

Office Building

The ground floor and elevated floor of the terminal will cover practically the entire site between Park Place and Pine Street, but extending above the third floor is an office building of six stories, making the layout complete to house the home offices of Public Service.

Each office floor has an area of 30,000 square feet, or approximately one-half of the available plot bounded by Park Place, North Canal Street, Pine Street and East Park Street. Each wing of the building is only two rooms deep, so that all offices will have outside windows. These offices will be occupied by the gas, the railway and the electric companies. The fourth floor is the quarters of the treasurer of the corporation; also the auditing departments of the Public Service Gas and Electric Companies, as well as the general assembly room. The fifth floor is devoted to the gas company, auditing department of the railway company and the publicity department. The sixth floor is reserved for the offices of the railway company. On the seventh floor are the legal, claim and welfare departments of the corporation, with the operating offices of the Public Service Electric Company, also the law and technical library and the real estate department. The eighth floor is devoted to the executives of the corporation, the general claim department, officers' and employees' dining rooms. Over the eighth floor are the kitchen and chef's headquarters.

On the east side of Pine Street and under the elevated structure, a garage, 100 feet by 150 feet houses 45 cars and provides a means of eliminating the parking of the company's autos blocking the street and building entrances, booths and elevators. There are separate entrances on the ground floor at Park Place, Pine Street, North Canal Street and East Park Street. The show rooms of the commercial department have similar conveniences. As an adjunct to the different entrances into the concourse, there are three sets of elevators for the office building.

In the main concourse considerable area is devoted to commercial booths. At the Park Place entrance a large lobby is located. Besides, a marquee extends over the sidewalk all along Park Place frontage, also on North Canal Street, East Park Street and over the elevated on Pine Street, the latter to protect the openings into the train shed.

At the easterly and southerly ends of the concourse, the school of instruction of the railway company, the station master and check room for the assembly hall are located.

The Park Place and North Canal Street elevations are finished in Blue Indiana limestone, and the East Park Street elevation is trimmed in the same material.

Lighting

The system of lighting the building was planned for both gas and electricity, so that either may be used, combination gas and electric outlets being installed throughout the building. Four services are brought into the building, two for light and two for power to the transformers in the basement. The wiring is to be installed in a rigid conduit system, which is imbedded in the concrete floors of the building.