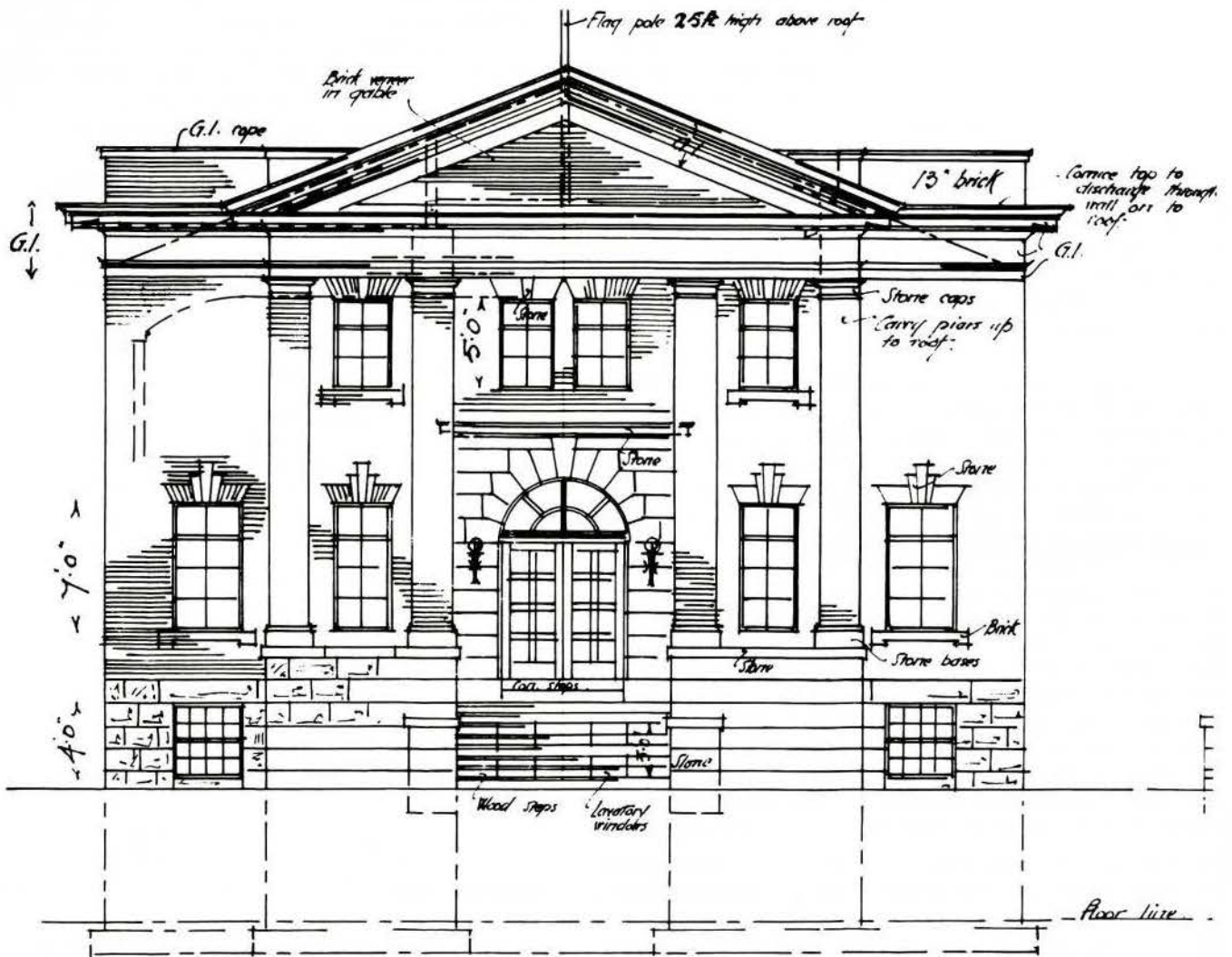


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THE CANADIAN ARCHITECTURAL ARCHIVES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY LIBRARY

The Canadian Architectural Archives at the University of Calgary Library have moved to bigger and better quarters within the Library Building. They now occupy about 7,500 square feet of floor space, most of which is storage but which also includes a sizeable processing room, a security room for special items, a comfortable user area, and a bright and pleasant office.

Once adjustments of interior walls have been completed (this is now in progress), we will have three major storage divisions: a large foyer, which houses a battery of lockable Plan Hold cabinets, an enclosed area for shelved record boxes, and an enclosed area for rolls of mylar drawings and those which are too large for Plan Hold files. Display items will be housed in horizontal map cabinets.

Our user area provides seating for six, a microfiche reader, filing cabinets with supplementary research materials, such as brochures of architectural firms, published articles, inventories, etc. We are, at present, awaiting shipment of a light table for this area to assist researchers in their work.

Since May 1979, some twenty-five new collections, ranging from the very large to the very small, have been received. Among these are a second consignment of almost 2,500 drawings and some ten metres of files from the Thom Partnership; two consignments of a total of 9,500 drawings of Cohos Evamy & Partners, Calgary; second consignments of drawings, specifications and files from both Adamson Associates and Jerome Markson, Architects, of Toronto. Hames & Timleck of Calgary sent further projects of their predecessor firm of Rule Wynn & Rule, and over eighty metres of records were received from Stevenson Raines of Calgary, continuing one of the largest, oldest, and most complete collections in the Archives. McCarter Nairne & Partners of Vancouver deposited almost 10,000 drawings and about fifty items of display material, projects dating back to the 1920s. A further consignment of over five hundred architectural photographs was received from Panda Associates, Toronto; and Du Toit Associates of Toronto sent nearly seven hundred colour slides of drawings and completed buildings. Mr. K. C. Stanley of Edmonton deposited original drawings of the firm of Stanley & Stanley and its successors, 1948-1979, which,

through the partnership of Dewar Stevenson & Stanley provides a link to the Stevenson Raines collection. With these acquisitions, the Archives now hold more than 300,000 drawings and about one kilometre of files, apart from other items such as photographs, microfilm and -fiche, colour slides, etc.

Inventorying and indexing is proceeding at a slow but steady pace. Research queries from users off-campus and on-campus as well as from across Canada are increasing in numbers, keeping Archives staff "on their toes". Inquiries into our organizational and indexing methods as well as acquisition policies are being received not only from archives in Canada and the United States, but also from countries overseas. For this purpose, an outline of indexing methods has been prepared and is available, on request, from the Curator. A guide to the collections will follow at a later stage.

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Al Azhar Temple Co.; Lawson and Fordyce Architects, Calgary, Alberta, 1910.

From the Stevenson Raines Collection, Canadian Architectural Archives.