PHA Mission Statement

Our mission is to collect and preserve historical artifacts, vehicles, magazines, documents, records, newspapers, photos, and materials in order to provide a learning and historical center for all to enjoy.

Pondera History Association

purchased this building in 2000 and opened the doors in 2006.

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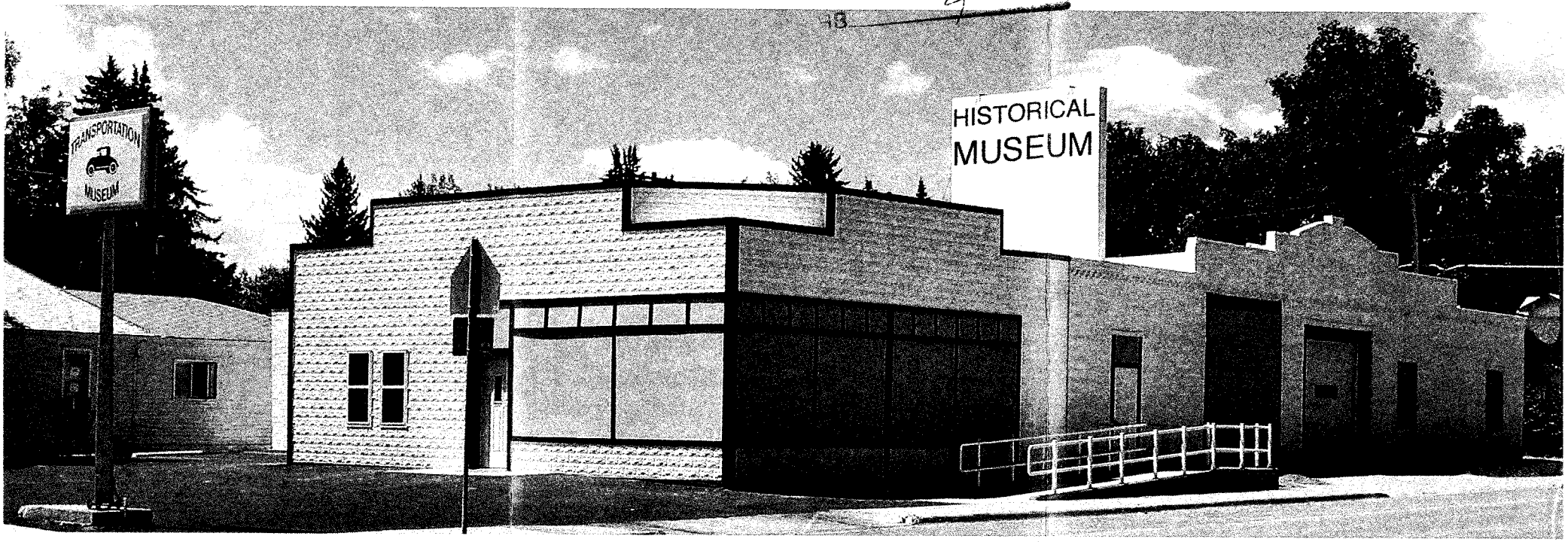
Transportation and Historical Museum



Gift Shop

After visiting our museum, we invite you to shop our gift shop, located just to your left as you enter the Museum. We are pleased to have a variety of items by local crafters for sale. We have other items as well and we are sure you will find just the right gift. We have something for everyone.

The MUSEUM is located one block West of the traffic light. 402 S. Virginia.

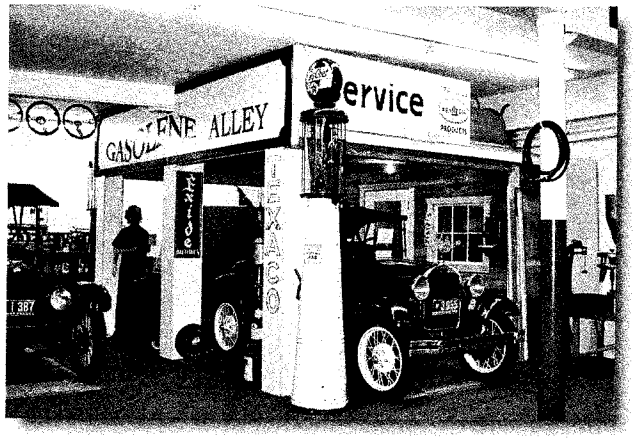
The building and site began as a brickyard in 1906. It became an auto dealership in the 20's and remained such for 70 years. The building has been restored, and has many of its original attractive features. It is also ADA compliant. The Museum has been a vision of the Pondera History Association members for over 40 years. Thanks to hard work by our members and great public support, it is now a reality. Our transportation display starts with a 1904 horseless carriage and evolves into a collection of up to ten cars of various makes and vintages. This display changes from time to time so you might see different cars or means of transportation each time you visit. This exhibit is only the beginning of a wonderful trip down memory lane we hope you will all enjoy.

Open:	**Memorial Weekend**
Close:	**Labor Day**
Hours:	**Mon. -Fri. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
	Saturdays 1: p.m. to 4 p.m.

402 S. Virginia
Conrad, Montana 59425
Phone: 406-278-0178

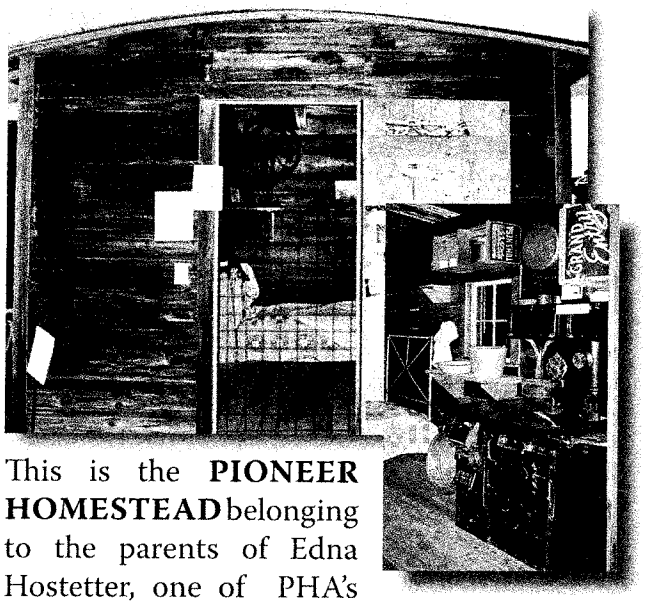
Off season call 278-3700, 278-5434 or 278-3792.

Tours Available

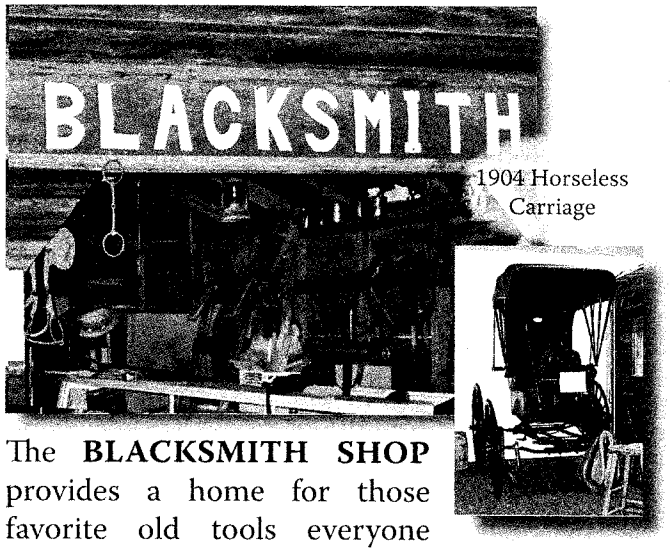


Visit **GASOLENE ALLEY** and see wonderful collections of cars, license plates, steering wheels, and lots of memorabilia relating to transportation.

Our **DRUG STORE** has probably one of the most complete collections of old drug bottles seen anywhere. We have several hundred bottles of prescription drugs dating back to the early 1900's. Prescriptions written for "spirits of fermenti" during prohibition are on display as well as a small soda fountain. You can spend hours looking at this display alone.

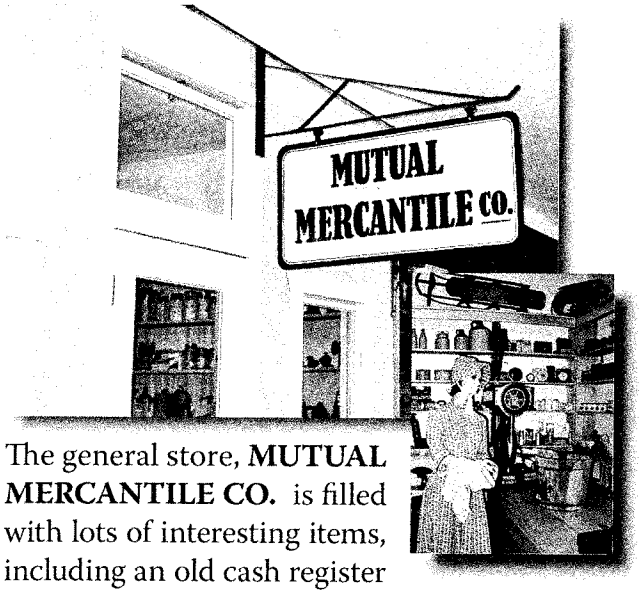


This is the **PIONEER HOMESTEAD** belonging to the parents of Edna Hostetter, one of PHA's founders. The homestead was disassembled, moved to the museum and reassembled. Inside are many artifacts including a Majestic stove, Spinning Wheel, Wrought Iron bed complete with feather mattress and quilt, and many more items of interest.



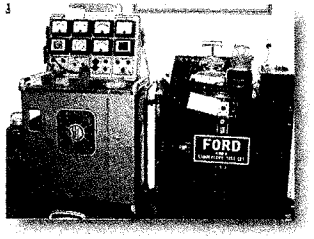
1904 Horseless Carriage

The **BLACKSMITH SHOP** provides a home for those favorite old tools everyone saved. As well as the old tools you will find a vintage vise, forge, grindstone, anvil, tack saddle, post drill, and the usual horse collars, bits and bridles.

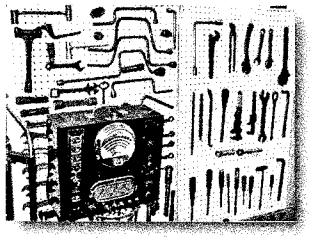


The general store, **MUTUAL MERCANTILE CO.** is filled with lots of interesting items, including an old cash register made for J.W. McKnight in 1896. An unusual parquet floor, calculating store scale, parlor stove, grocery & hardware items, fabric, soft goods, cooking utensils, are a few of the additional items you might see here.

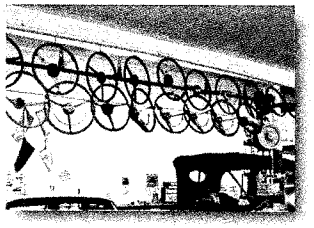
Toys Toys Toys & advertising treasures. Is your business here?



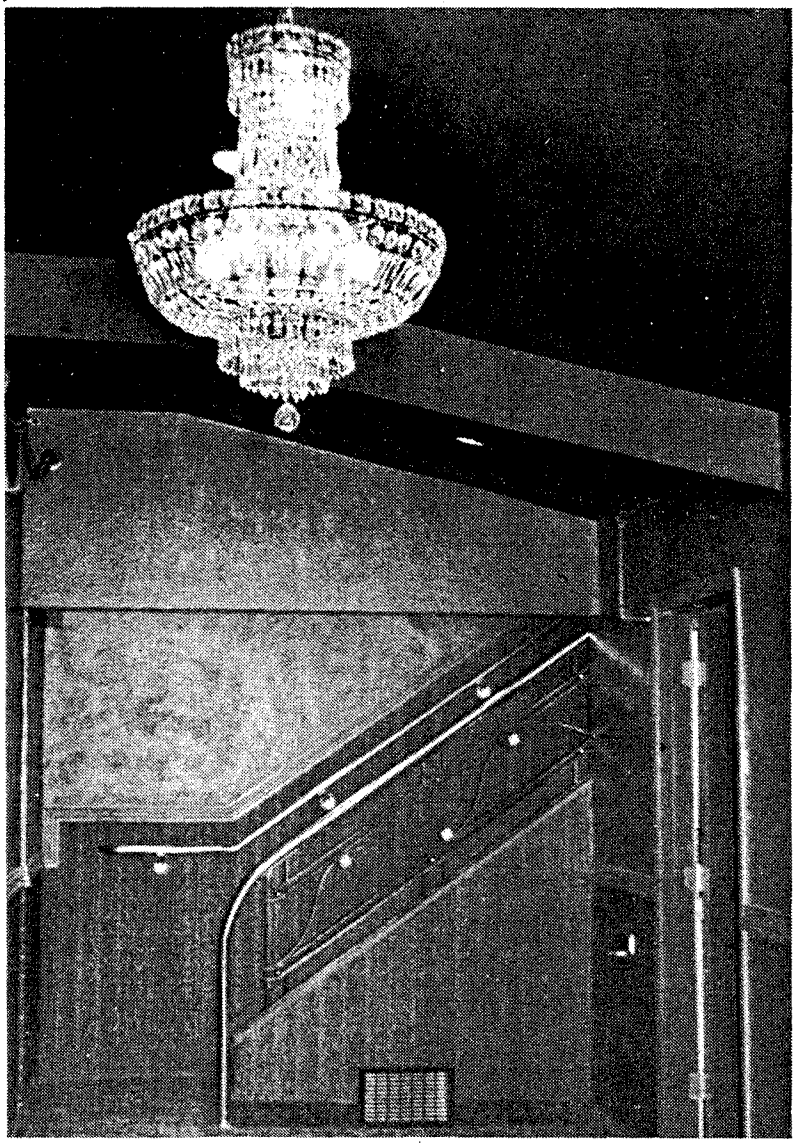
The latest in automotive equipment



A mechanics dream. Tool Collection



Steering Wheels? We have all kinds



ELEGANT LIGHT-An Art Deco chandelier graces the lobby of the remodeled Orpheum Theatre/Wiegand Auditorium which will open for a first-time concert this Sunday at 4 p.m. The handrails on the stairs leading up to the balcony are part original and part new, but molded for the period of remodeling design of the Theatre. I-O Photo by Buck Traxler

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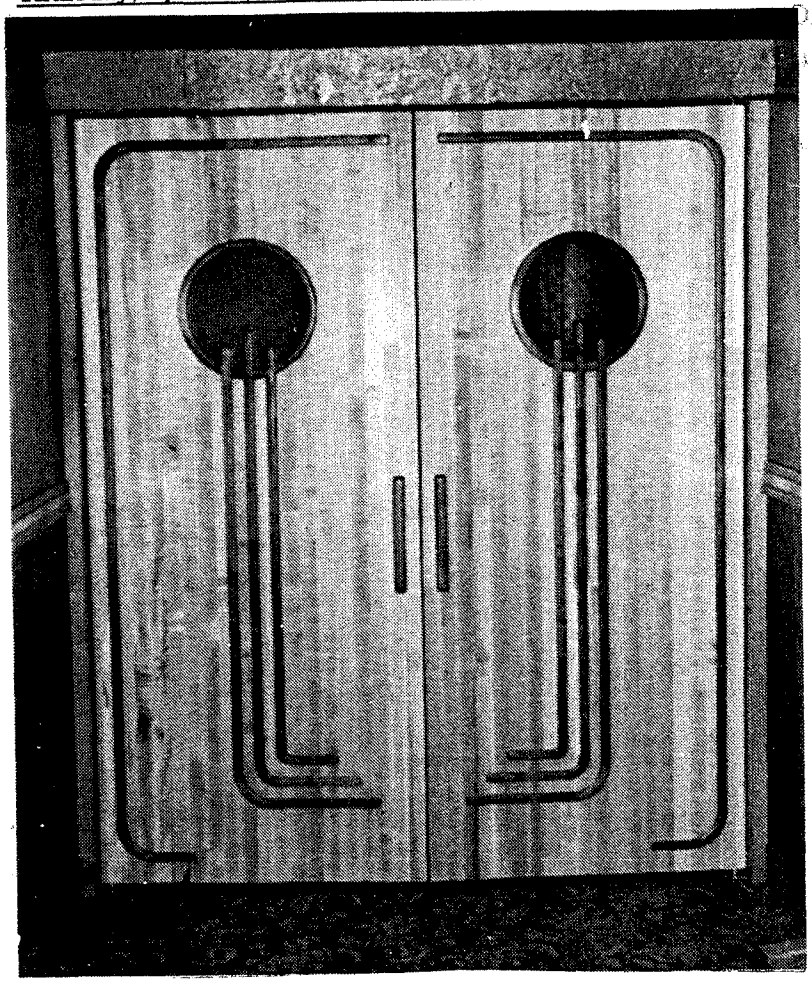

STYLISH DOORS-In keeping with their Art Deco period, a style from the 1920s-30s of bold outlines and streamlined form, these doors were made for the Orpheum Theatre/Wiegand Auditorium and are at the entrance to the downstairs seating area. I-O Photo by Buck Traxler

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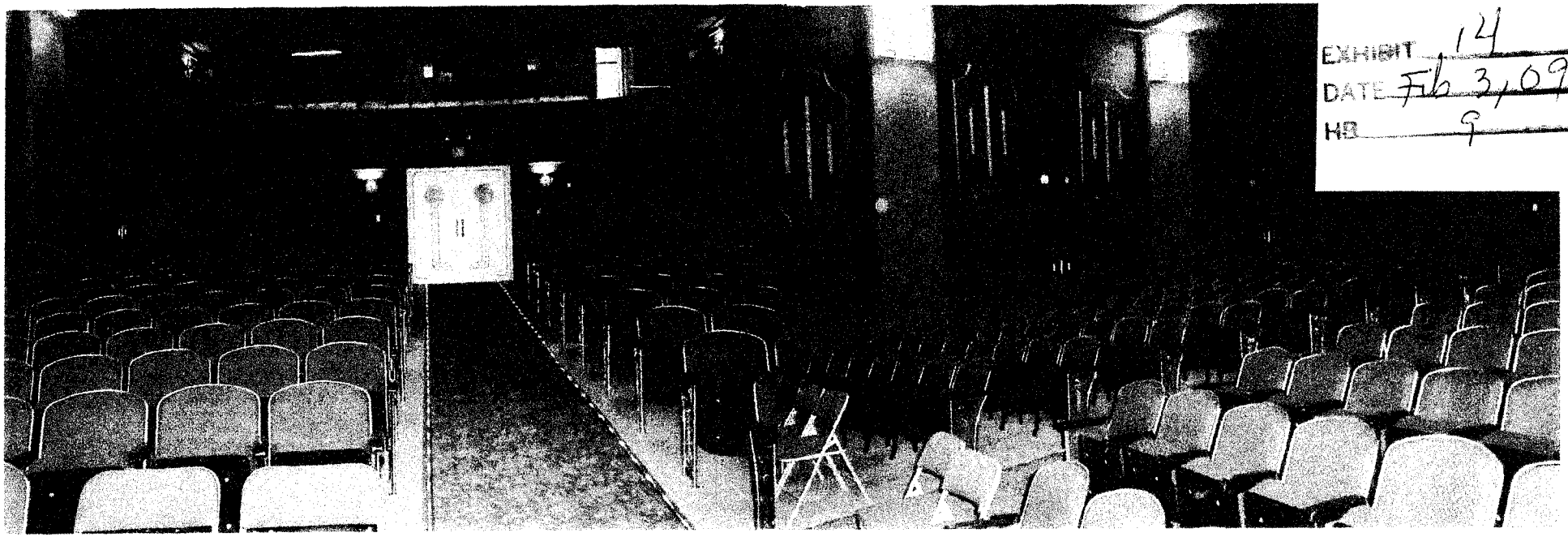
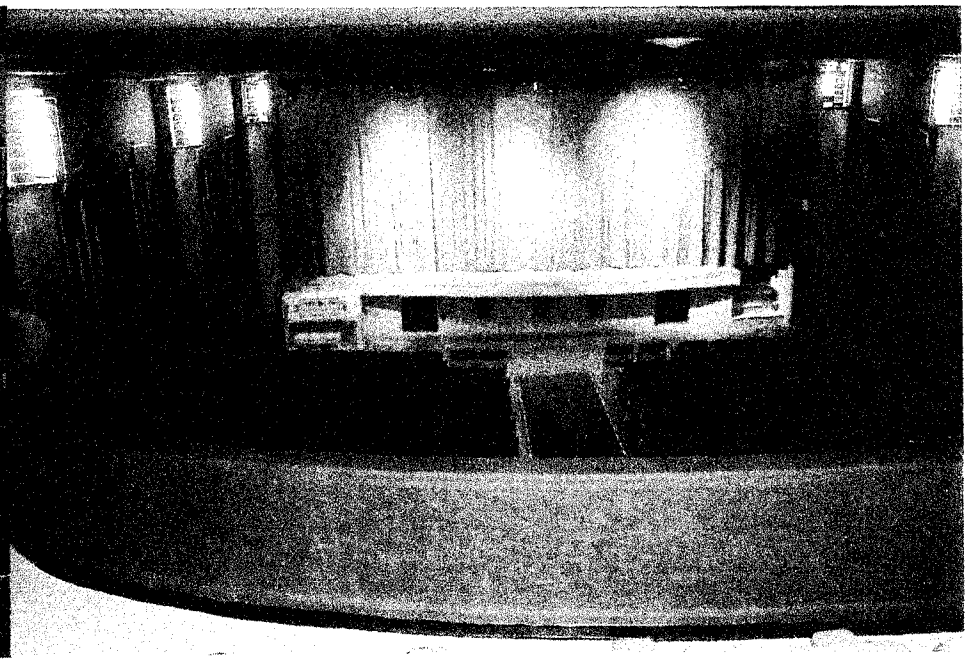
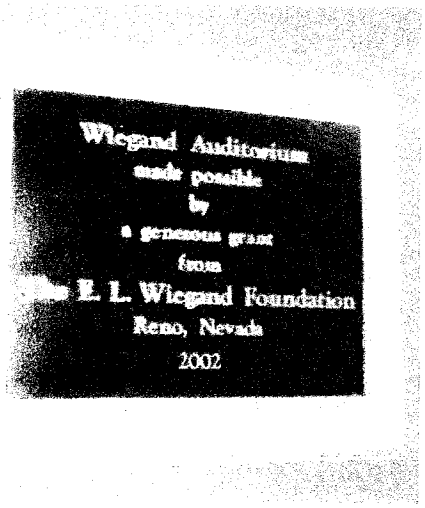
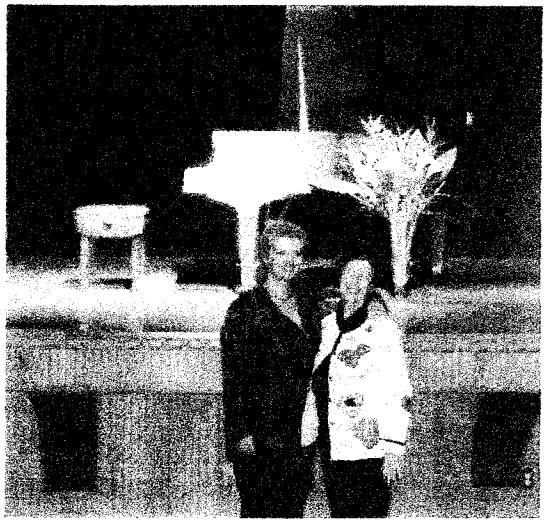


Orpheum Wiegand Auditorium - 4/22/04

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