

Wheeling Historical Museum
Chamber Park
251 N. Wolf Road
Wheeling, Illinois

Open Sundays 1.00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays....10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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506 McHenry Road
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(Memorial Day through Labor Day)

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WALKING TOUR OF THE MILWAUKEE AVENUE

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The Wheeling Historical Society has prepared this walking tour to highlight the historically significant buildings in the Milwaukee Ave. area. The tour is 1 1/2 miles in length, starting at the museum and ending at the Crabhouse.

Start at Chamber Park:

The museum is the original Village Hall which was built in 1894 on S. Milwaukee Ave. under the water tower.

The church at the east end of the park was built in 1865 on Dundee Rd. just west of Milwaukee Ave.

Both of these buildings were moved to their present location by the Historical Society.

Now go north on Wolf Rd. to Strong St. Turn right on Strong and head east.

This section was known as the Zelosky subdivision. William Zelosky owned the land, subdivided it, and sold lots in 1926-27. Then came the Depression, times were bad. Many of the people were forced to build houses of cardboard, garages, or at best, sub-standard houses.

Southeast corner of 3rd. and Strong -
Gieske house

This house was originally at the corner of Dundee Rd. and Wille Ave. It was moved here to make room for the shopping center. He was a veterinarian.

Northeast corner of 1st. and Strong -
Utpadel house

This house was originally on Dundee-Rd. and was moved to make room for McDonalds. The Utpadel family ran the quarry and produced the cement blocks which were used to build many of the buildings in town.

Cross Mors Ave.

372 Mors house (1840's)

The Mors family, who farmed the land behind the house, also owned a tavern further north on Milwaukee Ave. This house is said to have been built around a log cabin.

400 Graf house

(now J, R. Wilke, Inc. Custom Builder)
Wheeling's first Telephone Exchange was operated out of this house from 1901 to 1927 by Augusta Schwingel Graf.

On the east side of Milwaukee Ave:

393 Hartmann House Restaurant (1917)

(now Bob Chinn's Crabhouse)
This restaurant was owned by the Hartmann family until 1955. The original ornate, mahogany bar is still in use today.

We hope you enjoyed your tour and learned a little more about Wheeling's history. You might wish to visit the Wheeling Cemetery where many of Wheeling's old settlers are buried. The cemetery, which is located on the south side of Dundee Rd. just east of Wolf Rd., is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

On the east side of Milwaukee Ave:

- 203 Wheeling Hospital (opened 1927)
(directly south of Kolssak's)
This was originally Dr. Larson's office
which he turned into a hospital.
- 213 Krueger house
Mr. Krueger owned a Blacksmith Shop just
south of the house.

On the west side of Milwaukee Ave:

- 224 Arnold house (1850-1870)
(now Trailer Sales Office)
Jacob Arnold worked as a Tinsmith with
his brother-in-law, William Fassbender.
- 248 Kuffer house and barn (1840's)
He was a Beer Distributor with his
business in a building just north of the
house.
- 260 Pieper Garage (1928)
(now Harrison Supply)
August Pieper built this garage to
replace his Blacksmith Shop at a time
when automobiles were becoming popular.
The garage was run by his son, Walter.
- 270 Pieper house (1840's)
This house is still owned and occupied
by the Pieper family. The design of the
cornices represents Greek Revival
architecture.
- 290 Grewe house (1865)
This house was always a rental until the
Grewe's bought it as a retirement home.
They previously owned a farm on the
present site of Wheeling Nursery.

Turn right on Milwaukee Ave. and head south.
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Rd., was known as Muetzeberg Hill.

On the east side of Milwaukee **Ave**:

- 231 Wiest house (1900-1910)
- 219 Johnson house (1910-1920)
- 199 Royal Blue Store (1930's)
(now Acme Heating)
- 145 Periolat house (1850's)
(now Kiddie Kollege)
George Periolat, who married **Emma**
Schneider, lived here with his family
until he became wealthy working at the
Crane Plumbing Co. and moved to a
mansion in Chicago. Dr. George
Schneider, Wheeling Township's first
veterinarian, then moved here with his
family. The Periolat's later moved back
here to spend their last days, enlarging
and remodeling the house at that time.
- 133 Schneider house (1840's)
Dr. Schneider's son, Reinhold, who owned
a saddlery, lived here with his wife and
two daughter's Adeline and Lucile. The
girls, who never married, lived here
together -- Adeline, now in her 90's,
still resides in the house.
- 119 Wolf house (1840's)
- 109 Meyer house (1910-1920)
(now Drum Center)
John Meyer was a retired farmer and
during World War I, grew garlic in what
is now Don Roth's parking lot.
- 61 Schminke house (1860-80)
(now Don Roth's)
The Schminke family ran the General
Store, located where the Masonic Hall
now stands, in the 1880's.

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On the north side of Dundee Rd:

444 Wheeling Farm Store (1939)

This was the original site of Boehmer's Creamery, which was destroyed by fire in the 20's. The original Wheeling Farm Store, owned by the Balling family, was located across the street just east of the river. (The foundation still remains) When the Forest Preserve District took over the land, the frame building was torn down and this one was built. They sold poultry, eggs, vegetables, and homemade apple cider for many years.

450 Welflin house (1893)

(behind the Wheeling Farm Store)
The Welflin and Balling families, who were related through marriage, lived in this two-flat. The Welflin's owned the General Store from 1918 to the 1960's. This house was also moved from the south side of Dundee Rd. east of the river to its present location.

Both buildings are still occupied by the Balling family.

Return to Milwaukee Ave. and turn left, going south.

On the west side of Milwaukee Ave:

4 Wheeling State Bank (1927)

(now Highwood Appliances)
The bank, originally across the street on the **southeast** corner, **moved** to this new building because of need for expansion. There was also a Drug Store on the 1st. floor and the Telephone Exchange on the 2nd. floor.

On the east side of Milwaukee Ave:

47 Forke house (1915)

(now Law Office - Ronald Urkovich)

61 Forke Garage (1920's)

(now Zack's Carpeting)

This building replaced the original garage, Wheeling's first, which was destroyed by fire. It was run by Frank Forke.

67 Wheeling Funeral Home (1920's)

(now John's Shoe Repair)

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(now Progressive Office Equipment)

The butcher, Hans Schmidt, was Wheeling's Village President from 1935 to 1945.

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124 Union Hotel (1925)

(now Billy and Company)

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150 Bollenbach house (1880's)

They owned a General Store from the late 1880's to the 1930's.

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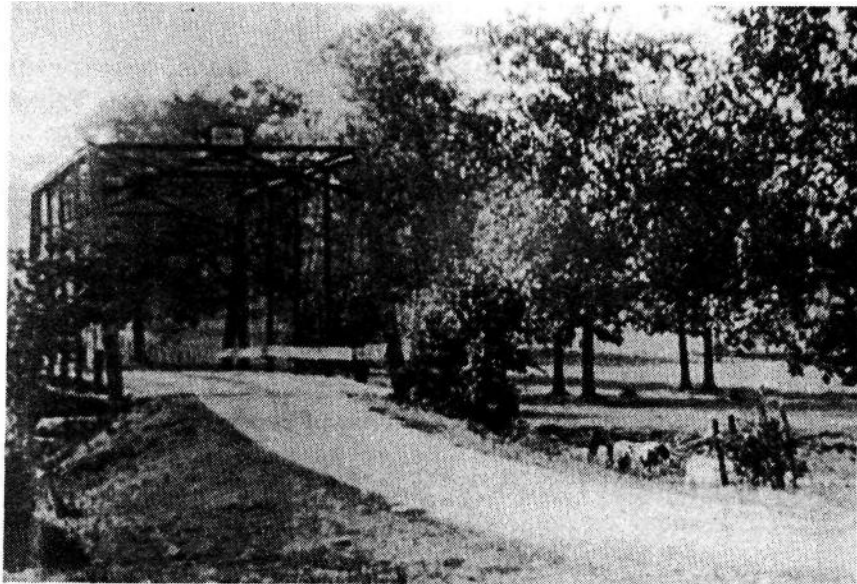
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CHRONOLOGY

- 1787 Ordinance creates single government for Northwest Territory.
- 1812 Fort Dearborn Massacre.
- 1818 Illinois becomes a state; Shadrach Bond is first governor.
- 1819 Immigration from Maryland via Cumberland Trail.
- 1825 Erie Canal opens; Illinois gets boost in migration.
- 1830 Families settle area around Fort Dearborn. Pre-emption Bill gives squatters first chance to buy land at minimum price. 1830 map shows Milwaukee Ave. as "Milwalky Trace." Cyrus McCormick invents mechanical reaper.
- 1832 Blackhawk Wars end.
- 1833 Treaties with Potawatomi signed Sept. 26, initiate land rush. Chicago population is 150. Mar. 13, Sweet stakes squatter's claim on land near today's Palwaukee Inn. Sept. 21, Sweet sells claim to George Strong for \$60.
- 1834 Indian Treaties ratified. December, Joseph Filkins claims some 720 acres in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Wheeling Township.
- 1835 Filkins builds first residence in area to become Wheeling. Eighteen log cabins are built in Township. William Hopps, known as "The Englishman," builds mansion in Section 3.
- 1836 Milwaukee Ave. is designated Post Road between Chicago and Green Bay. Ascher G. Skinner opens blacksmith shop.
- 1837 Filkins builds Stage Coach Tavern, Wheeling's first commercial structure. Post Office is established there on May 1 with Filkins as postmaster. Russel Wheeler and Charles Daniels open first general store. Federal government land survey completed, Section lines run. John Deere develops new, self-cleaning steel plow that can break tough sod of the prairie and can be pulled by horses instead of oxen.
- 1838 Orestin Shepard opens blacksmith shop.
- 1840 James Parker opens Parker Hotel, Wheeling's second hostelry. Ascher Skinner moves to 270 acre farm in Section 12. Allison's Bridge is built across Des Plaines River. Wheeler-Daniels store is sold to Joel McDuffee.
- 1841 Pre-emption Act authorizes sale of land in 160-acre parcels at \$1.25 per acre.



ALLISON'S BRIDGE crossed the Des Plaines river at a point just below where Palatine Rd. is now. It was built by the Allisons to provide easy passage from their house and barns on the east side of the river to the fields and pasture land on the west. Later it became a public thoroughfare.

- 1842 Stores are opened by John Rothschild, John M. Schaeffer and William Vogt.,
- 1843 E. K. Beach opens blacksmith shop.
- 1844 Telegraph invented--First message: "What hath God wrought?"
- 1845 First one-room Wheeling School is built. Albert Fassbender opens first hardware store.
- 1846 Famine in Germany encourages immigration.
- 1847 George Horcher, farmer, arrives from Bamberg, Germany.
- 1849 Vetruvius Masonic Lodge No. 81 is formed at Dutchman's Point (later Niles). Julius Purmann M.D., first doctor, arrives in Wheeling.
- 1850 Napoleon Periolat opens brewery with sons Henry and Robert. Wheeling Township government is established April 2 at Parker Hotel. F. M. Salisbury is first Supervisor. Township is divided into nine districts, each two miles square.
- 1851 Mar. 13, Vetruvius Lodge moves to Wheeling.
1. 52 Jac.b Hunsinger builds store on Lot 3 of McDuffee's subdivi-
Stephen Milburn Salisbury leaves for Oregon.

- 1853 First veterinarian, Dr. George Schneider, arrives and builds home on N. Milwaukee Ave.
- 1854 Mail stage operates between Waukegan and Chicago by way of Libertyville, Half Day and Wheeling. Wisconsin Central Railroad and Green Bay Milwaukee Railroad join at state line.
- 1856 Jacob Hunsinger builds Union Hotel. Dr. Purmann dies.
- 1861 Civil War breaks out. On May 4, 14 Wheeling volunteers join Union Rifle Guard at Camp Fry. Two-room schoolhouse is built to replace original one.
- 1864 Nov. 2, first meeting of German Evangelical and United Reformed Lutheran Church. Later in same year, congregation joins Presbyterian Church of the United States.
- 1865 Civil War ends and Lincoln is assassinated Apr. 14. German Presbyterian Church is built, on Dundee Rd. around the corner from Filkins' Tavern. William Metz opens blacksmith shop and Samuel Reese opens wagon shop. Philip Armour constructs slaughter house in Chicago, contributing to prosperity of Wheeling farmers raising cattle and pigs.
- 1868 Reese wagon shop sold to Louis Fischer. Population is 200.
- 1869 Continent is bridged by railroads, industrialization begins.
- 1870 School burns and two-story structure replaces it.
- 1871 Chicago Fire illuminates Wheeling at night.
- 1872 Cook County Herald is founded as weekly newspaper, printed half in German and half in English.
- 1873 John Forke settles in Wheeling. Fred Stryker opens meat market. Martin Armbruster builds Chicago House.
- 1874 Christian Welflin opens harness shop.
- 1876 Dr. Fred Muffat arrives to practice medicine.
- 1877 John Behm buys Union Hotel from Jacob Hunsinger. Wheeling Cornet Band is organized.
- 1878 John Schminke buys Hunsinger's store.
- 1880 Henry Boehmer establishes creamery. John Schminke builds home on N. Milwaukee Ave.
- 1881 Vogt and Sigwalt take over J. M. Schaeffer general store.
- 1884 Wheeling population is still 200.

- 1885 Reinhold Schneider buys Chris Welflin's harness shop.
- 1886 Wisconsin Central Railroad comes through, station is built just south of Dundee Rd. Wisconsin Central Hotel is constructed at Wheeling Station by Andrew Horcher. Wheeling Feed Mill is operated by Henry Wessling. May 4 is date of Haymarket Riot in Chicago.
- 1888 Bollenbach and Sigwalt join as partners in store and build homes at 150 and 160 S. Milwaukee Ave.
- 1889 Henry Grandt, Sr. purchases homestead.
- 1890 Dr. Henry Benz arrives. Wheeling population is 311.
- 1893 Welflin home is built, east of the river and south of Dundee Rd. Bicycle craze reaches its peak. There is financial panic. World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago celebrates 400th anniversary of Columbus' arrival in America.
- 1894 June 18, Citizens petition to incorporate Village of Wheeling. July 17, Henry Boehmer elected Mayor together with six Trustees, Village Clerk, and Police Magistrate. July 26, first meeting of Board of Trustees held in District school. First Village Ordinance licenses dram shops.
- 1895 Village Hall built. J. P. Hausam elected Mayor. Chris Uetz saloon built.
- 1896 Volunteer Fire Department established. Chris Uetz first Fire Chief.
- 1897 Hand-pumped fire engine ordered. First Firemen's Ball and first picnic held Aug. 7 to raise money for fire equipment.
- 1899 Jacob Schwingel elected Mayor.
- 1900 Ordinance authorizes Chicago Telephone Co. to install first telephones. Dundee Rd. bridge is built. Reinhold Schneider is appointed Village Clerk. Basement and choir alcove are added to Presbyterian Church. Wheeling population is 331.
- 1901 Chicago House is taken over by Henry Hartmann and renamed Hartmann's Chicago House.
- 1903 Wright brothers make first succesful flight.
- 1904 Fire Department gets hand pumper for \$450. Henry Boehmer again elected Mayor.
- 1905 Periolat Brewery is sold. Emil Geest establishes lumber yard at Wheeling Station. Pay phone installed at John Behm's Union Hotel to provide telephone service for public. Henry Ford produces Model T for \$850.

- 1906 Wheeling's Literary Society produces comedy, "Mr. Bob."
- 1907 Chicago is film capital of the world.
- 1908 Jacob Schwingel again elected Mayor. Dr. Francis Lillie buys North Farm.
- 1909 Dr. George Schneider dies. Wheeling Camp of Royal Neighbors is organized as fraternal insurance society.
- 1910 Crane Foundation buys Buffalo Creek Farm. Lillies start building Childerley. Log cabin built in 1825, formerly used as pig pen on South Farm, is moved to Childerley for use as chapel. There are 28 toll phones in service by end of year. Periolat Brewery is razed.
- 1911 Lillies' yellow brick residence on North Farm burns.
- 1912 Halley's comet sighted. Iceberg sinks Titanic. Richard T. Crane dies. Port House is built.
- 1914 Start of World War I. Ice cream parlor is added to Fassbender's hardware store.
- 1915 Balling family moves to Wheeling from Chicago.
- 1916 "House that Jack Built" is constructed on land formerly owned by Allisons. Cook County Forest Preserve District is established. Union Hotel is sold to Otto Wenzlaff. Mors Tavern is demolished to make room for three Forke buildings on S. Milwaukee Ave.
- 1917 U. S. enters World War I on April 6. Dam No. 1 completed. Milwaukee Ave. paving starts. "Wheeling to Wheeling" again is popular. English replaces German in Presbyterian Church services. Harold Hartmann builds new Hartmann House. George Sicks is elected Mayor.
- 1918 Dr. Edward Larson arrives to practice medicine in Wheeling at time of influenza epidemic. Armistice signed Nov. 11.
- 1919 Sale of alcoholic beverages is forbidden under Wartime Act. Post cards cost 1 cent. Edward Welflin buys Schminke and Bollenback-Sigwalt stores. Jacob Schwingel elected Mayor for third time.
- 1920 Eighteenth Amendment (prohibition) is ratified and Nineteenth Amendment (giving women right to vote) goes into effect. Knights of Columbus build Columbia Country Club, later known as Bon Air and then as Chevy Chase.
- 1921 Wheeling's first bank is established in what was ice cream parlor addition to Fassbender's hardware store. Boy Scout Troop No. 18 is founded.

- 1923 Marathon dance fad is in full swing. Paving of N. Milwaukee Ave. is completed.
- 1924 New windows are installed in old school. Union Hotel is sold to Felix Rogalski. Lew Holtje elected Mayor.
- 1925 William Zelosky's Addition to Wheeling is developed. New brick school on Wille Ave. is completed. Bluebird Girl Scout Troop is organized by Lucile Schneider. Union Hotel burns to the ground on Dec. 26. Village acquires first gas-driven fire engine and first police car.
- 1926 Frank and Pete Barchard buy 40 acres of land for Pal-Waukee Airport and Wynn Bradford is hired to manage it. Lightning demolishes spire of Presbyterian Church.
- 1927 Height of Capone era. Arlington Race Track opens. New bank building on southwest corner of Milwaukee and Dundee. Wheeling Commercial Club is organized. Brick Chapel of St. Francis is built at Childerley.
- 1928 Behm's Riverside Restaurant opens. Julius Meinken is elected Mayor. Pal-Waukee Airport is bought and incorporated by Owen Barton Jones.
- 1929 Stock market crash starts Depression and ends Wheeling's prosperity. Chicago Daily News has fleet of planes at Palwaukee Airport.
- 1930 Wheeling's population is 467. Illinois Bell Telephone Co. leases space on second floor of bank building and moves in switchboard, which remains there for 25 years. First public library established.
- 1931 Elisabeth Port School for Country Children at Childerley closes.
- 1932 Era of Capone ends with his imprisonment and repeal of Prohibition amendment. School at Childerley is used as community center under direction of Mrs. A. Larkin. Good-year blimp hangar is constructed at Pal-Waukee.
- 1933 Opening of Chicago World's Fair, "A Century of Progress."
- 1934 Dionne quintuplets born in Ontario, Canada.
- 1935 Former school at Childerley used for evening classes. Hans Schmidt elected Mayor. Park Ridge Airport moves equipment and personnel to Pal-Waukee.
- 1936 Royal Blue store opens. Tom Williams changes name of Country Club to Bon Air.
- 1937 Vacation time Library organized by Presbyterian Church School and P.T.A.

- 1938 Apr. 7, Child Health Station opens. Port and Lillie homes used as Youth Hostel with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Carpenter as house parents. Gymnasium is added to Wheeling School on S. Wille St., later known as Walt Whitman.
- 1939 Frances Crane Lillie closes Childerley, pensioning mothers still residing there. She donates 900-volume library to restart public library at Wheeling School.
- 1940 Arthur Miller, Sr., opens Wheeling's first bowling alley at Columbia Recreation. Servite Sisters buy portion of Childerley which becomes Villa Addolorata. Country Club name is changed to Chevy Chase. Wheeling population is 550.
- 1941 Post Office moves from Fassbender hardware store to its own office in Forke building. Ten acres of field, orchard and buildings at Childerley given to Calvert Foundation. Denoyers open Rising Sun, Girl Scout camp on their farm.
- 1942 Civilian Defense program organized with Hans Schmidt as unit coordinator. Presbyterian Dramatic Club revived. Mrs. A. A. Fassbender is P.T.A. President.
- 1944 Royal Blue store sold to Mr. Davis of Northbrook.
- 1945 World War II ends. Arthur Ortegel elected Mayor. Parks Air College takes over Pal-Waukee Airport. '
- 1946 Apr. 6, Philip Carpenter Post of Amvets is organized with John Forke as Commander. Frank Behm takes over Riverside restaurant. First Cub Scout pack meets.
- 1947 Mrs. Charles Balling is appointed librarian.
- 1948 Syke Horcher joins police force under Chief Harold Mackh.
- 1949 Recreation group organized for grade and high school children.
- 1950 Our Town Club is organized. First meeting of Lions Club, formerly Wheeling Business Men's Club. Vetrivius Lodge celebrates 100th birthday. Wheeling population is 916.
- 1951 First Tupperware party.
- 1953 George Priester buys Pal-Waukee Airport. Harold Gieske, Jr. is elected Mayor.
- 1954 Apr. 9, Old Masonic Temple, former Schminke store, As razed. First Brownie Troop organized at Presbyterian Church.
- 1955 Dunhurst Heights subdivision opens. Syke Horcher becomes Police Chief. First rattlesnake hunt organized by Ed Bellmore and Arnold Krause. Hartmann House becomes Adam

Schiecks' 'Adam's Hartmann House.'" O'Hare Field opens for commercial use.

- 1956 Population is 2,426. Meadowbrook subdivision opens.
- 1957 Population is 5,417. First shopping center, on Dundee west of Milwaukee, is developed by Glenn Miller. A. R. McIntyre is elected Mayor. Hula Hoop fad sweeps country. George Priester broadcasts traffic conditions from air via WGN. New telephone building at 50 E. Dundee Rd. is dedicated. Carl Sandburg school opens.
- 1958 Population is 6,162. Meadowbrook East subdivision opens. Dec. 25, St. Joseph the Worker Church conducts first Mass. Mark Twain school opens. Wheeling Junior Woman's Club votes to sponsor library, which opens in outbuilding behind Union Hotel. Frances Crane Lillie dies. Telephone Co. goes dial.
- 1959 St. Joseph's parochial school is built. Wheeling Public Library District is established, taking in 10 square miles.
- 1960 Population is 7,169, an increase of 683 percent from 1950 to 1960. Rickett's restaurant replaces Tony Blum's. Volunteer firemen are paid \$1 per call.
- 1961 Jack London school opens. Wheeling Park District created.
- 1962 Population is 9,627. Last services held in old Presbyterian Church. Park District opens ice rink at Chamber Park.
- 1963 Wheeling High School opens. Library moves from Union Hotel location to former Welflin store on S. Milwaukee Ave. Cameo Terrace North is constructed.
- 1964 Population is 11,756. Oct. 11, celebration of 100th anniversary of Presbyterian Church. Park District purchases 66-acre Heritage Park and builds field house. Eugene Field School opens. Beatles make first American tour.
- 1965 Hackney's restaurant replaces Behm's Riverside. Aug. 25, Wheeling Historical society formed by Wheeling Junior Woman's Club. Ted Scanlon elected Mayor.
- 1966 Heritage Park recreation building opens. Dundee Rd. is widened from Milwaukee Ave. to Route 83. Wheeling Cemetery gets 10-foot concrete wall. New bridge is built where Wheeling Drainage Ditch passes under Dundee Rd. Holmes Junior High School opens. Village turns over old village hall to Historical Society for rental of \$1 per year.
- 1967 Hans Bavarian Lodge is owned by Hans Ammeloux. May 1, 65-foot control tower built by George Priester at Pal-Waukee Airport is staffed by Federal Aviation Agency.

- 1968 Reeb's Feed Mill shuts down.
- 1969 Wheeling celebrates its Diamond Jubilee. John Schminke house becomes Don Roth's restaurant. Park District purchases Chamber Park from Chamber of Commerce and builds two pools. Old Community Presbyterian Church building is moved to Chamber Park. Wheeling Historical Society puts on first Beer and Brat Fest. Tarkington School is opened.
- 1970 Wheeling adopts by referendum the manager-council form of government. Library purchases former St. Mark's Church of Christ on Jenkins Ct. Phyllis Harmon organizes Wheeling Wheelmen. Old Presbyterian Church is moved to Chamber Park.
- 1971 Hawthorne School opens.
- 1972 Wheel Inn burns down. Jaycee Wheeling flag contest won by Dan Van Loon. Park District has referendum to purchase Horizon Park. Whipple-Tree Mobile Home Park developed on part of former Crane Farm.
- 1973 Shadow Bend subdivision is developed on former Schneider farm. Le Francais restaurant opened by Jean Banchet in former Moellers' restaurant.
- 1974 Library District renamed "Indian Trails Library District." James Stavros and some Village officials convicted of accepting payments in connection with building and zoning.
- 1977 Calvert Foundation sells its 10 acres of Childerley property to Wheeling Park District. Ted Bracke appointed Police Chief. Bill Hein is elected Village President. Starts negotiating for federal funds to buy Pal-Waukee Airport. Park District conducts referendum to purchase Chevy Chase Country Club and Childerley Park.
- 1978 Park District purchases old Village Hall from Village for \$1 and moves it to Chamber Park. Berghoff family buys Hans Bavarian Lodge. 94th Aero Squadron restaurant built. Lake Cook Rd. is opened west of Milwaukee Ave. Groundbreaking is conducted for Indian Trails Library on Schoenbeck Rd.
- 1979 Riverside Plaza development begins on southeast corner of Dundee and Milwaukee.
- 1981 Sheila H. Schultz is elected Village President.
- 1982 Childerley log cabin is demolished.
- 1983 Cabbage Patch Kids cause buying frenzy.
- 1984 Arlington Country Club, 131 acres, is annexed to Wheeling. Prospect Heights and Wheeling agree to negotiate the purchase of Palwaukee Airport.

- 1985 Pavilion, a senior recreation center, opens. Wheeling gets Lake Michigan water. Wildwood building fire sparks renovation of apartment complex, renamed as The Arbors.
- 1986 Tax Increment Financing begins to change the face of old Wheeling along Milwaukee Ave. Villages of Wheeling and Prospect Heights sign final agreement to purchase Pal-Waukee Airport from the Priesters.

Yourself and company are cordially invited

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AT WELFLIN'S HALL - WHEELING, ILLINOIS

Saturday Evening, December 30, 1893.

GRAND ENTREE AT 9 O'CLOCK SHARP.

TRAINS LEAVE WISCONSIN CENTRAL DEPOT, CHICAGO, 3.45 AND 5.00 P. M.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE.

H. G. WHITING.	J. METHLING.	F. C. HABEN.
A. MILLER.	G. H. PERIOLAT.	

FLOOR COMMITTEE.

J. A. HABEN.	C. A. AHMBRUSTER.	E. C. HABEN.	J. W. WELLS.
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DANCES were held in the large dining hall of the Chicago House when Welflin owned it.

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WHEELING

SUB. of Sec. 1-42-11, Res. Aug. 4, 1888, in P. 100, Doc. 14774.

RESUB. of George Strong's Farm in Sections 1 & 2-42-11, Res. May 8, 1891, Doc. 14774.

OWNER'S SUB. in Sections 1 & 2-42-11, in P. 100, Doc. 14774.

COUNTY CLERK'S DIV. in Sections 1, 2, 3-11, Res. Mar. 20, 1905, Doc. 14774.

Sec. 2-42-11, Res. Aug. 4, 1888, in P. 100, Doc. 14774.

John M. 165 ft. of the W. 332.85 ft. (measured on the center line of Dundee Road) of Lot 1 of Foster Torres Sub. in Sections 1 & 2-42-11, Res. Jan. 24, 1923, Doc. 24287.

WHEELING CENTER, a sub. of part of Lot 1 of Foster Torres Sub. in Sections 1 & 2-42-11, Res. Aug. 30, 1950, Doc. 14890440.

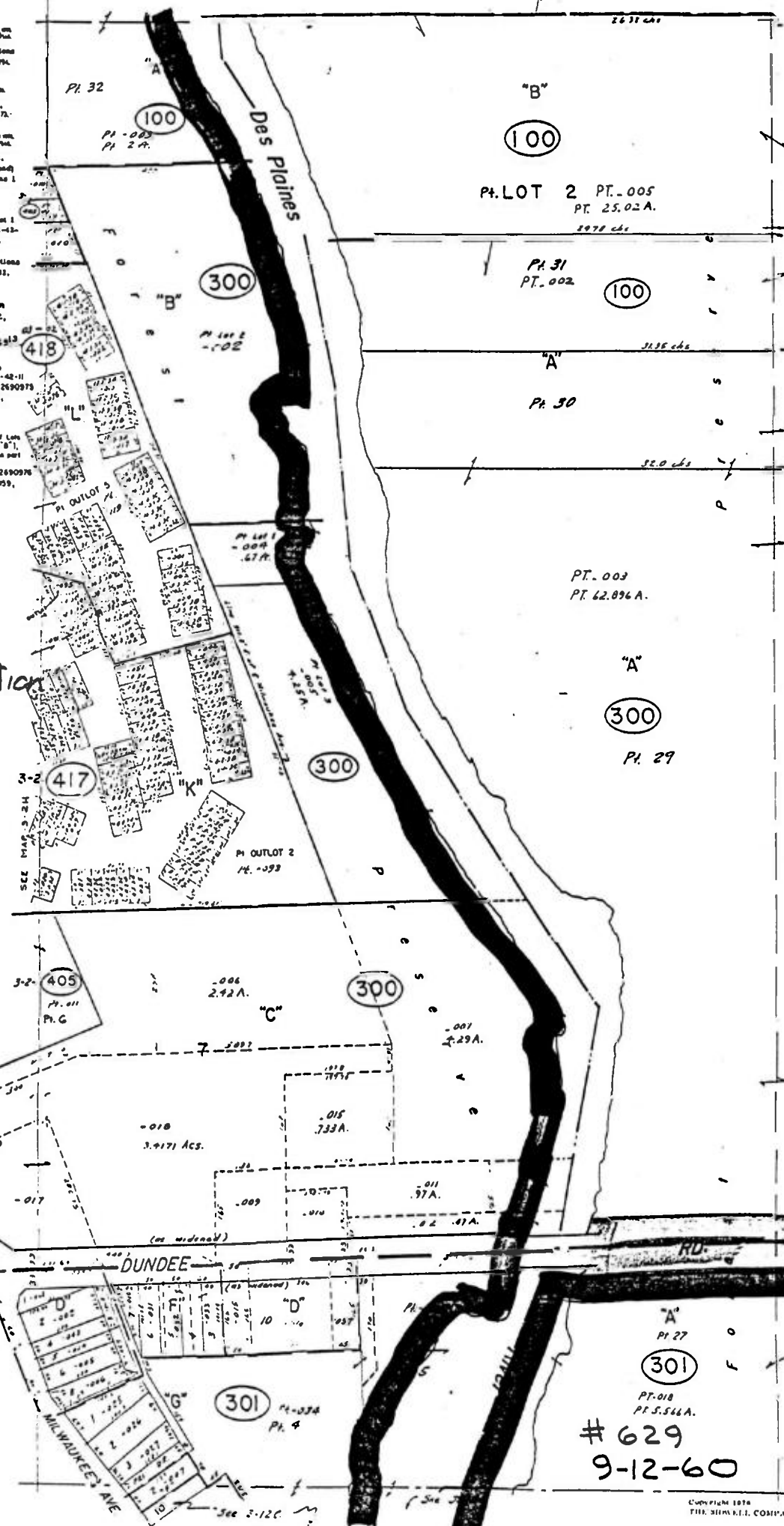
J. L. McDUFFEE'S SUB. of parts of Sections 1, 2, 11, & 12-42-11, Res. Mar. 23, 1882, Doc. 36322.

KRAUS SUB. of part of Lots 2 & 5 in Resub. of Ge. Strong's Farm in Sec. 2, and W 1/4 of Sec. 1-42-11, Res. Oct. 21, 1960, Doc. 14955612.

SHADOW BEND PHASE I RESUB. of part of Lot 2 in Resub. of Ge. Strong's Farm (see "B"), and part of Lot 1 in Owner's sub (see "C"), in part of Sec. 1 & 2-42-11, Res. May 10, 1973, Doc. 22320783, for Doc. 2690976. Lot of the Res. June 22, 1973, Doc. 2237208, for Doc. 2699912.

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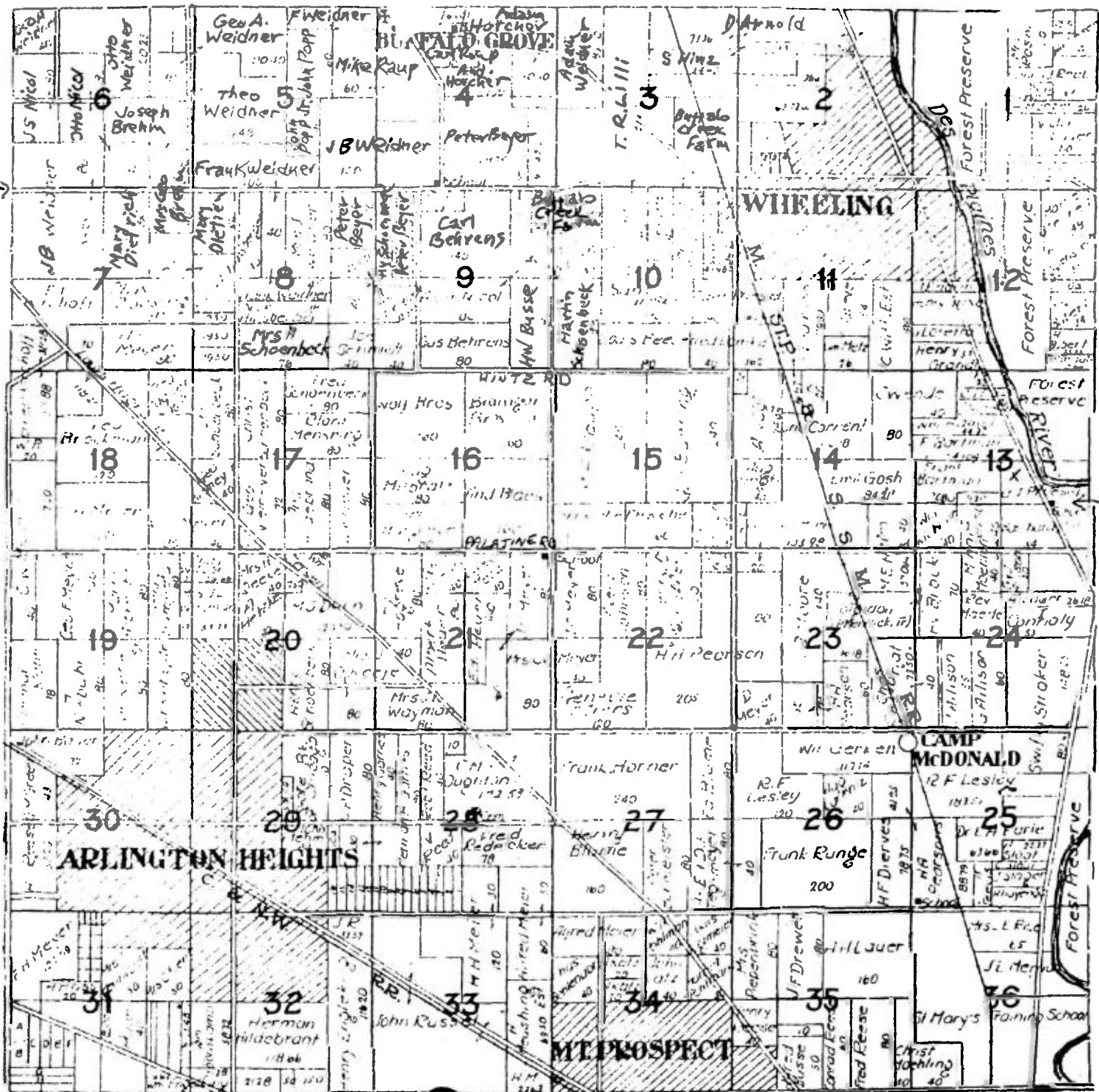
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1936

Dundee Rd →



← Calwaukee Airport

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS

WHEELING

MT PROSPECT

CAMP McDONALD

St Mary's Training School

WHEELING'S CHARACTER STRUCTURE ZONES

AREA 1 Along the Des Plaines River

Welflin House	(1893)	450 E. Dundee Rd.
Balling House	(1939)	444 E. Dundee Rd. <i>M...</i>
Schmidt House	(1910-20)	420 E. Dundee Rd.
Reed Mill	(1925)	420 E. Dundee Rd.

AREA 2 Mid-Town Business District

Forke House	(1916)	47 S. Milwaukee
National Plumbing		61 S. Milwaukee
John's Shoe Repair		67 S. Milwaukee
<i>Hans</i> Schmidt's Meat Market	(1920-30)	117 S. Milwaukee

AREA 3 South Side Residences

Union Hotel	(1925)	124 S. Milwaukee
Bollenback House	(1880-90)	150 S. Milwaukee
Sigwalt House	(1880-90)	160 S. Milwaukee
Periolat House	(1850-70)	178 S. Milwaukee
Arnold House	(1850-70)	224 S. Milwaukee
Kueffer House & Barn	(1840's)	248 S. Milwaukee
Harrison Supply	(1936)	260 S. Milwaukee
Pieper House	(1840's)	280 S. Milwaukee
Grewe House	(1865)	290 S. Milwaukee
Mors House	(1840's)	372 S. Milwaukee

AREA 4 Muetzeberg Hill

Schminke House	(1860-80)	61 N. Milwaukee <i>Don Rath</i>
Utpadel House	(1910-20)	109 N. Milwaukee <i>- now on Strong</i>
Wolf House	(1840-50)	119 N. Milwaukee
Schneider House	(1849)	133 N. Milwaukee
Periolat House	(1850's)	145 N. Milwaukee
Royal Blue Store	(193)	199 N. Milwaukee <i>Kischelt</i>
	(1910-20)	219 N. Milwaukee
Weist House	(1900-10)	231 N. Milwaukee

NOTE:

1. Hartmann House and the Ice House serve as an "anchor" on the South Side of town.
2. The Becker House and the Sicks Barn may be more likely to be preserved if relocated to a more central area i.e. Chamber Park.
3. Several structures are not located in a "zone" but still compliment the older structures. These include the Sick's House, Community Hospital and the Player Piano. These structures are unlikely to be removed in the immediate future.

Start at Old Village Hall - S. Milwaukee Avenue WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

To north -

- 1. Old Forke House
- 2. Oldest tree in village at Don Roth's Former Schminke House
- 3. Schneider House - possibly oldest in village - Periolat House
- 4. "Muetzeberg Hill" Old butcher shop
Becker House - cigar maker

Turn back South to Strong Street

- 1. West on Strong St. - Wheeling's early subdivision (Zelosky's) Stories of depression - cardboard houses - stealing corn delinquent taxes etc.
- 2. South of Wolf Rd. Old Church on park district property - donated by Chamber Story of Wheeling Days
Dall's Sunnyside Addition to Wheeling (Holland's)
- 3. Old Cemetery (Possible walk thru it) Wille's Subdivision
Utzedel's gravel pit
- 4. West on Dundee Rd. to railroad area
Soo Line in Wheeling's history - area surrounding depot.
Pickle factory - milk pickups by train - way to Chicago horse and buggy taxi
- 5. South to Hintz Road Farming in that area - Lemke family - Vogt Grandt. *See lowest*
- 6. East to Milwaukee Avenue. South to Clayton House - site of first permanent white settler in Wheeling Twp.
- 7. Turn back North - Bertmann Farm - old toll gate site. Forest Preserve Dam No. 1. swimming area for northern suburbs of Chicago. Merry-go-round, pony rides, boat trips on river. Fred Lenke house (Utzedel cement blocks)
- 8. Wheeling Nurseries - Ernest Kruse - Philip Hart farm - Great tree and observatory - Forke Farm. Hartmann House - ice house. Making of ice on river.
- 9. Hugo House corner of Mors Ave. one of oldest. Wenzlaff Tavern - Heckney's site of Behm's Riverside. Krueger's blacksmith shop. Pieper's blacksmith shop.
- 10. Periolat Brewery - old home on west side of street Kufer house - first wholesale beer distributor Arnold House. Site of old Chicago House - Sam Warnecke - Sidney Smith
- 11. Union Hotel - Utzedel Ice Cream Parlor "The Loop of Wheeling".

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12. Turn East on Dundee Rd.
New bank building site of "Red Mary"s- Wheeling Inn.
13. Reeb's mill.
Old Diesel engine
14. Creamery area both sides of street
Mama D's old Mors home - old tree in yard.
Wheeling Farms - old cider mill.
Riccardo's studio barn
15. East on Dundee Rd across river to Forest Preserve and
two Indian Camp sites off of Portwine Rd.
16. Return to starting point. Brief lecture in museum.

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(If time permits)

17. Addolorata Villa site of Crane Fund for Widows and Children
Chapel and old cabin

Estimated time: - 1½ hours (could be made more or less
to adapt to conditions and interest.)

Tour guide - M.C. Belling

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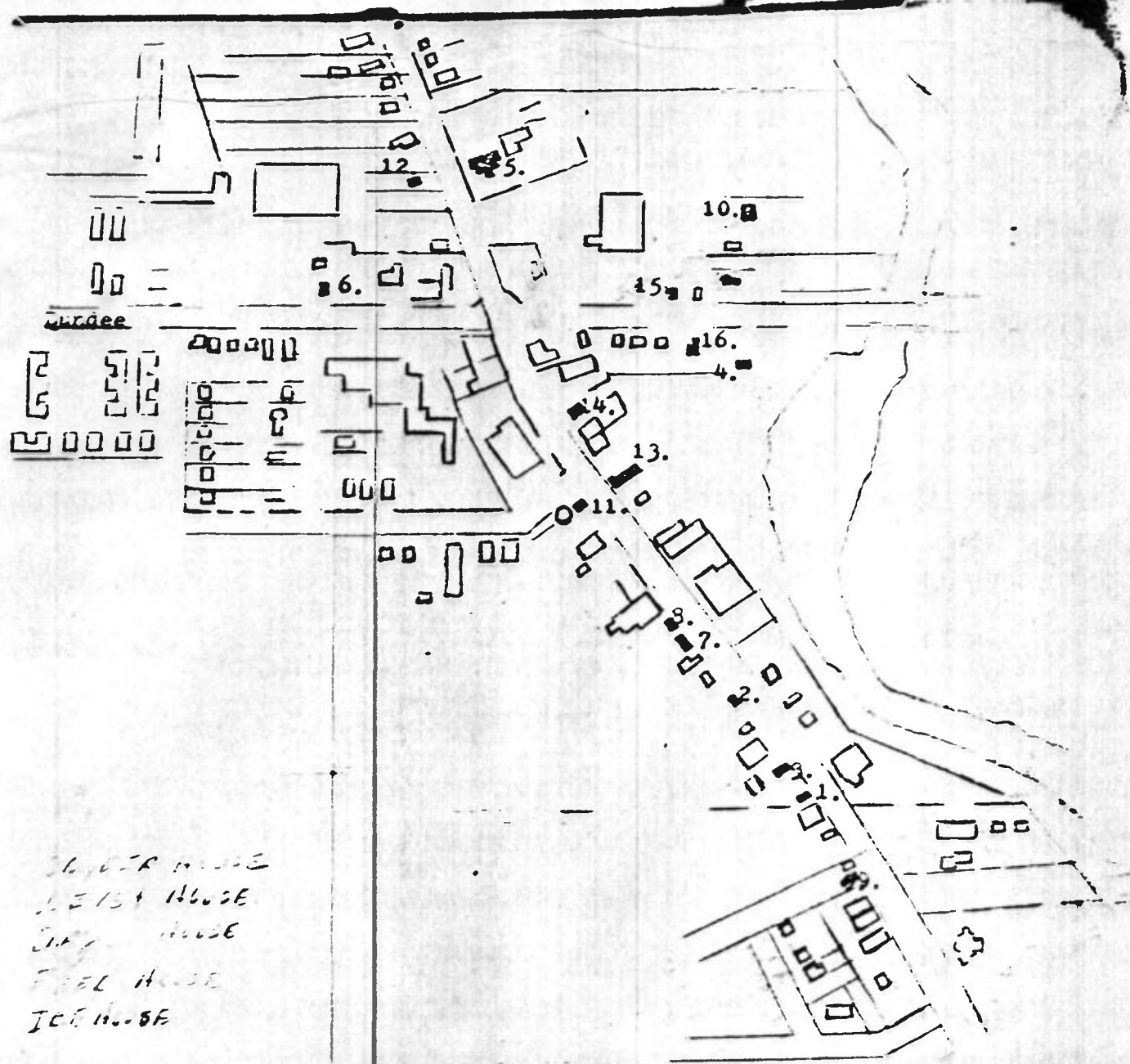
LIST OF OLDEST STRUCTURES IN WHEELING

1. Huro House
SW Corner Morg and Milwaukee: Owned by Brown and Morg Family
Probably built in 1840-1850 period.
2. Schneider House
173 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Built in 1840 to 1850 period.
3. Wolf House
119 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Built at same time as Schneider House 1840-1850.
4. Tesch House lived in by Spengler family previous to Tesch
was "Aunt Appie's Antiques. 2nd House N. of Dirigo.
Built in 1840 to 1850 period.
5. Martin Kueffer House
S. Milwaukee Ave. across from Hachney's.
Built in 1840 to 1850 period.
6. Wendling House
Now at E. Dundee Rd. E. of Faasbender's Barn
Was moved from original site on Milwaukee Ave.
Built in 1850 to 1870 period.
7. Perilat House
South Milwaukee Ave. across from Funeral Home.
Brick construction.
Built in 1850 to 1870 period.
8. Arnold House
S. Milwaukee Ave, 1st house N. of Kueffer House
Brick construction
Built at same time as Perilat House
1850 to 1870 period.
9. Bellmore House
N. Milwaukee Ave. now Joy's Doggie Parlor
Built by Jacob Bock.
Built 1850 to 1870 period.
10. Riccardo's Studio Barn
445 E. Dundee Rd
Owned by Caroline Morg
Built in 1870 to 1880 period.
11. Dirigo House or Koebelin House
170 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Built in 1880 to 1890 period.
12. Schminke House (now Don Roth's Restaurant)
Built in 1860 to 1890 period.
Has growing in front yard Wheeling's oldest living tree
a conifer on South side of building. | 61 N. Milwaukee
13. Sicks House (now Beloussi Studio)
268 E. Dundee Rd
Built in 1880 to 1890 period. (across Dundee from Willie Ave.)

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Old wheeling structures (Cont.)

14. Sirwalt House (later occupied by Johanna Hoffmann family) 160 N
First house N. of 158 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Built 1880 to 1890 period
15. Pollenbach House 150 N
First house N. of Hoffmann House
Built in 1880 to 1890 period
16. Grewe Home 290 S.
S. Milwaukee Avenue 3rd House S. of Keuffer House
Built in 1880 to 1890 period
17. Welflin House (Now occupied by Chas. Balling) 450 E. Dundee
450 E. Dundee Rd
Built in ~~1880 to 1900 period~~ 1893. Moved from E. of River
18. Old Village Hall (Now occupied by Wheeling Historical Soc.)
Built in ~~1892~~
19. Old Presbyterian Church 1865
Now on Chamber of Commerce Park site north Wolf Rd.
Built in 1870 to 1880 period.
20. Utzadel House MOVED TO STROING
North Milwaukee Ave. across from Roth's Restaurant.
Built in 1910 to 1920 period.
21. Klem's Tavern (was originally A. Utzadel's Ice Cream Parlor)
83 South Milwaukee Ave.
Built in 1910 to 1920 period 1918-1917
22. Morke Residence (Now occupied by ~~XXXXXX~~ Realtors)
47 S. Milwaukee Avenue
Built in 1910 to 1920 period built 1916
23. Wiest House
231 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Replaces original house burned down.
Built 1900 to 1910 period.
24. Peter Schmidt Residence (Now occupied by H. Reeb)
420 E. Dundee Rd.
Built in 1910 to 1920 period.
25. Morg Residence (Now occupied by Mama D's Pizzeria)
427 E. Dundee Rd.
Built 1900 to 1910 period.
26. Jesse Mayer House
400 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Built in 1910 to 1920 period.

Certain buildings are of doubtful origin at this time pending further research: Hilltop Tavern could be very old in original part, as old as 1850. Building south of Hugo House could be in 1880 to 1900 period. George Perolat House north of Schneider House on N. Milwaukee Ave, was a remodeling job of house as old as the Schneider House. Original house is still incorporated in present structure.



OLDEST HOUSE
LEIST HOUSE
JAY HOUSE
FRED HOUSE
ICE HOUSE

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- ① Kueffer House (1840-1850)
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The Martin Kufer house and barn

248 South Milwaukee Avenue

Built in the 1840 to 1850 period

Well built and could be put in good old-time authentic condition; possibly the small barn as well.

Periolat House

178 South Milwaukee Avenue

Built in 1850 to 1870 period

A brick house could be moved. Badly in need of repairs especially to roof.

Arnold House

1st House north of Kufer House

South Milwaukee Avenue

A brick house built in 1850 to 1870 period. Could be moved in good condition.

Grewe House

290 South Milwaukee Avenue

Built in 1850 to 1870 period (possibly 1880 to 1890 period).

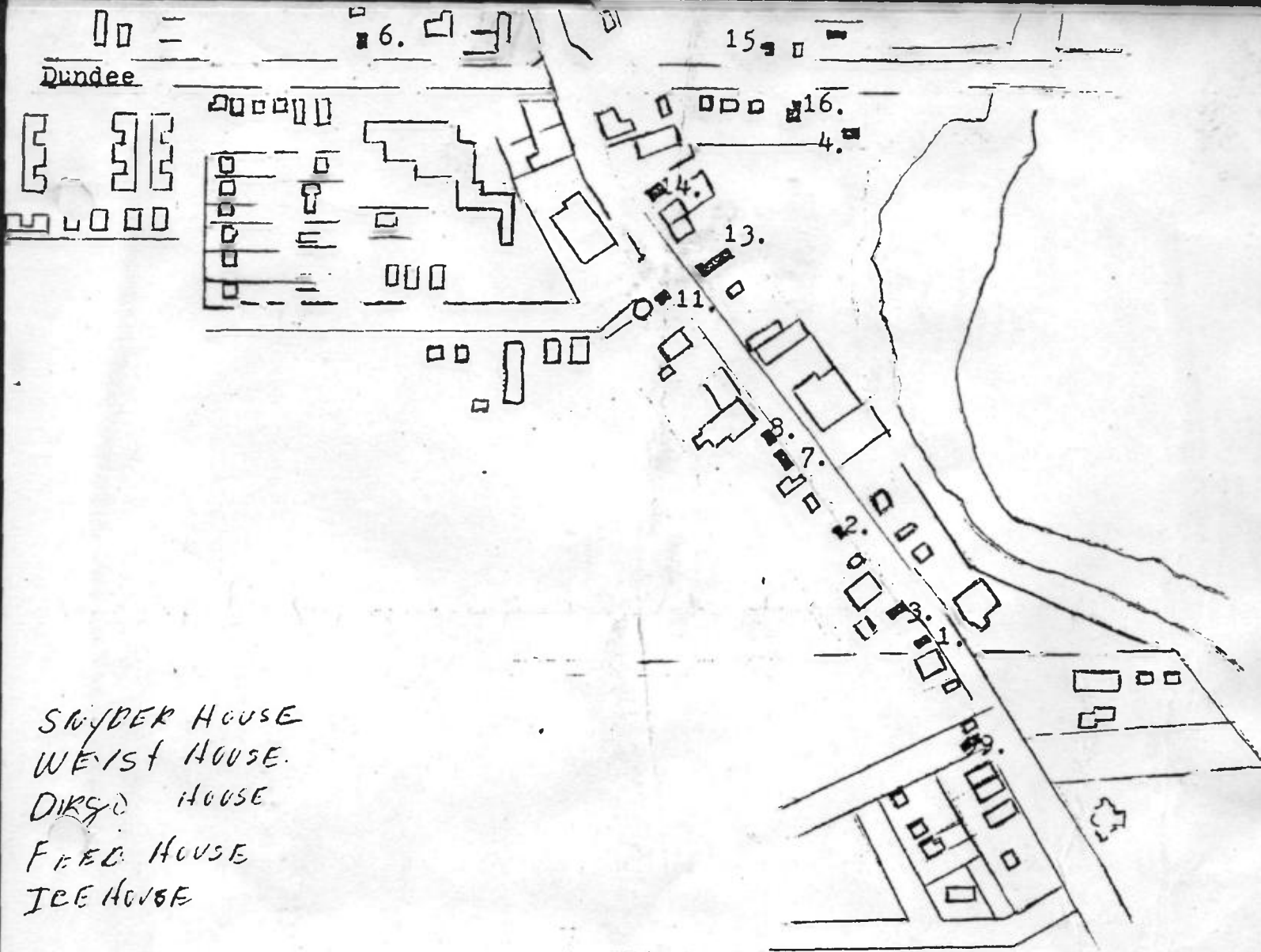
Well maintained could be moved.

Schneider House

133 North Milwaukee Avenue

Built in 1840 to 1850 period.

In good condition and could be moved.



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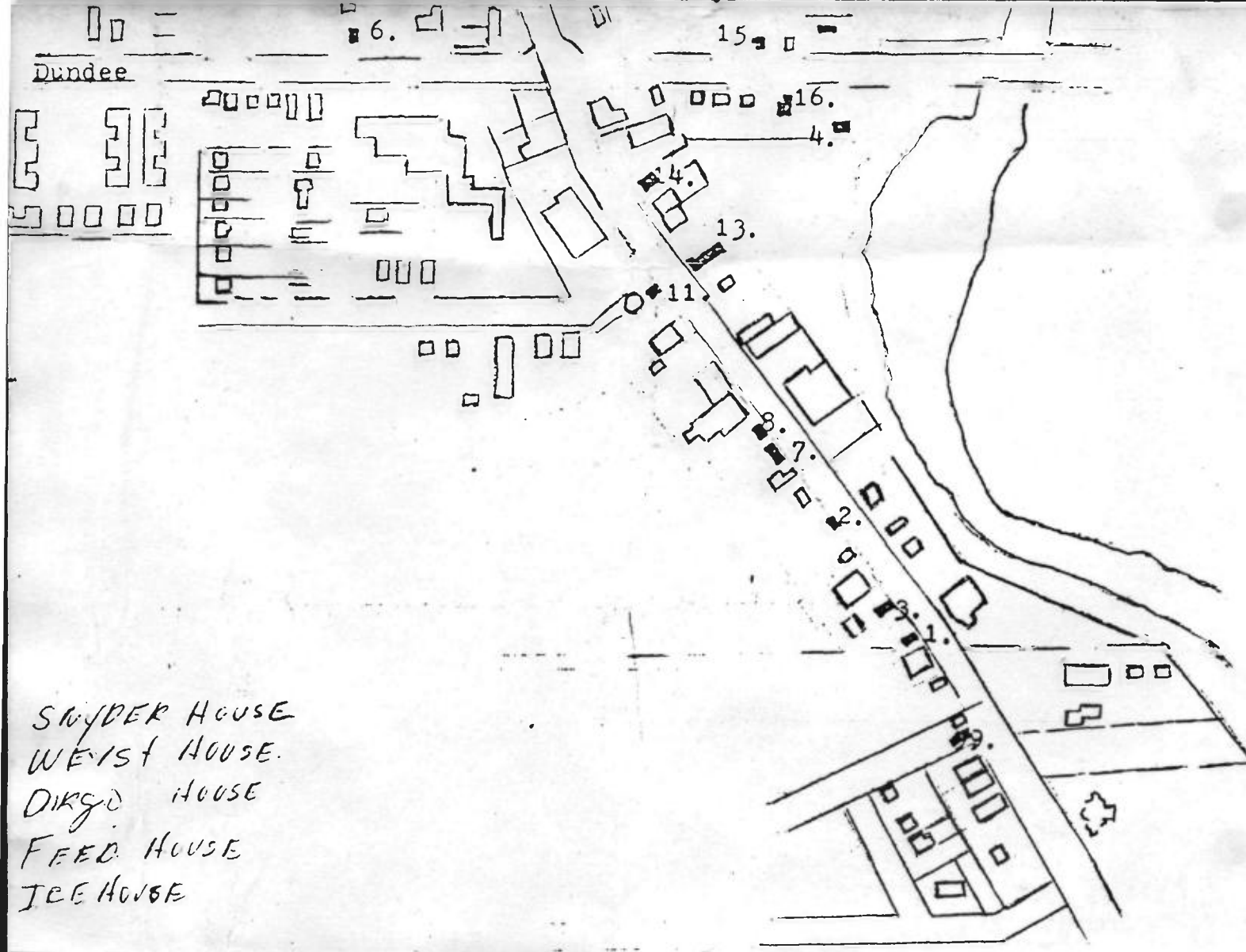
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VILLAGE OF WHEELING
 DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT STUDY
 CENTRAL AREA



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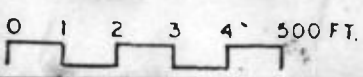
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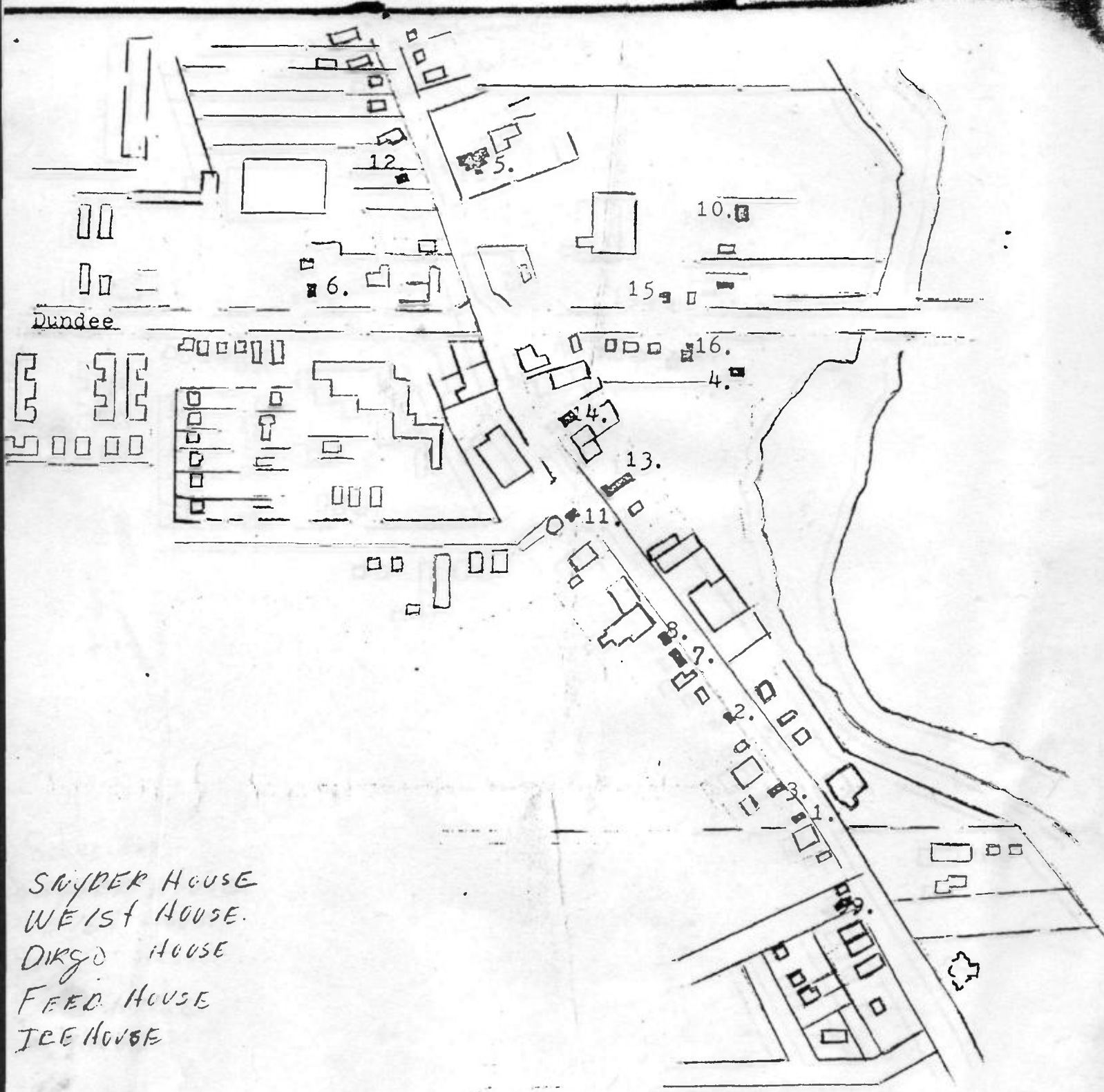
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