# **Cleveland Architects**

# Frank Seymour Barnum

# Birth/Established: November 25, 1850 Death/Dissolved: December 17, 1927

## **Biography:**

Frank Seymour Barnum was born in Norwalk, Ohio, and educated in Norwalk public schools. He was the assistant engineer with the Morris Run Coal Company in Pennsylvania. He came to Cleveland in 1871. He worked in the office of Joseph Ireland for four years prior to entering into a partnership with Forrest A. Coburn in 1877. After Coburn's death in 1897 the firm became known as the F.S. Barnum Company. He became Superintendent of Buildings for the Cleveland Board of Education in 1895. During his twenty years at the school board he designed forty-five schools and forty-nine annexes or additions. Barnum was also the architect of the Commercial style Caxton and Park Buildings, several churches and houses. In 1904 Briggs and Nelson purchased Frank Barnum's interest in the firm and formed the firm of Briggs and Nelson. Barnum was a Charter member of the American Institute of Architects. He retired as architect for the school board in 1914. He continued to act as a consultant for Cleveland and for any school. He died in Miami, Florida and is buried in Lakeview Cemetery.

| Structure   | Date | Address                     | City      | State | Statue     |
|---|------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| R. P. Cattral Residence                                     | 1877 | 2172 East 40th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| W. H. Huntington Residence                                  | 1877 | 2163 East 46th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| P. S. Jennings Residence                                    | 1877 | 2163 East 40th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Woodland Avenue Presbyterian<br>Church                      | 1878 | 2591 East 46th Street       | Cleveland | ОН    | Demolished |
| Waring School   | 1884 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Hough School  | 1887 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| First Baptist Church  | 1887 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Additions and Alterations to First<br>Congregational Church | 1890 | 4429 Franklin<br>Boulevard  | Cleveland | ОН    | Demolished |
| Willard School  | 1895 | 2220 West 93rd Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Standing   |
| Bolton School Annex   | 1895 | 2101 East 89th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Landon School Annex   | 1895 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Clark School Annex  | 1895 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Rosedale Relief School                                      | 1895 |                             | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Oakland School  | 1895 | 1414 East 120th Street      | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Sowinski School   | 1895 | 8005 Sowinski Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Brandon (Murray Hill) School                                | 1895 | 12015 Paul Avenue           | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Barkwill School   | 1896 | 5215 Barkwill Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Marion School   | 1896 | 2525 Marion Avenue          | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Bolton School Annex   | 1896 | 2101 East 89th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Fullerton School  | 1897 | 5810 Fullerton Avenue       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Union School  | 1897 | 6701 Union Avenue           | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Buhrer School Annex   | 1897 | 1610 Buhrer Avenue          | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Quincy School   | 1897 | 7612 Quincy Avenue          | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Gilbert School  | 1898 | 3274-88 West 58th<br>Street | Cleveland | ОН    | Standing   |

#### **Building List**

|  | 1              |                            |                |          |                        |
|--|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------|------------------------|
| Woodland Hills School Annex                | 1898           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Wade Park School Annex                     | 1899           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Lincoln High School                        | 1899           | 3001 Scranton Road         | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Sowinski School Annex                      | 1899           | 7927 Sowinski Avenue       | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Frank S. Barnum Residence                  | 1899           | 1905 East 71st Street      | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Lincoln School                             | 1900           | 1380 East 83rd Street      | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| East High School                           | 1900           | 1380 East 82nd Street      | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Tod School                                 | 1901           | 3028 East 65th Street      | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Waring School                              | 1901           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Denison School Annex                       | 1901           | 3100 Denison Avenue        | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Lake School                                | 1901           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Old Miles School                           | 1901           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Oak School Annex                           | 1901           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Orchard School Annex                       | 1901           | 4115 Orchard Avenue        | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| H. F. Lyman Residence                      | 1902           | 11427 Bellflower Drive     | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| John Glenn Residence                       | 1902           | 572 East 82nd Street       | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Lawn School                                | 1902           | 7412 Lawn Avenue           | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| East Denison School                        | 1902           | 1700 Denison Avenue        | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Milford School                             | 1902           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Warner School                              | 1902           | 4455 Warner Road           | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| West High School                           | 1902           | 6807 Franklin Avenue       | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Wooldridge School                          | 1902           |                            | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Granger Methodist Episcopal<br>Church      | 1902           |                            | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Commercial Building for Walton<br>Brothers | 1902           | 215-23 St. Clair<br>Avenue | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Fruitland School                           | 1903           | 1441 West 116th Street     | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Brownell School annex                      | 1903           | 1308 Sumner Court          | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Harvard School                             | 1903           | 6900 Harvard Avenue        | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Brandon (Murray Hill) School               | 1903           | 2036 Murray Hill Road      | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Sibley (Jane Addams) School<br>Annex       | 1903           |                            | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| Willson School                             | 1903           |                            | Cleveland      | ОН       | Standing               |
| Sackett School addition                    | 1903           | 3349 Sackett Avenue        | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Granger Township School                    | 1903           | 55 Ty Buckett Titelide     | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| G.A. Dodge Residence                       | 1903           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| George Fischer Hotel                       | 1903           |                            | Vermilion      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Geneva Savings Bank                        | 1903           |                            | Cleveland      | ОН       | Demolished             |
| N. S. Keller Residence                     |                |                            | East Cleveland | -        |                        |
|  | 1903<br>1903-4 | 140 Public Square          | Cleveland      | OH<br>OH | Demolished             |
| Park Building                              |                | 140 Public Square          |                |          | Standing               |
| Halle School                               | 1904           | 7901 Halle Avenue          | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing<br>Demolished |
| Otto Mueller Residence                     | 1904           | 6916 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland      | OH       |                        |
| South Presbyterian Church                  | 1904           | 3170 Scranton Road         | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| A. B. Hart School                          | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| A.M. Ford Residence                        | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Hodge School                               | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Standing               |
| Harvey Rice School                         | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Glenville High School                      | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Unity Church                               | 1904           | 8125 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| YMCA                                       | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Bartlett Residence                         | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| August Schuyle Residence                   | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Tod School Annex                           | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| William Beasden Residence                  | 1904           | 1947 East 70th             | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |
| Quincy School Annex                        | 1904           |                            | Cleveland      | OH       | Demolished             |

| Mound School                             | 1904     | 5405 Mound Avenue                       | Cleveland            | OH | Standing   |
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| Frame residence for H.A.<br>Watterson    | 1904     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Otto Miller Residence                    | 1904     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| W. F. Gage Residence                     | 1904     | 2472 Kenilworth Road                    | Cleveland<br>Heights | ОН | Standing   |
| Case Woodland School                     | 1904-5   |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Kentucky School Remodelling              | 1905     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Kinsman School Addition                  | 1905     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Detroit School addition                  | 1905     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Barkwill School Annex                    | 1905     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Cleveland Trade West                     | 1905     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Watterson School                         | 1906     | 1422 West 74th Street                   | Cleveland            | OH | Standing   |
| Tremont School Annex                     | 1906     | 2455 West 10th Street                   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Central Friendly Inn                     | 1906 -7  |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Collinwood High School                   | 1907     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| East Tech                                | 1907 8   |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Buhrer School                            | 1907-9   |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Harvard School Annex                     | 1908     | 6900 Harvard Avenue                     | Cleveland            | OH | Standing   |
| Harvey Rice School Annex                 | 1908     | 11529 Buckeye Road                      | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Willard School Annex                     | 1908     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| John Hay High School                     | 1908     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Summer Residence of Dr. L.B.<br>Millikin | 1908     | Cedar Road Cleveland                    | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Woodland School Annex                    | 1908     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Milford School Annex                     | 1908 -   |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Mayflower School addition                | 1909     | 2640 East 31st Street                   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Old Miles School Annex                   | 1909     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Murray Hill School Annex                 | 1909     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Longwood School                          | 1909     | 2525 East 35th Street                   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Franklin D. Roosevelt School             | 1910     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Tremont School                           | 1910 3   |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Dike School                              | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| East Denison School                      | 1911     | 1700 Denison Avenue                     | Cleveland            | OH | Standing   |
| Clara Morris School                      | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Case School                              | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Rockwell Headquarters Annex              | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Boulevard School                         | 1911     | 9700 Kinsman Road                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Central (John Burroughs) School          | 1911     | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Dike School Annex                        | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Glenville High School Annex              | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Hodge School Annex                       | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Standing   |
| Outhwaite School Annex                   | 1911     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Parkwood School Annex                    | 1911     | 1171 Parkwood<br>Avenue                 | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| West Tech High School                    | 1912     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Warner School Annex                      | 1912     | 4433 Warner Road                        | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Dawning School Annex                     | 1913     | 4430 State Road                         | Cleveland            | ОН | Standing   |
| Memphis School                           | 1913     | 4103 Memphis Avenue                     | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Cleveland Trade West addition            | 1913     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Fairmount Junior High School<br>Annex    | 1913     |   | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Mt. Pleasant School                      | 1913     | 11617 Union                             | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
|  | <u> </u> | 1                                       |                      |    | Demolished |
| Warren School                            | 1913     |   | Cleveland            | OH | Demonstieu |

| Bolton School                 | 1913     |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------------------|----|------------|
| Clara Morris School addition  | 1913     |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Scranton School Annex         | 1913     |                       | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Warren School Rebuild         | 1913     |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Warner School Annex           | 1921     |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Marion School                 | c 1906   |                       | Cleveland            | ОН | Demolished |
| Clark School addition         | c 1907   |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| East High of Commerce         | c 1911   |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Warehouse Annex               | c 1911-3 |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Hicks School                  | c1899    | 1900 West 24th Street | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Harmon School                 | c1899    |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| West Manual School            | c1909    |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Eagle Avenue Storage          | ca 1900  |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Plymouth School               | ca 1900  |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| George Hoyt Residence         | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| A. W. Kilbourne Residence     | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| J. J. Date Residence          | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Independence School           | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| E. H. Baker Residence         | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| A. W. Barber Store and Apt    | nd       | 334 Woodland          | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Brainard Block                | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Brooks Company                | nd       | 715 Superior          | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Claflin Building              | nd       | 191 9 Seneca          | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Corwin Building               | nd       | 157 Euclid            | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Comey and Johnson Building    | nd       | 1426 Superior         | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Mrs Crowell Residence         | nd       | 2626 Prospect         | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| S. P. Fenn Residence Addition | nd       | 2061 East 89th        | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| First Presbyterian Church     | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Forman Bassett Hatch Co       | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| John Glenn Residence          | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Glenville Country Club        | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Goodrich Farm                 | nd       |                       | Summit County        | OH | Demolished |
| Mrs. O. F. Gordon Residence   | nd       |                       | Cleveland<br>Heights | ОН | Demolished |
| Grace Church                  | nd       |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| E. J. Holmden Apartment       | nd       | 868 Scranton          | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Hiram House Camp              | nd       |                       | Chagrin Falls        | OH | Demolished |
| Rockefeller Park Stables      | nd       | 690 East 88th Street  | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| A. W. Chamberlain Residence   | Nd       | 196 South Broadway    | Geneva               | OH | Standing   |
| Mrs. Hubbard Cooke Residence  | nd -     |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Demolished |
| Cherry Street School          | Unbuilt  |                       | Cleveland            | OH | Unbuilt    |

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