2803 Admirals Road / 998 Gorge Road West 1930; 1948; 1952

Anne Margaret and Arthur Brookman, Sr; Arthur Brookman, Jr.

Craigflower Bridge Store opened February 9, 1930. This two-storey, gabled frame building now has stucco over its original lower siding. The Brookmans built and ran the store and gas pump. In the late 1940s, the garage, built by Brookman Jr., became the first local commercial user of Pan-Abode, a factory-shaped-and-notched-log method of construction. The garage has always been rented out. The apartment / commercial block was the first local two-storey building constructed in the material. Brookman Sr. died in 1951, and his widow, who later married Sidney Scholey, continued to run the store until 1971.

The garage and apartment are set on concrete pads and the cut log walls have metal coping at the top. On the apartment, this coping is above two wide cornice bands. The apartment has large, plate-glass storefront windows on the main floor, and horizontally-mullioned panels of windows on the top floor. The garage windows and doors have multipanes, large panels, and wooden mullions.

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