

Cleveland Architects

J Milton Dyer

Birth/Established: April 22, 1870 **Death/Dissolved:** May 1957

Biography: J. Milton Dyer was born in Middletown, Pennsylvania where his father had a hardware business. In 1881, his family moved to Willson (E.55th Street) and Woodland Avenue area, then known as Rock's Corners. He attended Central High School. He went to work for Brown Hoisting where he earned a scholarship to the Case Institute of Technology. He continued to work there during the summer. In 1906, the Architectural Record published an article on his work where he was highlighted as one of a growing number of professionally educated architects settling in smaller American cities. Significant architectural talent came out of his office including Frank Walker, Harry Weeks, and Reynold Hinsdale. He also worked for Warner & Swasey for several years.

He lived on East 71st Street until the last few years of his life. He never married, living with his mother until her death in 1923 and then with his sister until her death in 1954. He then went on to live in a rest home in Cleveland Heights. He was not listed as a registered architect in the November 1940 Ohio Architect listing. He died at the age of eighty-seven and is buried in Woodland Cemetery.

Building List

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Status
Anderson Hall - Asheville School	1899		Asheville	NC	Standing
Columbia Electric Building building wings	1901	4403 St. Clair Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
George Kuhlman Car Company	1901		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Brown Hoisting Machine	1901		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Several rooms of Case School of Applied Science	1901		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Republic Oil Company	1901		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Herrick Library	1902		Wellington	OH	Standing
George N. Chandler Residence -	1902		Cleveland Heights	OH	Demolished
Burns Residence	1903		Cleveland Heights	OH	Demolished
Small store for Samuel Dodge	1903		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Hotel	1903		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
W.F. Dodge Residence	1904		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Brooklyn Bank Building	1904	3764 West 25th Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Mill Street School	1904		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Windemere Presbyterian Church	1904		East Cleveland	OH	Standing
Treadway Residence	1904	8911 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Guardian Trust Building	1904	322-6 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Terrace for Mr. A. Silverberg	1905	1841 E. 73rd Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Stables and garage for Mt. Townsend	1905		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Tavern Club	1905	3522 Prospect Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
First Methodist Church	1905	3000 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Peerless Motor Car Factory	1906		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
National Malleable Castings	1906		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
National Malleable Castings Office	1906		Sharon	PA	Demolished
City Hospital Dormitory	1906-7		Warrensville	OH	Demolished
Summit County Courthouse	1906-8	209 South High Street	Akron	OH	Standing
G. F. Gund Residence	1907		Shaker Heights	OH	Demolished
St. Paul's Episcopal Church -	1907	300 East Exchange Street	Akron	OH	Demolished
Westminster Presbyterian Church	1907		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Gillsy Hotel	1907	1891-21 East 9th Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Taylor's Department Store and Arcade	1907	630 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Residence	1908	1574 East 108th Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Residence for A. Chisholm	1908		Cleveland	OH	Demolished

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Ferris Residence	1909	10924 Magnolia Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Residence	1909	11101 Magnolia Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Swassey Observatory	1909		Granville	OH	Standing
Sterling Welch Store	1909		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Spirit of Progress	1909		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Residence	1910	11125 Magnolia Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
M.T. Silver & Company	1911	2310-20 Superior Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Cleveland Athletic Club	1911		Cleveland	OH	Standing
Reserve Terminals	1912	1300 East 45th Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Commercial Building	1914	5713-17 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
U.S. Treasury Building	1915	301 Pine Street	San Francisco	CA	Standing
Cleveland City Hall	1916	601 Lakeside Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Premier Industries	1920	4409 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Venice Apartments	1922	8409 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Coast Guard Station	1940	1 Lake Erie	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Lake County Courthouse	nd		Painesville	OH	Standing
Samuel Dodge Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Brooklyn Heights Cemetery Mausoleum	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Central National Bank	nd	300-8 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
First National Bank	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Warrensville Farm - Workhouse Group	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Warrensville Farm - Infirmary Group	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Warrensville Farm - Tubercular Hospital	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Standard Manufacturing	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Loftus Cuddy Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
E.W. Moore Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
H. H. Johnson Residence	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Warner and Swassey Addition	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Ramsey Apartment and Store Building	nd		Alliance	OH	Unknown
Alpine Village	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished

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