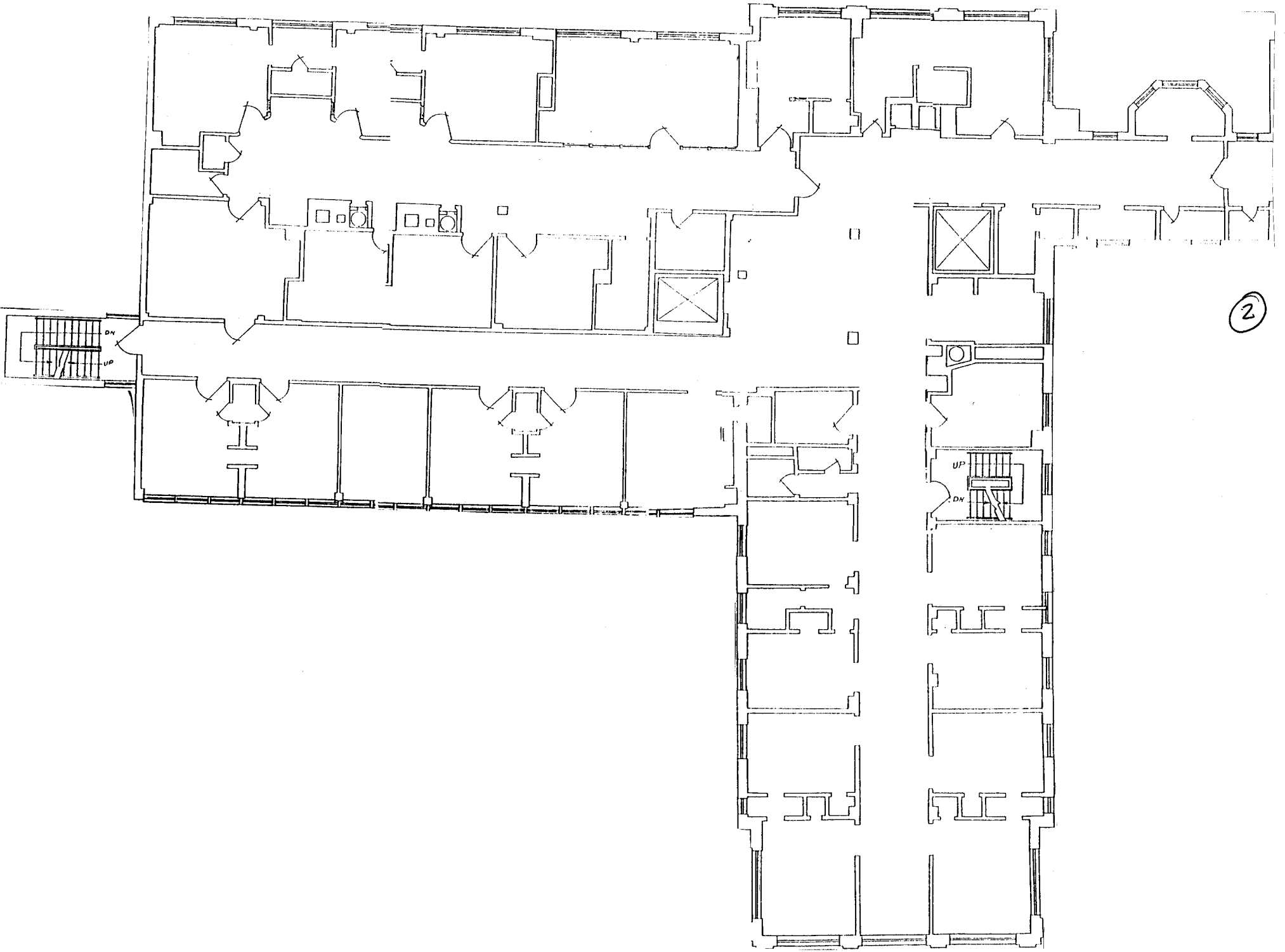
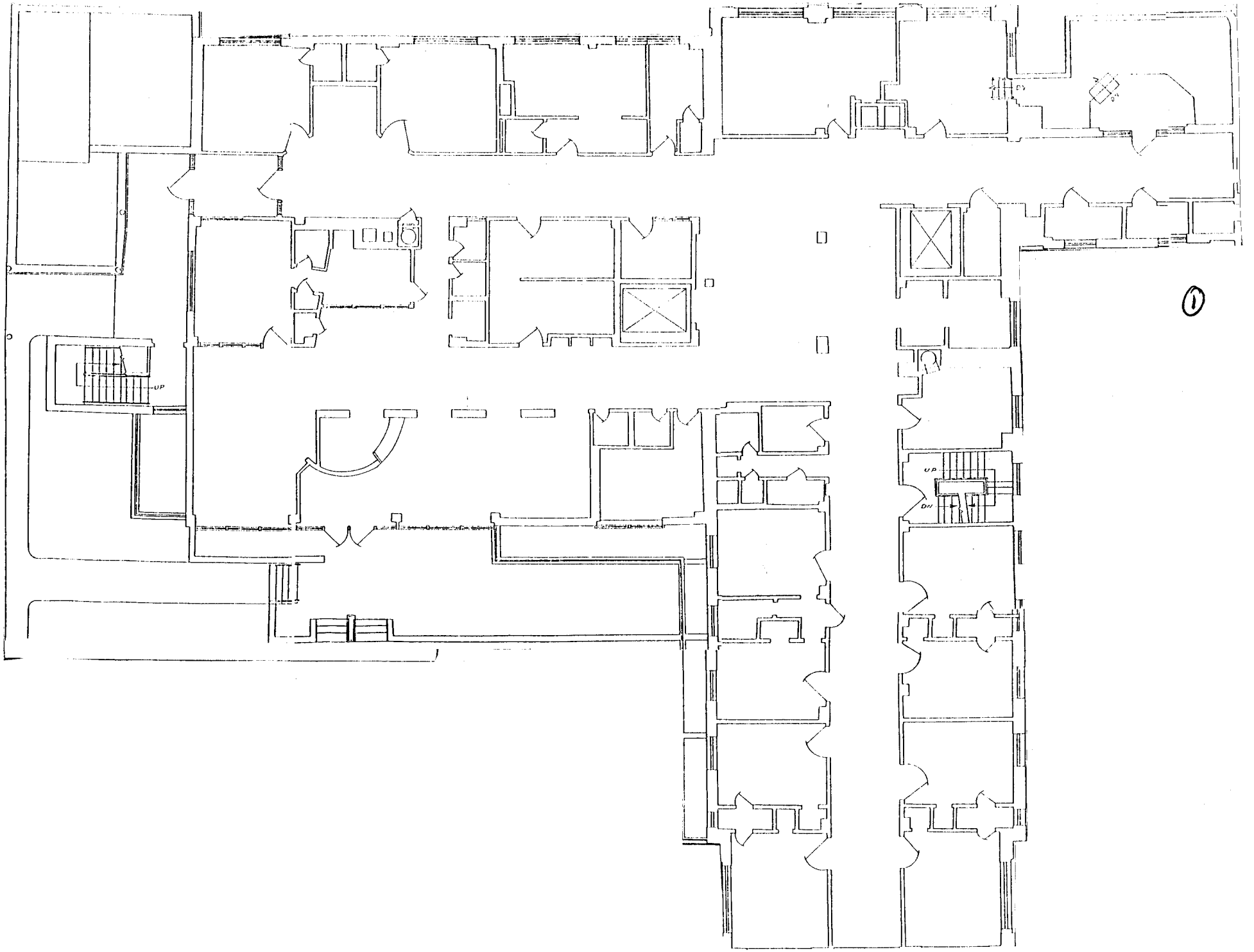
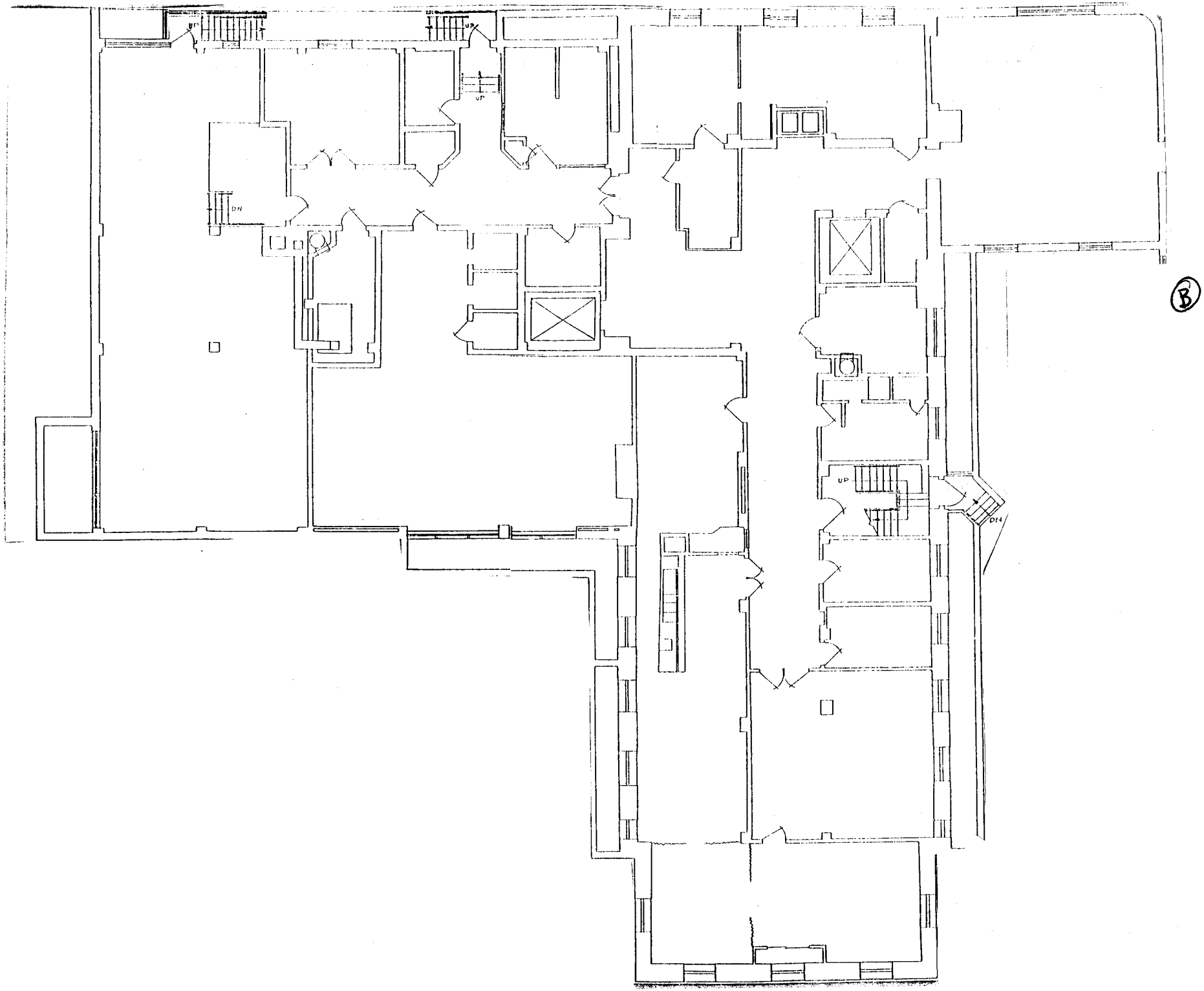
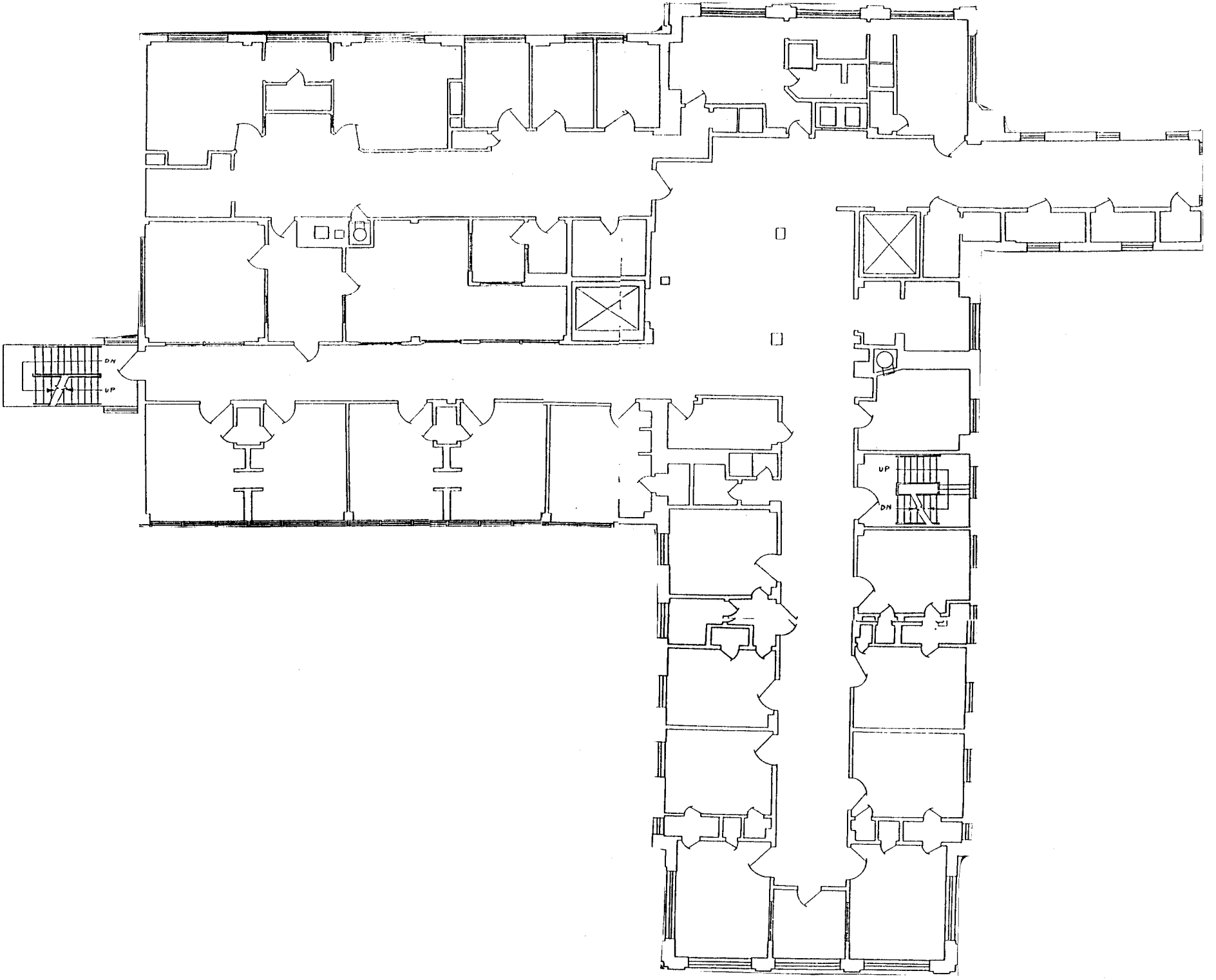
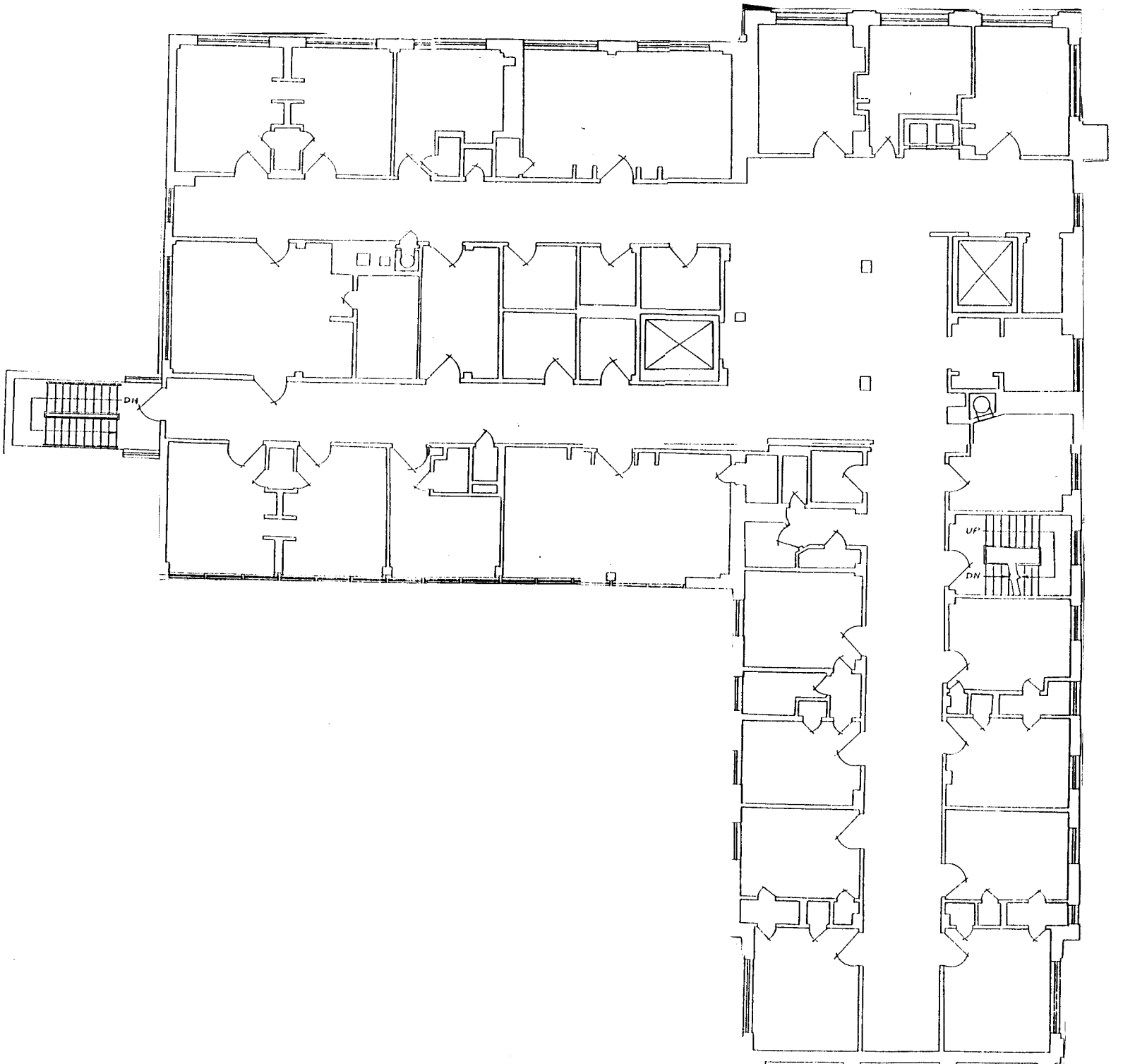

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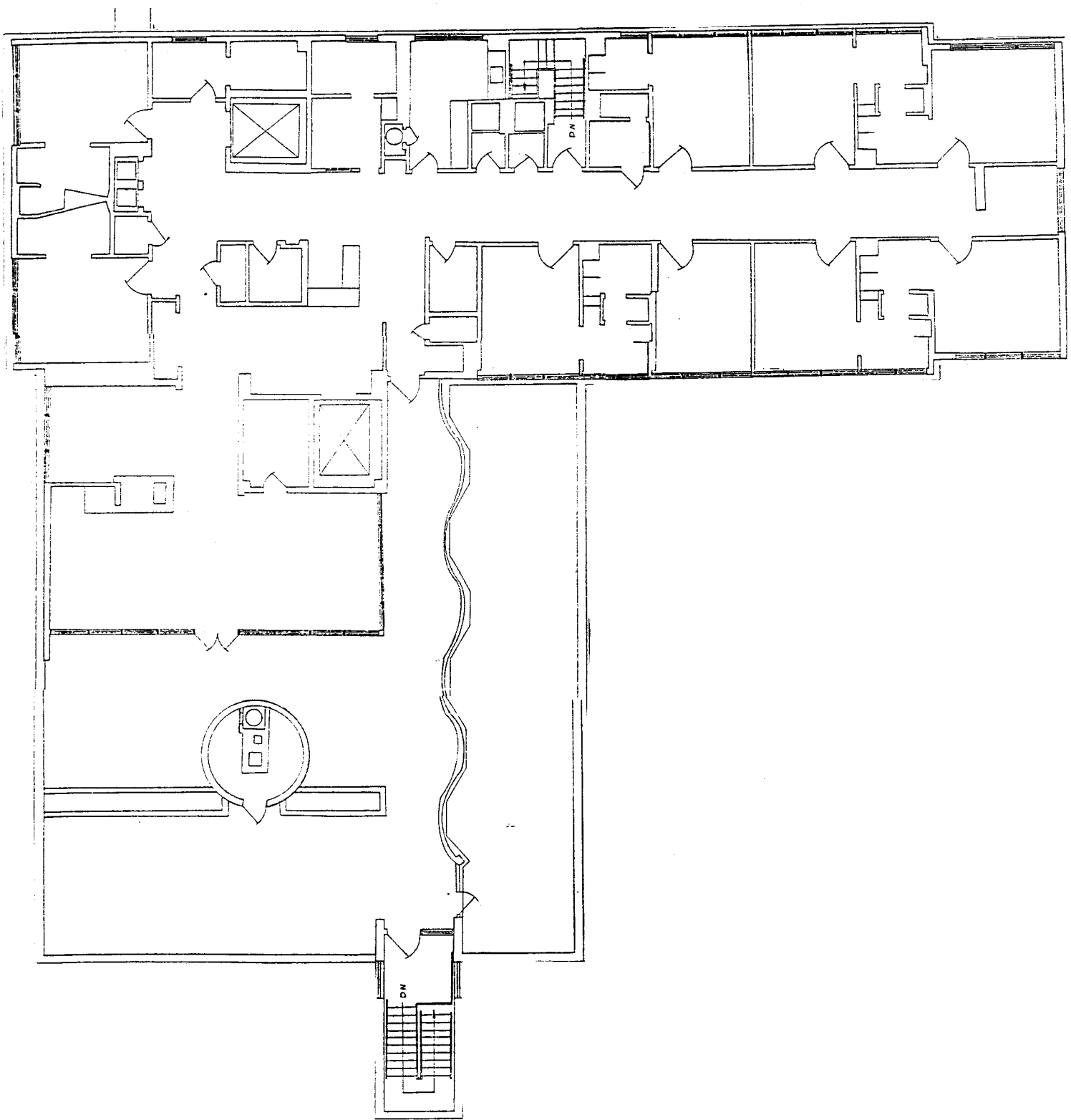


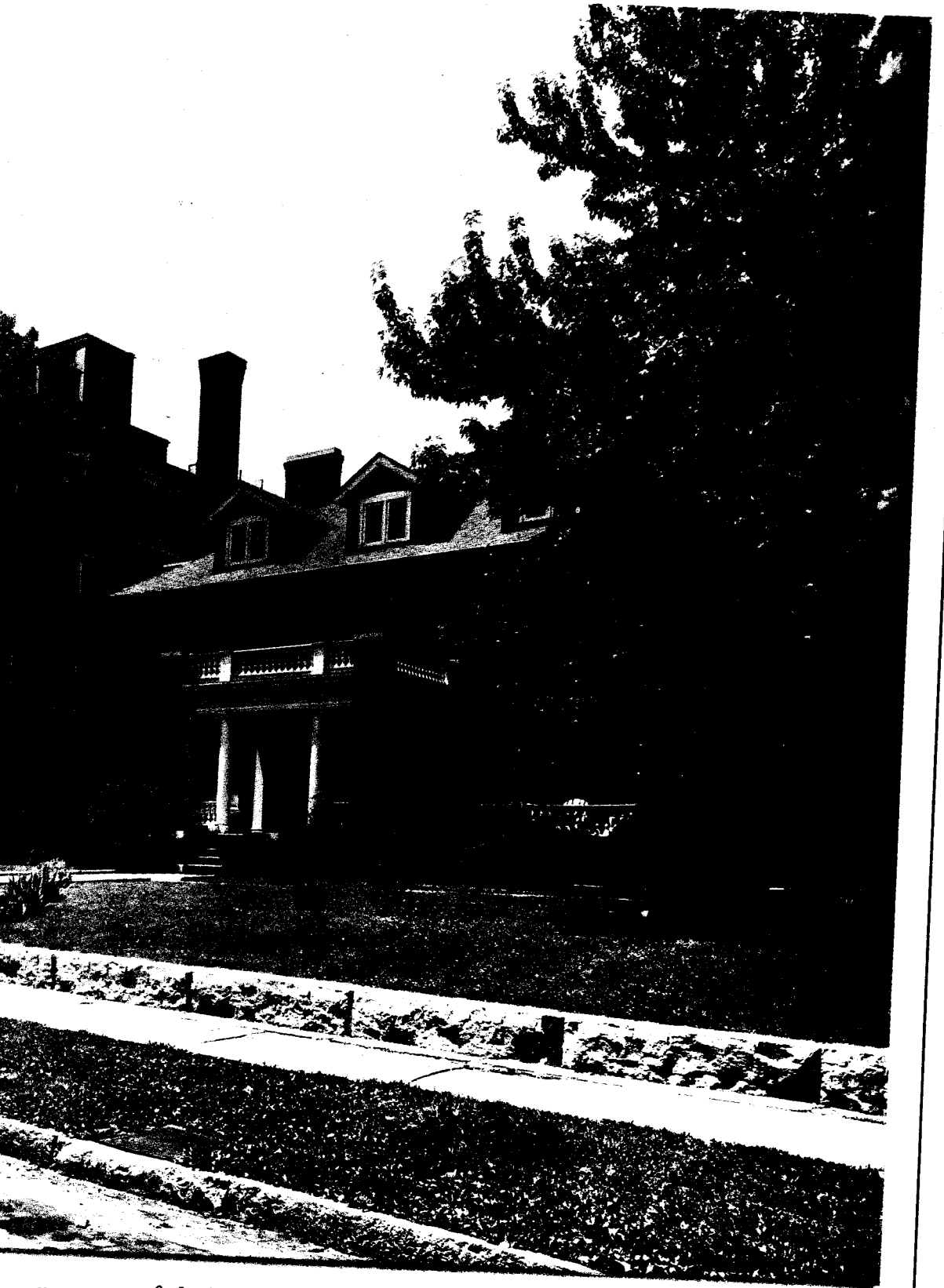
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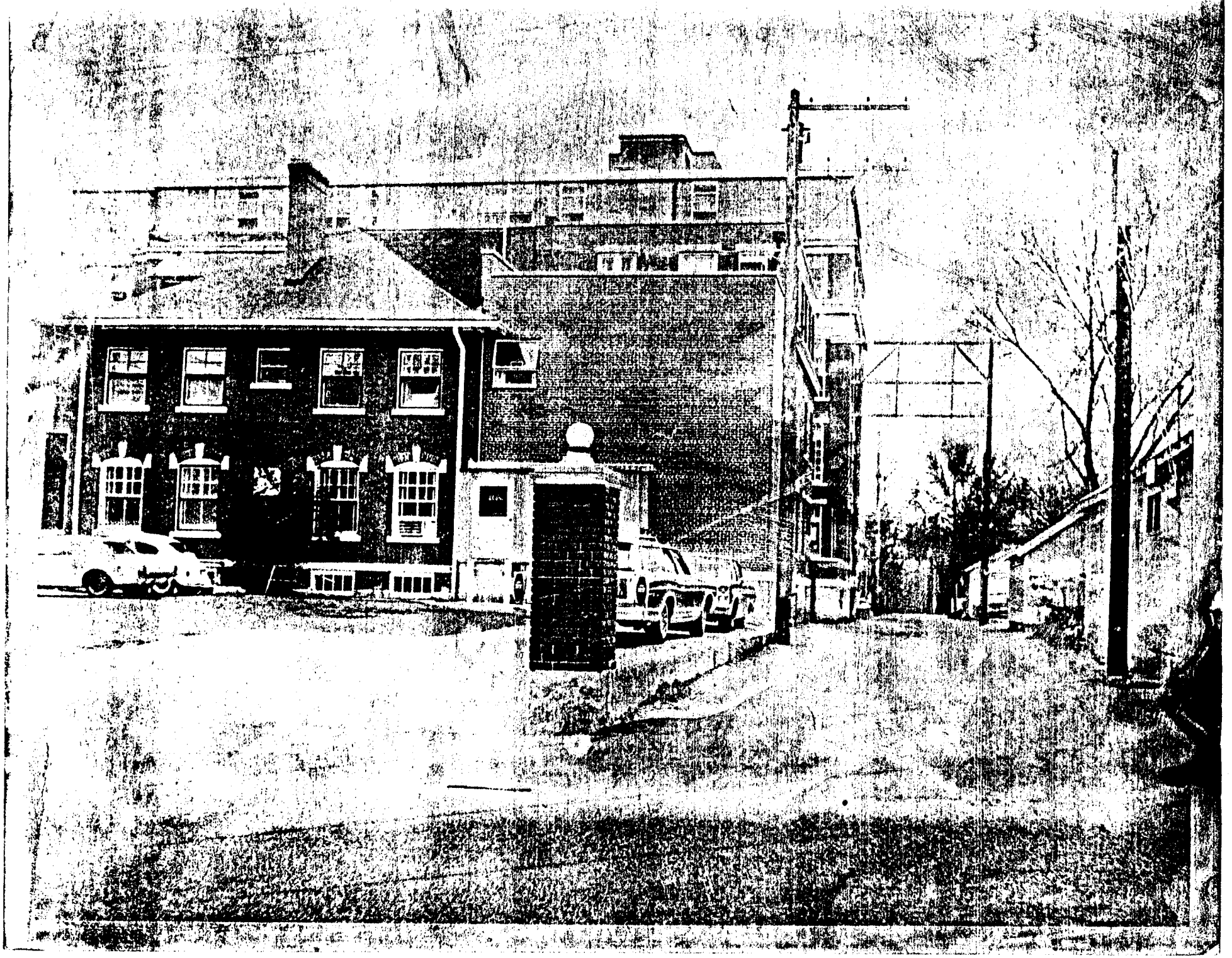
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memory of their son, Orley. That first hospital had a 50-room capacity but was equipped with 75 beds. In 1975 Freeman Hospital relocated to a multi-million dollar facility just off West 32nd Street.



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McIntosh, of a 20-acre site at 32nd and Jackson, allowed the board of trustees to begin planning construction of new facilities which would permit Freeman Hospital to continue delivering the high quality of care the community expects . . . and deserves.

Of major importance in the board's decision to build, was recognition of the rapidly expanding role Joplin is assuming as a Regional Medical Center.

More than 50 percent of all admissions to Joplin hospitals are from out of town. At least half of those are from areas with small general hospitals with limited facilities.

The new hospital would be built, not to compete with other area facilities, but to complement them. The design of the new facility was specifically planned to allow for a wide variety of medical services without duplicating many specialties already provided by other area hospitals.

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An organized, community-wide campaign has been initiated by Freeman Hospital to help make the facility a reality. Everyone in Joplin and the surrounding area will be given an opportunity to help support the building program.

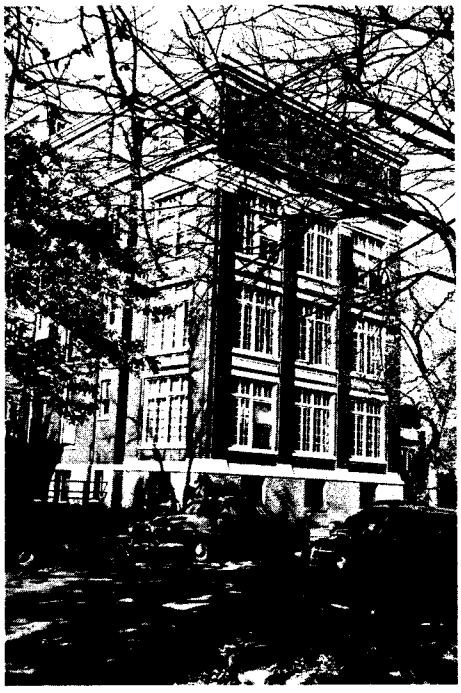
The construction of a Greater New Freeman Hospital is vital if the community is to retain its industrial and health care leadership in the Four-State area.

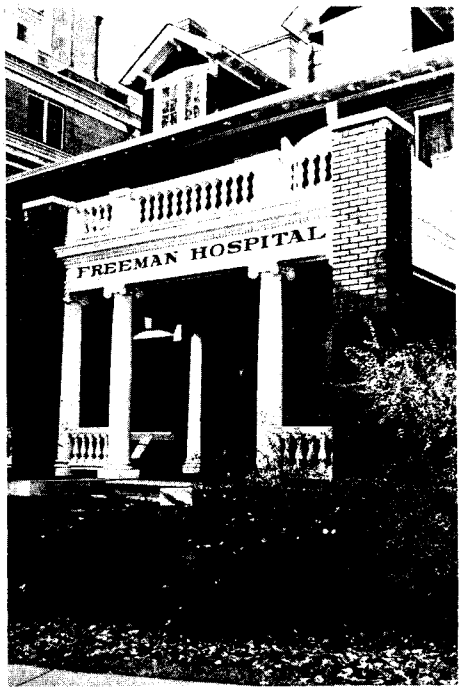
Your contribution to Freeman Hospital will help enrich the area. There is no more enduring or meaningful tribute to future generations than a contribution in support of better health care for the community.

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We cannot take for granted the certainty of care and service by a hospital. Facilities and equipment result only from adequate financial support.

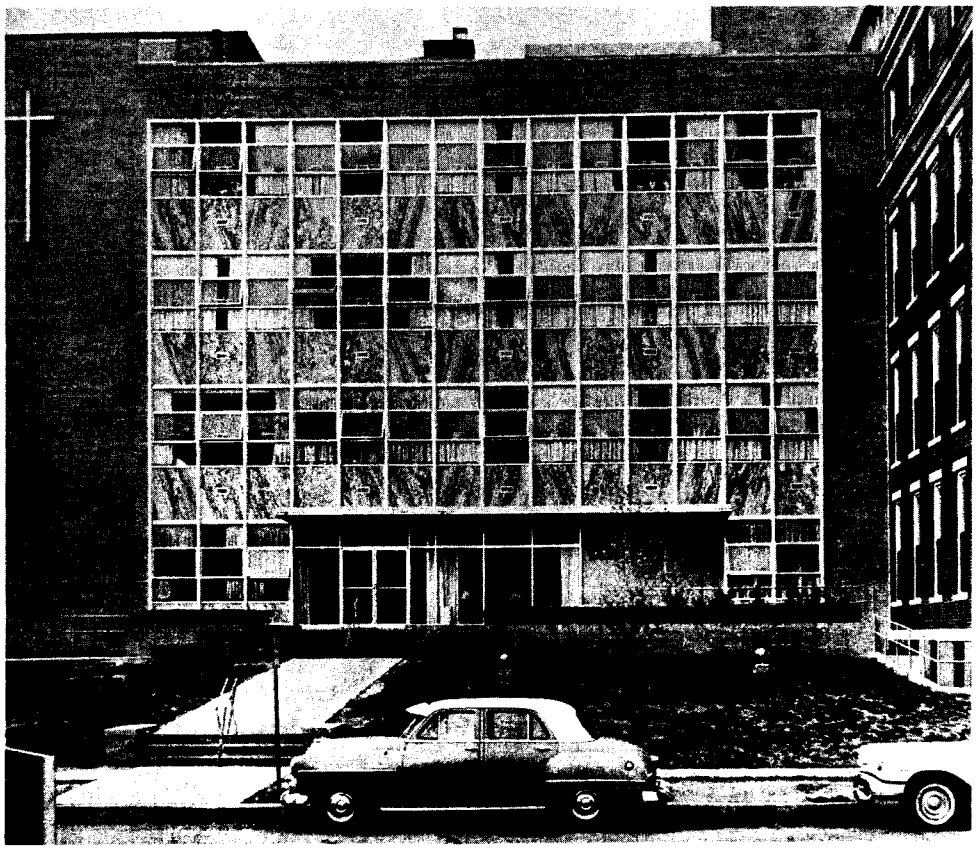
The Greater, New Freeman Hospital is "The Hospital That Has To Happen." Let's do it ourselves, without government assistance . . . and LET'S DO IT NOW!





At right is the 80-year-old Freeman family home which accomodates medical records, radiology, laboratory and some patient rooms. At left, the 46-year-old section in which the majority of patient rooms are located.

(Photos from Early Hospital Files)



The latest addition, photographed at time of completion 14 years ago, contains the business and administrative offices, surgery, nursery, emergency rooms, maternity, delivery room and some patient rooms.