

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY BOBALUK'S BEEF & PIZZA

458 Main Street (Information on this page for right side of building)

Old Building

The one-story wood building that housed the C. M. Heuerman bakery stood partially, on this site before the 1893 fire.

New Building

A new two-story brick building was erected on this site in 1894. C. E. Heuerman re-opened his bakery here.

1894-1904 C. E. Heuerman's Bakery & Restaurant.
1904-1910 Kusmaul Bakery & Restaurant,
in later years, bakery only,
John Kusmaul, prop.
1910-1915 Frank Staak Bakery, it later became a
bakery & grocery store,
Frank Staak, prop.
1916-1919 Monarch Grocery Store,
Leon Vacheront, prop.
1919-1920 Monarch Grocery Store,
Howard Spencer, prop.
1921-1927 Monarch Grocery Store,
Richard T. & Vince White, props.
1927-1929 F & M Grocery, Tom Story, mgr.
Pete Fassino & Joe Mareta, props.
One source indicates F & M began here.
1929-1943 Silver's Cash Store, later known as
Umberto Silver, prop.
1943-1950 Silver's Meat & Groceries,
Frank & Mary Mattioda, props.
1950-1966 Dinelli's Market, Rudolph Dinelli, prop.
1969 Custom Paneling & Furniture Store
1970 Carl's Appliance & Repair,
Carl Theissen, Jr. prop.
1974-1976 Golden Door,
1977 Illinois Valley Pottery
1977 Paint & Chips
1978 Knot Shop, Macramé Crafts

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1978-1983 Patsy's Pet Shop,
Pat Scutt/Mooneyham, prop.
1983-1984 Animal World Center, Karen Elzer, prop.
1985-1990 Marseilles Home Video,
Steve & Vicki Pender, props.
1991 Ironhead's Body Engineering
1992-1995 vacant
1996-2009 Bobaluk's Beef & Pizza,
Bob & Mike Kaminski, props.

Bob & Sharon Kiminski have three sons;
Mike, Robert Jr., and Nick.

Mike is married to Kristin (Curry).
Robert Jr., and Maggie (Sullin) have three sons;
Jacob, Luke & Nathan, and daughter Melane.

Second Floor

1895 Valley Lodge A. O. U. W.
Ancient Order United Workmen
1900-1913 Dr. R. L. Ankeny, DDS
1933-1940 Joseph Guerrini, Atty
1935-1943 D. F. Diebold, Ins. & Manlius Twp. off
1946 Betty's Beauty Studio,
Betty "Mathews" Farmer, prop.
1947-1949 Ann's Beauty Shop, Ann Pope, prop.
1949 Silver & Joy Finance & Ins.
1950-1985 Silver's Finance & Ins. Lindo Silver, agent
1950-1957 John A. McNamara, Atty
1987 Michael Mason, Atty.

Basement

1916-1929 Kusmaul Bakery, Edward Kusmaul, prop.

Pictured below:

Phone book ad for Silver's Market & Grocery in 1939.

It's been said:

There was a race track south of the river, from the coal shaft to Company #613 of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) area, where they held trotter & pacer sulky races.

In 1968 – Marseilles held Police Magistrate Court every Tuesday.



It's been said:

Before there was a building on the northwest corner of Main & Commercial, the empty lot was used as an open-air theatre for showing silent movies.

'Dial A Meditation' had a phone number in the 1965 phone directory, but no address was given.

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THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY EDWARD JONES – INVESTMENTS

446 Main Street

Old Buildings

Two wood frame buildings built prior to 1889, stood here, one housed J. W. Widney's Grocery Store, and a smaller wood building housed C. M. Benson's tailor business, before the fire in 1893.

1893	J. W. Widney, Grocery
1890-1893	C. M. Benson, Tailor (See ad below)



New Building

After the fire in 1893, this two-story brick building was built. Mr. W. J. Bennett moved his tailor shop here.

1893-1907	W. J. Bennett, Men's Clothier & Tailor.
1909	C. H. Woodward, Grocery.
1913-1920	E. D. Allen Drugs, Eugene D. Allen, prop.
1920-1926	Derby Drug Store, Emma Derby, prop.
1926	Corbus Rexall Drug Store, A. M. Corbus, prop.
1927-1942	Corbus-Krager Rexall Drug Store, A. M. Corbus, prop.
1942-1954	Groshong City Drug Store, E. W. Groshong, prop.
1954-1963	City Rexall Drug Store, Carl Hill & Frank Peyla, props.
1963	Ruby Caputo & partner had a store here.
1964-1968	McCaslin's Bakery, Jerry McCaslin, prop.
1973-1978	LaDora's Gifts, LaDora DeLancy, prop.
1978-1984	Shangerie Gifts, Shirley Moats, prop.
1985-1987	North Central Graphics, Kerry Caba, prop.
1989-1990	Lifetime Creations, Gift Store
1991-1992	J.J. Eatery & Main Street Bakery
1993-2008	Edward Jones Financial, Bruce Harbert, prop.
2008-2009	Edward Jones Financial, Jonathan Walker, prop.

Pictured below: Ad for C. M. Benson, tailor – 1890's.



It's been said:

Marseilles Veterinarians over the years:

Year(s)	Name	Office location
1904	L. E Butterfield	240 Washington St.
1910-1937	C. F. Berry	240 Washington St.
		1921 195 Lincoln St.
		1937 288 Main St.
1960-1990	D. L. Nickerson	291 Commercial St.
1991-2002	Betty W. Kjellstrom	291 Commercial St.
2003-2009	P. A. Hogland	291 commercial St

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442 Main Street



Pictured at right:

Beautiful counter inside
of Orsi's Confectionery.

Pictured below:

Jim's Candy Kitchen at
the end of World War II.
Windows are decorated
to welcome home the
soldiers. (Note flag in
window.)



It's been said: The mural on the wall at the Post Office
was painted by Avery Johnson (WPA Worker)

Old Building

Two-story wood frame building built prior to 1877 and John Lord's Boot & Shoe Store, was located at this site. The second floor was the residence of the C. H. Woodward family, before the 1893 fire.

1877-1893 John Lord's Boot & Shoe Shop.

New Building

Two-story brick building, built by John H. Allen in 1893 to house his Drug Store.

1893-1898 J. H. Allen's Drug Co., John H. Allen, prop.

1898-1904 Allen & Son Pharmacy

John & Eugene Allen, props.

1904-1910 E. D. Allen's Pharmacy, Eugene D. Allen, prop.

1913-1921 Star Theater.

1922-1923 Massro Dry Goods Store.

1923-1924 Sheldon's Shoe Store, Edward Edelson, prop.

1926-1928 Olds Variety Store, J. K. Olds, prop.

1928-1930 Thomas Dry Goods, Alfred Thomas, prop.

1930-1940 Orsi's Confectionery, Vic Orsi, prop.

1940-1945 Jim's Candy Kitchen, also known as
Orsi's Confectionery, Jim Orsi, prop.

1946 Bill & Don's Confectionery,

Bill Seaborn & Don Caputo, props.

1946-1962 Danelson Confectionery and

Harold & Loren Danelson, props.

later Harold Danelson, prop.

Danelson Catering, (added after 1960),

1963 Sandwich Shop, Don Peters, prop.

1966-1969 "No Where" Teen Center, Don Linton, prop.

1970-1976 Now and Then, Antique's,

Marian Stevenson, prop.

1976-1985 Golden Door Antiques, Sylvia Fultz, prop.

1986-2000 Golden Door Antiques, also

Maynard & Solvin Interiors

Asa B. Maynard & Glenn O. Solvin, props.

2002-2005 Calla's Antique & Used Furniture,

R. R. Callahan, prop.

2005-2009 Victoria Grace Catering,

Vickie Finan & Jamie, props.

Vickie & George have daughters Jamie & Julianna,
& a son, Jeffery; Jamie is married to Mark Coutts;
Julianna & Joseph Majercin have a son, Dustin;
Jeff & Kim (Picchi) have a daughter, Jessica.

Second Floor

1892-1899 Dr. M. H. Blanchard, MD

1900-19?? Dr. J. Kuns, DDS

1904 Dr. Tombaigh,

1922 *Ottawa Free Trader & Journal*, office
Mary McArthur, agent

1940 F. L. Buchacher, osteopath

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY SNOWDANCE

434 Main Street - south half of building.



Pictured at
right:

Vaughey's
Emporium,
in 1898. (This
brick building
replaced the
3-story wood
structure that
burned in the
1893 fire.)

Pictured left:

Building in
2009.



434 & 436 Main Street **Old Building**

Built prior to 1889, the three-story wood frame building that stood on this spot, was basically the same size as the present brick structure. The first floor had two stores. The second floor served as offices and the third floor was the Odd Fellows Lodge. The August 8, 1893 fire destroyed this building. The fire originated in Henry Butzow's bakery on this site.

South Section (434)

1893 W. J. Bennett, Men's Clothing,

North Section (436)

1893 Henry Butzow, Bakery & Restaurant,

Second Floor (432)

1893 D. A. Nicholson, Justice of the Peace

1893 P.M. McArthur, Atty

1893 J. L. Foley, Atty

1893 O. B. Grant, Atty

Third Floor

1893 I.O.O.F., Odd Fellows Lodge

Three Story Brick Building

In 1894 William Peace built a new three-story brick Masonic Temple building on this site, it was also known as the Peace Building. The first floor has had two stores, but much of the time has housed just one store. The second floor has been used as offices and the third floor housed the Masons Lodge and the Eastern Star. In 1972 the building owner converted the second and third floors to residential apartments.

434 & 436 Main Street (Continued)

Both Sections (434-436)

1894-1901 Vaughey's Emporium

North Section (436)

1901-1907 Vaughey's Grocery, John Vaughey, prop.

1907-1913 Spot Cash Grocery Store.

1913-1917 Nelson's Grocery, George C. Nelson, prop.

1917-1922 Hardy's Grocery, Bertha Hardy, prop.

1922-1923 Rose Grocery, Mrs. Victor Rose, prop.

1923-1924 Scotty's Grocery, Walter Scott, prop.

1924-1927 Riskedahl Bros. Groc., Bert & Hans, props.

1927-1928 Riskedahl Groceries, Bert Riskedahl, prop.

1929-1930 F & M Food Market,
Pete Fassino and Joe Mareta, props.

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South Section (434)

1904-1930 Orsi's Confectionery, Victor Orsi, prop.

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CETUSA – FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT BUSINESS (Jayme Cook)**

436 Main Street – north half of building

434 & 436 Main Street (continued)

Second Floor (432)

1894-1916 Sterrett, MD
 1898-1899 School of Music & Painting,
 Miss Zannie Tate, teacher
 1900 G. C. Stebbins, Real Estate &
 Insurance
 1909 Dental Offices
 1909-1923 C. M. Benson, tailor
 1894-1916 Dr. William S. Sterrett, MD
 1910-1921 Dr. A. J. Weirwick, MD
 1910 Montgomery & Ebersol Real
 Estate
 1923 Peter M. McArthur, Atty



1934-1935 Hunter Music Lessons,
 Iola Hunter, prop.
 1931-1935 *Daily Republican-Times*,
 Vera Naretty, agent
 1940-1962 Rutland Twp., Hall & La Salle County,
 Selective Service,
 Nate Fleming, supervisor
 1948-1962 Dr. Roy Brown, MD
 1947-1950 Dr. Richard Dunn, MD
 1954-1956 Dr. Macchietto, chiropractor
 Reynold "Fausto" Macchietto, prop.
 1951-1955 *Daily Republican-Times*,
 Vera Naretty, agent
 1961-1974 Carr's Medical Lab., Michael Carr, prop.
 1972-2009 Residences

Third Floor

1894-1972 Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star
 1972-2009 Residences



Pictured above:
 Windows at the F&M Market, end of World War II.

Both Sections (434-436)

1930-1967 F & M Food Market
 Pete Fassino and Joe Mareta, props.
 1967 F & M Market,
 Robert & Myrtle Delpha, props.
 1968-1969 C & E Meat Market,
 Charles Combs & Earl Sengotta, props.
 1969-1971 Thread & Loop Carpet,
 Ernest Lowery, prop.
 1972-1980 Marseilles Sheet Metal, Inc.
 1973-1974 Yankee Clipper, Jerry Goode, prop.
 1976-1977 Harvey Construction Co.

South Section (434)

1980-1997 Calla's Antiques & Used Furniture,
 Robert R. & Doris Callahan, props

North Section (436)

1977-1979 Marseilles Bakery
 1978 Pat's Dog Wash
 1980 Elleson's Bakery
 1980-1997 Calla's Antiques & Used Furniture,
 Robert R. & Doris Callahan, props.
 1992-1993 D & S Sales, antiques & collectibles.
 Deb Leibold & Rex "Sonny" Olson, props.
 1997-2003 Action Realty Co., John Cavaletto & Assoc.
 2005-2007 Stained Glass Eye
 2008 vacant
 2009 Starr's Paradise, Consignment Shop,
 Lora & Ronald Cole, props.

Lora & Ronald; have four sons;
 Joshua, Ricky, Cory & Brett, and four daughters,
 Nicole, Monica, Amanda & Cortney.

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
FOUR LEAF CLOVER RESALE SHOP

428 Main Street



Old Building

A one-story wood frame building, built prior to 1884 and served as J. H. Allen's Drug Store from before 1889 until it was destroyed by fire in 1893.

1884 J. C. Parsons Drugs
1884-1888 Dr. R. E. Egbert Drug Co.

1888-1893 J. H. Allen Drug Co.
1893 H. J. Crawford, Jewelry Store

H. J. Crawford from Utica, Illinois opened a jewelry store in space rented in Allen's Drug Store, shortly before the 1893 fire.

New Brick Building

Two-story brick building built soon after the 1893 fire, possibly built as one story with the second story being added later. It appears that G. L. Clark traded buildings in 1907 with I. H. Trowbridge across the street at 445 Main. Clark formed partnership with his son at this time.

1893-1907 G. L. Clark Grocery,
George L. Clark, prop.

1907-1931 Trowbridge Drug Co.,
Irvin H. Trowbridge, prop.

Store opened as I. H. Trowbridge. When Irvin retired his eldest son, Leslie, took over operations and the store was known as L. H. Trowbridge. When Cyrus reached maturity, he took over operations and it was known as the C. P. Trowbridge Drug Store. In 1931 the business was moved to 453 Main Street.

1931-1935	Clover Farm Grocery, Richard T. White, prop.
1935-1940	Fewell's Bakery, Howard Fewell, prop.
1940-1972	Fewell's Bakery, Raymond Fewell, prop
1973-1974	Tastee Bakery
1975	Kay's Bakery
1975-1978	Calla's Antiques & Used Furniture, Robert R. Callahan, prop.
1978-1980	Callahan's Game Room, John Callahan, prop.
1981-2005	Calla's Antiques & Used Furniture, Robert R. Callahan, prop.
2006-2008	Realty World, Caton & Assoc.
2009	Four Leaf Clover Resale Shop, Lanette & George "Scot" Yurt, props.

Lanette & George have two daughters,
Sydney & Sophia.

Second Floor

1910 1923	Dr. D.J. Kuns, Dental Parlors
1917	Dr. E. V. Smith
1923-1924	Dr. L.L. Dauen, Chiorpractor & Osteopath
1928-1930	O. E. Covell, dentist
1923-1936	Dr. R.L. Ankeny, Dental Parlors

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404 Main Street

Carroll's Building

This two-story wood frame building, originally known as Clark's Hall is most likely the oldest building on Main Street, believed to have been built about 1858, by Roderic Clark.

Tradition says Oscar Stickle purchased the building in 1867. This seems unlikely, as he would have been only ten years of age. He did own the building next door to the south, which he probably purchased in the 1890s.

Charles, his son operated the United Cigar Store in 1920. Singer & Rickerd, Bower Brothers, and R. M. Cummings, all had possession during the 20s, until Charles Stickle bought it back in 1930. At this time the building to the south was also owned by the Stickle family -- which may be the reason that the two buildings had common stairs to the second floor and also had sewer lines connecting within the buildings.

When organized in 1859, the Marseilles Methodist Episcopal Church, (now United Methodist Church) held it's church services on the second floor. Later a two lane bowling alley was on the second floor.



1878 B. A. Roath & Co. grocery, Byron A. Roath, prop.
1884 Roath & Hanna's
1888 B. A. Roath, dry goods & groceries.
1888-1904 Clark's Meat Market,
???? Penfield & Grant
1907 George Wilson Saloon
1913 vacant
1920 United Cigar Store, Charles M. Stickle, prop.
1923-1926 United Cigar Store, Singer & Rickerd, props.
1926-1928 United Cigar Store, Bower Bros. props.
1929 United Cigar Store, R. M. Cummings, prop.
1929-1930 Bower's Cigar Store, Ben H. Bowers, prop.
1930 Peerless Cleaners & Dyers, pick-up station

Second Floor

1859 Methodist Episcopal Church, Meeting Hall
1884-1898 C. R. Arnold Photography Studio
1888 Dr. Hutton, dentist

1930-1936 Stickles Cigar Store, Charles M. Stickle, prop.
1936-1974 Stickles Cigar Store, Marion & Velma Stickle, props.

1974-2005 Carroll's Variety
2005-2009 Carroll's Flowers & Gifts

and
C & W Electric, Heating, A/C & Refrigeration,
Harold & Donna Carroll, props.

Harold & Donna have a daughter, Camilla, and son, Darren.
They also had a daughter, Deanna (deceased).

Camilla and husband, Seamus Kelters, have sons,
Brendan & Michael

Darren has two sons, Ryan & Connor, and a
daughter, Delaney



This variety store sold newspapers, magazines, tobacco and ice cream.

You could buy thread, needles, shoe strings, aspirin, or get a milkshake, an ice cream cone, a cup of coffee and always good conversation.

It has changed through the years and is now a flower & gift shop – with the same good coffee and conversation still readily available.

The Carroll's have always offered 'free coffee' to anyone in uniform.

Picture on left: Stickle's store, late 1930's
Picture on right: Charles M. Stickle



THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY COYOTE CAFE

398 Main Street



Pictured below, standing in front of Grace Hardin's Restaurant in 1960, left to right, are:

Mabel "Betty" (La Deaux) Ganz, Shirley (Hardin) MacNamara, Mary Ellen (Hardin) Bernard, Dorothy (Thomas) Mason, and Violet (Cox) Adams



This two-story wood frame building was built before 1889 and, most likely, soon after the building to the north was built, which would probably be about 1860. It's possible it was built by Roderic Clark, who owned the building to the north. As mentioned in the history of Clark's Hall the two buildings had both second floor access and sewer lines in common, which likely means they had a common owner.

1888-1889 Morgan's Old Stand, Carpenter Shop
J. F. Morgan, prop.

1892-Boot & Shoe Shop

1898-1917 Cigar Factory & Shop, Chas Stickle, prop.

*1906 photo shows this as Smith & Stickle Cigar Shop

1923 Wanmer's Soft Drink Parlor,
Wedron J. Wanmer, prop.

1922-1923 Harris & Sons Undertaking,
Louis, Red & Jack Harris, props.

*Said to be here until 1925, but evidence appears it was across the street at 387 Main Street.

1923 Lewis Harris & Sons Barber Shop,
Louis, Red & Jack Harris, props.

1923 Peerless Dry Cleaning Shop, L. A. Boyle, prop.

1923 Latimer & Erickson Electric Shop,
Otho Latimer & Erickson, props.

1923 Shoe Store, N. Goldstein, prop.

1925-1926 The Del Monte Restaurant,
Margaret Cassidy, prop.
Mr. & Mrs. Ed Peverly, props.

1927 R & R Barber Shop,
Ray Vassen & Red Harris, props.

1928-1933 Mickey's Coffee Shop,
Wedron J. "Mickey" Wanmer, prop.

1934-1946 Wanmer & Doglio Tavern,
Mickey Wanmer & Dominick Doglio, props.

1947 Paul's Restaurant, Paul Turigliatto, prop.

1947-1949 Gus's Restaurant, Gus Jeffries, prop.

1949-1952 Town Café, Sam La Rock, prop.

1952-1972 Grace Hardin's Café, Grace Hardin, prop.

1973 DJ's Game Room, Doris & Joe Read, props.

1974-1979 Chuck Wagon Restaurant, John Stark, prop.

1983-1992 Don's Taxidermy, Don Sarles, prop.

199?-199? Mike's Bait Shop, Mike O'Neal, prop.

1990's Game Room, (Between 93/97),
Kenney Cox, prop.

1997-2002 Café on Main,
Karen (Medler) Alexander, prop

2002-2009 Coyote Café, Nancy Harper, prop.
Nancy & Lou have children:

Rob, Vicki, Randy, Leeann, Jon,
Stacey, Michelle, Annie & Mike.

Grandchildren: Violet, Robert Lee, Grace,
Randy, Christian, Gianna & Brandon.

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY MAIN STREET PUB

394 Main Street

Old Building

A two-story wood frame building, built prior to 1889. In that year and until after 1892 it was a watch-makers shop, by 1898 it was a billiard hall.

1889-1892 Watch Maker

1898-1901 Messenie's Billiard Hall,
Coston Messenie, prop.

New Building

This one-story brick building, built after 1901, as a Star Union Brewery saloon, to sell exclusively its brand of products. Except for prohibition years (1919-1933) it has always been a saloon or tavern.

1907 E. F. Long Saloon

1913-1917 Marco's Buffet & Tavern,
Antone Marco, prop.

1917-1919 Bolatto's Tavern, Fred Bolatto, prop.

Store divided-South Half

1919-1924 Bolatto's Soda Fountain,
Fred & John Bolatto, props.

North Half

1921-1924 Bolatto's Groceries,
Theresa Bolatto Faletto, prop.

1925 Wanmer Restaurant, Mickey Wanmer,
prop.

1926 Restaurant, Wanmer & McNally, props.

1928 Paint & Wallpaper Store,
William Daly, prop.

1928-1929 Mickey's Tavern, Mickey Wanmer, prop.

1935 Bracken's Tavern,
William Bracken. prop.

1939 Wanmer & Dolio Tavern,
W. "Mickey" Wanmer and
Dominick Dolio, props.

1940-1941 Wright's Tavern, Bob Wright, prop.

1944-1946 Pellino's Tavern, (The Black Diamond)
Laverne "Peanuts" Pellino, prop.



1946-1947 Wanmer & Dolio Tavern,
W. "Mickey" Wanmer and
Dominick Dolio, props.

1949-1952 Dolio & Perenchio Tavern,
Dominick Dolio & Andrew Perenchio, props.

1953-1964 Ralph's Tavern, Ralph Mathis, prop.

1965-1968 Fred & Dells Tavern,
Fred & Dell Farmer. props.

1969-1970 Dell's Tap, Dell Farmer, prop.

1971-1981 Anchor's Away Inn, Kelly Goode, prop.

1982-1985 J & T's Pub, Jan Malik, prop.

1985-1986 Chuck's Tavern Inc.,
C. Nemecek & C. Jeanelanc, props.

1987-2007 Irie's Tavern, Carol Hall, prop.

2007-2008 Main Street Bar & Grill,
Sandy & Dee Holm, props.

2008-2009 Main Street Pub, Sandy Holm, prop.

Sandy has a son, Alex and a daughter, Taylor.

It's been said:

When kids would ask T. W. Smith what the "T. W." stood for in his name, he would say "Toilet Water".

At one time there was a tavern south of present Illinois river bridge.

1st baby interred in Riverview Cemetery was Mary Lorinda Gumm (age two) in 1855.

Paper from 1905 said: "Marseilles' New Concrete Dam is 930 feet long".

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THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY ILLINI LOUNGE

390 Main Street



It appears this one story brick building was erected in the early 1890s, to house a saloon. There was a saloon here until prohibition in 1919. Sometime before 1907 an addition was added at the rear to accommodate a poolroom. During the 1920s and 1930s, duckpins were played in the bowling and billiards hall in the basement.

Three apartments were on the street level, with entrance to all from Young Street. John Lavery moved his shoe repair business here in 1940.

Ground Level

- 1907-1910 Bungart's Tavern,
Bartholomew "Boodle" Bungart, prop.
- 1910-1917 Bolatto's Tavern, Fred Bolatto, prop.
(John Armstrong's notes say Bolatto & Boggio in 1910)
- 1917-1920 A. C. Bateman Cigars
- 1923 Soft Drink Parlor, John Sorchych, prop.
- 1923 Soft Drink Parlor, William Bracken, prop.
- 1923 Joe Ballat Soft Drink Parlor, could be Joe
Ballat and/or James Morton, props.
- 1926-1940 Apartments, first floor.

Basement

- 1925-1930 Chum's Bowling & Billiards,
Arthur C. Bateman, prop.
- 1930-1931 Bert's Marseilles Recreation Club,
Bert Ganz, prop.

Rear of Shop

- 1945-1949 Irma's Beauty Shop, Irma Tershowski, prop.

Ground Level

- 1940-1962 Lavery Shoe Repair Shop, John Lavery, prop.
- 1963-1988 Illini Lounge, Robert Truty, prop.
- 1988-1995 Illini Lounge, Tim & Jim Caputo, props.
- 1995 Jessica's Restaurant & Spirits,
- 1996 Eagle Lounge Inc.,
- 1998-2004 Stockyard Station, Greg Stock, prop.
- 2004-2009 Illini Lounge, James & Dawn Shoultz, props.

Jim & Dawn have daughters, Lexi & Carrington

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY LAMBERT CUSTOM BUILDING

378 Main St.

Old Building

A small frame building which housed the office & scale house for the grain elevator, sat at this site. The scale was mounted on Main Street in front of the building. It was moved south next the elevator on the north side of the canal, prior to the hotel building.

Hotel Building

In 1916 Norvin R. Thompson purchased a building lot on the southwest corner of Main and Young Streets, where in 1917 he built a two-story brick hotel he called the Thompson Hotel. In 1920 the third floor was added.

A restaurant was located in the hotel in the early years, as well as a barber and beauty salon in the basement. Mr. Thompson also ran a Philco Radio shop from the hotel in the 1920s and '30s. Today, known as AnnieTiques Hotel, it is used as a long term residential hotel



1917-1947	Thompson Hotel, Norvin Thompson, prop.
1926-1932	Radio Shop in hotel, Norvin Thompson, prop.
1947-1952	Thompson Hotel, John Burris, prop.
1953-1974	Thompson Hotel, Mr. & Mrs. Andy Donna, props.
1974-1984	Presidential Hotel, Kelly Goode, prop.
1984-2002	AnnieTiques Hotel, Ann Williams, prop.
2002	AnnieTiques Hotel, Roderick & Linda Wischermann, owners
2002-2005	AnnieTiques Hotel, Joseph & Mary Hartman, owners
2005-2009	AnnieTiques Hotel, Anthony & Eileen Miller, AnnieTiques Hotel, Rivertown Ventures, LLC., owners

Restaurant in Hotel

1920-1930	Thompson Restaurant, in 1930, Neva Strunk, prop.
1920-1931	

Basement

1917	Barber Shop, some early barbers were: Ray Johnson, Robert Chalott
1923	Barber Shop, B. H. Parsons, prop.
1925	Mrs. J. W. Harris, Beauty Shop
1925	Mrs. Mabel Barnes, Beauty Shop.
1926	Barber Shop & Beauty Parlor, Wm. Anderson, Lewis Harris, & Ray Vassen, barbers, Dorothy Moffit, beautician.
1929	Geraldine Pellino moved Beauty Shop from here.
1974-1982	Marseilles Men's Club
1982-1984	Kelly's Korner Lounge, Kelly Goode, prop.



Pictured at left:

Copy of 'Notice' that hung on the wall in Room 103 of the Thompson Hotel on January 1, 1953. Rates: \$3/day or \$15/week for one person.

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HERMAN'S PACKAGE STORE - Ottawa**

374 Main Street

Marco Building



Old Building

A small one-story wooden building, built before 1889 sat here – it was always designated as offices. In 1913 it had been enlarged. In 1923 it was replaced with the Marco Bldg.

1889-1923 Offices

Marco Building

This one-story brick building was built for Tony Marco in 1923 and first used by B. Lanfrankie as a soft drink parlor.

1923 Soft Drink Parlor, Batista Lanfrankie, prop.
1928-1936 Byrne's Cafe, Cecilia Byrnes, prop.

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1935	Sineni & Boetto Barber Shop, Mike Sineni & James "Speed" Boetto, props.
1937-1943	Mike Sineni, Barber Shop
1946-1947	Donna & Marco Tavern, Andy Donna & Antone Marco, props.
1948-1949	Donna's Tap, Andy Donna, prop.
1950-1958	D & L Tap, Andy Donna & Jim Lettsome, props.
1958-1986	Bob & Roses Tap, Robert Stewart & Rose Reavy, props. (mother & son)
1987	Kelly's Bar, Kelly Goode, prop.
1988-2009	P. J.'s Tavern, Clarence Benson, prop.

It's been said:

1st Local Paper: Marseilles Gazette, A. St. Clair, editor 1866

1st Photographer (professional) – Charles R. Arnold – 1884

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MARSEILLES DOLLAR PLUS

364 Main Street



This one-story wood frame structure was built before 1885. The first known occupant was Elia Houghton's Harness Shop. George "Cushy" Phillimore had learned his trade under Elia Houghton, and opened his shop here in 1910. It is unknown who, or what, was here from 1906 to 1910.

As harness making became obsolete, George added other leather goods, such as saddles, boots and shoes, and jackets to keep up with the changing times.

Cushy's daughter, Thersa, as agent for the *Ottawa Free Trader*, used the shop as an office in 1919, and for most of the 1920s and 30s.

John Lavery's shoe repair shop was located within the harness shop.

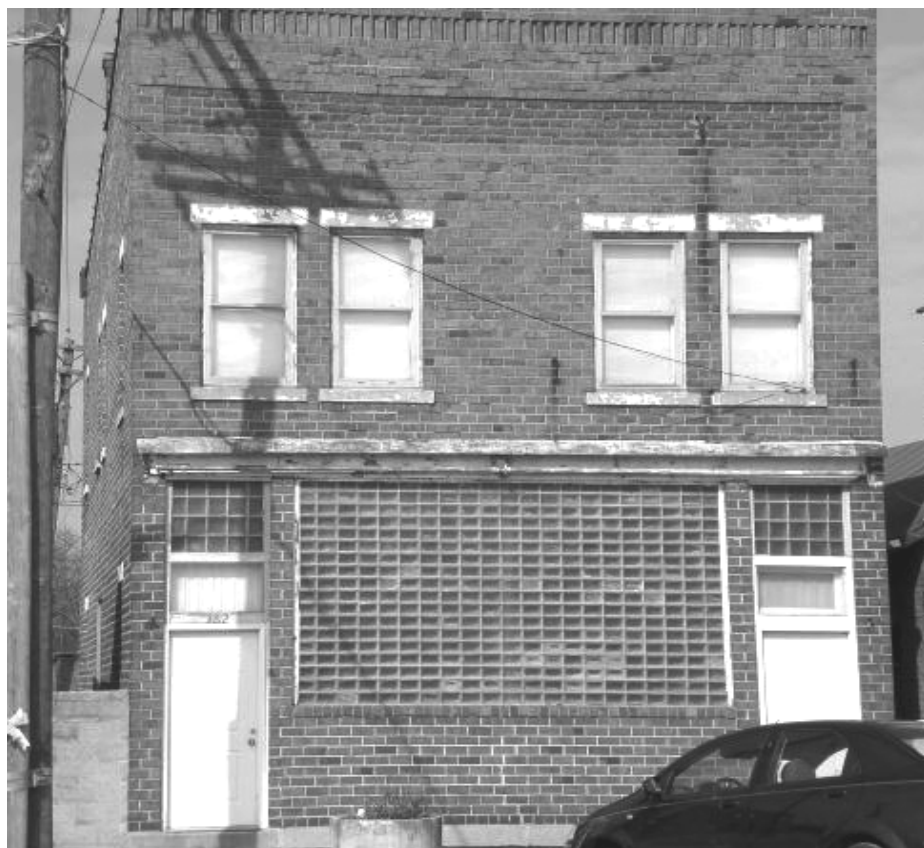
1885-1906	Harness shop, Elia Houghton, prop.
1910-1950	Harness Shop, George "Cushy" Phillimore, prop.
1919	<i>Ottawa Free Trader</i> , office, Miss Thersa Phillimore, agent.
1922-1939	John Lavery's shoe repair shop in building.

1966	Consignment Store, Mrs. Vespa & Stricker, props.
1966-1967	Joseph Jewelry, Joseph Jakupcak, prop.
1967-1971	Today's Lady Beauty Shop, Evelyn Juergenson, prop.
1973-1987	Rita's Hacienda Beauty Salon, Rita O'Neal, prop.
1988-2002	Karen's Hair Care, Karen Sineni, prop.
2003-2006	Wildlife Educators of Illinois, Cynthia A. Espeland, prop.
2007	vacant
2008-2009	Marseilles Dollar Plus, Angel & Maria Velazquez, props.

Angel & Maria have three children;
Miguel, Carina & Raymundo,
and three grandchildren;
Miguel Jr., Xavier & Norman

**THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
FAIRWAY BODY SHOP**

362 Main Street



Old Building

A small one-story wood building sat at this site from before 1889, probably, until the present building was built.

1889-1898 Boot & Shoes
1907 Barber Shop
1913 Confectionery

New Building

S. B. Ebersol built this two-story brick building in 1923. He moved his land and loan company office into the north section in 1926.

South

1923 Worrell Restaurant,
Thomas Worrell, prop.
1923-1924 American Restaurant,
Elizabeth Hollrah & Bertha Rankin, props.
1923-1926 Worrell Restaurant, Thomas Worrell, prop.
1926 American Café, Mr. & Mrs. Hittle, props.
1926 Ebersol Restaurant,
Mr & Mrs. S. B. Ebersol, props.
1926-1934 American Restaurant,
Neva Strunk, prop.
Main Street pick-up for Peerless Cleaner's

North

1923-1924 El Rose Beauty Shoppe,
Helen Hudson, prop.
1926-1934 S. B. Ebersol, Land & Loan Co
Combined
1933-1986 Dr. Donald Vespa, DDS.
1940-1948 Dr. Clifford Stricker, MD
1948-1968 Dr. Edwin J. Johnson, MD
1949-1952 Dr. R. W. Brown, MD
1989-1990 Timothy D. Cappellini, Atty
1993-2009 vacant
2006-???? George Lyons, Sr., owner.

It's been said:

January 28, 1950

All \$608,000 in jewels, stolen by Tommygun Gang from the Aga Khan, accounted for except a 26-carat diamond ring, valued at \$114,000. Gang leader, 'Big Roger' Senanedy, kept the ring as a souvenir. Most of the jewels turned up mysteriously on a Marseilles police doorstep.

MARSEILLES WOLVERINES
vs
STEEL CITY GIANTS
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2:30 P.M. ILLINI PARK
BOOST THE WOLVES!

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ROYANNE & NEAL REDDY

350 Main Street



This, small, one-story, wood frame building was built, or moved, to this site on or before 1913.

1913-1922 Collier's Cigar Store,
Hiram W. Collier, prop.
1919 *The Daily Republican-Times*
Miss Mildred McCurdy, agent.
1919-1925 *The Daily Republican-Times*
John Nicholson, agent.
1925-1926 *The Daily Republican-Times*
Sydney L. Angell, agent.
1926 *The Daily Republican-Times*
John M. Nicholson, agent.
1922-1926 Collier's Cigar Store, Lee Collier, prop.
1926-1931 Mutter's Meat Mart, August Mutter, prop.
1934-1942 Bottomley's Beauty Shop,
Doris Bottomley, prop.
also, in building,
1935-1942 Haggy's Women's Wear, Edna Haggy, prop.

It's been said:

1st Movie shown at the Mars Theatre (May 5, 1936)
was "Anything Goes", starring Bing Crosby, Ethel
Merman, and Charlie Ruggles.

1942-1974 Reese's Barber Shop,
Reese Allen, prop.
1942-1948 James "Speed" Boetto,
barbered in Reese's Shop.
1974 Used as storage area for M & M Grain Co.
for several years.
1985 vacant
1988 Niece's Ice Cream Shop,
Randy Rowe & Royanne Reddy, props.
1989-2005 Family Hair Care Center,
Deborah Miller, prop.
2006-2007 vacant
2008-2009 Shake and Bake, exercise & tanning salon,
Royanne Reddy, prop.
Closed June 2009

Royanne & Neal Reddy have three children;
Misty Bolden, John Grooms & Joey Reddy
John Grooms & Sarah Grever have a daughter,
Lillian Pearl Grooms.

*Lillian is the great-granddaughter of
E. A. Collins and Tom "Shorty" Farrell

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ROYANNE & NEAL REDDY**

340 Main Street



340 Main St. Grain Elevator

Robert T. Harrington built the elevator in 1876. It was destroyed by fire in 1994.

- 1876-1885 Scott & Harrington Grain Elevator
- 1885 J.M. & N. M. Howard, Grain Elevator
- 1888 J. Harrington & Co., Grain Elevator.
- 1891-1892 R. T. Harrington & Co., Grain Elevator.
- 1894 Harrington & Jamison Grain Co.
R. T. Harrington & J. A. Jamison, props.
- 18?? James Bruce, Grain Elevator.
- 1898 Bruce & Jamison, Grain Elevator.
- 1904-1914 Bruce Grain Elevator,
James Bruce, prop.
- 1921-1964 Marseilles Grain & Farm Supply Co.
Don Reany, prop.
- 1962-1985 M & M Grain & Farm Supply Co.,
Dan McCambridge & Francis McGowan. props.
- 1987-1994 Marseilles Grain Co.
1987-1994 Tax Service & Co. Inc.
1990-1994 Marseilles Currency Exchange.

Fire destroyed century old (1873) grain elevator & scale house on June 5, 1994. scale house was used for Royanne Tax Service. Randy Rowe was co-owner

See photo of Marseilles Grain fire at right (1994)...

New Building

New one-story wood frame building erected where ramp to elevator and Scale house was located in 1994. Addition added to the south side of the building in 2003.

- 1994-2007 Royanne Tax Service & Co. Inc.
- 1994-2009 Marseilles License Service, in bldg.
- 1996 Marseilles Currency Exchange, in bldg.
- 2007-2008 Eagle One investments,
all under Royanne Reddy, prop.
- 2007-2009 Misty's Tax Matters,
Misty Bolden & John Grooms, props.
- 2009 Reddy & Kelly Landscaping,
in with tax service.
Royanne Reddy & Ian Kelly, props.

For family information for the Reddy's, see 350 Main St.



**THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
THE VIDEO STORE & BAIT SHOP**

322 Main Street



Old Buildings

Early maps show this area empty of buildings until the 1890's, which has the S.T. Osgood's Lumber Yard using this site. Various small buildings have been on this site to serve as offices and lumber sheds.

Early 1890's area vacant

189?-1905 S. T. Osgood Lumber Yard

1905-1943 Hunter-Allen Lumber Co.

Russell F. Hunter & Albe C. Allen, props.

1943-1965 INR Beatty Lumber Company,

Joseph J. Lairich, prop.

1965-1972 Larsen Lumber Company

1969-1972 Northwest Pest Control, had office in bldg.

1970 Chip's Construction Company, Inc., in bldg.

Gene Gray & Dick Buffo, props.

1973-1976 vacant

New Building

A metal building was erected here in 1977.

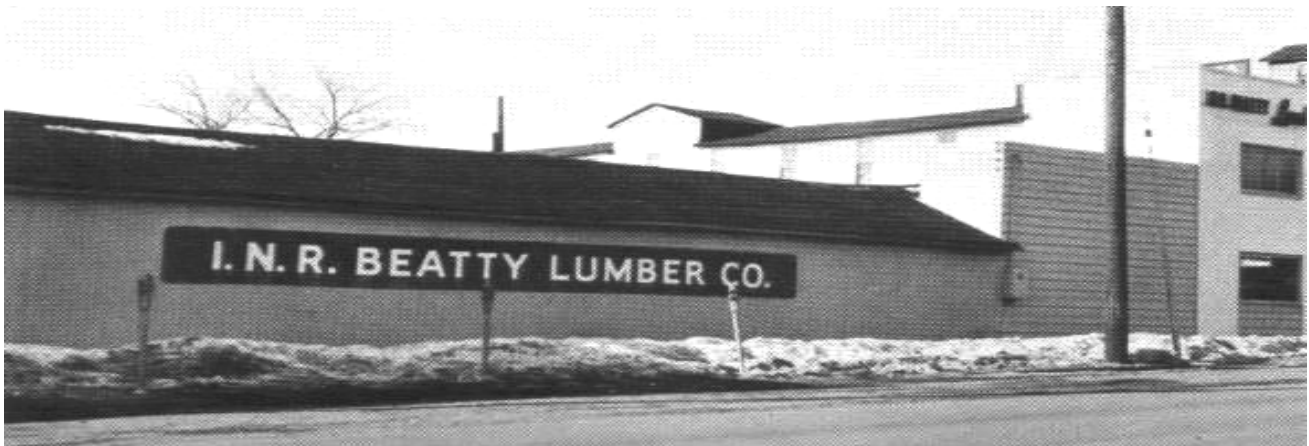
1977-1991 Opal's Ace Hardware,

1991-1994 Servistar Myre Hardware, Opal Myers, prop.

1995-2005 The Video Store, Chuck Varney, prop.

2005-2009 The Video Store & Bait Shop,
Ed & Gina Scarber, props.
Marsha Andrews, employeee.

As of the writing of this book, negotiations were under way between the Local Labor Union #393 and the Scarber's for the Labor Union to purchase the building with plans for a future training facility.



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278 Main Street

Neece Building



278 South store front of four stores in the building

Built in 1900 for John Shelton, it was known as the Shelton Block. The second floor has always been apartments.

In 1993, Sheila Neece purchased this building from Russ Myer. During remodeling in 1996, the current “Neece” sign was added to the front.

<p>1900-1907 Shelton’s Restaurant, 1904-1907 Interurban Depot, in restaurant 1907 Confectionery 1914-1919 Marks’s Ice Cream, also known as McElligott Café & Confectionery, John McElligott, prop. 1920 Marchetti Confectionery, A. Marchetti, prop. 1921 Pontoni Conf., Dominick Pontoni, prop. 1922-1923 Giannoni Confectionery, Ned J. Giannoni, prop 1923-1926 Verona & Terando Ice Cream Parlor, Louis Verona & Hannah Terando, props. 1926-1931 Terando’s Ice Cream Parlor, Hannah Terando, prop. 1931-1936 Al Bolatto’s Confectionery & Bakery. 1935 Alma’s Coffee Shop, may have been in Bolatto’s Confectionery & Bakery. 1937-1938 Jim Mooneyham’s Confectionery. 1939-1946 Van’s Confectionery, Sam Viviani, prop. 1946-1949 Schaefer’s Confectionery, John Schaefer, prop. 1950 Alma’s Café, Alma Rexroat, prop. 1950-1952 Irene’s Coffee Shop.</p>	<p>1953 Eagles Lodge #798. 1954-1957 Sam’s Grill & Fountain, Sam La Rock, prop. 1961-1968 Ruby’s Grille, Ruby Coleman, prop. 1968-1971 Main Street Grill, Murell Farmer, prop. 1971-1982 Main St Grill, Stella & Jim Callahan, props 1983-1993 Ace Auto Place, Opal Myer, prop. 1993 Building sold to Sheila Neece. 1997-2001 Sheila’s Copper Penny Pub-Paystation) 2002-2003 Sheila’s Main Street Inn) 2003-2009 Sheila’s Copper Penny Pub)</p>
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284 Second store front of the Neece Building.

<p>1907-1910 Osgood & Son, Buggy Implements Store, 1913-1921 Sineni Grocery Store, Sam Sineni, prop. later his son Jake Sineni, prop. 1923-1939 Morello & Gaudi, Grocery, also known as Marseilles Food Mart, Morello & Gaudi, props. 1939-1948 Sav-Way Food Mart, Morello/Gaudi, props 1948-1953 Sav-Way Mart, Geo. Duggan & Earl Sengotta, props. 1955-1956 Koval’s Laundromat, Irene Koval, prop. 1959 Marseilles Laundromat 1962-1979 Daniel’s Auto Supply Inc, Dick Rice, prop. 1993 Building sold to Sheila Neece. 2000-2001 Sheila’s Copper Penny Pub-Paystation) 2002-2003 Sheila’s Main Street Inn.) Sheila’s Copper Penny Pub,) Sheila Neece, prop.</p>
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288 Third store front of Neece Building.

- 1907 Grocery Store & Kohl Print Shop.
- 1913 Kohl Print Shop, Henry E. Kohl, prop.
- 1921 Dinelli's Groc. & Meat, Joseph Dinelli, prop.
- 1922-1930 Bernardi & Silver's, Grocery,
Virgil Bernardi & Umberto Silver (Silvestrini),
props.
- 1930-1931 Commander Furniture Company,
- 1934-1937 Nu-Way Cleaners, R. Savage, prop.
- 1937 Dr. Berry, Veterinarian Office.
- 1940-1949 Main Street Feed Store, Bert Morgan, prop.
- 1950-1954 Main Street Feed Store,
Jesse & Nellie LeGare, props.
- 1955 Main Street Feed Store,
Jesse Le Gare & Jim Latimer, props.
- 1956-1962 Main Street Feed Store,
Harry Schultheis & Charles Spray, props.
later just Charles Spray, prop.
- 1993 Building sold to Sheila Neece.
- 2008-2009 Sheila's Copper Penny Pub, Smoking Club
Sheila Neece, prop.

Sheila has a daughter, a son, and two grandchildren.

Do you remember? In the spring baby chicks were sold here and displayed in the front window.

290 Small storefront at north end of Neece Building

Building was originally used for offices and later for small businesses. Today it is used in conjunction with 288 and no longer an entrance. Many times it was vacant.

- 1907 S. T. Osgood Lumber Yard, office
later used as tile and material storage
- 1922-1931 Marsel's, Bakery, Joe Marsel, prop.
- 1930s Chicago Sanitary Dist Lab.
- 1937-1939 New Marseilles Restaurant,
Kate & Steve DeMestri, props.
- 1940 Radio Repair Shop, Clinton Keay, prop.
- Believe to have been used in conjunction with 288. During 1940's & early '50s was a creamery & milk testing station.
- 1940-1949 Main Street Feed Store, Bert Morgan, prop.
- 1950-1954 Main Street Feed Store,
Jesse & Nellie LeGare, props.
- 1955 Main Street Feed Store,
Jesse Le Gare & Jim Latimer, props.
- 1956-1962 Main Street Feed Store,
Harry Schultheis & Charles Spray, props.
Later just Charles Spray, prop.
- 1973-1975 Allie Q's Barber Shop,
Allie Querciagrossa, prop.

After 1975 it was used in conjunction with next storefront and no longer an entrance.

- 1993 Building sold to Sheila Neece.

Rear of Building

- 2003-2005 Finan's Catering Service,
Vickie & Jamie Finan, props

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
MONICA & RON BOETTO



Boetto Building

From 1888 until after 1907, James M. Howard had a carpenter shop on this site. He built several homes in Marseilles, especially on Howard Street, which is named for him. (See Tidbit about Howard Houses elsewhere.)

In 1913 a small open-domed metal building sat here and was used as a movie theater. The local boys enjoyed running a stick along the corrugated walls while the movies were in process, which caused a loud din in the movie house. The theater lasted only a few months. It's unknown what was here for the next several years.

About 1921 a different building was here and it was used as a bakery. In 1923 George Holle moved a small office building behind the bakery building, facing Commercial Street, and it was used as a soft drink parlor, until it was shut down for selling booze.

With the two buildings combined, Gus Zafiropoulos, better known as Gus Jefferies, opened the Unity Café in 1924. With his business booming, Gus enlarged the restaurant, in 1926, by adding a kitchen in the rear.

1888-1907 1913 1921-1924 1923	Carpenter Shop, James M. Howard, prop. Air-Dome Theater Sam's Bakery, Sam Eppstein, prop. Soft Drink Parlor, faced Commercial Street, Henry Kline, prop.
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1924-1946 1946-1948 1948 1948-1972 1972-1973 1974 1975 1976-1979 1977-1978 1979-1983 1984 1985 1986 1988-1991 1993-2001 2002-2003 2004-2009	Unity Café, Gus Jefferies, prop. Unity Café, Mr. & Mrs. Russell Lamb, props. Mel Rose Unity Café. Speed's Barber Shop, James "Speed" Boetto, prop. Allie Q's Barber Shop, Allie Querciagrossa, prop. Coffee House or Church. vacant What Knot Shoppe, Monica Boetto, prop. Mc Conville Realty, M. Boetto, agent. Katie's Florist, Katie Tricolli, prop. Ginger Bread House, Sally Hamil & Susan Burton, props. also Place Planning & Design, S. Burton, prop. Treasure Chest, Royanne's Tax Service. Michael Mason, Atty. Fashion Focus, Beauty Salon, Sandy Bryant Lowe, prop. Total Image, Beauty Salon, Tracy Jakupcak, prop. Total Image, Beauty Salon, Sandy Thomas, prop. Monica & Ronnie Boetto, owners
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Sandy & Brian Thomas have a son, Brennan,
and a daughter, Adrian.

THIS VIEW OF MAIN STREET PROUDLY SPONSORED BY RIVER REDI-MIX, INC.

100 Block Main Street – including some of National Biscuit Company's buildings

101 Main-East side of Main St. next to river

- 1889 W. E. Hawks Cotton Mill,
used for grain storage.
Illinois Mattress Fiber Company.
- 1898 Crescent Paper Mill, closed about 1929,
later sold to NBC for paper storage.
(See photo at right)
- 1951 Razed by Speedway Wrecking Company.



Pictured above: Crescent Paper Mill – 1920's

100 Main – Stable – part of Nabisco Complex.

A buggy from this stable was sent to the Boulders residence to pick up Mr. Davidson each morning. This routine was discontinued in 1921, when he bought an auto.

In 1889 this area was J. F. Clark's Paper Mill and the Parragon Mill, owned by D. Samuels.

National Biscuit Garage, originally a powerhouse, first lighted Main Street in 1890.

- 1889- 19?? Elect. Power House
- 1907 Consolidated Water & Light Company
- 1921 Auto. Garage for Nabisco Mgr.

Gate House Building

- 1889 Eureka Milling Company,
- 1898 Western Egg Case Company
- 1907 Commercial Poultry Publishing Co.
- 1915-1924 Kohl Printing Company.
(See photo at right)
- 1924-1935 Nabisco Administration Offices
- 1935 Nabisco Club House & Gate House



Pictured above: 1916 advertisement for Kohl Printing Company

North of mill race

- 1889 E. T. Keagle Machine Shop

115 Commercial St.

- 1892 Tyron Bros. Manufacturing. Co.
- 1898-1900 Machine & Wagon Shop,
F. N. Tyron, prop.
- 1907 Charles Carney Machine Shop
- 1928-1985 Edward C. Iverson, Machine S

119 Commercial St.

- 1889-1898 Marseilles Roller Mills
- 1907 Plant Storage
- 1924-1945 Henry Kohl Printing Co.
- 1934-1949 Commercial Printing
- 1948 Marseilles Foundry
- 1948-1985 Standard Foundry
- 1994 Laura Hipes, Accounting Service
- 1996 Machan Equipment Co.
- 1999-2002 Cajuns Thunder Forge Cycle
- 1999-2002 O'Neal's Mech. Welding & Salvage

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240 Main Street

National Biscuit Company

Nabisco

18??-1902 Howe Davidson Paper Company
1902 National Biscuit Company bought out
Howe Davidson, but kept it listed as
the Howe Davidson Paper Co.
(See photo at right).
1902-1917 Howe Davidson Paper Co.
1917-1984 National Biscuit Company, first time
officially called National Biscuit Co.,
or Nabisco.
1985-1991 Federal Paper Board
1986 American Pulp & Paper, Ltd., listed only 1 year.
1991-2006 Field Container Corporation
2006-2007 David Jose
2007-2009 Scott Olson, Dynasty Builders,
home based in Newark, Illinois

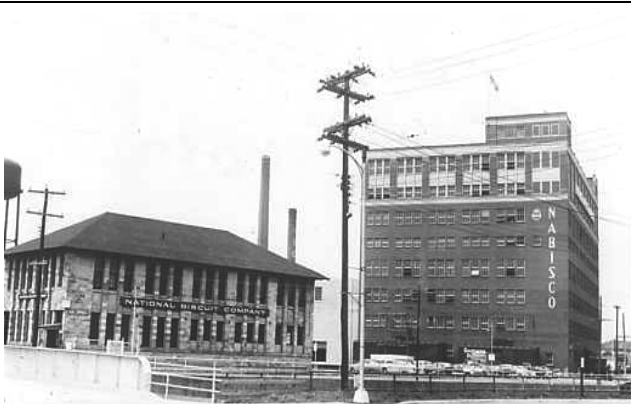


The start of Nabisco -- still called Howe Davidson Paper Company for 15 years after Nabisco purchased it in 1902, this is how it looked in 1906.



Picture above: Addition of the seventh and eighth floors to the National Biscuit Company building.

Pictured below:
Clubhouse added to the Nabisco complex in 1921.



“Field Container Corp. will close its Marseilles, IL, gravure folding carton plant June 1 2006. The closing will impact about 85 workers at the former Nabisco packaging plant, founded in 1902, and which employed 500 at its height. In 1984 the plant was sold to the Federal Paper Board Company, which immediately closed the paper mill portion of the operation. In 1991 Field Container Corp. acquired the plant.”

The Nabisco building as it looks in 2009. Stripped of it's name outside and it's metal inside.



It's been said:

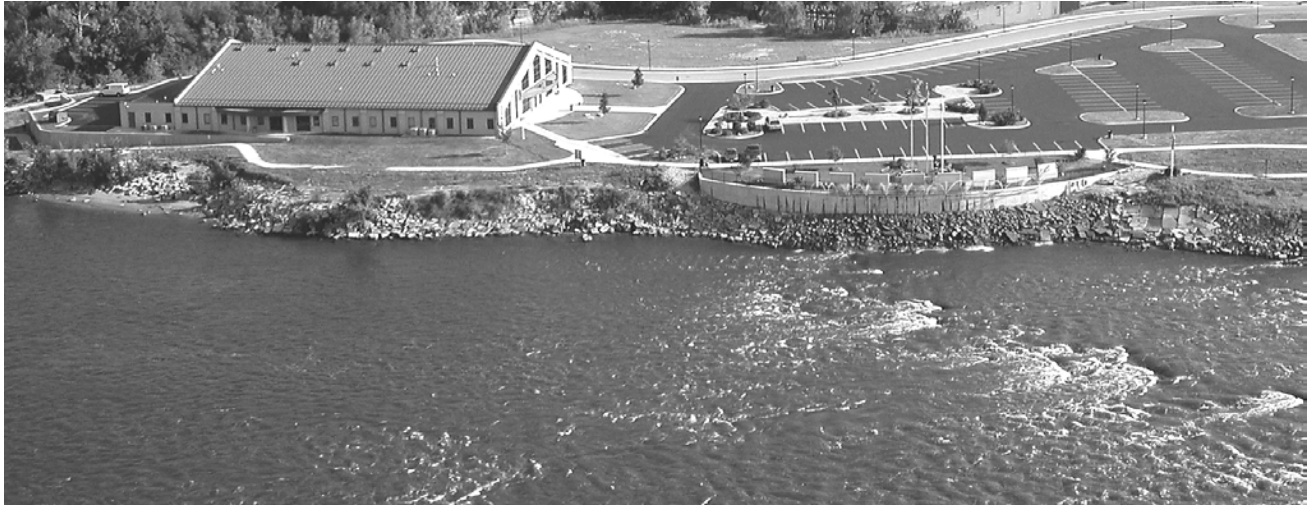
In 1922, a whole pound of Nabisco's Oreo cookies cost 32 cents, which converts to 2 cents an ounce.

In 2009, the same cookies cost \$2.98 for 18 oz – which comes out to almost 17 cents an ounce.

THIS VIEW OF RIVERFRONT DRIVE PROUDLY SPONSORED BY ILLINOIS VALLEY CELLULAR

200 Riverfront Drive

Illinois Valley Cellular



Site history

Before Marseilles was settled this area was almost an island, only a narrow strip of land made it accessible by land. An earthen fort, believed to have been built by the Illini Indians, under the direction of the famed explorer, La Salle, as protection from other Indians that might attack their village at Starved Rock, was here. The location at the head of the grand rapids of the Illinois was ideal. The fort was still visible up to the time that industry began using the area, stretching from east of the present Main Street and west to the IV Cellular building site.

In the 1890's, it was the location of the Marseilles Straw Paper Company mill. The area to the northeast, near Main Street, was stacked with piles of straw that was used in the manufacturing of the straw paper. After the company closed it was acquired by the Howe & Davidson Paper Company, whose paper mill sat where the eight-story building north of the south headrace sits today. The company had paper stock warehouses covering most of the property, west of Main Street and south of the headrace. Howe & Davidson, which had been owned by the National Biscuit Company (Nabisco) since 1902, was officially called Nabisco in 1917. Nabisco retained paper storage in this area until selling the property. The warehouses were razed when they were no longer necessary.

2000-2001 Illinois Valley Cellular (IVC) buys the property and erects a new state-of-the-art building completed in 2002.
2002-2009 IVC – with approximately 100 employees.

Today the site is in the good hands of the Illinois Valley Cellular Executives, pictured below left to right, Glen Rauh (President), Melissa Eller (Chief Operating Officer), and Tom Walsh (Chief Executive Officer).



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