

DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORY – CITY OF IRON MOUNTAIN – BUSINESS DISTRICT 1879–1942 – BROWN STREET – EAST AND WEST

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4: SOUTH SIDE OF 200 BLOCK OF EAST BROWN STREET

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History: John Blixt ran his barber shop at this location in 1892-1894, and Mrs. Jane Davis, widow of John Davis, resided here, and was still living here in 1902-1903. C. Morgan was listed on the street index for this address in 1907-1908, but was not found in the alphabetical listing. In 1913 John Trenerry, a laborer, resided here with his wife Minnie Trenerry. This address was listed as “vacant” in 1925. The Elks Club (B.P.O.E. – Benevolent Protective Order of Elks No. 700) was located at this location by 1935, and still here in 1939 and 1941-1942.

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History: James Dabb, a laborer, lived here in 1902-1903. David Castel and Son (David Castel, Sr. and David Castel, Jr.) sold pianos and organs at this address in 1907-1908. David, Sr., also did piano and organ repairing and tuning, and David, Jr., was also a piano tuner. The remaining members of the Castel family lived here and included David, Sr.’s wife, Eliza Castel, and Laura Castel, Morris Castel and Rachel Castel, all students. David Castel (Sr. or Jr. not specified) was also the leader of Castel’s Band & Orchestra, the rehearsal hall located at this residence. William H. Mitchell ran a general hardware store at 116 East Brown Street, and had a warehouse at this address in 1913. Valerio Calvino, a mason, and his wife Anna

Calvino resided here at that time. Victor Mattord, a laborer, and his wife Emma Mattord lived here in 1925, together with Carrie Mattord, a student; Ernest Mattord, a teamster; and William V. Mattord, a barber at the shop of George L. Huguet at 202 ½ East Ludington Street. In addition, Willard F. Rouse, a mason, and his wife Catherine Rouse also resided at this address in 1925. By 1935 the Elks Temple (Benevolent Order of Elks No. 700) was located here and was still here in 1941-1942.

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History: In 1892-1894 George P. Pastor was listed as a “baker, saloon, etc.,” indicating he must have run both a bakery and a saloon from this location. Joseph Arnibaldi, a baker, resided here in 1902-1903. Joseph LaFontain, a laborer, lived here in 1907-1908 with his wife Della LaFontain, who was a dressmaker. There was no listing for this address in 1913. Fred Cavaiani, a musician, lived here with his wife Margaret Cavaiani in 1925, as did William Louge, a civil engineer, with his wife Frances Louge. In 1935 Albert J. Wilke, the Dickinson County Register of Deeds, and his wife Jennie Wilke, resided here, as did L. Arthur Wright, a manager, and his wife Jeanette Wright. In 1939 Albert J. Wilke, still Dickinson County Register of Deeds, remained at this address with his wife Jennie Wilke. By 1941-1942 Elmer J. Haines, a worker at the Ford Motor Company, and his wife Regina Haines resided here, as did Albert O. Oein [*sic – Oien*], also a worker at the Ford Motor Company, and his wife Lucille Oein [*sic – Oien*].

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History: There was no listing in the city directories for this address in 1892-1894, 1902-1903, 1907-1908 or 1913. **Mrs. Catherine “Cathy” Dorkey**, widow of **John Dorkey**, and **Samuel J. Dorkey**, a laborer, lived here in 1925, and **Mrs. Katherine H. Dorkey**, widow of John Dorkey, still resided here in 1935, 1939 and 1941-1942.

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History: In 1913 **John Grossbusch**, a carpenter and cabinetmaker, resided here. There is no listing in the city directories for this address in 1892-1894, 1902-1903, 1907-1908, 1925, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942. *[Perhaps this is actually 213 East Brown Street. See above entry.]*

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History: Three miners – **Daniel Jope**, **Jacob Williams** and **James Prideaux** – lived at this address in 1892-1894. **William Lund**, a laborer, and **W.T. Luke**, a miner, resided here in 1902-1903. **Fred Brulin**, a miner, lived at this location with his wife **Augusta Brulin** in 1908, and **August Frederickson** also resided here at that time. In 1913 **Gust Triber**, a laborer, and his wife **Elizabeth Triber** lived at this address, as did **C.F. Wallberg**, a tailor, who had his shop at 500 North Stephenson Avenue. **W. Horace Williamson**, a mechanic lived here in 1925 with **Martha Williamson**, widow of **Ralph Williamson**. There is no listing for this address in 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

34: SOUTH SIDE OF 100 BLOCK OF EAST BROWN STREET

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History: In 1892-1894 **Mrs. Lottie Conners**, widow of **Lawrence Conners**, lived here. **Oscar Lundin**, a tailor, resided at this address in 1902-1903. **Amedee Latondress**, a laborer, and his wife **Georgiana Latondress** are listed at this address in 1913 and again in 1925. In 1935 **Henry Jacob**, a truck driver, and his wife **Ovida Jacob** lived here, as did **Mrs. Georgiana St. Arnauld**, widow of **Albert St. Arnauld**. **Georgina [sic] St. Arnold [sic]**, widow of **Albert St. Arnold [sic]** still resided at this address in 1939, and may have been working for the City of Iron Mountain. **Mrs. Georgiana St. Arnold** was again listed at this address in 1941-1942, as was **Henry Jacobs**, a trucker for the City of Iron Mountain, who also lived here with his wife **Vida Jacobs**.

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History: The **Asselin Creamery**, managed by **Urgel F. Asselin**, a resident of Norway, was located here in 1925, but there was no listing for this address in 1892-1893, 1902-1903, 1907-1908, 1913, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

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History: **James Anderson** sold “hardware, tinware and notions” here in 1892-1893, and **Leander Martell**, an ice

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dealer, lived upstairs. Leander Martell, listed as a farmer in 1902-1903, still resided upstairs, and again in 1907-1908 Martell lived here and worked as a laborer. Leander Martell still lived here in 1913 with his wife **Adelaide Martell**, and **John Strong**, who had a second hand store at 105-107 East Brown Street also resided here at that time. In 1925 **Frick's Bakery**, **Claude Frickelton**, proprietor, operated here with Claude and his wife **Rose Frickelton** living here, along with **Don Frick**, who was also a clerk at the bakery, **Mrs. Julia Martell**, widow of Leander Martell, and **John H. White**, a carpenter, and his wife **Elsie White**. This was during the Ford Boom and living quarters were at a premium. In 1935 the **Strand Furniture Exchange** (**Walter E. Strand** and **Ambrose C. Strand**) sold second hand goods at 105-107 East Brown Street. At that same time **Clifford Martell** lived at 105 East Brown Street with his wife **Alice Martell**, as did **Mrs. Lillian D'Amour**, widow of **Wilfred D'Amour**. The **Strand Furniture Company warehouse** was located here in 1939, but the 1941-1942 city directory listed the **Strand Second Hand Store**, operated by the **Strand Brothers** (**Walter E. Strand** and **Ambrose C. Strand**), at this address.

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History: **Harpster & Powell** (**John Harpster** and **John Powell**) operated a dye works and resided at the same address in 1902-1903. The **Carpenter Cook Co.**, wholesale grocers, selling fruit and produce under the local management of **T.W. Gander**, was located at 107-111 East Brown Street in 1925. The **Strand Furniture Exchange** (**Walter E. Strand**

and **Ambrose C. Strand**) sold second hand goods at 105-107 East Brown Street by 1935. By 1939 **Fred Johnson**, a W.P.A. worker, and his wife **Marie Johnson** lived here. **Santina Ferzacca**, a housewife, and **Abe Raskin**, owner of the **Mountain Hotel** at 606 Carpenter Avenue, and his wife **Rose Raskin** were listed at this address in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: In 1892-1894 **Lorenzen & Grevette** (**John Lorenzen** and **Joseph Grevette**) ran a saloon at this location and **Julius Conciani**, a mason, resided in the alley. **Alex Cormer**, a laborer, lived here in 1902-1903. **Mrs. Christina Larson**, widow of **J. Larson**, **Edith Larson**, **Ester Larson**, **Guarda Larson**, **Gust Larson** and **Nels Larson** all resided at this address in 1907-1908. **John E. Clash**, sold "teas, etc.," here in 1913, and **Lowell Tebo**, a woodsman, resided here with his wife **Florence Tebo**. The **Cycle Store**, **William M. Rhodes**, proprietor, provided "Indian Motorcycle Sales and Service" and bicycle repairing at this location in 1925. **Mrs. Mabel Morrison** and **Mrs. Elizabeth Triber**, widow of **Thomas Triber**, also lived here at that time. In 1935 **Louis Engstrom** resided here. There was no listing for this address in 1939, and the address was listed as "vacant" in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: **G.B. Tramontin**, a resident of Iron Mountain since 1879, operated the **National Saloon**, "Fine wines, liquors and cigars served," at this location in 1892-1894, also serving as an agent for **Pabst**

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Brewing Company and living upstairs. In 1902-1903 **C.W. Johnson** ran a saloon at this address, but by 1907-1908 **G.B. Tramontin** was the name on the street address listing. The following Tramontin (spelled "Tremontin") family members were found in the alphabetical listing as residing here in 1907-1908: **Hugo Tramontin, Sr.**, an agent for the Pabst Brewing Company; his wife **Marie Tramontin**; **Ernest Tramontin**, a student; **Hugo Tramontin, Jr.**; **Jennie Tramontin**, a student; and **Olga Tramontin**, a student. **Oscar Sand** operated a saloon at this address at that same time. The address was listed as "vacant" in 1913.

An article in the March 25, 1924 edition of the *Iron Mountain News* announced the opening of a new laundry at this address as follows under the headline NEW LAUNDRY TO BE OPENED HERE: Expect to Have Establishment Ready By First of May:

*Plans are being made to open a new laundry and dry cleaning plant in Iron Mountain about the first of May, it was announced today. The firm, which will be known as **the Modern Laundry & Dry Cleaning company**, is composed of **Edward E. Brouillire** [sic – Brouillire], who has been with the **Sanitary laundry** for 10 years, and **Harry Johnson**, of Minneapolis.*

Equipment valued at \$12,000 has been purchased for the stablishment [sic – establishment], Brouillire said, and is expected here about the middle of April. The laundry will be located at 111 East Brown street in a building that will be remodelled [sic – remodeled] for this purpose.

Reports have been current for some time that an Iron River man has purchased property on South Carpenter avenue upon which he will build a laundry but no

announcement to this effect has been made.

By 1925 the **Modern Laundry & Dry Cleaners**, (**Edward Brouillire** and **Harry Johnson**), operated their business at this location, and **Mrs. Wendla Sundquist**, widow of **Albert O. Sundquist**, **Melvin L. Hulsopple**, a cook, and his wife **Stella Hulsopple** lived here. A brief item in the May 27, 1925 edition of the *Iron Mountain News* announced the following business change:

***Harry Johnson** has disposed of his half interest in the **Modern laundry** to **William Folley**, it was announced today. The business will now be conducted by **Brouillire** and **Folley**.*

The **Modern Laundry & Dry Cleaners** was still located here in 1935, operated by **Edward Brouillire** and **William Folley**. **Emil E. Lund** resided here with his wife **Irene Lund** at this time. By 1939 the **Modern Laundry**, now operated by **Edward E. Brouillire** and **Fred Folley**, was still located here, and was again listed as the **Modern Laundry & Dry Cleaners** under the same ownership in the 1941-1942 city directory which also listed **James McEwing**, an electrician with the **Wisconsin & Michigan Power Company**, as residing here with his wife **Philemine McEwing**.

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History: In 1892-1894 **M. Tramontin** sold groceries at this location, but lived at 111 East Brown Street, a Tramontin family residence for many years. There was no other record of this address in the city

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directories for 1902-1903, 1902-1903, 1907-1908, 1913, 1925, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

34: NORTH SIDE OF 100 BLOCK OF EAST BROWN STREET

100 – SUMMERS LUMBER & TIMBER COMPANY – 2010

History: John Russell, a “dealer in staple and fancy family groceries, provisions, flour, feed, dry goods, boots, shoes, furnishings and general merchandise” operated his store at this address in 1892-1894. **Baptist Hall** was located on the second floor of Russell’s building at this time. In 1902-1903 John Russell was still listed at this location as a “dealer in staple and fancy family groceries, provisions, flour, feed, hay, dry goods, boots, shoes, furnishing goods and general merchandise.” John Russell, erroneously listed at 102 East Brown Street in 1907-1908, sold “dry goods, groceries and notions” at 100 East Brown Street.

An article in the September 1, 1910 edition of the *Iron Mountain Press* noted the **Actual Business College** would “occupy the **Russell Hall** on Brown street on and after the 10th.” Proprietor **R.F. Dundon** was making needed alterations in the hall and when the furniture was in place would “have one of the best arranged schools in the north county.”

John Russell continued to run a general store here in 1913. At that time the Actual Business College, R.F. Dundon, proprietor, was conducted on the second floor of Russell’s building.

An article in the March 10, 1924 edition of the *Iron Mountain News* announced the building had been leased to a wholesale confectioner as follows under the headline **RUSSELL LEASES STORE BUILDING: Chalmers-Burns Confectionery Company to Establish Here:**

*Negotiations have been completed for the lease of the **John Russell building** on West Brown street to the firm of **Chalmers and Burns**, wholesale confectioners. The firm will be established in its new quarters April 1.*

***A.M. Chalmers**, senior member, has been associated with the **Hewett Wholesale company**, of Sault Ste. Marie, as manager, for the last three years. **E.S. Burns** was employed by the same company as a salesman.*

John Russell will not be connected with the company. He announced today that he would permanently retire from business. Mr. Russell came to Iron Mountain in 1884 and has conducted a grocery and dry goods store here for the last 40 years. When he came the city consisted merely of a few scattered groups of mining shacks. He has always been prominent in commercial and civic matters and is very well known.

In 1925 **Chalmers & Burns, Inc.**, wholesale confectioners, occupied this site, as they still did in 1935. In 1939 **Isadore Zacks**, of **I. Zacks & Son (Isadore Zacks and Max Zacks)**, sold meats and fruits at this location, but still lived with his wife **Leah Zacks** at 122 West Ludington Street, where their son Max Zacks also resided. Son **Morris Zacks** also worked at I. Zacks & Son, but lived with his wife **Naomi Zacks** at 311 ½ East Smith Street. In the 1941-1942 city directory **I. Zacks & Sons**

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(Isadore Zacks, Max Zacks and Maurice [sic] Zacks) still dealt in meats and fruit here. Isadore Zacks and his wife Leah Zacks and their son Max Zacks continued to live at 122 West Ludington Street, while Maurice M. Zacks and his wife Naomi Zacks resided at 1229 Crystal Lake Boulevard.

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History: In 1892-1894 **James R. Spencer** operated his confectionery shop at this address.

An advertisement in the May 2, 1896 edition of *The Range-Tribune* noted a new shoe store had been established at this address as follows:

*Everything in the line of footwear at **Corning's New Shoe Store**. Largest and most complete line of ladies', gent's, youth's and children's shoes in the city. Latest styles and narrow widths. Every man who rides the bicycle needs bicycle shoes. We have them. Prices away down. Call and see our shoes before purchasing elsewhere. Brown street, next door to **Corning & Barron's hardware store**.*

Mrs. George T. (Ida M.) Corning sold shoes here in 1902-1903. **Corning & Barron (George T. Corning, Ida M. Corning, his wife, and Thomas H. Barron)**, general hardware merchants, had expanded their original establishment to include 102-104 East Brown Street by 1907-1908. Barron was also the city mayor, and resided at 104 East Brown Street. Corning & Barron (George T. Corning & Thomas H. Barron) continued running their hardware store at 102-104 East Brown Street in 1913, and **Samuel**

Doney, an insurance agent, resided at 104 East Brown Street with his wife **Mary Doney** and **Lillian Doney**. The **Acme Printing Company**, **George W. Klein**, proprietor, advertised "Commercial Forms, Booklets, Folders and General Job Printing" at this site in 1925, and **Mrs. Elsie G. Klein** was listed as a "Piano Instructor and Accompanist For Orchestras, Etc." The Kleins also lived here in 1925.

An article in the June 26, 1925 edition of the *Iron Mountain News* announced a change in ownership for the Acme Printing Company as follows:

*The **Acme Job Printing shop**, 104 East Brown street, has been taken over by **Emil A. Rompf**, of Hancock, it was announced today.*

Mr. Rompf has been employed in the printing business for 15 years, being associated with various firms in the copper country. He is fully experienced.

*The shop is being remodelled [sic – remodeled] and new equipment installed. The business was established about three years ago by **George Klein**.*

John Everingham, a meat cutter, resided here with his wife **Pearl Everingham** in 1935. There was no listing for this address in 1939 or 1941-1942.

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History: **George T. Corning** operated his hardware store at this location in 1892-1894, and **Thomas H. Barron**, his bookkeeper, also resided at the store. By 1902-1903 the hardware firm here was known as **Corning & Barron (George T. Corning and Thomas H. Barron)**. Corning & Barron (**George T. Corning, Ida M.**

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Corning, his wife, and **Thomas H. Barron**), general hardware merchants, had expanded their original establishment to include 102-104 East Brown Street by 1907-1908. Barron was also the city mayor, and resided at 104 East Brown Street. Corning & Barron (George T. Corning & Thomas H. Barron) continued running their hardware store at 102-104 East Brown Street in 1913, and **Samuel Doney**, an insurance agent, resided at 104 East Brown Street with his wife **Mary Doney** and **Lillian Doney**. In 1925 **John W. Strong** ran a “Variety Store, Including Hardware, Stoves, Ranges, Fishing Tackle, New and Second Hand Furniture, Bicycles, Automobile Accessories, Repair Shop in Connection” at this location, where he also lived with his wife **Ellen E. Strong**, **Abigail Strong**, a domestic, **Doris Strong** and **Ethel Strong**, both students, **Gertrude Strong**, a saleslady, and **W. Bradden Strong**, a machinist. **Esther Strong** was also listed as a dressmaker and resident at this address. John W. Strong still operated a variety store and resided here with his wife Ellen E. Strong in 1935. There was no listing for this address in 1939 or 1941-1942.

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History: In 1892-1894 **George Emma**, who ran a saloon at 107 Stephenson Avenue, lived here. **Joe Franzoi** operated a saloon at this location in 1902-1903. In 1907-1908 **George Hoyle** worked from this address doing “upholstering, wall paper, paper hanging, etc.” **Mrs. Annie Lundquist**, widow of **Olaf Lundquist**, resided here at that time. George Hoyle still worked as a painter and paper hanger at this address, and Anna

(Annie) Lundquist still resided at this location in 1913. **Carlson & Son (Frank Carlson and Emil Carlson)** sold “Automobile Accessories and Supplies, Dealers of Goodrich Auto Tire Standard Products” here in 1925. Mrs. Anna Lundquist continued to reside here, together with **Ber** [*sic* – *Bernard* – ?] **Lundquist** and **Silas I. Lundquist**, who sold soft drinks at 101 West Hughitt Street. In 1935 **Berger Simonson** had a restaurant at this location. By 1939 the **Pavey Heating Company**, operated by **Kenneth G. Pavey**, was located here, and also served as the residence of the owner and his wife **Margaret Pavey**. In the 1941-1942 city directory the business was listed as **Pavey Heating and Insulating Company** under the same ownership, and still served as the residence for Kenneth G. and Margaret Pavey.

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History: **Z. Frank** worked here as a “dealer in confectionery, fruit, canned goods, cigars, tobacco, pipes and smokers’ articles, vegetables, writers’ materials and temperance drinks” in 1892-1894. **John Givogre** ran a saloon at this address in 1902-1903. **G.B. “Battista” Contarini** sold cigars and liquors, as well as living here in 1907-1908. In 1913 Battista Contarini was listed as selling “wines” and living at this address with his wife **Jennie Contarini**. There is nothing listed for this address in 1925, but in 1935 Baptiste Contarini [*spelled Cantarini*], ran a tavern and resided here with his wife Jennie Contarini. The **Buffalo Bill Tavern**, operated by **Jenney** [*sic*] **Contarini**, was operating at this address in 1939, but **Tom Strong** was

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listed as operating a tavern here in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: In 1892-1894 **T.B. Catlin** was listed at this address as a “Dealer in Teas, Coffee, Glassware, Crockery, China and fancy goods.” Catlin, also residing here, was the “Chief of Police, City Marshal, Street Commissioner,” and the “Manager, **Michigan Bell Telephone Company**” at that time. **Claus Berg**, of **Gunnarson & Berg (C. Gunnarson & Claus Berg)**, lived upstairs at this address in 1902-1903. The firm’s main store at 619 South Stephenson Avenue sold “furniture, wall paper and paints,” and the two men worked as painters and paper hangers. A second store was located at 122 East Brown Street. In 1907-1908 **Joseph Bolognesi** sold “wines, liquors and cigars” at this address, which was listed as “vacant” in 1913. There was no listing of any kind in 1925, but **Frank Sonaglia** operated a tavern at this location in 1935, and was living here with his wife **Lena Sonaglia**. By 1939 **Dale’s Carpenter Shop**, **George H. Dale**, proprietor, was operating here, and was still listed at this address in the 1941-1942 city directory with ownership shared by **George H. Dale** and **August L. Dale**.

114 – MAYME’S BAR – 2010

History: **Joseph Bolognesi** ran a saloon and resided at this address with his wife **Caroline Bolognesi** in 1913. In 1925, the **Roma Restaurant** was located at 114-116 East Brown Street. **Joseph Bolognesi** was again running a tavern – at 114-116 East Brown Street – and living there with his wife **Emma Bolognesi** in 1935. **The**

Milano Restaurant, **Joseph Bolognesi**, proprietor, was operating at this address in 1939, and probably included 116 East Brown Street. The **Milano Restaurant** was still listed under the same ownership in the 1941-1942 city directory, again probably encompassing 116 East Brown Street. **Joseph Bolognesi** was listed as a widower in the 1939 city directory, and resided here with **Maymie [sic – Mayme] Bolognesi**, an employee at the **Ford Motor Company**, and **William Bolognesi**, a municipal judge. In the 1941-1942 city directory **Joseph Bolognesi** still resided at this address, and also operated the **Bolognesi Distributing Agency** at the corner of Stephenson Avenue and Flesheim Street. **Frank Bolognesi** worked as a trucker for **Joseph Bolognesi** and lived at this address, as did **Wayne Bolognesi**, an employee of the **Ford Motor Company**, and **William I. Bolognesi**, an attorney and judge, and his wife **Alice Bolognesi**.

116 – SULLY’S HAIR STYLING – 2010

History: In 1892-1894 **Hancock & Co. (W.H. Hancock, J.P. Mitchell and Thomas Wills)** had a meat market here. This address was not listed in 1902-1903, but **William H. Mitchell** ran a general hardware store at this location in 1907-1908 which was still there in 1913 under the same ownership. In 1925, the **Roma Restaurant** was located at 114-116 East Brown Street. **Joseph Bolognesi** was running a tavern at 114-116 East Brown Street and living there with his wife **Emma Bolognesi** in 1935. **The Milano Restaurant**, **Joseph Bolognesi**, proprietor, was operating at 114 East Brown Street in 1939, and probably included this address.

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The Milano Restaurant was still listed at 114 East Brown Street under the same ownership in the 1941-1942 city directory, again probably encompassing this address.

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History: There was no listing for this address in 1892-1894, 1902-1903, 1907-1908, 1913, 1925, 1935 or 1939. In the 1941-1942 city directory **Gordon's Texaco Service**, operated by **Gordon Schultz**, was listed at this address.

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History: **Emil Carriere** sold "Hardware, stoves, Tinware, Paints, Oils, Guns, Amunition and Domestic Sewing Machines, Tin and Sheet Iron works" at this location in 1892-1894. By 1902-1903 **William H. Mitchell** was selling "hardware, stoves, etc." here, but there are no entries for this address in 1907-1908, 1913, 1925, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

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History: **Mrs. Margaret Kinsman**, widow of **J.C. Kinsman**, lived here in 1892-1894. **Gunnarson & Berg**, (**C. Gunnarson & Claus Berg**) operated the smaller of their two stores here in 1902-1903, selling "furniture, paints and wall paper." Their other store was located at 619 South Stephenson Avenue, where they sold "furniture, wall paper and paints," and the two men worked as painters and paper hangers. **C. Gunnarson** boarded at the main store at 619 South Stephenson Avenue. **Gust Arnold**, a laborer, boarded upstairs at this address at this time, where

Mrs. Lindquist also lived. **Carlo Mosca**, in the street listing, or **John Mosea** [*probably Mosca*], a miner, resided here in 1907-1908. **John M. Garvey** sold flour and feed at this location in 1913, and was still there in 1925. There was nothing listed for this address in 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

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TYPEWRITER IS LOOT OF THIEF

Only Article Taken In
Robbery at Garvey
Feed Store

Some aspiring young man with a penchant for authorship or a desire to write communications to the newspaper last night broke into the office of the J.M. Garvey Grain and Feed company, at the corner of Brown street and the NorthWestern [*sic – Northwestern*] railroad tracks, and departed with a Remington typewriter.

A rear door that opened under pressure permitted the thief to enter and make his way forward to the office. A report to the police gave the typewriter as the only item missing.

Footprints indicated that the theft was the work of a boy or youth and the police have in mind several who may have committed it.

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History: John J.B. Orr lived here in 1892-1894, and worked as manager for R.J. Kneebone's meat market at 535 South Stephenson Avenue. August Johnson, a miner, resided here in 1902-1903. In 1907-1908 Oscar Sand, who operated a saloon at 111 East Brown Street, lived here with his wife Hilda Sand. Hans Nelson resided at this address with his wife Anna Nelson in 1913. Gene J. Jacobs lived here with his mother, Mrs. Mary Jacobs, widow of Eugene Jacobs, in 1925, and worked as a painter and decorator, advertising "Painting, Decorating, Paperhanging and Kalsomining." Gene J. Jacobs still conducted business as a painter and lived here in 1935, as did Frederick W. Johnson and his wife Marie Johnson. Frederick W. Johnson ran a tavern at 204 South Merritt Street. By 1939 Adolph G. Sorenson, a W.P.A. worker, and his wife Dorothy Sorenson resided at this address, and was again listed here with his wife in the 1941-1942 city directory, then working at the Peninsula Granite & Marble Company. Fred J. Sorenson, who did service work for Henning Pearson, also was listed here in 1941-1942, as was Samuel W. Hocking, who lived here with his wife Minnie Hocking.

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History: Josiah Davey, of Davey & Eaton (Josiah Davey and Fred Eaton),

operated sample rooms at 207 East Ludington Street, but lived at this location in 1892-1894. John G. Nichols, a tinsmith for A.J. Rundle Hardware, resided here in 1902-1903. There was no listing for this address in 1907-1908. Claude Frickelton, a conductor, lived here with his wife Rose Frickelton in 1913. By 1925 Henry Wilcox, a miner, resided here with his wife Minnie Wilcox, as did Thomas H. Cocking, a miner, with his wife Mary Cocking. Henry and Minnie Wilcox still lived at this address in 1935. Samuel Hocking and his wife Minnie Hocking resided here by 1939 *[moving to 101 West Brown Street by 1941-1942, see above]*, and Minnie Wilcox again was listed at this address in 1941-1942, together with William Wilcox, a barber working in Thomas F. Berdinner's barbershop at 714 South Stephenson Avenue, as well as Clarence Morrison, a machinist at the Ford Motor Company, Mabel Morrison, a housewife, and William H. Morrison.

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History: C.F. Johnson, a miner, and Charles Erickson, whose name did not appear in the alphabetical listing, lived here in 1892-1894. M. Lavine, a butcher, resided at this address in 1902-1903. In 1907-1908 John W. Erickson, a miner, lived here with his wife Beda Erickson. William Pilley, a flagman, resided at this location with his wife Mary Pilley, as well as Elmore W. Pilley, a clerk, in 1913. John H. Chapman, Sr., John H. Chapman, Jr., and Mary Chapman all lived here in 1925. By 1935 this address was home to Joseph C. Trepanier, a laborer, his wife Marion Trepanier, Marie Trepanier, a domestic, and Theodore Trepanier. Clement

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Trepanier [*sic* – *Joseph Clement Trepanier*], a W.P.A. worker, and his wife Marion Trepanier were still living here in 1939, and again in 1941-1942, when the listing was again for Joseph C. Trepanier and his wife Marion Trepanier.

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History: **Seth Larson**, a policeman, resided here with his wife **Carrie Larson** in 1907-1908. In 1913 **Peter Broullire**, a bookkeeper, lived at this address with his wife **Minnie Broullire**. **Frank F. Grossbush**, proprietor of the **City Furniture Store**, lived here in 1925, as did **Mary Grossbush**. **William J. Dabb** resided at this location with his wife **Justine Dabb**, and **William Dabb**, a clerk at **William J. Carbis'** grocery store at 201 South Stephenson Avenue, in 1935. William J. Dabb and his wife Justine Dabb still were living here in 1939, as was **John J. Dabb**, a W.P.A. worker, all three again listed in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: **Zeth Larson**, a policeman, lived here in 1902-1903. There were no other entries for this address in 1892-1894, 1907-1908, 1913, 1925, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942. Since **Seth Larson**, a policeman, lived at 107 West Brown Street in 1907-1908, there must have been an error in the 1902-1903 city directory.

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History: In 1892-1894 **Herman Borggren** (“The leading Baker. Dealer in all kinds of bread stuff, cakes, cookies,

toast, hardtack, etc. Parties and weddings supplied. Confectionery, etc.”) operated his bakery and lived at this address. **Isaac Larson**, who worked at the Pewabic Mine, and **Rev. Peter Munson**, pastor of the **Swedish M.E. Church**, also resided here at that time. Isaac Larson, listed as a baker, lived here in 1902-1903, was again listed as a baker living at this address with his wife **Lottie Larson** in 1907-1908, and was again listed as living at this address with his wife Charlotte (Lottie) Larson in 1913, when a “bakershop” was being operated here. The bakery may have been active back in 1902-1903, when Isaac Larson was first listed as a baker. In 1925 **Lawrence A. Zeugner**, a shoemaker residing in Norway, operated his shop here, and the following people were residing at this address: **Mrs. Ida Johnson**, widow of **August Johnson**; **Charles E. Nesbitt**, a machine operator, and his wife **Alberta Nesbitt**; and **James A. Anderson**, a carpenter, and his wife **Eunice Anderson**. The **Brown Street Market**, operated by **Edward C. Graefe** and **Norman O. Graefe** here in 1935, advertised “Groceries and Meats, Delivery Service to All Parts of the City.” **Norman O. Graefe** also lived here with his wife **Sylvia Graefe** in 1935, as did **John F. Gagnon**, an autoworker, and his wife **Marguerite Gagnon**. By 1939 Edward C. Graefe was listed as the sole proprietor of the Brown Street Market. **Elmer L. Koffman** operated the **National Wholesale Company** at this address, according to the 1941-1942 city directory. Apparently the business had expanded to encompass 111-113 West Brown Street. [*See the entry for 113 West Brown Street below.*]

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History: Neuens & Roell (Henry G. Neuens and Edmund F. Roell), according to their advertisement in 1892-1894, were “dealers in staple and fancy family groceries, flour, feed and farm produce, crockery, glassware and canned goods. Ladies’, gents’, children’s footwear [sic], boots, shoes and rubbers. Special agents for Wilbur’s Seed Meal” at this location. They were at the same address selling groceries in 1902-1903, were selling “general merchandise” in 1907-1908 and were classified as a “general store” here in 1913. **Pasquale Mansueto**, a laborer, resided in the rear of the store with his wife **Filomena Mansueto** in 1913. By 1925 the business was known as **E.F. Roell & Co.** (**Edmund F. Roell**, **Ewald O. Roell** and **Edward C. Graefe**), still operating as a general store selling “General Merchandise, Staple and Fancy Groceries, Dry Goods, Gold Bond Coffee, Cera Soda Flour, Usinger’s Fine Sausage and Ward’s Bread.” The address was listed as “vacant” in 1935. By 1939 the **National Wholesale Company**, **Elmer L. Koffman**, proprietor, was located here. Apparently the business had expanded to encompass 111-113 West Brown Street by 1941-1942. [See the entry for 111 West Brown Street above.]

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History: **Robert Drechsler** resided at this address in 1892-1894, and worked as a tailor at 209 East Ludington Street. There were no further listings for this address in 1902-1903, 1907-1908, 1913, 1925, 1935, 1939 or 1941-1942.

117 – MARK’S WINDOW CLEANING, window cleaning – 2010

History: In 1892-1894 **Edgar W. Lathrop**, a teamster lived here. **O.J. Pierson** [probably *Pearson*, judging from the next entry and occupation], a carpenter, resided here in 1902-1903, and in 1907-1908 **O.T. Pearson**, a carpenter, lived here with his wife **Clara Pearson** and son **Paul Pearson**, a student. In 1913 **William J. Baumgartner**, the principal of the **Farragut School**, lived at this location with his wife **Cecile Baumgartner**. **Mrs. Eleda Johnson** resided here in 1925, and **Mrs. Mary Ambrosia**, widow of **Ralph Ambrosia**, was living here by 1935, and was still listed at this address in 1939 and 1941-1942.

35: NORTH SIDE OF 100 BLOCK OF WEST BROWN STREET

100 – MEDIA PRODUCTS GROUP, multimedia; ORBIT TECHNOLOGY, computer and equipment data; WHITE KNUCKLE RC & HOBBIES, hobby and model construction supplies – 2010

History: The **Northern Garage**, (**George Jacksin** and **George Davich**), provided “Rollins Auto Sales and Service, Day and Night Storage,” at 100-102 West Brown Street in 1925. On the second floor of this structure **The Northern Ballroom**, (**George Jacksin**, **George Davich**),

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provided a site for “Dancing and Public Entertainment,” 100-102 West Brown Street. An article in the November 8, 1927 edition of *The Iron Mountain News* noted a change of management as follows under the headline MANAGEMENT OF NORTHERN BALL ROOM CHANGED: Parmelees To Conduct Hall; Opening On Saturday Night:

*The management of the Nightengale pavilion, which is owned by the **Parmelees**, has taken over the **Northern ball room** [sic – Ballroom], corner of Merritt avenue and East Brown street, and will conduct it during the winter months, it was announced today.*

*The ball room [sic – ballroom] will hereafter be known as the **Winter Gardens** and the opening has been set for Saturday night, with a special masquerade ball as the feature.*

The hall has been re-decorated [sic – redecorated] and other new arrangements made for the convenience of the dancers. A number of social functions and parties have already been booked and several well known [sic – well-known] orchestras scheduled for appearances.

An extensive article in the December 27, 1927 edition of *The Iron Mountain News* reported an accident at the end of a Christmas Eve party as follows under the headline THREE HURT AS BALCONY RAIL IS BROKEN IN RUSH: Dancers Precipitated To Floor As Section Gives Way:

*Three girls were injured, two seriously, and several persons were stunned and escaped with only minor scratches and bruises when a section of the wooden railing on the balcony check-room [sic – checkroom] at the **Winter Garden** [sic –*

*Gardens], formerly the **Northern ballroom**, gave way before a holiday jam, as the climax to a Christmas eve party hurling about 10 of the merrymakers to the floor below and throwing the home-bound party into confusion.*

*The injured, later removed to **General hospital**, were:*

*Miss **Esther Korten**, Kimberly avenue, left wrist fractured.*

*Miss **Frances Kascin**, 511 Quinnesec street, Iron Mountain, injuries to head, the extent of which have not yet been determined.*

*Miss **Mildred Lindstrom**, 156 Withworth avenue, East Kingsford, cut on head.*

*Miss **Rena Manifor**, South Stephenson avenue, landed on both knees, sustaining bruises and scratches.*

*Others caught in the fall were **Thomas Hardgrove**, 737 Cass avenue, **Leo Mascotte** and **Homer Cayo**. Several whose names could not be learned scrambled out of the melee, after the fall, and disappeared in the crowd before their identities could be learned.*

Dances Had Finished.

It was as the strains of “Home Sweet Home,” concluding the Christmas eve festivities, were dying away that the crowd which almost packed the dance floor surged towards both stairways leading to the balcony and checkroom, laughing and pushing their way as they scrambled for their wraps. Meeting in front of the checkroom [sic – checkroom] window, the two lanes of jostling humanity struggled for a place at the window, weaving back and forth as the departing ones, laden with wraps, elbowed their way out of the oncoming mob.

Suddenly there was a crash and a thud, as eight feet of the center section of the

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railing gave way and the first of the victims struck the floor about 10 feet below. There was a moment's tense silence, then screams as one after another of the 10 or more who had been jammed against that part of the railing fell to the ballroom floor.

Some leaped to their feet or rolled away from the center of the mix-up. The Misses Korten and Lindstrom were helped to their feet, Miss Korten gripping her broken wrist and Miss Lindstrom visibly in pain from the cut on her head. Miss Kascin lay quite still on the floor.

The injured girls were assisted into waiting automobiles and taken to General hospital, as others stood about rubbing their bruises and nursing minor injuries. Police assisted in quieting the crowd.

Injury Not Critical.

Miss Kascin was still unconscious when she arrived at the hospital, and did not revive until early Sunday morning. Although it is known that she received a severe blow on the back of her head it is not believed that her skull is fractured.

Miss Lindstrom, with a cut on the back of her head, left the hospital shortly after her injury had been dressed. Miss Korten stayed overnight and was taken to her home yesterday noon.

Miss Kascin seemed comfortable this morning as she lay in her bed at the hospital, relating her experience to friends.

"It all happened so quickly that I really don't remember very much of it," she said. "I know that I was standing right against the wall, near the check-room [sic – checkroom] window. I can remember being suddenly pushed away from the wall towards the railing, and I can't recall anything after that. I don't remember being taken to the hospital, and the first I knew, after having been pushed, was when I awoke here Sunday morning."

Miss Kascin was emphatic in declaring that the crowd was pushing and jostling as it surged toward the check-room [sic – checkroom] window, and that the men and girls were bumped back and forth between the railing and the wall of the check-room [sic – checkroom].

Thomas Hardgrove, 21, employed at the Triangle Gas company's station on South Carpenter avenue, told much the same story.

Landed On Side.

"I guess I was one of the first to go over," he said. "I landed on my side and rolled over quick, to get away from the others that were falling around me. I saw Leo Mascotte on the floor, and saw someone tumble right down on him. Then I got up and when I turned around again others were picking themselves up and scrambling out of the way. Although I do not know the exact number who fell, I would say there were about 10."

Miss Manifer, who escaped with only minor bruises, landed on her hands and knees.

Gale F. Parmelee, of **F.E. Parmelee and sons** [sic – Sons], owners and managers of the **Nightingale dancing pavilion** and who have leased the Winter Gardens for a five-months season, from the **Worden-Allen company**, gave his version of the accident this morning.

"The platform and railing at the Winter Gardens is a substantial wooden structure," he said. "The railing is bolted to the steel girders supporting the walls and roof of the building, and is further strengthened by angle irons bolted to the uprights supporting the balcony floor.

"No ordinary pressure could have broken away any part of that railing," Mr. Parmelee continued, "but the crowd that rushed into the narrow passageway,

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pushing, laughing and apparently unmindful of the scramble that resulted, was more than enough to tax the strength of an even stronger support. There must easily have been 75 or 80 people on the balcony and they were all pushing about in effort to get their wraps and get out.”

By 1935 the structure located at 100-102 West Brown Street was listed as “vacant.” By 1939 **Chalmers & Company Wholesale Confectionery, Alex M. Chalmers**, proprietor, was listed at 100-102 West Brown Street and was still listed at this location in the 1941-1942 city directory. There was no entry for this address in 1892-1894, 1902-1903, 1907-1908 or 1913.

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History: **Anton Tramontin** operated a saloon at this address in 1892-1894, and also resided here. In 1902-1903 **Dominic Contarini** was the saloonkeeper at this location. **Charles Lee** sold “liquor and cigars” here in 1907-1908, living at this address with his wife **Barbara Lee**, as well as **Frank Lee**, a laborer, and **Kasmer Lee**, a student. **Phillip Zaio**, listed on the street index but not found in alphabetical listing, also may have resided here in 1907-1908. The property was listed as “vacant” in 1913. **The Northern Garage, (George Jacksin and George Davich)**, provided “Rollins Auto Sales and Service, Day and Night Storage,” at 100-102 West Brown Street in 1925. On the second floor of this structure **The Northern Ballroom, (George Jacksin, George Davich)**, provided a site for “Dancing and Public Entertainment,” 100-102 West Brown Street. In 1935 the structure located at 100-102 West Brown Street was listed as “vacant.” By 1939

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History: In 1892-1894 **James Rodda**, a miner, lived at this address. **George Wedge**, a miner, resided here in 1902-1903, as did **Verona Wedge**, a milliner, who also worked at this address. In 1907 **George Wedge**, a miner, resided here with his wife **Mary Wedge**, as well as **John Wedge**, who worked in a freight office. Miner **George Wedge**, his wife, **Mary Wedge**, and **John Wedge**, a machinist, all still lived here in 1913. **Peter Dalberto**, a painter, resided here with his wife **Georgina Dalberto** in 1925, and **Edward Dabb**, a janitor, lived here with his wife **Edith Dabb** in 1935. By 1939 **Joseph G. Horn**, a salesman, resided here with his wife **Marie Horn**, but in the 1941-1942 city directory **Emil Gustafson** was listed at this address, as was **Emma V. Stevenson**.

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History: **John Uren**, a miner, resided here in 1892-1894, and was still living here in 1902-1903 when his occupation was listed as a drayman. **Mrs. John Uren** was found on the street listing as living at this address in 1907-1908, but her name did not appear in the alphabetical listing. **Richard Julian**, a miner, lived here in 1913. **David Heinonen** ran a boarding house at this location in 1925, and resided here with his wife **Niame Heinonen**. **Alfred Gaiconi**, a laborer, was living here with his wife **Antoinette Giaconi** in 1935. In 1939

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Alfred Gaiconi, a W.P.A. worker, and his wife Antoinette Gaiconi remained at this address, and were again listed here in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: **Z. Frank**, listed as a “Dealer in confectionery, fruit, canned goods, cigars, tobacco, pipes and smokers’ articles, vegetables, writers’ materials and temperance” at 110 East Brown Street in 1892-1894, resided at this address. By 1902-1903 **John Reynolds, Sr.**, and his son, **John Reynolds, Jr.**, a laborer, lived here. **James Olds**, a laborer, resided at this address in 1907-1908 with his wife **Nanie Olds**, as well as **Albert J. Olds**, a laborer, **Charles Olds**, a laborer, and **Fred Olds**, a laborer. **Frank Hill**, a fireman, lived here with his wife **Selma Hill** in 1913. The property was listed as “vacant” in 1925, but by 1935 **Johannes Taylor**, an autoworker, and his wife **Lucille Taylor** occupied this address. In 1939 and again in 1941-1942 this address was listed as “vacant.”

110 – RESIDENCE – 2010

History: **F.W. Parker** was listed as living here in the street index in 1892-1894, but was not found in the alphabetical listing. **Mrs. Mary Colburn**, a caterer, resided here in 1902-1903. **Charles H. Martin**, a miner, shared this residence with his wife **Susie Martin** in 1907-1908. **Charles H. Martin**, a miner, shared this residence with his wife **Susie Martin** in 1907-1908. By 1913 **Charles H. Martin** was a ropeman, still living here with his wife **Susan Martin**. Mrs. Susie Martin, widow of Charles H. Martin lived at this address in 1925, together with **Clarice Martin**, **Hortense**

Martin, a saleslady at **Oshin’s Ready-to-Wear**, and **Lenore Martin**, a stenographer. In 1935 Susan Martin, widow of Charles H. Martin, was still listed here, as was Clarice Martin, a clerk, and **Gladys Martin**, a clerk. Mrs. Susan Martin, widow of Charles H. Martin, and Gladys Martin, an employee at the **S.H. Eagle Company** at 205 West A Street, were still at this location in 1939. In the 1941-1942 city directory Mrs. Susan Martin was still listed at this address, together with Clarice Martin and Gladys Martin, cashier and bookkeeper at the Eagle Company (S.H. Eagle, eggs, poultry and cheese) at 205 West A Street, and **Marcus J. Townley**, the superintendent of the school board, and his wife **Leonor Townley**, manager of the **A & P Store** at 407 South Stephenson Avenue.

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History: In 1892-1894 residents of this property included **Frederick Lane**, a warehouse man for the **Milwaukee & Northern Railway**; **C.E. Lane**, a clerk for **J.L. Sterling**, **Ellen M. Lane**, **W.H. Lane**, a clerk for the Milwaukee & Northern Railway, and **William Lane**. **Joseph E. Graefe**, a laborer, lived here in 1902-1903, and was an engineer, residing at this address with his wife **Ida Graefe**, and **Edward C. Graefe**, a laborer, and **Lawrence A. Graefe**, a student, in 1907-1908. By 1913 Joseph E. Graefe was a station engineer, still living here with his wife Ida, and Edward C. and Lawrence A. Graefe, both clerks. Joseph E. Graefe, a pump operator, still was listed at this address in 1925 with his wife Ida, **Helen E. Graefe**, a teacher; Lawrence A. Graefe, an assistant agent for the Chicago & North-Western Railway; **Norman L. Graefe**, a student, and **Ruth**

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Graefe. Mrs. Ida Graefe, widow of Joseph E. Graefe, was still a resident of this property in 1935, as was Lawrence A. Graefe, an assistant agent. There was no listing for this address in 1939, but **George P. Crandall**, employed at the **A.C. Frankini Jewelry Store** at 521 South Stephenson Avenue, and his wife **Ruth Crandall** were listed here in the 1941-1942 city directory.

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History: In 1892-1894 **T.H. Byrnes** operated a meat market and also resided at this address. In 1902-1903 the property was occupied by **Byrnes Hall**, presumably owned by T.H. Byrnes. There was no listing for this address in 1907-1908. By 1913 the **Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church**, the **Rev. Otto Johnson**, pastor, had been constructed. The church's pastor in 1925 was the **Rev. C.E. Schildt**, and in 1935 the **Rev. Emil Malmstrom** was serving as pastor. The Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church was still located at this address in 1939, with the Rev. Emil Malmstrom still serving as pastor. By 1941-1942 the church's name had been changed to the **Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church**, and the **Rev. Charles J. Swanson** was the pastor.