

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

### 1. Name of Property

historic name Kaullen Mercantile Company

other names/site number Ben Derkum Store Property, Paul Griffin Marine Sales

### 2. Location

street & number 900 & 902 E. High Street [ N/A ] not for publication

city or town Jefferson City [ N/A ] vicinity

state Missouri code MO county Cole code 051 zip code 65101

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( see continuation sheet for additional comments).

Signature of certifying official/Title

Claire F. Blackwell  
Claire F. Blackwell/ Deputy SHPO

Date

9 OCT 02

Missouri Department of Natural Resources  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

### 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

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**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	1	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

N/A

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE/TRADE: Department Store

DOMESTIC: Multiple Dwelling

**Current Functions**

(Enter categories from instructions)

VACANT

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions)

OTHER: Two-part Commercial Block

**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE: Limestone

walls BRICK

roof ASPHALT

other CONCRETE

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

**A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

**B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

**C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

**D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions)

COMMERCE

ARCHITECTURE

**Period of Significance**

1896-1942

**Significant Dates**

N/A

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A

**Architect/Builder**

Unknown

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

**A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

**B** removed from its original location.

**C** a birthplace or grave.

**D** a cemetery.

**E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

**F** a commemorative property.

**G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Property

Cole County, Missouri  
County and State

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre

**UTM References**

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing	
3				4			

See continuation sheet

**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Juanita Donehue, Owner

organization C & H Tavern and Restaurant date December 3, 2001

street & number 1707 Englewood Drive telephone 573-635-4359

city or town Jefferson City state MO zip code 65101

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the complete form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps**

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs**

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

**Additional items**

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

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### **Summary**

The Kaullen Mercantile Company, 900-902 East High Street, is located in Jefferson City's central east-side business district. Originally built in 1895, the building took its current appearance c. 1923 when a major expansion and rehabilitation of the building occurred. The two-and-one-half-story brick building has a hipped roof and "L" shaped footprint. A detached concrete garage (non-contributing) is located on the southwest corner of the lot. The primary (North) façade has two large plate glass windows and four entrances. Three of the entrances are located in a central recessed bay, the fourth is located near the northeast corner of the building. The second floor of the façade has seven window openings. Windows have stone lintels and lug sills with plain limestone cornices. Two hip roof dormers face the front. The building rests on a high basement that is exposed on the West elevation. The East and South sides of the "L" have a two-story frame gallery supported, in part, by fluted cast iron columns. The commercial building is situated on the Southeast corner of the intersection of High and Chestnut streets on a 50' x 209' lot in an area of mixed commercial and residential properties.

### **Elaboration**

The 6,396 square feet L-shaped red brick building (excluding the attic and basement) is set closely to the street, directly at the sidewalk. The building faces the north. The neighborhood is an old, established neighborhood where the land use is mixed. Most properties along East High Street are used for commercial ventures including offices, retail stores, and service. Most of the properties north and south of East High Street are residential. Many of these old residences have been converted into two to four family apartments. Major shopping and employment centers are conveniently located in the central business district, which is approximately six blocks west of the building. Additionally there is an apartment complex located just east of the Kaullen Mercantile Building.

### **Exterior**

The building has gone through several building phases during its early history. The construction phases can be followed, in part, by looking at historic *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps* of the area. Originally constructed in 1895, the building first appears on the 1898 *Sanborn Map* as a two-story grocery store with an attached one-story dwelling to the east. By 1908, both sections were labeled "dry goods" and "groceries" and have front

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porches. A large rear wing (full-width) is shown on the right section, with a recessed two-story porch (Illustration 2). The 1911 *Jefferson City Souvenir* (22) shows the storefront as it exists today. The 1923 *Sanborn Map* identifies the sections of the building as "store," and both sections are two story. Neither side had porches, but rather both sides are at the sidewalk, indicating a refacing of the facade with the addition of the second floor on the left half (Illustration 3). To this day the storefront remains essentially unaltered. The building's current deeply recessed entrance may indicate the original facade plane. The 1923 *Sanborn Map* also shows the L-shaped two-story gallery porch on the rear reentrant angle (southeast).

### **North Façade**

The building has a truncated hip, asphalt shingle roof, and brick walls. There are four pedestrian entrances in the facade of the building: one to an apartment upstairs at 902, one to each to the storerooms on the main floor, and one to the right upstairs apartment (900) which faces Chestnut Street. Three of the four front entrances are in the central recessed entryway. The entrance to the second floor of 902 has a stone lintel above the door. Pairs of large plate glass windows with transoms flank the deeply recessed central entrance. A broad wood beam spans all of the storefront space. There are seven window openings facing East High Street in the second story. All seven windows have stone lintels and lug sills with plain stone cornices. The hipped roof dormer windows are small square (or rectangular) windows which appear to have been designed to fit the spaces in the gables and to give light in the two attic areas which make up the third floor dormer areas.

### **West Elevation**

The West elevation is a long, plain elevation with exposed basement. Most of the fenestration on this side of the building is located on the basement and second floors. There are eleven windows openings on the west elevation facing Chestnut Street, six on the second floor, 1 on the first, and four on the exposed basement level. These windows have stone lintels and lug sills. There is a scrolled iron balcony (one bay wide) on the second floor of this elevation near the southwest corner. Two recessed entrances to the basement are located on the west side; one has a brick arch and the other has a stone lintel above the door.

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**South Elevation and "L"**

In the rear of the building there is a two story gallery porch in reentrant angle, with a wainscot-like upper floor closed railing. The porch has exposed rafters and wood posts. Two iron fluted columns serve as braces to the second story porch. Brick arches were used on the seven windows in the rear of the building - two on the second floor, three on the first floor, and two in the basement - and above the basement door. Three windows have stone lintels.

**Roof**

The roof has two hip roof dormers on the front, with wide 1/1 double hung sash (one missing on east dormer) and a third dormer at the rear. Three brick chimneys emerge from the roof from the west and a fourth chimney emerges near the east wall located just eighteen inches from a large white building.

**Garage (non-contributing)**

The remnants of a five-bay concrete garage are at the rear of the lot on the alley, set into the hill with access off Chestnut Street. The garages have started to deteriorate and are weak and dangerous. The city is requiring that they be boarded up or demolished and the plan is to remove them. The garages appear at the rear lot line on the Sanborn Maps.

**Interior**

When entering, one gets a strong sense of the building's historic past as an early 20th century grocery store with living quarters above. As other structures in the area, the influence of the Missouri-German building tradition is prominent. The gross building area is 6,396 square feet, excluding the basement and attic, as shown in Illustration 4. It has a full basement level but only a portion of it has a poured cement floor (an apartment was made out of this section in the middle 1900's). The floors on the first level facing the Chestnut Street side have an open layout and are made of cross-sawed red oak which were laid diagonally, while the east side has pine floors (Illustration 4). These two areas were the dry goods and grocery stores. The two large storefront windows on the main floor make it appear as though there are two separate buildings. The squares of tin ceiling on the right can be repaired as well as the tongue-in-groove ceiling on the left side.

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The two walnut stairways to the second story apartments are intact but most of the balusters are missing. On the Chestnut Street side apartment, three of the second story rooms still contain the original pocket doors. Pine floors cover the entire second floor. Gray plaster was placed over cut lath that were nailed horizontally to the studs. While the main floor walls are painted, the second floor walls have stenciling and wallpaper. An old steam radiator is still in one of the bedrooms upstairs, indicating the building was heated with steam heat.

Both floors need extensive restoration and all floors need new heating, plumbing, and electrical. The east side does have a space heater but the west side is unheated. None of the bathrooms are functioning. The last business to operate in the building was "Ron's Odds and Ends, Bits and Pieces" which was an antique store. Although the building is in need of repair, it has changed little since the 1923 renovations and thus retains a high degree of integrity.



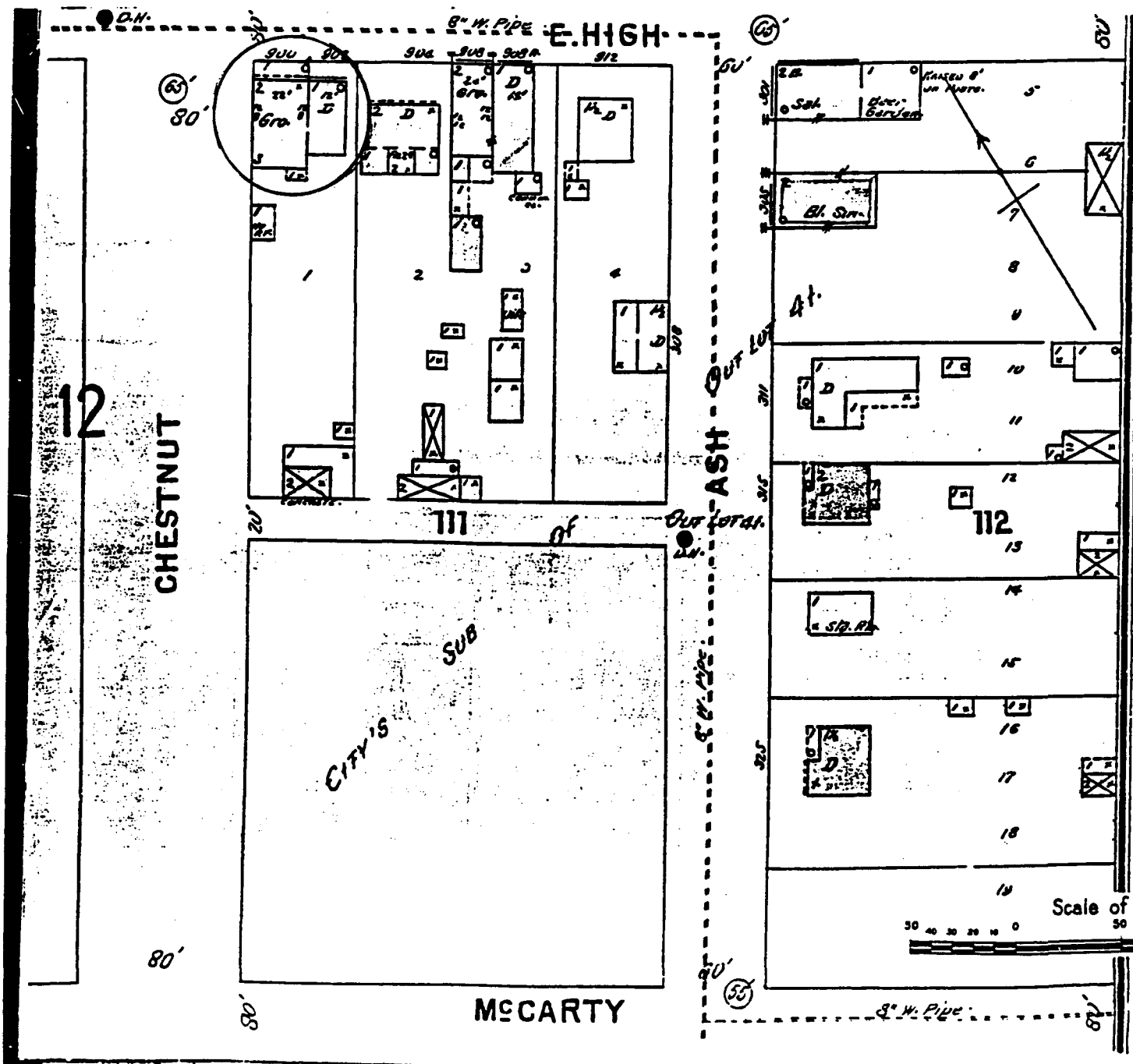
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Illustration 1. Sanborn Fire Map, Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri, 1898



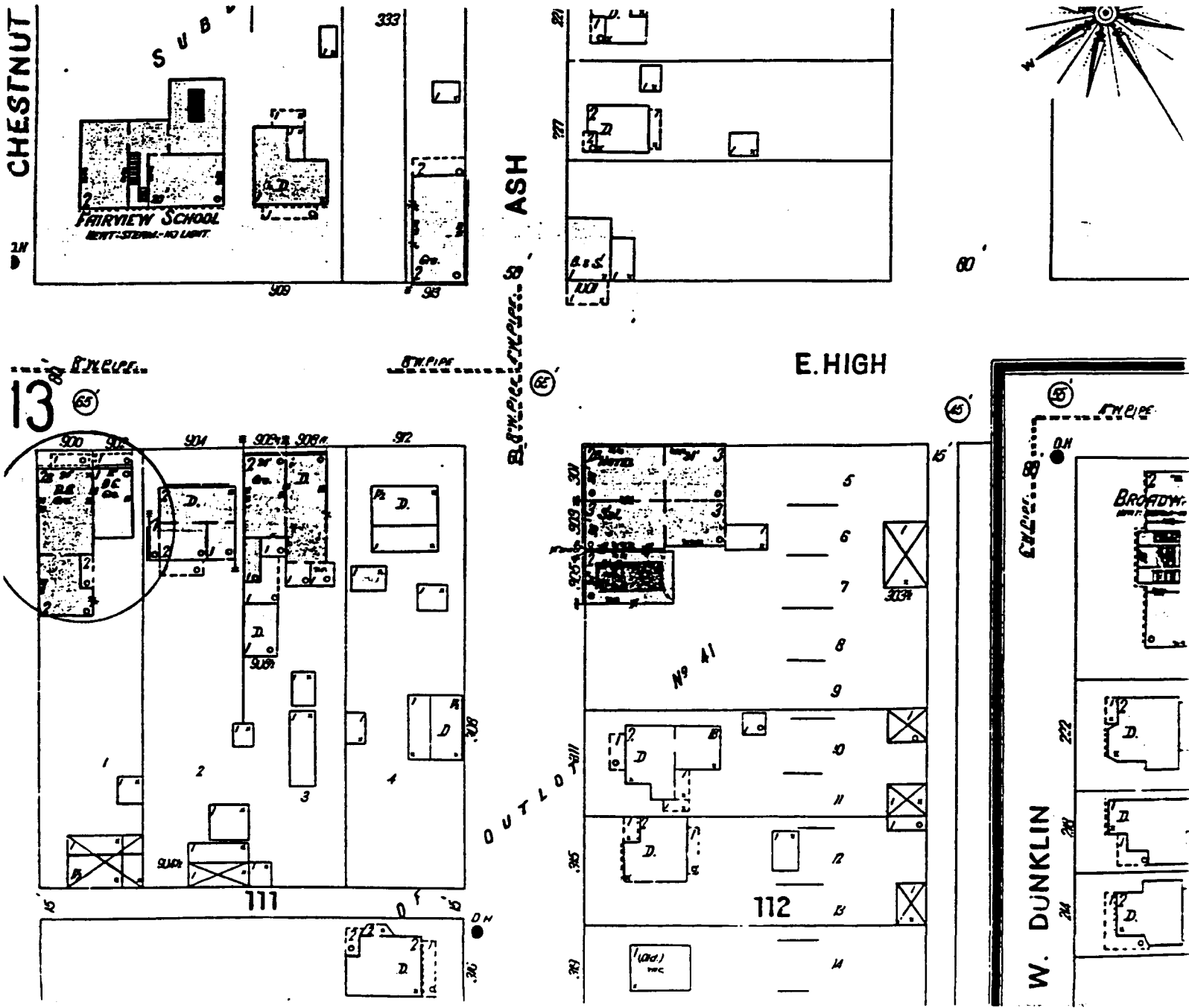
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Illustration 2. Sanborn Fire Map, Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri, 1908



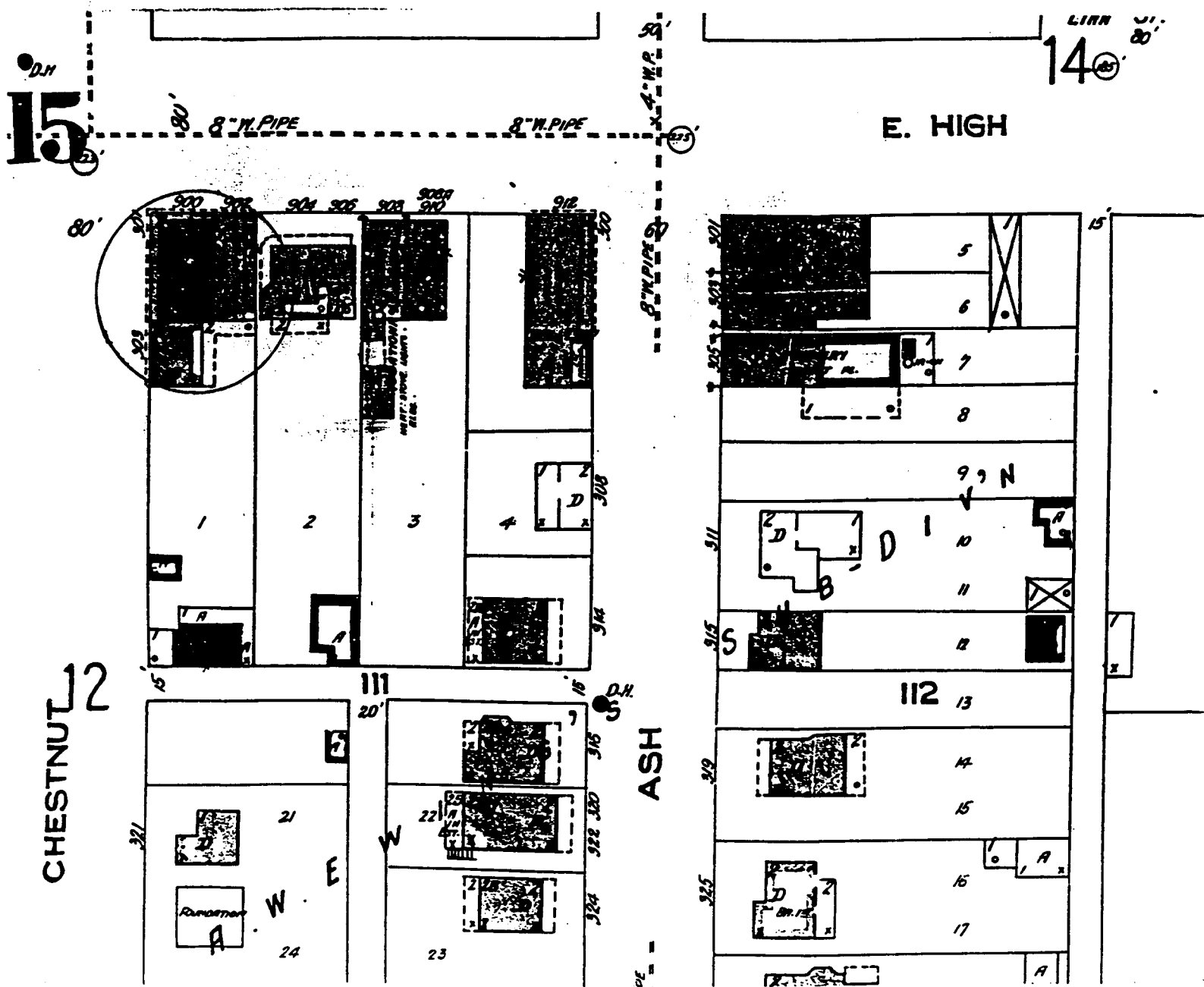
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Illustration 3. Sanborn Fire Map, Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri, 1923



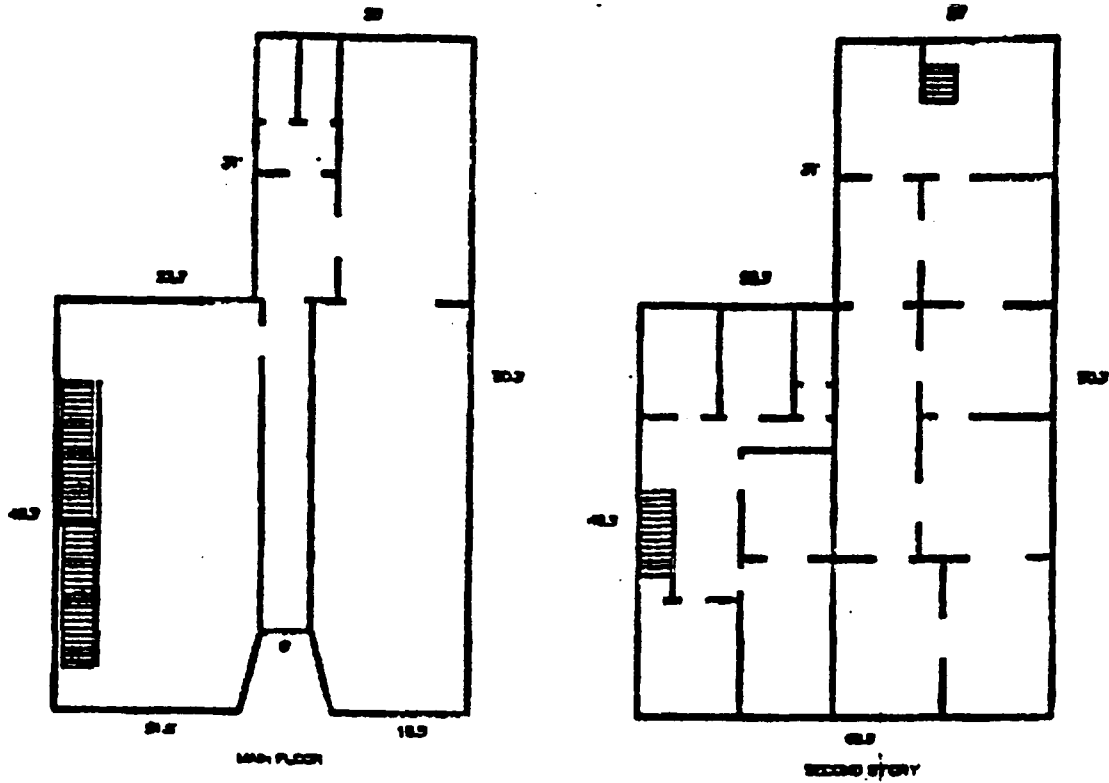
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Illustration 4. Left - Main Floor; Right - Second Story (Prepared by Property Research)



SCALE: 1 inch = 20 feet

AREA CALCULATIONS SUMMARY			
Area	Name of Area	Size	Totals
GLA1	First Floor	3157.25	3157.25
GLA2	Second Floor	3239.65	3239.65
TOTAL LIVABLE (rounded)			6397

LIVING AREA CALCULATIONS			
Breakdown			Subtotals
26.00	x	80.33	2088.58
23.33	x	49.33	1159.87
-6.00	x	9.67	-58.02
-1.25	x	9.67	-12.09
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### **Summary**

The Kaullen Mercantile Company, 900-902 E. High Street, Jefferson City, Cole County, Missouri is one of the largest historic commercial buildings in the central east side business district of Jefferson City. It is locally significant under National Register Criteria A in the area of COMMERCE, for its strong association with the retail grocery and dry goods business. It is also significant under Criteria C in the area of ARCHITECTURE, for its historic contribution to the Missouri German design and craftsmanship as applied to an early 20th century combination grocery/dry goods store with living quarters above. According to the Jefferson City and Cole County Directories, the building at 900 and 902 East High Street was in continuous service in the grocery store business from 1896 to 1942, and was in the marine retail service from 1942 to 1977. The period of significance starts at 1895, the year the building was constructed and ends at 1942, the year Kaullen Mercantile Company closed. The Urbana Group which did a survey in 1991 of the central east end for Jefferson City and State Historic Preservation Office wrote: "Architecturally, the building is an excellent example of a vernacular turn of the century commercial/ residential building, retaining a high degree of integrity."

### **Commerce**

The building at 900 and 902 East High remained a full service grocery/dry goods store from 1896 to 1942. For the first eleven years it was the "Ben Derkum Store Property" which was a grocery store. Very little history remains regarding the Ben Derkum family. It became prominent as a grocery store/dry goods store under the ownership of the Kaullen's. From 1906 to 1942 it was the "Kaullen Mercantile Company" which sold groceries, dry goods and china. In the grocery the most up-to-date lines of staple and fancy products, domestic and imported teas, coffees, etc., comprising every article of food consumption that was to be found in the grocerymen's manual, were handled. The merchandise department carried complete and conservatively selected lines of dry goods, hardware, queensware, and notions. The family lived on the property. According to the Jefferson City Souvenir, the period of significance was during the Kaullen years (22).

Modern grocery trade had its roots in the general store. In order to adequately serve their broad customer base, early storekeepers were required to stock a diversified inventory that often included farm supplies and construction materials. As the nation's population increased, so did the demand for increasingly specialized retail trade. Establishments that primarily stocked edibles began appearing on main streets throughout the United

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States. Westward expansion of the railroads boosted the grocery retail trade by facilitating the mass distribution of prepackaged goods. For the first time, consumers had easy access to a variety of processed food supplies. By the early 20th century, neighborhood grocery stores had become integral components of many communities (Mayo 68).

As was true to the times, grocery stores followed residential growth. In the 19th century when public markets in streets provided people with their food necessities, there were no excessive spatial demands, because commercial private property in the surrounding blocks provided other goods and services. But when cities began to grow as did Jefferson City, city officials needed street space to serve the growing demands of traffic and the public market became an inefficient method for economic growth. Thus city grocery stores fared much better than public markets because these stores held spatial flexibility. As cities expanded outwardly with residential neighborhoods, storekeepers were able to move with growth (Mayo 65-75).

James Mayo stated: "The small grocery store was the economic cell for market growth in American cities. Food retailing grew with the abundant growth of the small store. Conflicts were less intense than in public markets because small storekeepers had sufficient trade area in expanding residential areas." In the central east side of Jefferson City the commercial properties lie along both sides of East High, with the neighborhood grocery store at its heart, and the properties north and south are residential. The Kaullen Mercantile Company is in a very prominent location in the central east side of Jefferson City and like many grocery stores in the early to mid 20th century, the business was located to best serve the needs of the neighborhood.

### **Architectural**

James Mayo states in The American Grocery Store that architectural design is intrinsically related to the business history of the grocery store space and the role of architectural design has played a key role in the evolution of the grocery store space. Store owners profited from food sales that were increased by the design of the store (240 - 243). The large storefronts in the Kaullen Mercantile Company which had at one time been porches, allowed for displays that attracted customers.

An architectural theorist, Christopher Alexander, notes: "There is one timeless way of building. It is a process through which the order of a building or town grows out directly from the inner nature of the people, and the animals, and plants, and matter which are in it" (7). He explains that the major shopping needs of any community are taken care of by

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the market of many shops. If you give every neighborhood at least one corner grocery store and one every 200 to 800 yards in between, you can service 1000 people per store. When you combine the grocery store with houses, owners can live over them. (4). The Kaullen Mercantile Company located at 900 & 902 East High was typical of this description.

The Kaullen Mercantile Company can be categorized as Missouri-German style. The building retains traits of traditional German-built property, perhaps the most obvious is the brick exterior and the placement of segmental arches over windows and doors made from brick. Brick construction in villages and towns along the Missouri River dates from the earliest periods of German settlement in Missouri. German settlers in the towns along the Missouri began to use brick for construction during the early years of settlement, and as the towns prospered, the straggling log houses along ill-defined streets gradually gave way to ordered rows of neat buildings, the majority of them built of brick (van Ravenswaay 221).

Very few of the brick buildings in the German towns have a self-conscious or designed look about them but, instead, were built in what might be called a Missouri German Vernacular style. This local building tradition had its origins in the various German states from which their citizens had emigrated and which they adapted to the needs of their new situation in Missouri. Gradually these new settlers almost unconsciously adopted ideas from American styles and building practices. This influence became more noticeable as the century progressed, for by that time many of the German-American builders had grown up in this country and learned their trades here, often in Middle Western cities.

Most of the German built houses range from one-and-a-half-story cottages (some with only crawl space in the attic) containing a few rooms to houses of two and a half stories with ten or twelve rooms and halls and dormers. Most were rectangular or L-shaped. Often the entrance doors were centered. Many houses were built close to the sidewalks. The early builders had little hesitancy about intruding on the sidewalks. Occasionally the straight run of steps paralleled the sidewalk. Occasionally the entrances were recessed (van Ravenswaay 221 - 225).

### **History**

The Abstract of Title indicates that Outlet No. Forty One (41) was deeded to Pauline Derkum November 11, 1873. Although no probate proceedings were found in the estate of Pauline Derkum and no conveyance was found from Pauline Derkum (Abstractor's

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Note, Warranty Deed 9), Benjamin and Dora Derkum deeded the property to William J. and Joseph R. Edwards on May 1, 1896, to secure the payment of a note in the sum of \$560. That note was satisfied in full on May 7, 1897. The deed reads that Ben Derkum was living on the property at the time and it was known as the "Ben Derkum Store Property." (12)

The Abstract of Title dated May 1, 1896, states that the property was known as the "Ben Derkum Store Property". In 1906 Peter Kaullen Sr. and wife Bertha purchased the property from the Derkums for \$3500. The Kaullens operated a grocery and dry goods store from 1906 to 1942. The firm was listed as "prominent" among the leading business houses of Jefferson City after the turn of the century. In 1942 the property was foreclosed on by Jefferson City Building and Loan Association. It was sold on the courthouse steps to Paul Griffin, a local entrepreneur, who used it as a marine retail sales store until 1977.

The 1900 Census lists the Derkums living in the 900 portion of the building with their five daughters - Ethel, Hilda, Nellie, and Lavinia, and their four sons - Grover, Leo, Ray, and Edward. Benjamin Derkum was a janitor for the Attorney General and his wife ran the store. John N. Short (a stone mason) and his wife Mary F. lived in the 902 section. A warranty deed conveyed the property to Mr. Peter Kaullen and his wife Bertha dated February 20, 1906 (filed on April 4, 1906). It became the Kaullen Mercantile Company.

The firm was listed as "prominent" among the leading business houses of Jefferson City after the turn of the century. The business was established as a grocery store in 1906 by Peter Kaullen. Kaullen apparently lived in the building (902), with 900 serving as the dry goods and hardware section. Later a large dry goods and general merchandise department was annexed and the firm was incorporated as a Mercantile Company sometime between 1906 and 1913 (Souvenir 22).

A family operation, the grocery department was supervised by Peter Kaullen, who also served as president and treasurer and Mr. Charles Kaullen (Peter's son, born in Miller County in 1888), secretary of the company, served as dry goods and merchandise department head, along with Miss Anna Kaullen (relation unknown). Peter had only two children). The president and treasury of this enterprising concern, Mr. Peter Kaullen was born in Osage County in 1861, and received his education in the rural schools there. Connected with the mercantile business since 1887, Peter operated a distillery along with his other business from 1890 to 1897 in Miller County., In 1899, he returned to Osage County until 1906, when he relocated to Jefferson City (Souvenir 22).



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An April 1, 1942, a "Trustee's Deed" (Abstract of Title 34) shows that the property was sold on the courthouse steps to Paul & Stella Griffin, who used the first floor of the property for a marine store for the next thirty-five years. The second floor continued to be residential. Robert L. Griffin, second cousin to Paul, spoke sentimentally and with pride about Paul Griffin and the part he played in the history of trade and commerce in Jefferson City. He indicated his cousin had two main lines of business. Paul Griffin Auto Service (behind the Cole County jail and directly at the rear of the Carnegie building) was one. The 1977 Jefferson City Directory shows the auto service at 317 Commercial Avenue and 624 East High. The business at 900 & 902 East High was a second business known as the Paul Griffin Marine Store. Paul Griffin retired in 1978 and sold his property a year later.

#### **Future Plans**

Currently the owner's family operates C & H Tavern and Restaurant, which is a full service restaurant and lounge located across the street at 909 East High. The building housing C & H was built in the late 1800's. Although the tavern at one time was the primary business, this is no longer true. More than fifty percent of the business is food. The Mid-Missouri Business journal wrote an article in 1992 Titled "C & H Tavern Offers Wisconsin-Like Environment, Excellent prices, Good Food" and went on to say "A little slice of Americana, or perhaps 'Wisconsin-ana' is a better phrase, the tavern makes no lofty claims of grandeur. Thankfully absent of shiny brass lamps, cheap ferns, or obnoxiously proper waitresses, C & H is a neighborhood hangout. It's vintage is of the 'Milwaukee 1965' variety, containing the rich bouquet reminiscent of sizzling bratwurst, the color of Lombardi era Packer's games, and the clarity of Chieftones tunes emanating from a juke box." The Business went on to say "this is a very popular lunch spot with the locals."

The reason for elaborating on C & H is it is the intention of the owners to move across the street into the building on 900 & 902 East High. A. C. "Pete" Donehue who owned the business, passed away in 1997, but his son, Sam Donehue, who has been the chef since 1988 operates the business for the family. Juanita (spouse and mother) is the current owner. The plans for the 900 and 902 East High building are to have a fine dining area and a lounge on the first floor, with residential occupancy on the second floor and one apartment in the basement.

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**10. Geographical Data**

**Verbal Boundary Description**

The Kaullen Mercantile Company is part of Outlot No. 41, in Jefferson City, Cole County. Beginning at a point on the northwest corner of Outlot No. 41; thence easterly along the south line of High Street, 50 feet; thence southerly parallel with Chestnut Street, 209 feet to an alley; thence westerly along said alley parallel with High Street, 50 feet to the easterly line of Chestnut Street; thence northerly along Chestnut Street to the point of beginning.

The above tract is also known as Lot No. 1 of a Subdivision of Outlot No. 41, in Jefferson City, Cole County, as shown on plat of record in Plat Book 1, page 40, Cole County Recorder's Office.

**Boundary Justification**

The boundary encompasses that portion of Outlot No. 41 that has been historically associated with the Kaullen Mercantile Company.

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Jefferson City, Missouri 65101  
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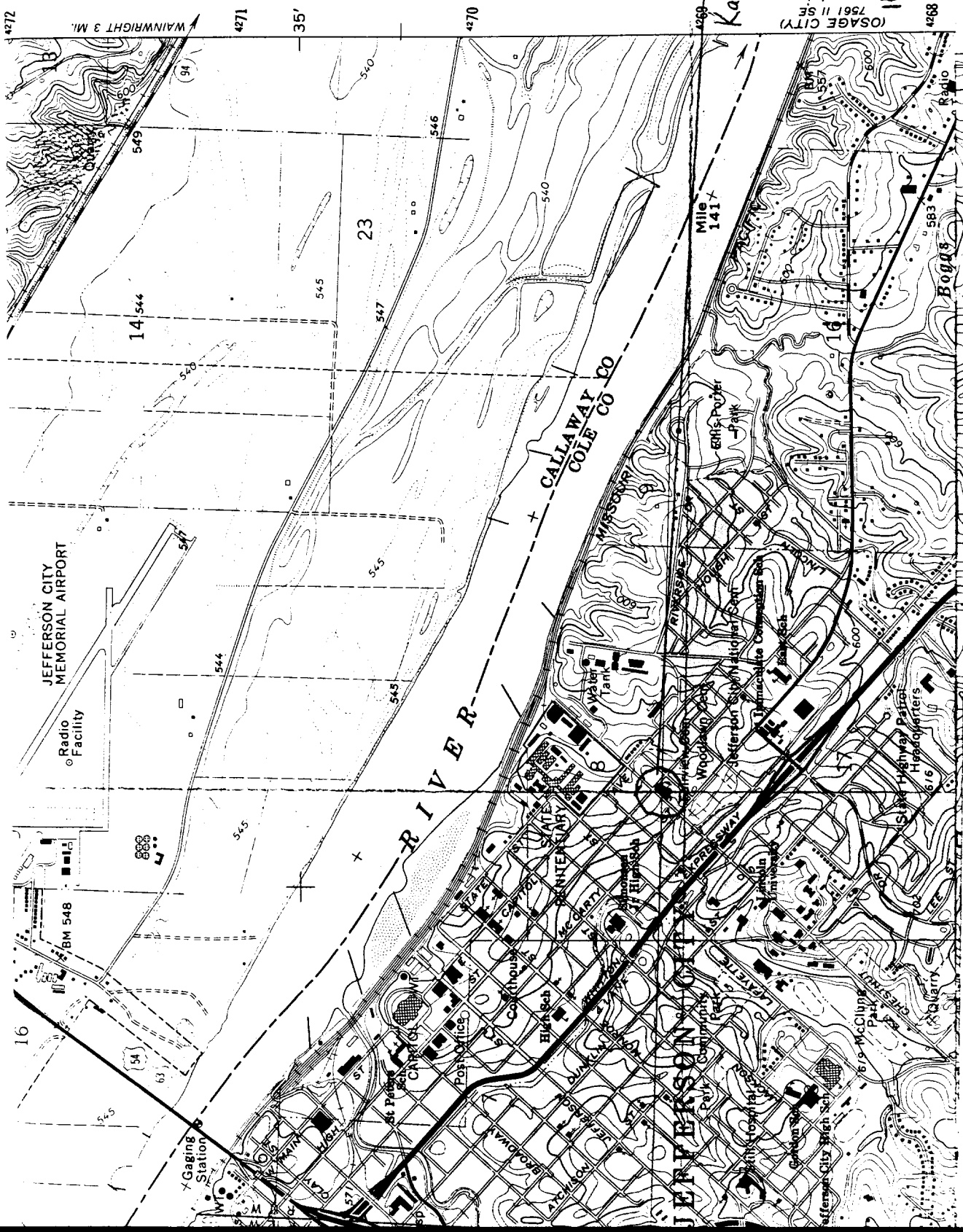
Photo 1. Storefront facing south.

Photo 2. South and West elevations facing Southeast

Photo 3. West elevation facing Chestnut Street.

Photo 4. Rear elevation facing north.

Photo 5. View of two story gallery porch facing north.



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