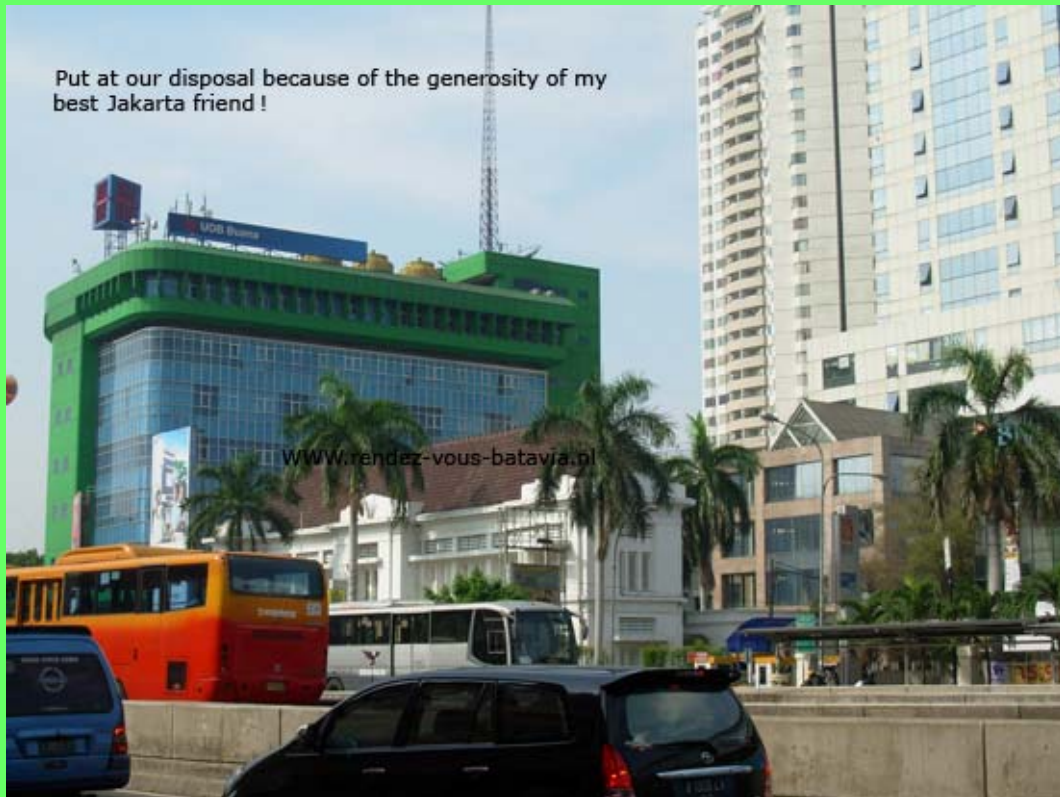
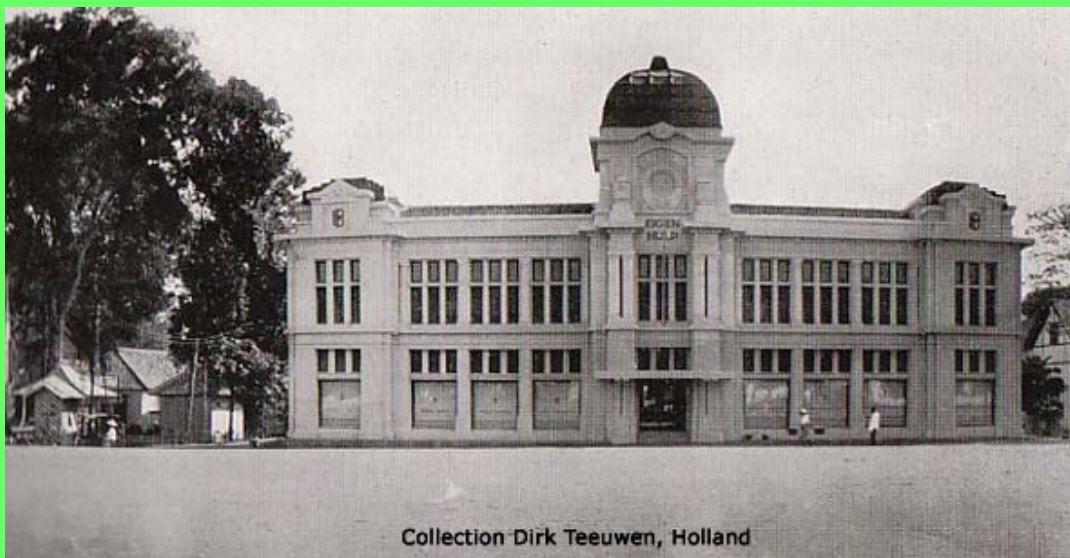


Lost souvenirs of yesterday About Harmonieplein West / Harmoni Square West

Attention to Marine Hotel, Department Store Eigen Hulp/Mutual Help, Postspaarbank/Post Savings Bank, Bank Tabungan Negara
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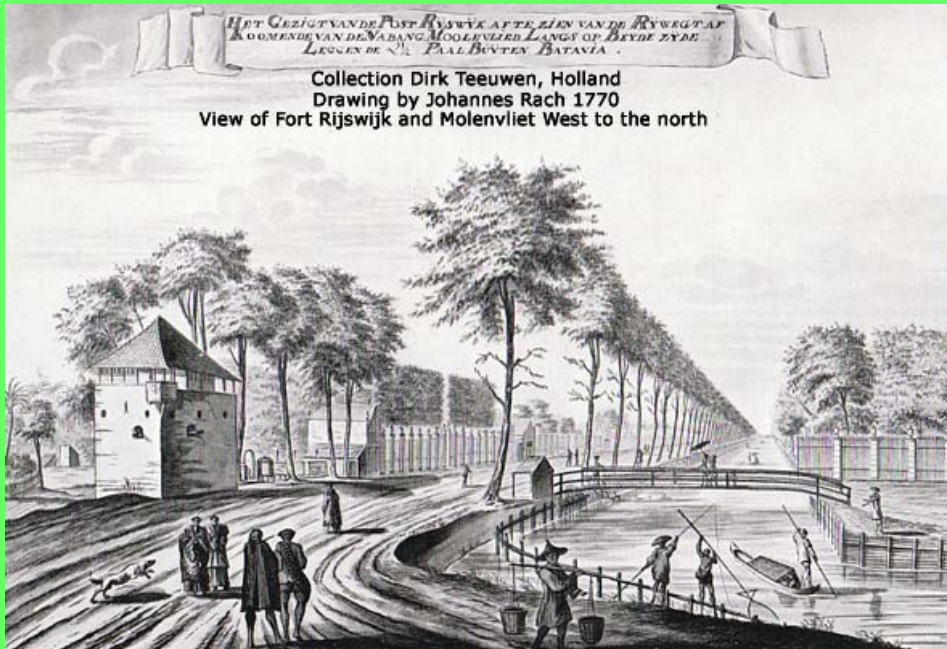


Picture 1 Harmoni West; Bank Tabungan Negara at the southern end of JI Gajah Mada, Jakarta 2009



Picture 2 Harmonieplein West / Harmoni West: department store "Eigen Hulp" (Mutual Help) at the southern end of Molenvliet West, Batavia-Jakarta 1925

For more information about the historical background of this location the visitor could have a look at the pages below.



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 Drawing by Johannes Rach 1770
 View of Fort Rijswijk and Molenvliet West to the north

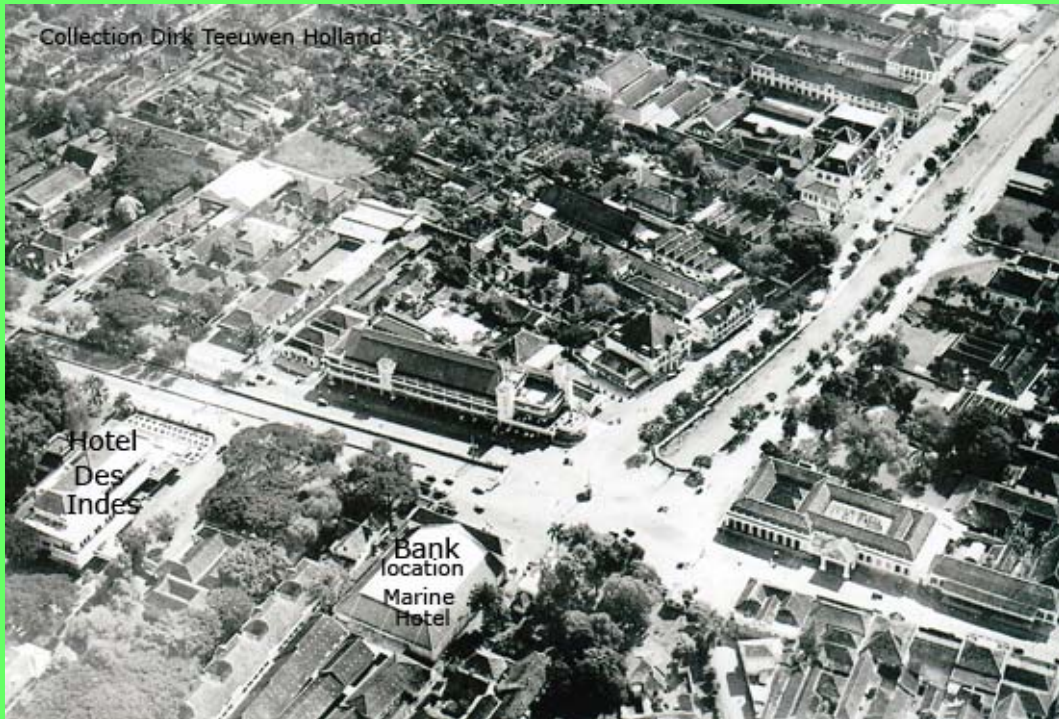
Picture 3 Molenvliet/JI Gajah Mada (southern end) to the north from Harmoni (see the same location as it is nowadays on picture 1 and 20), Batavia Jakarta 1770.

The small fort at the left was constructed outside the city walls of Batavia in 1657. The small stronghold, Rijswijk, was demolished finally in 1810. On the site, corner JI Pranoto/JI Gajah Mada, the Marine Hotel was built about 1825. This stylish hotel was pulled down in 1890. Below our visitor can have a look at the Marine Hotel in 1880. (Text continues on some of the following pages.)



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Picture 4 The Marine Hotel, Batavia-Jakarta 1880



Picture 5 Harmonieplein/Harmoni Square, Batavia-Jakarta 1936

The colonial Hotel Des Indes (1829-1972, along Molenvliet West/JI Gajah Mada), was known as one of the outstanding hotels in the Dutch East-Indies. However there were more accommodations in colonial Batavia-Jakarta. One of them was the Marine Hotel (1825-1890, at the southern end of Molenvliet West/JI Gajah Mada).



Picture 6 The Marine Hotel, Batavia-Jakarta 1860



Picture 7 The residency of a colonial high-ranking civil servant along Koningsplein Zuid/Medan Merdeka South, Batavia-Jakarta 1880.

The construction of this residency very much looks alike the building on picture 4. Because of bad quality of picture 4, maybe picture 5 adds something to our vague architectural impressions.



Picture 8 The inner court of the hotel Marine, Batavia-Jakarta 1860

The Marine Hotel was demolished in 1890. On this spot a cooperative shop called "Eigen Hulp" or "Mutual Help" was built in the same year. "Eigen Hulp" with its supply of fashion and household commodities was, as far as I know, one of the first department stores of Batavia-Jakarta. The store ceased doing business in 1929. Another one was "Onderlinge Hulp" along Noordwijk, Jl Ir Juanda (see page 8). The Dutch words "eigen" and "onderlinge" are synonymous, both mean "mutual".

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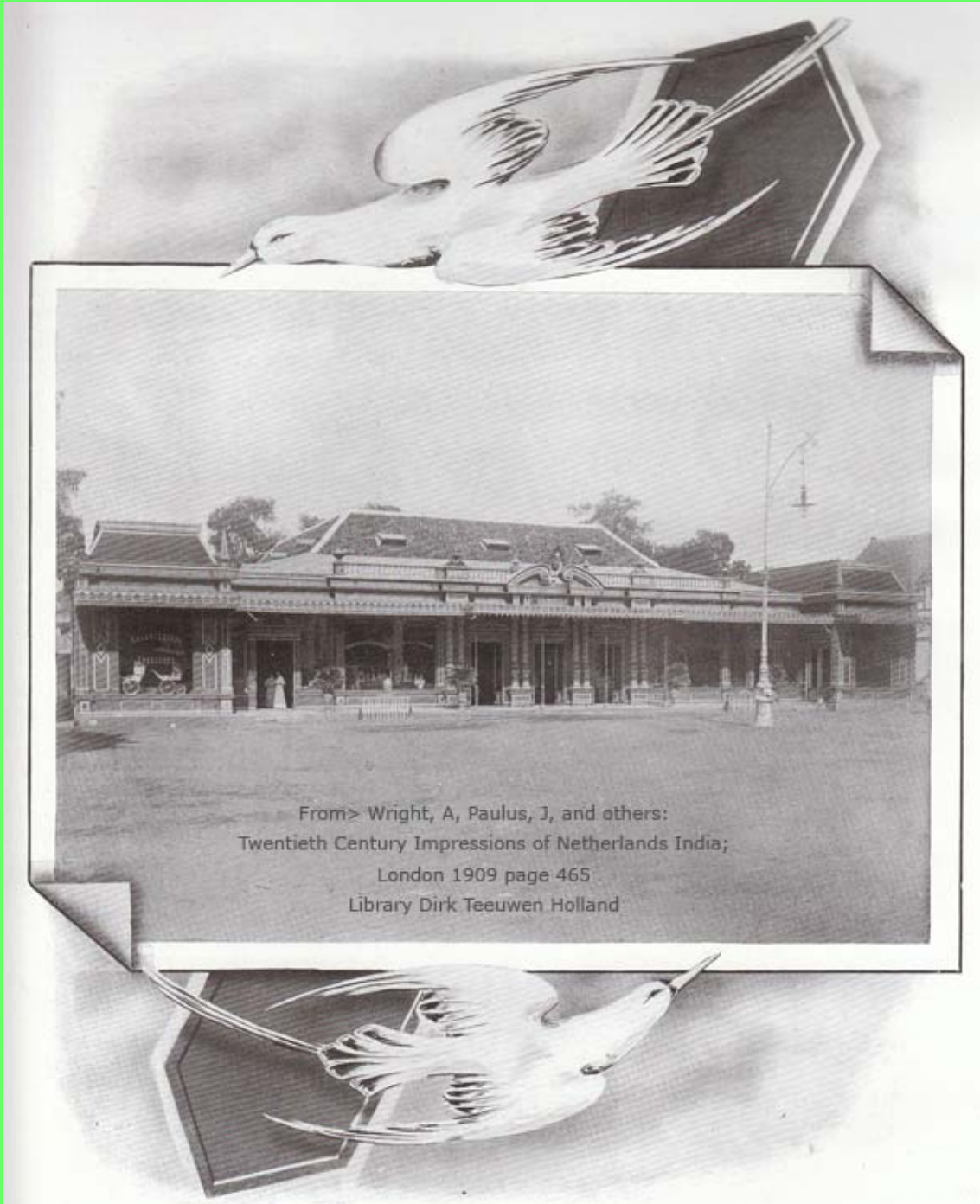
Picture 9 Southern end of Molenvliet West/JI Gajah Mada, Batavia-Jakarta 1905

Left on picture 4 our visitor describes the shop "Eigen Hulp" in 1905. The building with the columns in the centre of the photo was Huize Moenswijk (Moenswijk Mansion 1775-1972). From 1829 Huize Moenswijk was the reception pavilion of Hotel Des Indes (1828-1972). The tramway track, from right to centre, ran from Rijswijk/JI Veteran to the north into Molenvliet West/JI Gajah Mada.

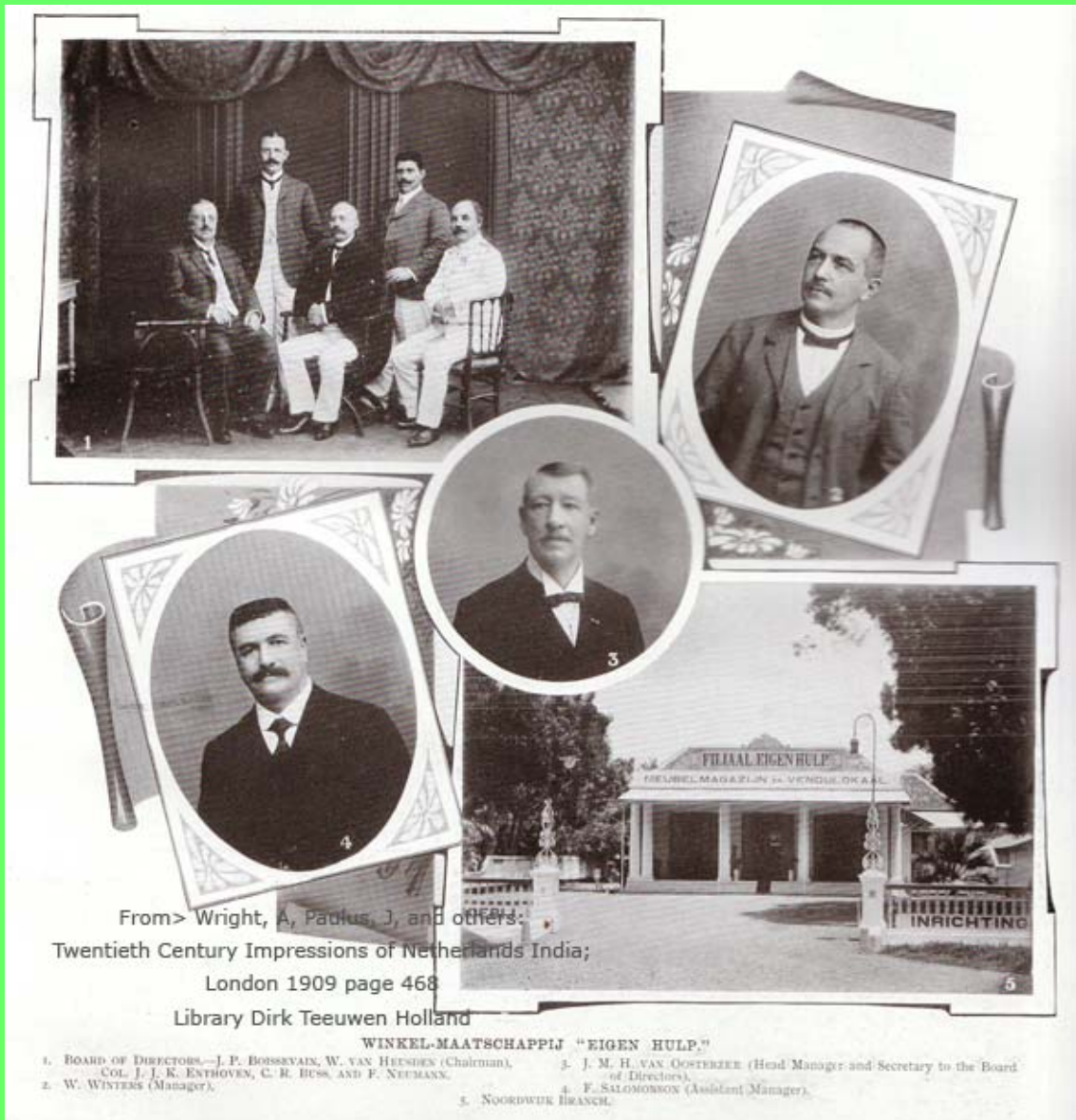


Picture 10 Ciliwung, Rijswijk/JI Veteran (left) to the west (Harmoni), Batavia-Jakarta 1902.

On the photo, in the centre one can see the roof of the store "Eigen Hulp" just over the railing of the quay of Harmoni.



Picture 11 Department store "Eigen Hulp", Batavia-Jakarta 1909



Picture 12 Board of Directors of "Eigen Hulp", Batavia-Jakarta 1909

The building, right below, was a chain store of the "Eigen Hulp" organization along Noordwijk / Jl Ir Juanda.

Vries, J. J. de Vries:
 Jaarboek van Batavia
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WINKEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ
„ONDERLINGE HULP”
 NOORDWIJK, WELTEVREDEN

Dames-afdeeling:

Dames- en Kinderkleeding
 Ondergoed, Corsetten, Hoeden,
 Schoenen, Babygoed, Baby-Artikelen

Stoffen, Tafel- en Huishoudgoed,
 Klamboetulle

Zeepen en Parfumeriën

Huishoudelijke Artikelen

Tapijten en Linoleums

Complete Ledikanten

Luxe Artikelen

Speelgoed

Heeren-afdeeling:

Heeren Mode-Artikelen
 Overhemden, Dassen, Sokken,
 Schoenen enz.

Stroo-, Vilt-, en Helmhoeden
 Vilt-, Plantershoeden en Reispetten

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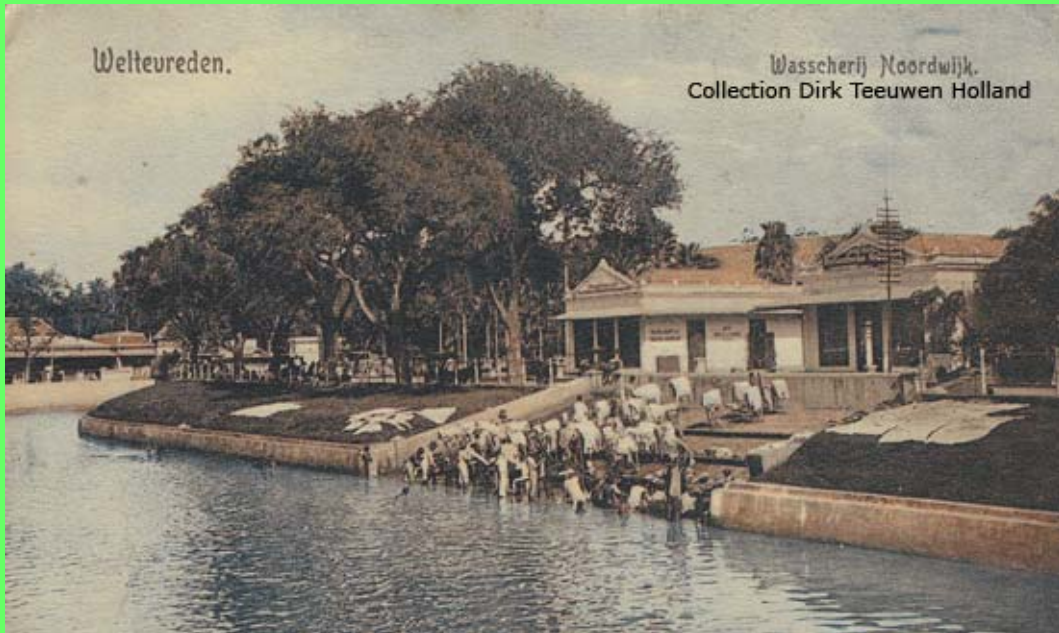
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Hutkoffers, Necessaires,
 Waschzakken

Sport-Artikelen op elk gebied.

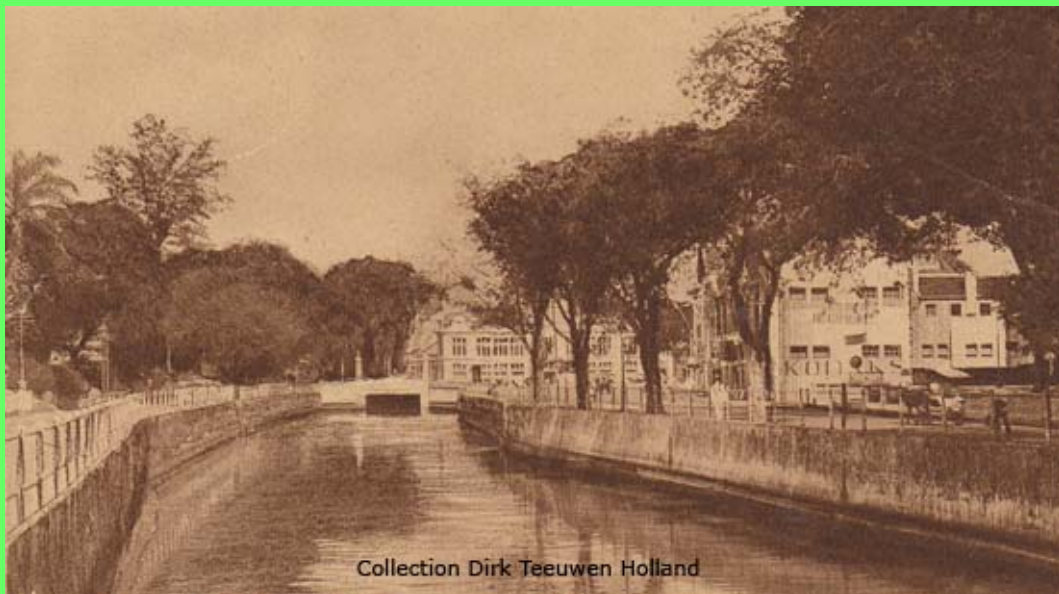
Picture 13 Noordwijk / Jl Ir Juanda, Jakarta-Batavia 1927

Department store “Onderlinge hulp”, see page 4.



Picture 14 Noordwijk West / Jl Ir Juanda West, Batavia–Jakarta 1902

We can see a part of the “Eigen Hulp” department store: centre, left on picture 13.



Picture 15 View of Noordwijk / Jl Juanda (right) and the sluices (lockage) of Harmoni, Batavia-Jakarta 1923

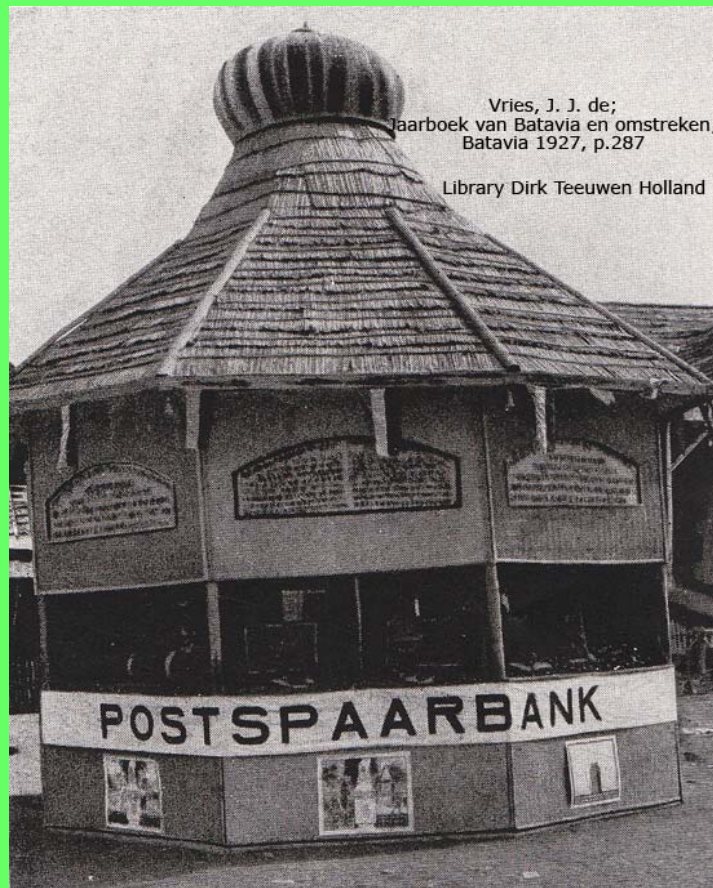
In 1921 the department store “Eigen Hulp” has been rebuilt resulting in a building with one floor. A part of the building is visible on picture 12 right from the Harmoni sluices / lockage.

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Picture 16 Postspaarbank, Batavia-Jakarta 1929

In 1929 "Eigen Hulp" was dissolved and from that year the Postspaarbank / Post Savings Bank domiciled in this building.



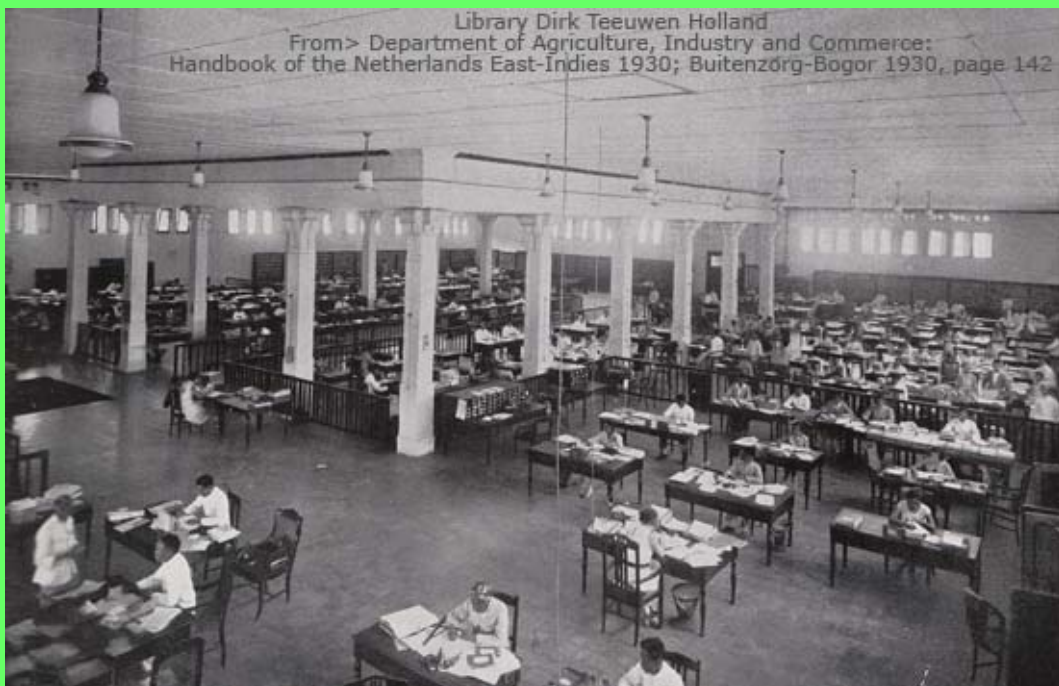
Picture 17 Kiosk Koningsplein / Medan Merdeka, Batavia-Jakarta 1927

Advertisement stand of the Postspaarbank / Post Savings Bank



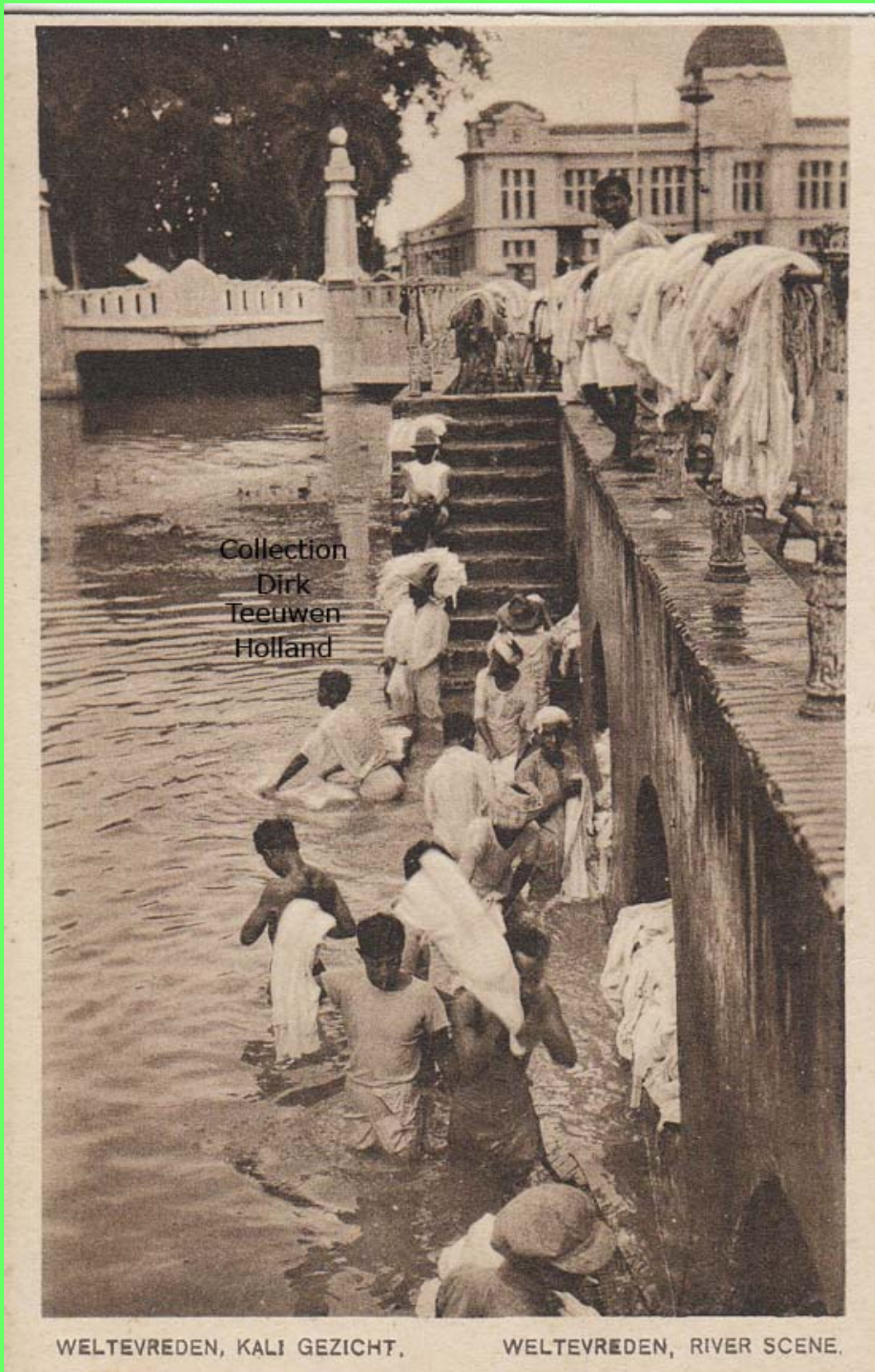
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Picture 18 Postspaarbank, Batavia-Jakarta 1935



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Picture 19 Interior of the Postspaarbank / Post Savings Bank, Batavia-Jakarta 1935



Picture 20 River scene in front of the Harmoni sluice / lockage, Batavia-Jakarta 1931

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At the top of picture 17, right, the Postspaarbank / Post Savings Bank is clearly visible.



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Picture 21

Harmonieplein West / Harmoni Square West at the southern end of Molenvliet West / Jl Gajah Mada, Batavia-Jakarta 1937

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Picture 22 Molenvliet West / JI Juanda (southern end) to the north, Jakarta 2006



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Picture 23 Bank Tabungan Negara at the southern end of JI Gajah Mada, Jakarta 2006

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