

Franklin Street - From Central Street to School Street – Both sides



In the early 1830's part of Franklin Street was barred off and opened into cow pastures. Many businesses started on Franklin Street and moved over time to Central Street. It was an extension of the business district of Central Street, Franklin Street sported various businesses, tenements, a railroad station, in 1922 a Post Office, Churches, grocery stores and residences. Closest to Central Street was a cluster of businesses from clothing, jewelry, shoe stores, to furniture, to lunch rooms. Most of the buildings on Franklin Street were made of wood. By 1895 after a few fires the city decided the businesses how to be solid 12-inch brick before a certain point on the street. From the late 19th century into the 20th century, the look of the street continually evolved. What do you see is there today?