

**Cleveland Architects**

**Morris Gleichman**

**Birth/Established:** April 10, 1866 **Death/Dissolved:** December 15, 1931

**Biography:**

Morris Gleichmann was born in Austria-Hungary and came to the United States with his parents at the age of six. He was educated in the Cleveland public schools. He is listed as a draftsman in the 1884 Cleveland City Directory, eventually working for the architect Edward Ruprect. In 1889 he moved to Seattle, Washington Territory, where he formed the partnership Gleichmann, Lane and Mendel with former Clevelander Samuel Lane. They returned to Cleveland by 1892. Upon his return, Gleichmann formed a partnership with Charles S. Pennington, initially living with relatives at 77 Bridge Street. He later formed a partnership with W. R. Chestney. His building designs reflected progressive designs that were prevalent in the west as practiced by Bernard Maybeck and Greene and Greene. He was the architect and designer of a one-thousand foot high Tower of Babel for the Paris Exposition of 1900. He was a member of the Forest City Blue Lodge Masons and the Scottish Rite, and politically he was a Republican. He lived in Cleveland at 866 East 105th Street until 1914. He moved on to New York City where he practiced architecture until 1930. He died in 1931 and is buried in New York.

**Building List**

Structure	Date	Address	City	State	Statue
West Cleveland Banking Center	1893	10101 Detroit Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Commercial Building for estate of Aaron Trather	1893	2147-59 Ontario	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Store and Apartments for Matthew Burrick	1894	1219 Scovill Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Brick, Stone and Steel Business Block for James Benda	1895		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
William Young Residence	1895	11114 Detroit Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Clubhouse for Utopian Club	1895	3112 Woodland Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial-Residential Building for John Kehres	1895	1209-11 Scovill Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
William Young Residence	1895	11114 Detroit Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial Building for Sandrowitz Brothers	1895	587 Broadway	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Horace Rossitter Residence	1895	1440 West 81st Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Fred Elsasser Residence	1895	1408-12 West 84th Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Factory for Joe Bendan	1895	726 Johnson Court	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Ignatz Koblitz Residence	1896	3601 Beyerle Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Cigar Box Factory for Rickersburg Brothers	1896	1607 Marion	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Bernard Huebschman Residence	1896	2364 East 43rd Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished

Store and Tenement for David Grossman	1897	4417-23 Payne Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Residence for Joseph Koblitz	1897	2348 East 89th Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Fire Station #18	1898	3409 Orange	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Parkwood School	1899	1171 Parkwood Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial building for Diebolt Brewing	1899	4239-41 Lorain Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Mayflower Flats	1899	3106 Woodland Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial-Residential Building for the Dieboldt Brewing Company	1899	4239 Lorain Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Hazeldell School	1900		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Dwelling for A. Kohn	1900		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Addition to Warehouse for S. Kohn & Son - 390 Woodland	1901		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Addition to J. L. Goodman Furniture Store	1901		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
L. & J. Wohl's Hungarian Restaurant	1903	1280 West 3rd Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Fire Station #16	1904		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial Building for B.C. Elsamer	1907		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Majestic Theatre	1907	1775-83 West 25th Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
S. Kohn and Sons Commercial Building	1907-8	10503 St. Clair Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Apartments	1909	1274 East 102nd Street	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Store and Apartment Building	1909		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Walnut Avenue Business Block	1909		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Livestock Exchange Building	1911	3200 West 65th Street	Cleveland	OH	Standing
Keith's Prospect Theatre	1911		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Penn Square Motion Picture Theater for Joseph J. Klein	1911	5409-15 Euclid Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Commercial-Residential Building for the United Realty Construction Company	1914	10402 Wade Park Avenue	Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Empire Theatre	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished
Lafayette Theatre	Nd		Cleveland	OH	Demolished

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