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COMMONLY ENCOUTERED SANBORN MAP COMPANY ABBREVIATIONS

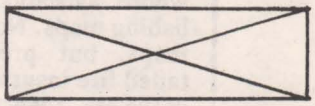
The wealth of historical detail found on Sanborn Company maps dating from the turn of the century is sometimes clouded by the abbreviations used at that time. The following list was developed by the publisher to help unravel the occupancy and usage associated with the structures. This list is neither complete nor totally correct; it serves only as a guide. Minor variations due to regional usage of some terms have been encountered. An example is the use of "Chine" and "Chinese" interchangeably. There is also some uncertainty about abbreviations such as "S" and "Sto"--there is some evidence that they had multiple uses, but only among maps made by different survey teams in divergent locations and years.

B. & S.	Boots & Saddles
Bl. Sm.	Blacksmith
B.C.	Brick Chimney
Chop Ho.	Chop House (an eating place)
Clo.	Clothing
D. } Dw'g. }	Dwelling
D.G.	Dry Goods
F.B.	Female Boarding = Bordello
Furne.	Furniture
Gen'l S.	General Store
Gro.	Grocery
Ho.	House, <u>not</u> hotel. (Ware Ho., Out Ho., Hose Ho., etc.)
Hdwe } Hrdwe }	Hardware
Hyd.	Hydrant
Mill'y	Millinery
Off.	Office
P.O.	Post Office
R.C.	Roman Catholic
M.E.	Methodist-Episcopal
Sal.	Saloon
S.	Store; Storage
S.P.	Stove Pipe
Sta. } Staty. }	Stationery
Stge.	Storage (several variations)
Vac.	Vacant
W.Ho.	Ware House = Warehouse. (also Wash House)

A = Automobile (Garage)

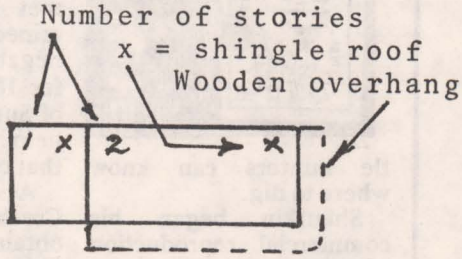
CL = Cloth Lined

C.B.=Concrete Block



Barn or Stable

Some common symbols:



T.C. = Terra Cotta Chimney

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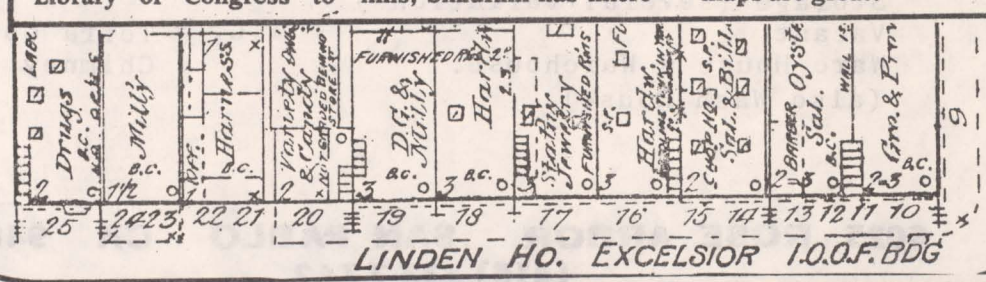

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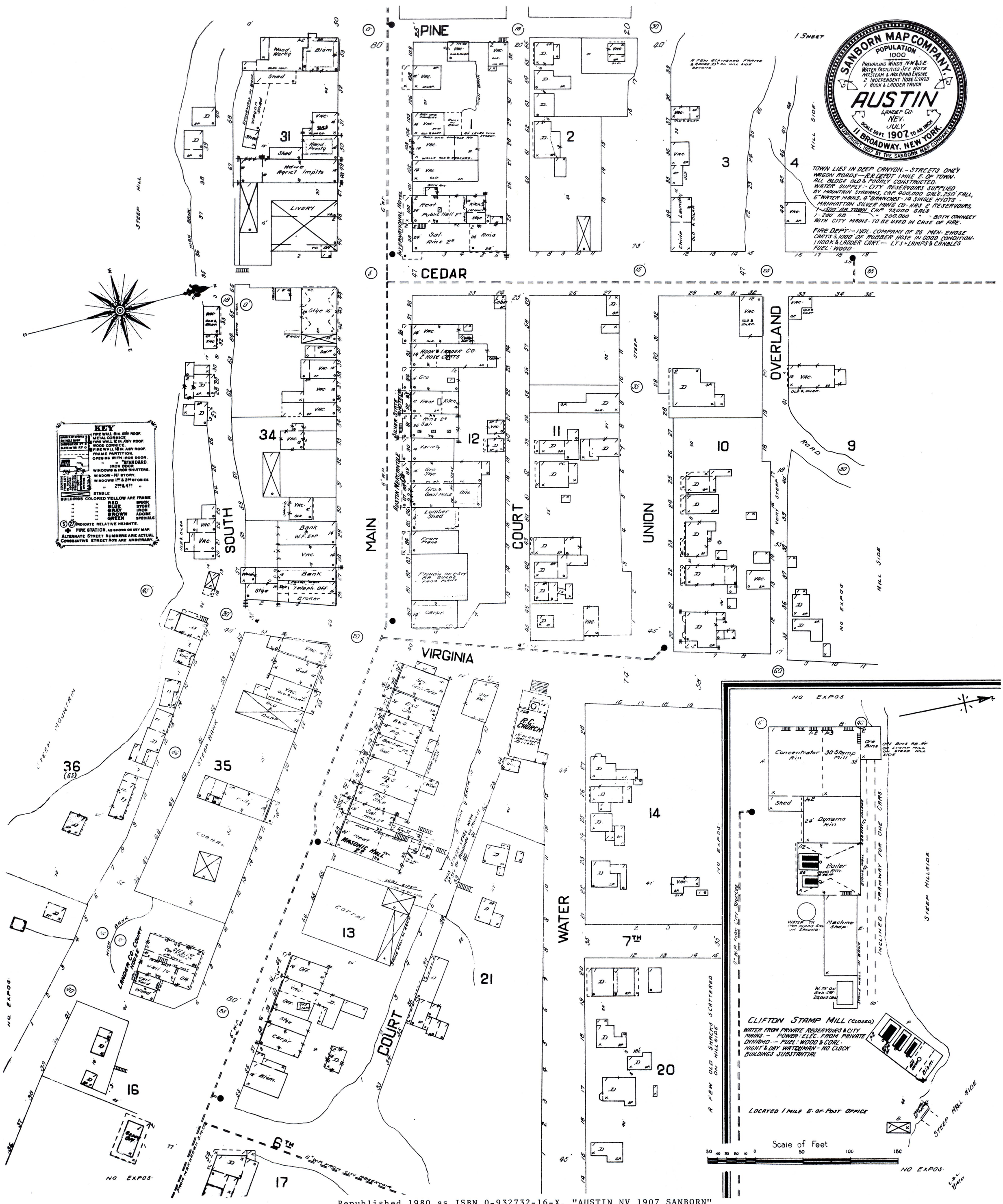

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