

BANCROFT SCHOOL
1301-1321 East 38th Street

1931

Miss Maria R. Porcher, Principal

Originally Erected	1920
Number of Class Rooms	29
Number of Special Rooms	4
Enrollment	987

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A two story structure, the old section being semi-fireproof, the new addition entirely fireproof.

DETAILED REPORT

OCCUPANCY: This building contains no special features.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE: Building in good repair and well maintained.

EGRESS FACILITIES: Four stairways direct from basement to outside, three from second to first floor. These stairs are adequate. The second floor has one blind end hallway about 80 feet long. The playroom with a capacity of 300, has three narrow doors into corridor, one of which is from an elevated platform. This exit would be of very little value for the smaller children on account of the platform elevation. First floor exits are sufficient and equipped with panic bars.

COMMON HAZARDS: LIGHT -- Electric, wiring in metal conduit, fuses, standard. HEAT -- Steam boilers in fireproof sub-basement, non-standard communications with fan room and corridor. VENTILATION -- Metal flues carried through roof.

SPECIAL HAZARDS: PAINTING -- Occasional brush painting in child's workroom; paints stored in wood cabinet. COOKING -- Two gas ranges with permanent ovens, in teacher's lunch room, vents standard, solid gas connections.

EXPOSURES: None.

FIRST AID PROTECTION: Inadequate installation of chemical extinguishers. One 2½ gallon approved extinguisher in basement, and on first and second floors.

PUBLIC PROTECTION: Adequate fire hydrants. Two fire stations within one mile over paved and gravelled streets. Fire alarm box across the street.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Install sufficient chemical fire extinguishers.
2. Install fire wall doors on openings into boiler and fan rooms.
3. Provide approved waste can to be used in the mop room.
4. Provide metal cabinet for all paints.
5. Discontinue the storage of wood boxes in closet in child's workroom. Boxes are in contact with hot water pipes.
6. Provide standard electric outlet for stereoptican slide machine in playroom.
7. Eliminate long portable lamp cord in fan room or replace same with one approved for such use.
8. Provide additional exit from playroom into corridor and provide exit lights on all openings from this room.
9. Provide enclosed stairway from second floor at southeast corner of building.