

following the pattern farther east, and oriented to the named streets (north/south) rather than avenues. But even by 1885, the character of Plymouth and Twentieth Ave. N. had been determined as commercial, with lots platted to front on those blocks. While the lots on the south side of 20th were platted 55' wide and initially held dwellings, lots on Plymouth were as narrow as 22', with fourteen lots to a block face. In 1885, no car line ran on Plymouth, but it became an early commercial street due to the bridge. Twentieth Ave. N. had a car line west from Washington by 1885, and the 20th Ave. (Broadway) bridge constructed across the Mississippi in 1888-89 further encouraged commercial development.³⁵

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CAR LINE

Although Gale's Subdivision west of Lyndale was not as artistically planned as Oak Lake or the later Forest Heights, it ultimately provided a sort of cultural hearth for the North Side. The neighborhood developed with some of the earliest high-style architecture in North Minneapolis, some of which has survived into the late twentieth century. It also held a number of important cultural institutions significant in the development of the North Minneapolis community. Among the earliest was Minneapolis' first branch library. Soon after opening of the new downtown library at 10th and Hennepin in 1889, the North Minneapolis Improvement Association escorted librarian Herbert Putnam on a horse-and-buggy tour to convince him of the need for a branch library. Putnam had reputedly said that only six books had gone "north of the tracks" in the previous month. Property owners Samuel Gale and Judge C.E. Vanderburgh donated land for the new building. Designed by North Side resident and architect Frederick Corser, the library opened in 1893 at 1834 Emerson Ave. N. (NRHP, 1977; local designation 1984). North High School began in the Logan School building at 18th and Emerson in 1886. The new North High School was constructed on Fremont between 17th and 18th and opened in Sept. 1896. That building burned in June 1913 but was rebuilt soon after.³⁶

Churches also located in Gale's Addition, including Pilgrim Congregational at 14th and Lyndale, the religious home of many early North Side leaders. Also constructed by 1885 was the Fourth Baptist Church, having moved from the Jewett Chapel near 11th and Lyndale to 18th and Dupont. Other churches built in the 1890s reflected the ethnic makeup of North Minneapolis. The Swedish Mission Church stood at 15th and Bryant (later 20th and Aldrich); the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran at 16th and Dupont; a Lutheran Church at 14th and Bryant; the German Methodist Church at 18th and Lyndale; St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 18th and Dupont (extant); and Ascension Catholic Church and school on 18th at Bryant (extant). By 1914 Foss Methodist Episcopal on Fremont and 18th and the First Church of the Evangelical Association (German) at 1823 Emerson had also joined this cultural hearth. While only two of these buildings remain, their presence in 1885 offered an early indication of the North Side as a home for old-stock Americans, as well as the Germans and Scandinavians who made up the largest immigrant groups in that period.

1823
Emerson

Some of Minneapolis' most elaborate Victorian residences were built in this neighborhood in the 1890s. Among them were the Case Lang House (local designation 1983) at 1508 Dupont; the John Lohmar House at 1514 Dupont (NRHP, 1977, local 1983), and other Victorian dwellings built in the 1880s and 1890s on Dupont, Emerson and Fremont.

In 1885, as Gale's subdivision attracted elaborate homes and community institutions, Corser and Co., comprised of Clarkson Lindley, Elwood S. Corser and Lester B. Elwood, offered the picturesque Oak Park Addition. Located west of Humboldt and north of 6th Ave. N., the eastern portion of the tract used curvilinear streets to vary the platting scheme, with Barnes and Lovell Parks providing small green oases in the intersections. The western half of the subdivision, running to Penn Ave., followed a standard rectangular block pattern. By the turn of the century, Oak Park had over 50 dwellings (mostly in the eastern portion). Streets on the west continued to be built up through the post-World War I era.³⁸

CARD #1 (over)

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS



LOCATION 1819-23 Emerson Ave. No.

First Evangelical Church

LOT Part of 5

BLOCK 15 ADD.

Gale's Sub

PERMIT NO.	CONSTRUCTION	DATE	CONTRACTOR	COST	O. K.
B 64305	48x84 Fr. Ven. church	8-12-05	Skange & Dybdahl	12000.	
D 28369	Plbg. church	10-20-05	Bjorkman Bros.	350.	12-22-06
F 14928	Elec.	11-4-05	E. Hammer	150.	
G 279	Stm. Htg. Plt.	11-29-06	Wm. Langley	550.	
F 16695	Elec.	1-13-06	J. H. Martine	300.	
F 78978	Elec.	2-16-18	Mpls. Elec. Equpt. C.	10.	
D 228718	Plbg.	7-30-31	Hugo E. Guntzel	250.	
B 228659	14x9 Boiler Rm. & Alt. Ven. church		Hugo E. Guntzel	2000.	
K 36041	Plast.	8-18-31	J. E. Olson	30.	9-19-31
O 14061	Stm. Htg. Plt.	8-12-31	Hugo E. Guntzel	1100.	
F 249721	Elec.	8-14-31	Chester N. Swanson	75.	9-10-31
F 260083	Elec.	8-26-31	Williams' Elec.	25.	8-31-31
D-332509	con. gas range	5-13-42	M. Mattson	5.	
D-358104	Mpl. water htr.	2-15-46	A. Dahlberg	100.	
D-289876	Reroof church bldg	8-20-46	H. Heath	840.	
D-21079	Repr. oil burner	5-31-50	E.R. Tyler	50.	
D 491217	Conn gas range	9-24-53	M. Mattson	6.	

WRECKING

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CARD #1 OVER

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Harper
First Evangelical Church

LOCATION 1819-23 Emerson No.

LOT Part of 5 BLOCK 15 ADD. Gale's Sub.

PERMIT NO.	CONSTRUCTION	DATE	CONTRACTOR	COST	O. K.
N 24660	Inst. oil burner only	11-9-53	Dirks O.B. Serv.	400.	
M 123081	Inst gas unit	1-28-59	Anderson & Dahlen Co.	125.	
B 393127 D 681683	Repair Roof repl. gas rge.	8-16-65 12-1-65	Applied Electric Co.	205. 15.	
M 152189	Gas burner		Chas. Elwood	50.	1823
N 28178	oil burner			250.	1823
G 79366	alts; repairs	10/11/72	Moorhead Mach & Blr.	350.	1823
I 19930	WRECKED 28x40x20 Church	12-15-80	C.&H. Excavating		1823

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ORIGINAL **PERMIT TO BUILD OUTSIDE OF FIRE LIMITS** NO. B 22639
 Office of the INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Architect: Quayle Quayle Minneapolis, Minn. 1935

Builder: Quayle Quayle PROPOSED LOCATION OF BUILDING

No.	Sheet	Part of Lot	Lot	Block	Traverse, Address or S.D. Number
1819	23	Green	Q 910	575	Edwards

Front	Depth	Height	Style	Built of	MEASURE OF CONSTRUCTION		Estimated Cost
					To be Used as	To be Constructed	
1414	Greenwood	Building	2	2000			

DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING: 2 Greenwood Building 2 2000

AGREEMENT AND SWORN STATEMENT. In consideration of the issue and delivery to me by the Inspector of Buildings of the City of Minneapolis of the above permit, I hereby agree to do the proposed work in accordance with the description above set forth and according to the provisions of the ordinance of the City of Minneapolis, and, being first duly sworn, I hereby state and say that the facts stated by me and contained in the above permit are true.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Minneapolis, Minnesota, this 11th day of May 1935.

My commission expires May 1, 1935

Inspector of Buildings: [Signature] Public, Hearon's Quayle, Minn.

INVENTORIED SITES

The following properties are included in the Heritage Preservation Commission's inventory compiled since 1980. This list includes 102 sites, primarily churches but also schools and related properties. The list is taken from the Minneapolis Preservation Plan (4.10.1 through 4.10.27) and names, dates, and addresses have not been verified or corrected; at present, it appears to have numerous errors and inconsistencies as to property names, dates and addresses. In its present form, however, it provides a basis for further research and inventory.

Name	Date	Address
St. John's Lutheran Church	1910	610 Broadway
Adath Jeshurun Synagogue	1927/1953	2400 Dupont Ave. S.
American Indian Evangelical Church	1906	1823 Emerson Ave. N.
Victory Temple	1938	2401 Aldrich Ave. N.
Second Spiritualist Church	1900	2230 Lyndale Ave. N.
Pilgrim Lutheran Church	1941	3901 1st Ave. S.
Simpson Methodist Church	1889-1907	2800 1st Ave. S.
Constantine Ukranian Church		100 University Ave. N.E.
Alliance Indian Church	ca. 1900	1400 1st Ave. S.
St. Anthony of Padua		804 2nd Ave. S.
Episcopal Church	1883-84	901 4th Ave. S.
St. George's Ukranian	1885	4th Ave. and 4th St. S.E.
Episcopal Church	1885	4th Ave. S. and 9th St.
St. Michael's Orthodox		5th Ave. and 4th St. N.E.
Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist	ca. 1905	5th Ave. and 4th St. N.E.
Svenska Mission Temple (Central?)	ca. 1895	707 10th Ave. S.
Craftsman style church	ca. 1925	3900 10th Ave. S.
Church of the New Covenant	ca. 1919	10th Ave. S. and E. 40th St.
Augustana Lutheran Church	ca. 1885	11th Ave. S. and 7th St.
Synagogue	ca. 1935	12th Ave. and Morgan Ave. N.