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Lackawanna County  
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Location: 416 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, Lackawanna County  
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USGS Scranton, PA Quadrangle  
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:  
18.444320.4583980

Significance: 416 Lackawanna Avenue is one of a row of late  
nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial  
buildings that made up the heart of Scranton's  
business district during the city's greatest  
period of prosperity. The building displays the  
period's fondness for large areas of plate glass  
and minimal structure on commercial facades.

Description: This three story commercial building faces onto  
Lackawanna Avenue. Its front is made of sheet  
metal and stucco, and its upper stories retain  
their original composition of large windows and  
delicate colonettes and mullions, with slight  
suggestions of applied orders. The first story  
storefront is recent. The rear elevation is brick  
with segmentally arched windows.

History: The building was probably erected, or at least  
altered to its present form, between about 1902  
and 1910, by the Joseph J. Hurwitz estate, the  
ghost of whose name survives on the facade's main  
frieze. It replaced a three story brick, Second  
Empire style building. The present structure has  
housed a number of different stores and business  
over the years.

The building was included in the Lackawanna Avenue  
Commercial Historic District, which was listed on  
the National Register of Historic Places in 1983.  
The building is scheduled for demolition in  
February 1992.

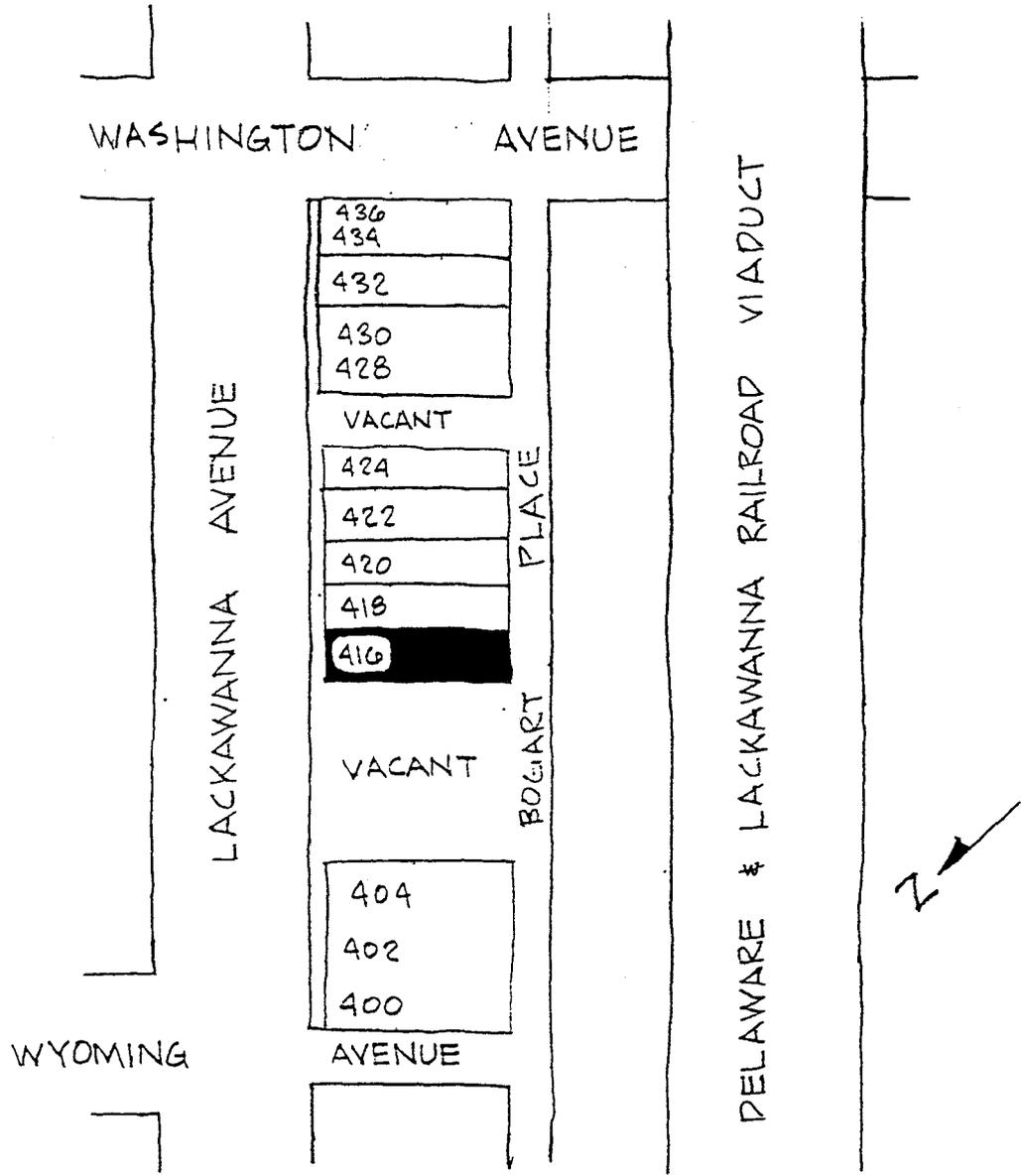
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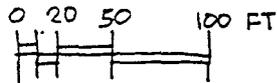
- Lackawanna Avenue Commercial Historic District. National Register of Historic Places nomination form, 1983.
- Sanborn Atlases of Scranton, Sanborn Map Company, 1955 (updated to 1973), 1898 (updated to 1910), and 1884.
- Photo of Circus Parade, c.1902-05, Lackawanna Historical Society, #1030 STSC.
- Scranton City Directories, 1956, 1925, 1902.

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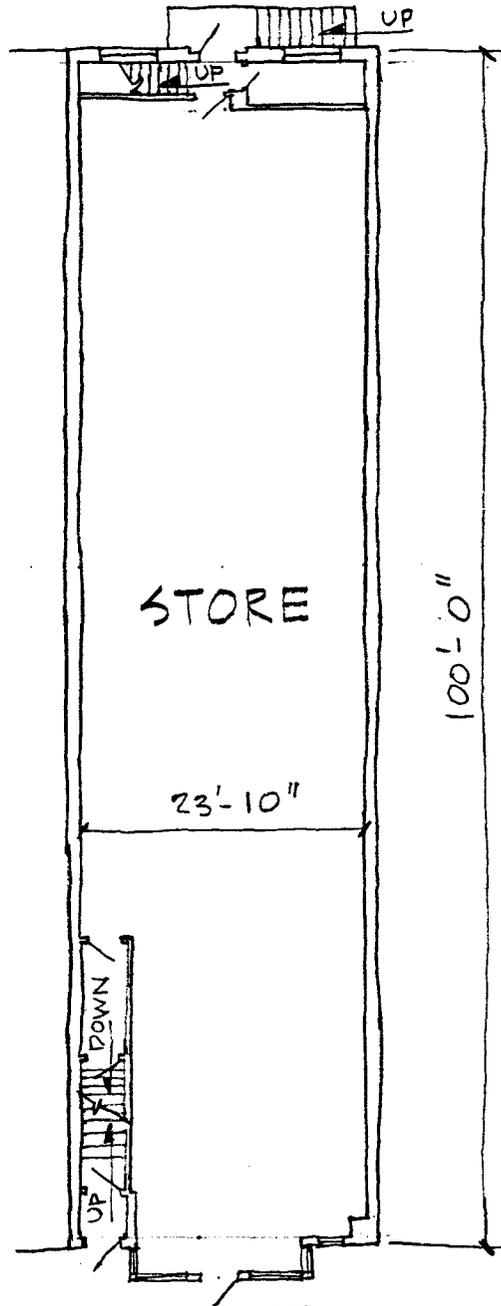
SITE PLAN



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