

## Cleveland Architects

## Abram Garfield

**Birth/Established:** November 21, 1872      **Death/Dissolved:** October 16, 1958

**Affiliation:** Garfield, Harris, Robinson, Schafer, Garfield, Stanley-Brown, Harris & Robinson, Meade & Garfield

**Biography:** Abram Garfield was born in Washington, D.C., the youngest son of President James Abram Garfield. He was educated at Williams College and the Massachusetts Institution of Technology. He practiced architecture in Cleveland, beginning in 1898. He was a member of the firm of Meade and Garfield from 1898 until 1905, when he went into business for himself. In 1936 the firm became known as Garfield, Harris, Robinson & Schafer, and in 1957 Garfield, Harris, Schafer, Flynn & Williams. He served on the Cleveland City Planning Commission from 1928 to 1942. He was appointed to the National Council of Fine Arts in 1909, and served on the National Commission on Fine Arts from 1925 to 1930. He was one of the original sponsors of the Cleveland School of Architecture at Western Reserve University. He was a member of the Union, Tavern, Rowfant, Chagrin Valley Hunt Clubs and the Country Club of Cleveland. His office was in the National City Bank Building and he lived on 9718 Lake Shore Boulevard in Bratenahl.

## Building List

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Status
Lakewood City Hall			Cleveland	OH	Standing
Garfield Library	1903	7300 Center Street	Mentor	OH	Standing
W.D.B. Alexander House	1903	2348 Overlook Drive	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Residence for Mary Crowell	1906	1865 East 93rd Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Babies Dispensary & Hospital	1908	13415 Shaker Boulevard	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
John Oliver Residence (Willdwood)	1908	7645 Little Mountain Road	Mentor	OH	Standing
Mrs. John Hay Residence	1910	10915 East Boulevard	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Higbee Department Store (altered)	1910	1225 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
YMCA	1911	2053 East 105th Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Babies Dispensary & Hospital addition	1917	13415 Shaker Boulevard	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Lake Erie College Dormitory	1917		Painesville	OH	Unknown
Babies Dispensary & Hospital	1917		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Clifford Neff Residence	1918	343 East 105th Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
250 dwellings for the U.S. Government	1918		Lorain	OH	Unknown
Storehouse for American Red Cross	1918		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Residence	1919	1300 South Ocean Drive	Palm Beach	FL	Standing
Leonard Hall	1924		Gambier	OH	Standing
Residence	1924	2879 Fontenay Road	Shaker Heights	OH	Standing
Samuel Mather Hall	1925		Gambier	OH	Standing
Stern & Mann Department Store	1925		Canton	OH	Standing
F.E. House Residence	1928	1379 Yellowstone	Cleveland Heights	OH	Standing
Blossom Recreation Center	1930	24400 Cedar Road	Beachwood	OH	Standing
Maternity Hospital	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Country Club	nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Western Reserve University Institute of Pathology Building - Cleveland	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Diagonistic Laboratory Building City Hospital	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Tuberculosis Preventorium Building	Nd		Warrensville	OH	Demolished
Western Reserve University Dormitory Mather College	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Dormitory and Science Building	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Kenyon College	nd		Cleveland	OH	Unknown
Hiram College Dormitory and Science Building	Nd		Hiram	OH	Unknown
Lake Erie College Gymnasium and Music Building -	nd		Painesville	OH	Unknown

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Status
National Union Fire Insurance Home Office Building	nd		Pittsburgh	PA	Unknown
Pebble Hill Plantation	nd		Thomasville	GA	Unknown
Faxon Thomas Residence	nd	10 Bluff View	Chattanooga	TN	Unknown

**Sources:**

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