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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National* Register of *Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property							
Historic name	FARRELL B	UILDING	3				
Other names/site number	Golden Rule S	tore, JC Per	my, Fashic	onette, Fa	arrell &	& Eddy I	Department Store
Location							
street & number 305 N	E 4th Avenue					1	not for publication
city or town Cama	IS					,	vicinity
State Washington		county	Clark	code	011	zip code	98607
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5. Classification				
Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) X private public-local public-State public-Federal	Category of Property (Check only one box X building(s) district site structure object		ources within Prop usly listed resources Non-Contributing	
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6. Functions or Use				
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COMMERCE/TRADE: Depa	rtment Store	COMMERCE/TR	ADE: Specialty	Store
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(Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

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В	Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.	
<u>x</u> c	Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.	Period of Significance 1924
D	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.	
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B	removed from its original location.	(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
C	a birthplace or grave.	Cultural Affiliation
D	a cemetery.	
E	a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	
F	a commemorative property.	Architect/Builder
G	less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.	Roffler, John (Builder)
(Explain	ive Statement of Significance the significance of the property.) SEE CONTINUATION or Bibliographical References	ON SHEET
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	books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)	SEE CONTINUATION SHEET
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	(36 CFR 67) has been requested	Other State agency
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name/title	R. Lon Combs					
organization	CamVest Developments		date	9/25/05		-
street & number	17308 NE Edmunds Rd		telephone	360-253-7	7810	
city or town	Vancouver	state	WA	zip code	98682	

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property	Owner	(Complete this item at the request of the	SHPO or FP	0.)		
name	CamV	est Developments				
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Narrative Description

Located on the NW corner of Fourth Avenue and Birch Street in downtown Camas, Washington, the Farrell Building sits on a flat lot adjacent to the sidewalk. The building encompasses the entire urban tax lot (50'x100') on which it is located. Landscaping is limited to street trees and concrete planter boxes located in front of the building on the 4th Avenue façade.

The two-story Farrell Building has a flat, built-up roof hidden by a simple parapet wall. The cornice encompasses seven shallow layers with a row of unpretentious dental molding. Exterior walls consist of a first floor of poured concrete, while the second floor is constructed of rusticated handmade concrete blocks, which locals refer to as "Roffler Rock." Both the 4th Avenue and Birch Street facades boast storefronts on the first floor and pairs of one-over-one double hung, vinyl windows on the second floor. The building has a full basement, which can be accessed via an interior stairwell or from exterior stairs adjacent to the building along the sidewalk on Birch Street.

The main façade, facing 4th Avenue, is divided into three sixteen-foot storefronts/bays. Each storefront is not original and likely dates to the 1950s remodel of the building. They are divided by square pilasters, which have rectangular recessed panels. The far western bay has two large plate-glass windows. The center bay has an angled, recessed storefront with a set of double doors. The far eastern storefront is divided into two sections. To the east, a single door allows direct access to the upper floors via a direct flight of stairs. The western portion is a small angled storefront with a single entrance door. All bays have their original transom lights, which are currently hidden by cloth awnings. Above the storefronts, at the second floor level, are three pairs of double hung windows. Directly above the center pair within the frieze, is a building nameplate which reads: "1924 C.E. Farrell".

The west elevation is divided at the first story level into nine bays, each separated by concrete piers with recessed panels. The rhythm of the bays are as follows from north to south, a, b, b, b, b, b, b, c. Bays (a) and (c) are a full 12 feet wide, while bays (b) are just six feet wide. The far north bay (a), comprises a new 1950s recessed aluminum storefront with an integrated transom window. Here you will find

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two doors. One leading directly to the second floor and a second leading into the first floor store space. Bays 2-7 (b) have solid panels at the storefront level but are highlighted by divided original transom windows. The far southern bay (c), is an extension of the main storefront bay on the 4^{th} Avenue façade. It has an awning which matches the other storefront bays on 4^{th} Avenue.

Inside the building consists of two storefronts on the first floor and apartments on the second floor. The main storefront, approximately 32' wide x 85' deep and has 15ft high ceilings and simple detailing. The space is divided by a row of columns that holds up the second floor and is currently being used as an antique shop. To the rear are storage rooms, stairs leading to the upstairs and basement, and two bathrooms. The smaller storefront is just 10ft wide on the main façade. Once the stairs to the second floor reach the right height, it opens up to a width of 16ft. The depth is 66 ft. The space is currently being used as a specialty shop.

Upstairs are eight apartments which were designed with high quality amenities for their time. They have 9-foot ceilings, walk-in closets and a variety of built-in furniture. These include: foldaway ironing boards, in-wall medicine cabinets, fold-up seats, multi-function Hoosier cabinets in the kitchen, and Murphy "In-A-Dor" beds in the bedrooms. The Hoosier cabinets feature slide out counter tops, flour bins with sifters, bread boxes, cooling trays, cutting boards and spice racks. The unique Murphy beds patented in 1912 freed floor space during daylight hours by folding the bed and then rolling it into the closet. The apartments also have hardwood floors, claw-foot bath tubs, five panel wood doors and newer pedestal sinks. Two large skylights are located in the main hall and the three interior apartments have small skylights.

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Statement of Significance

The Farrell Building is historically significant at the local level under Criterion "A" for its direct association to development and growth of downtown Camas, Washington. The building is also significant under Criterion "C" as a representative example of the work of local builder John Roffler. The building retains a high level of architectural integrity, both inside and out, demonstrating the principles of 20th Century building traditions.

Charles Farrell

Born in Kansas, Charlie Farrell had arrived in Camas in 1891 at the age of 22. At the time, the city was unincorporated, cows roamed the streets and wooden western false front buildings connected by wooden sidewalks lined the downtown area. The main industry, established by Oregonian newspaperman Henry Pittock in 1883, was a paper mill.

Immediately, Farrell went to work in the paper mill with wages of \$1.50 a day for a 11 to 13 hour work day. Employed at the mill for the next twelve years, Farrell worked his way up the corporate ladder and eventually became the paymaster. In November of 1901, Farrell married Ursula "Rose" Roffler. He met Rose at the paper mill. She was one of the first women to work full-time at the mill and later would become one of the first businesswomen in Camas.

The mill supplied paper by contract for the <u>Portland Oregonian</u> and was run entirely on waterpower supplied by LaCamas Lake, which sat directly northwest and uphill from the city. When the water level was low in the summer, the grinders at the mill were forced to shut down and all of the single men were laid off. In the early 1890's paychecks were uncertain and sometimes checks were two or three months behind. Looking for a better life, in 1903 Charlie and his new bride, Rose, decided to purchase an existing mercantile store in the downtown core.

The general store, built in 1887, was run by local businessman Glen Ranck, who in his earlier years worked as the City Surveyor. Upon the purchase, the Farrell's renamed the store, the C. E. Farrell General Merchandise store.

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The newly married couple lived in the upstairs apartment in the building while running the business on the first floor. Business was good for the Farrell's and their new venture prospered quickly. During this time several logging camps, both north and east of the city were in full stride which brought them a consistent source of revenue. Since the camps had cook shacks, men would come into the store with long lists of groceries in the morning and come back in the afternoon to pick them up. In an interview Charles Farrell remembered that he could still "...remember piling this stuff up on the 8-foot long counter. An order that you would haul away in a wagon would be \$37." Other business came from the local townspeople who would call in with an order. Some customers lived as far away as the rock quarry and the Lacamas Lake area.

Besides groceries, the store handled yard goods, notions, shoes, gifts and millinery items. Rose Farrell, who loved high quality items, wanted to give the women of the Camas what they could not get elsewhere. Rose's hobby of making hats quickly turned into the need of hiring a full time trimmer from Portland. At the time, the only choice for the women of Camas to purchase 'modern' clothing and hats was to go to Portland by ferryboat and then transfer to a train or streetcar into the downtown. Eventually, Rose's business became so successful that she opened a second store on the west side of Main Street in Vancouver, Washington. She also supplied the millinery section of Bannon's Department Store in Oregon City, which was managed by Rose Farrell's younger sister, Anna Roffler Eddy.

Charles and Rose had two sons, Clayton and Glenn. Glenn was born above the store in 1907. Both children would eventually work in the family business for years to come.

With their business prospering and family growing, in 1915 the Farrell's built an impressive two-story, Neo-Classical home at 416 N.E. Ione Street. The house was built by Rose's brother, John Roffler. At the time Roffler had been experimenting with making his own concrete blocks, and utilized these new blocks in the foundation of Charles and Rose's house.

Farrell Building

After over 20 years in the merchandise business, in 1924, Charles, now 55 and Rose, decided on a new direction. They opted to tear down their existing store and

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replace it with new modern structure. The old store, built in 1887, had outlived its useful life. Naturally they turned to Rose's contractor brother, John H. Roffler, to build them a new store. By the 1920s, Roffler had become well known for his many building accomplishments in Camas. The Farrell Building was most likely the last building constructed by Roffler before his untimely death in 1924 at the age of 45.

The building contained six apartments upstairs, as well as a dentist office and a doctor's office. The front hallway was wide to accommodate a joint waiting room for the two offices. The downstairs space was rented to the then popular chain store "The Gold Rule", which later became the J.C. Penny Company. Rose, at the request of the women of Camas, continued her millinery business in her home.

The apartments were designed with high quality amenities for the time. The Camas Post reported in July of 1924, "*The apartments are to be the last word in modernism.*" They have 9-foot ceilings, walk-in closets and all interior rooms have skylights. Following the Arts & Crafts movement of the time, the apartments have many built-in furniture items. These include, foldaway ironing boards, in-wall medicine cabinets, fold-up seats, multi-function Hoosier cabinets, and Murphy "In-adoor" beds. The cabinets are the modular Hoosier cabinets that were very popular in the late twenties that include features like, slide out counter tops, flour bins with sifters, bread boxes, cooling trays, cutting boards and spice racks. The Carleton Electric Company was hired for the electrical contract. Mr. Carleton stated that the Farrell Building had nearly double the amount of light wire of any other business block in town.

The building was constructed using hand cast concrete blocks, which were most likely made by John Roffler and his building company, The Roffler Building Company. Locals referred to the block as "Roffler Rock."

Commonly referred to today as "CMU's" or Concrete Masonry Units, the first patents for concrete blocks were taken in the 1860s. Real advances were made when the relatively inexpensive cast-iron block-making machines became available to the general public around the turn-of-the-century. Harmon S. Palmer is generally credited with the development of the first commercial process for manufacture of concrete block in the United States. Palmer patented the basic principle of the hollow concrete building block machine which had removable cores and adjustable sides.

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Palmer's concrete blocks were poured at the job site to save cost of transportation and eliminate breakage in handling. The idea was revolutionary. Three men working at top speed could turn out 200 blocks in a 10-hour day. Perhaps even more revolutionary was the ease of purchasing your own block-making machine. For instance in 1908, Sears, Roebuck & Company devoted eight full pages of their spring general merchandise catalogue to concrete block machines and related hardware.

Concrete blocks were promoted in advertisements as a cheap, quick, and practical building material. A variety of interchangeable molds created different types of block faces and shapes. These included cobblestone faces, broken ashlar faces, rock faces, pressed brick faces, even blocks with intricate designs motifs of wreaths and scrolls.

Many builders, like John Roffler, turned to this new material as a business venture and to save his clients money. In Camas, "Roffler" Blocks have quarried rock face and were mainly used for foundations and front porch detailing. However, Roffler did created an entire concrete block home for himself in 1920 on NE 6th Street in Camas, and he utilized concrete blocks for a majority of the exterior walls of the Farrell Building.

During an 22-year period, from 1902 to 1924, John Roffler left his mark on Camas as no other home builder had before or since. For example in an advertisement in the local newspaper in 1911 he boasted that he had built 54 houses in 55 months. Assuming this rate of productivity continued unabated throughout his relatively short career, it is likely that Roffler constructed over one-hundred homes (see attached list of known works). The extent of this potential work is attributed in part due to the fact that no other professional builder lived in Camas during the period when Roffler practiced. His projects include, the Queen Anne style "Lakeside" or Pittock-Leadbetter House, several dwellings for himself and other members of his family including a grand Neo-Classical Home for Charles and Rose Farrell and an unusual Prairie style house for his sister, Anna Roffler Eddy. The Farrell Building is Roffler's only known commercial project to date and was the last structure he built before his untimely death at age 45 in 1924.

Once the new building was complete, the Farrell's business continued to prosper. Charles and a few investors built the Granada Theater (now called the Liberty

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Theater) adjacent to the Farrell Building in 1927. Upon completion of the building, Rose moved her business into a small space attached to the front of the theater. Needing a bookkeeper, she invited her sister, Anna, to join her as a partner in the business. Naming the new shop was a challenge. Reportedly Clayton, Charles and Rose's son, was taking French in high school at the time and came up with the name "The Fashionette." In the next seven years, Rose and Anna reached a level of success that they outgrew their small space.

In 1935 fellow Camas businessman Robert Stoller tore down the old hotel across the street from the Farrell Building and constructed a new building. After enticing J.C. Penny's to move out of the Farrell Building and into his new building, Rose and Anna moved "The Fashionette" into the Farrell Building. In 1942 they expanded their merchandise to include men's clothing and shoes. In 1945, the store was re-named the "Farrell & Eddy" to differentiate itself from the numerous "Fashionettes" which were then opening throughout the northwest and Alaska.

In 1955, the Farrell Building underwent interior modernization in an effort to keep up with other newer department stores. Modern lighting and display cases were added and the wooden floors were covered with modern design floor covering. Extensive uses of mirrors reportedly gave the store a more open feel. The basic layout of the store remained in place with this interior design change.

In 1936 Glen Farrell, Charles and Rose's son, decided to join the family business. Then years later in 1946 Glen's brother, Clayton, also became a partner in the store.

Charles is noted as the first registered voter in Camas and served for many years on the city council. He died in 1967, shortly before his 98th birthday ending a long, active and influential association with the community as a merchant and civic leader. Rose had pasted away ten years earlier in 1957. Anna Eddy, Rose's sister and business partner passed away in 1972. Both Rose and Ana worked at the store until their 80s.

With the deaths of the first generation of Farrell's the store continued in family ownership for another 25+ years. In 1969 Clayton passed away, leaving Glenn as the sole owner of the property and proprietor of the business. In 1975, Glenn hired Evelyn Spellman to oversee the store. She managed the business until its closing in

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1998 when competition from modern day malls led to economic changes in the downtown. At the time of its closing in 1998, the building and business was under the under the ownership of a third generation of the Farrell family.

Today, the Farrell Building represents the one of oldest retail business blocks in downtown Camas. The property is a testament to the work of local builder John Roffler and demonstrates the use of handmade concrete blocks, which was a popular building material in the early part of the twentieth century in Camas.

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Bibliography:

<u>The Camas Post</u> Newspaper, July 25, 1924 Roffler Houses Tour Guide, Post Publications Camas. 1998 Two Rivers Heritage Museum, Family files—Roffler, Farrell John Roffler, Camas Craftsman, by Sally Alves, Heritage Trust of Clark County 1991 Oral Family History, as given by the Farrell's Children.

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property is located at 305 NE 4th Avenue, Camas, 98607. It is legally described as Lot 1, Block 38 of the original plat of Camas, Washington. It is otherwise identified as Tax Lot: 078870-000 of the said addition.

Boundary Justification

The nominated property encompasses the entire urban tax lot $(100' \times 50')$ that is currently occupied by the Farrell Building.

CAMAS QUADRANGLE WASHINGTON-OREGON











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JOHN ROFFLER PROJ	JECT LI	PROJECT LIST * Indicates Listed on the National Register
PROJECTS	Date	Location
Pittock-Leadbetter House *	1902	114 NE Leadbetter Rd, Camas
John Roffler House I *	1906	1437 NE Everett Street, Camas
John Roffler House II	1911	935 E 1st, Camas
Harry Clark House	1911	5 th & Everett, Camas
House	1911	204 SE Garfield, Camas
Ulrich Roffler House	1913	710 SE Everett Rd, Camas
O.F. Johnson House	1911-13	526 NE Hayes St., Camas
Katharina Roffler House	c. 1913	2 nd and lone, Camas
Charles & Rose Farrell House	1915	416 NE Ione Street, Camas
John Roffler House III "Roffler's Roost"	1916	924 NE 2 nd Street, Camas
Martin "grandpa" Farrell, Sr. House	1916	NE Camas, Woodburn Hill (moved location)
Ann Roffler Eddy House	1920	832 NE 5 th , Camas
John Roffler House IV	1920	1600 SE 6 th Street, Camas
House	1920	Cape Horn, Camas
House	c. 1922	924 SE 2 nd Avenue, Camas
Farrell Building	1924	305 NE 4 th Avenue, Camas
House, currently used by Straub Mortuary	52	325 NE 3 rd , Camas
Houses (demolished to make room for Safeway Store)	222	3 rd Avenue, Camas
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Known projects as of January 2006		

Farrell Building Site Plan Building covers the complete site





John Roffler with son Harold, circa 1920.



This five room bungalow with bath was built completely by the Roffler Building Company for less than \$600.00. Our shop is /equipped with all kinds of wood working machinery and we are now prepared to make anything that can be made out of wood. For plans and estimates see

JOHN H. ROFFLER, Mgr. Builders of 54 houses in 55 mos.

The Camas Post
August 31, 1911
Vol. IV. No. 33





Charles & Rose Farrell House (416 NE Ione St, Camas).



Ursula "Rose" Roffler Farrell



Charles Farrell

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Golden Rule Store

Announcement No. 1

Within a few days the Store Room in the Farrell Building at Fourth and Clara Streets, which we are to occupy, will be completed. A visit to the Farrell Building will convince you that Mr. C. E. Farrell has built for us one of the best and most modern store buildings in Southwest Washington, and we wish to announce to the Public that we intend to give you a store worthy of the building.

WHO WE ARE

It is quite natural to inquire about any newcomer in your midst, so we answer your question in advance:

While coming to your city as strangers + we are not strangers in the retail merchandise field, the Manager of the Camas Golden Rule Store having had 14 years experience in the retailing of merchandise, and for 71/2 years of that time was associated with the largest Chain Department Store Organization in the world. Our unusual buying connections with large Eastern Manufacturers and Jobbers enable us to buy at lowest prices.

Golden Rule Store H. K. DORK, Manager

CAMAS, WASHINGTON

WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 2

The Camas Post. July 25, 1924. pg 1 & 5.

