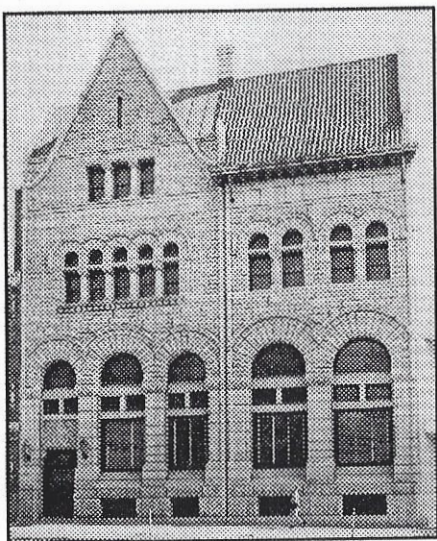


428 Maine Street
State Savings Loan & Trust Company
1892, 1906 addition
Patton & Fisher, architects
Ernest M. Wood, architect
west addition
Richardsonian Romanesque

This building is one of the premier architectural monuments of Quincy. It was built to house the banking firm of Lorenzo and Charles Henry Bull. The Bull brothers came from Connecticut in the 1830's and became prominent Quincy business men. They hired Patton and Fisher of Chicago to design the building, probably at Lorenzo Bull's behest. As a member of the library board, he had first hand exposure to the firm's work in the recently completed Free Public Library and Reading Room building down the street.



This outstanding Romanesque landmark is constructed of pink Missouri granite and has skillfully executed carvings and exquisite ornamental iron grillwork. Cherry wood is used throughout the interior, in raised paneling, banking counter fronts, and the elaborate wall dividing front offices from the banking room. The scrolled motifs in the ironwork of the main door are duplicated in the corner reinforcements of the counters as well as in the office gates. Tying everything together is a tile mosaic floor bordered in a vaguely French Renaissance design. The art glass and bronze light dishes complete the elegance of this spectacular building.

Since its restoration in the mid 1960s, the building has been used for commercial and retail purpose.

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