<u>Jefferson Avenue, S.E.</u>

- 1-15 Jefferson S.E. The Willard Building, a 1-story brick commercial, was built in 1930 on the site of the old Burleson Hospital. It contains a series of shops on both the Fulton Street and Jefferson Avenue sides, and is noted for the terra cotta peacocks along its roofline.
- 40 Jefferson S.E. Fanatorium. The bowling alley where Marion Ladewig perfected her game to become the greatest female bowler of all time opened in 1939. The original Fanatorium was established on Library Street in 1925 by William T. Morrissey, Sr., and moved into this state-of-the-art facility 14 years later. In 2001 the building was purchased by Catholic Social Services and completely remodeled into that agency's offices.

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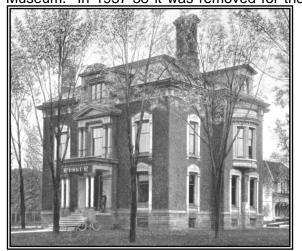
47 Jefferson S.E. This 3-story brick mansion with a fine mansard roof was the home of Frank L. Carpenter in 1912. The building which replaced it after 1935 was occupied in



1948 by the Christian Reformed Publishing House, the home of the *Banner*. The site is now occupied by the expanded facilities of the Westminster Prebyterian Church. (Photo: GRPL, Pitsch/Capitol collection, Series 8.)

50	07/01/2002 Old Gasligh	-	Pitsch ion of former Public Museum buildin	ng.
53	10/07/69	3176	Pitsch	

54 Jefferson S.E. The Clay-Howlett House. This 3-story red brick mansion stood at the northeast corner of Jefferson and Washington. In 1903 it became the Kent Scientific Museum. In 1937-38 it was removed for the new Grand Rapids Public Museum. The

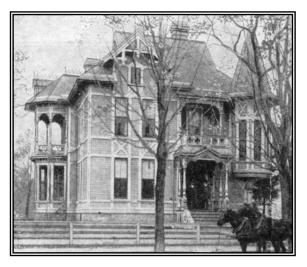


1938 building was designed by Grand Rapids architect Roger 0. Allen and opened to the public in 1940. Inspired by curator Frank Dumond, it was nationally famous as the first museum of natural science and industry designed with show windows and dioramic displays throughout, each and all in a constantly changing panorama. (Photos: Morrow postcard collection. Top, c. 1909; bottom, c. 1945.)



63 Jefferson S.E. A large 3-story frame dwelling, the residence of William Dunham (Baxter, p. 687). Occupied by Noah French in 1912; and by Marvin Muller, realtor, in

1948 and through at least 1960. (Photo, Baxter, p. 777.)



63 04/11/62 1033 Capitol

100	08/01/50 Spring Funera	 al Home. Pho	Capitol to in GRPL, Robinson/Capitol collection.
105	07/15/85 No cutoff.	7401	Courtade
126	02/20/64 Jefferson Chir Herald negativ	•	Capitol c. Partial photo in GRPL, Robinson
129	01/31/89	7873	
135			
143-45 01/23/	76 5029	Ostra	ander Wrecking
147-49 10/30/	75 4983	Ostra	ander Wrecking
150	09/16/86	7550	Riverside

Old Row Olds. No water cutoff.

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201 10/18/76 5161 Cannon

202-06 01/31/73 4332 Pitsch

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217 10/20/63 1672 Capitol

To reuse sewer line. Photo in GRPL, Robinson/Capitol collection.

224-26 01/04/68 2604 Pitsch

Two buildings.

230 02/17/69 2974 Washington Square Urban Renewal--

Pitsch

O'Brien's Colonial Funeral Home. Photo in GRPL, Lorenson collection.

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239-41 09/20/72 4282 Dan Vos Construction

242 09/09/69 3126 Urban Renewal--Pitsch

245 Jefferson S.E. Ted Booth Motor Sales of Western Michigan, the local Packard dealer, was located here from 1931 to 1955.

250	07/31/68	2795	C.I. & I.S Pitsch
258	02/05/68 Partial phot	2621 o in 260.	Urban Renewal ProjectLoren Pitsch
260	08/22/67	2478	Urban Renewal (Loren Pitsch)

265 Jefferson S.E. The Allen Durfee residence was built in 1887. Occupied by Martin Whalen in 1912. (Old # 189. Photo, Baxter, p. 771.)



300	04/21/	70	3459	Urban Renewal
301	10/30/0	68	2878	Capitol
308	09/05/0	69	3124	Urban RenewalLoren Pitsch
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312	07/31/	68	2796	C.I. & I.SLoren Pitsch
316-22 08/26/	68	2818		C.I. & I.SLoren Pitsch
328	07/31/	68	2797	C.I. & I.SPitsch
332-34 04/21/	70	3460		Urban Renewal
335	10/25/9	99	8942	Pitsch
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342 Jefferson S.E. The Schnitzelbank. This landmark home of German food and drink was established around the corner on Wealthy Street in 1934 by immigrants Gus and Martha Horn. Four years later, the family, including sons-in-law Hans Siebert and Wilhelm Seeger, started constructing the Bavarian-style restaurant widely known as "The Schnitz" at its present site. Inside walls still bear the murals painted by the restaurant's founders. The bar was added in 1955. In January, 2006, Norbert Dill, chef and general manager of the restaurant, confirmed that a change of ownership was imminent. Ownership was to remain with family descendants, led by President Karl Siebert.

343	10/25/99	8943	Pitsch
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357	10/25/99	8944	Pitsch

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400	08/17/2	2000	9022		Pitsch
401	04/15/6		2162		Wolverine Fruit
	To reuse wate 10/25/99		8945		Pitsch
411-13 03/28/	73	4371		Capitol	
413-15	06/16/6	61	373		Staggs
416	08/17/2	2000	9023		Pitsch
422	08/17/2	2000	9024		Pitsch
423	03/28/7	7 3	4372		Capitol
425	10/21/6	66	2297		Capitol

426 Jefferson S.E. "In Wake of the Big Wind," GRP 05/02/30 1. Photo of residence of Mrs. Myrtle Pratt, damaged by falling elm tree in major windstorm. Other photos appear in the *Herald*. It was the most severe storm since September 14, 1928. The county would be hit by another severe storm on August 9, 1939.

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432 Jefferson S.E. (Photos: G.R.P.D., February 11, 1938, Lindhout murder.)





433	03/28/73	4373	Capitol
434	10/25/63	1679	Staggs
437	06/19/89	7909	
441	06/19/89	7910	

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448-50 10/31/74 4650 Urban Renewal--Hodgens

449-51 05/25/89 7904

500-0210/27	7/71 4005 Plug in base		Urban RenewalPitsch
501	08/05/75	4787	Urban RenewalPitsch
506	09/05/73	4462	Urban Renewal
512	10/09/69	3185	Pitsch
515			
516	05/03/68	2693	Pitsch
517-1906/26	6/67 2435	5	Cooke
517½	06/15/67	2439	Cooke
520-22 12/28	8/71 4082	?	Urban RenewalPitsch
523	12/07/78	5571	Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch
526	10/27/71	4006	Urban RenewalPitsch
527	06/24/68	2769	C.I. & I.S Cooke
529-31 06/24	1/68 2768	}	C.I. & I.S Cooke
530	02/10/72 Plug in base	4122 ement.	Urban RenewalPitsch
533	03/21/69	3006	Urban Renewal (Cooke)
538	03/07/72	4137	Urban RenewalPitsch
539	09/27/76	5075	Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch

550	11/26/73	4529	Hodgens		
552	11/13/73	4375	Urban RenewalHodgens		
555	10/17/67	2534	Glen Reed		
560	11/13/73	4353	Urban RenewalHodgens		
561 Jefferson S.E. This vacant 2-story frame dwelling was well involved with fire of Wednesday, September 20, 1967, at 11:21 p.m. 561 10/18/76 5152 Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch					
561½	08/26/71 Could not find	3972 d sewer line.	Pitsch		
563	01/15/88	7722			
564	08/20/70	3588	Pitsch		
565	11/30/71	4056	Capitol		
570	01/24/91	8123	Riverside		
571	09/06/85 09/06/85 One cutoff.	7381 7413	Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch Pitsch		
574	02/20/76	5041	Urban RenewalLoader & Dump		
580	07/10/79 07/20/79	5766 5675	Great Lakes (cancelled) Neighborhood ImprovementGreat Lakes		
581	08/02/95	8540	Fenstermacher		
584	04/28/65	1917	Ralph Hamblin		
585	12/01/70	3685	Dohm		
586-88 08/18	/67 2477	Diamo	ond Wrecking Co.		
587	03/22/68	2658	Pitsch		
592					

603	05/13/74	4557	Loader & Dump
604	05/17/94	8409	

604 Jefferson S.E. A new 2-story frame house was built in 2006 by the Inner City Christian Federation in partnership with LaGrave Avenue Christian Reformed Church. The first occupants were Tesfaye Tessema and Tenagne (Tina) Mengistu and their family, Ethiopian immigrants.

607-09-11	09/03/69 09/18/69	3122 3133	Urban RenewalPitsch Pitsch
616	11/15/72	4306	Hodgens
618	05/07/71	3854	Pitsch

622 Jefferson S.E. This 2½-story frame dwelling was damaged in an arson fire on Sunday, September 17, 1967, at 1:34 a.m. It was vacant when damaged by fire again, on Thursday, March 14, 1968, at 12:25 a.m., with a loss of \$1,000. The house was well involved on arrival. Ray Dean was the owner.

622 06/19/68 2760 Pitsch 06/19/68 2767 C.I. & I.S.

627 Jefferson S.E. Milo Brown opened his first funeral parlor in Grand Rapids at 25 Sycamore S.E. in 1925. In 1928 he moved to larger quarters at 603



Jefferson S.E. In 1932 he moved his family and his business to this large home, eventually expanding into the adjoining house at 633 and building a chapel at the rear with seating for more than 300. Michael Johnson began working for Mr. Brown in 1970, and became owner of the business when Milo Brown died on November 3, 1986. Johnson's brother-in-law, Nathaniel Moody, became a partner in the funeral

home and pastor of Brown Hutcherson Ministries. (Photo: Grand Rapids *Times*, October 29-November 4, 1999, p. 7.)

628	11/19/70 12/02/70	3701 3715	Pitsch (cancelled)
634	03/05/69	2993	Urban Renewal (Smith Wrecking)
635			
639	04/21/66 To reuse sew	2161 er line.	H.R. Kelly

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642-48 Jefferson S.E. This apartment house was also numbered 201-07 Sycamore S.E. See that address for other fires. On Friday, December 8, 1967, at 1:29 a.m., fires were set in five different places on the first floor. Owner, Garrett Zylstra. Vacant.

642-44 07/16/68 2784 C.I. & I.S. -- Pitsch

700-02 Jefferson S.E. Kamm's Superette grocery store. Burned in the civil disorder of Tuesday, July 25, 1967. (Photo: G.R. *Times*, February 8-14, 2002, p. 11.)



700	09/13/68	2829	Cooke	
701	10/12/70	3310	Urban RenewalSta	aggs

704-06 Jefferson S.E. (Photo: G.R.P.D., c. 1970.)



Pitsch 705 10/12/70 3631 Urban Renewal--Staggs 708 709 04/05/68 2678 Urban Renewal 04/08/68 2680 Cooke 710 10/28/94 8456 1-story frame commercial. Pool hall. 02/20/95 Fenstermacher 8478 712 10/28/94 8456 1-story brick and cement block commercial. Grocery store. Razed 02/21/95 along with 710 by Fenstermacher. 715 10/02/70 Urban Renewal--Staggs 3624 716 05/22/73 4217 Hodgens Could not find sewer line. 719 02/04/70 3311 Urban Renewal--Staggs

704-06 06/25/91

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720	04/08/	70	3443		Cooke
721	10/10/	67	2530		Houting & Meeusen
725	04/13/	70	3431		Urban RenewalStaggs
726	04/08/	70	3445		Cooke
729	03/05/ 12/11/		2991 3724		Urban Renewal (Smith Wrecking) Urban Renewal
730	03/31/71		3831		Big Chief
731	08/10/	70	3510		Urban RenewalStaggs
733	04/07/		3442		Urban Renewal
	08/10/	of 731. 70	3511		Urban RenewalStaggs
734-36 11/17/	69	3277		Capito	l
735	04/11/	69	3017		Cooke
735-3712/21/70 3725		3725		Urban	RenewalStaggs

738 Jefferson S.E. Fire caused by careless smoking on Saturday, July 13, 1963, at 5:30 p.m., caused \$3,000.00 damage to this 2-story frame dwelling. Betty Fitzpatrick, occupant.

738 10/29/71 4032 Pitsch 741 Urban Renewal--Staggs 03/17/71 3790

742 Jefferson S.E. Fire at 3:48 a.m. on Monday, February 25, 2002, resulted in \$52,000 damage to this 2-story frame dwelling, which had been converted into a housechurch for Deliverance Outreach Ministry. The occupant in the 1960's and 1970's was the famous Ver's Twin Kitchen, a restaurant and gathering place in what was then a very busy location on the northeast corner of Jefferson and Franklin.

742	09/15/2003 Permit deni		Pitsch	
745	03/17/71	3787	Urban RenewalS	taggs

800	03/19/69	3003	The Clinton Co. (Donald L. VandenBerg)
801	04/28/65 05/10/72	1927 4165	Joseph Phifer Hodgens
805			
807			
811			
814	06/06/85 09/09/85 One cutoff.	7388 7412	Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch Pitsch
818	08/10/87 02/26/88	7661 7746	
821			
822-24 07/06/	78 5548 09/05/78	Neigh 5598	borhood ImprovementGreat Lakes Neighborhood ImprovementCross
823			
825			
826	07/06/78 09/05/78	5549 5596	Neighborhood ImprovementCross Neighborhood ImprovementCross
830	05/04/78	5501	Neighborhood ImprovementCross

834 01/15/88 7716

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838-40 Jefferson S.E. Fire on Saturday, **August 4, 1962**, at 5:49 p.m. caused \$25.00 damage to this vacant 2½-story frame multiple dwelling, owned by Thomas Metcalf. Fire on Sunday, **May 14, 1967**, at 2:45 p.m. had the rear porch well involved on arrival. The attic was charred due to the previous fire. William Barrema was listed as the owner, while the occupants were Lee, Ardel, and others. The loss was \$2,700. Fire on Wednesday, **February 7, 1968**, at 1:24 p.m. found the house well involved on arrival. The owner was William Broersma, the occupant, Charles Hardley. The loss was \$2,250.

838-40 05/01/68 2692 Bob Frazier Building Co.

845	08/28/63 To reuse sewe	1638 er line.	L.J. Wright
901			
903			
905			
905-r	10/02/64	1845	Capitol

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11/30/71

917 Jefferson S.E. The Sheldon Complex was established here in 1964 by Raymond and Melvin Tardy as a conglomerate of social programs to benefit residents of the neighborhood. From this location, the Growth Achievement Program (G.A.P.) and Community Action Program (C.A.P.) were run. Ella Sims was one of the original 13 G.A.P. volunteers who was put on payroll in 1965 after President Johnson signed the Antipoverty Act.

Pitsch

917	Voided.	3963	Hoagens
929	03/23/89	7805	
932			
933	09/01/64	1825	Capitol

1001-03	01/09/69	2921	Cooke
1006	02/25/76	5040	Neighborhood ImprovementCross
1007	01127/69	2955	Cooke
1010	03/16/2001 Barn at rear.	9059	Pitsch
1015	01/09/69	2922	Cooke
1016	04/08/74	4575	Pitsch
1017	01/09/69	2923	Cooke
1020	02/11/76	4986	Neighborhood Improvement
1021	01/27/69	2956	Cooke
1025	02/10/69	2966	Cooke
1029	09/25/69	3172	Cooke
1037	01/09/69	2924	Cooke
1039-41	10/19/70 Photo: GRPL	3647 125-C003142.	Cooke
1045	01/20/70	3330	Cooke

1051	01/09/69	2925	Cooke
1057-59	02/10/69	2964	Cooke
1059½	04/03/69	3013	Cooke
1060	02/17/78	5489	Neighborhood ImprovementPitsch
1061	04/16/69	3020	Cooke
1062	06/14/88	7780	
1063	02/10/69	2967	Cooke
1066			
1067-69	01/09/69	2926	Cooke
1073	03/20/69	3005	Cooke

1107	12/07/78	5579	Neighborhood Improvement
1112	07/23/74	4519	Urban RenewalLoader & Dump
1129	03/07/96	8614	
1144	08/04/72	4240	Pitsch
1160	02/13/76 Rehabilitated.	5037	Neighborhood Improvement
1161			
1167	07/12/75	4864	Urban RenewalPitsch
1206			
1210	12/02/76	5168	Neighborhood Improvement Loader & Dump
1218	02/22/72	4118	Hodgens
1220	11/16/72 Voided.	4234	Hodgens
1222	09/28/72	4285	Houting & Meeusen
1234	04/20/76	4992	Neighborhood ImprovementCross
1244	08/01/72	4225	Cannon
1245	11/28/60	21	Capitol
1249	11/17/60	24	Capitol
1255	11/17/60	20	Capitol
1261	11/17/60	19	Capitol

1301	01/20/69	2947	Pitsch
1305	01/20/69	2948	Pitsch
1307	01/20/69	2949	Pitsch
1308-10	11/14/73	4507	Southkent
1311	07/17/69	3082	Pitsch
1317	08/18/69	3111	Pitsch
1338	03/18/66	2129	Boerema Excavating
1342	03/18/66	2130	Boerema Excavating
1346	03/18/66	2131	Boerema Excavating
1356	07/16/74	4614	Pitsch

1356 Jefferson S.E. Hank Bornheimer, "Jefferson School Falls to Wrecker Unmourned," GRP Friday 07/19/1974 1B. Jefferson School was built in 1892, one of the first schools built after the school district broke ties with city government. The building was constructed in three stages, which was why the floor was slightly higher in the middle. The main building hadn't been used much for classes since the annex opened in 1967. At one time Jefferson had housed as many as 650 students.

1356 Jefferson S.E. Southeast Career Pathways and Park School. Built as Jefferson School in 1967, and renovated in 1995. Capacity: 335. 2009-10 enrollment: 184.

1401	05/23/98	8797	Pitsch
1407-09	10/06/71	4002	Pitsch
1411	12/18/70	3746	Pitsch
1415	12/18/70	3747	Pitsch
1419	12/18/70	3748	Pitsch
1545	11/22/61	628	Rense Allen
1557	04/02/2001 Truss-roofed	9071/9072 commercial bui	Valentine Excavating ilding collapsed.
1577	09/10/65 To reuse sew	2016 er line.	. DeVries & Sons
1627	12/07/78	5570	Neighborhood Improvement
1741	10/01/90	8090	Fenstermacher
1754	06/17/69	3067	South Kent
1951	08/24/78	5613	Cross
1954	08/24/62	1357	Burton Heights Christian Reformed Church
	Partial photo	in GRPL, Morri	s collection, No. 442.
1955			
1967			
1970			
2628			
2731	08/28/80	5971	Peter VanDrunen