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Karen, it is the same bulding as in the photograph in the News & Courier dated September 19,1932. That article speaks of "the present building" which would be 21 George Street. Your photo is much earlier judging by the size of the shrubbery around the building.

Glad we were of help!

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That helps a lot!! Many thanks for the info. If you happen to have a photo/image of the YWCA, does this building look like any of the addresses??

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Karen, the YWCA was formed on February 23, 1903. Shortly thereafter - I couldn't find a specific date - the need for a safe comfortable place for young women to stay was seen and the premises at 79 Wentworth Street was rented to provide room and board. A cafeteria was opened there for the residents. In 1917 the property at 76 Society Street was purchased. A recreation center was opened at 368 King Street in 1918. The property at 21 George

Street was purchased and construction of the building was begun in September, 1918, with completion in the spring of 1919. During the 1920s - again no specific date - the Eliza Lucas Hall at the Charleston Navy Yard was deeded to the YWCA. In 1929 this bulding ws purchased by the City of Charleston.

I hope this is the information you're looking for.

Thank you for using the facilities of the South Carolina History Room.

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