

THE WALDORF HOTEL

The Waldorf Hotel was supposedly built in the 1880s by Hamilton Disston. No evidence of its configuration, location, or duration exists today.

Newspaper Articles

- “Disston City’s Waldorf First Hotel In Pinellas,” by Mason Woolford, *St. Petersburg Independent*, November 9, 1958
“Disston Opens New Hotel,” by Hal Bamford, *St. Petersburg Independent*, December 27, 1976

THE BAYVIEW HOTEL

THE PIPIN’ HOT INN, THE CEDARS OF LEBANON HOSPITAL, THE PATRONS INN, THE PENINSULA INN

Newspaper Articles

- “George H. Swick,” obituary, *Elizabeth Daily Journal*, January 22, 1952
“It Seems Like Yesterday” column by Mary A. Roberts, *St. Petersburg Times*, September 8, 1956
“It Seems Like Yesterday” column by Mary A. Roberts, *St. Petersburg Times*, March 22, 1959, photo
“Bayview Inn – Or Out? An Aging Beauty,” *Gulfport Gabber*, June 30, 1994, photo
“Old hotel faces new life as home to art galleries,” by Susan Eastman, *St. Petersburg Times*, April 7, 1996
“Gulfport gives Patrons Inn local historic designation,” by Brian Stearman, *St. Petersburg Times*, September 22, 1996
“Art from the alley will help restore building,” by Christina Headrick, *St. Petersburg Times*, December 23, 1996? 1997?
“FACE building for sale; board members resign,” by Christina Headrick, *St. Petersburg Times*, November 15, 1998
“Lawsuit filed over historic Gulfport hotel,” *St. Petersburg Times*, 1998?
“Plan Approved for Patron’s Inn,” by Roger Turner, *Gulfport Gabber*, April 15, 1999
“Plans for renovating old hotel remain uncertain,” by Christina Headrick, *St. Petersburg Times*, October 20, 1999
“Rundown Gulfport hotel to be auctioned,” by Amy Wimmer, *St. Petersburg Times*, March 18-21, 2000
“The Welcome Mat,” by Roger Turner, *Gulfport Gabber*, July 13-19, 2000
“New Life for the Old Hotel,” by Roger Turner, *Gulfport Gabber*, September 28-October 4, 2000

Documents

BAYVIEW

Note from Philip Warshaw of Bayview letterhead, February 26, 1927, photocopy
Letter (from Dr. Charles Louis Olds to daughter Saloma) and Envelope, both with photo, undated, plus several documents from Olds family history

CEDARS

“The Cedars of 1938 Beach Boulevard,” probably by Frances Purdy, typewritten, undated
Memo from Frances Purdy re an inquiry about renovation into a retirement hotel,
December 23, 1989

PATRONS

Real Estate Listing, Broker, Douglas McPherson, Price \$199,000, April 20, 1994
Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting Agenda, March 19, 1996
Application for Designation of Historic Property, July 9, 1996
FACE Volunteer Directory, flyer for Masquerade Ball, Back Alley Artists, 1996
A Proposal: “The Dream Becomes Reality” 1996
Letter from City Manager Bob Lee to Carol Seaman of Pinellas County Community
Development Department refusing city support of grant application, July 21, 1998

PENINSULA

Gulfport’s Pink Flamingo Tour of Homes, June 4, 2005
Peninsula Inn Room rates, November 1-May 31, undated, and Room rates, November 1-
April 30, undated
Alexandra Kingzett Alpine Products Ltd. Business card

Plans

The Patrons Inn Parking Lot Grading Plan, January 18, 1999
The Plantation Inn Existing and New Site Plans, January 15, 2001
The Plantation Inn Landscaping Detail, January 31, 2001
The Plantation Inn Floor Plans and Elevations, undated

Photos

BAY VIEW HOTEL



View up Beach, late 1910s

Pumping Station at side of hotel





Lobby



Dining Room

PIPIN' HOT INN



CEDARS



Margaret Abruzzi, Supervisor of Nursing, Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, about 1950

The Swick family: David, Joan, George W., Marion, George H., Mary King, Walter King; children in front, Paul and Barbara Swick. Posed on side lawn by cedar trees.



Cedars head cook Alice and her daughter on the side lawn of the hospital.





Cedars back door, c. 1948

Plus one framed photo of the Cedars

1991 RENOVATION



(plus 4 other similar pictures)

PENINSULA INN





Photocopies include parade float passing in front of Bay View Hotel, undated

THE BOCA CIEGA INN DOBLER HOTEL, GULFPORT INN

Built by John Dobler in 1922 as the Dobler Hotel. Was briefly known as the Gulfport Inn. Leased by Paul Camp in 1931, taken over by Paul Camp Jr. in 1951. Sold in 1971 and demolished in 1974.

Newspaper Articles

“Boca Ciega Inn: 53 Years from Vacant Lot to Vacant Lot,” *Gulfport Gabber*, April 4, 1974

“The Death of Dignity,” *St. Petersburg Independent*, February 14, 1974, photos

“The Welcome Mat,” by Roger Turner, *Gulfport Gabber*, July 13-19, 2000

Documents

Brochures with photos and text

Schedule of rates for Winter Season, November 10th to April 25th, undated

Copy of letter from Mrs. William H. McCall to Eloise L. Robeson, May 11, 1974

“Remember Boca Ciega Inn?”, typewritten, undated

“A Day of Lightness After Darkness,” by Frances Purdy, typewritten, 1983

“Boca Ciega Inn,” by Allean Davis, typewritten, undated

Obituaries

Mrs. Camp, 85, operator of inn, *St. Petersburg Times*, January 17, 1975

Photos

DOBLER HOTEL



1923



1925



BOCA CIEGA INN: Postcards





Mr. and Mrs. Paul Camp and Mrs. Camp's father Robert Kuder



Dinner party at Inn: Bess Camp at Center back, Paul Sr. and Paul Jr. at right



Shuffleboard tournament at the Boca Ciega Inn

Photos from 1974 demolition



Plus 6 other similar photos

Photocopies of several of above pictures

ROLYAT HOTEL

Newspaper Articles

“Rolyat Praised As Bit of Old Spain,” February 4, 1926, photocopy

“Rolyat Hotel Is Known for Its Distinctive Features,” February 7, 1926, photocopy

“Miles of New Paving for Pasadena,” reprinted from *St. Petersburg Times*, March 26, 1926

“Progress Made in Paving Work,” reprinted from *St. Petersburg Times*, June 30, 1926

“The Rolyat Hotel,” classified ad in *New York Times*, December 24, 1929

“Home-Run Ace Takes \$5,000 Salary Cut,” by William E. Brandt, *New York Times*, March 17, 1932

“The Downfall of Handsome Jack,” by Tom Carney, *Old Pinellas Press*, 1992

“Breaking Ground for a New Hotel,” photo, *St. Petersburg Times*, June 4, 1997

“Murals create a place that never was,” by Susan Eastman, *St. Petersburg Times*, August 6, 1997

“Get-rich-quick schemes make, break Gulfport,” by Susan Eastman, *St. Petersburg Times*, October 29, 1997

1920s Series: III. Handsome Jack,” by Lynne Brown, *Gulfport Gabber*, January 23-29, 2000

Pasadena Progress (all photocopies)

Volume I, Number 1

Volume I, Number 2

Volume I, Number 3

Volume II, Number 4

Volume II, Number 5

Volume III, Number 1 (in Pasadena Estates file)

Segments: one in three parts showing the “picturization” of Pasadena

one in two parts: “Magnificent Rolyat in Pasadena”

Advertising brochures (all photocopies)

“Some Interesting Features of the Rolyat”

“The charm of the Rolyat . . .”

“The Rolyat, Pasadena’s Sumptuous new hotel . . .”

“Magnificent New Hotel Rolyat,” advertisement, pages 104-112

“The Pasadena Nurseries”

Documents

Handwritten note from Peggy L. Miller, a waitress at the Rolyat in 1928

Photo of the “Cardonia” delivering building supplies, photocopy

Record Number 319, Historical Structure Form, Florida Master Site File

Log of Well by A.O. Dunlap, July 26, 1954

Catherine Hickman and Frances Purdy interview with Mr. and Mrs. George Fry re sale of Rolyat china

“The Rolyat is Taylor Spelled Backwards,” from *Photouring Florida* by Hampton Dunn

Excerpts from “The Walter Hagen Story”

Excerpts from Grismer’s “The History of St. Petersburg

“From Rolyat to Stetson law School,” by Genevieve L. Smith, typewritten, undated

“Dino Diliberti Brings the Art of Old Italian Masters to Florida.”

Handwritten notes on Jack Taylor and the Rolyat Hotel

Information Sheets

Typewritten “Description of Construction of Hotel Rolyat,” undated

Typewritten “French Sea Port,” undated

Typewritten, “Spanish architectural Accents in the Stetson University College of Law,

Doris K. Arjone, June 18, 1954

Typewritten “Firestone Tapestry,” 1961

Photos: 62 pictures, SEE video

Video