

Marshall Main Street Program

BUILDING SURVEY

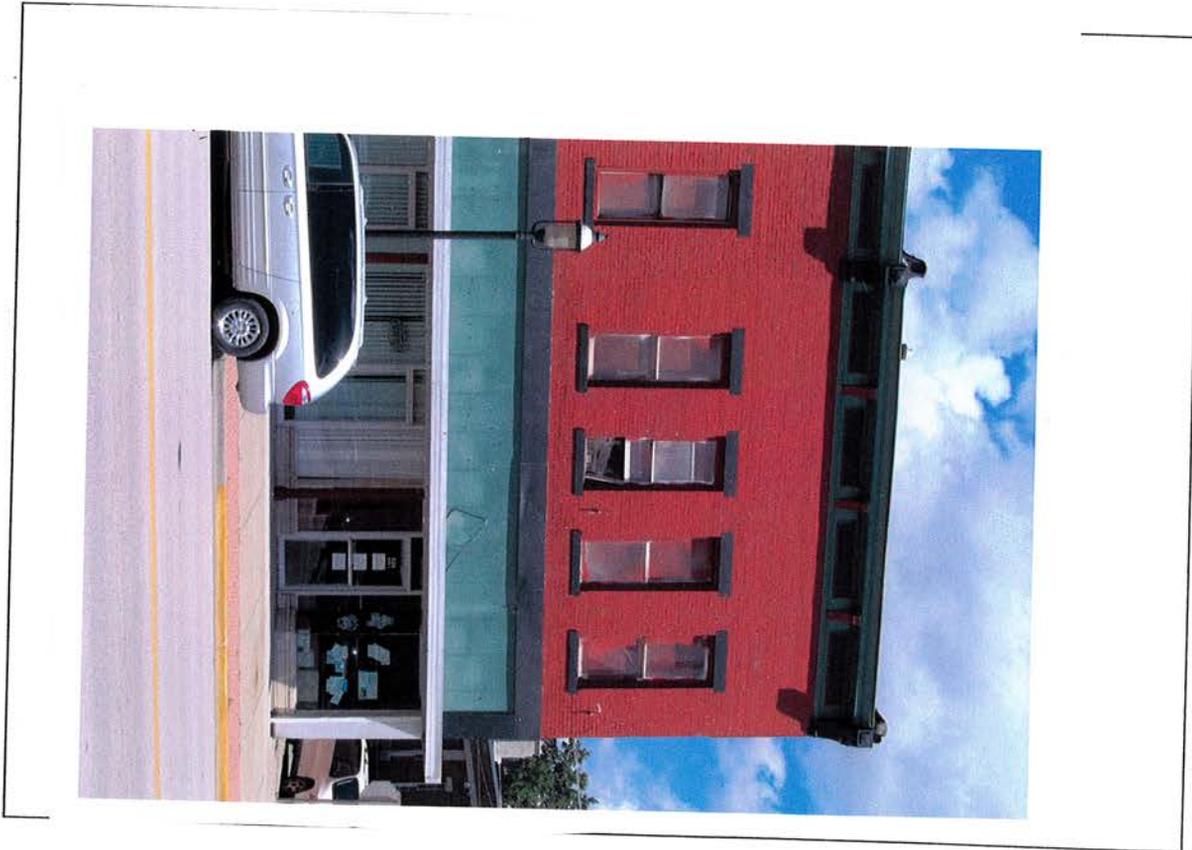
Telephone (217) 826-9023

Structure Address: 624 Archer

Date: 8/9/2011

Reference No.: E 1/2 Lots Block 22
08081318304027

Prepared By: Eleanor Macken



Name of Present Business: Happy Chona (east half)

Type of Business: Restaurant

Present Building Owner: Lia, Xue Sha

Estimated Construction Date: 1907

Original Business or Use: Grocery Store

Historic Name: Ben T. Baird building

Any drawings or pictures of early building available: yes

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Structure Address: 624 Archer

Date: March 11, 2002

Reference No.: _____

Prepared By: Wesley Wells



Name of Present Business: The Bargain Outlet

Type of Business: Wholesale Novelties

Present Building Owner: _____

Estimated Construction Date: _____

Original Business or Use: _____

Historic Name: _____

Any drawings or pictures of early building available: _____

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Prepared By: _____

Location: Archer Ave.

Dimensions: Width _____ Length _____

Corner Building:

Structure Height: 1-Story 2-Story 3-Story

Foundation: Concrete Stone Block/Brick Other Type _____

Exterior Walls: (Above 1st Floor)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Stone	<input type="checkbox"/> Vertical Wood Siding
	<input type="checkbox"/> Horizontal Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco
	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Artificial Stone
	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Block	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

(First Floor)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stone	<input type="checkbox"/> Vertical Wood Siding
	<input type="checkbox"/> Horizontal Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco
	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Artificial Stone
	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Block	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Windows (Above 1st Floor)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Double Hung
	<input type="checkbox"/> Casement (Side Hinge)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sliding	<input type="checkbox"/> Stained, leaded or beveled
	<input type="checkbox"/> Boarded	<input type="checkbox"/> Replaced with brick & filled	<input type="checkbox"/> Other type _____

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Store Front Display Area Rippled or Colored above display Clear above display

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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Floor		<input type="checkbox"/> Second Floor	
Awnings					
Material	<input type="checkbox"/> Canvas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminum			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Constructed	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle		<input type="checkbox"/> Roofing Material	
Doors	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Metal		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glass	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear glass in door 30%			<input type="checkbox"/> Mostly solid wood	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sidelite	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear		<input type="checkbox"/> Stained, leaded, or beveled	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clear		<input type="checkbox"/> Stained, leaded, or beveled	
Cornice	<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decorative		<input type="checkbox"/> Style _____	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brackets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Panels, Windows		<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Main Entrance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Centered	<input type="checkbox"/> Off center to right		<input type="checkbox"/> Off center to left	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Entrance to upper floors		<input type="checkbox"/> Side entrance (Corner Building)		
Unique Ornamental Trim	<input type="checkbox"/> Bay	<input type="checkbox"/> Tower or Turret		<input type="checkbox"/> Balcony	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Arches	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ornamental Column or Parts		<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative wooden	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Metal Works	<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Stone Work		<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Brick	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Stairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Simple		<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Metal	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Cross Beam			<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Decorative Rosettes				

Present Colors: Walls: white + tan colored stones Sidewall white
 (If corner)
 Window trim: white
 Doors: glass
 Awning: white
 Stairs: _____

2nd Floor Use: Used Storage Apt. Office

3rd Floor Use: Used Unused Storage Apt. Office

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Reference No.: _____

Prepared By: _____

Exterior Renovations: added awning, put up store sign, added ~~the~~ vertical wood panels
Description: above bottom section

Estimated Date: _____ Architect or Builder: _____

Original Owner: _____

Other Owners:	Dates		1st Floor Use
	From	To	
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

2nd & 3rd Floor
Offices or
Residences _____

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Any original or early interior features still in tact (lights, tin ceiling, etc.)

Integrity of original structure:

- Unaltered
- Slight modification on the building
- Slight modification 1st floor only
- Major modification entire building
- Major modification 1st floor only

Ease to restore original appearance:

- Very easy Restore windows, take down awnings, etc.

- Moderate

- Difficult needs a new paint job, bottom has been
greatly changed and would take a lot of work

- Very Difficult

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Condition of structure:

- Excellent
- Good (No structure problems; needs maintenance)
- Fair (Needs major maintenance & minor structure)
- Poor (Deteriorated & structure problems)

Historical significance

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Date of origin | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architectural style | <input type="checkbox"/> Importance to community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architect | <input type="checkbox"/> Importance to streetscape |

Legal Description:

ADDRESS 624 Archer ave

NAME OF BUSINESS The Bargain Outlet

TYPE OF BUSINESS Wholesale Novelties

NUMBER OF STORIES 2

TYPE OF USE IF ANY 2ND FLOOR Empty front (apt. on side)⁽²⁾
3RD FLOOR _____

APPROXIMATE WIDTH OF BUILDING 40 X 145 FT.

ON CORNER LOT? YES _____ NO

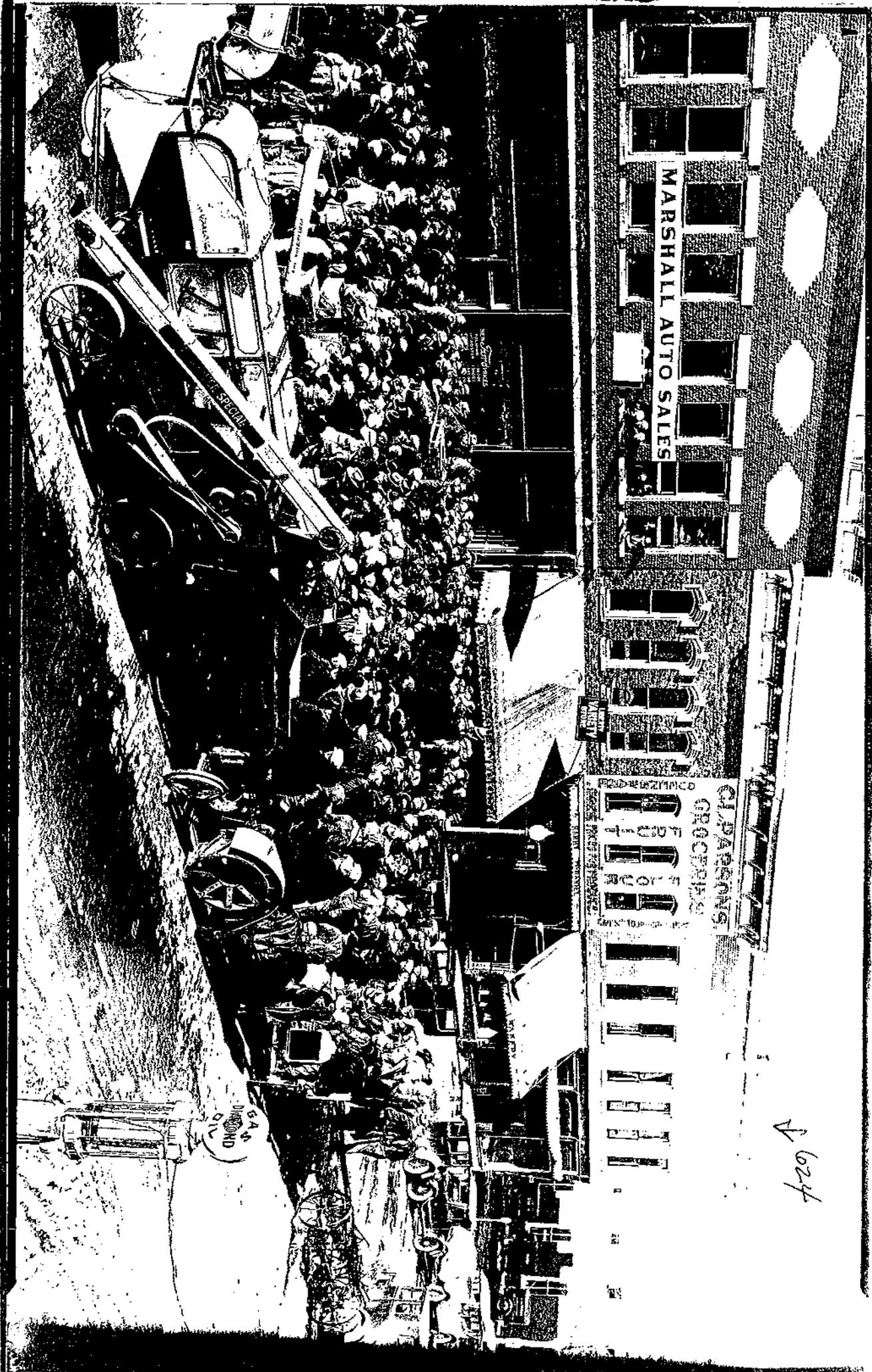
NUMBER OF PARKING PLACES IN FRONT 1

NUMBER OF PARKING PLACES ON SIDE 4

UNIQUE FEATURES OF BUILDING:

Entrances

COMPLETED BY: _____



MARSHALL AUTO SALES

CLIPSONS GROCERIES
FRED W. WILSON
SALES TO THE TRADE

BEAN BRAND OIL

A 627

Archer and Seventh - Northwest Corner



618

↓ 620

↓ 622 ↓ 624

622 & 624 Archer

Happy China: A family effort

By Gary Strohm
Publisher

In 2006 Xue (pronounced shur) Shu Liu drove eight hours to check out an ad that he'd seen for the Chinese restaurant in Marshall. He had searched around the Midwest for a restaurant which he could buy so that he, his wife Xiu (pron. sue) and their children Hsing (pron. sing) and Shan (pron. sawn) could work together.

Xue ended up staying the week in Marshall so that he could get a feel for what kind of a town it was. He was so impressed with the location, the people and the cleanliness of the town that he decided to bring his family here. He returned to Michigan and brought them to Illinois a week and a half later.

Mr. Liu had worked for ten years as a chef at a restaurant owned by relatives in Fremont, Michigan, the home of Gether Products. The restaurant was very successful, but he longed to have a business of his own. Prior to that, he had worked in New York City for five years, while he earned money to bring his family to America. He brought them to New York for a year and jumped at the chance to move to Fremont, Michigan, to work in his relative's restaurant.

The family was comfortable living in Brooklyn and Xue working in Manhattan's China Town. They were surrounded by other Chinese immigrants, who all spoke Chinese. However, Mr. and Mrs. Liu wanted Hsing and Shan to learn English. This was a great sacrifice on their part, since Xue and Xiu know very little English themselves.

Mr. Liu says that it was a challenge to taking over the business in a new town but that the people in Marshall were very helpful. If there was a problem, the customers would give him recommendations as to who best to help with the air conditioning, plumbing, etc.

"After 5 1/2 years, we feel like this is our home," said Mrs. Liu, (speaking through Hsing - she still knows only a few words of English). "We look forward to staying here the rest of our lives and continuing to improve the restaurant," added Mr. Liu (through Hsing). Having lived in an apartment since moving to Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Liu are looking forward to buying a home in the coming year.



The Liu family: (seated) Xue with Jasmine and Xiu with Sophia. (standing l-r) Lupe, Hsing and Shan. Photo by Gary Strohm.

The family takes great pride in their restaurant. "We put our hearts into it," said Hsing. Mr. Liu enjoys cooking for everyone and points out that all of the food is homemade. The whole family spends long hours preparing, cooking, maintaining the food bar, clearing tables and doing dishes. The restaurant is open six days a week 11-10pm and Sundays 11-3pm, and they spend another six or more hours each day in cleaning and preparation.

"Everybody is so friendly here, just like family" said Hsing, who had just graduated from high school before his family left Michigan. He has since married his high school sweetheart. Lupe and the couple have two daughters, Jasmine and Sophia. "I fell in love with this town. I want to raise my daughters here."

Shan is two years younger and finished her last two years of high school at Marshall.

On the rare days (usually holidays) that they can take a day or two, Hsing and Lupe might go to Michigan and back to visit friends or his wife's family. Mr. and Mrs. Liu might travel to New York City to buy some kitchen utensils or machine parts.

The Liu family hails from Fu Jiang province, which is located in southern China, across from Taiwan. It never snows there and has a climate similar to Florida. In China Mr. Liu owned a clothing store and later was co-owner of a roofing company. Entrepreneurship runs in the family. His father began working at age 11 and left home at 17 to work in Singapore and England before settling in China.

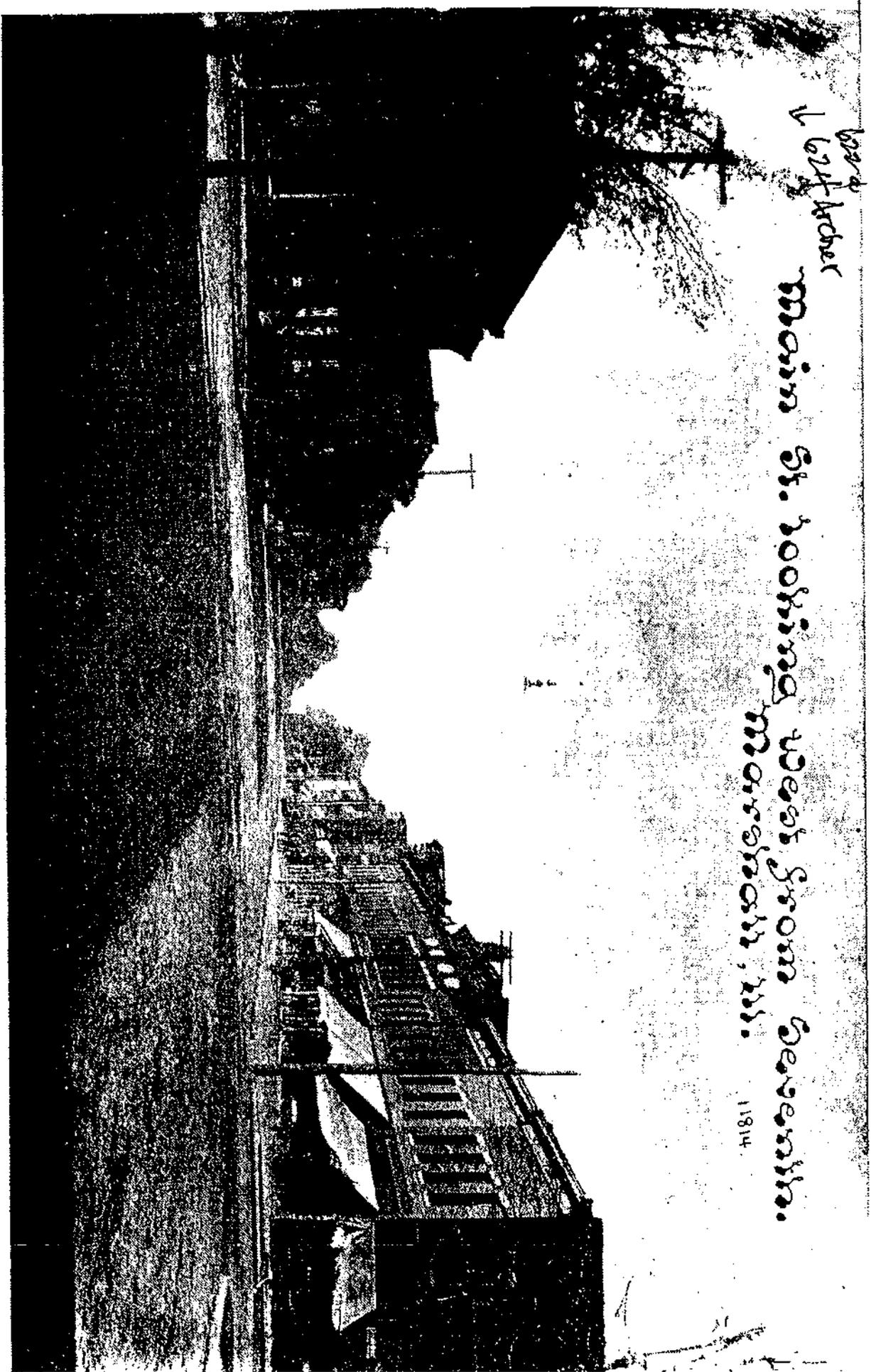
Mr. Liu tells how people who enjoy the great food would return from trips to the U.S. and tell of how wonderful it was here with all the buildings and products at greater freedom and opportunities, all things which he wanted for his family.

The family misses the family members who still live in China - Mr. Liu's mother and Mrs. Liu's parents. In addition, Mr. Liu has two brothers living in Hong Kong and Mrs. Liu has five sisters across from Taiwan. Mr. Liu has returned to China once since bringing his family here and speaks with his mother every other day by cell phone. Not only do Xiu and Xiu plan to retire in Marshall, Hsing also plans to spend his working life here. That's good news for all of us customers who enjoy the great food Happy China.

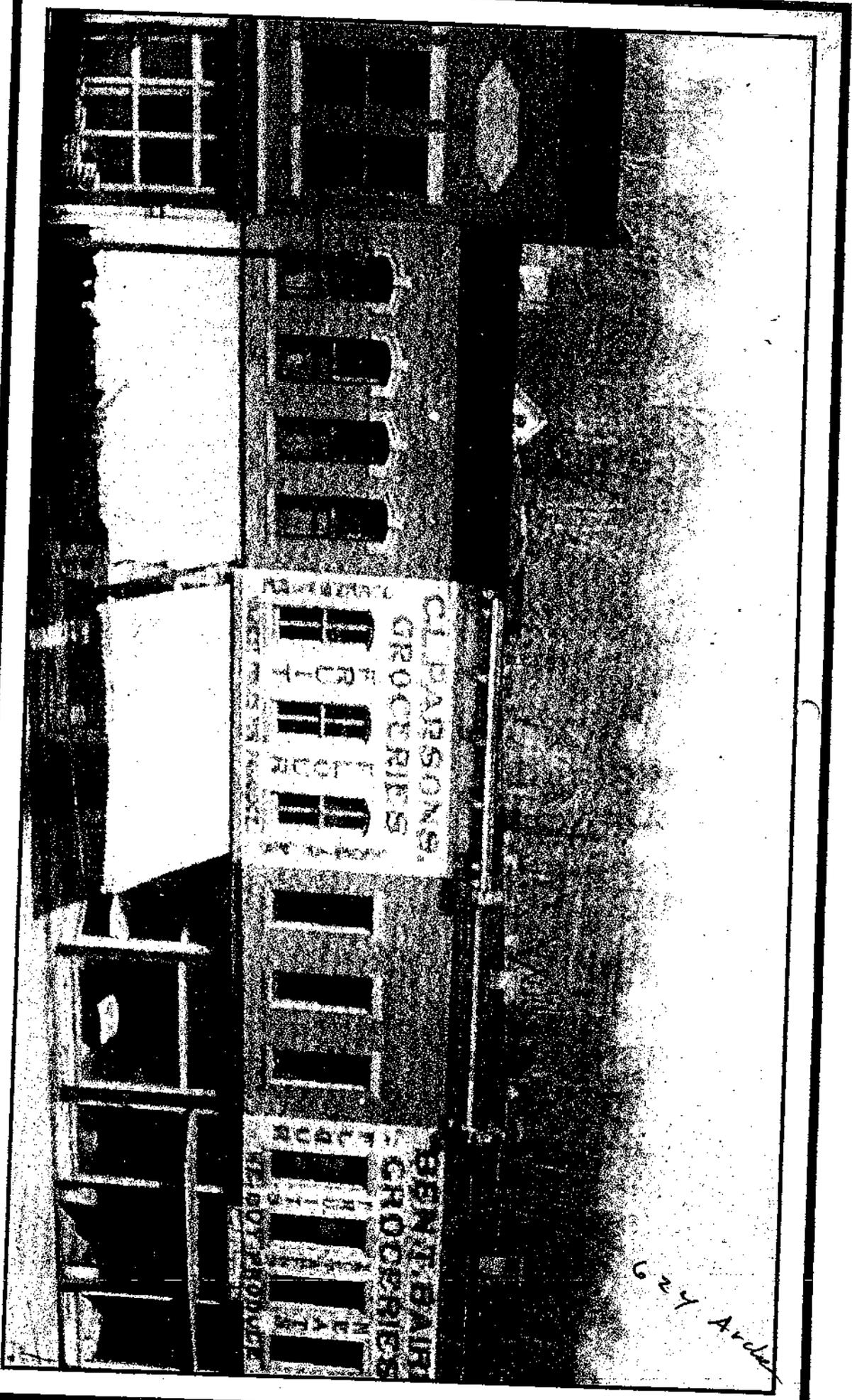


Xue Liu prepares chicken chow mein. Photo by Gary Strohm.

Board
624 Archer
Main St. looking west from Seventh.
Marshall, Ill.
11814



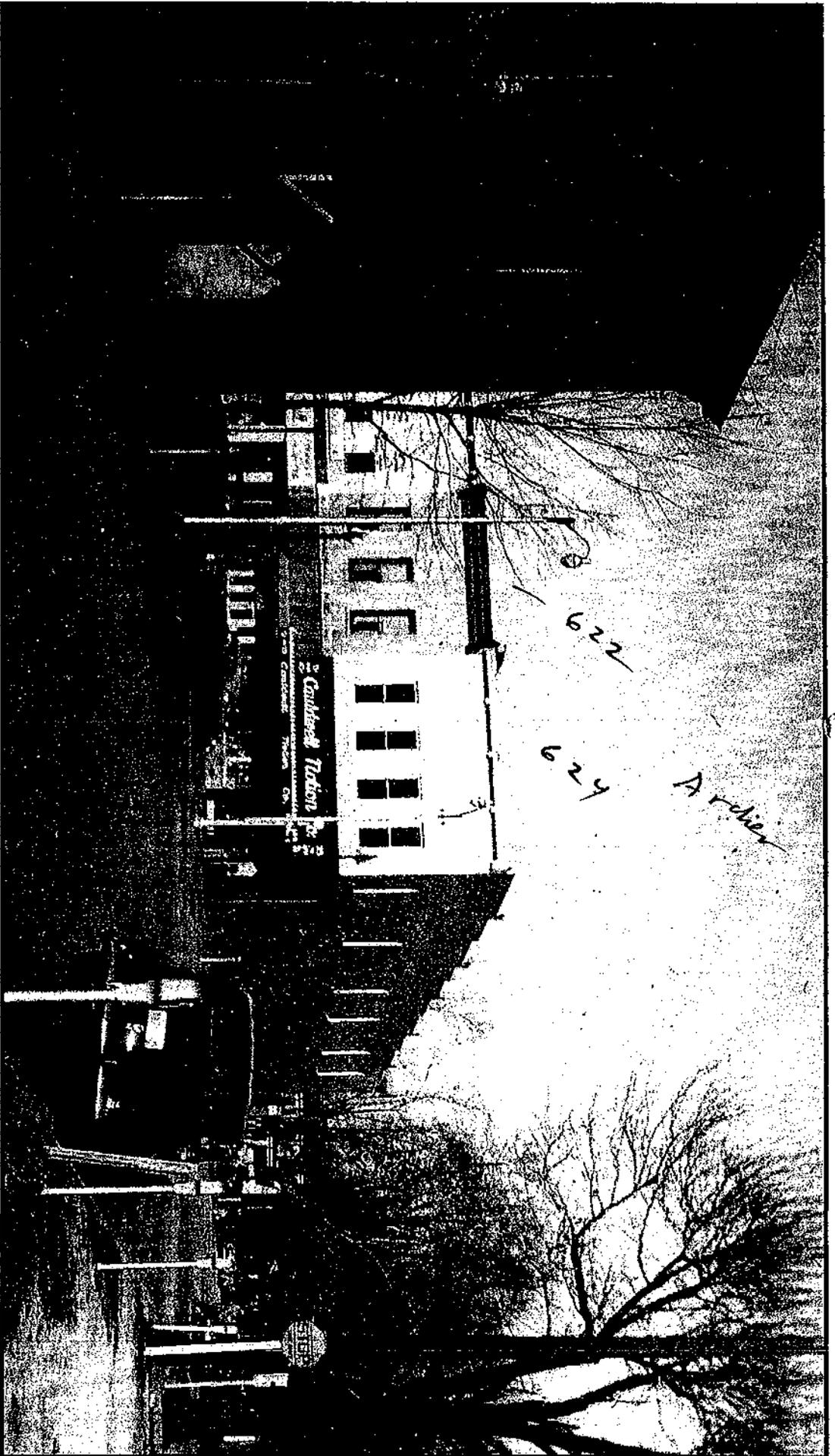
MAIN STREET, LOOKING WEST FROM SEVENTH, MARSHALL, ILL.



624 Archer

North Side of Archer Avenue

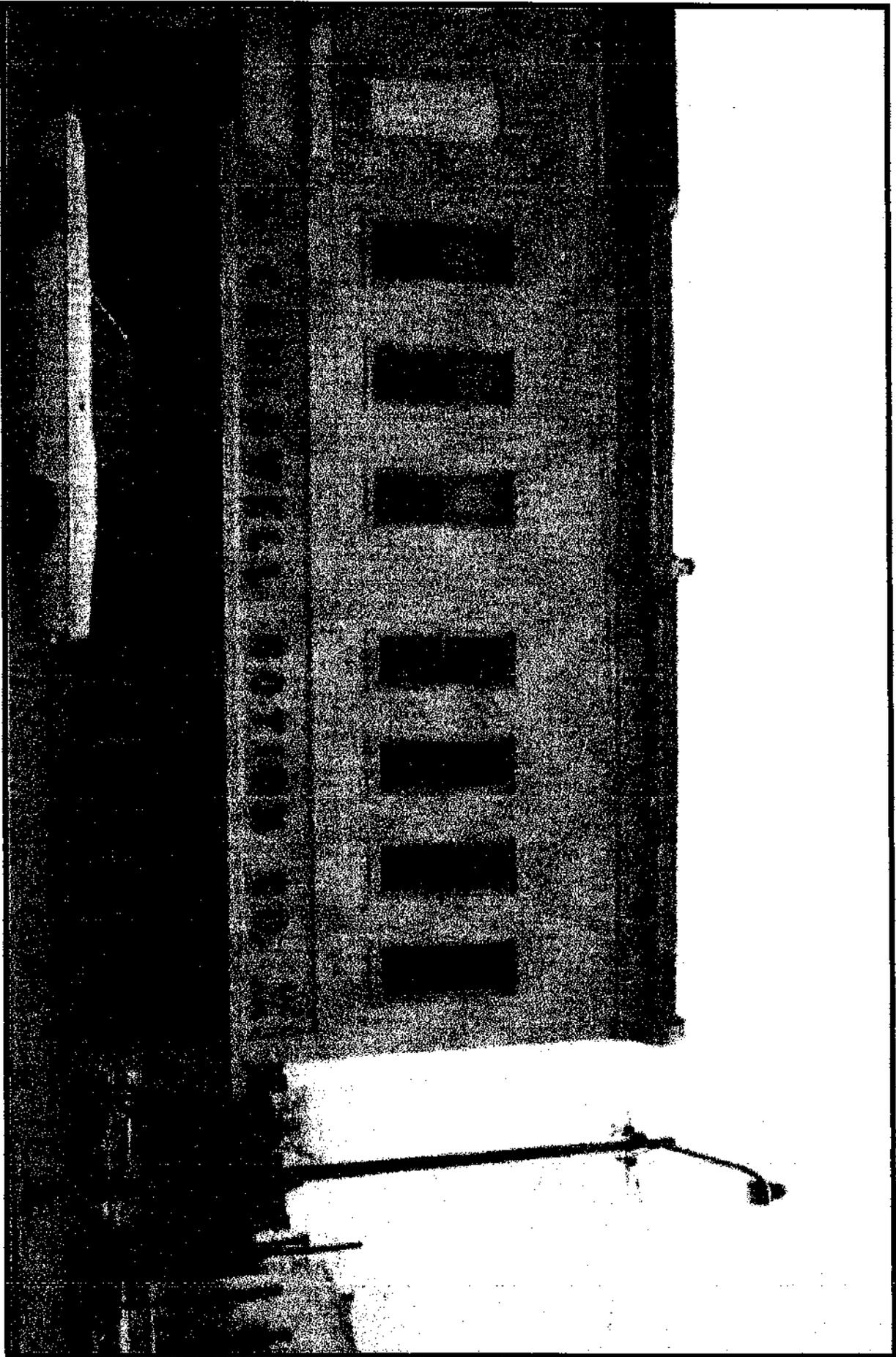
1930's



7th Street looking North

Note Parking Meters

Early 50's



Cauldwell Notion about 1973
624 Archer Avenue

2007
Happy China

HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT APPLICATION MARSHALL MAIL STREET PROGRAM

The Design Committee of the Marshall Main Street Program has instituted a grant for the historic preservation of buildings in the Main Street Downtown District. This Grant could be used for purchase and installation of awnings, doors, signs, window repair, ^{panels} signs, structural repairs, etc. Certain requirements will apply as dictated by the City of Marshall and the Marshall Main Street Program. APPROVAL MUST BE OBTAINED PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE PROJECT.

The amount of the grant is one-half of the cost of the project, up to a maximum of \$500. Each downtown building is eligible for one grant per year with a two-grant maximum. A total of six historic preservation grants will be awarded each calendar year. Certain requirements will apply as dictated by the City of Marshall and the Marshall Main Street Program.

Date 7-19-07
BUILDING OWNER NAME Michael WIAFT
ADDRESS ~~624~~ 713 Archer Ave
Daytime phone 217-251-6670
BUILDING ADDRESS 624 Archer Ave
TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT PANES
TOTAL COST OF IMPROVEMENT 8500.00
NAME & VENDORS ADDRESS Michael WIAFT
BUILDING OWNER SIGNATURE: [Signature]
DATE: 7-19-07

Please attach a description and drawing of proposed improvement

The Design Committee makes Grant approvals. Approval must be obtained prior to beginning of renovation project. The Design Committee meets on the 4th Thursday of every month. Please allow up to 60 days for final approval.

Reimbursement will be made after improvement is completed and submission of invoice for total improvement is received in the Main Street Office.

APPROVALS:

Design Committee, chr. Eddie Breneman Date 7/27/2007

Main Street President Karen Loun N.P. Date _____

Program Manager Brenda White Date 07-31-2007

Treasurer [Signature] Date _____

RETURN APPLICATION TO: MARSHALL MAIN STREET PROGRAM,
P.O. Box 85, 708 Archer Avenue, Marshall, IL 62441

Revised 07/15/07



LOWE'S HOME CENTERS, INC.
 4701 SOUTH US HWY. 41
 TERRE HAUTE, IN 47802
 (812)299-0202

-SALE-
 SALES #: S0215BL1 1120902 07-24-07

- Pressure Sprayer
 - 389.00

248622 TB 3000 PSI B&S PRESSURE	389.00
115799 5GL VALSPAR EXT SATIN BSE	30.00
45549 5GL BULLSEYE PRIMER ZINSS	160.00
2 @ 80.00	
48706 5GL VALSPAR OIL BARN RED	210.00
3 @ 70.00	
100957 LARGE LIP STRIKE 4 7/8" L	2.97
37603 AB TYLO PROJECT PACK	49.97
SUBTOTAL:	841.94
TAX 38560 :	50.52
INVOICE 13666 TOTAL:	892.46

892.46
 - 389.00

BALANCE DUE: 892.46

CASH : 300.00
 MERCH/GIFT CARDS : 486.54
 DEBIT M/C : 105.92

~~\$~~ 503.46

MERCH/GIFT CARD 9350 AUTHCODE 000000

BEGIN BAL	TRANSACTION AMT	ENDING BAL
486.54	486.54	0.00

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PURCHASE	CASH BACK TOTAL DEBIT
105.92	0.00 105.92

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* OF ITEMS PURCHASED: 9
 EXCLUDES FEES, SERVICES AND SPECIAL ORDER ITEMS



