

Springfield's Enos Park Neighborhood: History and Architecture

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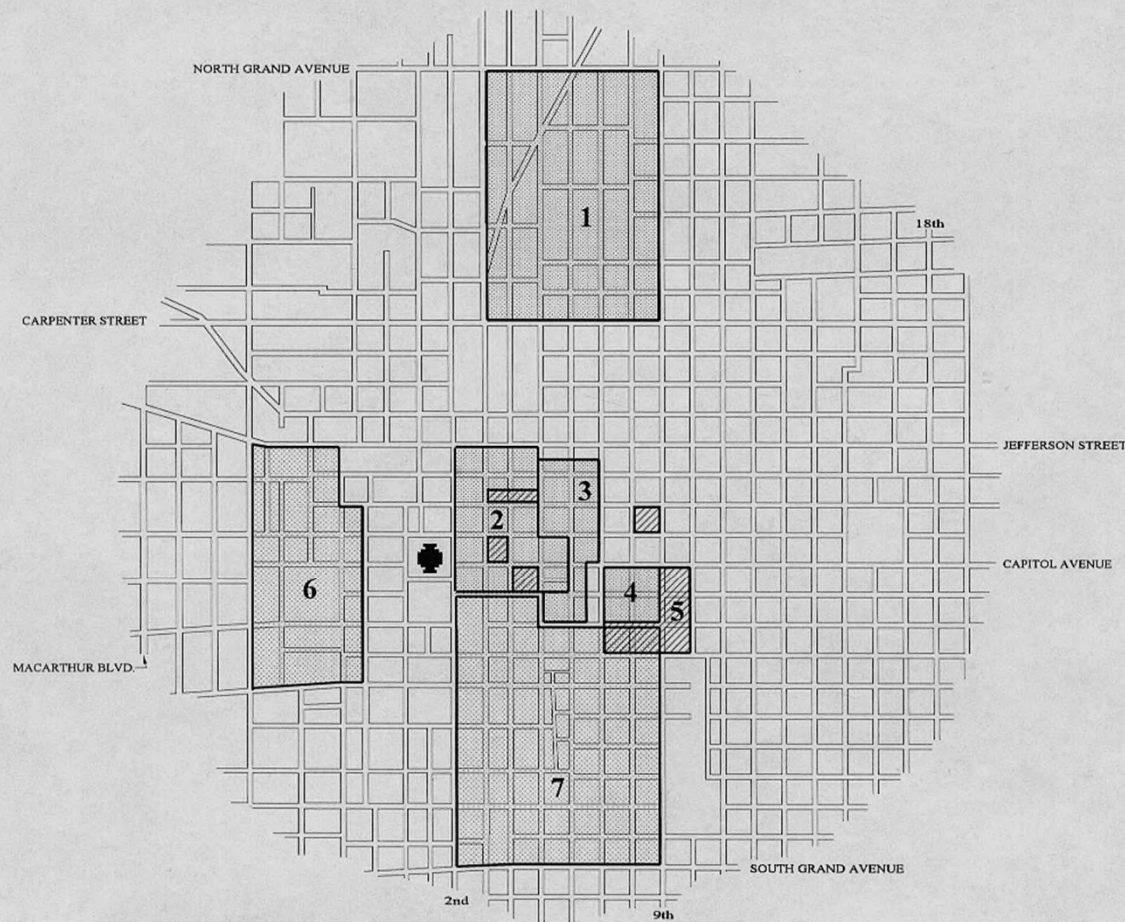
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Oil painting of early Springfield, looking north from the
Capitol Building, circa 1854.

Springfield's Architectural Surveys



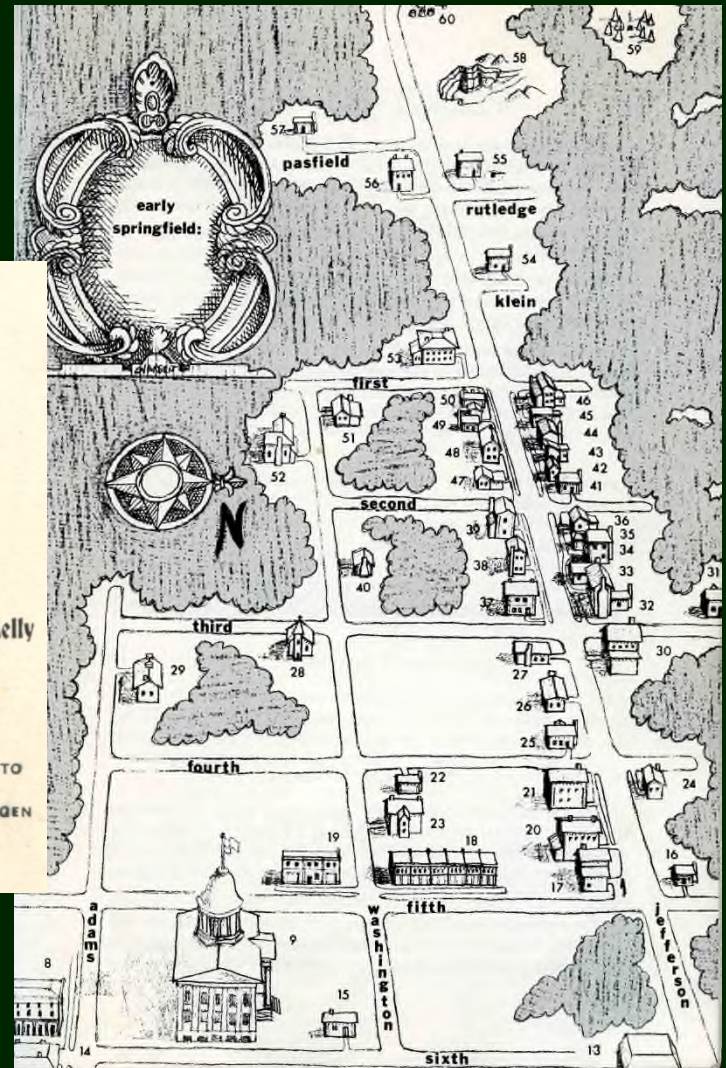
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Earliest Settlement



“And John Kelly Built a Cabin”

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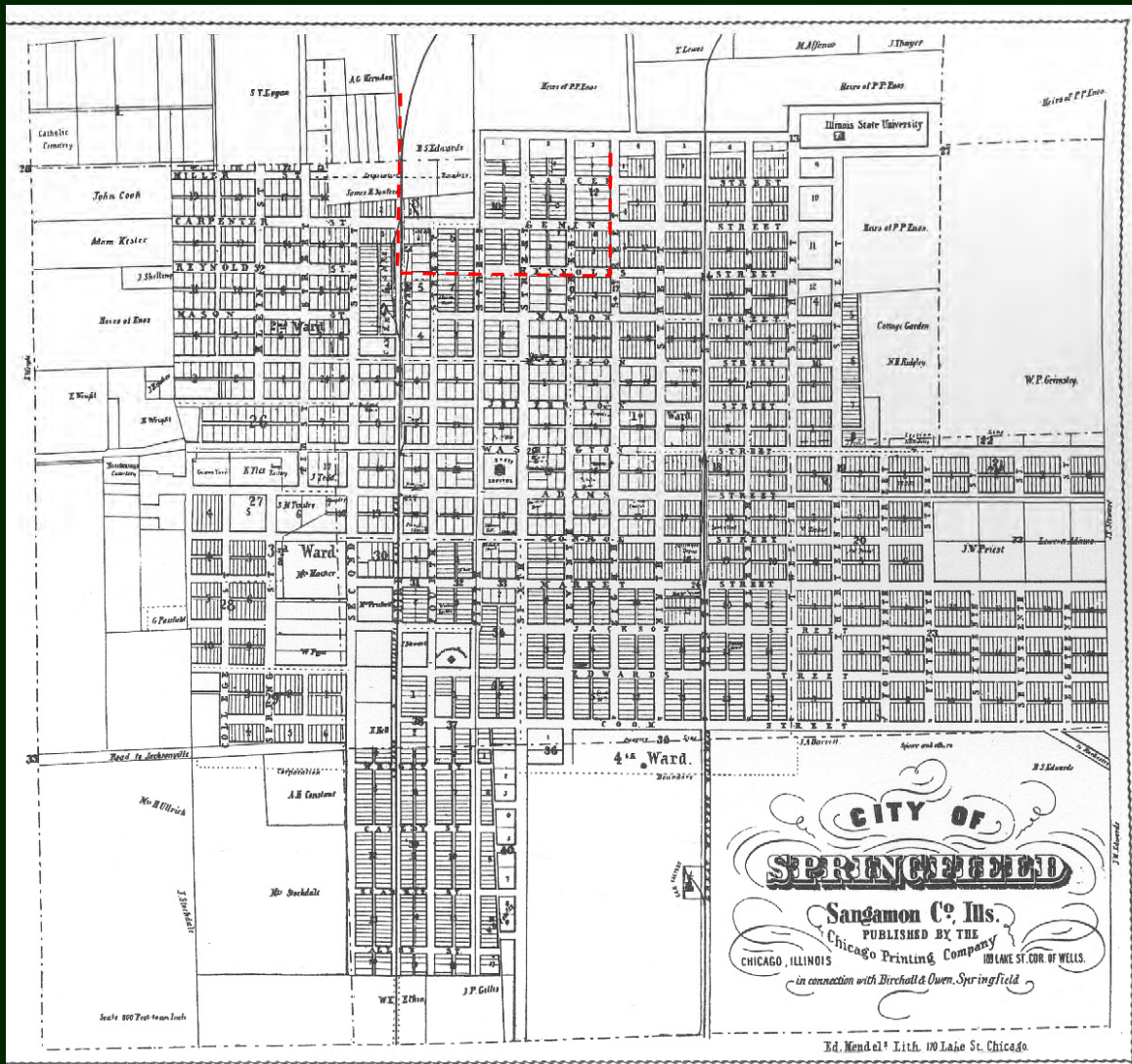


Newly constructed Illinois State Capitol building.



Establishment of Springfield as the County Seat and State Capitol





*City of Springfield,
Sangamon Co., Ills.
(Hall 1855). This is
the first published
map of the city of
Springfield.*



Abraham Lincoln: Life in Springfield and burial in Oak Ridge Cemetery



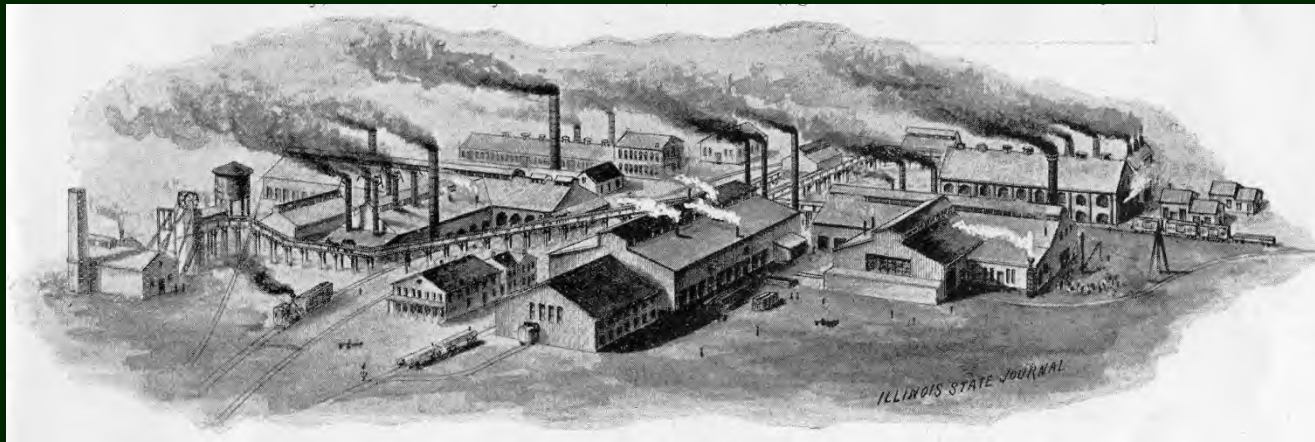
Detail of *Bird's Eye View of Springfield, Illinois* (1867), illustrating the north side of the community.



Far north end of Springfield in 1867 (*Bird's Eye View of Springfield, Illinois 1867*).



Springfield's north end
in 1873, as illustrated in
the *Bird's Eye View of
Springfield (Koch 1873)*



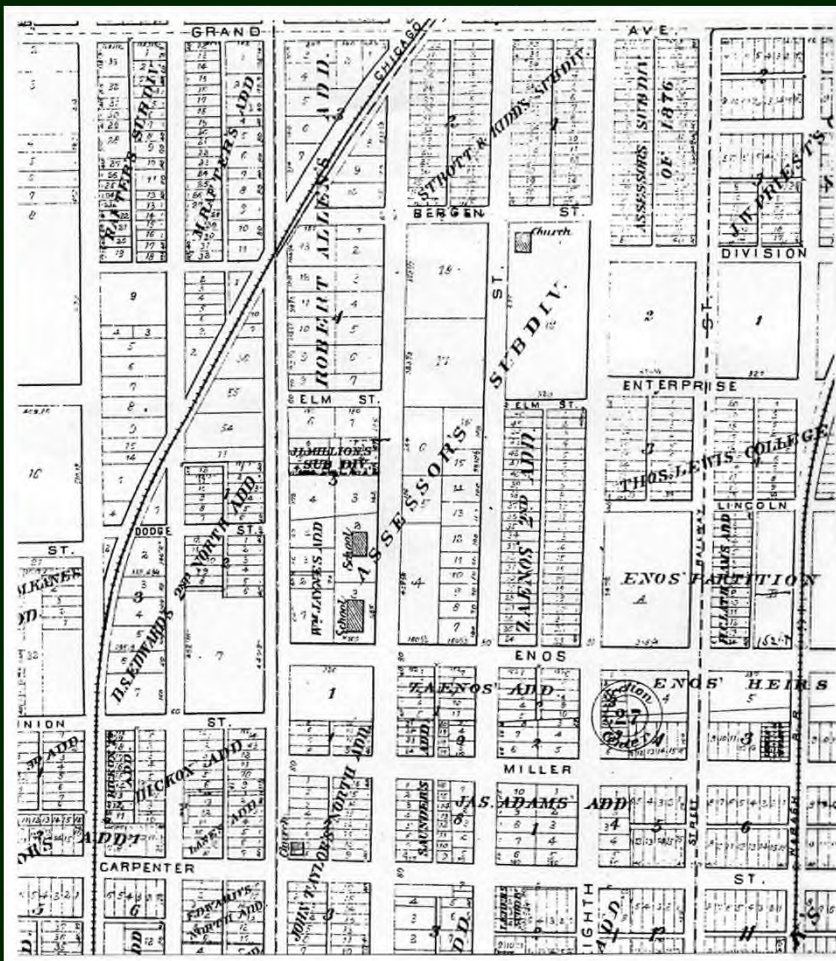
Early Industries



Two early industries on Springfield's North End that influenced the development of the neighborhood were the Springfield Iron Works (top; *Illinois State Journal* 1892:83) and the Illinois Watch Factory (bottom; Russo, Garvert and Mann 1995:43).



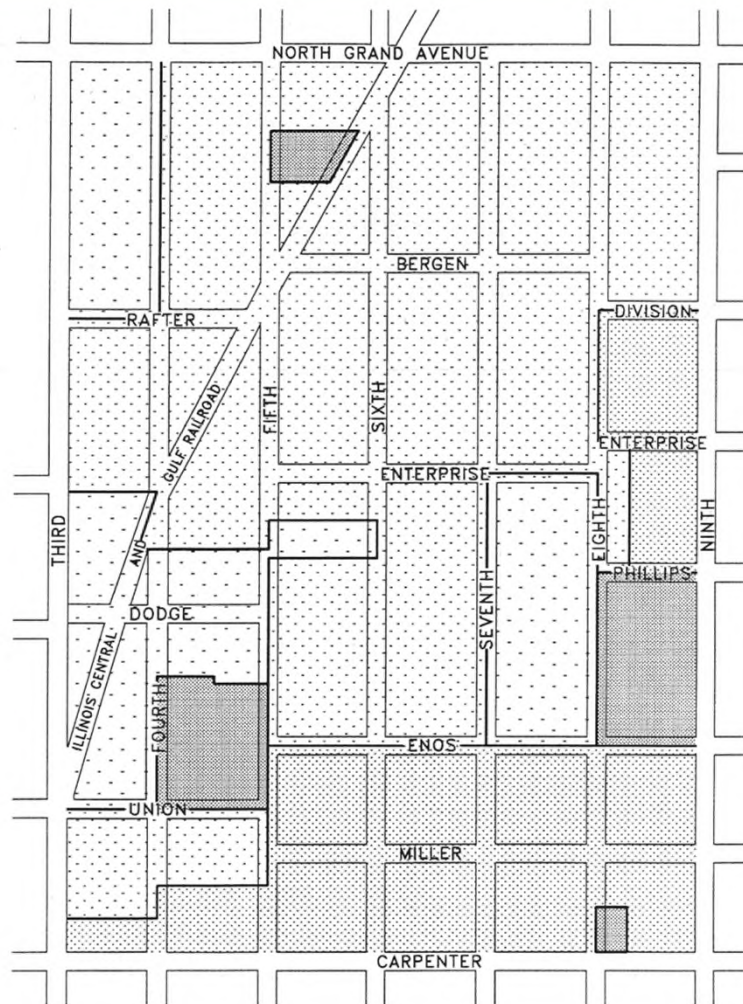
The T. S. Little residence was a large Italianate dwelling located at the northwest corner of North Fifth Street and North Grand Avenue. Large suburban houses such as this were constructed during the middle nineteenth century along north Fifth and Sixth Streets. In April 1897, this structure became the Springfield Hospital and Training School, a 12-bed facility operated by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. This was the beginnings of Memorial Medical Center. Note the presence of the horse-drawn streetcar.



Enos Park neighborhood as illustrated in the 1894 *City of Springfield* map (Field Publishing Company 1894).

<u>Date Platted</u>	<u>Subdivision Name</u>	<u>Subdivision Developer</u>
1833	J. Adam's Addition	James Adams
1836	Part of Wells and Peck's Addition	Thomas Wells, Miles Peck
1837	Darling and Taylor's Addition	Ephraim Darling, John Taylor
1840	John Taylor's North Addition	John Taylor
1842	J. R. Saunder's Addition	Jonathon R. Saunders
1854	Margaret B. Lane's Addition	Margaret B. Lane
1854	P. P. Enos' Heirs' Subdivision	Pascal Enos, Zimri Enos, Julia Enos, Susan Enos, Salome Enos
1855	Part of Lewis College Addition	Thomas Lewis, Margaret Lewis
1857	Z. A. Enos' Addition	Zimri and Agnes Enos
1861	Virgil Hickox' Addition	Virgil and Catherine Hickox
1864	Virgil Hickox' Second Addition	Virgil and Catherine Hickox
1864	Part of Robert Allen's Addition	Robert Allen
1866	Strott and Kidd's Subdivision	N. Strott, Charles Kidd, Eliza Kidd
1867	Part of Assessor's Subdivision	
1867	Martin Rafter's Addition	Martin and Susan Rafter
1868	Part of Assessor's Subdivision	
1870	William Jayne's Addition	William Jayne
1871	Kirsch Estate Partition	
1871	Kirsch Estate Second Partition	
1876	Part of Assessor's Subdivision of 1876	
1880	B. S. Edward's Second North Addition	Christopher Brown, Helen Edwards, Benjamin Edwards
1881	J. L. Million's Subdivision	J. L. Million and Mary J. Million
1884	Rafter's Subdivision	Susan Rafter
1890	Z. A. Enos' Second Addition	Z. A. Enos, Agnes D. Enos
1898	M. J. Bartel's Addition	M. J. and Kate Bartel
1909	Edward's Place	Alice Ferguson, Mary Raymond, Helen Condell, Moses Condell
1914	Part of Assessor's Subdivision of 1914	
1926	County Clerk's Subdivision Number 2	
1965	Myers' Subdivision	

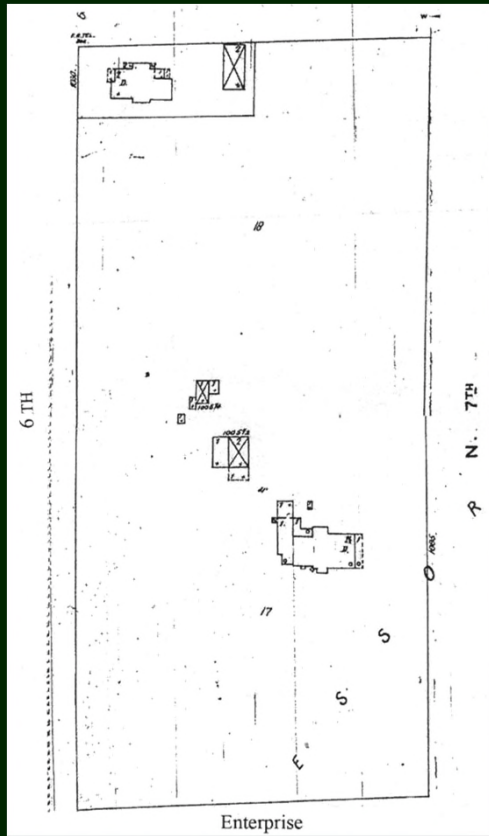
Development of Enos Park neighborhood by time periods.



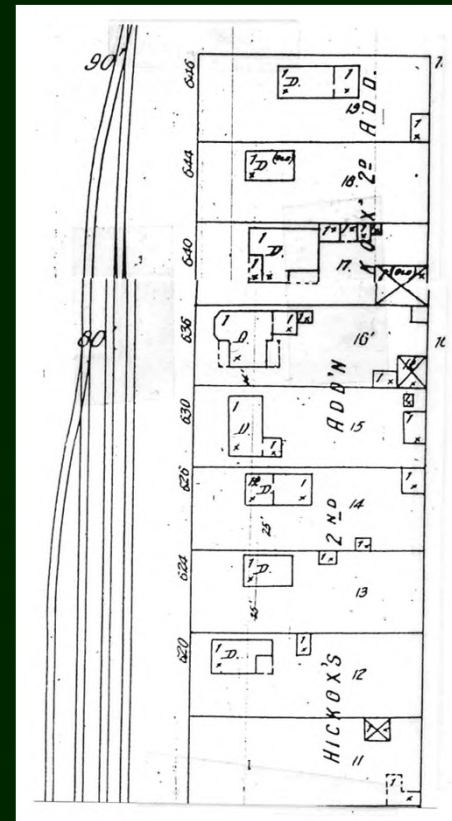


The Enos Park neighborhood in circa 1873 (Koch 1873). Note the different character of the dwellings along Fourth, Fifth/Sixth, and Ninth Streets.

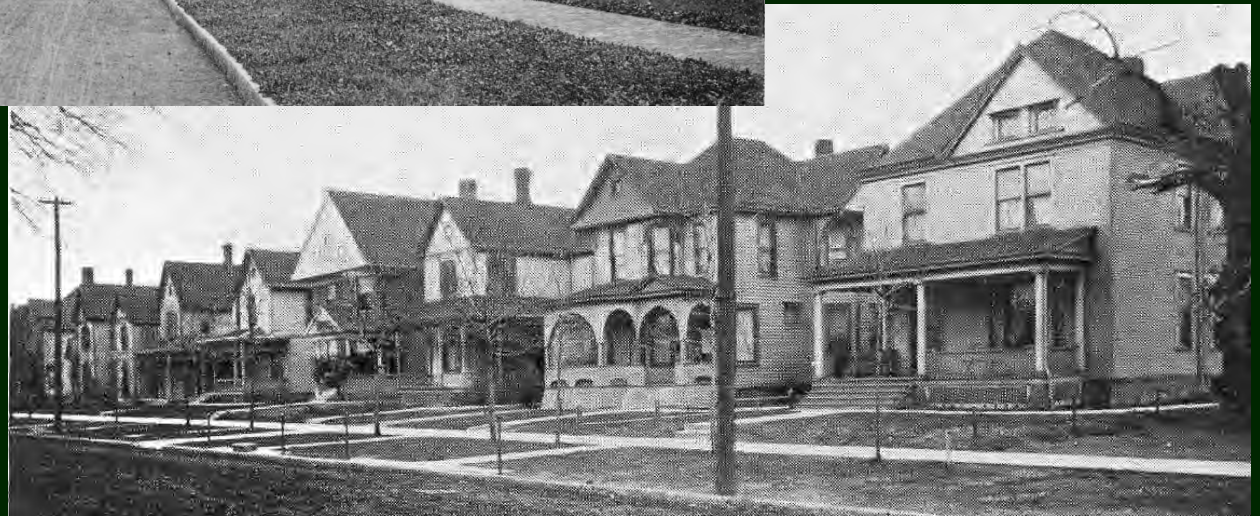
ADDRESS	NAME	RACE	OCCUPATION
626 N. Third	Henry Hess	White	Lather
626 N. Third	Nancy Young	White	Widow
628 N. Third	Ed Hall	Black	Porter for R. W. Miller (barber)
636 N. Third	Henry Clay	Black	Cook
640 N. Third	Mary J. Holt	White	Widow
642 N. Third	J. L. Webb	Black	Waiter for H. T. Loper (restaurant)
642 N. Third	Ed Mitchell	Black	Laborer
909 N. Sixth	Sarah E. Everhart	White	Widow
911 N. Sixth	J. W. R. Vogt	White	Treasurer and manager of Vogt Dry Goods Co.
913 N. Sixth	Dr. F. S. O'Hara	White	Physician
915 N. Sixth	E. L. Groves	White	Real estate, loans, and insurance and public notary
917 N. Sixth	E. B. Nicols	White	Illinois Watch Factory
919 N. Sixth	E. . Flemming	White	Yardmaster
921 N. Sixth	J. W. Ballou	White	Clerk, Ballou Grocery Company
923 N. Sixth	J. Klingensmith	White	Works with G. W. Chatterton of Chatterton's Opera House
923 N. Sixth	August Klingensmith	White	Illinois Watch Company
1100 N. Eighth	J. F. Jones	White	(None Listed)
1100 N. Eighth	Robert Jones	White	Watchman
1102 N. Eighth	Mulveney Hill	White	Laborer
1104 N. Eighth	Mike Mahoney	White	Miner
1106 N. Eighth	Peter Larson	White	Illinois Watch Company
1108 N. Eighth	Pat Gilmore	White	Miner
1108 N. Eighth	John Babickey	White	Miner
1110 N. Eighth	Mrs. M. E. Hamm	White	Widow
1112 N. Eighth	James Stevens	White	Miner
1114 N. Eighth	James Fortune	White	Miner
1116 N. Eighth	Ward Bartram	White	Carpenter with C. A. Power
1118 N. Eighth	J. F. Walsh	White	Engineer with C. P & St. L. Railway



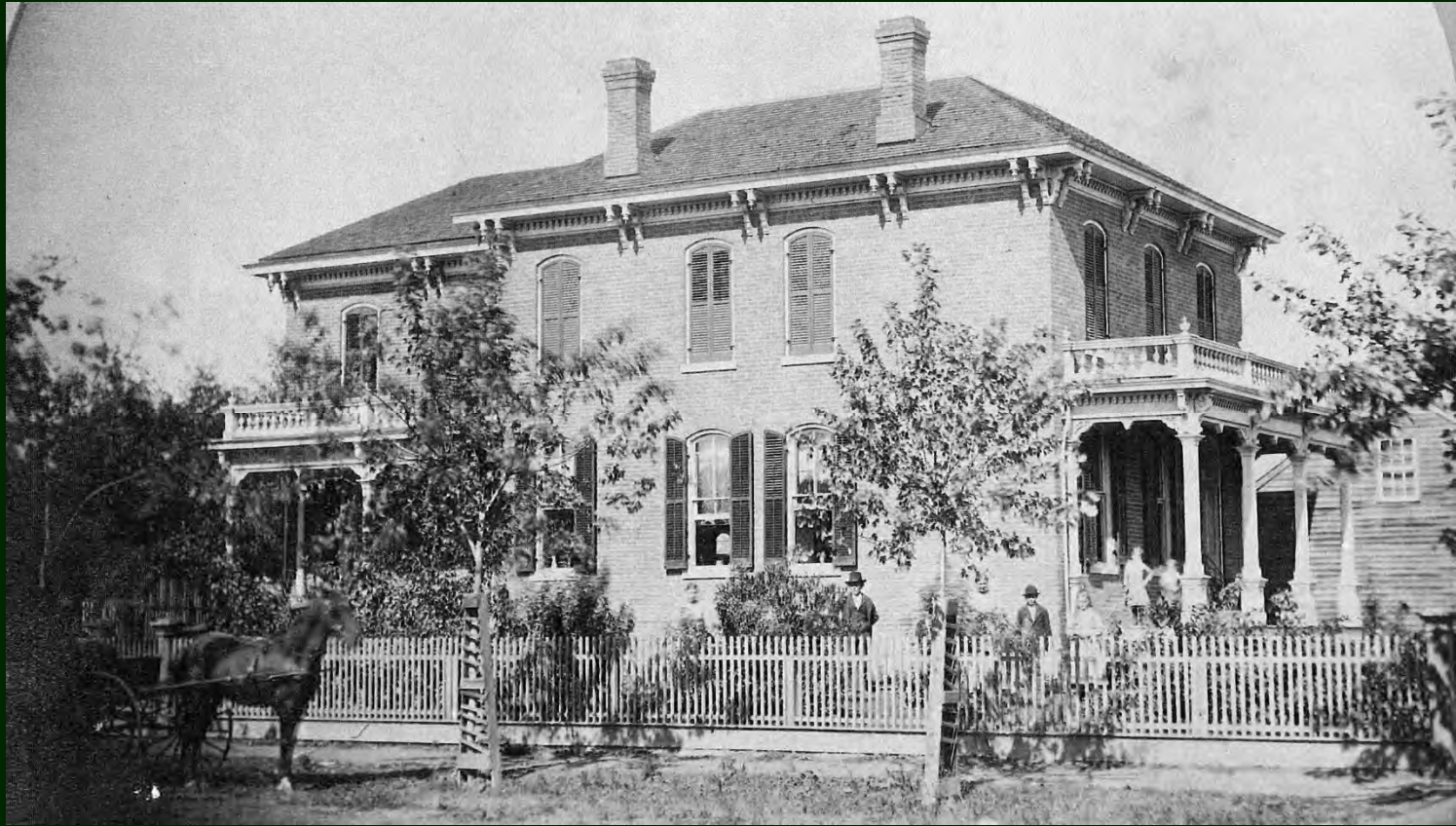
This is the 1000 block of North Seventh Street in 1896. The large Hatch residence and outbuildings were typical of the early estate houses once present in the neighborhood. Often these large, suburban houses occupied the entire block prior to the subdivision of the property into smaller parcels.



This is the 600 Block of North Third Street, one of the lower class neighborhoods within the project area, in 1896. Note the present of closely spaced single story dwellings and the lack of carriage houses



Two views of the Enos Park neighborhood during the late nineteenth century. The top view is facing south along Sixth Street and was taken ca. 1889 (Russo, Garvert and Mann 1995:34). The bottom view is illustrating 806-820 North Eighth Street in 1898 (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:142).



This is Aslag Eielson' formal Italianate house (located at 603 North Seventh Street) as it once looked. This house has been demolished.

Do You Remember?

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This photo depicts the old home of Gen. John A. McClernand of Civil War fame, which from 1885 to 1905 was utilized as a training school for teachers in the Springfield area. It stood on the northwest corner of 6th St. and Enos Ave. From 1905 the school was conducted in a new structure north of this building. The school was

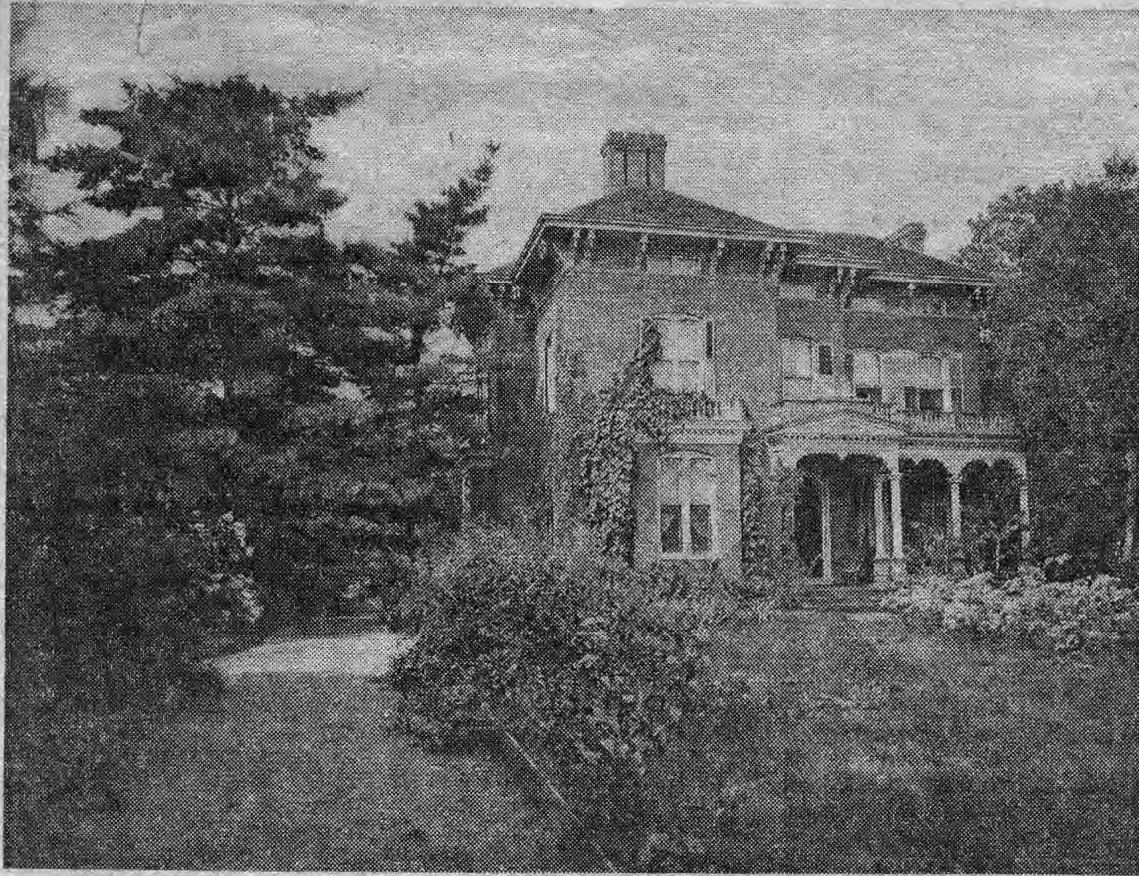
discontinued in 1919 because it was not on the accredited list of the regional association of secondary schools and colleges and its graduates were not recognized outside of Springfield. (Photo from the State Register files. Persons who wish may submit photos for use in this feature.)



TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL, ENOS AVENUE AND SIXTH.

The McClernand House and school, demolished in the early twentieth century (*Springfield in 1896* 1896:52).

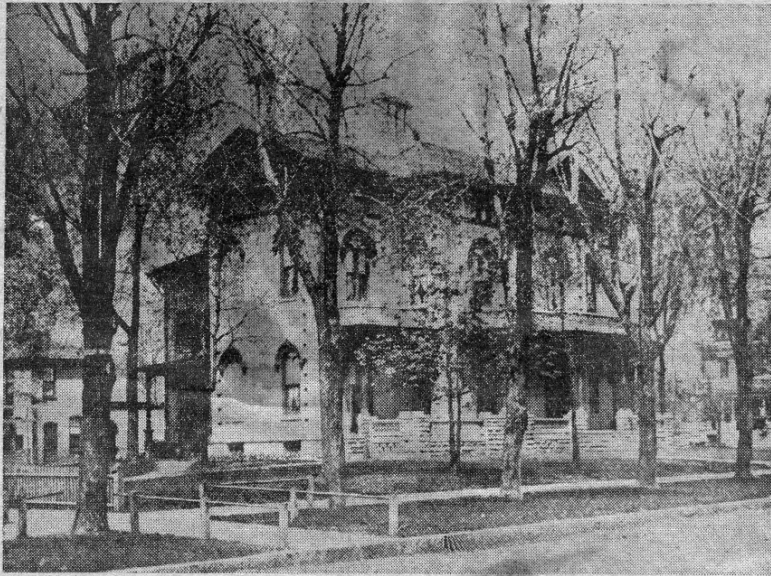
CHARLES A. GEHRMANN HOME



Shown above is the old Charles A. Gehrman residence at 1021 North Third street as it appeared when Springfield society frequently converged there and sought its cool, formal gardens. The spacious yard will be the site of a public auction of the household effects beginning Monday, July 17.

Location of Gehrman Park.

THE FAMILY ALBUM

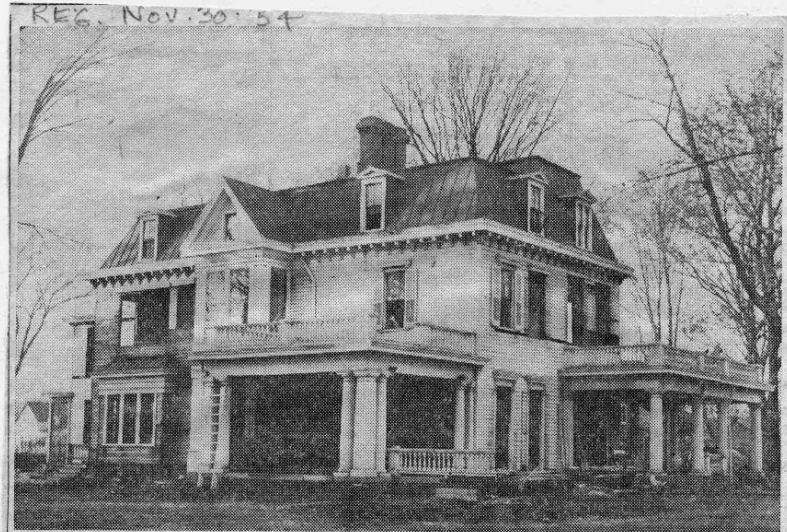


THE STately OLD CULLOM RESIDENCE ON NORTH 6TH STREET—

A famous mansion of the North Side was the old home of the late Shelby M. Cullom, twice inaugurated Governor and later serving five terms as U. S. Senator from Illinois. This old picture shows the residence, on the northwest corner of Sixth and Carpenter, as it appeared in the Nineties. The property occupied the south half of that block in John Taylor's North Addition. Prior owners were James Shields and Gen. John A. McClernand. The latter sold it to Mr. Cullom, then a prominent young lawyer here, in 1865. The house was erected about the year 1870 and from that time on down to 1895 when it was sold to the late Judge Samuel F. Wheeler, it was a great center of hospitality and entertaining. It is said that with the exception of the stone work on the porch, the residence as here shown presented its original appearance. In the course of his long career, Senator Cullom enjoyed the personal friendship of Abraham Lincoln, Stephen T. Logan, John T. Stuart, B. S. Edwards and other prominent men and Whig leaders of the early period, and was associated with many distinguished figures of later generations in the

national life. His own record was one of great honor and integrity, and sincere devotion to the national ideals. At the time of his death in 1913, he was chairman of the important Senate committee on foreign relations and wielded a powerful influence in the Republican party and otherwise. As the Cullom family were spending most of their time in Washington and had acquired a home there, the Senator sold his Springfield residence to Judge Wheeler in 1895 and subsequently made his home at the Leland when in town. The Wheelers occupied the residence until 1903 when it was sold to Thomas D. Hogan, who extended the porch and made other alterations. In 1936, the property passed into the control of the First National Bank as title-holder. It is now occupied by the Capitol Home for Aged Persons. Special acknowledgments to the Sangamon County Abstract Company as to the chain of title in this connection.

Demolished.



Workers Begin Razing Hatch Residence

The homestead of the Hatch family, located at Seventh and Enterprise Sts. is being razed by the Stehman Construction Co. The house, known to be at least 96 years old, is pictured above. Workers have already removed part of the frame work of the house and Stanley Stehman said some of the timbers have been removed. Leaving the bark on timbers was a procedure used by pioneer carpenters.

Oak timbers found in the house, Stehman added, were probably hewn from trees on the grounds, another practice followed by pioneer builders to avoid hauls from outlying groves. Ozias M. Hatch III, president of the First National bank, told re-

porters today that "no plans for the immediate future" had been made for the site. He said the home was too large for his aunt, Mrs. Pascal E. Hatch, and was unsuitable for duplexing, and that the family decided to raze the house.

A history of the homestead was supplied by Mrs. Hatch, who resided there with her husband, the late Pascal E. Hatch, until his death in August, 1952. Hatch was chairman of the board of the First National bank for 40 years.

Mrs. Hatch said it is possible that the structure is a century old. Family records show that a pioneer ancestor, Pascal Enos, resided in the house following his marriage in 1858 to a Mrs. Johnson, a widow. However,

whether Enos built the house is not known.

A niece, Julia Enos, lived at the house and it was her marriage to Ozias M. Hatch in December of Abraham Lincoln's visit to the home. A news story in the New York Tribune told of his attendance at the wedding a month after he had been elected president.

The late Pascal Hatch was the third son of Ozias and Julia Enos Hatch. After their death he and the present Mrs. Hatch moved into the house where they lived until his death.

Since her husband's death Mrs. Hatch has resided at 1650 Ruth Place. Ozias M. Hatch III is a grandson of the first Ozias Hatch. (Staff Photo.)

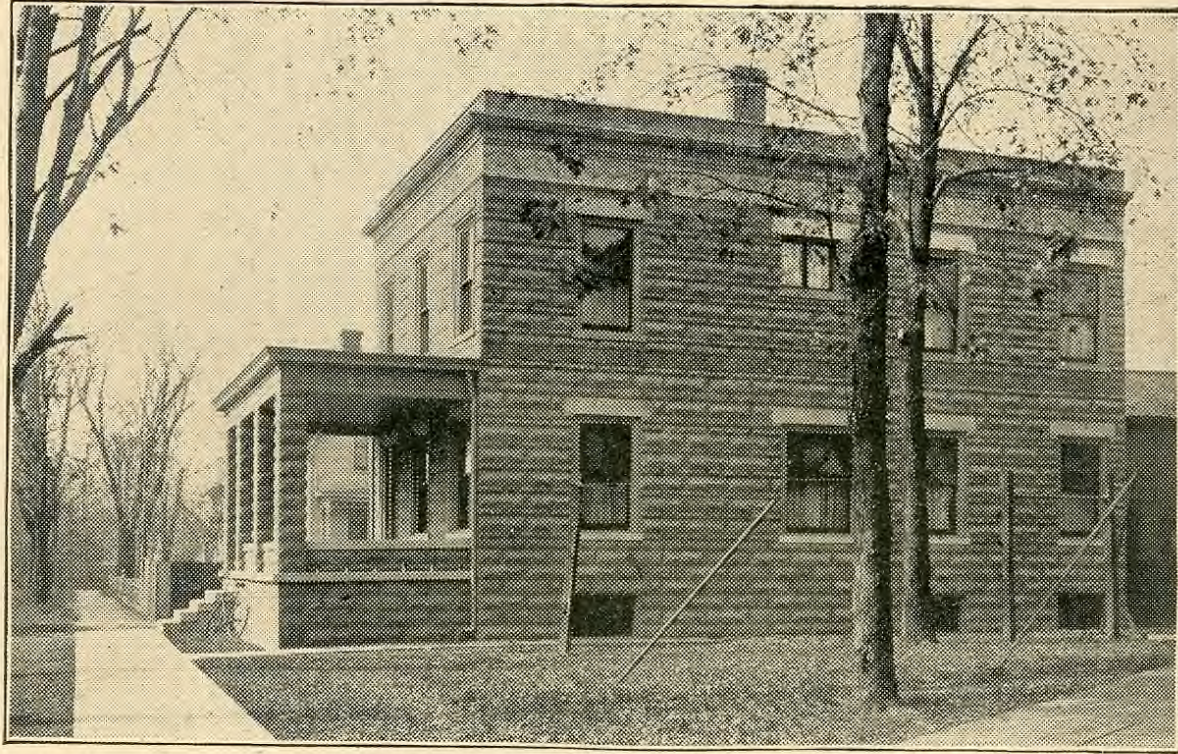
(Illinois Capital Illustrated) (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:48).



The Benjamin Ferguson House (815 N. Fifth Street), demolished in January 1997.



The Joseph Reisch House, 631 N. Sixth Street. Demolished after 1970 (Illinois Capital Illustrated, *Illinois State Journal* 1898:116).



RESIDENCE OF DR. BOYLE VANCE.

The Vance House was constructed on Miller Street at the turn-of-the-century of a new building material (Litholite) (Springfield in the Twentieth Century 1903:69). It was demolished after 1997.

M. F. Herndon
513
West Monroe



D. A. DeVares
709
North Ninth



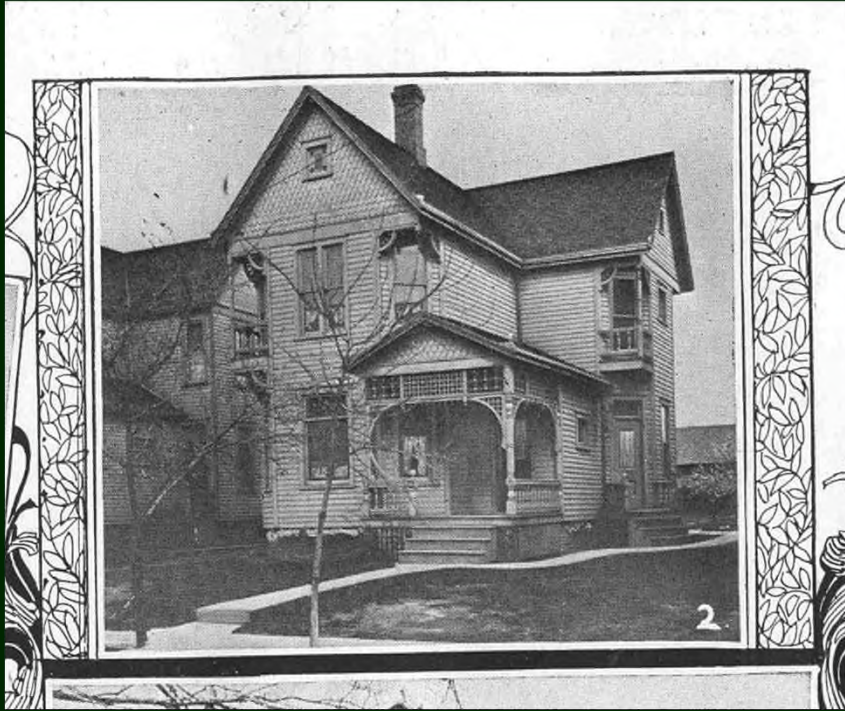
The D. A. DeVares House (907 North Ninth Street) was constructed ca. 1896-98 by DeVares, a local contractor, for his personal use, and was illustrated in *Illinois Capital Illustrated* (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:48).

2—C. D. Sultzaberger .. 802 North Seventh
4—Thomas M. Kilbride .. 105 East South Grand Avenue
6—C. D. Sultzaberger's Tenant House .. 800 North Seventh

3—A. Nebinger .. 822 North Sixth
7—H. J. Hamilton .. 700 South Seventh



Three Queen Anne style houses located in Springfield and illustrated in Illinois Capital Illustrated (Illinois State Journal 1898:60). Both the Sultzaberger house (802 North Seventh Street), the Sultzaberger tenant house (800 North Seventh Street) and the A. Nebinger house (822 North Sixth Street) are extant houses within the Enos Park neighborhood.



This is the Sultzaberger house located at 802 North Seventh Street ([Illinois Capital Illustrated](#); *Illinois State Journal* 1898:60).



This is the Sultzaberger tenant house located at 800 North Seventh Street (*Illinois Capital Illustrated*; *Illinois State Journal* 1898:60).



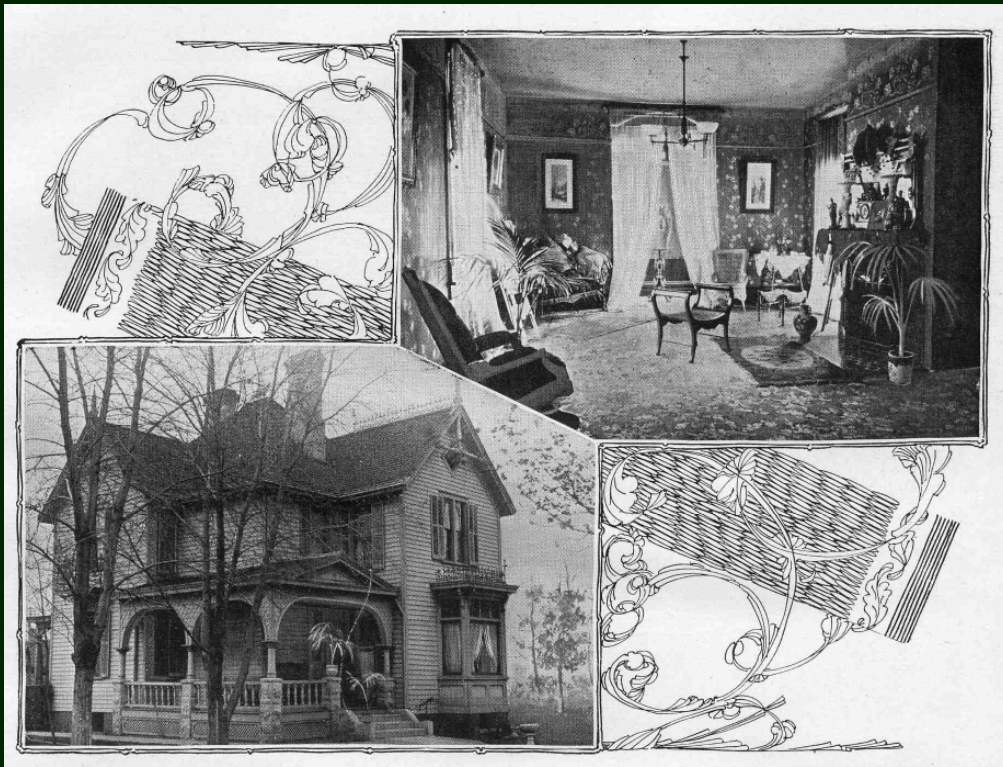


This is the H. Nebinger house located at 822 North Sixth Street ([Illinois Capital Illustrated](#); *Illinois State Journal* 1898:60).

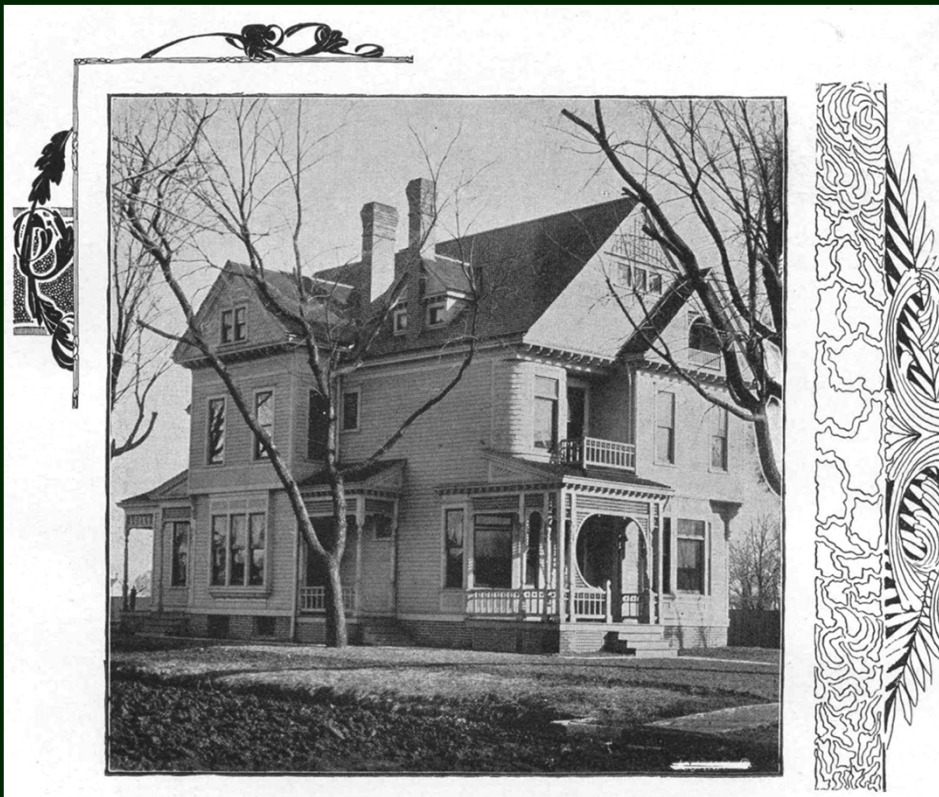


The N. S. Ohlson house (821 N. Fourth Street, as illustrated in Illinois Capital Illustrated (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:26).



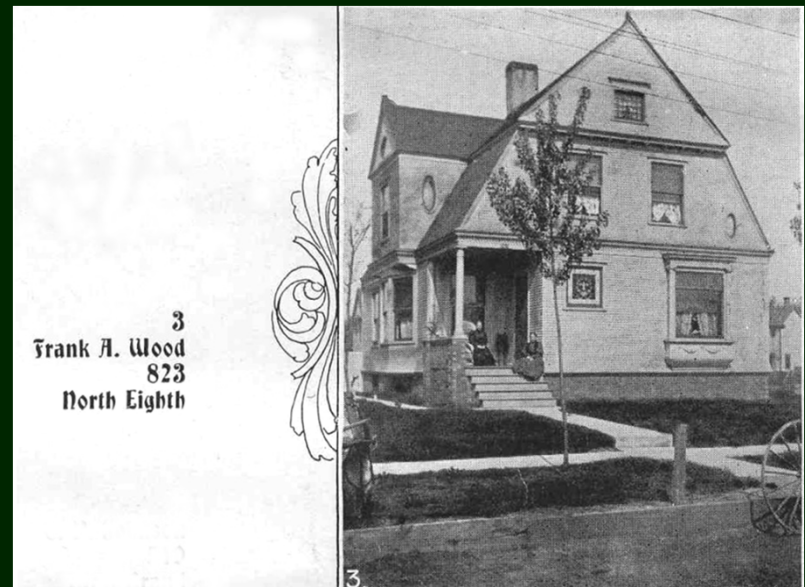
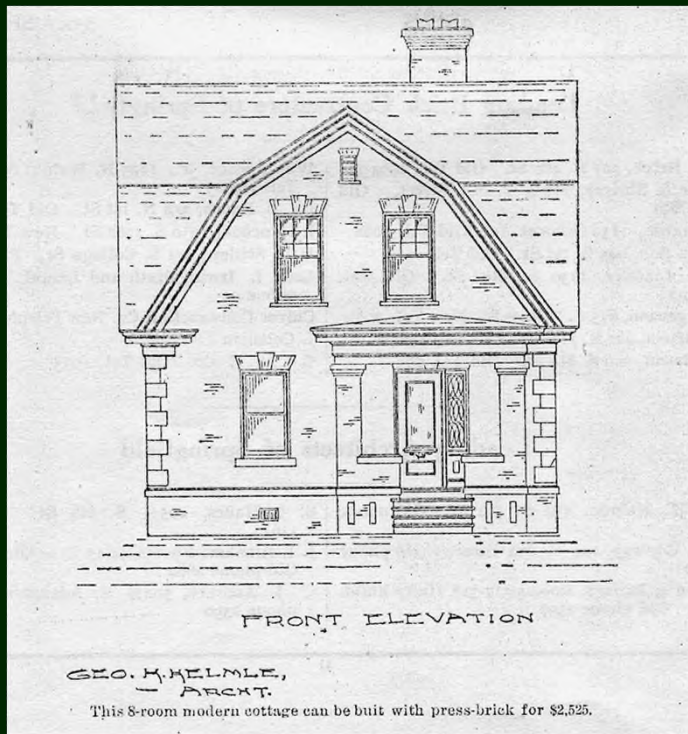


The J. T. Bretz House (1113 North Fifth Street) is a substantial Queen Anne style house constructed by a local contractor for his personal use in the Enos Park neighborhood (as illustrated in Illinois Capital Illustrated, *Illinois State Journal* 1898:74, 94).



The Queen Anne style house constructed for Dr. C. M. Bowcock is located at 1058 North Sixth Street (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:94).





Left:: Elevation of a Dutch Colonial house designed by Springfield architect George Helmle and illustrated in Ideal Homes (Journeymen Bricklayers n.d.:13). Right:: Dutch Colonial house located at 823 North Eighth Street as presented in Illinois Capital Illustrated (*Illinois State Journal* 1898:22).




The George Barrick House, 814 N. Seventh Street (Springfield in the Twentieth Century 1903:4).



J. L. FORTADO'S RESIDENCE.
903 North Seventh Street.

Springfield in the Twentieth Century (1903:8)



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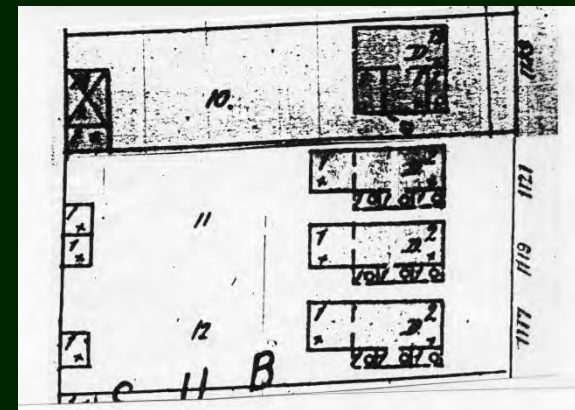


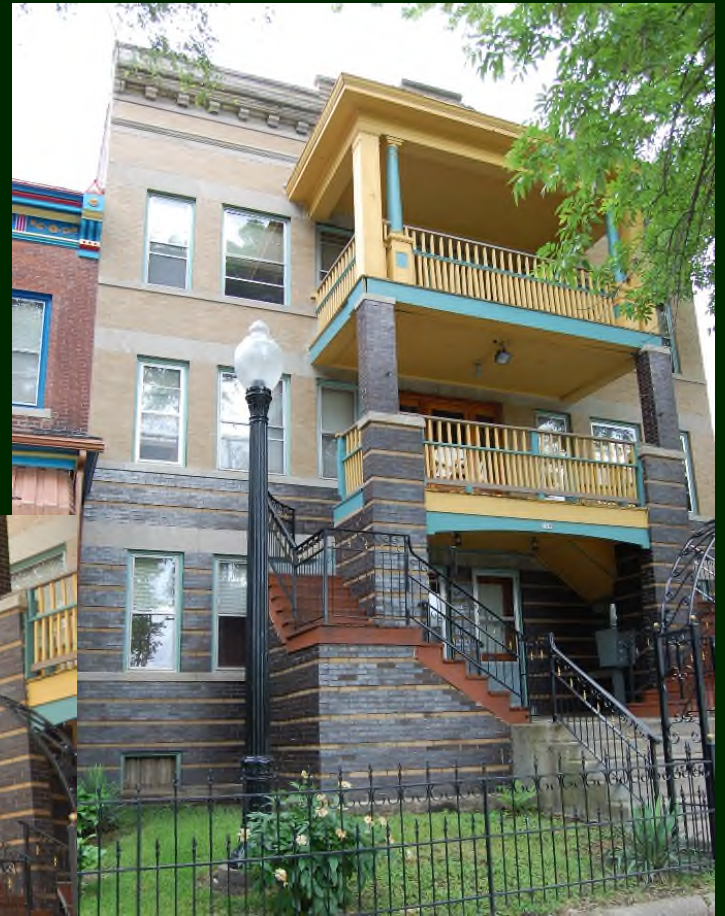
Vernacular Architecture

Upright and Wing (left) and Shotgun (right) house forms in the neighborhood.



Top Left: Side-Entrance, Front-Gable House constructed by C. P. Johnson at 519 West Grand (*The Illinois Capital Illustrated*, *The Illinois State Register* 1898:22). **Top Right:** Similar house located along North Ninth Street.





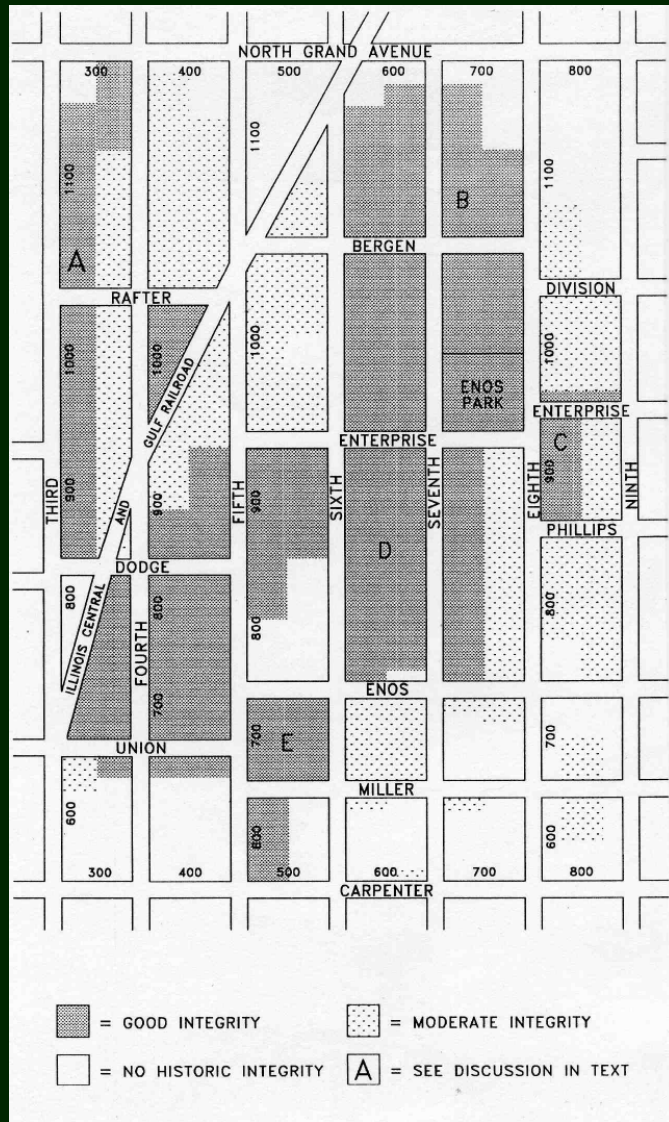
Multi-family Housing



Architectural Integrity

Three similar Queen Anne houses from the Enos Park neighborhood. The house on the left was ranked with an *Excellent* integrity ranking, that in the middle with a *Good*, and that on the right with a *Poor*.

Architectural Integrity in the Enos Park Neighborhood



A neighborhood of contrasts...



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