



PEPPERSAUCE GHOST TOWN (East Calico)

"A graveyard scene of vacant buildings stands to haunt the east section of the old town that lay on both sides of Calico Creek. This district, once known as Peppersauce Bottom, is the oldest section of town. A rough and rowdy crowd that once frequented this sector during the boom years gave the row a permanent street name." (Vaughn R. Brewer in "Romancing the Rock," THE IZARD COUNTY HISTORIAN, April, 1989) In time, a combination of local law enforcement and "vigilante" justice drove out the thieves so that legitimate businesses could operate. For many years this area, known later as East Calico, was the heart of Calico Rock's business district.

Other than the streets and area on the north edge of the bridge, all of Peppersauce Bottom is private property. Walk and drive the streets to visit the past, but **DO NOT ENTER ANY BUILDINGS OR VACANT LOTS**. If you do, you will be trespassing.

1. Old City Jail (1920's into 1950's)
2. Ed Perryman's Chevy Garage 1940's
Sugar Creek Creamery (1940's into 1950's)
3. Bud and Mary Lock Grocery (1920's)
Professor Denton's School (upstairs)
Henry Gifford's Tavern (1930's-40's)
4. Ezra Martin's Barbershop
and Eleanor Martin's Beauty Parlor (1930-50's)
5. Ozark Theater (1930's to early 1950's)
6. In front: Joe Southard General Merchandise
and Caskets (1920's)
Grocery (1930's through 1950's) proprietors
at various times: Steve Taylor, Dallas Estes,
Mr. Moser and Milsey. Knowles
In the rear and second floor: Ray Perryman's
Hardware, used furniture upstairs (1930's until
1945) International Harvester sales and parts.
(late 1940's into 1950's)
7. Ed Perryman Chevrolet and Garage (1950's)
Later Earl King Chevrolet and Garage
8. Funeral Home (1920's)
Calico Rock Ice and Electric Plant Office
(1932 to late 1940's)
Hall's Funeral Home (1950's)
Hayes Brothers Flooring Office (1960's)
9. Meat Processing and Cold Storage Locker Plant
(opened 1950's)
10. Telephone Exchange
11. Calico Rock Ice and Electric Plant
(1932 to late 1940's)
12. Cheese Factory (1940's)
13. Melton Ford and Garage, then Watts Ford
Garage, then George Washington Garage
14. Magnolia (became Mobil Oil) Bulk Petroleum
15. Planing Mill: in order from 1903 to 1950's:
Thomas and Maddox Planing Mill, Dalrymple
Lumber, ARKMO Lumber, Millman Lumber
Hayes Brothers Flooring (opened 1950's)
15. Incinerators for Hayes Brothers Flooring
16. Johnson Cafe (1940's)
17. Batesville Wholesale Grocery (1930's and 40's)
18. Grist Mill & Blacksmith Shop (1930's)
Phillips Bulk Petroleum, which became
White River Petroleum (1940's into 1960's)
20. Cotton platform by railroad siding
21. Andy Killian Cotton Gin (from 1903 or earlier
to late 1940's)
22. Cotton seed sheds
23. Killian Purina Feed Store (Opened late 1940's)
24. Walnut Street wagon bridge, moved from
Piney Creek (Hwy 56) in late 1950

1905 Brighton Building (1905) (1905)

1905 General House (1905)

(1905 to 1910 1905)

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24. William Street Mason bridge moved from

25. William Street Mason bridge (moved from 1940)

26. Cotton seed bridge

to the 1900)

27. Arch William Cotton Gin (from 1900) on right

28. Cotton bridge on right side

29. River bridge (1905) into 1900)

30. Bridge built by William Street

31. Office (1905) and Garage (1905)

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