

Insurance agents, especially those dealing in property insurance, have maps showing the owners of stores and other places of business. For instance W. D. Whyte on William St. North, one of Lindsay's insurance men, displayed a map a few days ago and the names of store owners will be read with interest and curiosity by many.

For example: The three storey block at the southwest corner of Kent and Lindsay streets was known as the Adams Block, the owner lived in a small white frame house immediately south of Kent on Lindsay street. He is reported to have had custody of the first post office in his home. The second Lindsay Post office was on Kent street, at one time O'Halloran's butcher shop with Henry Gladman as postmaster. Miss Adams was a very fine soloist in St. Paul's Anglican Church. The corner store at Kent and Lindsay was a part of the Y.M.C.A. with a gymnasium, a game room, a swimming pool and a ten pin bowling alley. The top two floors were laid out in dormitories.

Frank McClory had an insurance office to the west, followed by a Chinese laundry and close by was the Big 20 restaurant run by Fred Taylor Senior and Fred "Goosie" Taylor. The present Tangney Block was built by a man named Keenan and the ground floor accommodated a billiard parlour, operated at times by a man named Brown, George Brooks and Danny Hogan. Artie Robinson, a barber was followed by Bert Naylor, Marshall Stephens and Russell Lamb.

Fulton Stewart, founder of the Lindsay Little Theatre group, had a photo gallery on the second floor and Mrs. Hallowell operated Lindsay's first beauty parlour above the electrical store of Geo. Williamson. The hotel Simpson at Kent and York streets, now Claxton's department store, was built by a man named Workman, was conducted by Wm. Simpson and

the hotel was also recognized for good meals and a well controlled bar.

The Standard Bank opened a branch at Kent and York streets and was flanked on the west by the first Loblaw store with Harry Packer as manager. Before this time, however, Wm. McWatters and son ran a confectionery store, bakery and ice cream parlor.

Alec. Cathro was one of several merchant tailors and he with son Basil were in business many years. A gentleman named Woods was a hardware merchant and the McLennan Brothers ran a fine hardware store and later the Woolworth store, as well as the O'Halloran butcher shop did business side by side. Years previous the post office was near by. Maunder and Allin had a hardware store alongside E. E. W. McGaffey's drygoods store and Wakely's drygoods store. The first liquor store followed and afterwards Scott's Store. The first authorized liquor store was operated by

J. R. Shannon and then by John O'Reilly, then situated in the Tangney Block. The Dominion Bank has been at the corner of Kent and William many years with managers including Robt. Ross. and for a long term of years by the popular Murray E. Grant at present residing on Adelaide street.

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For many years the Mechanic's Public Library was located over the Dominion Bank and also the law firm of Allan Lacey. Away back in history a man named Dobson had a grocery and liquor store where the Dominion Bank is to-day and the same individual became Senator.

One of the most progressive merchants years ago was B. J. "Barney" Gough and this "King of Clothiers" had his store on the south-west corner of Kent and William Streets. He believed in the liberal use of printer's ink and page advertisements were used to drum up business as well as hundreds of five foot mile posts along roads leading to Lindsay and the Gough store. One entire side of the store on William street was taken up with an advertisement. A druggist named Perrin and one named Coad were next in line and Soanes was the owner of a stand where he sold big fish. The fish were displayed in large heavy tin vats outside the store.

W. F. McCarty founded the jewelry store which still retains the McCarty name and is operated by a son Bruce and the latter's nephew Bill McCarty. The corner store long ago changed ownership and there to-day stands the modern structure of the Victoria and Grey Trust Company. The Arksey butcher shop has gone, and also the name of Louis McGregor, tobacconist, now Bowman's cigar store.

The Williamson harness shop has been replaced by a modern Greek restaurant and the Lytle and Agnew office has disappeared as well as the Sandy Flack barber shop, both replaced by modern stores. The Pulver ladies wear store of to-day takes the place of the store once occupied by Harold Rogers, druggist and Major Anderson boots and shoes. This same store at one time had Jos. Brown a grocer, as the occupant.

The fine store of G. A. Milne, the jewelry store of Arthur Wellsman, the John Berry and A. Powers harnessmakers and the Lindsay Coal office have new occupants and the corner lane building for years the home of The Watchman Warder is now the modern home of Bowes and Cocks Realtors.

A big and regrettable change took place when the old post office was demolished and replaced by a Dominion super-market.

Many years ago Jake Houzer had a store west of the post office with the Little King Edward Hotel next in line. Today the land is occupied by the Century Theatre and by Lloyd Flack, eye specialist. The former laneway is occupied by a real estate office and the A. B. Terry confectionery store is now the Lindsay Cleaners followed by Jackson's restaurant and bake shop and John Cole's shoe store, with Johnson's jewelry store where once was located John Flurey's grocery store.