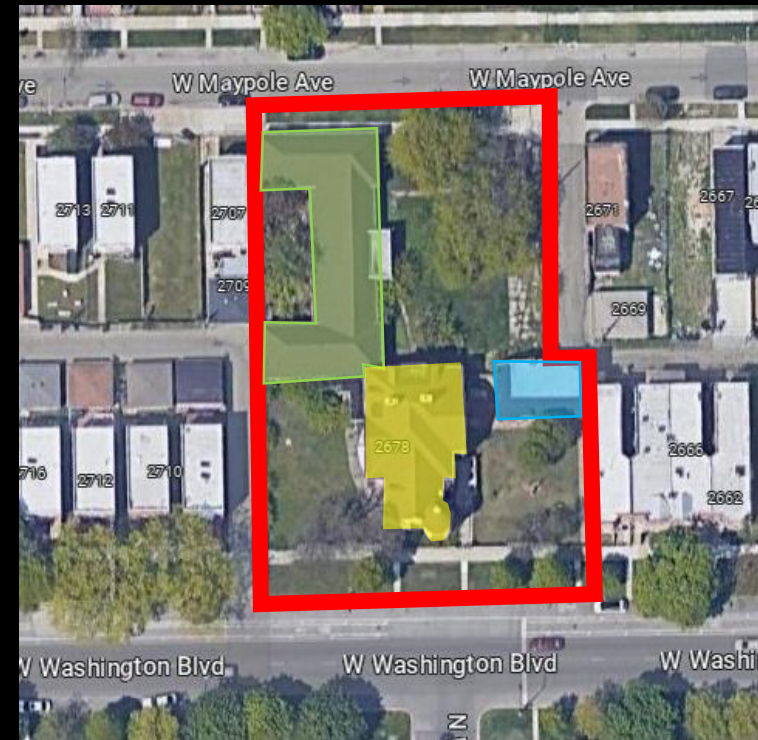
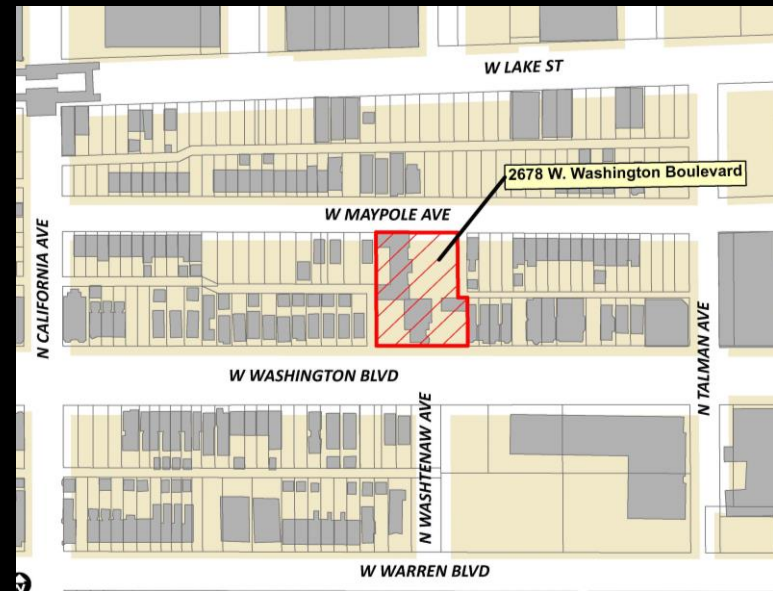
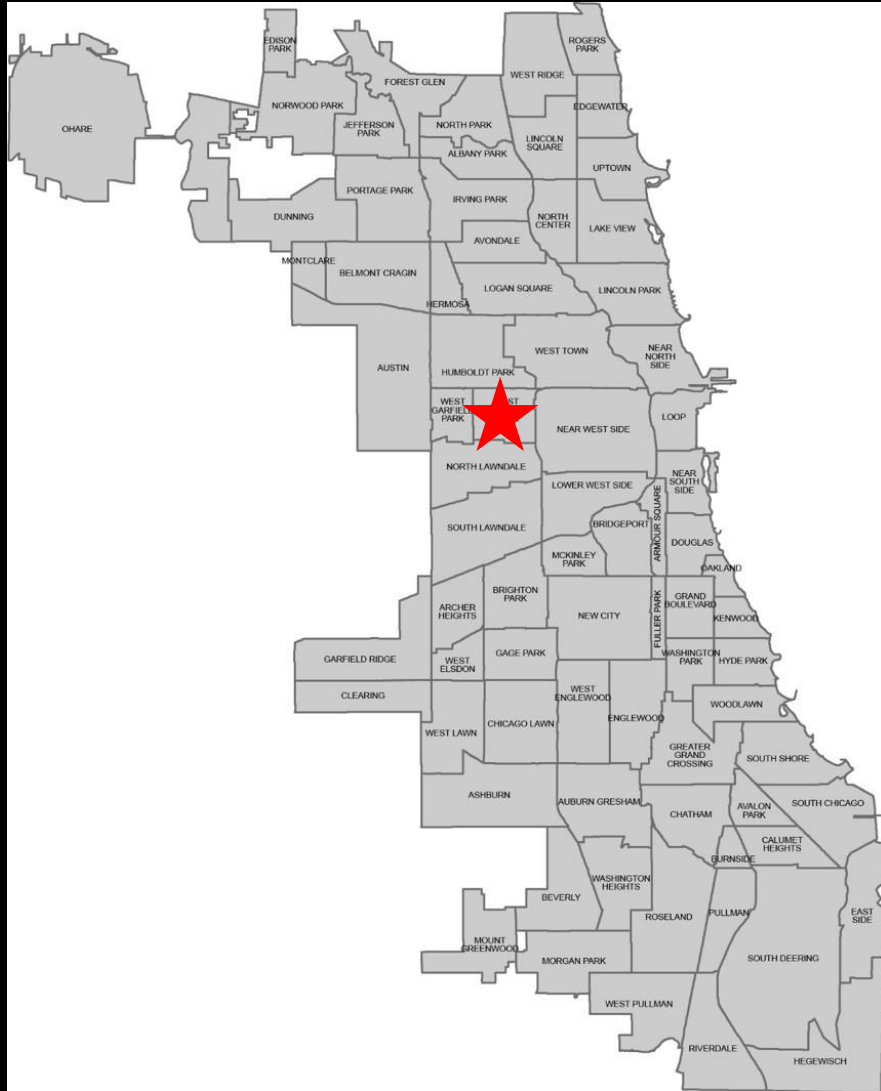




2678 West Washington Boulevard

Main House Built ca. 1880
Coach House Built 1895
Dormitory Built 1923

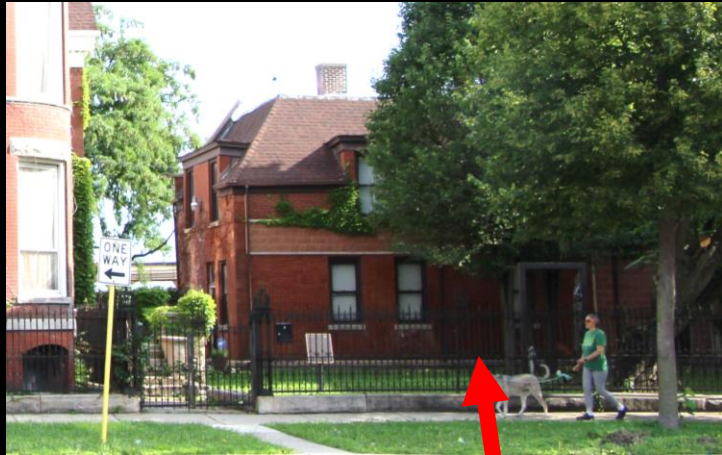


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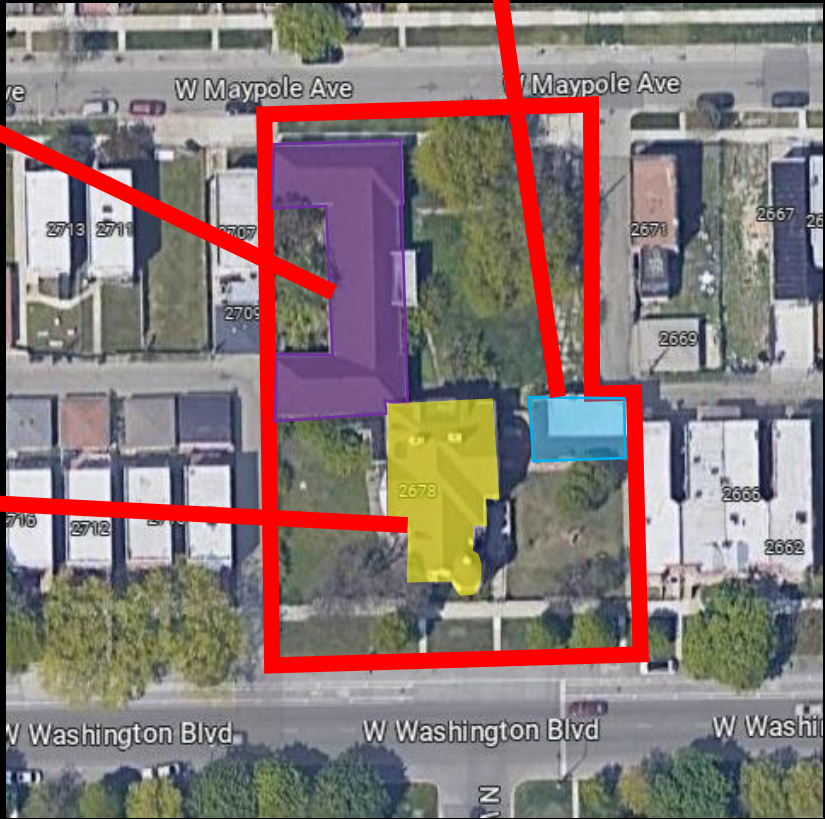
Dormitory



Coach House



Main House



Criterion 1

Value as an Example of City, State or National Heritage

Its value as an example of the architectural, cultural, economic, historic, social, or other aspect of the heritage of the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, or the United States

HOME SOON TO BE OPENED FOR CONVALESCENT WOMEN.

Institution to Accommodate Thirty,
Discharged from Hospitals but Un-
able to Care for Themselves.

Chicago is to have a home for convalescent women. The new home, which has been desired and discussed by Chicago sociologists, philanthropists, and charitable workers for years, will be located at 521 West Adams street and will be opened next Saturday. It will provide accommodations for thirty women, to begin with, and will be conducted along the broadest lines. Convalescent women will be received from every hospital in Chicago, and, although Miss Annie Hibbert, city missionary of the Episcopal church until recently, stands at the head of the work, the management will know no sectarian basis or bias whatever.

Miss Hibbert in her work of visiting the hospitals and public institutions has been frequently confronted with the crying need for a home or retreat for convalescent women. The charity departments of Chicago hospitals, public and semi-public alike, are almost invariably filled to their utmost capacity; it is not possible under such conditions to keep patients after they are able to help themselves a little. Many a woman,

therefore, is unavoidably sent away from the hospital long before she is in fit condition to take up the battle of life. The few institutions at which such unfortunate sufferers can be received pending renewed strength and complete recovery are almost always filled to overflowing. Only the county poorhouse remains. In such case, for the penniless convalescent woman whose friends are unable to take her in.

An employment department will also be maintained in connection with the new home, and the home authorities will also endeavor to look after the women a little after they have left and to see that no delicate or exhausted woman suffers still more for want of a homelike place in which to rest and recover strength.

COMFORTABLE HOME FOR WOMEN JUST OUT OF HOSPITALS IS OPENED IN PERMANENT QUARTERS IN WEST ADAMS STREET.

[From a photograph taken for THE TRIBUNE.]



The Chicago Home for Convalescent Women is a charitable institution that marks a new departure in the work that is being done in behalf of the needy women of this city. It is located at 521 West Adams street, in the residence occupied until recently by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dresden, and has been purchased by the association having the home in charge. The property was secured at a cost of about \$14,000, which will be paid by the subscriptions of those who are interested in the work. More than a third of this amount already has been pledged.

The undertaking had its origin in the efforts of Miss Annie Hibbert, who for the last ten years has been doing the work of a city missionary. One evening, as a woman patient was leaving the Cook County hospital, she was met by Miss Hibbert, who asked her where she was going.

"I do not know," was the woman's reply. "I must go to work. I have no money. If I was strong I could do all right, but I am so weak."

Miss Hibbert took her to her own home until she had recovered fully.

"It was then I decided that something should be done for the poor women who are discharged from the charitable institutions cured but not well," said Miss Hibbert. "Everywhere there has been a hearty support promised, and many gifts have already been made. Already there have been a number of patients in the home and many have been waiting to come."

According to the articles of incorporation the institution will be under the control of a board of fifteen directors. Five will be chosen each year by the members of the association. An annual payment of \$5 makes the contributor a member of the association.

Home for Convalescents to Add Ward for Children.

THE charitable organization known as the Chicago Home for Convalescent Women and Children is doing an important work.

It has just completed its eighth year of successful work and now is preparing plans for the addition of a children's ward.

The home is open to any one, irrespective of religion or nationality. Some of the best and most effectual work has been done through the Welfare Workers of the different hospitals. During the last year the home has cared for 280 patients, seventy-two of which were children. These were sent by the United Charities, the Visiting Nurses' association, the Mary Thompson hospital, the University of Chicago settlement, the Maxwell settlement, the Juvenile court, the Legal and Jewish Aid society, etc.

Among the members of the organization are:

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| Mrs. I. A. Abt, | Mrs. N. S. Davis, |
| Dr. I. A. Abt, | Mrs. C. E. Davis, |
| B. B. Ayers, | Mrs. J. B. Ellwood, |
| Mrs. P. D. Armour, | Mrs. W. Ecton, |
| Edwin Abbott, | Mrs. Louis Eastlake, |
| Mrs. George E. Adams, | Mrs. J. A. Edwards, |
| Mrs. T. B. Blackstone, | Mrs. Lester E. Frankenthal, |
| Mrs. H. Bartholomay, | Mrs. Hunter B. Finch, |
| Mrs. L. L. Barth, | Mrs. Richard Fitzgerald, |
| Mrs. Frederick C. Bartlett, | Mrs. Charles E. Ford, |
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| Mrs. John A. Bunnell, | Mrs. Jos. Fish, |
| Mrs. E. MacDonald Bowman, | Mrs. Geo. C. Furst, |
| Mrs. Auguste Brosseau, | Mrs. W. H. Forsyth, |
| Mrs. Julius Balke, | A. C. Frost, |
| Mrs. Harry Benedict, | Mrs. E. G. Foreman, |
| Mrs. Geo. Birkhoff, | Mrs. Oscar G. Foreman, |
| Miss Katherine Boyle, | Mrs. Howard H. Gross, |
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| Mrs. F. Norton Biggs, | Mrs. Herman Grossman, |
| Mrs. Dudley Bonitz, | Mrs. R. B. Gregory, |
| George F. Brown, | Mrs. E. W. Green, |
| Miss Edna L. Condit, | Mrs. Eben B. Guthrie, |
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| Mrs. A. B. Carpenter, | Mrs. Ernest R. Hall, |
| Mrs. Geo. Clark, | Miss Edith L. Hall, |
| Mrs. Ford Carter, | Mrs. M. F. Holmes, |
| Mrs. Michael Cudaby, | Mrs. M. L. Harris, |
| Mrs. E. V. Connolly, | Mrs. W. L. Hodgkins, |
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| Mrs. Helen K. Mead, | Mrs. A. L. Thomas, |
| Mrs. S. L. Morganthal, | Mrs. Charles Truax, |
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| Mrs. Caleb H. Marshall, | Mrs. Joseph Theurer, |
| C. H. McConnell, | Frank Tobey, |
| Mrs. W. B. Martin, | Graham Taylor, |
| Mrs. John W. Meaker, | Miss Blanch Thoren, |
| Mrs. C. E. Morrison, | Mrs. G. C. Taylor, |
| Mrs. J. H. Moore, | Mrs. O. K. Tyler, |
| William A. Naylor, | Mrs. Harry Vissering, |
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| Mrs. W. S. North, | Miss Elfreda Varian, |
| Mrs. E. P. Norcross, | Miss Anna Williams, |
| Mrs. Edward O'Brien, | Mrs. Thos. E. Wilson, |
| Mrs. Herbert T. Perkins, | Mrs. E. C. Wilson, |
| L. P. Perron, | Mrs. T. Wallace Wakem, |
| Mrs. Percival B. Palmer, | Mrs. James M. Walker, son, |
| Mrs. William Peterson, | Mrs. John West, |
| Mrs. E. L. Potwin, | Mrs. Willard Wiley, |
| Mrs. A. J. Pardridge, | Mrs. E. M. Wiley, |
| Mrs. E. G. Pauling, | Miss Cora Williams, |
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| Mrs. Hugh T. Patrick, | Mrs. Whiting, |
| Mrs. Whitney G. Press, | Mrs. John P. Wilson, |
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| Mrs. Frederick Price, | Mrs. Charles S. William- |
| Mrs. H. F. Perkins, | Mrs. W. E. Watt, |
| L. P. Ferrin, | Mrs. E. M. Wiley, |
| Mrs. R. H. Ritchie, | S. M. Wiley, |
| Mrs. Thos. W. Ritchie, | |
| Mrs. J. D. Ristine, | |

Plan Building for Home for Convalescent Women

The Chicago Home for Convalescent Women and Children, now at 1516 West Adams street, has just bought the old residence of Mrs. Mary Allen Morgan on the north side of Washington boulevard, 366 feet west of Talman avenue, for \$15,000. Mrs. W. D. McIlvaine, president of the home, admitted that a new building was to be built, but said details would not be given out till later. The site fronts 154 feet on Washington and extends through 193 feet to Park avenue, where it has a frontage of 138 feet.

Feb 11, 1923 -
Chicago Daily Tribune

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Started Twenty-four Years Ago.
The home was incorporated twenty-four years ago as a place where care might be given to women and children who were sufficiently recovered to be discharged from hospitals but who were not able to resume their work or endure difficult home conditions. Miss Ann Hilbert, a missionary worker, originated the idea, and the first board of directors was organized by Mrs. Solomon Sturgis.
In 1909 the late Edward Morris presented the home with the property at 1516 West Adams street. In 1923 this property was sold and the building now in use at 2678 West Adams street was purchased. The home is filled continually to the limit of its capacity and there is always a waiting list. There is only one other nonsectarian, entirely free institution of its kind in the city.

Dec 15 1929 -
Chicago Daily Tribune

May 26, 1912 - Chicago Daily Tribune



Children abled get degrees

Although they couldn't stand in line like other children at graduation ceremonies, Marilyn Strykowski, 14; Dolores Heins, 14, and Thelma Bonn, 13, are just as proud as they receive diplomas from Mrs. Olive P. Bruner, principal of Spaulding School for Crippled Children, at Chicago Home for Convalescent Women and Children's first "commencement." Left: Other happy though handicapped graduates are (l. to r.), Ned Dorgan, 14, and Edward Pettis, 14, given "sheepskins" at University of Chicago clinic by Anne Henry of Christopher School for Crippled children. Dr. Otis Whitecotton, superintendent, watches. (TIMES Photos)

June 26, 1941 — *Daily Times*



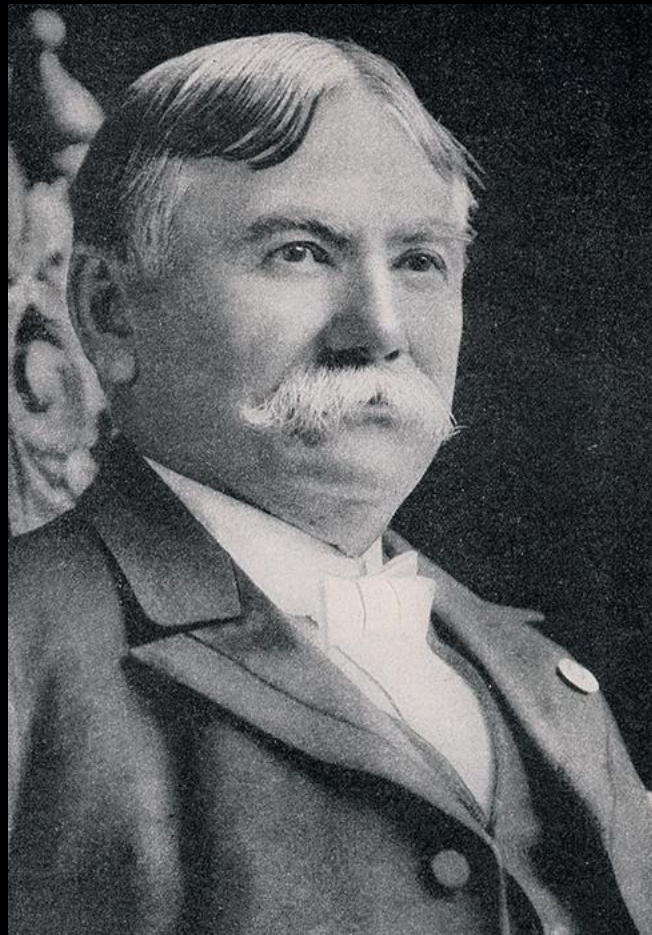
A BIG SEALED TANK with live fish in it is sent out by the Field Museum to the Chicago Home for Convalescent Children to help young invalids like Harriet McHale progress in their lessons. Because of traveling exhibits like this one, Harriet doesn't miss the trips to museums that are star events with many school children. The Convalescent Home is having its annual Easter drive for funds to help keep up its invaluable work of seeing that ailing children regain their health.

March 31, 1942 — *Chicago Sun*



The first Florence Crittenton Anchorage in Chicago opened in 1886 at 125 Plymouth Court.

Source: Florence Crittenton Missions: The Traffic in Girls, 1893.



C.N. Crittenton, the major sponsor of the nation's Florence Crittenton Anchorage homes.

Source: Justice and Joy National web page.



Fundraising pamphlet for the Chicago FCA, then at 2615 Indiana Ave., with image of Florence Crittenton.

Source: Florence Crittenton Missions: The Traffic in Girls, 1893.



Needlework class at Chicago's Florence Crittenton Anchorage, ca. 1900.

Source: Florence Crittenton Anchorage records, Special Collections and University Archives, University of Illinois at Chicago.

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| STATISTICAL REPORT | | |
| 1922-1923 | | |
| ADULTS | | |
| Number cared for during year..... | | 78 |
| Number returned to relatives and friends | | 50 |
| Number of marriages | | 4 |
| Number helped to secure positions.... | | 15 |
| Number present in home at close of year | | 9 |
| Number of nationalities | | 12 |
| Number of church denominations | | 10 |
| Number of Sunday services | | 49 |
| Number of Sunday School services.. | | 45 |
| Number of Meals served | 15,120 | |
| CHILDREN | | |
| Number cared for during year..... | | 40 |
| Number of births | | 35 |
| Number of deaths | | 2 |
| Number present in home at close of year | | 3 |
| NATIONALITIES | CHURCH DENOMINATIONS | |
| American | Catholic | |
| English | Lutheran | |
| German | Episcopal | |
| French | Baptist | |
| Swedish | Presbyterian | |
| Canadian | Christian | |
| Norwegian | Methodist | |
| Bohemian | Adventist | |
| Polish | Congregational | |
| Greek | Christian Scientist | |
| Jewish | | |
| Negro | | |

1922-23 Annual Report for Chicago Florence Crittenton Anchorage.

Source: Florence Crittenton Anchorage records, Special Collections and University Archives, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Neighborhood Women Aid in Preparing Anchorage for Reopening on West Side



Pink tinted walls, clean white beds, and shining windows! That's a good description of the nurseries in the new Florence Crittenton Anchorage, home for unattached mothers and babies, which will reopen Tuesday at 2678 Washington Blvd., after being closed 11 years. While Miss Mary Paul Ghary, nurse in charge, prepares a bed, a few of the women which who have been active in making ready the home. (Story on Page 7)



The former Convalescent Home for Women and Children has been selected to house the Anchorages. The brick exterior has been changed little, most of the inside has been reconstructed. First floor includes an entrance hall with wide staircases and an elevator; a living room, dining room, office, kitchen, and parlors. The dormitory wing opens from the dining room, second floor has recreation room, crafts room, and staff quarters.



On the day the new dishes arrived, even the church pastor, the Rev. John Katar, stopped by to congratulate the volunteer workers on their progress. Mrs. Hertha Simpson, girls' supervisor, speaks the chime.



Adjusting curtains in the recreation room are Mrs. Chamber (on ladder), a church member, and Mrs. Boehm, a friend of the church. Members have made curtains and slipcovers, and have helped place furniture, clean, and uncook supplies.



Partly because the church is in the neighborhood and partly because they just wanted to help, members of the Warren Avenue church have played a large part in preparing the home for its opening. Miss Levett shows her skill in polishing the living room mirror.



Dormitory rooms, equipped with two or three single beds, also have dresser, table, wardrobe cabinet, and chairs. Walls are blue, pink, or green, and windows are hung with venetian blinds.



Being Irishmen with a bit of conversation, agree Miss Gehri, right, director, and Mrs. Paigo, as she takes last stitches in milk bags for the living room.



Preparations for the opening of the Florence Crittenton Anchorage at 2678 West Washington Boulevard.

Source: *Chicago Tribune*, March 20, 1949

Miss Genrose Gehri, executive director at the Florence Crittenton Anchorage, 1950.

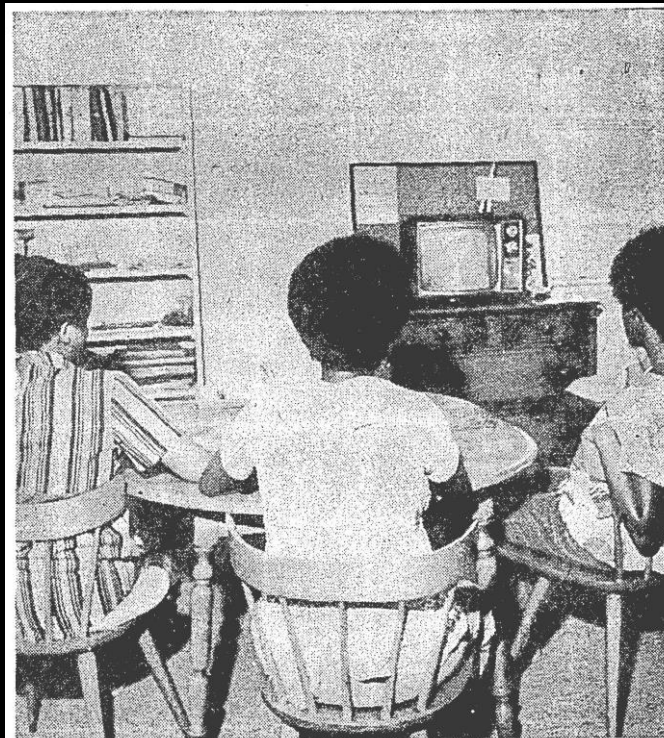
Source: Florence Crittenton Anchorage records, Special Collections and University Archives, University of Illinois at Chicago.



Miss Mary DeFond (left) teaches sewing to a resident of the Florence Crittenton Anchorage. She's been a volunteer there for five years, helps unmarried mothers make new wardrobes for themselves.

Volunteers shared their skills to provide classes and skills training for women at the Florence Crittenton Anchorage.

Source: Oct 31, 1960, Chicago Tribune.



Recreation...

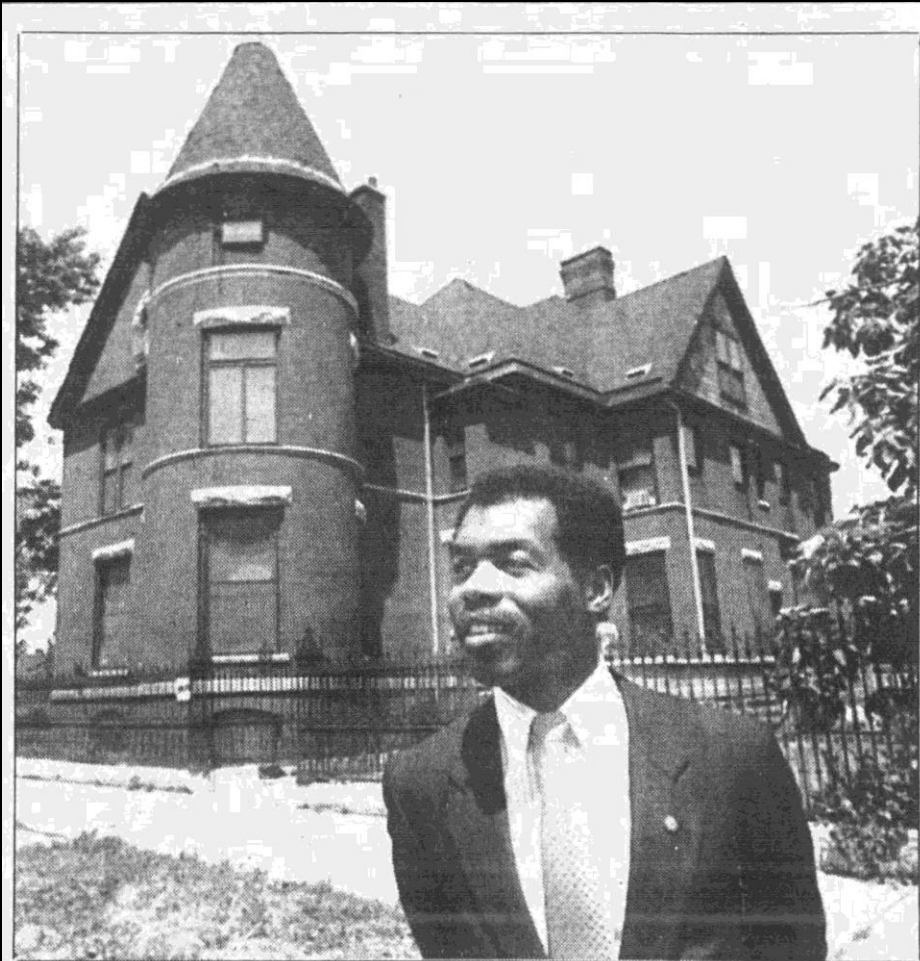
Residents at Florence Crittenton Anchorage on Chicago's West Side, relax while watching television in the center's attractive recreation room. Mostly teens, the

girls receive excellent maternity care, and are encouraged to attend school during their confinement. (Photos by Daily Defender photographer John Gunn).

April 15, 1972, article "Florence Crittenton Home Sets New Trend in Social Service" in the *Chicago Daily Defender*.



Above: Photo from a January 11, 1973, *Jet Magazine* article on 2678 West Washington Boulevard. Board President Irene King is at left and Director Sally McMahon is at right.



Tribune photo by Ernie Cox Jr.

Talmadge D. Betts, of Volunteers of America, advises would-be fundraisers to “know what’s going on in the for-profit sector—and be flexible.”

Volunteers of America used the second floor of 2678 West Washington for offices and ran the Living Center for Girls out of the facility between 1977 and 1998.

Source: Chicago Tribune, July 31, 1988



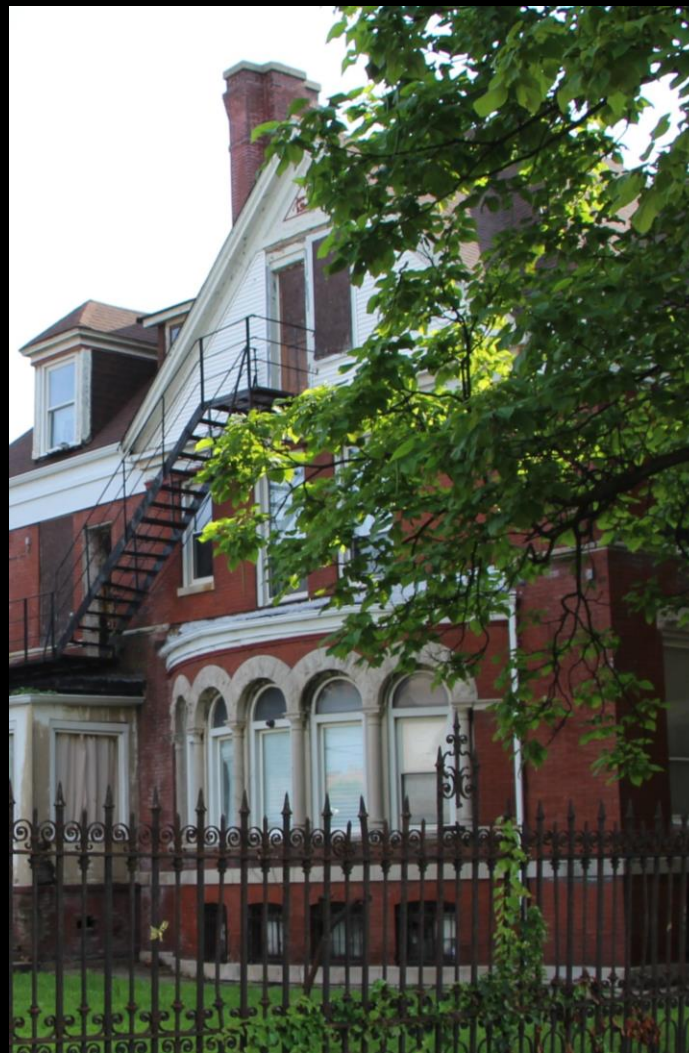
The “*Passage*” sculpture in front of the coach house.

Criterion 4

Exemplary Architecture

Its exemplification of an architectural type or style distinguished by innovation, rarity, uniqueness, or overall quality of design, detail, materials or craftsmanship

2678 West Washington – Main House



2678 West
Washington —
Dormitory



2678 West Washington – Coach House



Criterion 5

Work of Significant Architect or Designer

Its identification as the work of an architect, designer, engineer, or builder whose individual work is significant in the history or development of the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois, or the United States



William Holabird

Credit: Chicago History Museum



Martin Roche

Credit: Chicago History Museum

City of Chicago Landmarks by Holabird & Roche / Holabird & Root



Old Colony Building



City Hall – County Building



Palmer House Hotel



Chicago Board of Trade



Marquette Building



Three Arts Club



333 N. Michigan

Integrity Criterion

The area, district, place, building, structure, work of art, or other object must have a significant degree of integrity in terms of its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, and ability to express its historic, community, architectural, or aesthetic interest or value.



Significant Historical and Architectural Features

- All exterior elevations, including rooflines, of the Main House and Dormitory; and
- the 2011 bronze "*Passage*" sculpture.

The current location of the "*Passage*" sculpture is not integral to the site's historic configuration, so the statue may be relocated elsewhere on the site.



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