Notes and Sources

Legal: E 200 ft Lot 7 Block 11 Boulevard Park Add. Div. No. 2, Lot 1 of KC Short Plat 1176064 (SW04 T23N R04E WM). Until 2004, records use both 10835 and 10839 street numbers interchangeably.

The southwest corner of Emerson and Magnolia Blvd is: Lot 1 Block A Magnolia Heights (SW15 T25N R03E WM), a portion of contiguous land purchased in 1923 by Annette and Leon Bocker. Records use both 4265 W. Emerson and 3725 Magnolia Blvd for this corner lot. The City of Seattle issued a building permit for 4265 W. Emerson and that address is used on the Property Record Card. The Bockers used 3725 Magnolia Blvd. They were listed there in the Polk directories from 1924 until 1972.

Annette Ashton Bocker b.18961226 d.19760128

Leon M Bocker b.18930921. d.19810101

She was born in Massachusetts. By 1915 she was in Kansas. In 1920 she was working as a bacteriologist and living on her own in a rooming house. She worked in clinics and labs until retirement age. He was born in Kansas and in 1919 fulfilled dreams of going to China. His papers are at the University of Washington.

Once in Seattle, the couple opened The Bocker Company and sold fine carpets. The Bockers' philanthropic support included Seattle Pacific College, Children's Orthopedic Hospital and the Seattle Foundation, Symphony and Opera. After retirement they lived downtown.

Sources:

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