

400 West Commercial

Freedom Photography in 2008.

G&W Antique Store was located here in 1993, owned by Wanda Minor.

In 1940, this was the Gingham Girl Café, owned by Carl L. Camp.

In 1935, George Wald owned a second-hand clothing shop here.

Charles W. Schafer Drugs was located here in 1930. He resided at the same address.

In 1925, another second-hand shop occupied this address, owned by Everett M. Beckerdrite who lived at the same address.

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Triad Graphics occupied the building in 1990-2008. Owner Andres Curtis lived at 2106 Brenkenfighe.

In 1985, Leonard Payne owned Northside Furniture here.

From 1965-1975, the building was generally vacant.

In 1960, Northside Furniture was using the building.

From after about 1940-1945, the building was vacant. In 1940, Jack Ghormley Tires, owned by Jack Ghormley of 955 College Street, occupied this building.

In 1935, the building was vacant.

In 1930, Alfred E. Barnett Tire & Repair was located here.

In 1925, it was occupied by Elva Andrews, confectioner.

From about 1915-1920, William Gray had a shop here called Second Hand. He resided at 2427 Vernon.

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This was the location of Frisco Gentleman's Club (whorehouse/brothel). It was built prior to 1920. From 1920-1940, the building was generally vacant.

Vaugh or Vaugh & Son Furniture was located here in 1950-1955. The owner was Clifford Vaugh who resided at 1623 North Main Street.

During the years of 1960-1975, the building was frequently vacant. It's located in the building next to what was once Peddler's Antiques until 1960 and again in

about 1990. Owners were Marshal and Sandra Kennard.

In 1980, Archery Outfitters was located here. Owners were Ed Anderson who lived at 288 Manchesterm, and Peg and Roger Hegpeth who lived at 2365 South Dollison Avenue.

In 1985, it was J&J Pawn Shop owned by Jack Henderson.

Urbanbilt in 2008.

Katie Pieri: I found out a little more about this building. It was built to be a whorehouse/gentleman's club due to the many small rooms up above the main entrance. Many years after that the small rooms were transformed into three loft apartments, which are still being leased today. Around the same time in which the lofts were built, an old lady sold rags out of the first floor up until a few years ago. As of right now the lofts and the first floor are both vacant. However, the lofts are available to rent.

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The Belmonte in 2008.

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Home Bakery occupied this building in 1920, owned by Mrs. A. McArthur.

It was M.F. Burton Restaurant in 1925.

Guy and Margret Reed owned Guy Reed Furniture here in 1930. They resided at 1235 East Walnut Street.

The location was John Fredy Furniture in 1935. Willard Pride Second-Hand Furniture was here in 1940, with owners Willard and Mattie Pride who lived at 1810 North Grant Street.

In 1945, Barney Vaugh Exchange, owner Barney Baugh who lived at 1409 Lyons, occupied the building.

From about 1950-1960, the building was often vacant.

It was the site of Bob's sports Center in 1965. The owner was Bob Padgett.

HynoPower Mind Development was located here in 1970, owned by Merele Parker.

John Freeman, owner, Ozark Archery occupied this building and 434 West in 1975.

In 1980, it was Talbot Furniture.

White Appliances occupied the premises in 1985.

In 1990, this was the site of K&B Furniture, owned by Clyde Gordon, and Furniture & More in 2008.

Beth Riechers: Built in 1903

-October 15 current owner will have owned it for 9 years as a furniture store

-Has been owned previously as furniture stores

-2 restaurants have also been operated there in the early 50's and 60's

-Has been a storage place for sheet metal

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G.E. Haskins Furniture was located here in 1920.

In 1935, this building was the site of Guy Reed Furniture.

It was vacant in 1935. In 1940, Wayne's Equipment Company, owner Wayne Bowman, was located here.

The Frisco Transportation Company was located here in 1945.

In 1950, this address was home to Royster's Café, owned by Essie Royster who lived at 440 East Elm Street.

From 1955-1960, the building was often vacant.

Margie's Tavern occupied the building in 1965. Margie Sztuk, owner, lived at 1612 N. National Avenue.

Barbara's Tavern was located here in 1970. Owners O. Gene and Barbara Shockley lived at 1210 North West Avenue.

In 1975, Ozark Archery occupied this building, and John Freeman was owner.

In 1980, it was home to Talbot.

In 1985, this was B&J Furniture & Auction, owned by Bill Moore.

In 1990, the building was vacant.

Lewis' Boxing Gym was located here in 1993-2008.