

THE BROADWAY DISTRICT and CALIFORNIA DRIVE CORRIDOR

THE LAND

1.500 acres from Sanchez Avenue to Mills Avenue and the Bay to Crystal Springs Lakes

Jose Antonio Sanchez received land grant of Buri Buri Rancho in 1827

15,000 acres

Sanchez Avenue to Daly City

Jose Isidro (Chino) Sanchez inherited southernmost 1,500 acres of rancho in 1843

Adeline Mills and Ansel Ives Easton purchased land from Jose Isidro Sanchez in 1860

to create Blackhawk Ranch

Ansel Mills Easton began subdivision of Blackhawk Ranch in 1905 to create the

Town of Easton

The Town of Easton was annexed to the City of Burlingame in 1910

THE TOWN OF EASTON

Primarily developed by Ansel Mills Easton - Easton Additions 1 - 7, etc.

Proceeds of sale enabled him to create a new Blackhawk Ranch in the Danville area

Section from Broadway to Mills Avenue and California Drive to El Camino Real, known

as Burlingame Grove, was sold to and developed by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morrell
realtors in San Francisco



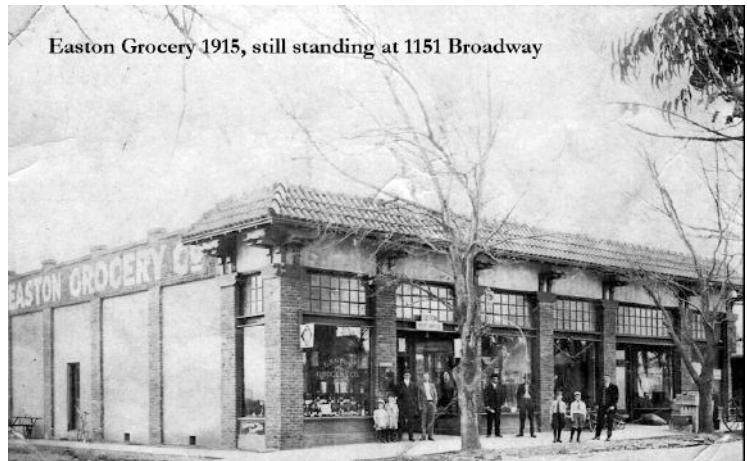
In 1907, Ansel Mills Easton built a shelter station, Easton Station, near Broadway between the train tracks and the 40-line tracks

Easton Grocery Co. 1906 (at Chula Vista)

Probably the earliest commercial building in the area

The only early building facing Broadway

Housed the Post Office at two different times along with shops



BROADWAY

Known as Lanphier Lane on Blackhawk Estate leading to Mr. Easton's track and stable from 1860 to 1905

Listed as Buri Buri Avenue in Easton Addition and Burlingame Grove tract filings in 1905

Originally a residential area, buildings along Broadway faced the side streets

As commercial development began buildings reoriented to face Broadway

Paving began in 1913

Name changed to Broadway by popular demand in 1915

Street widening and tree removal took place in 1926



Bayshore Highway completed from South San Francisco to Broadway in 1928

Broadway to serve as connector between Highway and El Camino Real (101)

Newspaper stories of the day:

5/29/28 - Broadway merchants elated over signs of highway completion

6/1/28 - Broadway honored - first main artery between state highway and new road

6/29/28 - Traffic Tangle at Broadway Depot is a Problem

6/29/28 - Bayshore Road carried flood of autos into small, congested circle

Unique traffic light installed at Broadway and El Camino Real; Broadway had to sound horn to change light.

Plans to extend Broadway a mile into deep water to create a commercial pier in 1929
Plans never materialized

CALIFORNIA DRIVE

Laid out in 1905; flanked by historically significant eucalyptus grove planted by McLaren c.1880s
Originally, San Mateo Drive ran from San Mateo to Oak Grove Avenue



San Mateo Drive indicated on Easton Addition and Burlingame Grove tract maps
Street name changed from San Mateo to California Drive in 1925

THE 40-LINE - INTERURBAN ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Service through Burlingame began in 1903 and discontinued in 1949
Tracks situated west of and parallel to train tracks



Street widened to include land previously used by the 40-line tracks after the line closed
in 1949 in an effort to reduce traffic pressure on El Camino Real
One "square" redwood pole remains of 40-Line infrastructure, near intersection of Lincoln Ave.

RAILROAD

Trains began running between San Francisco and San Jose in 1864

Until 1907, the only stop between Millbrae and San Mateo was the pill box at Oak Grove

BURLINGAME RAILWAY CO.

Service began in 1913 - battery run

The line ran from California Drive near the Easton (Broadway) station, up Carmelita to Cabrillo, across Cabrillo to Hillside and up Hillside to Alvarado



A financial failure, the line closed in 1918

Tracks removed

THE ARCH

Originally the sign directing the public to Pacific City amusement park at Coyote Point from 1922 to 1923

Purchased by the North Burlingame Improvement Club in 1927

Offered to the City of Burlingame in 1929

Designed to mark entrance to Burlingame to travelers on Bayshore transitioning to El Camino Real

Refurbished in 1988



BUILDINGS OF NOTE:

BROADWAY RAILROAD STATION, still standing

In 1916, the railroad built a new station on the east side of the train tracks
In 1917, the station was renamed Broadway/Burlingame



In 1920, the station was moved to the west side of the tracks
In 1928, the southern section of the station was added
The station closed in 1989

1220 - 1226 BROADWAY, still standing

Property of George Howard family; George Howard was architect of the
Burlingame train station
Some similarities between the two buildings

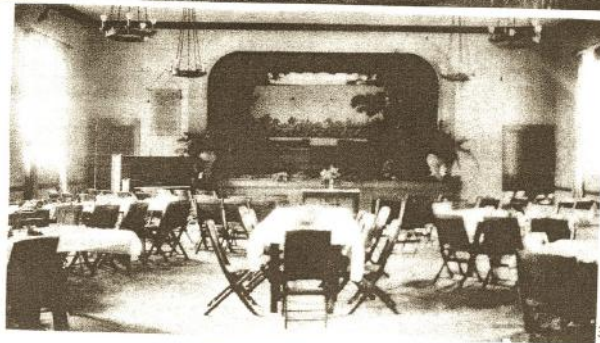
Built in 1928-9 by Russell B. Coleman

1220-1226 Broadway
Photograph taken in 1960



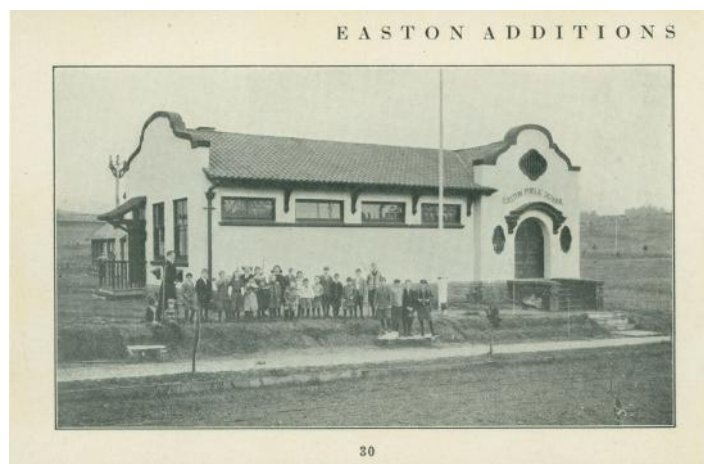
EASTON BRANCH OF THE BURLINGAME PUBLIC LIBRARY, still standing

Originally the home of the North Burlingame Community Club in 1927
Has served as the branch library since 1943



EASTON PUBLIC SCHOOL, disappeared into Our Lady of Angels school

Ansel Mills Easton built the Easton Public School on Cortez between
Easton Drive and Hillside Drive in 1909
Following annexation of the Town of Easton to the City of Burlingame,,
it became the first purpose-built public school to exist in
Burlingame, the Little Red School House being built in
Burlingame in 1912



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