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Site
170 South River Street

The Queen Anne style structure that stood on this site was built in the 1880s. Mrs. Ella Hollenback Emory¹ purchased the property in 1867.² In the 1882 atlas, a frame structure is indicated, however, the brick building acquired by the college is shown on the 1889 city view. Mrs. L. Emory is identified as the owner of the property in the 1894 atlas.

Wilkes College purchased the property in 1955 from Michael McLaughlin, a Wilkes-Barre businessman.³ Known as Daniel Roberts Warner Hall, the building was a residence hall until demolished in 1971. No major alterations were made to the structure by the college.

¹Through out the research, two spellings of this name were found: Emory, the one used here, and Emery.

²Luzerne County Deed Records, Book 119, p. 131.

³Luzerne County Deed Records, Book 1277, p. 225.

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The former home of Mr. and Mrs. M.J. McLaughlin, Jr. was acquired by the college in 1955. The new building was named the Daniel Robert's Warner Hall and was used as a boy's dormitory.

The three story building provided ten bedrooms and three baths.

The building was razed in 1971 to make room for the Stark Learning Center.

Added: 1 March 1983

Georgetta Nelson from information in the Wilkes Archive Files



The expected increase in enrollment that is due to confront all educational institutions during the next twenty years is causing a great deal of expansion in most of the colleges and universities throughout the country.

Already feeling the first pressure, Wilkes has enlarged the old dining room by linking to it the Kirby garage with an additional extension that will enable between five hundred and five hundred and fifty students to be accommodated at one time.

The new extension to the dining room will be two stories high and will join the old cafeteria and the completely renovated Kirby garage. Constructed of brick and steel, the new structure is 42 feet long and parallels the walk from the cafeteria entrance to the Kirby Hall library. Large picture windows beautify the exterior and furnish the interior with ample light.

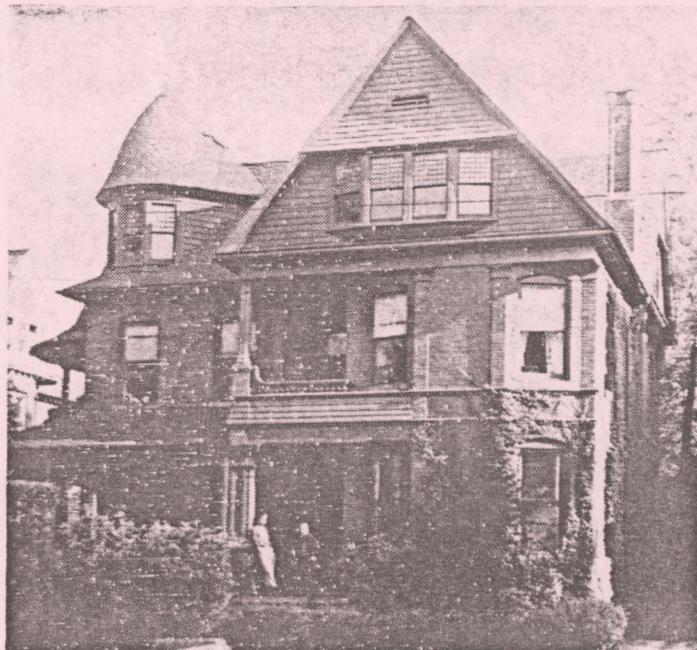
Huge round cherry tables and Federal chairs enable eight students to dine together at one table. Knotty pine paneling and colorful modernistic wall paper complete the attractive picture.

The first floor has additional dining area and also has a reception lounge and large rest rooms. The entire renovation is due to be completed by October 15.

The bottom level of the original cafeteria will be used to serve the increasing number of resident students with a spacious dining area. The other three segments will be used by the day students.

When the structure is completely equipped with stainless steel serving tables and lounge facilities, the estimated cost to the college will be \$110,000.

The dining area for the school will now be large enough to accommodate the expected future increase in enrollment.



The acquisition of the former home of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McLaughlin Jr., 170 South River Street now raises the number of buildings owned by the college to twenty-five.

The new building, named the Daniel Roberts Warner Hall, will be the sixth dormitory on the campus. The addition of this building now means that only four residences between West Northampton and West South Streets are not owned by Wilkes College.

The building is a three story affair with ten bedrooms and three baths. A few minor changes will make it ready for use this semester.

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Acquired 1951

Only picture available: from Alumnus Magazine, Wilkes College

Fall of 1955 gn

WARNER
823-9398
Steve Cottrell-Proc.
Richard Bucko Pres.

BASS, Stuart J.

BILLINGS, Wayne H.

BROTZMAN, Paul D.

BUCKO, Richard L.

COTTRELL, Stephen F.

DUEOFF, David A.

FELDMAN, Richard A.

FRANKEL, Ephraim

GELLER, Jack L.

GOURLEY, Theodore L.

HEESCH, Harold E.

HOOPER, Robert W.

KALMOWITZ, Seth

LODGEK, Julius

PROS, Gary A.

REILLY, John J.

ROGERS, George J.

SCHIFF, Lowell M.

SHELDON, John F.

VODA, John C.

WEBER, Douglas W.

WICKSTEIN, Allan D.

* WISWALL, Kenneth J.

WOOLETT, Bruce D.

* *Richard H. Huddle*

Dukoff, David
Wickstein, Allan

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Bath

Brontzman, Paul
Pros, Gary
Sheldon, John

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Frankel, Ephraim
Woollett, Bruce

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Lounge

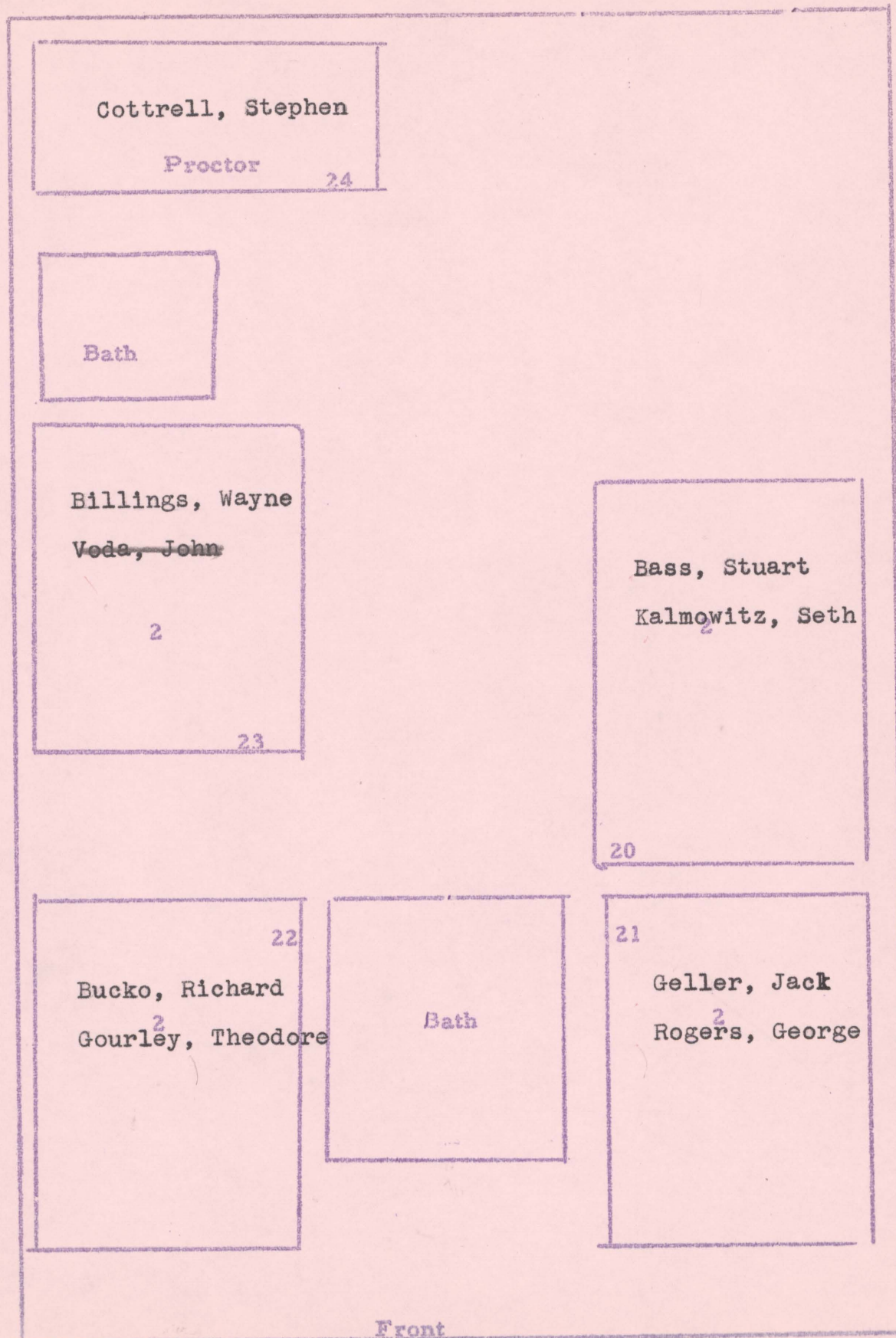
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Lounge

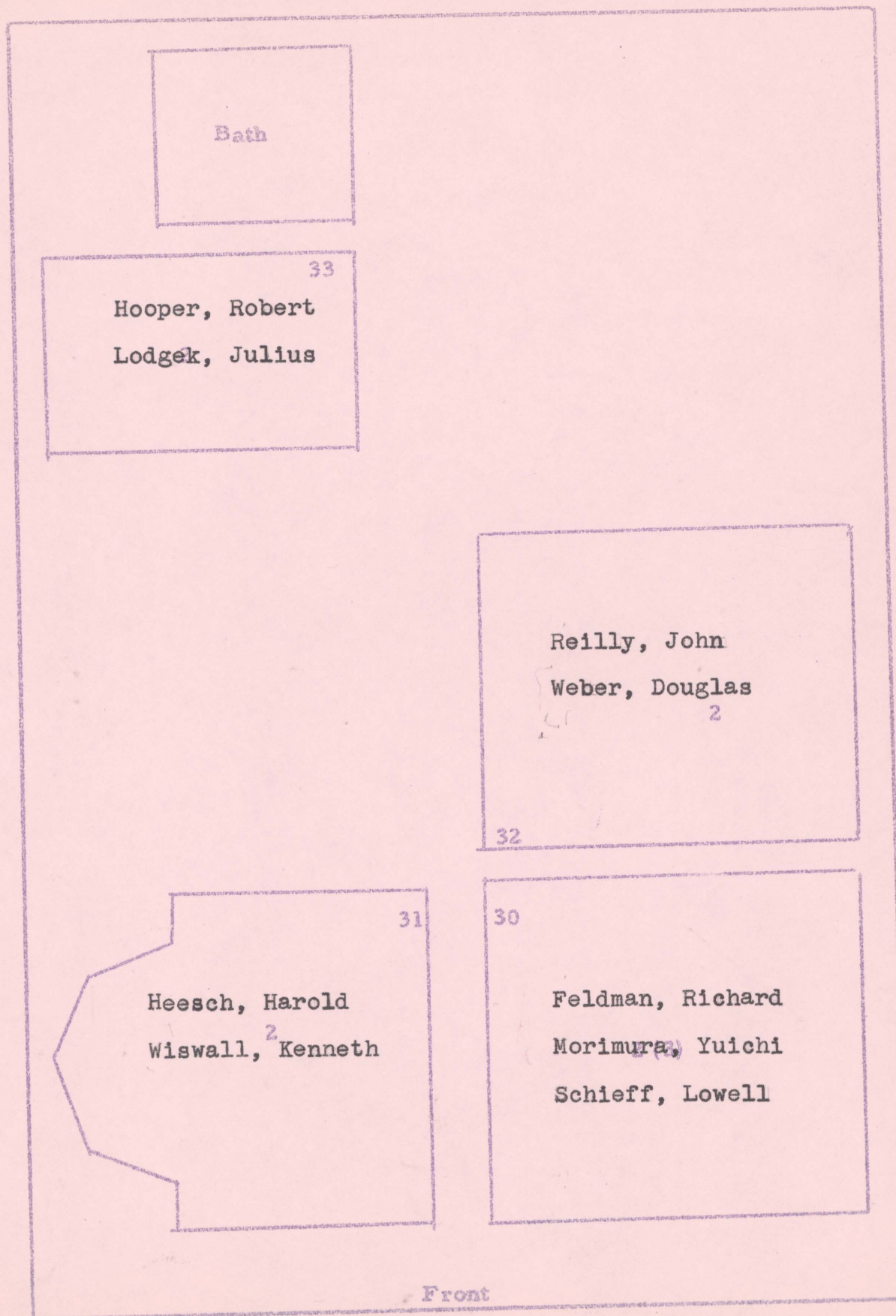
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Front

Warner Hall
First Floor



Warner Hall
Second Floor



Warner Hall
Third Floor

WARNER HALL

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filled

Stuart J. Bass

* Paul David Brotzman (w/ Sheldon)

Wayne H. Billings

Richard Bucko

Stephen F. Cottrell

David A. Dukoff

Ephraim A. Frankel, Jr.

* Richard Feldman

Jack L. Geller

Theodore J. Gourley

* Ayuchi Morimura

Mx

Harold R. Heesch

* Julius Lodge

John J. Reilly

* Gary Pross

George J. Rogers

* Lowell Schieff

John Francis Sheldon (w/ Brotzman)

* ~~Michael S. S. S.~~

John C. Voda

Douglas W. Weber

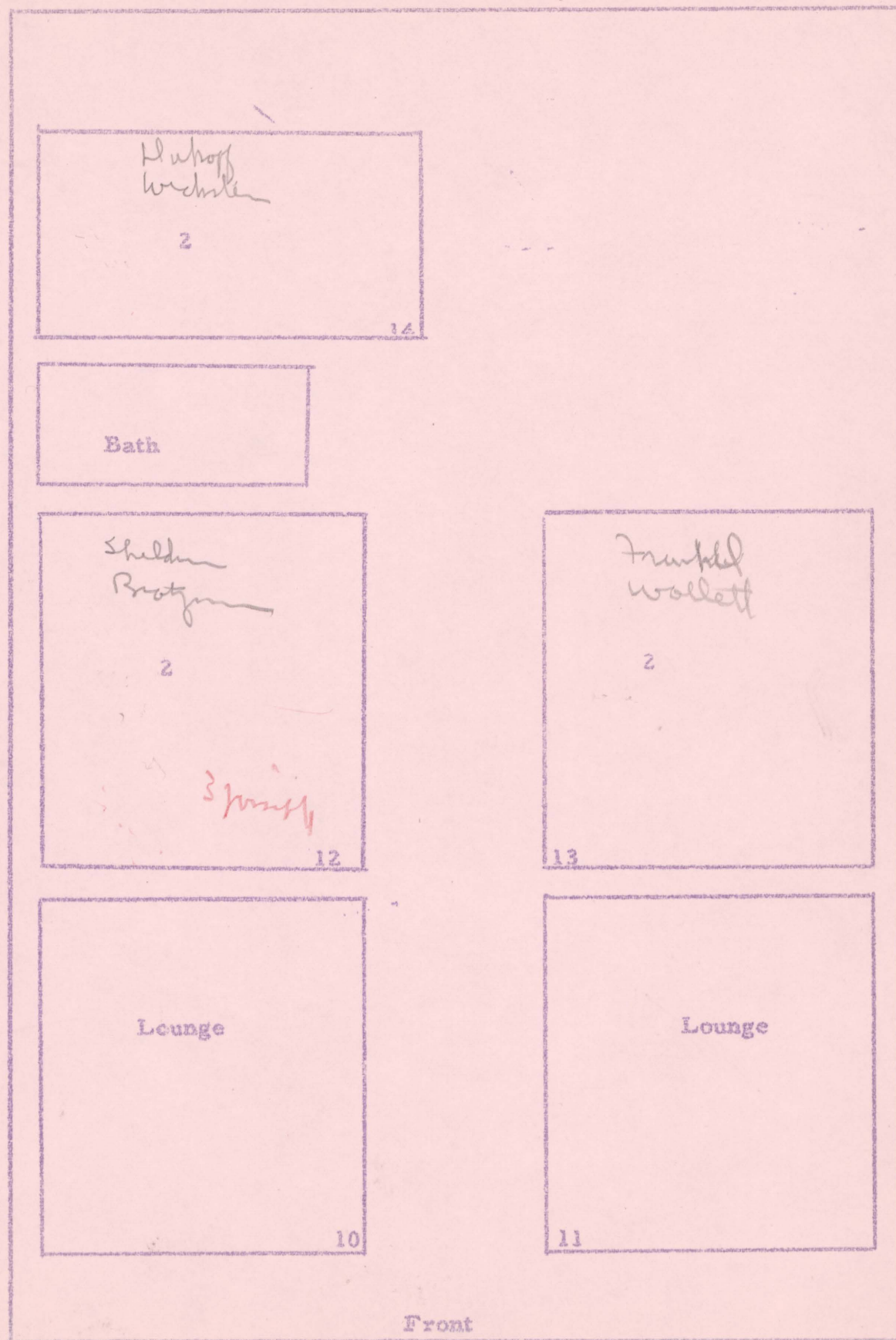
Allan D. Wickstein

Kenneth J. Wiswall

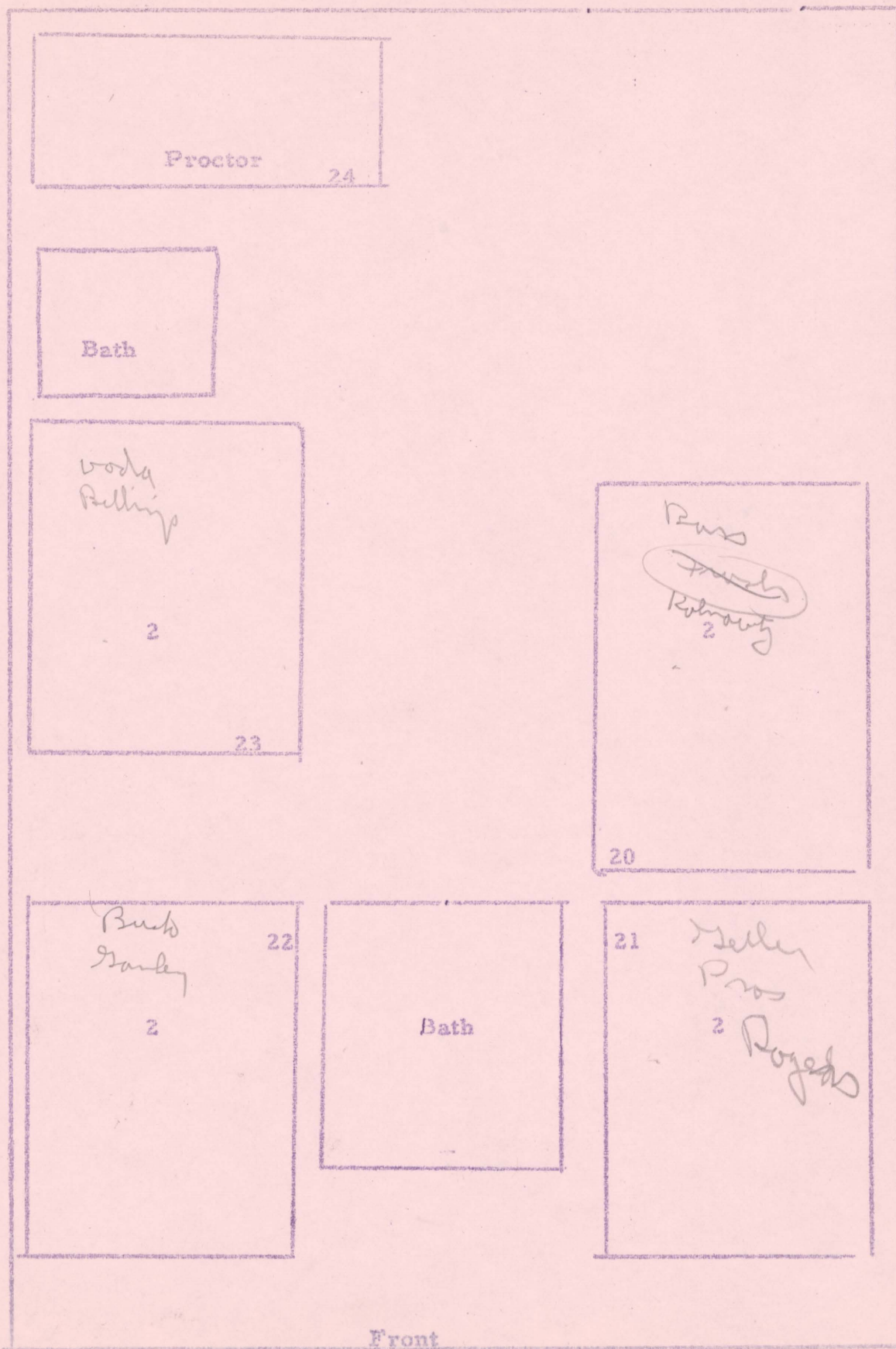
Bruce D. Woollett

~~Seth K.~~

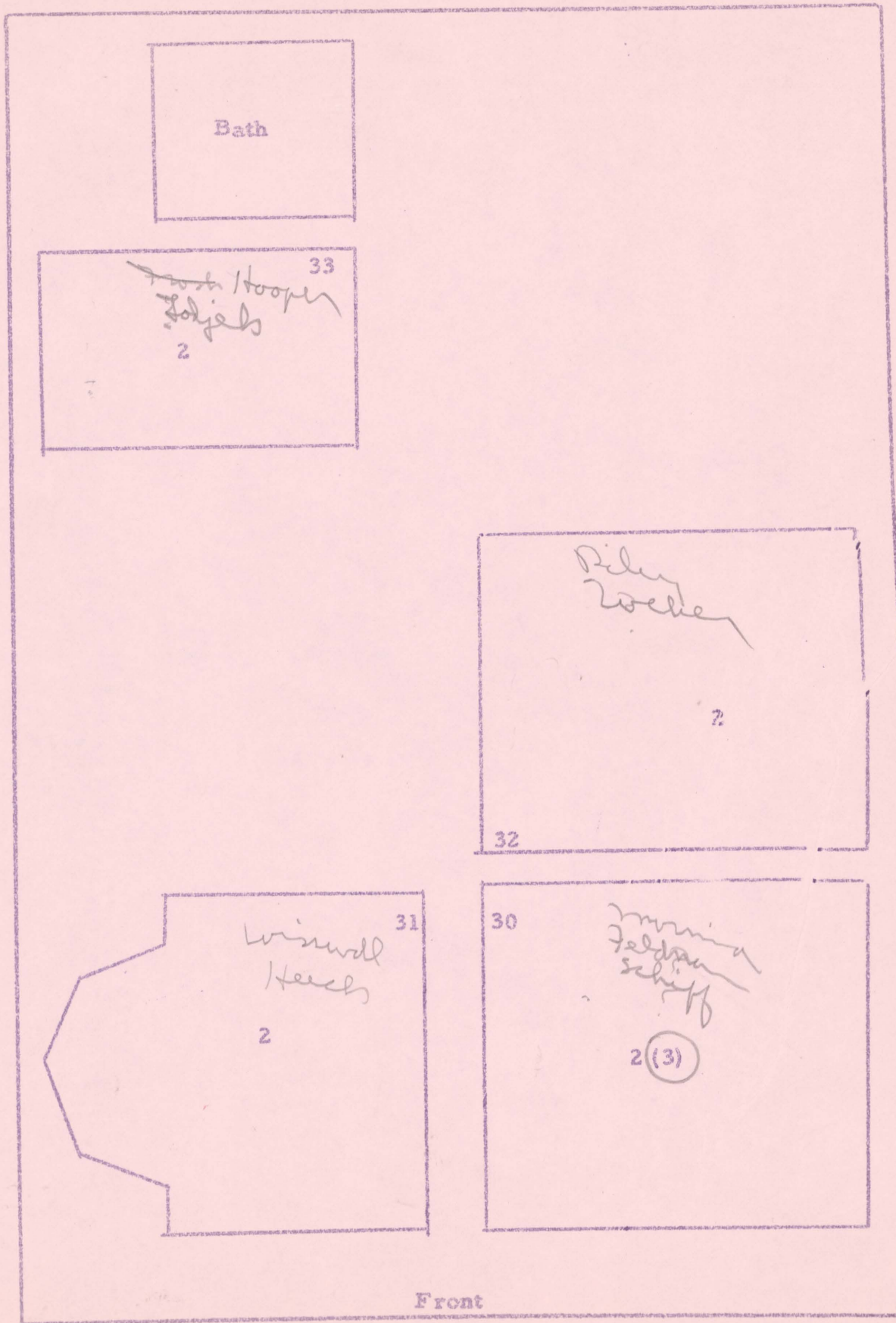
* Seth Kalmowitz



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