### John Wangenstein (1858 -1942)

Architect who designed numerous commercial,

residential and religious buildings in Duluth and

across St. Louis County

#### John Wangenstein as a young man



#### Born in Valdres, Norway 1858

Studied in Trondheim before coming to Duluth in 1883

Prolific career designing residential, commercial and religious buildings in Duluth and St. Louis County

Worked with Olaf Roen from 1890 to 1892

Worked with William Ballie from 1892 to 1895 establishing the firm of Wangenstein and Ballie

Wangenstein stop practicing in about 1935

#### Houses

# Residential Homes Designed by John Wangenstein

#### Charles T. & Grace Cash House 1523 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street 1890

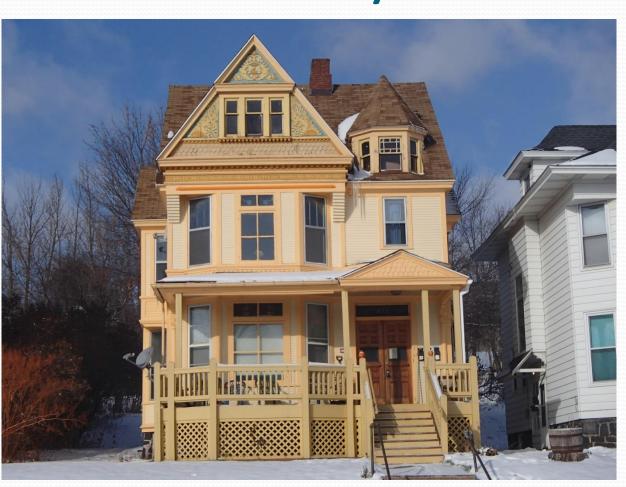


### Edmond Ingalls Called Ingalls Flats 214-216 East Fourth St. 1891



### Paul& Josephine Sharvey House 1625 East First St. 1891





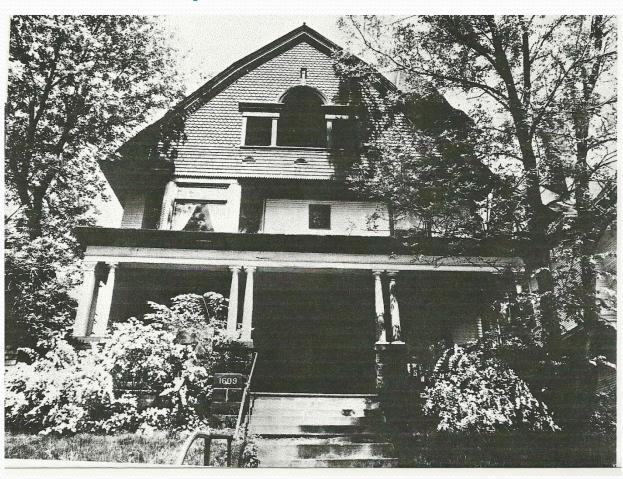
# Charles & Mary Britts House 2201 East Superior St. 1892



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### Charles & Cora Elston House 1609 East Superior St. 1893





# Gorham &Gertrude Taylor House 1896 2325 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street



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#### John & Hildegarde Hunt House 2132 East 1<sup>st</sup> Street 1902



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#### Marcus and Sarah Fay House

2105 East Superior St.

1902

James and Selina Pearce House 2109-11 East Superior St.

1903



# Marcus and Sarah Fay House 2105 East Superior St. Today



## James and Selina Pearce House 2109-2111 East Superior St. Today



### Abraham & Cora MacGregor House 2117 Jefferson St. 1904





# Daniel and Alice Waite House 2510 East Superior St. 1904





#### Dr. Alexander J & Edith Braden

House

1814 East 1st Street

1906



#### William C & Mary Agnew House 1925 East First St. 1906



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### Thomas and Daisy Wahl House 2006 East First Street 1907

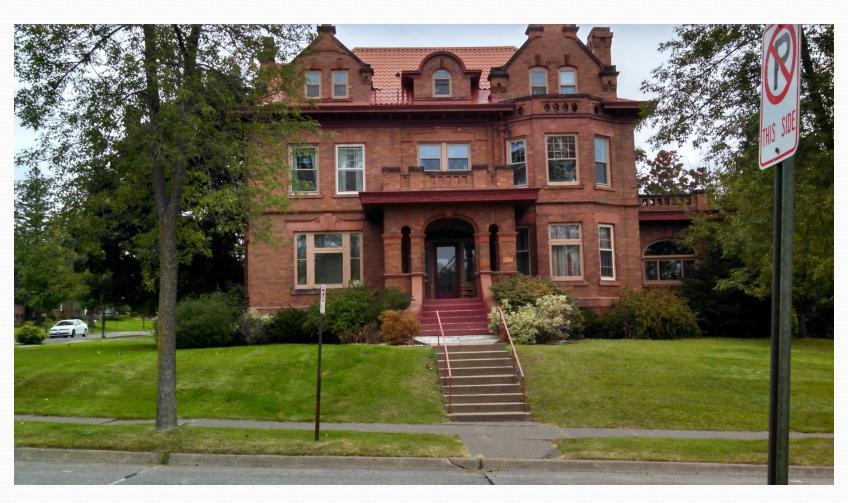


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#### 2006 East 1st St.



#### Dr. J.J. Eklund House 224 North 24<sup>th</sup> Ave East 1908



# E. Millie & Elizabeth Bunnel House 2017 East Superior St. 1909





### Sidney P. & Viola Morterud House 2215 Woodland Ave. 1909



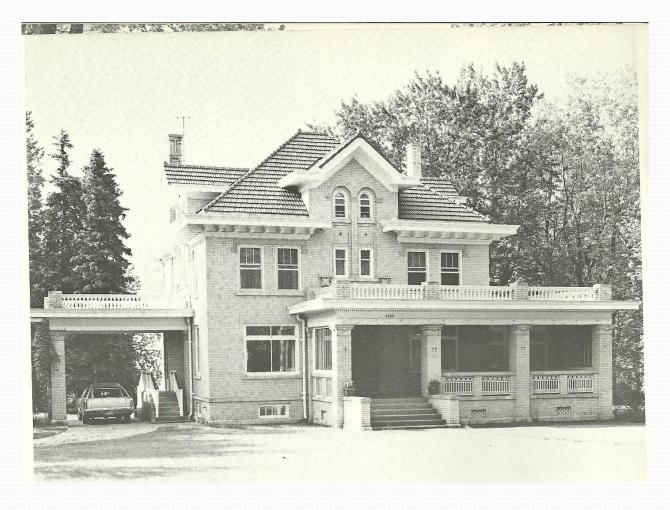


#### Gus & Kate Erickson House 31 South 64<sup>th</sup> Ave West 1909





### Newell F & Isabelle Russell House 4440 London Rd 1910



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### Today



### Morris and Bessie Cook 211 North 24<sup>th</sup> Ave East 1924

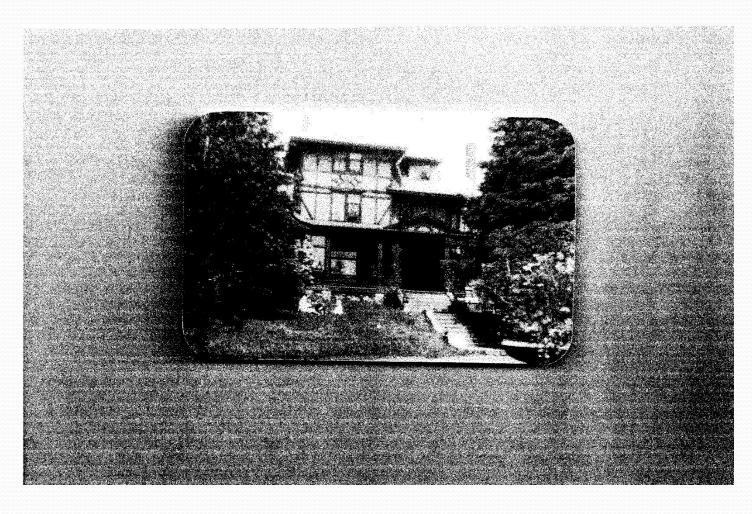


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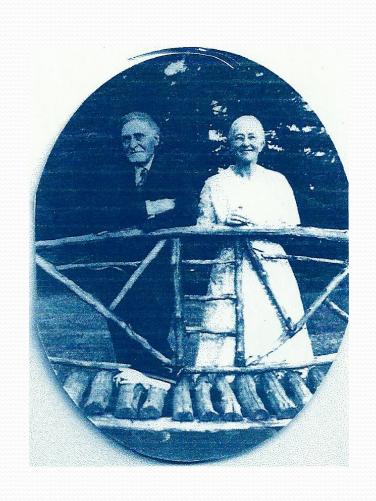
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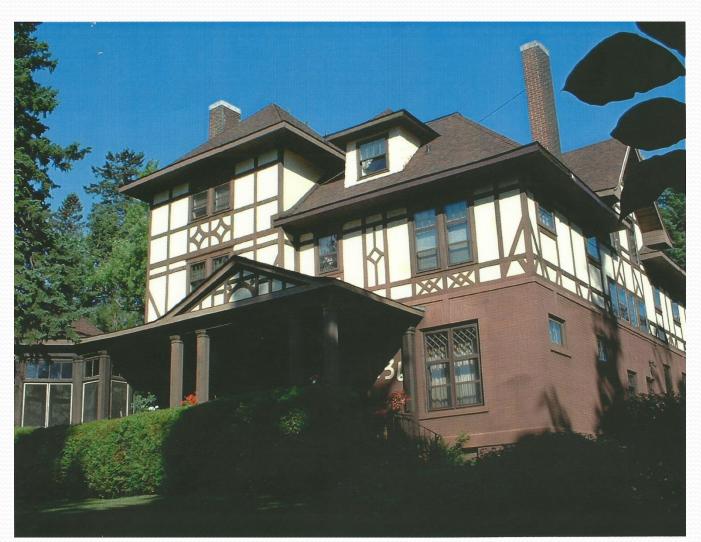
### John & Gertrude Wangenstein House 1736 Stuart Court 1907



## John & Gertrude Wangenstein Picture on their property 1930's



#### The front of the house 2005



#### Back side of the house 2005



### How much land did Wangenstein own?

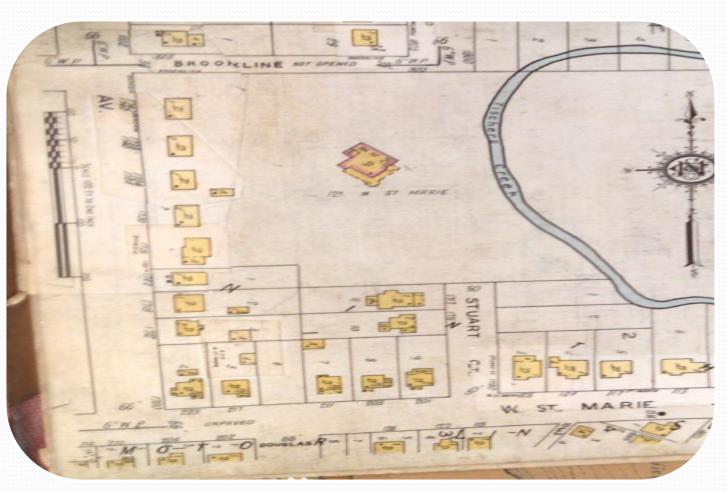
Did it include from Dunedin Ave west to Woodland Ave to the east?

Did it include from West St. Marie south to West Arrowhead Rd. to the north?

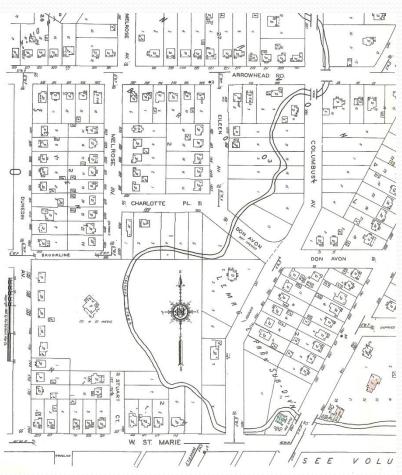
Did it include Tischer Creek?

When did the Basil Division start? When were other parcels sold?

### Real Estate map from 1924



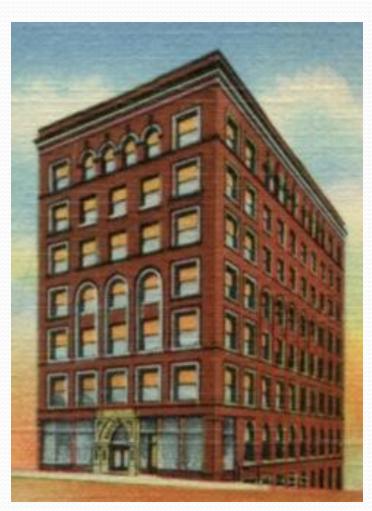
### Plot map from 1952



# Commercial Buildings Designed by

### John Wangenstein

### Providence building corner of Superior St. and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave W. 1895



### Providence building today



### The Wolvin Building 225-31 West First St.

1901



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### Missabe Building today



### Masonic Temple 4 West 2<sup>nd</sup> ST. 1904



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### Masonic Temple Lake Ave Side Today



#### Masonic Temple From 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Today



#### Gray Brothers Bakery 118-20 East First St.



### Rowley Building 112 West First Street

#### 1905



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### Rowley Building Today



#### Bridgeman Russell Building 1907 10-16 West First Street



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#### Bridgeman Russell Building Today



#### Dewitt Seitz Building 1907



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### DeWitt Seitz Building Today



#### St. Louis County Court House 100 North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West 1909



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### Helped Daniel H. Burham St. Louis County Court House Today



### Mills Stone Ordean Company 332 Michigan St. 1910



### Wright Clarkson Today



### John Wahl Candy Company 2606 West Michigan St. 1915



### East End Ice and Coal Building 31 West First St. 1916



### Gilbert Building 209-211 West First St.



### Altman Clothing 201-207 West First St.



### Motor Mart Building 210 East First Street



### Houses, Schools, Business Lost

### In Duluth

### Baldwin Terrace or Apts. 707 West 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Built in 1890?



# Duluth Dry Goods and Provisions Company 1893 19th Ave West and Superior St.



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### Duluth Brewing and Malting Co. 29<sup>th</sup> Ave W and Heim St. 1896 Lost in 1966



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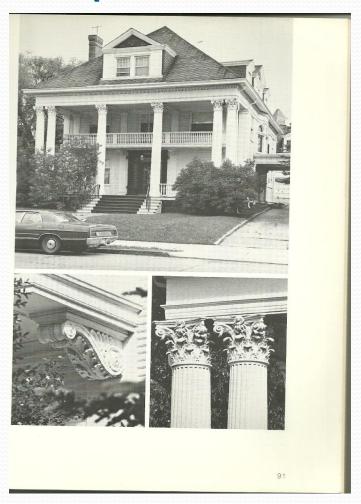
### Interior Photo of Duluth Brewing and Malting Company



## Where Duluth Brewing and Malting Company would have been today 29<sup>th</sup> and Heim St.



### Louis and Cecilia Loeb's House 1123 East Superior Street 1900-01



From the Duluth's Legacy Volume 1 Architecture 1074

### Second Boat House on Park Point 1903 Lost in 1951



### The Lenox Hotel 601 West Superior

### Built in 1904 Lost in 1965



#### Incline Bowling and Lenox Apt.



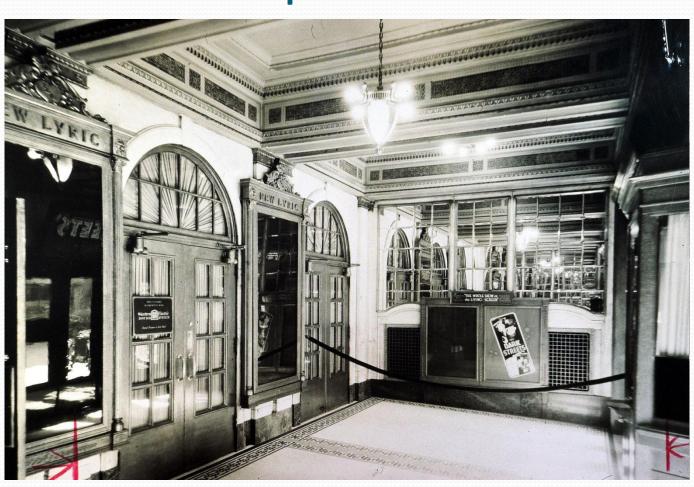
## Monroe Elementary School Built in 1900

Lost in 1992 2502 West First St.

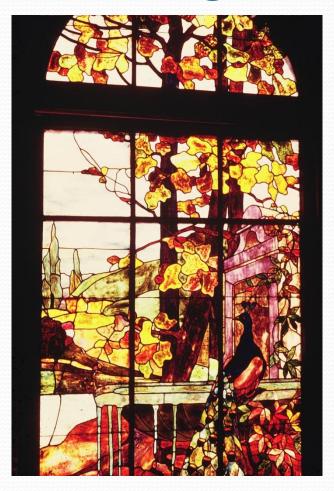
### Grand Theatre Later the Lyric Before 1921



### Interior of the Lyric September 1929



#### One of the stained glass Windows



### The Lyric before it was to be torn down in 1976



#### John Wagenstein dies in 1942

### Veteran Architect Dies Here

John J. Wangenstein, 83 years old, 121 West St. Marie street, Duluth architect and a resident here for 59 years, died last night at a local hospital following a lingering illness.

Mr. Wangenstein was architect for numerous buildings and residences in Duluth and on the Mesaba range, including the Duluth Masonic temple, Duluth Boat clubhouse, and the St. Louis county courthouse.

Born in Valders, Norway, in 1858, he came to Duluth in 1883. He was a life member of the Duluth Boat club, charter member of the Kitchi Gammi club, and belonged to the old Duluth Commercial club, American Association of Architects and Engineers, and Glen Avon Presbyterian church. He was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason. He retired from his business several years ago.

Surviving are his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Stanger, Minneapolis; Mrs. Matthew Link, Duluth, and Mrs. Dean G. David, Sloux Falls, S. D.; two sons, John S. and Victor C., both of Duluth, and 12 grandchildren.

#### Forest Hill Cemetery



#### Wangenstein's Life

- Married to Gertrude
- Had two daughters and two sons
- Life member of the Duluth Boat Club
- Charter member of the Kitchi Gammi Club
- Belonged to the old Duluth Commercial Club
- American Association of Architects and Engineers
- Member of Glen Avon Church
- A 32 degree Scottish Rite Mason.
- Retired in 1935

#### John Wangenstein's Children

- John Stuart born June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1900
- Gertrude Marie born April 25<sup>th</sup> 1902
- Victor Carl born May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1903
- Olga Elizabeth born Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> 1906

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