

# PULLMAN

BETWEEN 1880 AND 1883, THE PULLMAN PALACE CAR COMPANY, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ITS FOUNDER, GEORGE M. PULLMAN, CONSTRUCTED A COMPLETE TOWN AND SHOP COMPLEX DESIGNED TO MEET THE INCREASING DEMANDS OF THE RAILROAD AGE FOR ROLLING STOCK OF ALL KINDS. THE RESULT WAS PULLMAN, ILLINOIS, A PLANNED INDUSTRIAL COMMUNITY LOCATED 14 MILES SOUTH OF CHICAGO. ARCHITECT S.S. BEMAN AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT NATHANIEL F. BARRETT TOGETHER DESIGNED THE "MODEL" TOWN, WHICH REPRESENTED A DRAMATIC DEPARTURE FROM THE UNHEALTHY AND CROWDED CONDITIONS THAT CHARACTERIZED WORKING-CLASS LIFE IN THE CITIES. SANITARY AND ATTRACTIVE DWELLINGS, A CHURCH, SCHOOLS, LIBRARY, THEATER, STORES AND RECREATION FACILITIES WERE DESIGNED IN PROXIMITY TO AN EXTENSIVE INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX WHICH, BY 1893, EMPLOYED OVER 5,000 PEOPLE.

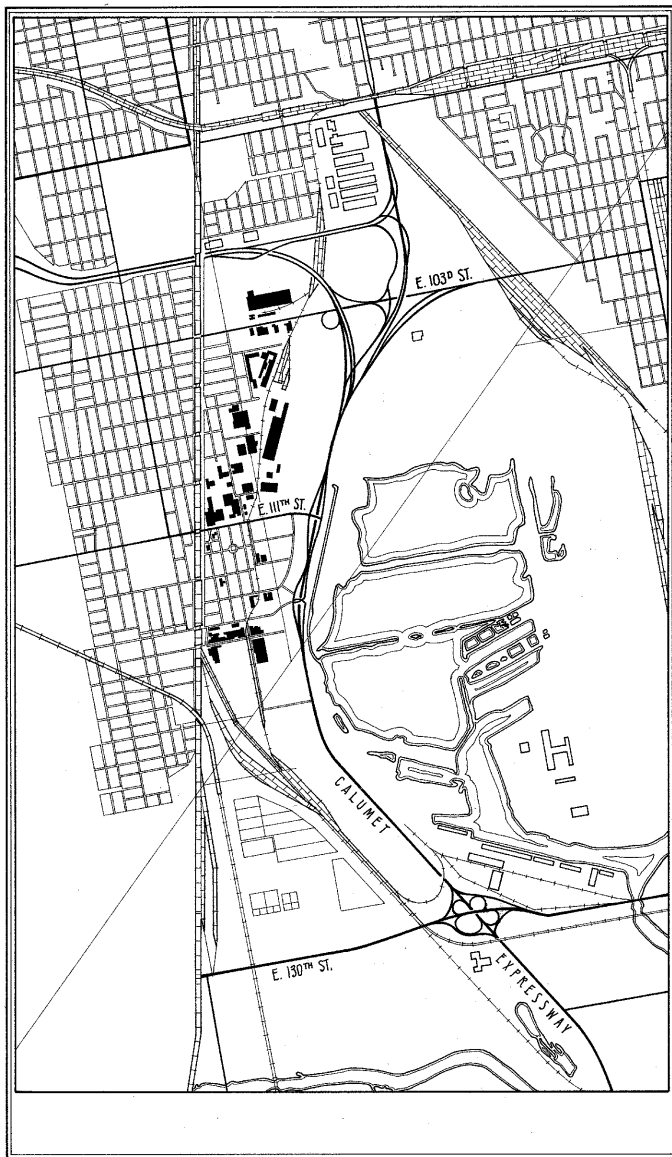
PULLMAN REPRESENTED ONE BUSINESSMAN'S ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE THE INCREASINGLY VIOLENT CONFLICT BETWEEN CAPITAL AND LABOR. THE TOWN WOULD EXCLUDE (IN GEORGE PULLMAN'S WORDS) ALL "BANEFUL ELEMENTS," AND SO ATTRACT AND KEEP THE BEST CLASS OF MECHANICS. IN RETURN, THE COMPANY WOULD ENJOY MORE AND BETTER WORK AND A SIX PERCENT RETURN ON ITS INVESTMENT, SINCE ALL COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND HOUSES WERE TO BE RENTED AT A PROFIT.

PULLMAN, WHICH HAS BEEN A PART OF CHICAGO SINCE ITS ANNEXATION IN 1889, TODAY APPEARS AS A KIND OF OASIS IN THE INDUSTRIAL SPRAWL THAT IS THE CITY'S SOUTH SIDE. ITS SUBSTANTIAL BRICK CONSTRUCTION REMINDS ONE OF AMERICA'S EASTERN CITIES AND LENDS A DISTINCTIVE CHARACTER TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE MAJORITY OF PULLMAN'S

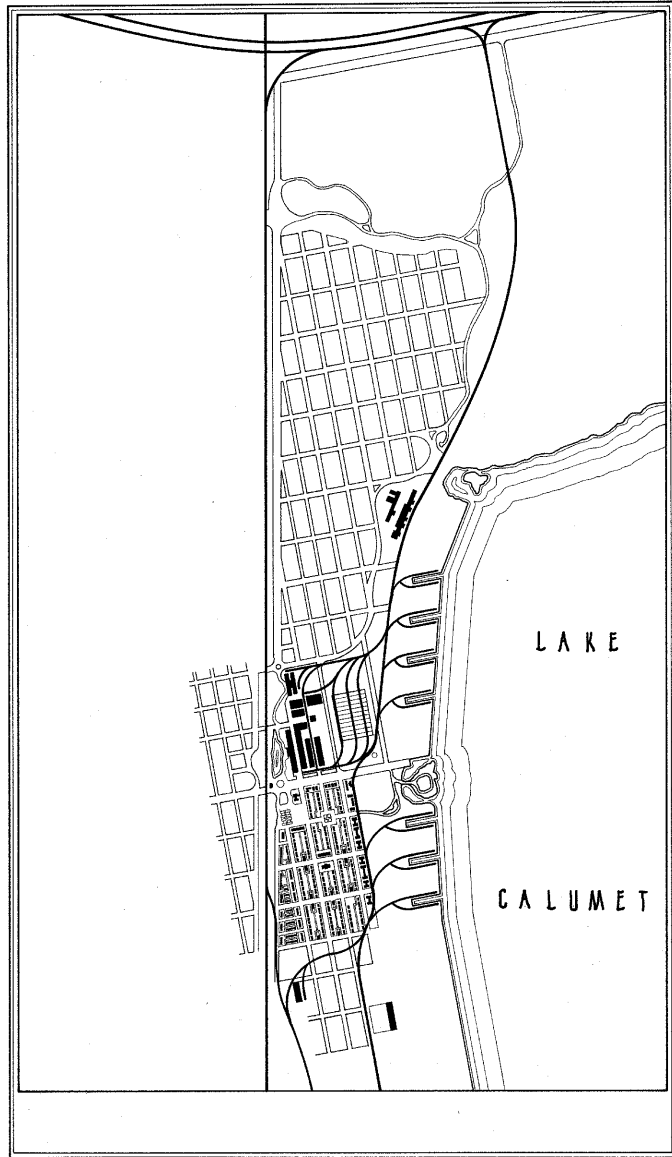
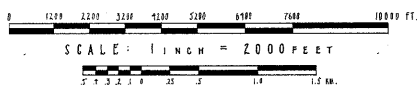
RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS ARE STILL INTACT: BOARDING HOUSES, THE LARGE HOUSES ONCE OCCUPIED BY PULLMAN'S EXECUTIVE CLASS, AND THE MORE MODEST ROWHOUSES OF ARTISANS ALL EXIST AS EVIDENCE OF HOW PULLMAN'S WORKERS LIVED. SEVERAL OF THE ORIGINAL COMMUNITY BUILDINGS, INCLUDING THE HOTEL FLORENCE AND THE GREENSTONE CHURCH STILL EXIST, ALTHOUGH THE ARCADE, CASINO, SCHOOLHOUSE, WATER TOWER AND BOTH RAILROAD STATIONS HAVE BEEN DEMOLISHED.

WITHIN THE ORIGINAL INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX, THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND SEVERAL OF THE ERECTING SHOPS CAN STILL BE SEEN, AS CAN THE UNION FOUNDRY, WHICH MANUFACTURED THE IRON STRUCTURAL WORK AND ALL OF THE WHEELS FOR PULLMAN FREIGHT CARS. TIME HAS BEEN LESS KIND TO THE REST OF THE PULLMAN PLANT, HOWEVER, FOR ALL OF THE REMAINING ORIGINAL BUILDINGS OF "THE MOST INTERESTING INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENT ON THE CONTINENT" HAVE BEEN DEMOLISHED. ONLY SUCH LATER STRUCTURES AS THE SECOND IRON MACHINE SHOP (c.1890), THE FIRE STATION (1890) AND THE STEEL FREIGHT CAR SHOPS AND POWER HOUSE (1910) REMAIN TO SUGGEST THE MAGNITUDE OF THE PULLMAN COMPLEX.

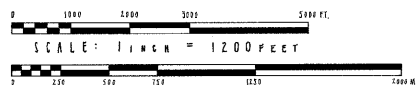
IN THE SUMMER OF 1976 THE HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, IN COSPONSORSHIP WITH THE HISTORIC PULLMAN FOUNDATION CONDUCTED A RECORDING PROJECT TO DOCUMENT THE PULLMAN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. THE TEAM CONSISTED OF CAROL POH MILLER, SUPERVISOR AND HISTORIAN; DONALD C. JACKSON, ENGINEERING HISTORIAN; AND PATRICK CURLEY, ARCHITECTURAL DELINEATOR. THE PROJECT SUPERVISOR WAS T. ALLAN COMPTON.



PULLMAN TODAY (BASED ON U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, LAKE CALUMET ILL.-IND. QUADRANGLE, 7.5 MIN. SERIES, 1973)



PROPOSED PLAN: 1885 (BASED ON "PLAN OF PULLMAN CITY," HARPER'S MONTHLY, VOL. LXX, 1885)



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PULLMAN RECORDING PROJECT  
OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
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CHICAGO

PULLMAN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX  
NORTH OF 111th STREET  
COOK COUNTY

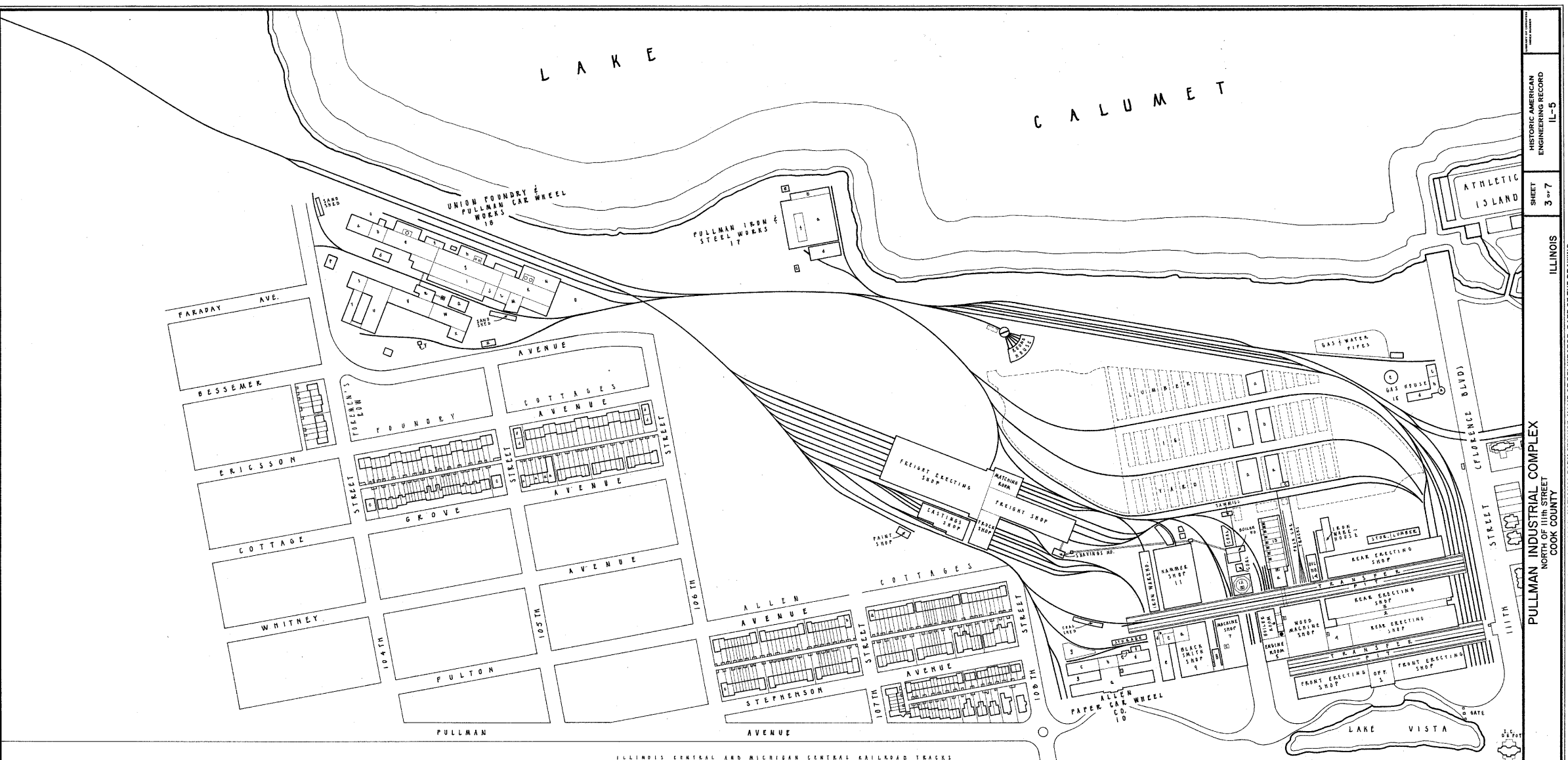
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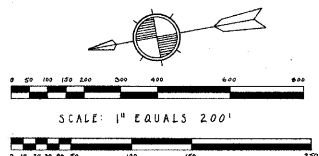
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# PULLMAN 1886 N. OF 111th STREET



- BUILDING KEY**
- ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
FIRST FLOOR - STORAGE & WARE ROOMS  
SECOND FLOOR - OFFICES  
THIRD FLOOR - CEILING & GLASS PAINTING; READING
  - MACHINE WORKS  
3. ORIGINAL FREIGHT ERECTING SHOPS (UNTIL SUMMER OF 1885)  
4. EQUIPMENT, VARNISHING & PAINT SHOP  
5. COLLIER STEAM ENGINE ROOM (2500 H.P.)  
6. MILLER ROOM & COAL STORAGE  
12 BOILERS (12' LONG & 6' DIAMETER, E.A.)  
SECOND FLOOR - BRICK ARCHES & CEILING  
LUMBER & SHAVINGS STORAGE ABOVE MILLER & COAL RNS.  
TWO PASSAGeways FROM SECOND & THIRD FLOORS OF  
WOOD MACHINE SHOP
  - MACHINE SHOP  
FIRST FLOOR - CORBELLETTIN SHOP  
SECOND FLOOR - GRINDING & PATTERN SHOP  
THIRD FLOOR - SILVER PLATING & STEAM FITTING
  - PATTERN ROOM  
9. BLACKSMITH SHOP  
4 FORGES; 5 LARGE-SIZED STOUT VENTILATORS  
FIRST FLOOR  
2 BOLT ROOM  
2 BOLT ROOM & IRON WAREHOUSE  
2 DRILLING ROOM  
2 COAL HOUSE  
2 BREAK ROOM

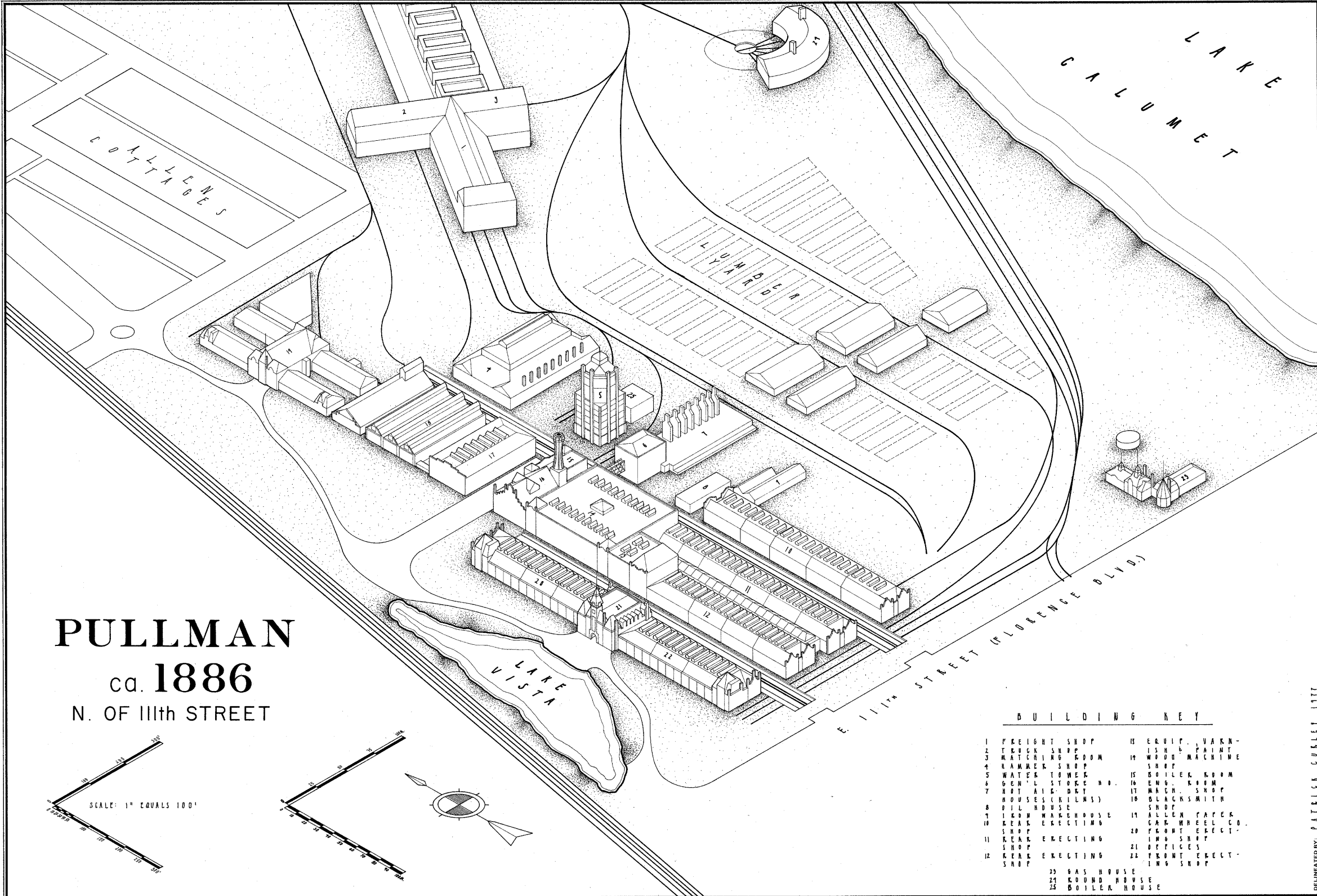
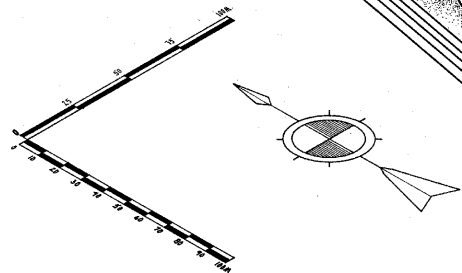
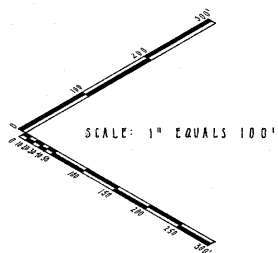
- ALLEN PAPER CAR WHEEL CO.  
A FIRST FLOOR - MACHINE SHOP  
B SECOND FLOOR - OFFICE & STORE ROOM  
C FIRST FLOOR - PAINT ROOM  
SECOND FLOOR - DRY ROOM  
D WAREHOUSE  
E PUMPHOUSE (EARTH FLOOR)  
F SAND HOUSE & RATTLE BOX  
G COPIER  
H STORAGE OF PAPER CAR WHEELS
- WATER TOWER  
10' HIGH FROM FOUNDATION TO BASE OF FLAG STAFF  
SEWAGE HOLDING TANKS BELOW GRADE  
FIRST FLOOR - PUMPS  
SECOND TO EIGHTH FLOORS - DRY L STORAGE & MFG.  
NINTH FLOOR - IRON WATER TANK (100,000 GAL. CAP.)
- ROT AIL DRY HOUSES (KILNS)  
A DRY L STORAGE HOUSE/LUMBER
- OIL HOUSE  
BASEMENT - OIL WARE ROOMS  
FIRST FLOOR - GLASS & BILLS  
SECOND FLOOR - RED SPRINGS
- GAS HOUSE (LOWE PROCESS)  
A OFFICE  
B SHOP  
C COAL STORAGE ROOM  
D LIME ROOM; PURIFYING ROOM; AND GENERATING ROOM  
E GAS HOLDER; CAPACITY: 40,000 GALLONS

- LUMBER YARD  
A LUMBER SHED  
B GRASSY LUMBER SHED  
C OFFICE
- PULLMAN IRON & STEEL WORKS  
A MAIN WORKS: GUIDE MILL, BAR MILL, GAS  
FORGE, AND 5000 HP ENGINE  
B SHEDS  
C OFFICE  
D IRON WAREHOUSE  
E OIL HOUSE & STORAGE  
F MACHINE SHOP
- UNION FOUNDRY & PULLMAN CAR WHEEL WORKS  
A CORE ROOM  
B LUMBER SHED  
C PLANK YARD  
D GREENING SHOP  
E GENERAL FOUNDRY  
F MASH ROOM  
G CAR CASTING FOUNDRY  
H COAL SHED  
I BUILDING  
J COKE ROOM  
K WHEEL FOUNDRY  
L CORE HOUSE  
M WHEEL CLEANING  
N CRANES & PIS IRON SHED

- FOUNDRY COTTAGES / ALLEN COTTAGES**
- SCHOOL
  - STOCK
  - PARKING HOUSE
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- GRAPHIC KEY**
- LUMBER PILES
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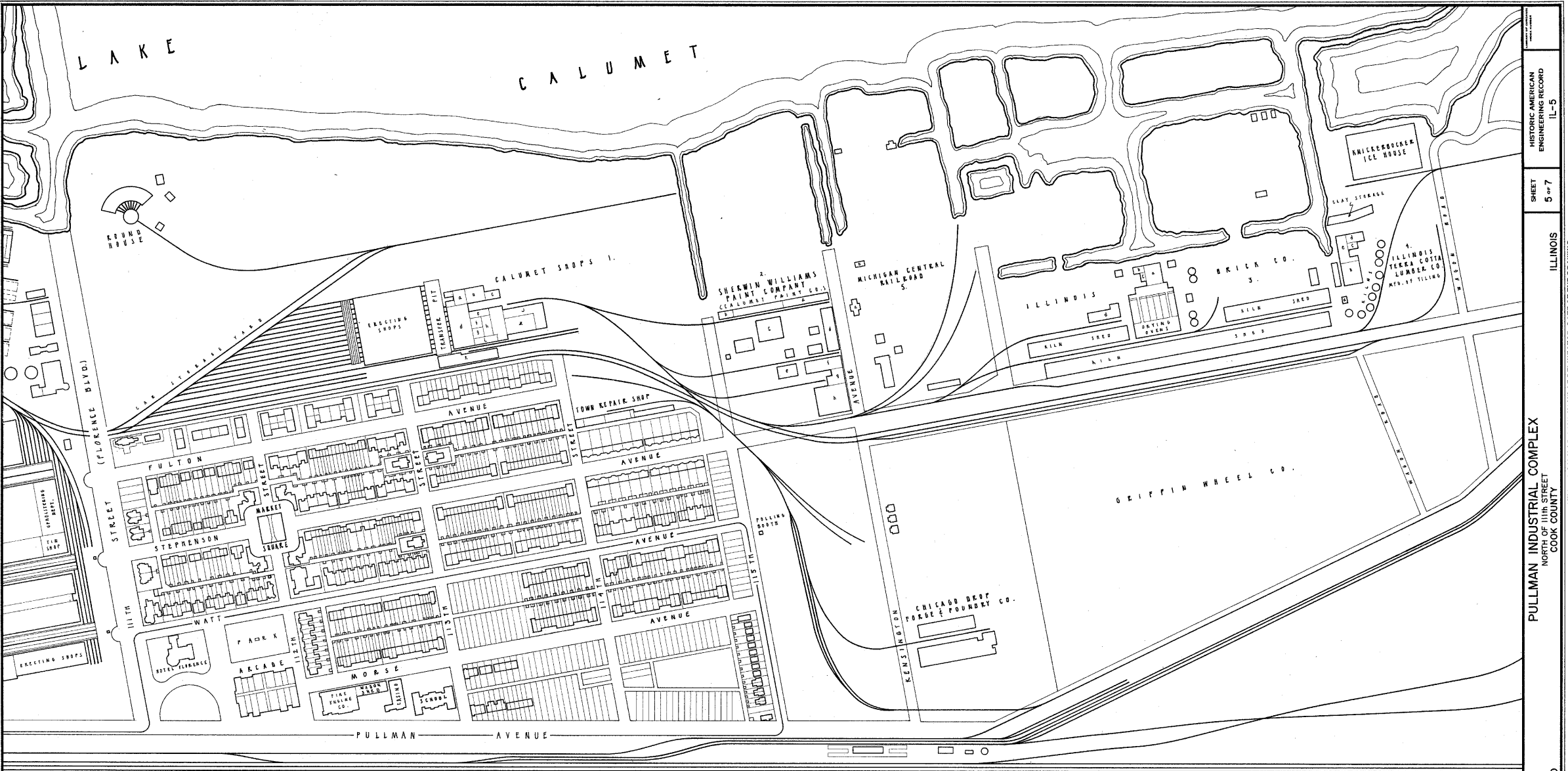
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ca. 1886  
N. OF 111th STREET



## BUILDING KEY

1	FREIGHT SHOP	15	EQUIP. VARN-
2	TRUCKING SHOP	16	ISH & PAINT
3	WATER TOWER	17	WOOD MACHINE
4	HAMMER SHOP	18	SHOP
5	GEN'L. STOK. H.	19	BOILER ROOM
6	ROT. AIR. (LMS)	20	ENG. ROOM
7	HOUSE	21	MACH. SHOP
8	IRON WAREHOUSE	22	BLACKSMITH
9	REAR ERECTING	23	SHOP
10	REAR ERECTING	24	ALLEN PAPER
11	REAR ERECTING	25	CAR WHEEL CO.
12	REAR ERECTING	26	FRONT ERECT-
		27	ING SHOP
		28	OFFICES
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		31	GAS HOUSE
		32	WOOD HOUSE
		33	BOILER HOUSE

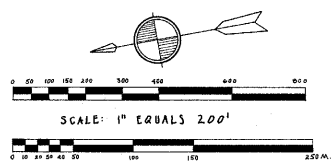


# PULLMAN

ca. 1901

S. OF 11th STREET

- BUILDING KEY**
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| 1. CALUMET SHOPS          | 2. SHERWIN WILLIAMS PAINT COMPANY |
| A. BLACKSMITH SHOP        | 1. LABORATORY & RAW STOCK         |
| B. LUMBER SHOP            | 2. FINISHED STOCK                 |
| C. REF. ROOM              | 3. ENGINE DEPT.                   |
| D. ELECTRIC SHOP          | 4. PASTE PAINT DEPT.              |
| E. MACHINE WORK           | 5. STEAM FITTERS                  |
| F. STEAM FITTERS          | 6. VARNISH STORAGE                |
| 3. ILLINOIS BRICK COMPANY | 7. WOOD MACHINE SHOP              |
| 1. OFFICE                 | 8. CABINET SHOP                   |
| 2. OFFICE                 | 9. OFFICE, PRINTS & OILS          |
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S. MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD  
4 OFFICE  
5 FRANK HOUSE

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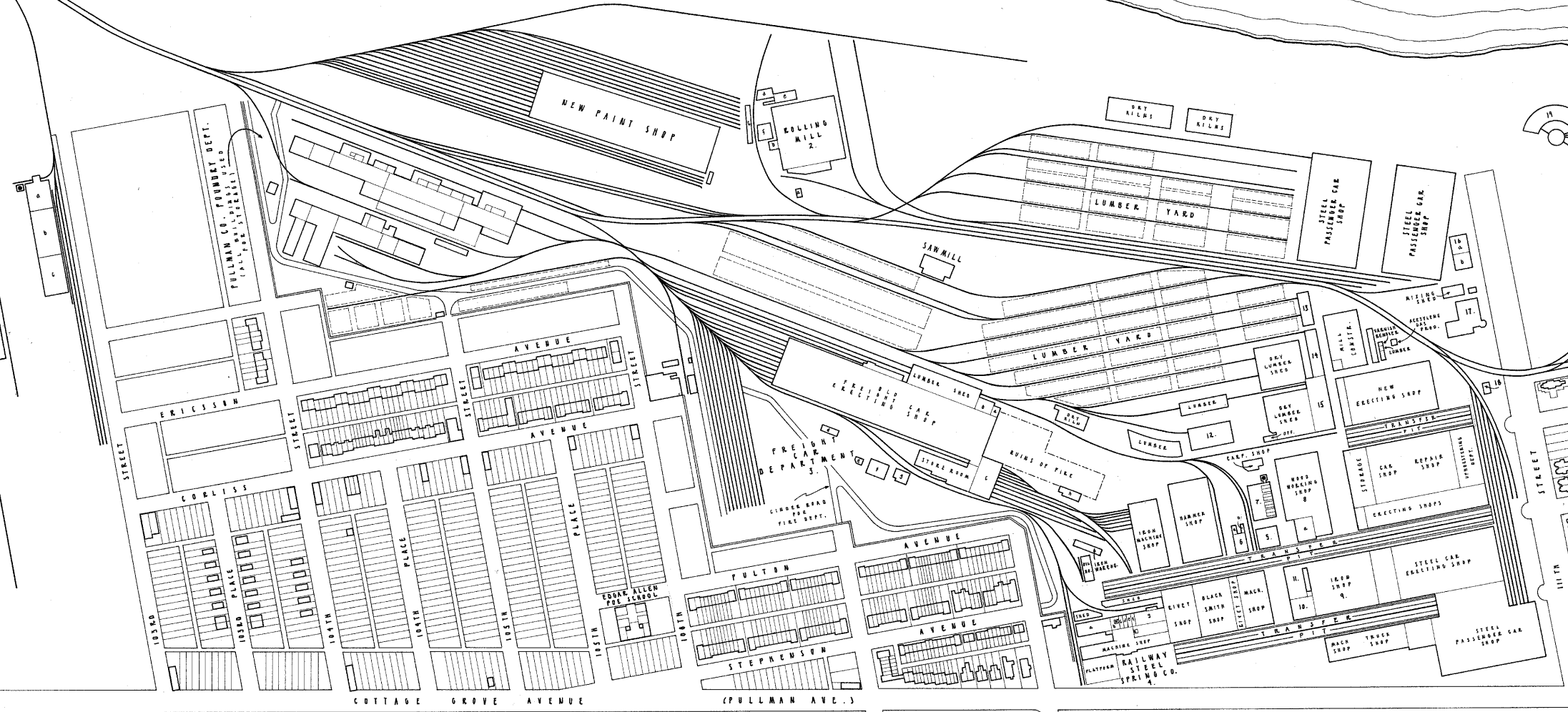
MAP OF THE LANDS OF THE PULLMAN LAND ASSOCIATION AND OF  
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1905

PULLMAN STANDARD COMPANY





STEEL  
FREIGHT CAR  
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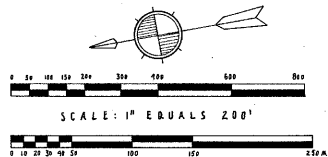
BUILDING KEY

1. STEEL FREIGHT CAR SHOP  
A. BOILER ROOMS, BOILERS, CHIMNEY 250' HIGH  
B. ENGINE ROOMS, ENGINES, 100HP EACH  
C. MACHINE SHOP
2. ROLLING MILL  
A. OFFICE  
B. POURAGE  
C. BRICKS, 1000
3. FREIGHT CAR DEPARTMENT  
A. OFFICE  
B. FOOD SHOP  
C. TRUCK SHOP  
D. GALVANIZING SHOP  
E. COAL HOUSE  
F. GAS HOUSE (RETORTS)  
G. SAND BLD
4. RAILWAY STEEL SPRING COMPANY  
A. WAREHOUSE  
B. ENGINE ROOM (1500HP)  
C. CHIMNEY 100' HIGH  
D. BOILER ROOM  
E. BLACKSMITH SHOP  
F. PATTERN STRONG  
G. PATTERN SHOP  
H. FOUNDRY
5. WATER POWER  
A. COLE
6. ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT  
A. ENGINES, 12 DYNAMOS  
B. PATTERN SHOP  
C. COLE
7. BOILER HOUSE  
A. BOILERS, CHIMNEY 250' HIGH

# PULLMAN

ca. 1913

N. OF 111th STREET



8. WOODWORKING SHOP  
A. VENEER STORAGE
9. IRON SHOP  
FIRST FLOOR - IRONWORKING  
SECOND FLOOR - FINISHING  
THIRD FLOOR - WOODWORKING
10. CORLISS ENGINE ROOM
11. IRON WAREHOUSE  
FIRST FLOOR - IRON STORAGE  
SECOND FLOOR - WOODWORKING
12. POWER HOUSE  
2 DYNAMOS (1500HP EACH); 800HP ENGINE
13. STEAM FITTERS SHOP
14. MILLWRIGHT DEPARTMENT
15. PASSENGER SILL DEPARTMENT
16. GLASS DEPARTMENT  
A. MIRROR GLASS ROOM  
B. WHITE METAL ROOM  
SECOND FLOOR - ANTIQUE GLASS
17. PIPE FITTING SHOP
18. BENZINE HOUSE
19. ROUNG HOUSE