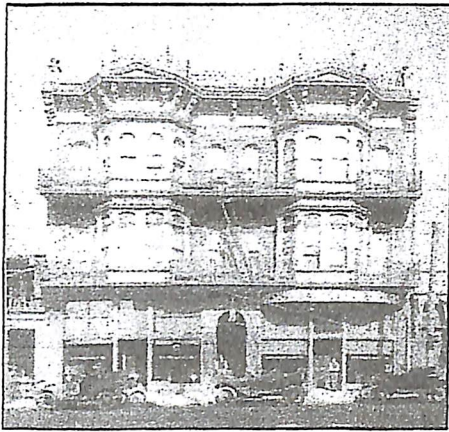
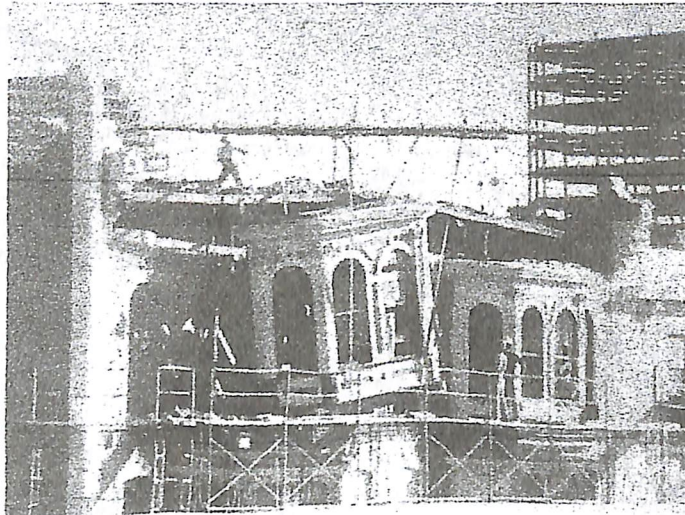


History Comes Alive at The Horton Grand Hotel

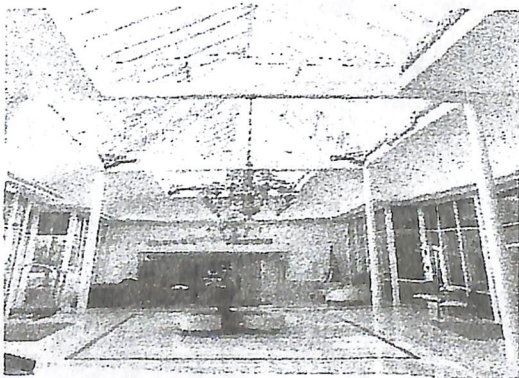


The Horton Grand is a restoration of downtown San Diego's two oldest hotels, The Grand Horton and the Brooklyn-Kahle Saddlery. Built in 1886 by Comstock & Trotsche, the Grand Horton was a luxury hotel in the Italianate Victorian architecture style, and was based on the Innsbruck Inn in Vienna, Austria. It was part of a building boom following the opening of the city's first transcontinental railroad connection in the 1880s.

The nearby Brooklyn-Kahle Saddlery Hotel was less formal but unique in that it combined both Western and Cowboy styles to complement the area's Victorian style. Originally named the Brooklyn Hotel, it was later renamed the Kahle Saddlery Hotel due to the presence of a prominent saddle and harness shop on the building's first floor which opened for business in 1912.



Both hotels were scheduled for demolition in the 1970s when the city purchased them to build the Horton Plaza Shopping Center on the site. The hotels were dismantled and over 10,000 pieces, including bricks, window casings, trim work and moldings, were catalogued and stored. In 1986, the hotels were rebuilt into an entirely new hotel, The Horton Grand Hotel, at its present location at 311 Island Avenue, joined by a beautiful glass atrium opening into a tree-lined courtyard.



In the hotel's Palace Bar on the corner of 4th and Island is the 125+ year old oak Grand Staircase from the original Grand Horton. Over \$200,000 was spent to repair and restore it to its former glory.

See additional pictures and read more about the hotel's unique history at www.hortongrand.com

Distinguished Guests



Wyatt Earp



Pres. Harrison



Jack Dempsey



Joe Louis



Babe Ruth