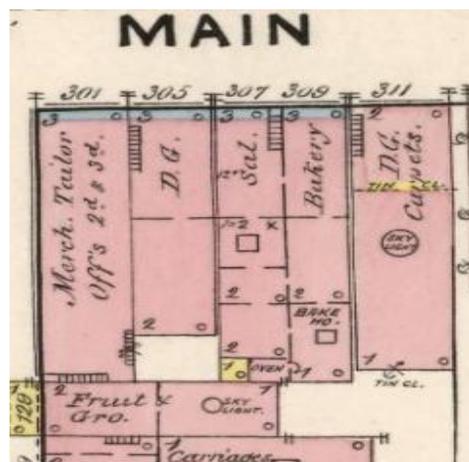
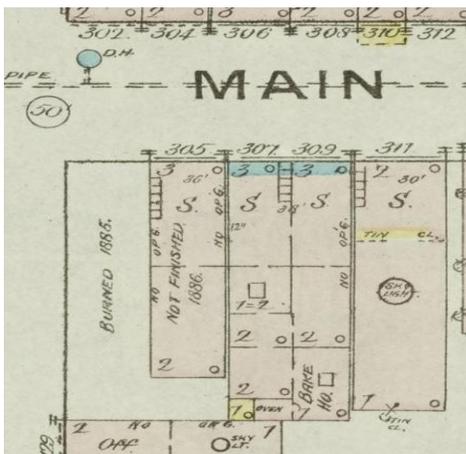


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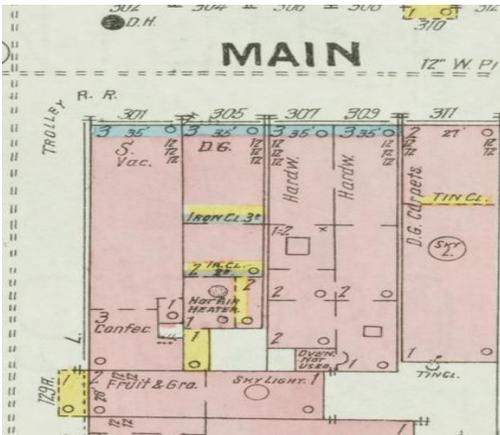


The building currently on 239 West Main Street, in downtown Frankfort is the building that we are considering on putting a new business inside. It is adjacent to St. Clair Street that flows right into Broadway. From all the research that was conducted, we were unable to determine who built the original building. 239 was formerly two separate buildings, located at 307 and 309 Main Street, with two connecting doors. By looking at the Sanborn Fire Insurance maps for Frankfort and a 2008 property survey conducted by the Frankfort Zoning and Planning Commission, the building was built somewhere between 1875 and 1886. It has always been three stories tall, even when it was two separate stores when it was first built. Later in 1890, it was a saloon and a bakery with shared doors, but some time in between 1890 and 1901, they combined and became a hardware store called 'Hardware Paints and Oils'. The paints and oils store remained for a long period of time, but later became the original location of the current Frankfort business, The Woolery, which has moved in the past few years to a bigger residence on St. Clair Street. The building has gone through reconstruction since the



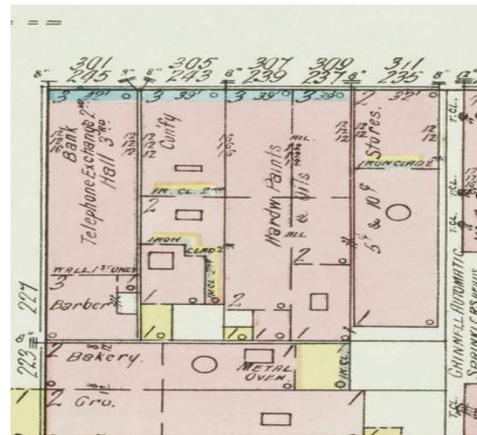
hardware store to become the single, vacant building that we know today.

1886 Sanborn map



1901 Sanborn map

1890 Sanborn map



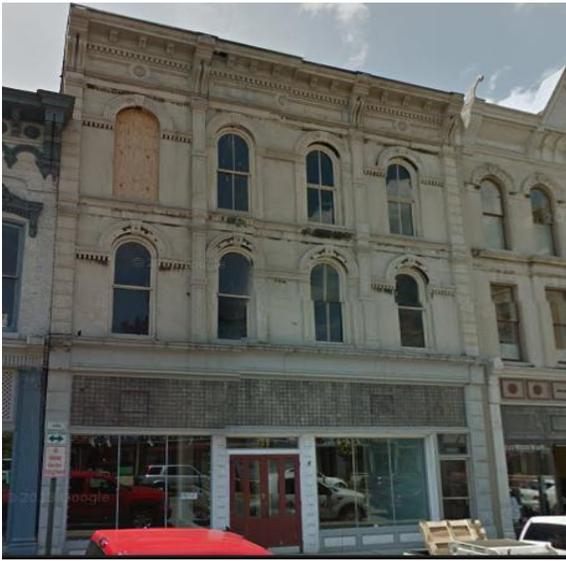
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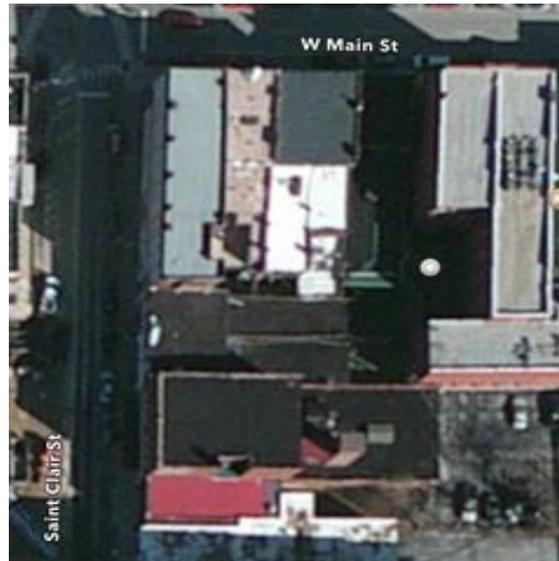
The picture above was taken in 1914, even though there is not a front view of the building, this is what Main St. looked like around that time

Currently, the building is vacant and is in need of rehab. It still has most of the original Victorian architecture style which is based from a tan stone with an elegant display of detail on the front face. It is a 3,675 square foot building, including the loft area above. The owner of the building could not be determined by data available. It is close to the corner of Main and St. Clair Streets, which was historically an important and influential part of Frankfort. The structure is near many thriving businesses on Main such as Magee's Bakery and Nitro Clothing

Store.



Current front view



Current over view from above

The size of the loft could easily be an area for a home owner. Also, the lower area on ground floor could be a small store or shop based on the size. Surveys conducted by my class, say that people want a business that sales music on vinyl records and CDs. Even though records are considered a thing of the past, they are slowly coming back with a high demand. A store like CD Central in Lexington, Kentucky would be perfect for downtown Frankfort. The store has new and used CDs and records that people can go and get popular bands as well as local bands music. They have all genres for everyone from metal to indie music. In addition to the local band music, they also sell their t-shirts and other merchandise for these bands to get further exposure. They also have posters and fun novelty items for sale as well. This would bring a big draw for teens to come and purchase local music instead of driving to Walmart to purchase their CDs. The store also sells the whole turntables themselves with accessories, unlike any place in Frankfort. It would bring a pull for all ages from taking adults wanting to get back into records and teens wanting to get into local bands. The website for their store is

www.cdcentralmusic.com.



This is the current view of CD Central which could be what 239 West main could look like

Hopefully this addition to Frankfort will make others become local shoppers and buy music here in downtown. This could be a great idea to further integrate music into downtown besides the capitol concert series, and help local musicians have a location to start advertising. CD Central is a plausible way to have downtown influenced in record and CD sales, as well as other unique items that couldn't be purchased in any other stores in downtown.