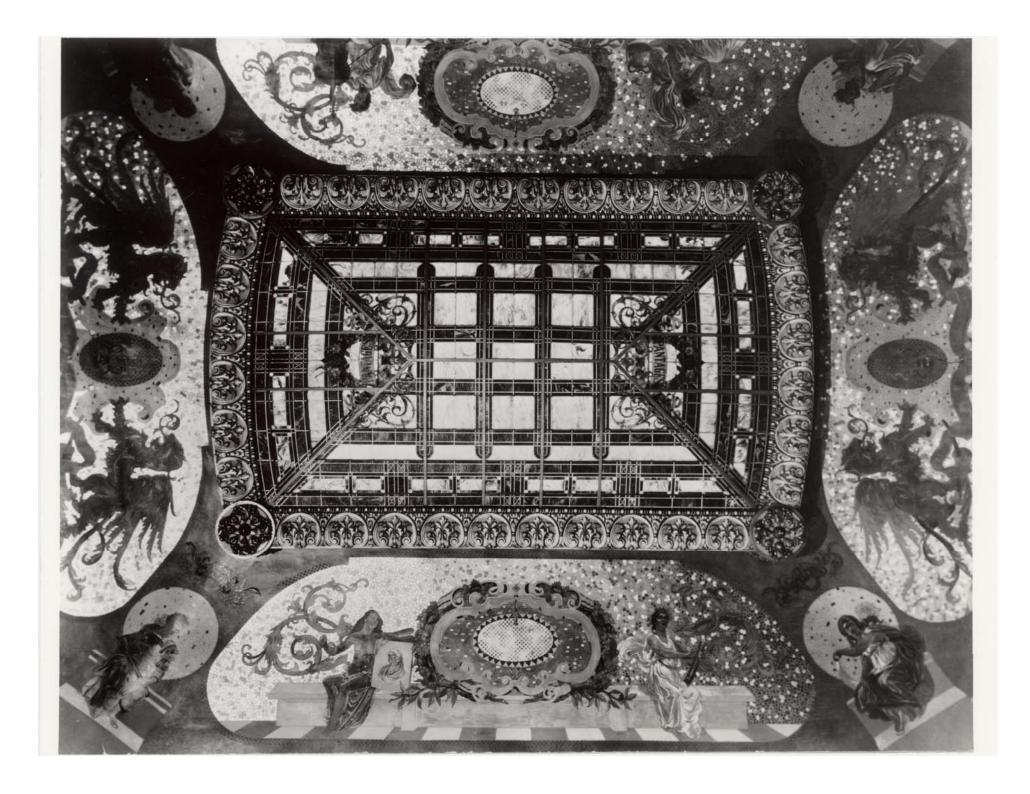








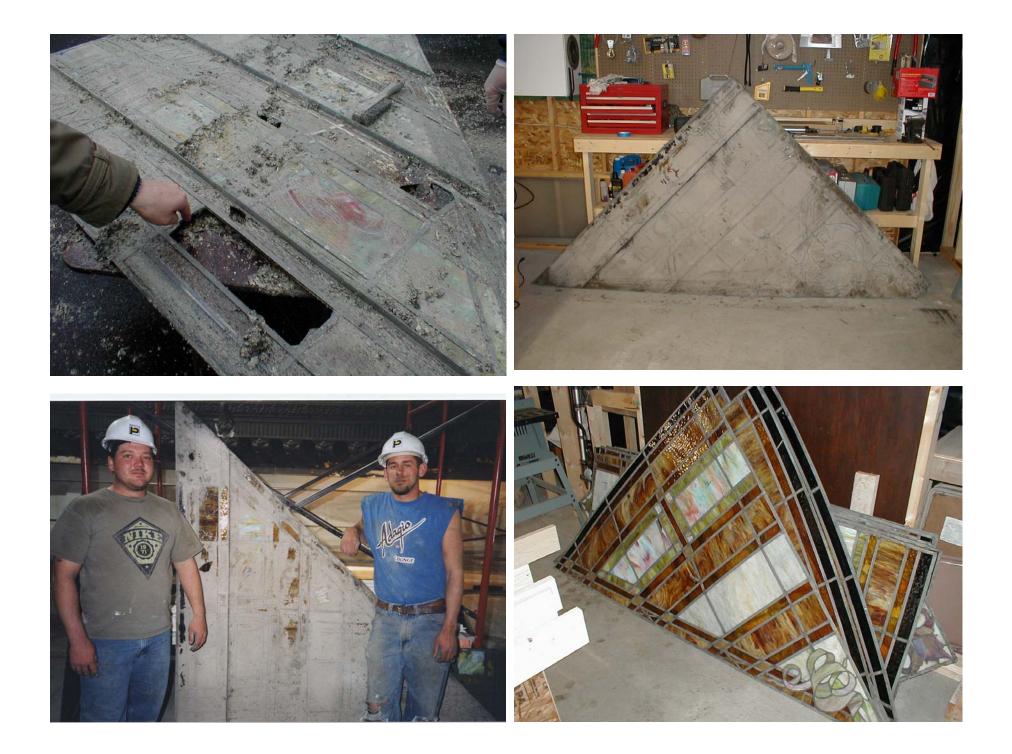












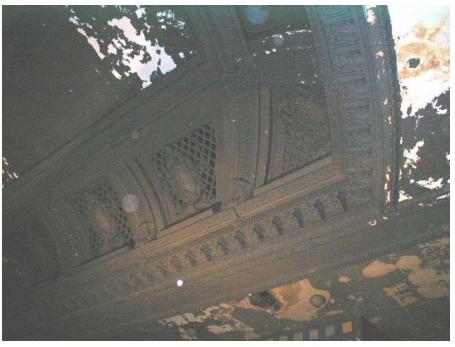








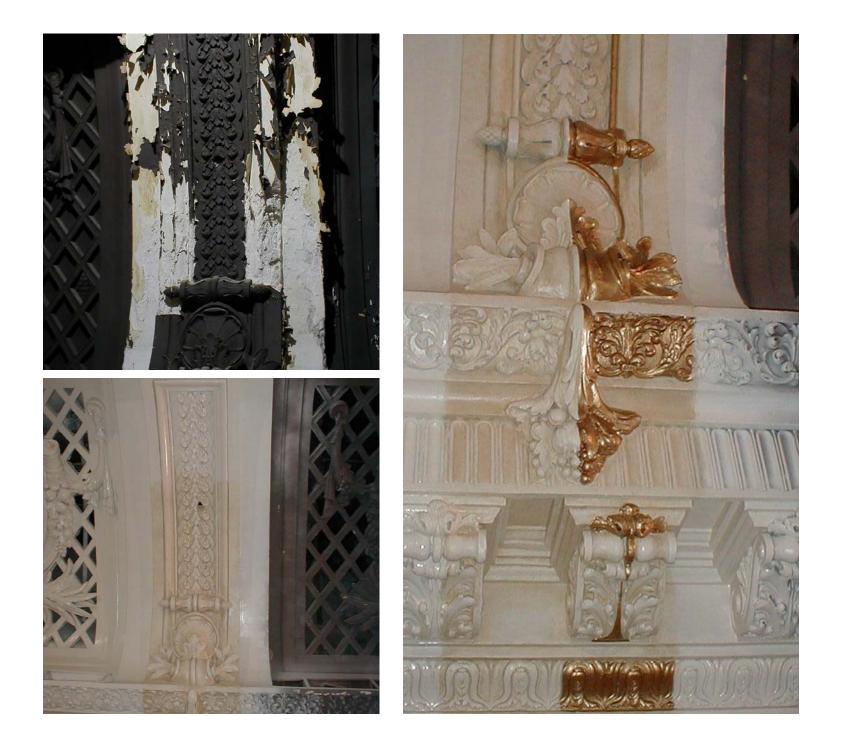


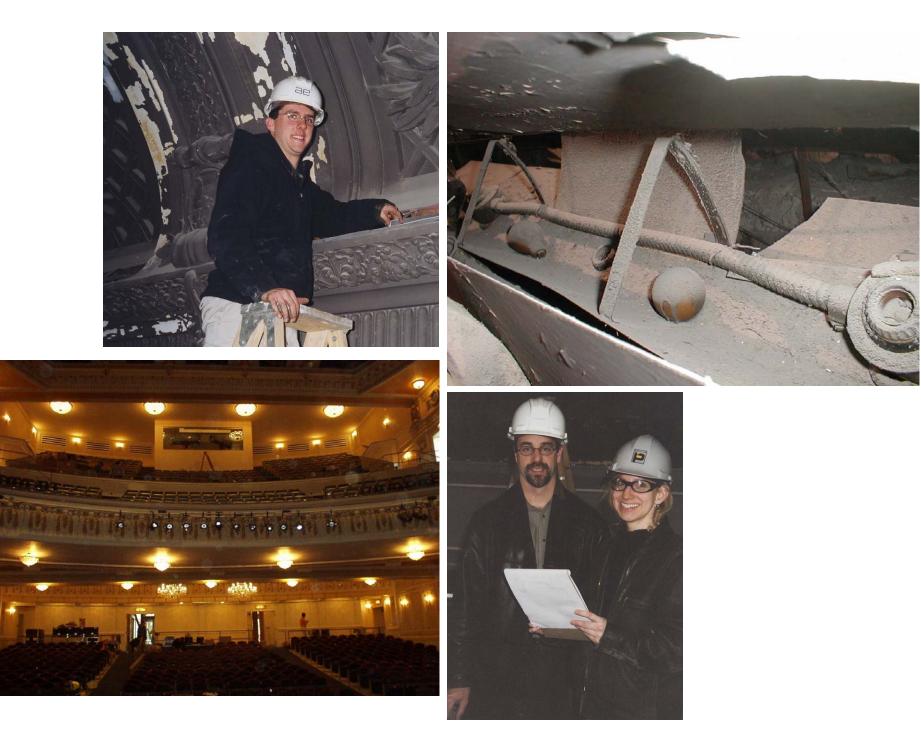














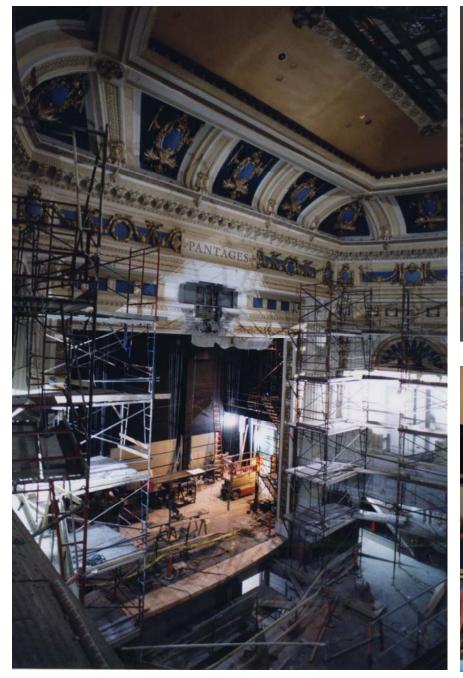














We have no idea what these two are doing...















