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Application for Membership

Lemon City, Fla. October 15th, 1920.

To the Secretary of the American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

SIR:

I hereby apply for Membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I hereby certify that the following statements are correct:

Name *George L. Pfeiffer*

Address *Lemon City Fla. (Suburb of Miami Florida)*

Place and date of birth *May 22nd, 1861.*

Graduate in architecture *Polytechnic Institute, Darmstadt, Germany*

Holder of Scholarship in architecture

Passed the qualifying examinations of the Royal Institute of British Architects, or the examinations for the first class of the Ecole des Beaux Arts.

If an Associate of a Chapter of the Institute, give name of chapter *Georgia Chapter*

If practicing architect, firm name *George L. Pfeiffer*

Have been in practice *1893 to 1909 at Chicago Illinois*
1909 to 1920 at Miami Florida years *27.*

If draughtsman, employed by

Collegiate and office training *Kunst-Gewerbe Schule, Karlsruhe, Germany - one semester*
Military Engineering School, Spandan, Gy. 2 years.

I have carefully examined the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute and the "Circular of Advice Relative to Principles of Professional Practice and Canons of Ethics," and I agree, if elected, honorably to maintain them.

I further agree, if elected to membership in the American Institute of Architects, that if at any time my membership shall cease, either by my own resignation or by any action taken by the Institute, I will then, by that fact, relinquish all rights of any character that I may have acquired by reason of such membership in the property, real or personal, of the American Institute of Architects, and of the Chapter of the Institute of which I am then a member.

George L. Pfeiffer
(Signature of Applicant)

I hereby certify that the signer of this application was duly elected an Associate of the *Georgia*

Chapter, A. I. A., on the following date

[Insert date of election to chapter.]

Warren C Powell Secretary.
By Wm J. Chase Pres
Georgia Chapter, A. I. A.

We, the undersigned members of the American Institute of Architects, have carefully examined the foregoing statement and believe it to be correct. We know the applicant personally, and consider that his work and practice warrant his admission to Membership.

(1) *W. J. Chase*
(2) *W. J. Chase*
(3) *W. A. Edwards*

Prelim. Fee *sent to Sec. 10/15/20*
Initiation *Not permitted*
Unan. End. *No*
Exhibits *Yes, required*
On Priv. Ccm. of *Not 17, 1920.*

[The signatures of three Institute members are here required unless the applicant has the unanimous endorsement of his Chapter, in which case certification to that effect should be made above by the Secretary. Unanimous endorsement is that endorsement in which each Institute member of the Chapter had an opportunity to express himself by letter ballot either for or against the member proposed. No other form of unanimous endorsement will be accepted.]

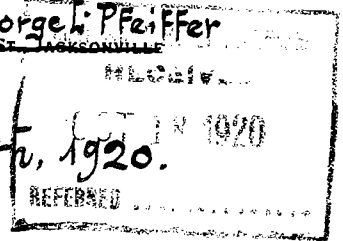
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Office of George L. Pfeiffer
135 E. BAY ST. JACKSONVILLE
Lemon City, Florida,
October, tenth, 1920.



Mr. Wm. J. J. Chase,
President, Georgia Chapter, A. I. A.
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your circular letter just received I enclose herewith my application for membership in the American Institute of Architects.

I beg to thank you and the Georgia Chapter for the timely reminder; as a duty to the profession as well as to myself, I should have become a member of the Institute many years ago but, while practising at Chicago, Ills. I devoted all of my spare time to the affairs of the Chicago Architects Assoc'n. (now the Illinois Society of Architects) and during my practice at Miami, Fla. I became so much interested in forming and maintaining a professional organization in Florida so that my good intentions were never more than a barren seed.

Owing to my isolated location relative to the official headquarters of the Georgia Chapter I have never had

The pleasure of an intimate acquaintanceship with my fellow members of the Georgia Chapter wherefor I submit to you herewith a few brief remarks in relation to my professional standing, not in a spirit of egoism but in a sense of duty and courtesy due to those of my fellows who will be called upon to judge my qualifications

I came to the United States of America, employed by the German Commission of the Chicago World-Fair, where I was awarded the Diploma of Honorable Mention. At the closing of this Exposition I wisely decided to embrace the practically unlimited opportunities of this country, became a citizen and practiced in my own name, from then up to the present time.

I have never had the opportunity, and possibly not the ability, to create any work of National - nor of exceptional local reputation but, during my twentyseven years of uninterrupted professional activity, I endeavored and studied earnestly and sincerely to do well and thoroughly whatever problem I was engaged with and, while my ambition was never completely gratified, I have the satisfaction of a high local reputation; with the bitter of an occasional disappointment I have tasted the sweets of public recognition.

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I was educated under an extreme conception of professional ethics, part of which had to be abandoned or modified to become congenial to the more liberal views held in this country, yet I am a firm adherent of ethical principles backed by ethical conduct.

I was a member of the Chicago Plan Commission up to the time when I left that city permanently.

I am a chartermember of the Chicago Architects Association, served on its Board of Directors during nine consecutive years and as its President for one term; am now Honorary Member of its successor, the Illinois Society of Architects.

Am a chartermember of the Florida Association of Architects, served as director during six years and as President for two terms.

Am a member of the Florida State Board of Architecture since the passage of the law.

Last, but not least, I have the honor of membership in the Georgia Chapter, in which, owing to the distance removed, I have unfortunately not been able to render any service. In conclusion I beg to state that I shall always endeavor, by principle and action, to do honor to your decision if my application should receive your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted
Perrot A. Heidt.

enclosure:
application form
costs for \$5.00

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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October 19, 1920

My dear Mr. Pfeiffer:-

Permit me to acknowledge with gratification, and on behalf of the Secretary, your application for membership in the American Institute of Architects, received by reference from Mr. Wm. J. J. Chase, President of the Georgia Chapter.

This will come before the Board meeting late in November provided we receive before that time exhibits of executed work.

These exhibits should consist of working drawings and photographs of two executed buildings which need not be specially prepared and may be taken from your office files. They will be carefully returned in due course.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Lemon City, Florida.

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Villa Florence

Lemon City, Fla.

October 24 1920

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My dear Mr. Kemper.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your kind communication under date of October 19.

Owing to the recent sale of my home, where my studio is located, my library, including all portfolios, photos etc. is already packed but I can have some photos prepared within a few days, which will be forwarded to you together with the plans of some executed buildings.

I appreciate very much the convenience of not having to prepare special drawings which at present - just in the preparation of moving - would have caused me great inconvenience.

I will be present at the conference of the State-Boards of Architecture to be held at St. Louis, Mo. Nov. 18. & 19. and hope I shall have the pleasure of meeting you on this occasion.

Very truly yours

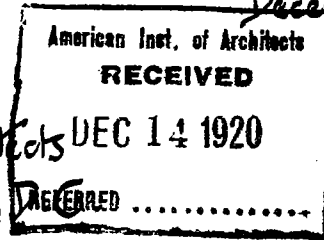
George L. Griffith

Mr. Edward C. Kemper
Executive Secretary, A. I. A.
The Octagon House, Washington, D. C.

2913. N.E. 3rd. Ave.
Buena Vista Station
Miami, Fla.

December, 10, '20

Mr. Kemper
Secretary, American Institute of Architects
Washington, D.C.



Dear Mr. Kemper

I have just returned from my trip to St. Louis, having stopped at various places on my homeward journey.

I sent to you to day - by express prepaid - the following plans of erected buildings:

- 1). The White Temple, Miami Fla. - Illustrated by Post Card.
- 2). The Elks Lodge + Clubhouse, Miami Fla. - Photo + Postcard.
- 3). Residence of Mr. Fred. J. Morse " - Photo.
- 4). Vista Del Mare Apartment " - Postcard.
- 5). District School Bldg. Lemon City Fla. -
- 6). Residences, Point View, Miami Fla. - Postcard.

} Photo's. +
Cards
Sent by
Mail.

The abovenamed exhibits cover buildings of various characters.

I have also added preliminary drawings for an Apartment Bldg. which I propose to erect for myself next spring - near the Bungalows - apartment upon the main floor - intended for my private use.

As I had informed you by my previous letter, having lately sold my home and studio, all my files, photo's etc. are packed away and stored which made it practically impossible to make a selection of exhibits - I just pulled from one packet at random but I hope they will meet your requirements. - In considering footings etc. allowance is due that all foundation go down to Natural Rock Bed.

I enclose herewith two applications - Mr. Francis Kenard and Mr. F.O. Adams Jr. (Mr. Adams was recently elected, Pres. of the Florida Association) both practitioners of high local standing; kindly inform me if these applications must be made to a chapter or if they may be made directly to the institute and if they can apply directly are ~~not~~ endorsements by Institute members required or not. I am now canvassing for Institute memberships among the sensible fellows in Florida but, having only one Institute member in our State (Klenzo Jacksonville) it is rather difficult to obtain endorsements by Institute members. Kindly return applications with your instructions.
Yours sincerely
Georck Weidner.

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December 14, 1920.

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

Thank you for your letter of the 10th. I am indeed sure that the exhibits that you are sending will prove entirely satisfactory.

I return herewith the applications of Messrs. Adams and Kenard at Tampa. This is the firm we were speaking about in St. Louis. Their applications are complete except that we must have on them the names of three Institute endorsers.

I enclose herewith a list of the names and addresses of the Institute members in Florida. We will be able to advise you of your own election within four or five days and you may wish to hold these applications and endorse them yourself and then secure two additional endorsements.

It is entirely proper for these men to apply direct to the Institute for membership. Upon election they will be assigned as Institute members in good standing, affiliated with the Georgia members, which is the nearest Chapter to Florida.

We are very hopeful that with your own aid a Florida Chapter of the Institute can be established. Five members are required and I will write to you later about the procedure, which is quite simple.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
2913 N.E. 3rd. Ave.,
Buena Vista Station,
Miami, Fla.
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December 18, 1920.

My dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

Acting for the Secretary, I am pleased to advise you of your election to membership in the American Institute of Architects, effective December 17, 1920.

You have been assigned to the Georgia Chapter as an Institute member in good standing therein, and the Secretary of the Chapter has been so notified.

No charge for dues has been made against you for the current year and a statement for dues for 1921 will come forward after the first of the year. You will receive in due course the engrossed Certificate of Membership.

May I take this opportunity to say that the Office of the Secretary at the Octagon is for the service of every Institute Member. Should the occasion arise, we will be glad to give you our best co-operation.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Lemon City, Fla.

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FILES PRESIDENT SECRETARY TREASURER

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 22, 1920.

My dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

We are returning to you today, transportation prepaid and insured, the exhibits submitted by you in connection with your application for Institute membership.

Please advise us if the same are not received in due course.

Very truly yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Lemon City, Florida.

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Lemon City, Florida

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My dear Mr. Kemper.

Information for your guidance.

In the course of the next few weeks you may receive exhibits from one or several applicants before the applications may have reached you as I have instructed my correspondents to prepare their exhibits and send them to you while the application forms circulate to secure the necessary signatures.

I will have from ten to twelve applications, (all very competent and fine fellows - also one fellowess -) before March 1, 1921.

All of the applicants are examined and registered architects in the state of Florida.

Yours truly
George G. Heidler.

Mr. Edward C. Kemper
Executive Sec'y. A. I. A.
Octagon House, Washington D. C.

Send to me about
6 Appl. forms minus
the necessary literature
if nothing I will
have ample
supply.

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February 2, 1921.

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

Brief illness has delayed acknowledgment of yours
of January 27.

We will watch for the Florida exhibits and appli-
cations. Will see that they are handled promptly.

I am enclosing herewith one-half dozen application
blanks as per your request.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Lemon City, Florida.

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111 SOUTH MIAMI AVENUE

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CONSULTING ARCHITECT

SUPERVISING ARCHITECT
STATE HOTEL COMMITTEE
S. E. DISTRICT

MIAMI, FLORIDA

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August 14, 1926

Mr. Edward C. Kemper,
Executive Sec'y,
The American Institute of Architects,
Washington, D.C.

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OF ARCHITECTS
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My dear Mr. Kemper:

Pardon me for the several days delay in my reply to your kind letter of August 3rd with your personal comment upon some statements which I have made at the recent Convention. I certainly appreciate your kind encouragement which will be an additional incentive for me to always defend what will appear to me as the best interests of the Profession.

Yours sincerely,

George L. Pfeiffer

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August 3, 1929.

My dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

This will formally advise you of the creation of the Florida South Chapter and your assignment thereto, as a Charter Member, effective April 27, 1929.

The President of the new Chapter is Mr. Anthony DeH. Zink, Seybold Building, Miami, Fla.; and the Secretary is Mr. E. L. Robertson, Calumet Building, Miami, Fla.

They have been advised as above, and we know they are counting upon your support as a Charter Member in making the new Chapter a success.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
1101 Bank of Bay Biscayne Building,
Miami, Fla.

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Retirement?
Obligation?

Elected 1920 - 70 years old.
Eligible for retirement
Owes 1930 and 1931.

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CONSULTING ARCHITECT
BANK OF BAY BISCAYNE BUILDING
MIAMI, FLORIDA

SUPERVISING ARCHITECT
STATE HOTEL COMMISSION
S. E. DISTRICT

March 21, 1931.

Mr. Frank C. Baldwin

Secretary, American Institute of Architects.



Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I should have written to you long ago but during the past several months I was in no condition, mentally and physically, to pay attention to an extremely embarrassing subject; it is the first time in my life - and I am now in my Seventieth year - that I have to plead for consideration because of my inability to meet my obligations; I deferred and procrastinated, hoping from week to week that something would turn up which might enable me to send you something more substantial than explanations and tales of woe.

I have fifty years of uninterrupted hard work behind me and, excepting property which costs more in taxes than its earnings, I am substantially penniless; the closing of the Bank of Bay Biscayne last June, in the savings department of which I had a little over \$10,000. - the only dependable resource left after the Florida debacle, deprived me of this entirely - at least for years to come and very small prospects of ever receiving anything. After this calamity I dispensed with cigars, books, periodicals and every thing else which may be called a mental necessity, saving to meet my taxes and on the 24. day of December the few months savings of \$958⁰⁰ were again wiped out by the closing of the City National Bank.

During the past three years I (and most every other architect in Greater Miami) did not have enough commissions to pay office expenses and the only thing which kept me solvent was a small salary (\$50⁰⁰ pr. month) as Super. Architect of the State Hotel Commission.

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CONSULTING ARCHITECT
BANK OF BAY BISCAYNE BUILDING
MIAMI, FLORIDA

SUPERVISING ARCHITECT
STATE HOTEL COMMISSION
S. E. DISTRICT

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I very reluctantly made the foregoing statement of my affairs to let you understand that my apparent negligence is not due to indifferentism or even disloyalty but is solely the result of conditions completely beyond my control.

I have always been proud, not only of my membership but also of my interest and activity in the American Institute of Architects and I had no thought of ever ceasing to be an active member.

I know that the organization can not function without funds and I know that a sound and effective business administration can not and has no authority to make exceptions and I am experienced enough to know that the life of the organization depends upon the equal and equitable treatment of all members and I therefore ask for no exception in my favor.

If there is any legitimate cause or any way under which the responsible officers may grant extension of time without violating the intent of the By Laws, then I will appreciatively accept such extension because, notwithstanding the hard knocks which I (in common with many others) have experienced and in spite of my age, I am still an optimist and am supported by my conviction that a change for the better will come which will permit me to meet my obligations, the hope and desire of every self-respecting person.

I have recently succeeded in the award of a commission for a small school auditorium and, who knows, this may be the beginning of brighter days.

Very truly yours
George L. Pfeiffer

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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March 31, 1931.

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

At Mr. Baldwin's direction I write to acknowledge your letter of March 21st.

It appears to us that you are eligible for retirement.

Retirement makes no change in the status of the member except that it relieves him from the payment of annual dues.

Herewith is relevant section from the By-Laws, and I suggest that you address a letter to the Secretary applying for retirement, perhaps as of December 31, 1929, if you were eligible as of that date.

If you decide to do this we hope that your letter can reach The Octagon by April 6th, as we leave on the following day for the Board meeting and Convention, in San Antonio. If you are delayed in responding, please send a copy of your letter to the Menger Hotel, at San Antonio, to reach me not later than April 11th.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Bank of Bay Biscayne Building,
Miami, Fla.

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April 2nd

April, 2nd. 1931.

The Secretary of the American Institute
of Architects.

The Octagon.

Washington D. C.



Dear Mr. Secretary.

I herewith make application to become a retired member of the American Institute of Architects in accordance with the provisions under Sec. 2-(a) Art. 10. Chapter I of the By-Laws.

My qualifications for retired membership are as follows:

Age; 71 years.

Member of the Institute since 1914 or 1915.

Admitted as member of the Georgia Chapter, then organized the Florida Chapter, now member of the Florida-South Chapter.

I am actively engaged in the profession and am neither directly nor indirectly interested in any other business or vocation. It is my earnest and cherished desire to continue my activities for the maintenance and furtherance of the best interests of the Institute and of the local chapter.

If my application receives favorable consideration and action and there should then remain an unsatisfied obligation up to the time of the beginning of retired membership, I will gladly meet such obligation upon receipt of notice thereof.

I deeply regret that my present conditions force me to await myself of this privilege as the only present means of retaining my membership in an Institution, the objects and principles of which have always been my professional religion.

Respectfully Submitted
George Pfeiffer

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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May 21, 1931.

My dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

The Minutes of the April meeting of the Board of Directors have been approved and we are now in a position to write the formal letters.

This will advise that the Board, by resolution, remitted your Institute dues for the years 1930 and 1931, and placed you on the retired list of the Institute, effective December 31, 1930.

This makes no change in your status as an active member except that it relieves you of the payment of Institute dues.

By direction of the Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

Mr. George L. Pfeiffer,
Bank of Bay Biscayne Building,
Miami, Florida.

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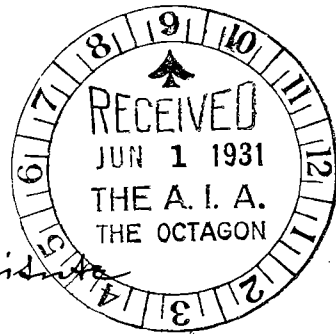
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May 27, 1931.



Mr. Edward C. Kemper
Executive Secretary, American Institute
of Architects
The Octagon
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kemper.

I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your official communication, May 21, 31, informing me of the recent action of the Board of Directors, placing me upon the retired list of Institute membership. This, under my present condition being the only way under which I can still be with you, I accept and appreciate, with the mental reservation that, whenever improved conditions of my affairs will permit, I will again pay my way.

Your kind letter reached me on my 71st. birthday.

Please convey to the Board of Directors my deep appreciation of its considerate action.

Sincerely yours
George L. Pfeiffer

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THE OCTAGON, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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June 15, 1937.

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

Mr. Gerard Pitt, whom you proposed for membership in The Institute, was admitted to such membership on June 15, 1937, and assigned to the Florida South Chapter.

The Board thanks you sincerely for your interest on behalf of the new member and The Institute.

Sincerely,

Chas. J. Ingham

Secretary.

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Mr. George I. Pfeiffer, A. I. A.,
35 S. E. First Avenue,
Miami, Florida.

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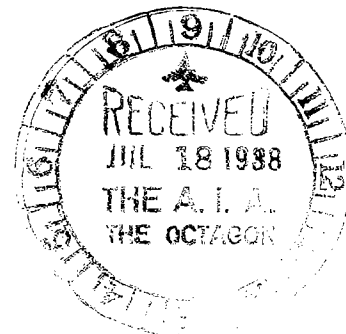


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THE FLORIDA SOUTH CHAPTER
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
MIAMI, FLORIDA

July 16, 1938



Mr. E. C. Kemper, Executive Secretary,
American Institute of Architects,
The Octagon,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kemper:

In reply to your recent letter I am enclosing
some articles and newspaper clippings about
Mr. Pfeiffer and Mr. Greenfield.

As Mr. Greenfield had not been active here for
several years, it was a little more difficult
to obtain material about him, but I succeeded
in locating a newspaper article about a year
old.

I hope this is about what you want.

Sincerely yours,
George H. Spohn
GEORGE H. SPOHN, Secretary.
FLORIDA SOUTH CHAPTER, A. I. A.

Miami Herald, June 16th, 1938

Miami Loses a Good Man

MIAMI sustains a great loss in the passing of George Pfeiffer, well known architect, whose splendid work in this city will always stand as a monument to his memory.

Mr. Pfeiffer came to Miami in the early days of the city's history and immediately found occupation for his great talents. He was a cultured artist, a great practical builder who has left his impress upon many of our best structures, both public and private.

Personally, he was a genial, cultivated gentleman, wise in art and literature, a friendly companion—beloved by all with whom he came in contact.

The people of Miami, a city he loved, will long cherish the memory of George Pfeiffer.

In Memoriam

May 22, 1861 GEORGE L. PFEIFFER June 15, 1938

The architects of Florida, and his friends in many walks of life, mourn the death of George L. Pfeiffer, A. I. A., of Miami, Florida. Those of us who have been in association with him feel that we have lost a MAN whose unique individuality, sense of justice, and enlightening counsel will be hard to replace.

Mr. Pfeiffer was born in Germany, May 22, 1861. His parents were Fritz Pfeiffer and Babette Ochs Pfeiffer.

At the age of five years he entered the public schools and six years later he entered Technical High School for a two year term. From 1875 to 1878 he attended the Polytechnic Institute at Frankfurt, Germany. From 1878 to 1879 he studied in the Academy of Applied Arts at Karlsruhe, and from 1879 to 1882 he was a student in the Military Engineering College, Spandau, Germany.

During the World's Fair at Chicago, Mr. Pfeiffer was a member of the German Architectural Staff and had the distinction of receiving a Diploma of Honorable Mention.

In Chicago he served for seven years on the School Extension Commission, eight years on the Small Parks Commission, and a number of years as chairman of the Municipal Playgrounds and Bathing Beach Commission.

In 1890 he moved from Chicago to Miami. 1909

In 1892 he married Miss May Savary of Chicago.

Mr. Pfeiffer's official and membership connection with professional organizations were many and all held him in high esteem.

He was instrumental in the passage of the Architect's Registration Law in the States of Illinois and Florida. He was past president and an honorary member of both the Illinois Society of Architects and The Florida Association of Architects.

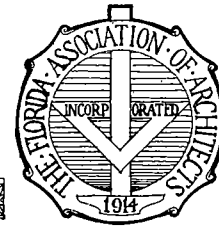
As President of the Florida State Board of Architecture, of the Miami Architectural Club, of the Miami Society of Architects his professional interest culminated a service by which he will long be remembered.

Mr. Pfeiffer was a member of the American Institute of Architects and a charter member of the Florida Chapter. For the past fifteen years he was a chairman of the Board of Supervising Architects of the Florida State Hotel Commission.

As a philatelist, his hobby, he ranked high not only in this country but in several foreign nations.

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LIBRARY: . . . The last addition to the Architectural Library at the University of Florida was over 100 volumes donated by Alvin R. Moore of Tallahassee, now of Atlanta, Ga. Donated at semi-annual meeting: Architectural Graphic Standards and Architecture Tosca-cane.



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WITH THE DISTRICTS

District 11 has luncheon-business meetings at Oceanic Grille, West Palm Beach, every Friday at 1 P. M. . . . District No. 5 meets the first Thursday of each month at Thompson's Grille in Daytona Beach . . . They invite you to drop in . . . District 13 has held two meetings, with fine attendance, since the semi-annual gathering . . . Other districts plan monthly meetings and several have formed local units with officers, dues, and everything regular . . . District 13 held a meeting on Friday, May 13, with 13 architects present . . . We suggest a black cat as a mascot . . . Association membership; city codes; recognition of architects; registration law; local problems; etc., are general topics under discussion.

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Lee Roy Sheftall, Director District 4, announces Franklin S. Bunch as Chairman of Convention Committee . . . Convention dates definitely set as Friday and Saturday, December 9th and 10th.

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GEORGE L PFEIFFER

GEORGE L PFEIFFER, 77, ARCHITECT AND AN OUTSTANDING LEADER IN THE PROFESSION, DIED AT HIS HOME IN MIAMI YESTERDAY FOLLOWING A BRIEF ILLNESS.

* FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AFTER * THE ARRIVAL OF HIS NEPHEW, DR FRITZ LAUN OF * CHICAGO. SERVICES PROBABLY WILL BE HELD SATURDAY AFTERNOON JUNE 18TH.

DODGE MR PFEIFFER WAS BORN MAY 22ND 1861 IN GERMANY. HE FIRST CAME TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1893 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ARCHITECTURAL WORK ON GERMANY'S EXHIBIT AT THE COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION IN CHICAGO.

* MR PFEIFFER CAME TO MIAMI IN 1909. HE * DESIGNED MANY NOTABLE PROJECTS IN THIS AREA AND * FOR MANY YEARS SERVED AS SUPERVISING ARCHITECT * IN THE SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT FOR THE STATE HOTEL COMMISSION, WHICH OFFICE HE HELD AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH.

DODGE THE MOST RECENT LARGE PROJECT DESIGNED BY MR PFEIFFER WAS THE FIVE STORY ADDITION AND NURSES HOME FOR JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

* FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THAT PROJECT MR * PFEIFFER MADE AN EXTENDED VISIT TO HIS FORMER * HOME IN GERMANY AND OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND * HAD RETURNED TO MIAMI ONLY A FEW MONTHS PRIOR * TO HIS DEATH.

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GEORGE L. PFEIFFER

It is with the deepest regret that we are advised of the death of our friend and colleague, George L. ("Uncle George") Pfeiffer, which occurred at his residence 1026 S.W. 19th Avenue, Miami, Wednesday June 15th, 1938.

Time in its ruthless toll has removed a true and noble gentleman from our midst, one who has for over fifty years been a leader in the work of the building industry in this country. "Uncle George" was known by everyone in our group - always eager to lend his aid and help in all instances for the betterment of his chosen profession of architecture, and at the same time giving freely of his time and efforts toward solving the many problems which confronted us in the several craft associations. His advice and help will be missed in the future, but we shall always remember his beneficial influence in shaping the course of ethics and progress in this 'Magic City' which he chose as HOME.

Until the last, he was with YOU and YOU and all of us; he attended the last 14th Annual Meeting of the Miami Builders Exchange and our records show that he was in attendance at most of the other thirteen and has been an Honorary Member for most of that time.

Throughout the records of this Association, we find that he has given freely of his time and efforts and this opportunity is taken to express our thankfulness and to revere his memory.

In behalf of the Officers and Directors and Members, both present and past, of the Miami Builders Exchange - sympathy is extended to his family and close associates.

Funeral services will be held at 2 P.M.
Saturday. Place to be announced later.
Arrangements are being handled by the
Skillman Funeral Home.

Mr. George Spohn, Secretary of the South Florida Chapter, American Institute of Architects has been requested to handle details as to pall-bearers and attendance of the Members of the Architectural profession.

Officers and Directors, Staff and Members of the Miami Builders Exchange will meet at the Funeral Home for the services.

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Inter-Office Communication

July 18, 1938.

Dear Mr. Spohn:

Thank you for your letter of July 16, transmitting newspaper clippings concerning the lives and works of Mr. Pfeiffer and Mr. Greenfield.

The information will become part of the permanent records of The Octagon.

Sincerely yours,

PHW:DC

Mr. George H. Spohn, Secretary,
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Miami, Florida.

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