1279 Mulholland

1891 Plat: Unidentified Building
1912 Sanborn Map: Printing/Electric Motors
2010: Knights of Columbus

1890 – 1922 *Nauvoo Rustler* newspaper office
1913 “Business Block” built (three, separate businesses with a common façade) The *Rustler* continued at its same location, but in a new building.
Mid 1930s Purchased by Knights of Columbus
1930s-Present Knights of Columbus meeting hall

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1891 Plat: Site Empty
1912 Sanborn: Site Empty
2010: Furniture Store

1913 “Business Block” built (The former empty lot became the middle store at this location.
1913 – 1930s Paul’s Clothiers
Late 1930s Charlie Reimbold’s Hardware Store
Late 1940s – 1958 Lutz’s Hardware Store
(First location)
1958 – 1960s Buss’ Grocery Store
(First location)
Present John A. Kraus Co.
(furniture store)

The *Nauvoo Rustler* newspaper building c. 1890’s. Note the façade’s interesting roofline and the plank sidewalks. (A portion of the former *Nauvoo Expositor* building, razed in 1912, can be seen to the left.)

For 34 years, from 1890-1924, the *Nauvoo Rustler* newspaper was published by S.K. Walther, son Fred Walther, and William Argast. (Framed, original copies of a few editions of the newspaper can be seen adorning the walls of the entrance to Grandpa John’s Cafe.)

The *Nauvoo Rustler* moved into the store located on the left, or west, side. You can still see the word “Rustler” set into the mosaic entrance of the former newspaper office. Built in 1913, the large, three-building complex housed the *Nauvoo Rustler* newspaper office until 1922. The Knights of Columbus’ Alleman Council No. 1843, a Catholic fraternal organization, purchased the property in the mid 1930’s for use as their meeting place and for other social church and public events. It continues to be used for similar purposes today.

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The middle store in the new 1913 building was occupied by “Paul and Meyer Clothiers” (John H. Paul and J.R. Meyer). It provided more stylish clothes than a dry goods store. In 1925, when Paul became the sole proprietor; i.e., “Paul’s Clothiers,” his advertisements showcased Hart Schaffner and Marx clothes—pretty dapper for what one might expect to find in a small, rural town along the Mississippi River! The store operated from 1913-1930s.

Then, Otis (“Otie”) Lutz ran a hardware store here from the c. the latter 1940’s to 1958. (This was his first location. He then moved across the street to the east.) Switching gears again, the next proprietor, John Buss, converted the building to a grocery store c. 1958 and remained at this location until the early 1960’s. The building is owned by the Kraus family and presently serves as an extension of the furniture store two doors west.