HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION JANUARY 27, 2014 DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS HDP-2013-0958 1303 SAN ANTONIO STREET

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1932 apartment house now used as offices.

ARCHITECTURE

Two-story, L-plan, hipped-roof, painted brick house with a partial-width, independent, enclosed front porch and a one-story, rectangular-plan, shed-roofed bay at the angle between the projecting hipped bay and the front porch, containing a single, narrow, round-arched window; other fenestration is single and paired 1:1 wood-frame, wood-sash windows. The original front porch has been enclosed with multi-light wood-frame, fixed-sash windows and an office-type front entry.

RESEARCH

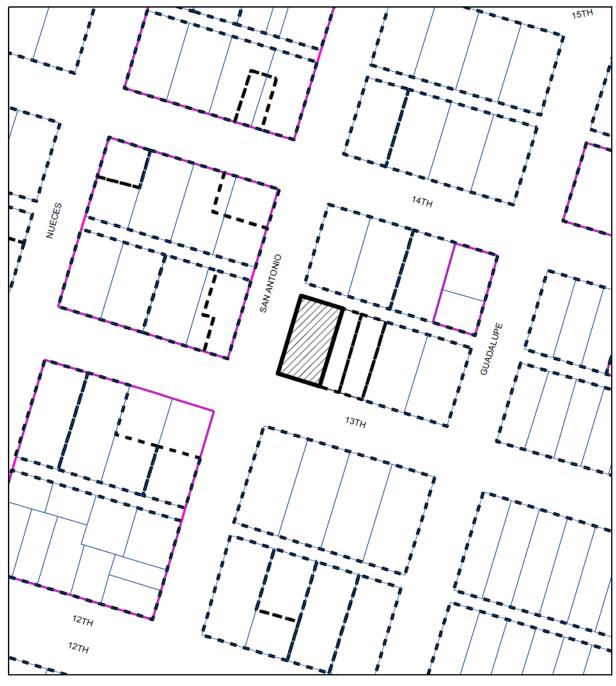
The house was built around 1932 as an apartment building containing three apartments. Anneliese Triebel, a German-born interior decorator, was the first owner of the house, and lived here in one of the apartments until her death in 1949. Early residents of the house were prominent citizens, including Page Keeton and his wife, Madge, who lived here from around 1932 until around 1938. Keeton was a professor of law at the University of Texas while he and his family lived here; he later became the dean of the University of Texas School of Law. Another prominent attorney, Gibson Randle, Jr., lived here in the 1930s – he was a student at the University of Texas when he first moved in; later, he married, stayed here, and practiced law in the Norwood Building, and as an assistant City attorney. Dovie Edgar, a former boarding-house operator, rented one of the apartments here in the late 1930s and early 1940s – she also had lodgers here at this house, according to the 1940 U.S. Census. Later tenants included Florence Vickers, a gift shop proprietor, and her mother, also Florence Vickers, from the late 1940s until the mid-1960s; and Moselle Anderson, a department store saleslady who later worked as a clerk in the State Comptroller's Office for many years.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house appears in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984) as a Priority 2 for research.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Request that the applicant consider retaining the house in the development of his project, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center. The apartment house has had some very prominent tenants, including Dean Page Keeton of the UT Law School, but it unlikely that it warrants individual designation as a historic landmark.





CASE#: HDP-2013-0958 LOCATION: 1303 San Antonio Street



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1303 San Antonio Street ca. 1932





OCCUPANCY HISTORY 1303 San Antonio Street

By City Historic Preservation Office January, 2007

1992	Travis R. Phillips, lawyer
1987	Phillips, Neal and Woods, lawyers Travis R. Phillips, Robert F. Neal, and E. Hazen Woods, partners
1984	Phillips, Neal and Woods, lawyers Travis R. Phillips, Robert F. Neal, and E. Hazen Woods, partners
1977	Travis R. Phillips, lawyer
1975	 A: S. Tippins, renter No occupation listed B: Andrea Clark, renter No occupation listed C: Moselle L. Anderson, renter Retired D: Dora L. Munro, renter Retired
1973	A: Nan H. Nathan, renter Retired B: Vacant C: Moselle Anderson, renter Clerk, State Comptroller's Office D: Dora L. Munro, renter Retired
1969	A: Lydia White, renter No occupation listed B: Vacant C: Moselle Anderson, renter Clerk, State Comptroller's Office D: Vacant ½: No return
1968	 A: Ella Phillips, renter Clerk, Austin Savings and Loan, 1008 Lavaca Street. B: Vacant C: Moselle Anderson, renter Clerk, State Comptroller's Office D: Stephen and Doris Brown, renters No occupation listed ½: Vacant
1963	 A: Anne Echols, renter Widow, Marvin Echols No occupation listed B: Florence Vickers, renter Proprietor, Florence Vickers Gifts, 1302 Guadalupe Street. C: Eunice Broyles, renter No occupation listed

D: Moselle L. Anderson, renter Clerk, State Comptroller's Office

1962 A: Anne B. Echols, renter

Widow, Marvin Echols No occupation listed

B: Florence Vickers, renter

Proprietor, Florence Vickers Gifts, 1302 Guadalupe Street.

C: Eunice Broyles, renter No occupation listed

Also listed is Carlene Broyles, no occupation stated.

D: Moselle Anderson, renter

Clerk, State Comptroller's Office

1959 Mrs. Lyle B. Speck, renter

Teacher, Robert E. Lee School, 3308 Hampton Road.

A: Glenn M. and Christabel Tooke, renters

Glenn: Salesman, Janitor Supply (not listed in the directory)
Christabel: Saleslady, ABC Shop, infants' wear, 809 W. 12th Street.

1958 Glenn M. and Christabel Tooke, renters

Glenn: No occupation listed

Christabel: Saleslady, ABC Shop, infants' wear, 809 W. 12th Street.

1955 Furnished apartments (no separate listings)

1954 Furnished apartments (no separate listings)

1952 Lillie B. Andrews, renter

No occupation listed

1949 Mrs. Florence Vickers, renter

Widow, William L. Vickers No occupation listed

Anneliese Triebel, renter

Proprietor, Triebel Decorating Shop, 1415-17 Lavaca Street.

1947 Mrs. Dovie J. Edgar, renter

No occupation listed

Anneliese Triebel, renter

Proprietor, Triebel Decorating Shop, 1415-17 Lavaca Street.

1944-45 Mrs. Dovie J. Edgar, renter

Widow, H.C. Edgar No occupation listed

Anneliese Triebel, renter

Interior decorator, 1417 Lavaca Street.

Durwood and Velma Vordeman, renters

No occupation listed

1941 Anneliese Triebel, owner

Interior decorator, 1417 Lavaca Street.

Gibson R. and Sarah M. Randle, renters Assistant City Attorney

Dovie J. Edgar, renter Widow, Harold C. Edgar No occupation listed

1939 Anneliese Triebel, renter

Interior decorator, 1417 Lavaca Street.

Gibson R. and Sarah M. Randle, renters Attorney, 1107 Norwood Building, 114 W 7th Street.

Dovie J. Edgar, renter Widow, Harold C. Edgar No occupation listed

NOTE: Werdner P. and Madge Keeton are listed at 3808 Avenue F; he was an associate professor at the University of Texas; she had no separate listing. NOTE: Mary K. Stewart is not listed in the directory; in 1941, she was living at 2904 Bowman Avenue.

1937 Anneliese Triebel, owner

Interior decorator (no separate address)

Gibson R. and Sarah M. Randle, renters Attorney, 1107 Norwood Building, 114 W. 7th Street.

Werdner P. and Madge Keeton, renters

Werdner: Associate professor, University of Texas

Madge: Student, University of Texas

Mrs. Mary K. Stewart, renter Widow, Norris D. Stewart No occupation listed

1935 Werdner P. and Madge Keeton, renters

Werdner: Adjunct professor, University of Texas

Madge: Student, University of Texas

Gibson R. Randle, Jr., renter Student, University of Texas

NOTE: Sarah M. Randle is not listed in the directory.

Anneliese Triebel, owner

Interior decorator, Dahlich Company, furniture, carpets, house furnishings, draperies, and upholsteries, 1410-20 Lavaca Street.

Mrs. Mary K. Stewart, renter Widow, Norris D. Stewart No occupation listed

1932-33 The address is not listed in the directory.

NOTE: Werdner P. Keeton (no wife listed) was an adjunct professor at the

University of Texas; he lived in the Keeton family home at 910 W.

29th Street.

NOTE: Gibson Randle, Jr. was a student at the University of Texas; he

lived at 100 W. 19th Street.

NOTE: Anneliese Triebel was an interior decorator for C.A. Dahlich,

furniture, carpets, house furnishings, draperies, and upholsteries,

1410-20 Lavaca Street; she lived at 1615 Congress Avenue.

NOTE: Neither Mary K. nor Norris D. Stewart are listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

Werdner Page and Madge Keeton (ca. 1932 – ca. 1938) Mrs. Mary K. Stewart (ca. 1932 – ca. 1938)

Werdner Page and Madge Keeton are listed in the 1940 U.S. Census at 3808 Avenue F; the house to which they moved after living in an apartment in this building. Werdner Page Keeton was then 30, had been born in Texas, and was a teacher at the State University. Madge Keeton was then 28, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had two children: Richard, 2; and Carole, 6 months. With them lived Madge Keeton's mother, Mary K. Stewart, a 64-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed. The 1930 U.S. Census shows W.P. Keeton as the 20-year old son of W.R. and Ernestine Keeton of Vernon, Texas. W.R. Keeton was an automobile salesman. Both he and Ernestine had been born in Tennessee; all their children had been born in Texas. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Werdner P. Keeton as the 10-year old son of William R. and Ernestine Keeton, of Clarksville, Red River County, Texas, where William R. Keeton was a general merchandise merchant.

Norris D. and Mollie K. Stewart appear in the 1930 U.S. Census for Atlanta, Georgia, where they owned their home. Norris D. Stewart was a Texas-born proprietor of a machinery company; Madge Stewart (later Keeton), was their 18-year old Texas-born daughter.

Keeton, longtime UT law dean, dies



Page Keeton: Led UT Law School from 1949 to 1974.

■ Legendary educator is recalled by daughter as a hero, by students as a caring mentor

By Ken Hernan AND Mary Ann ROSER American-Statesman Staff Former University of Texas Law School Dean W. Page Keeton, a small-town East Texas boy who grew

up to leave a big-time influence on the law and generations of lawyers, died Sunday evening at his Austin home after an extended illness.

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Keeton was the father of state Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, a former Austin mayor who was sworn into her new post Jan. 1, shortly after Keeton went home from a long hospital stay.

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"Page Keeton is my real-life hero,"
Rylander said at her swearing-in ceremony.

She also recalled her dad's lessons

on what really matters.

"It's not the dollars you make that matters," she said he had taught her. "It's the difference you make." Funeral arrangements will be announced today. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting contributions to

charity of choice.
Keeton, 89, headed the UT Law School for 25 years and is credited

the University Methodist Church, the UT Law School Foundation or a

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Keeton was key figure in rise of Law School

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with propelling it to national prominence. Current Law School Dean Mike Sharlot said it is easy to sum up Keeton's tenure. He was, Sharlot said, "the greatest dean the University of Texas School of Law ever had."

In a 1988 tribute to Keeton, then-Dean Mark Yudof, now president of the University of Minnesota, said the Law School's reputation was largely a result of Keeton's efforts.

"Page built one of the great law schools in America through stubborn insistence on quality, his moral example as a scholar and teacher, his willingness to combat those who would assault his institution and his ability to persuade others to lend their talents and money and time to his law school," said Yudof.

"He was a giant among lawyers," said former Texas Chief Justice John Hill, one of many well-known lawyers who honed their craft under Keeton. "He was a master of the law, and he was a brilliant teacher."

Former Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Jack Pope of Austin said Sunday that he remembers his days as a first-year law student in Keeton's class in 1934.

"He's one of the great American educators," Pope, chief justice from 1982 to 1985, said. "He was the one whose classes were always full. He would cajole us and use the Socratic methods of asking questions to teach. His students just idolized him. He would mix his scholarship with being a warm human person. He leveled with the students, and they believed in him and followed him."

The City of Austin honored Keeton in 1997 by renaming 26th Street, which runs by the Law School, as Dean Page Keeton Street. The Law School address is now 727 Dean Page Keeton St.

Sharlot said Sunday night he was pleased that a wing at the Law School was named in Keeton's honor last month.

"There will finally be a significant space in the Law School named after its greatest leader. He outlived most of his contemporaries, but his name is still very well-known nationally," Sharlot said.

Born in 1909 near Clarksville in East Texas, Keeton grew up in poverty. He put himself through school at UT and received combined undergraduate and law degrees in 1931. He met his future wife, Madge, in a first-year torts class at UT. The marriage lasted a lifetime, as did Keeton's national

reputation as an expert on torts, the body of civil law for recovering damages for wrongful acts.

But students also saw another side of Keeton, according to Sharlot.

"He had personal qualities that endeared him to hundreds, if not thousands, of alumni," Sharlot said. "He was the kind of person students would come to because they couldn't meet their rent or because they had to buy a book or they needed travel money. Going around the state, I'm always running into people who tell me about the extraordinary personal kindness of Page."

Yudof recalled that the first time Keeton and his wife attended a party at the Yudof home, Keeton "spent a good deal of time under the dining room table with my 2-year-old son."

Keeton, an outspoken advocate of civil rights, received the Anti-Defamation League's Torch of Liberty Award in 1988.

He joined the UT law faculty in 1932 and took a leave from 1935 to 1936 to earn an advanced law degree from Harvard. He returned to UT but left from 1942 to 1945 to serve as chief counsel of the fuel division in the Office of Price Administration and assistant chief counsel of Petroleum Administration for War.

Years later, he said, "Except for my experience as a legal educator and scholar, I have always regarded my experience as a lawyer with the war agencies in Washington, D.C., during Word War II as the most valuable of my career."

After the war ended, he was dean of the University of Oklahoma School of Law from 1946 to '49. Keeton left Oklahoma in 1949 to become the dean at UT. He served longer than any other dean, and even after stepping down in 1974, he continued to teach until his retirement in 1995.

"He arrived at a school which was not readily distinguishable from most other state schools and laid the foundation for its transformation into an institution of the first rank in American legal education," Sharlot wrote in a retirement tribute to Keeton. "His impact was incomparable."

Keeton raised money for the school, oversaw the creation of the Law Alumni Association and lured prominent faculty to Texas, including Charles Alan Wright, a nationally known expert on federal procedure.

Wright said Keeton encouraged him to come to UT in 1965 as a visiting professor

from the University of Minnesota Law School. Wright never left UT.

"That telephone call inviting me was the best thing that ever happened to me in my life," Wright said. "Someone called him the 'king of torts,' and he truly was.

"He had a temper," Wright recalled. "But he would give that big smile about 30 minutes later and say, 'Charlie, I shouldn't have gone off like that.'"

Keeton also served in influential jobs at the state and national level during his tenure at UT.

From 1966 to '68, he was on President Lyndon B. Johnson's Labor-Management Policy Committee. He was president of the Association of American Law Schools in 1961, chairman of the State of Texas Medical Professional Liability Study Commission from 1975 to '77, chairman of the Texas Ethics Advisory Commission from 1983 to '85 and a consultant to the Consumer Subcommittee of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation in 1985.

He and his brother, U.S. District Judge Robert Keeton, wrote "Keeton and Keeton: Cases on Torts," used as a text by about 60 law schools. He won several teaching excellence awards, including the American Bar Association's Award of Excellence to an Educator. Students flocked to his classes up to his retirement.

In addition to Comptroller Rylander, Keeton is survived by wife Madge Stewart Keeton of Austin; sister Willie R Keeton Spencer of Dallas; brothers U.S. District Judge Robert E. Keeton of Boston and Morris T. Keeton of Columbia, Md.; seven grandchildren; and four greaf-grandchildren.

Obituary of Dean W. Page Keeton Austin American-Statesman, January 11, 1999

Gibson R. and Sarah Randle (ca. 1932 - ca. 1940)

Gibson R. Randle, Jr. appears in the 1930 U.S. Census for Fort Worth, Texas as the 18-year old son of Gibson R. and Eva Randle. Gibson, Jr. had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed. His father, born in Texas, was a lumber salesman. His mother had been born in Georgia and had no occupation listed.

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Gibson and Sarah Randle as the renters of an apartment in this building, for which they paid \$48 per month. Both had been born in Texas; Gibson was 28, and was an attorney in the City Attorney's Office. Sarah Randle was then 25, and had no occupation listed.

Gibson Rogers Randle

Gibson Rogers Randle, 83, died Thursday, June 1, 1995. He was born July 1, 1911, in Rockdale, Texas.

Educated in the public schools of Fort Worth, he graduated magna cum laude from the Central High School (now Paschal High School). Upon his graduation from Texas Christian University, in 1928, his classmates elected him permanent president of the senior class.

After attending the University of Texas Law School, Gibson Randle served as Parliamentarian of the Texas Senate, and began to practice law in Austin. In 1940 he was offered a position in the City of Austin's Legal Department. He was an Assistant City Attorney until 1943. He served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Intelligence from 1943 to 1945.

After the war. Mr. Randle returned to the City Attorney's office. In 1946, he went into private law practice; and for the most of his career he was a partner in the Kendall, Randle, Finch and Osborn law firm. In 1989 he retired from the law firm, but continued to do law work on a limited basis until his death.

In 1962, the Texas Supreme Court appointed Mr. Randle to the State

Board of Law Examiners, he served on the Board for 17 years. He was a past president of the Travis County Bar Association.

He was a member of the Austin Rotary club, A Charter Member and Trustee Emeritus of the Headliners Club, and a long time member of University United Methodist Church, serving in many capacities, twice as Chairman of the Official Board.

Gibson Randle is survived by his wife, Audray Bateman Randle; a son, Mallory Blair Randle of Brooklyn, New York; a daughter, Sally Randle of Abilene, Texas; their mother, Sarah Blair Dougherty; three grandchildren, Benton J. Randle, Trisha and Christopher Bailey; and a step-son, Mark R. Bateman.

Contributions may be made to the University United Methodist Church Foundation or a favorite charity.

Memorial Services will be held Sunday, June 4, 1995, at 4:00 PM, at University United Methodist Church. The Reverend J. Charles Merrill officiating.

Services under the direction of Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar, 452-8811.

Obituary of Gibson R, Randle Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, June 3, 1995

Anneliese Triebel (ca. 1932 – ca. 1949)

Anneliese Triebel appears in the 1940 U.S. Census as the owner of this building, which was worth \$2,500. She was a 42-year old German-born interior decorator. The 1930 U.S. Census shows her as a lodger in the home of Christopher and Ella Baber at 1615 Congress Avenue; she was a decorator for a furniture store.

ANNELIESE TRIEBEL

Anneliese Triebel, 57, a decorator and resident of Austin since 1922, died in a local hospital Sunday afterneon. The body is at the Weed-Corley Funeral Home pending completion of funeral arrangements. She is survived by one brother, Fritz Triebel of Germany.

Obituary of Anneliese Triebel Austin American, September 19, 1949

Plans Incomplete For Miss Triebel's Burial

Pinal rites Triebel, 57, longtime Austin decora-Wednesday or will be held Thursday.

Services will be held in the Weed-Corley Funeral Home with burial in Capital Memorial Park. A definite time had not been set late Monday night

Miss Triebel, who died in a local hospital Sunday afternoon, was bern in Berlin, Germany, but came to Austin in 1922. She operated an interior decorating shop at Lavaca.

She is survived by one brother, Fritz Triebel, who lives in Germany.

> Funeral notice for Anneliese Triebel Austin American, September 20, 1949

MISS ANNELIESE TRIEBEL
Funeral services for Miss Anneliese Triebel, 57, will be conducted at the Weed-Corley Funeral Home Thursday at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. R. G. Roesener officiating. Burial will be in Capital Memorial Park.

> Final funeral notice for Anneliese Triebel Austin American, September 22, 1949

Dovie Edgar (ca. 1938 – ca. 1946)

Dovie Edgar appears as a renter of an apartment in this building in the 1940 U.S. Census. She was a 64-year old Arkansas-born widow with no occupation listed. She had four lodgers, single women in their 20s who worked as store and office clerks, and one an elevator operator in a department store. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Dovie Edgar as the owner of a boarding house at 1912 Nueces Street, where she lived with her two younger children, her mother, and three lodgers. Her daughter, Maurine, 23, was a kindergarten teacher; her son, Carol, was a file clerk for the State. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Harold and Dovie Edgar at 602 W. 13th Street in Austin. Her husband, Harold, was an English-born hardware merchant.

MRS. DOVIE EDGAR

Mrs. Dovie Jane Edgar, 81, died Tuesday evening. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. James Monroe of Lorena and Mrs. Wayne Buchanan of Hot Springs, Ark.; two sons, Less Edgar of San Antonio and Carroll S. Edgar of Houston; and two grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday at Cook Faneral Home. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Obituary of Dovie Edgar Austin <u>American</u>, March 27, 1957

MBS. DOVER EDGAR

Funeral services for Mrs. Dovie Jane Edgar will be held at 2:30 p. m. Thursday at Cook Funeral Home with Dr. John D. Barbes of San Antonio officiating.

Buriel will be in Onkwood Com-

The family has requested that slopers be omitted.

Pallbearers will be Garence McCullough, William E. Jackson, Dan E. McCaskill, Hugo Hornberger, Weber Jenkins and A. P. Diworth.

Funeral notice for Dovie Edgar Austin American, March 28, 1957

Florence Vickers (mother) and Florence Vickers (daughter) (ca. 1948 – ca. 1965)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Florence Vickers living with her mother, Florence Vickers, in a rented house at 401½ W. 13th Street in Austin. The younger Florence Vickers was a 35-year old Missouri-born saleslady in an antique shop. The older Florence Vickers was a 66-year old Texas-born widow with no occupation listed. They had lived in St. Louis, Missouri in 1935. The 1930 U.S. Census shows W.L. and Florence Vickers in St. Louis, where he was a solicitor for a hauling company. The younger Florence Vickers had no occupation listed. The older Florence Vickers died in 1957; the younger on April 17, 1973 in Austin.

Private funeral services for Mrs. Florence Dunnington Vickers will be held Tuesday at Cook Funeral Home with Rev. Scott Field Bailey officiating.

Mrs. Vickers of 406 W. 15th Street died Monday morning. She had been a resident of Austin 20 years.

Survivors are one daughter, Miss Florence Vickers of Austin; and two sons, Charles D. Vickers of Plano, Ill. and William Randle Vickers of Morristown, New Jersey.

The body will be sent to St. Louis, Tuesday for burial.

Obituary of Florence Vickers, the mother Austin American, June 11, 1957

Moselle Anderson (ca. 1960 – ca. 1977)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Mozelle Anderson as the 34-year old Texas-born daughter of Annie Anderson, a 65-year old Texas-born widow, who rented an apartment at 109 E. 15th Street in Austin. Moselle Anderson was a saleslady in a department store.

Moselle L. Anderson

Mrs. Moselle L. Anderson, age 87, a longtime Austin resident, died Wednesday, November 11, 1992, in Stamford, Texas.

She is survived by her nephews, W.G. Swenson Jr. of Austin, Eugene C. Swenson of Stamford, and Stanley D. Swenson of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 AM Friday in the Oakwood Cemetery Annex with Reverend B.C. Schmidt officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church, 1201 Lavaca, Austin, Texas 78701.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley Funeral Home, 3125 N. Lamar. 452-8811.

Obituary of Moselle Anderson Austin <u>American-Statesman</u>, November 12, 1992 Janice Knicker Lee

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Building permit to Janice Lee to convert the building from 3 to 4 apartments (1959)

The building was remodeled in 1981.