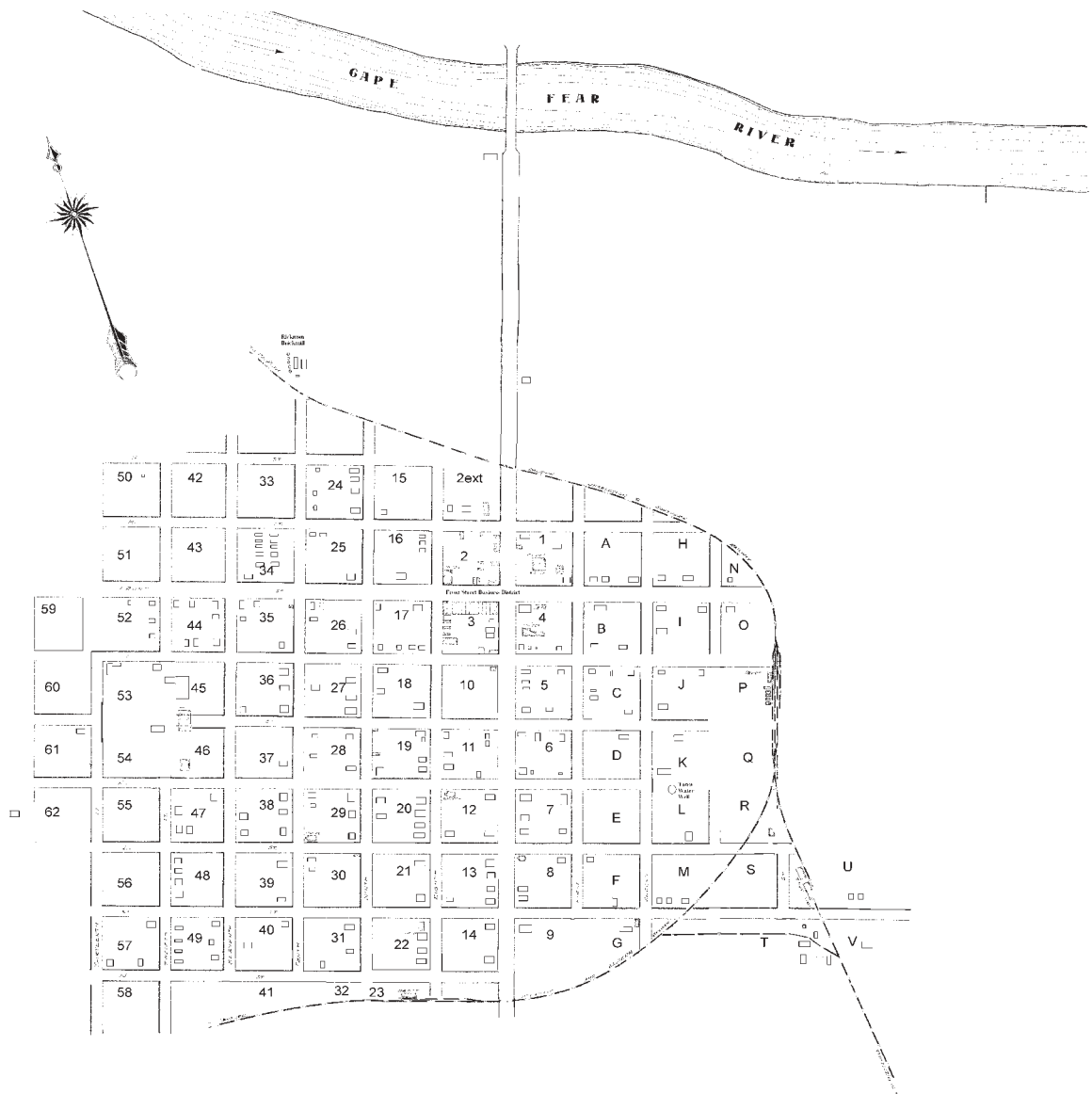


# Historic Lillington



A tour of the town  
before 1950



**CITY OFFICIALS**  
 J. P. BAILEY, Mayor  
 G. J. SMITH, Clerk  
**COUNCILMEN**  
 A. P. SMITH  
 J. F. JOHNSON  
 G. L. JOHNSON  
 A. P. SMITH, Jr.  
 B. A. BAKER

**1915**

**MAP OF  
 LILLINGTON, N. C.**

SCALE OF FEET

Based on the  
**Sanitary Sewerage System**

Modifications to map by  
 Edw. Ray Matthews  
 John Pat Hamilton  
 William C. Allen for the  
 Central Committee  
 circa 1934-1950

MANHOLES □  
 WELLS □

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## Historical Tour of Lillington

Billy Ray Matthews and John Pat Hamilton remember businesses and homes in Lillington before 1950.

The authors have used the model of the 1915 Sewerage System map that is based on the original survey map drawn by J. A. O. Kelly in 1907. Some of the buildings designated on the map by hashmarks were standing in 1915. Some of these buildings were torn down and replaced, others are simply gone. These authors have no knowledge of what they might have been in 1915.

According to the Kelly Map of 1907, the town was approximately one mile square. It was laid off in square blocks with lettered streets running North and South and numbered streets East and West. Lillington's Main Street was the convergence of four major highways: Hwy 421, Hwy 210, 27, and 15-A (later named Hwy 401). Coming south into town, from across the river and to the corner of Main and Front Streets, Highway 421 turns right and goes to Sanford. Highways 15-A (401), 210, and 27 continue through town. Highway 27 turns to the right at West Old Road (formerly known as Johnson Street and Johnsonville Road). Highways 15-A (401) and 210 continue a few hundred feet and then divide, with 15-A going to the left to Fayetteville, and 210 to the right going to Spring Lake.

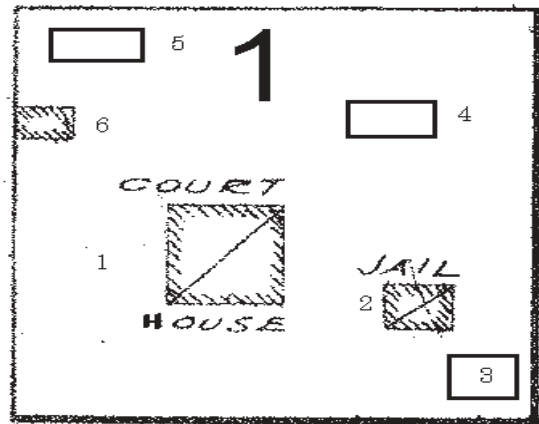
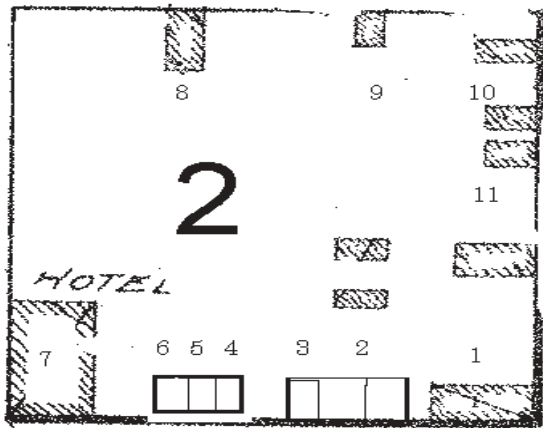
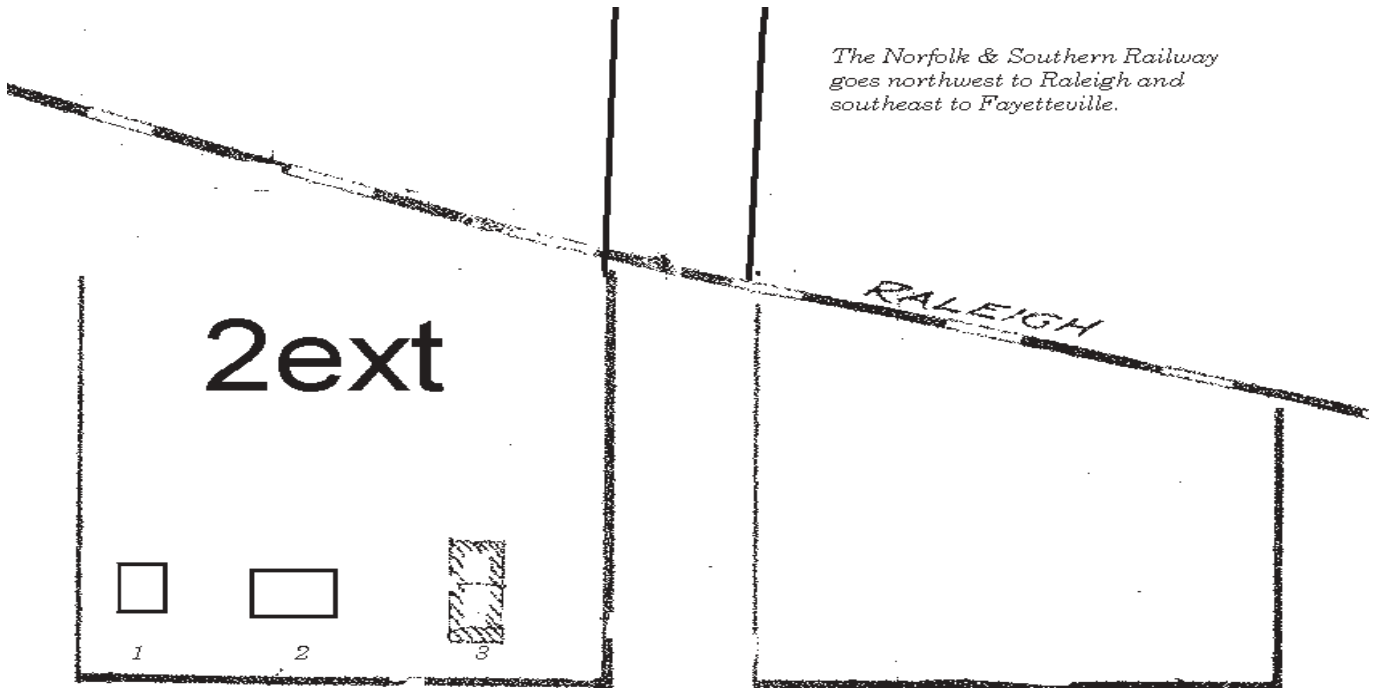
**Numbering scheme:** The blocks have been numbered north to south on the west side of Main Street and lettered north to south east of Main Street. The authors have numbered the blocks to help with identification. Block 1 is the first block on the left when you enter town from the North. The old courthouse is on the corner of this block. Block 2 is across Front Street from Block 1. Each dwelling is numbered clockwise around the block for blocks west of Main Street beginning in the upper right corner when possible. They are numbered counterclockwise east of Main, also numbered beginning in the upper right corner when possible.

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*Disclaimer: The homes and their owners as the authors can remember them as well as the family members have not been researched, but are from memory. Any corrections, additions, deletions may be directed to the library.*

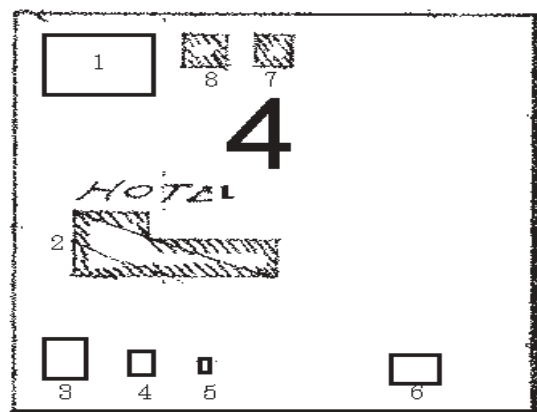
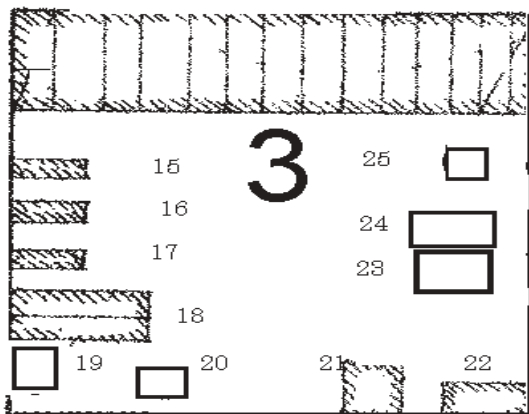
<p>This work is dedicated to those who planted the seeds that were to become Lillington and to those who continue to help our town grow.</p>
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# Section one - Blocks 1-4



## Front Street Business District

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**BLOCK 1 is the Courthouse hill  
(it was not a square “Block” originally)**



*An early picture of the Courthouse*

1. The *old* courthouse (1897-2003) is on the corner.
2. Traveling East on Front Street, the first building facing that street was the Jail.
3. The Agriculture building is next and has housed many local government offices, from the County Agriculture Agent, and other Home Extension programs, to the Health Department, Farmer’s Home Administration, Superintendent of Public Schools, ASCS office. After 1950, the Highway Patrol office, driver’s license examiner, and others were located in this building. Currently it houses the Harnett County Personnel Office and the Board of Elections upstairs.
4. Turning left at the corner, there is currently a parking lot where the home of Herb Matthews sat. He was the janitor for the courthouse. This house was also the location of the first Lillington Library begun by the Women’s Club of Lillington.(gone)
5. The next house around the bottom of the hill going north from Mr. Matthews was the home of Eula Parker. (gone)
6. Coming back to Main Street, the Welfare building stood just above the Courthouse. (gone)

**BLOCK 2**

Facing Hwy 15-A (401/Main Street) on the corner of Main and Front:

*Kelly Drug Company corner of Main and Front, across from the courthouse*



1. The location of the first drug company, *McPherson Drug Company*; on the main floor. Later it was Tugwell Drugs. Before and during World War II, it was a poolroom run by a man named Marvin Canupp.

The next business to occupy the building was Kelly Drug Company.

Upstairs during the early years Attorney Charles Ross had two rooms on the front that were his law offices. M.O. Lee moved into them after Mr. Ross moved out. A room between these two offices was where J. C. Thomson, insurance agent had his office.

Another room in this upstairs space was home to Charlie Johnson, who fixed watches. The entrance to these upstairs offices was on Front Street next to the alley. His jewelry store was on the first floor.

2. The two-story building known generally as Layton Supply Store had in its upstairs space, Mr. L. M. Chaffin's law office. Also on this floor were the law offices of Mr. Neill Salmon.

On the street level, J. G. Layton owned the two stores — Layton Supply.

3. On the first floor of the next building was the post office until the 1960's when the current post office was built. On the second floor was Dr. Wyatt's two-room office. Later, W. A. Johnson's first law office was in these rooms, and then Dr. Kenneth Talley's optometrist office.



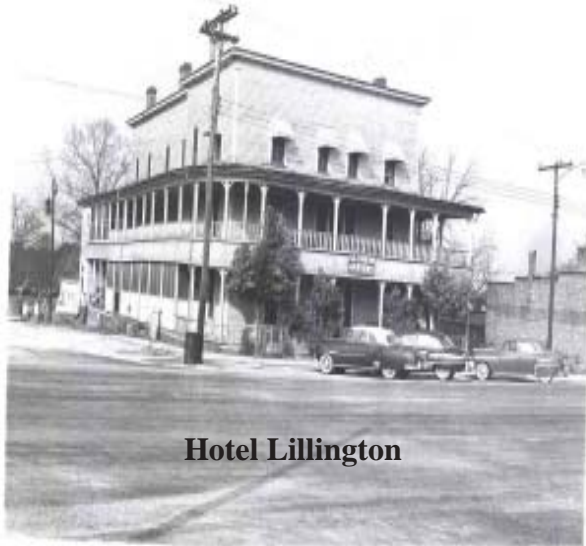
In the basement of the building was a barbershop. It continues to be a barbershop even in 2003. J. C. Hatley and Bill Upchurch were the first barbers to occupy this shop. Pescott W. Matthews, J. Ray Johnson, Cliff Stevens\*, Bill Thomas, and Lee Womack were also barbers here. Hambone Clark and Novelle Morgan had shoeshine stands there as well. *(Billy Ray and John Pat say that you were fortunate indeed to be able to visit the barbershop on Saturday evening and for a quarter you could get a hot shower. Later, you could play pool (the pool table didn't come till the 1940s) or cards in the back of the barbershop.)* Cliff Stevens played the bass fiddle in a string band along with

*James Lucas and William Black (who played mandolin and guitar). On Saturday nights they played for the square dances in the town hall.*



Before 1950, there was a platform and a large hole between the alley and the next business where Layton Supply stored farm equipment.

4. Mr. W. H. "Bill" Lee had a shoe shop in the next building. His son, Charles Lee currently operates this shoe shop.
5. In the next business, Ernest Simmons had a hot dog snack bar that included pinball machines. Lamar Simmons said that it was the first business he (Lamar) ever owned. Jim Jordan, also worked there. Later Jo Bethune had a beauty shop in this location. Her slogan was "We curl up and dye for you."
6. Next to him was Blackburn's Jewelry. There was a vacant lot between this building and the Hotel Lillington.
7. Hotel Lillington was on the north corner of Front and 8th Streets. This hotel was originally owned by Dr. Caviness and perhaps even built by him. It was called the Caviness Hotel originally.



**Hotel Lillington**

Later the hotel was owned by the Layton family and was leased out from time to time to different managers.

Turning right around the corner at the hotel, you find yourself on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The backside of the *Harnett County Maintenance Department* and school bus garage continues to be visible.

8. *Note: on the 1915 map there was a building here, but its function is unknown to these authors.*
9. Continuing around the corner, turning right on Harnett, the main entrance to the lower level of the building faced north on Harnett Street. This is where the school bus maintenance was done. The upper level that faces the alley housed the rest of the maintenance department.
10. Turning right at the corner, you are again facing Hwy 15-A (Main Street). There was a vacant lot where the Board of Education is currently located.
11. The next building going up the street housed several businesses over the years. At one time it was *Sam Watkins's Garage*, and *J. B. Hendley's Chevrolet dealership*. The building connected to it was a café run by Sammy Sassine. It was also home to *Sawyer's Garage*. *Riley*

*Motor Company* was also at this location at one time.

12. The next building was the first home to *Bank of Lillington*. Returning to the corner completes block two.

### **Block 2 extension**

1. On the north side of Harnett Street, across from the maintenance department was Mr. Moore's blacksmith shop.
2. In the middle of the block next to the blacksmith shop was the (Bill) *Talley Livery Stable*. John Balance Lee later owned it in the 1940s; he was the father of Jessie Anna Lee Walker.
3. A slab of concrete that the children of Lillington used as a "skating rink" was on the far corner.

According to Mr. L. M. Chaffin, the first Methodist Church in Lillington was on this block. He also shared in his history of Lillington that there *was also a graveyard here at one time. However the bodies were exhumed and buried other places. From time to time folks would find a piece of bone or casket on the lot.*



**Riley Motor Company next to the Kelly Drug Building**

**BLOCK 3** (The block directly across the street, on the south side of Front Street.)

This block of Lillington was probably one of the busiest blocks in town before 1950. There were fifteen businesses in operation on the south side of Front Street at one time.



1. *Lafayette Drug Company* was on the corner of Front and Main Streets. This corner building housed several businesses over the years.

Mr. W. P. Sutton operated *Lafayette Drug Store* that occupied the front of this building on the ground level. Druggists who worked here included Carl Kelly, Mack Stevens, Dr. Rogers, and Dewey Johnson and Bill Randall.

The entrance to the upstairs of the Lafayette Drug Building was from the street. The right side upstairs housed Mr. M.O. Lee's first law office, and the Masonic hall was behind it. On the left, down the long hall was Dr. Sam McKoy's dentist office.

Talbott Stewart also had a photography studio in this upstairs location behind the dentist office for a time.

In the back of the building, which was actually the right side, facing Main

Street, there were several different businesses before it was incorporated as part of the drug store. It has been the site of a funeral parlor; then it was a grocery run by Marsh. Later it was a café run by Vertie Allen, and then Julius Holloway had a grocery store there.

- 2-3. The stores beside *Lafayette Drug Company* were the *Johnson and Bryan Stores*. These two stores had a walkthrough between them. (Murph)



Bryan ran the grocery store. (Oker) Johnson's was a mercantile store.

4. The next store was *Womble's* and they sold everything. According to Billy Ray, one exciting event was the day that Mr. Robert Wadlow visited this store. He was the world's tallest man according to Ripley's *Believe it or Not*. He wore size 36 shoes and was at the store to advertise Peter's Weatherbird Shoes.
5. The fifth business on the street was *Pope's 5 and 10*. Later it was remodeled and two store fronts were combined, as this picture shows.
6. The sixth store was *Atkins Brothers Mercantile*. This was also *Harnett Hardware* at one time.
7. The seventh business was that of (Melvin) McLean and (Redden) O'Quinn.





It was a men's clothing store and *McLean and O'Quinn Funeral Directors*.



8. The next business was Starlin Adcock's auto parts store.
9. Then *Cooper's Grocery*. Mr. John Womble also ran a grocery store in this building, but later moved back to the third building on the block.
10. The next building was *Progressive Store*, managed by H. D. Carson, Sr.
11. Next to it was *Sanitary Cleaners* run by Mr. K. G. Mace.
12. Mr. Alexander "Bossman" Phelps (father of Kenneth Phelps) had a sheet metal business in the next building. He built flues for tobacco barns.
13. The next business was *City Market*, run by Mr. Truby Powell.
14. On the corner of Front and 8<sup>th</sup> Street was *The Harnett County News* office, whose editor was Henderson Steele. This

edition of the paper began January 1, 1919, and is still in operation today.

Turning left at the corner, there were two offices attached to the backside of the news office, with the doors facing 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Malcolm Fowler had a radio repair shop in one of them for a time.

The alley divides the street at this point and runs the length of the block to Main Street. The lot across the alley dividing it was vacant during this time.

15. In the next building, there were three floors. Ice was stored in the basement (actually just a dug-out place) behind the building. On the first floor there was a poolroom and on the second floor there were apartments.
16. The next building housed a bowling alley owned by Meredith Senter; it had four lanes (three kingpin lanes and one duck pin lane) on the first floor. On the second floor there was a theater, and part of this area was the meeting place for the Junior Order and other local civic groups.
17. In the next building was *Henley's Chevrolet Dealership*. Henley moved his automobile dealership around these blocks several times.



Sanitary Cleaners decorated for Christmas

18. The next building was Frank Stewart's Garage. He had a sheet metal business there and did general repairs. However, before that Worth Lee Byrd had an electrical repair shop.
19. The next building was a grocery store run by Vernon Davis and Roger Weaver.
20. Turning left around the corner the first building facing Ivy Street was *Sanitary Cleaners*. Mr. K. G. Mace moved his business that was originally on Front Street around to this side of the block in 1940.
21. The next building was another home for *Henley Automobile Dealership*. It moved here from its 8<sup>th</sup> Street location.  
Next was a vacant lot.
22. The next business was the *Gulf Station* that faced Main Street. It was run by Daniel Davis and later by Mack McKinney and Charlie Morton.(gone)  
Next to the *Gulf Station* were two separate businesses that were connected later.
- 23 The first building was a single-story furniture store managed by Charlie



Lillington Furniture and Hardware

Loving. It was added to the hardware store in 1936.

24. The next store attached to the furniture store was a hardware store managed by Sion Wilborn. There was a rope elevator in the rear of this building that went to the second floor.
25. The next business on Main Street was the *City Service Station* run by Mr. J. L.

Hamilton. Bannerman Oil Company of Dunn serviced it.

#### BLOCK 4 - Main and Front Streets

1. On the corner was the *Warwick Hotel*. This grand building housed other businesses as well. Dr. A. W. Peede had his first medical office in the back of the building. The *Bank of Lillington* was housed here for a time. Many social events were held here in a room in the center of the hotel. In 1932,



there was a coffee shop. The *Bryan and Monroe Sand Company* office was also located in this building. It was also the bus stop for a time.

*Sirena's Gift Shop* also occupied a corner of the building. After its hotel days, rooms were rented. After the 1950s other businesses came and went in this building. It has been a *Western Auto* store as well as a bank.

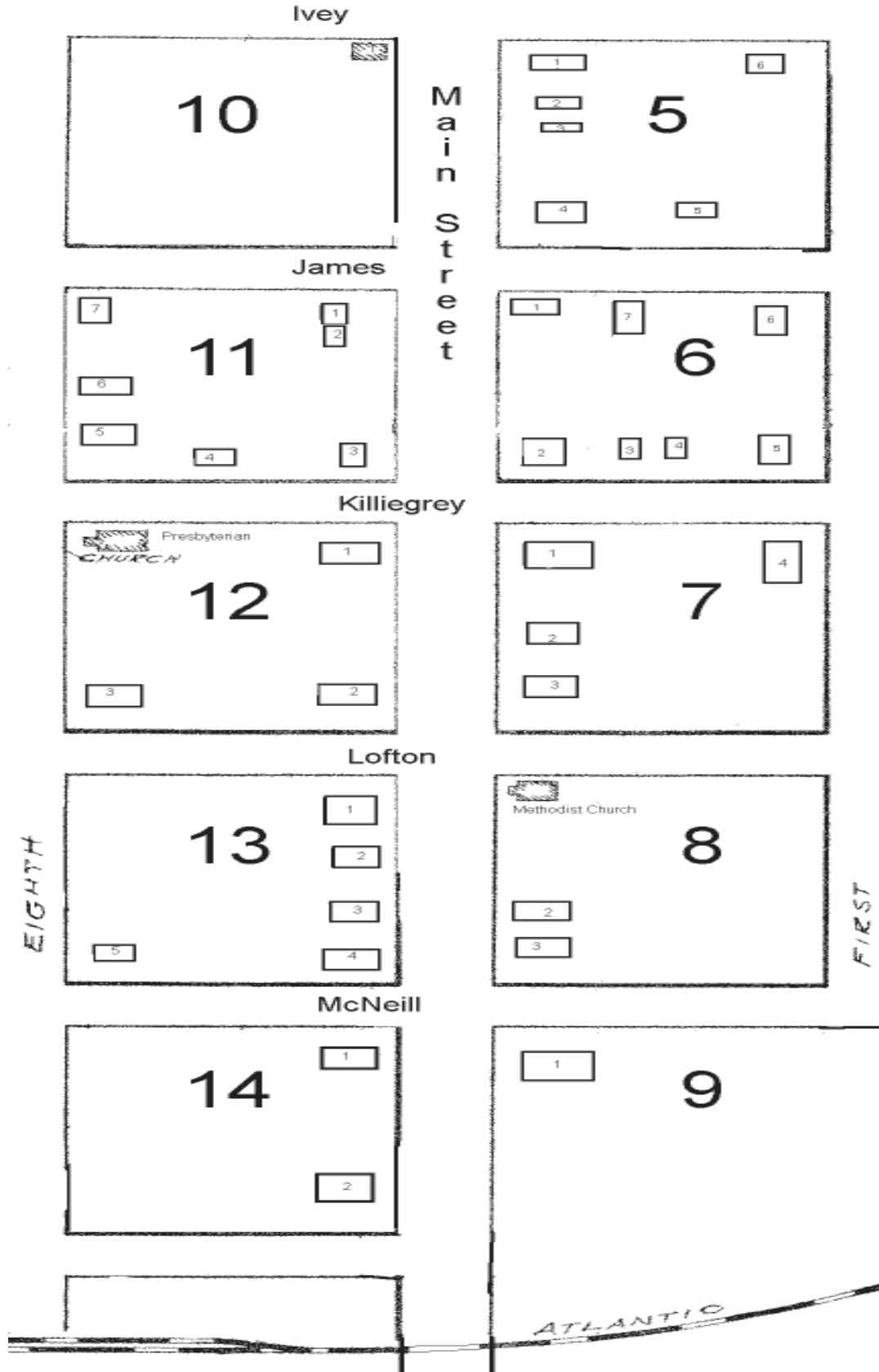


2. Going south on Main Street, there was a two-story building in the middle of the block--a boarding house owned by Dr. Halford, who also lived there. He rented it to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin (Eula) Fuquay. Eula was sister to John Womble and Dorothy Womble Dean. (gone)
3. The next building was the Town Hall, built and dedicated in 1935. *The inscription on the corner stone says "L.D. Burwell Memorial Building 1935."* People came from all around, even as far as Fayetteville to attend dances that were held upstairs on Saturday nights.
4. The next house was the home of John Northam. (gone)



5. Turning the corner, we see the telephone office. It was built by *Carolina Telephone Company* and is still used by *Sprint*.
6. The next house (brick) is the home of Ralph Shaw. The house was built by his father, Jim Shaw. The Jim Shaw home is on the corner.
7. W. F. Nipper Home (gone)
8. The next building was the law office of Walter P. Byrd; later it was the office of Neill M. Salmon and Walter Lee Johnson. (gone)

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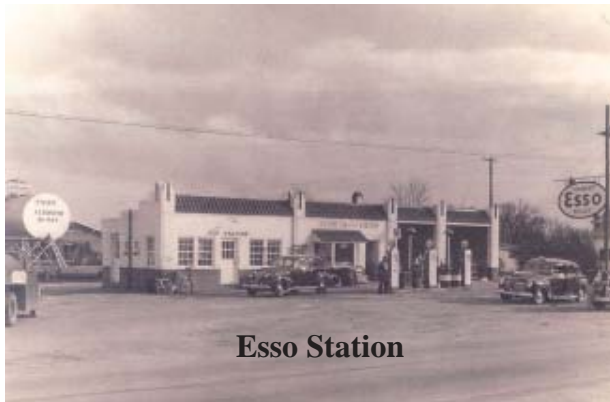


## Main Street

(going South on the left and north on the right)

### BLOCK 5

1. Café / Shell Station. Mr. Andy Jackson ran the café and Harold and Jim Morgan ran the service station.
2. A. W. Wood Home
3. Wood's Grocery, operated by Zola Wood



4. Esso Station and the Bus station
5. The Tom Brown Home is located on James Street as you turn the corner.
6. Ben Parker Home. (gone)

### BLOCK 6

1. W. P. Sutton Home still occupied by the Sutton family.
2. Here was a tennis court and later Wilbourne's Furniture Store, and offices upstairs. Dr. Williford had his first office here.
3. Turning left onto Killiegrey, the T. L. Kelly Home still stands.
4. Next is the location of the Paul Phelps Home; Roger and Retha Weaver also lived here.
5. N. R. and Inez Sessoms Home
6. The Porthyress house was originally the home of Inez Harrington.
7. Caviness and Ruth Brown lived in the next house on this block.

### BLOCK 7

1. Hiram and Dollie Baggett
2. Effie Davis House (She worked at the Bank of Lillington.)
3. Kyle and Ethel Matthews Home
4. This is where the Charlie Biggs house stands. It had an upstairs apartment. Mr. Biggs was the last man in Lillington to drive a horse and buggy.

### BLOCK 8

1. Methodist Church
2. Cleveland (W. C.) Bethune Home built in 1929-30. It was also home to Starlin and Agnes Adcock.
3. W. C. Bethune Grocery. Later it was the Harnett Furniture Store run by Mr. Gossett.

### BLOCK 9

1. M. E. Wilder Home

### BLOCK 10

Before 1950, this block was vacant except for the Sinclair Station (gone) on the corner of Front and Ivey and the fenced-in area containing Northam Motor Company's used cars, as well as two large billboards. Glenn Johnson was the first operator of the Sinclair Station. And when the circus came to town, this is where the Big Top went.



## BLOCK 11

1. Northam Motor Company (gone)



2. Lyric Theater attached to the Northam Motor company (gone)



3. Malcolm Fowler had an International Harvest Appliance store here.
4. Dr. A. W. Peede lived here and later it was home to Talbott Stewart.
5. Ralph Davis Home
6. H. D. Carson, Sr. Home
7. Stout Home (Mr. Burren Stout ran the ice plant.) The Renns lived here at one time.

## BLOCK 12

1. Frank Stewart Home where Hardee's is now located
2. W. C. Bethune Home
3. Presbyterian Manse (gone)
4. Presbyterian Church

## BLOCK 13

1. Pete and Lucy Long Home



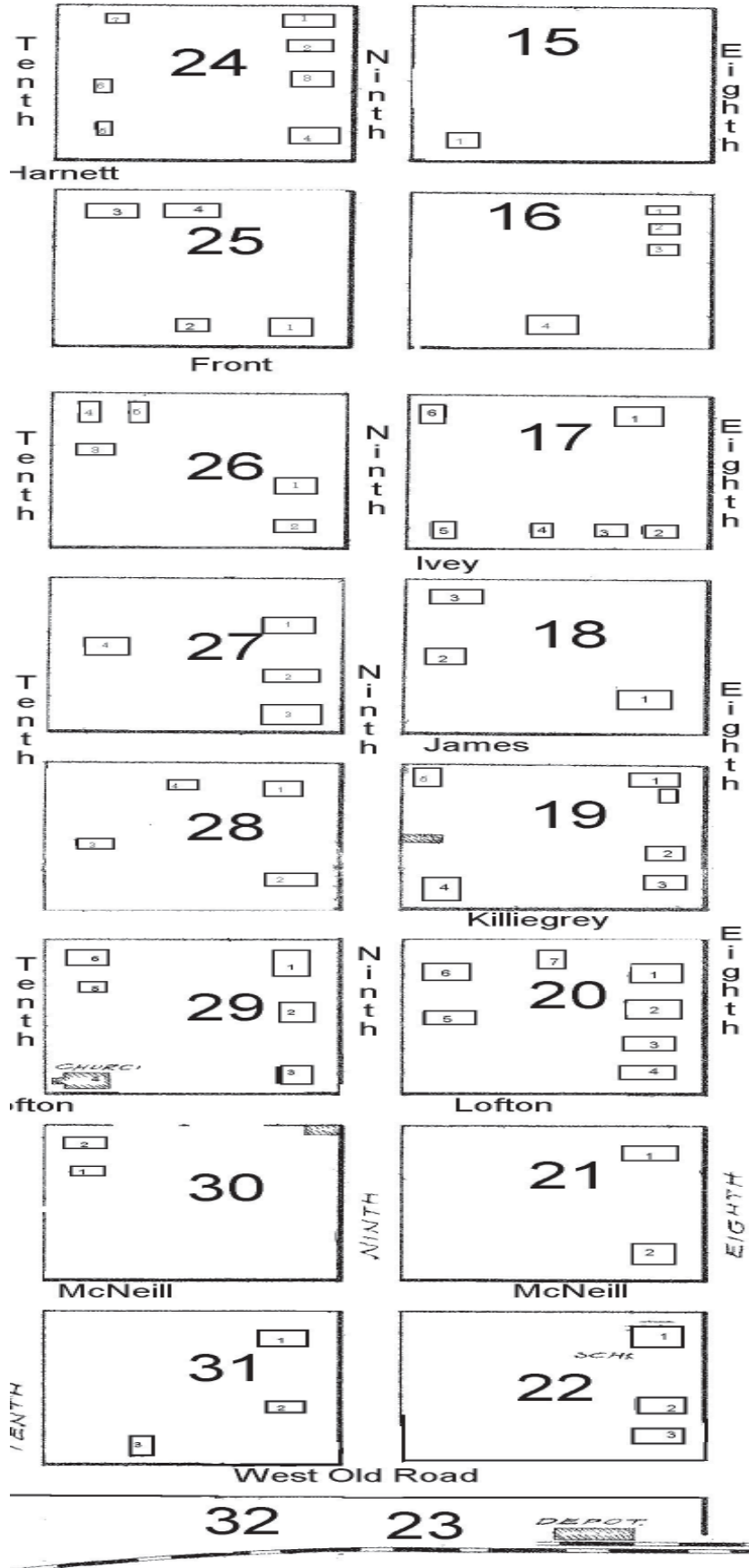
Main Street at Lofton looking North.

2. J. D. Gossett; later Malcolm Fowler
3. Haighwood Home ( Mollie, her son, Carl and her daughter, Mamie)
4. After 1950 the Haigwood family moved into the brick home on the corner.
5. Inez Harrington Home

## BLOCK 14

1. Grady Johnson, Maple's Tourist Home, (had a big barn behind it).
2. Bethea's Tourist Home. Siddall & Mamie Bethea family (John Brown Bethea, Mary Bethea Baker and Sarah Bethea Miller, children)

# Section three - Blocks 15-32



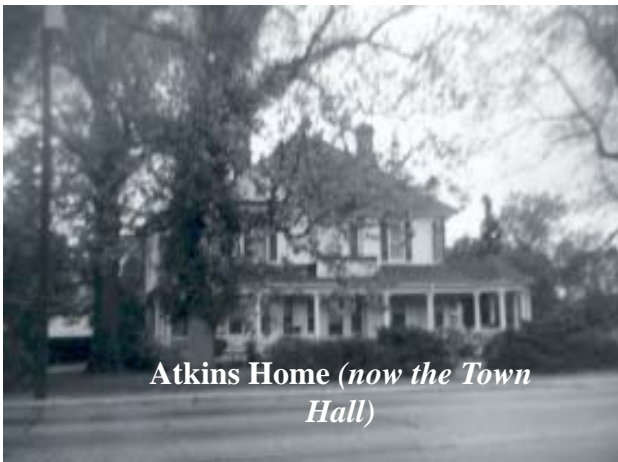
**BLOCK 15**

A.G. Rickman Home, owner of Rickman Brick Company was located here. Later Jack Sorrell lived here. (gone)

**BLOCK 16**

- 1 Layton rental house
- 2 Layton rental house
- 3 Layton rental house
- 4 Salmon-Atkins Home (Oscar and Fannie Salmon Atkins) Originally occupied by Silas and Lula Salmon.

- 2. Rental house (J.L. Hamilton, Roy Caviness, Vernon Davis, David Bradley)
- 3. Rental house (Oscar Walker, Esso dealer, Nelly Thompson, later.)
- 4. Rental house (Hazel and Melvin McLean, Minnie and Thelbert Dean, Leslie Matthews)
- 5. J. N. Fuquay Home-- Mr. J. N. and Margaret Spears Fuquay, and children: Richard, Mary Nealy, who won the Latin award, Margaret (Teensy), Oscar, and Neal.
- 6. Dr. W. B. Hunter home, later W. E. Bill Salmon home. *One reason that the house was destroyed by fire was because the water supply for Lillington at the time consisted of two*



*wells that did not have enough water pressure for such emergencies.*



**BLOCK 18**

- 1. W. M. (Murph) Bryan Home (family members included Jack, Maude, Mary Hughes, Jo)
- 2. Womble Family (Dorothy, Eula, John)
- 3. Neil and Gertrude Atkins

**BLOCK 17**

- 1. John Robert Baggett Home





### BLOCK 19

1. Burwell Home occupied by H. D. Carson, Grayson Biggs, Jernigans. It served as a community building in 1944/45, and perhaps earlier.
2. J. C. Hatley family lived here; later Leslie and Bessie Matthews, as well as Mrs. Dan Redfern, who rented two rooms from the Matthews family.
3. Mack and Maude McKinney Home (Lewis's family) Later it was home to Leroy and Mary Lee.
4. Minnie Bradsher Home (her children were Mildred, Marie, Minnie Wilson, Willard, Freddy Booth, Ambrose, and Robert)
5. J. G. Renn Home

### BLOCK 20

1. John Allen and Frances Walker lived here in the early 1936-1940s. Mr. Walker was the principal of Lillington School until January of 1943, when he died at this residence. The Sydney Howell family also lived here.
2. Horace Freeman, County Auditor, lived here. Henry and Blanche Hamilton bought it from the Freeman Estate.

3. The Rossers lived here in the 1930s, then Margaret and Joe Gourley lived in the apartment at the back of the house. The Currins, and and later the Shaw family also lived here.
4. Cleveland Matthews and later Sydney and Ruby Howell lived here.
5. Cleveland Matthews also lived here as well as the A. G. Rickman family.
6. Rental house
7. Rental house

### BLOCK 21

1. Tim and Bill McKoy Home (Their daughter was Sarah Vann.) Later Thomas and Lou Crews lived here.
2. Methodist Manse, sold to Walt Matthews whose daughter was Thelma Matthews.



### BLOCK 22

1. There was a school on this corner around 1900-1915. Later it became the location of the Joel Layton, Jr. house.
2. Mr. and Mrs. Early W. Bradley Home Sons of the Bradleys were Gene, Hal, Kilgo, Charles, Conner ,and Billy.

This house and the next one are Sears Catalog Homes.

- A.T. Brown Home (Lillie Mae Brown Schafran homplace)

**BLOCK 23**

Atlantic and Western Depot. Leslie Matthews ran *National Oil Company* located



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**Jitney and ticket**

The Jitney went from Lillington to Sanford daily.

here and they sold Conoco oil products. According to Billy Ray, they also had hogs beside the oil company.

**BLOCK 24**

- Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hendley
- M.T. Phelts ( Mary Ann, Emily and Marion were the children)
- Jim Sawyer
- Brantley and Teensie Matthews
- Henry and Belle McDougald
- Rental house
- Rental house



Layton Home

**BLOCK 25**

- Joel and Maude Layton home
- Stewart and Felicia Melvin Home (Dr. Melvin, from Linden was his father)
- Rental house Bertise Wicker
- Rental house Harris and Meta McAllister

**BLOCK 26**

1. Graham and Lucy Monroe Home  
Their sons were Sidney, Joe, and Devon.
2. C. S. and Gertie Loving lived here. The ran Lillington Hardware along with Sion Wilborn. The house was purchased from the Tugwells, who originally owned *Tugwell Drug*.
3. Burren and Cornelia Stout Home faces 10<sup>th</sup> St.
4. Brantley and Teensie Matthews Home (gone)
5. Dr. Alvin Worth Peede as well as John and Hazel Womble, lived here at one time.



**BLOCK 28**

1. Dr. A. W. and Eula Peede Home
2. Henderson and Rachel Steele
3. Dr. W. B. and Rita Hunter



**BLOCK 27**

1. Sexton Home, 1913 Later it was home to Marvin and Velma Edwards and then it was home to the William Herman Parrish family.
2. Neill and Anne Salmon, *still owned by McKay, Marie, and Stephanie Salmon, descendants.*
3. Rosa and Sion Wilburn
4. B. C. and Lida O'Quinn

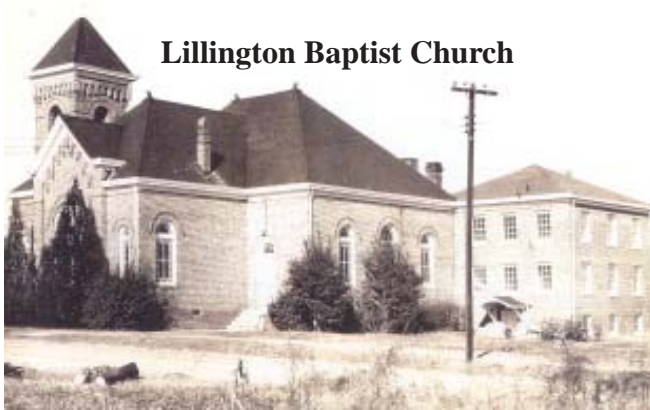
4. Dr. Peede's office

### **BLOCK 29**

1. J. R. Hood Home in 1934; later W. J. and Sudie Morris lived here.
2. Joe and Vera Caviness Home
3. Lee and Alda Chaffin Home
4. Lillington Baptist Church

### **BLOCK 32**

1. The Tom Newton family lived here.
2. From the middle of this block to the middle of the next block was part of the Civilian Conservation Corps Camp.



5. C. B. and Lois Shelton Allred Home
6. Joe Tom and Ruby Mae Wilder Long Home

### **BLOCK 30**

1. Billy and Helen Chaffin Byrd Home
2. H. E. and Letha Pond Smith Home  
Their children were Ora Pond, Bernice, Howard, and Nell.
3. Sam F. Hudson lived at the Baptist Parsonage. It was moved to the corner of 11<sup>th</sup> St.
4. J. D. Gossett Home, was later home to the W. C. Bethune family, as well as the John Warren family. (gone)

### **BLOCK 31**

1. Mack Johnson Home
2. Cling Johnson Home
3. Curt and Anna O'Quinn Home  
They were the parents of Frances O'Quinn Glasby; grandparents of Betty and Sue Jo Glasby.

# Section four - Blocks 33-62



### **BLOCK 33**

Vacant

### **BLOCK 34**

1. Ted Johnson had a sheet metal and wood shop in a tin building. (He made what-not shelves, etc.) Later it was a business operated by Marvin Raney and T. T. Matthews. Ock Thomas operated a car garage in back.
2. Herbert Matthews Home  
(Ross Road cuts through this block)

### **BLOCK 35**

1. Earline and Harvey Stewart lived here and before them, Truby and Letha Powell, as well as Ted and Ruth Johnson.
2. Duplex - Selwyn and Betty Allred O'Quinn, and later Freddy Brown lived here.
3. The store built next door to Pipkins was their store.
4. Arthur and Elsie Pipkin (parents of Sue P. Thomas) included a store and living quarters in the 1940s.

### **BLOCK 36**

1. The Lee and Alda Chaffin Home was later home to Effie and Andy Jackson.
2. Beecham Family whose children were Haywood, Guy, Vincent. Later P. W. and Zula Matthews lived here.
3. Mr. and Mrs. John O. Sutton and daughter Martha lived here.



Hall House

4. Charlie and Anna Rich Home  
Later Harvey and Earline Stewart lived here. (gone)

### **BLOCK 37**

1. Rev. R. A. Hall was a Baptist minister in Bunnlevel and elsewhere. This was originally the Marsh Family homeplace according to a Marsh descendant. (gone)

### **BLOCK 38**

1. The Wadsworth family, the Johnny Dean family during World War II, and the Hoyle Secrest family all lived here at one time or another.
2. Joe and Margaret Gourlay Home
3. J. C. and Kathleen Hatley Home  
Leslie and Elizabeth Matthews lived here later.
4. Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Wyatt Home  
Their children were Tommy and Marjorie.
5. R. K. and Ella Footman  
*The white brick house on the corner of Eleventh and Killiegray was not built until after 1950 by Bob Parker.*

### **BLOCK 39**

1. Christine and Reid Ross Home  
The Baileys lived here before them; Mr. Bailey was the first motorcycle highway patrolman in Harnett County.
2. Howard and Mary Watkins Home
3. Irene Lassiter and Helen Hoffman Home

### **BLOCK 40**

1. Burren and Cornelia Stout Home  
Later John Balance and Pearl Lee lived here as well as Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Ross, even later Bernice and Lib Ligon lived here.

2. Campbell Family Home

The children were Graham and Frankie and Bruce. John and Pearl Johnson (he was a plumber and brother to Ted Johnson) also lived here. The west side of the house would have been facing 11<sup>th</sup> St.

*The water tank was in the center of this block*



**Lanier Home**

**BLOCK 41**

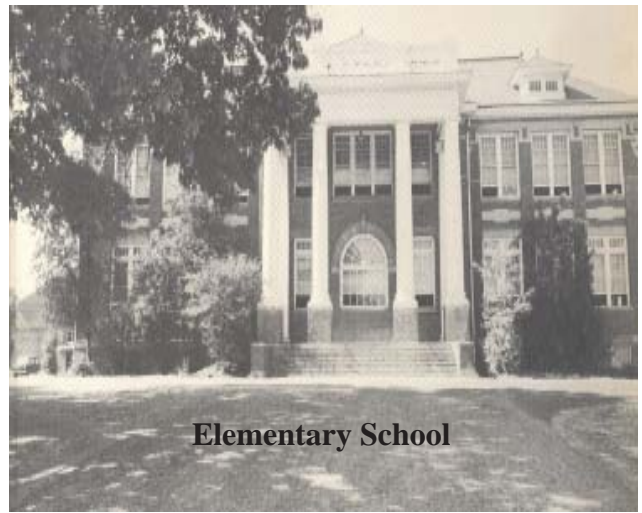
1. Part of Civilian Conservation Corps Camp

**BLOCKS 42-43**

1. Vacant



**Lillington High School**



**Elementary School**

**BLOCK 44**

1. Lanier homeplace (children were Joe, Jeff, Merrimon, Mabel)
2. Carl and Vara Bethune Kelly Home
3. Merrimon and Rosa Belle Bethune Lanier
4. Sam Watkins Home
5. T.T. and Lucille Matthews Home
6. K. G. Mace and Dora Mace Home
7. Lynwood and Hettie Hamilton lived here and John Pat and Fay Marie Matthews Hamilton lived in the garage apartment behind the house.

**BLOCK 45-46**

1. High School, constructed 1926.
2. Elementary School constructed 1913-14
3. Tin gym (was built from second-hand materials)
4. Teacherage--Mrs. S. P. J. Lee was in charge of the teacherage at one time. (mother of Charlotte Renn)

**BLOCK 47**

1. Dr. Sam and Aileen McKoy (he was a dentist and she was the first public librarian; their daughter was Jean McKoy)
2. Rental house
3. J. Ray Johnson property
4. Mabel Lanier and J. Ray Johnson

**BLOCK 48**

1. Max and Thora Womble Home
2. Ruth and W. E. (Bill) Awbrey Home
3. Bill and Miriam Walsh Home
4. Leslie and Bessie Matthews Home  
(*birthplace of Billy Ray Matthews*)

**BLOCK 49**

1. John and Pearl Johnson Home
2. Truby and Letha Powell Home
3. Green Heights Grill was first owned by Mr. Brantley. Edison Quick and Mr. Hall owned it later.
4. T. V. and Magdalene Page Home
5. Duplex
6. Fred and Hazel Holloway Home
7. Carl and Irene Womble lived here and later his brother, Max and Thora Womble lived here.
8. John A. Senter property

**BLOCK 50**

The site of an old gravel pit -- the "castle" is still visible, though the company stopped digging there around 1927.

**BLOCK 51**

The Quonset hut on the corner was built before 1950 for fertilizer. Later it became the *Superior Seed Company* run by C. R. and Mamie Ammons.

**BLOCK 52**

1. R. M. Turlington built this house then traded property with Johnny Blackmon who was building a house in the next block.
2. Casey Fowler Home
3. C. R. and Mamie Ammons Home
4. Walter Marsh family homeplace  
Their daughter was Ida Mae "Tiny" Marsh. The house is over 75 years old.

**BLOCK 53-54**

Back of school-- ball field, fence, (1) agriculture building, (2) grandstand

**BLOCK 55**

T. D. O'Quinn Home  
(Joe Anthony lived here before the O'Quinns.)

**BLOCK 56**

Vacant

**BLOCK 57**

1. Joe P. Smith Home
2. Stewart Hockaday Home  
(William Thomas and Linda J. Hockaday were the parents of Stewart)
3. Dan Ballard Home  
(children: Frank, Halford, Kathryn)

**BLOCK 58**

Vacant

**BLOCK 59**

Hamilton Home (Frank and his sisters)

**BLOCK 60**

Vacant

**BLOCK 61**

Vacant

**BLOCK 62**

Vacant

**BLOCK 63**

1. Charles and Betty B. Holland Home
2. Theron and Jo Gilbert Home

**BLOCK 64**

1. John A. and Pearl Johnson Home Later the Buchanans lived there.
2. Rant Turlington Home, he was father to Melvin, Jack, George, Bessie, and Gordon.

**BLOCK 65**

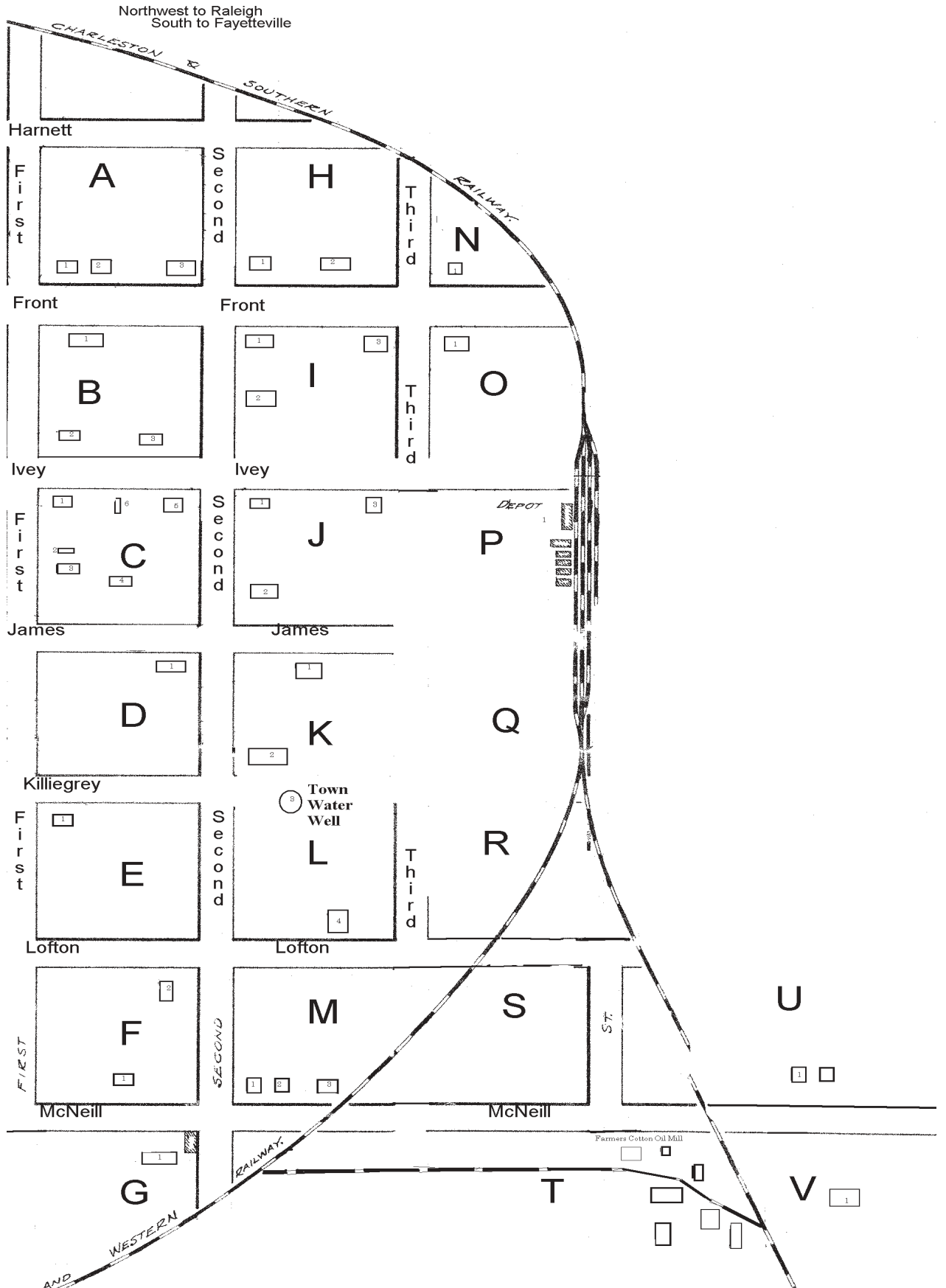
1. Julius Holloway Home
2. Ballard Home

**End of McNeill Street**

1. Walter Lanier Home
2. John Early Womble Home



# Section five - Blocks A-V East of Main Street



## East of the courthouse

### BLOCK A

1. Reddin B. and Lillie O'Quinn Home  
Selwyn O'Quinn was born here.
2. Lucretia and Laura Parker Home (gone)
3. William Frank Hockaday Home.  
(Children were: Belle, James, Frank,  
Peggy Hockaday (Blalock)--their  
mother was a Marsh, sister to the Marsh  
family on the other end of Front Street



Lucretia and Laura Parker Home

### BLOCK B

1. H. T. Spears Home (John Spears' father)
2. J. F. Coggins Home (children: Virginia  
Coggins Johnson, and J. F. Coggins, Jr.)
3. John Smith Home  
He was father to Tootsie Byrd. The  
Faucettes lived here previously.

### BLOCK C

1. Norman Lewis Family (Frank, Jane  
Lewis McKinney, Margaret Lewis  
Bradley, Lynn)
2. Smoke house
3. Barns, McLean and O'Quinn kept the  
hearse here (gone)
4. Ollie and Geneva Mcneill Cates Home  
(gone)
5. J. C. Thomson Home. He was father to  
Elizabeth Thomson Davis.
6. Tennis courts (gone)

### BLOCK D

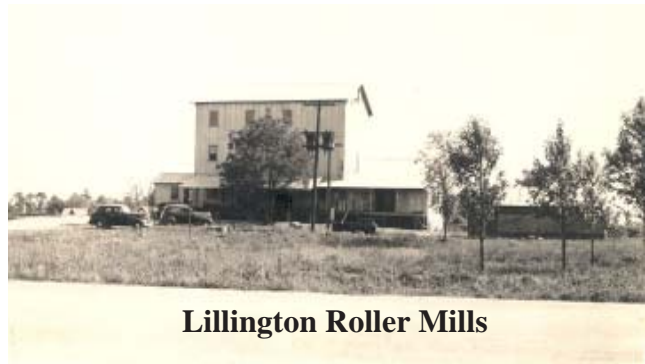
Starlin Adcock Home

### BLOCK E

Johnny Todd Home

### BLOCK F

1. Stewart and Mattie McDonald  
homeplace. (Children Eunice M.  
Arnold, Leona M. Breeden, Paul,  
Robert, and Willie Mae M. Ausley)
2. Bailey Blacksmith Shop



Lillington Roller Mills

### BLOCK G

Lillington Roller Mills owned by Leon  
and Neil Kelly, brothers. The creators  
of the now famous Golden Eagle Flour.  
(gone)

### BLOCK H

1. Mr. and Mrs. Riley Johnson Home.  
Their sons were Grady, and Burren  
Johnson, who was a missionary to  
China. (gone)
2. B. F. Gentry Home. Their daughter was  
Bo Peep. (gone)

### BLOCK I

1. McLaughlin Home  
(originally the B.F. Shaw Home)
2. John Aaron and Vida Lee Senter Home



McLaughlin Home

3. Mr. Walter Lee and Lucille Spears Johnson Home

### BLOCK J

1. Bunn Home
2. Troy Byrd Home  
Herbert Matthews lived here previously.
3. Rev. Sam F. Hudson, Sr. lived here as did Dr. Lyon, pharmacist at *Lafayette Drug Company*.

### BLOCK K-L

1. Maness homeplace (Larry Dixon family)
2. R. S. Taylor, Sr. Home
3. Old Well
4. Buddy and Lespie Clegg (Buddy's father was Hubert Clegg)

### BLOCK M

1. Margie and Herbert Taylor Home
2. Bob and Catherine Baggett Home
3. The Effie McLean family lived here. Her mother was a Shaw and her children were James, Duncan, Ernest, Munn, Sam, Kate, and Effie.

### BLOCK N

1. Carlson Home  
They were the parents of Mary Thomson Carlson.

### BLOCK O

1. Walter P. and Zula Tomlinson Byrd Home (Children were: Evelyn, Lois, Walter, Jr.)



Walter Byrd Home

### BLOCK P

1. Depot (and storage warehouses)

### BLOCK Q-S

1. Vacant

### BLOCK T

Farmers Cotton Oil and Fertilizer Company. They made pot ash, fertilizer, and cotton seed meal for feed. The company also ginned cotton. There was a large set of scales to weigh the cotton when it was brought in by the farmers.

Employees included Sidney Howell, Mildred Gossett, Henry Young, the night watchman (Pearl Johnson's Brother) and Bill Porthyress.

### BLOCK U

1. Fuller and Pearl Johnson Home
2. The next house was a rental house.

### BLOCK V

Arthur Fowler Home  
His children were Lucille Fowler Suiter, (mother of Tom Suiter, sports caster on *WRAL TV Five*), Inez, Malcolm, Arthur Fowler, Jr., and Wynona.