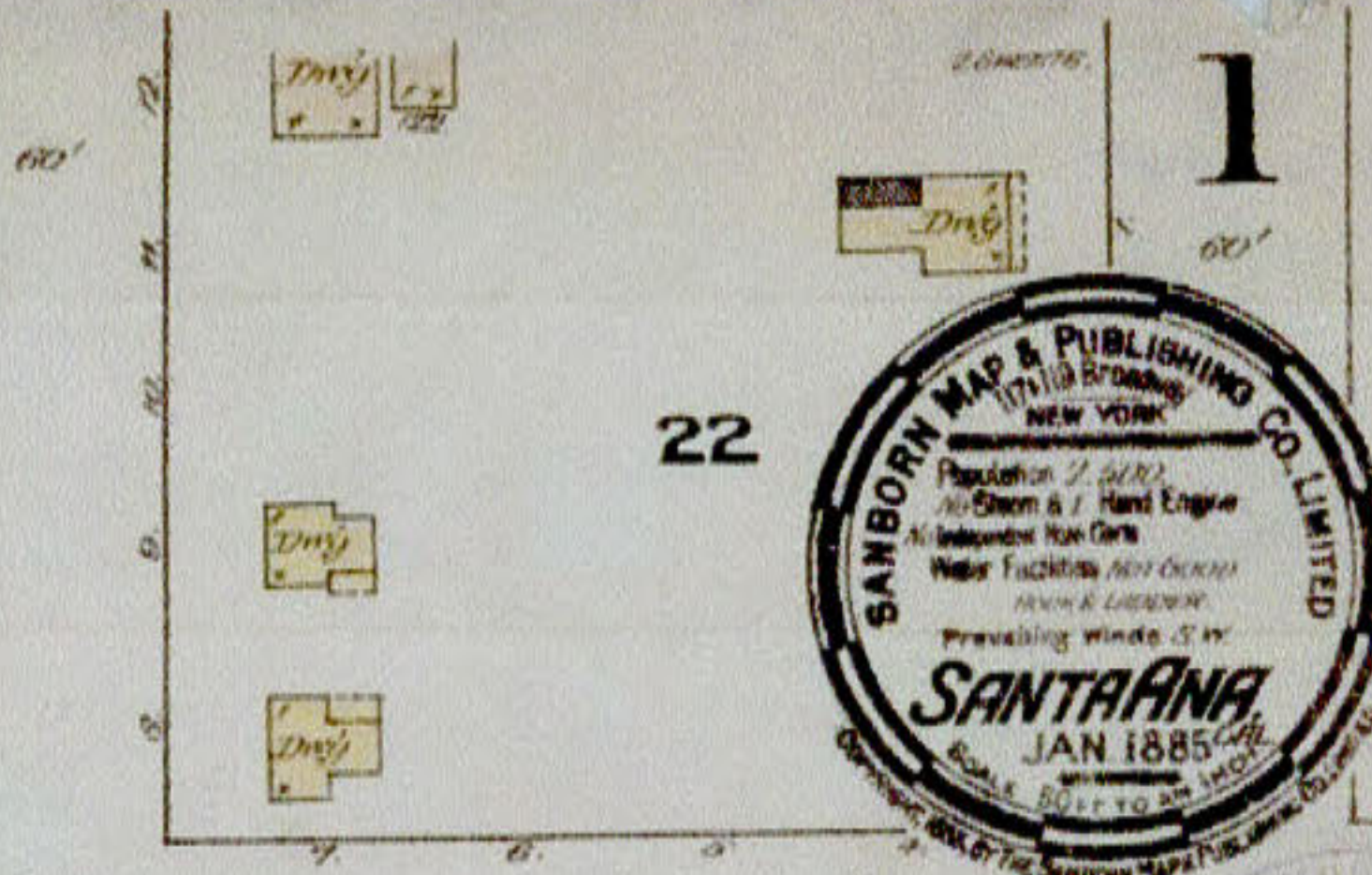
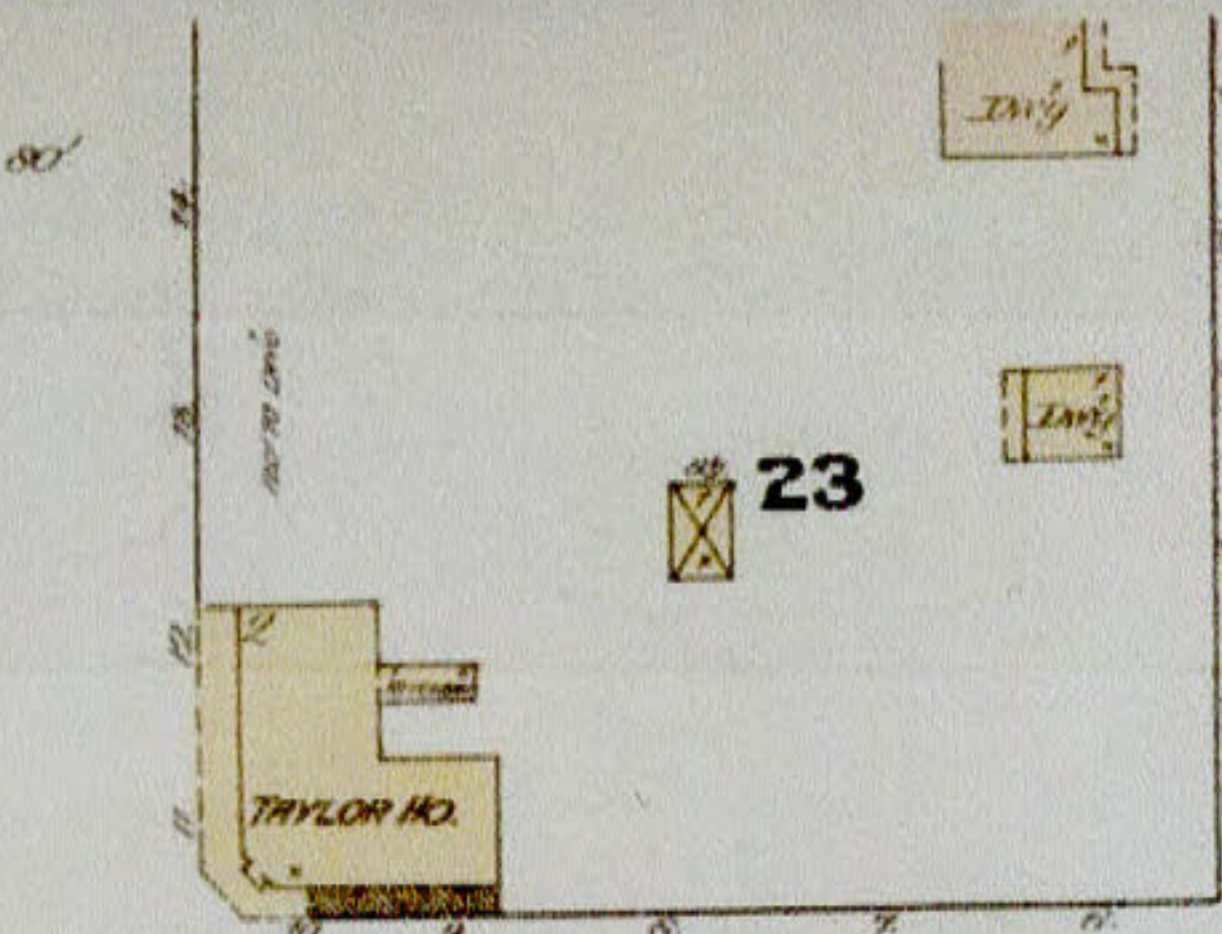
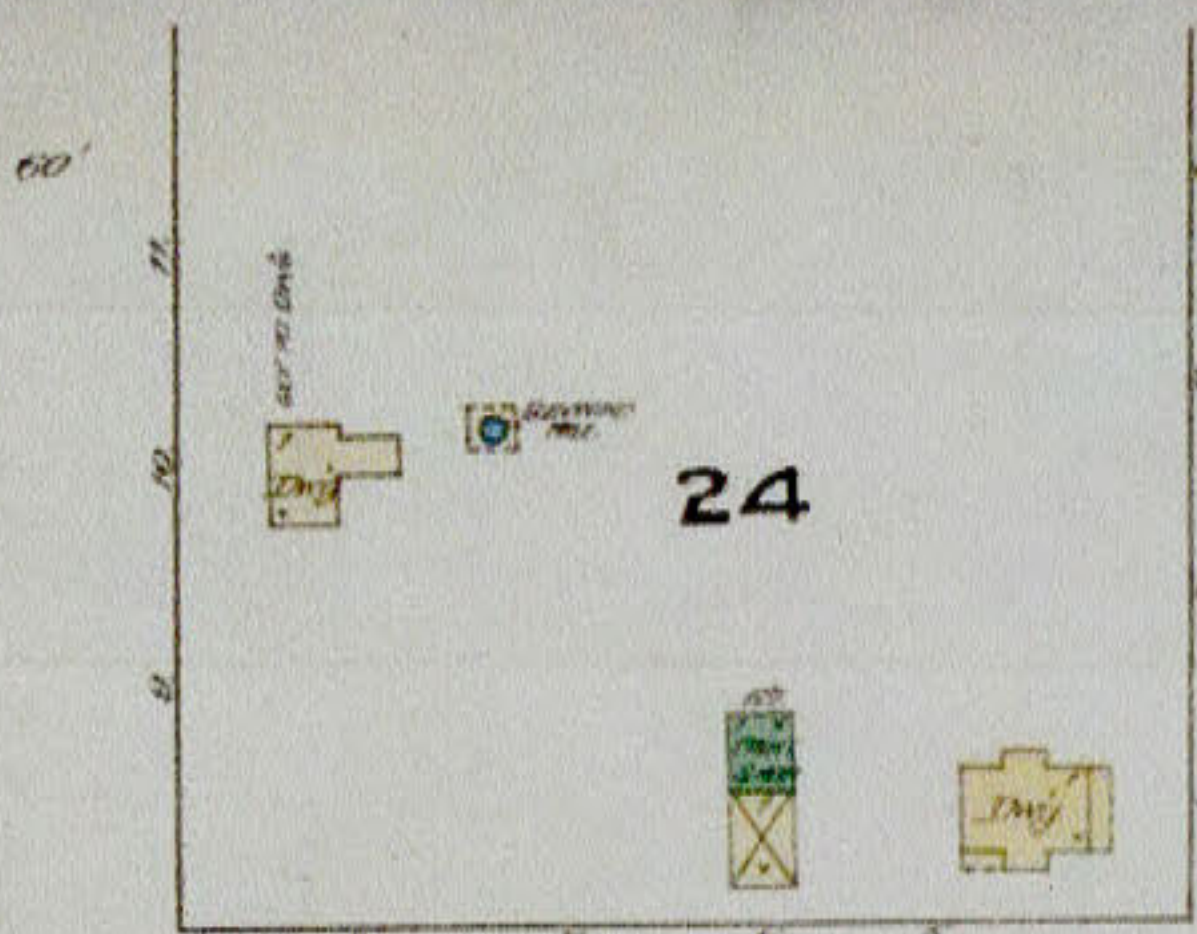
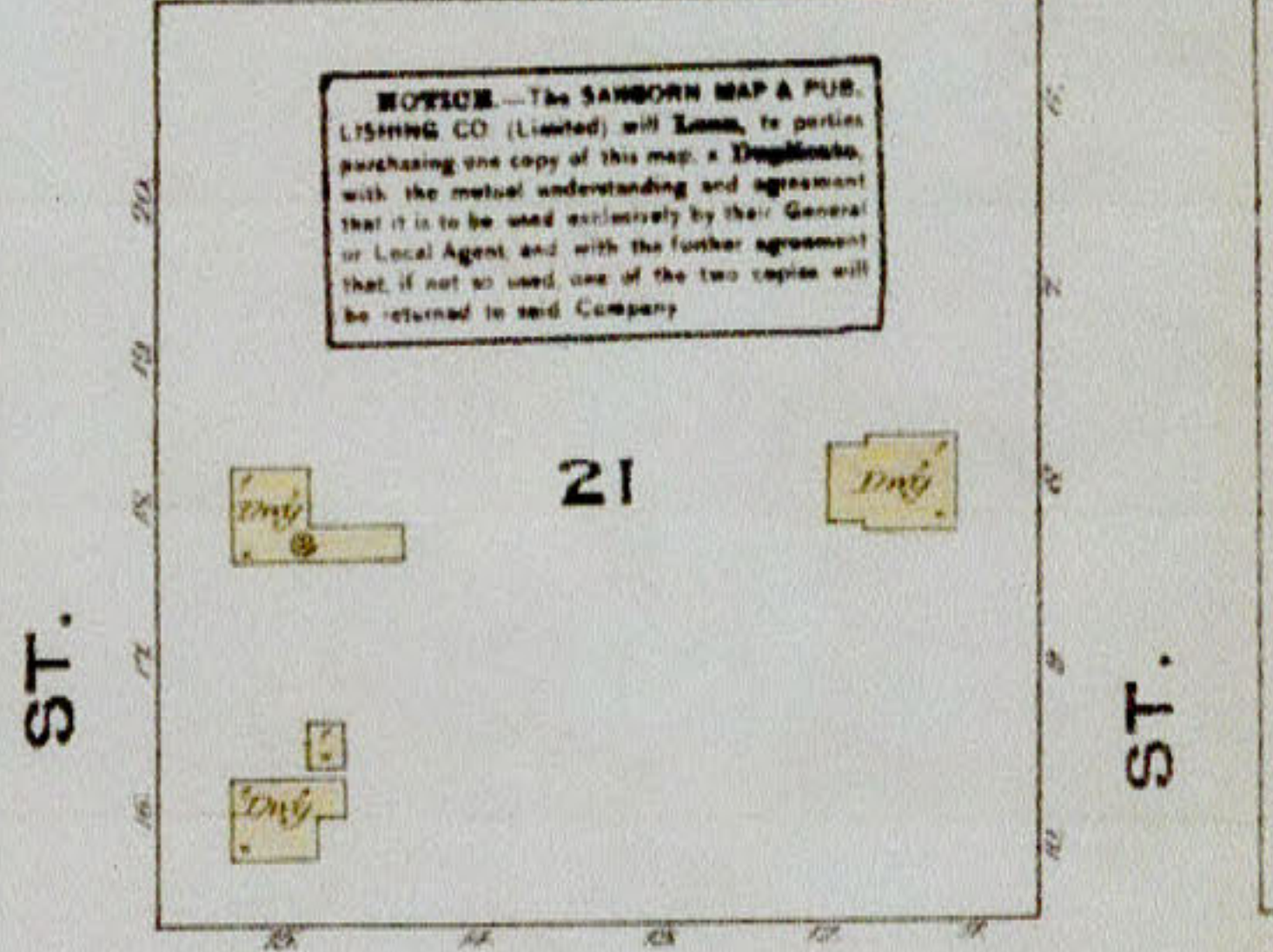
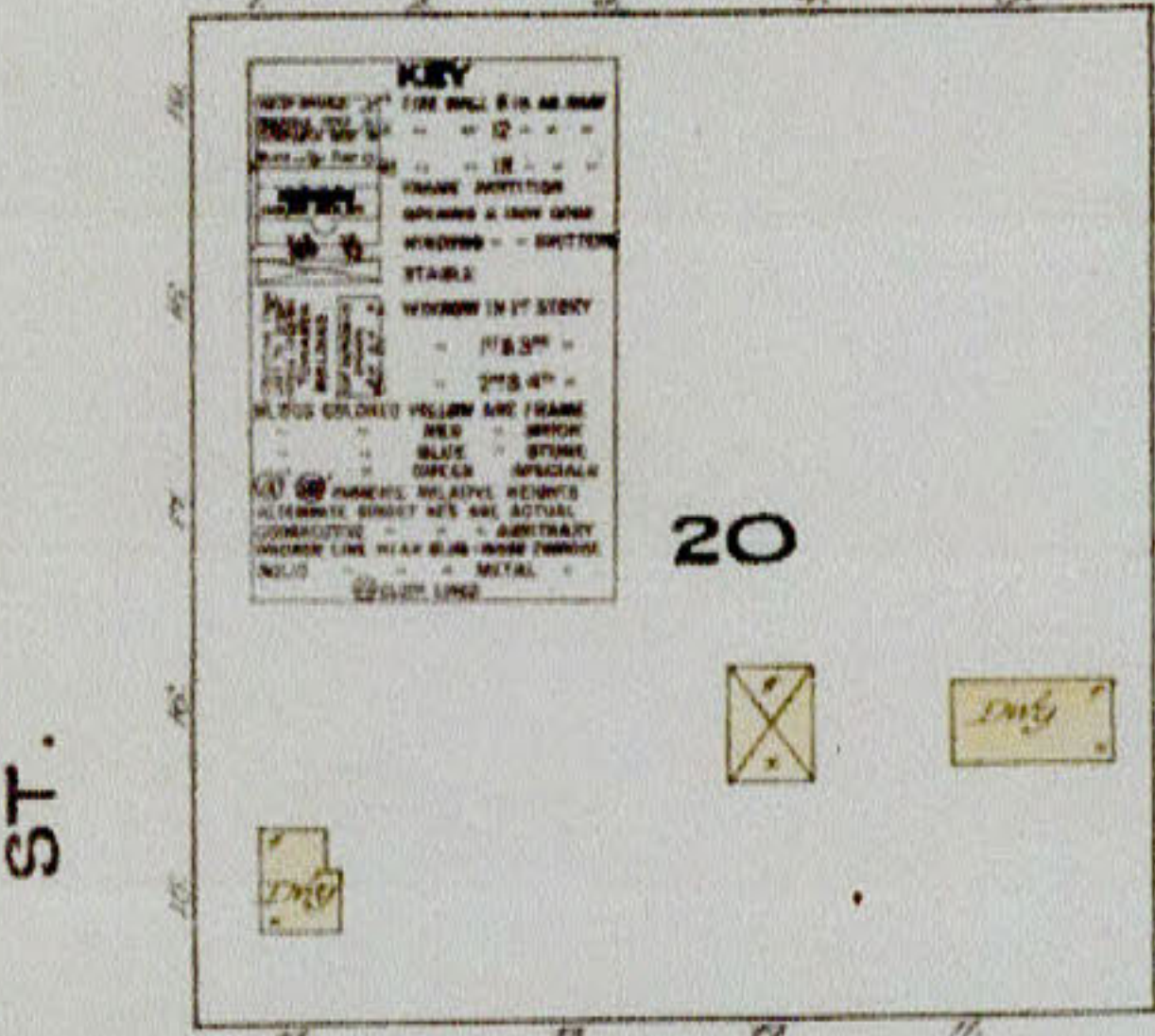
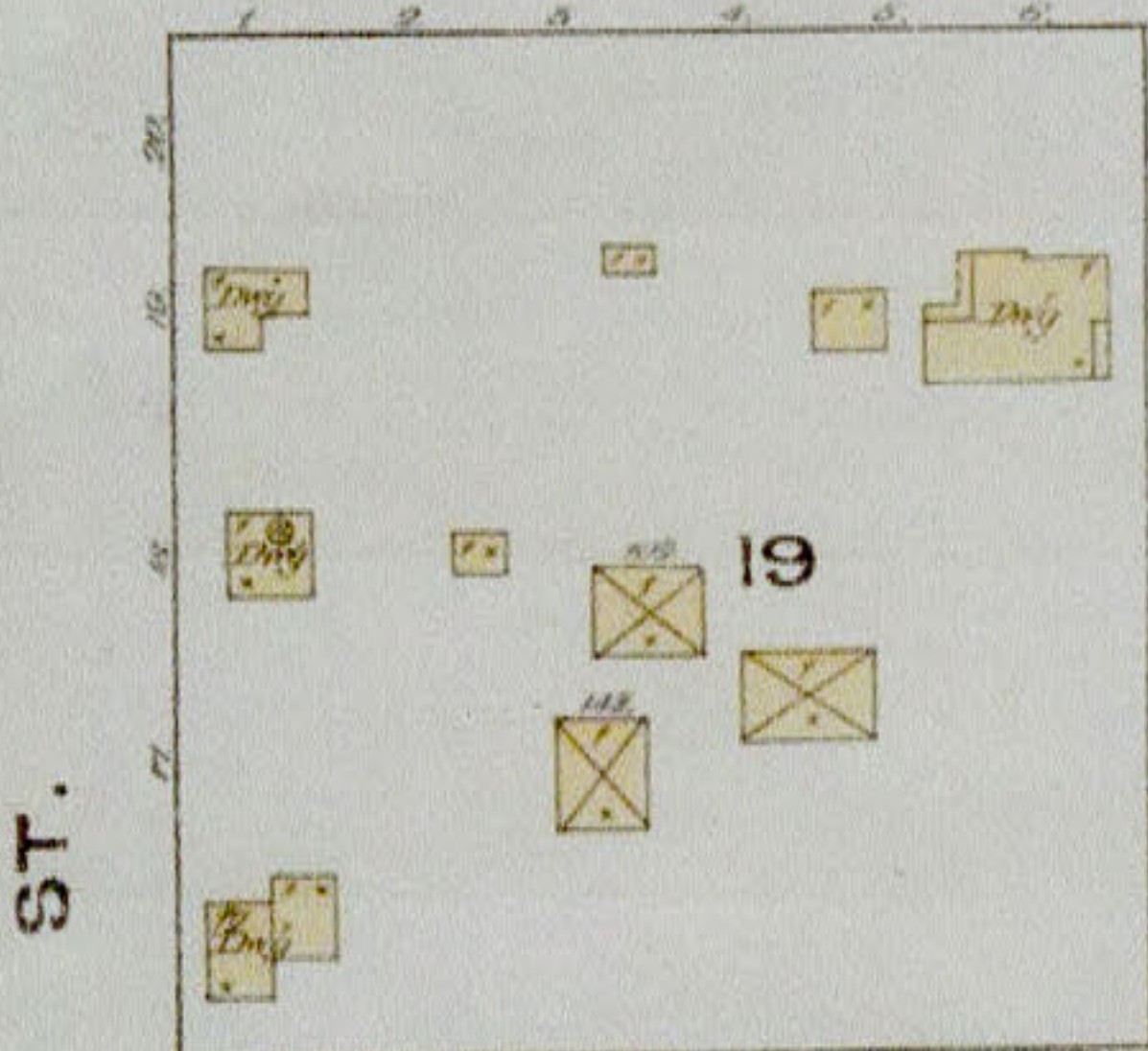


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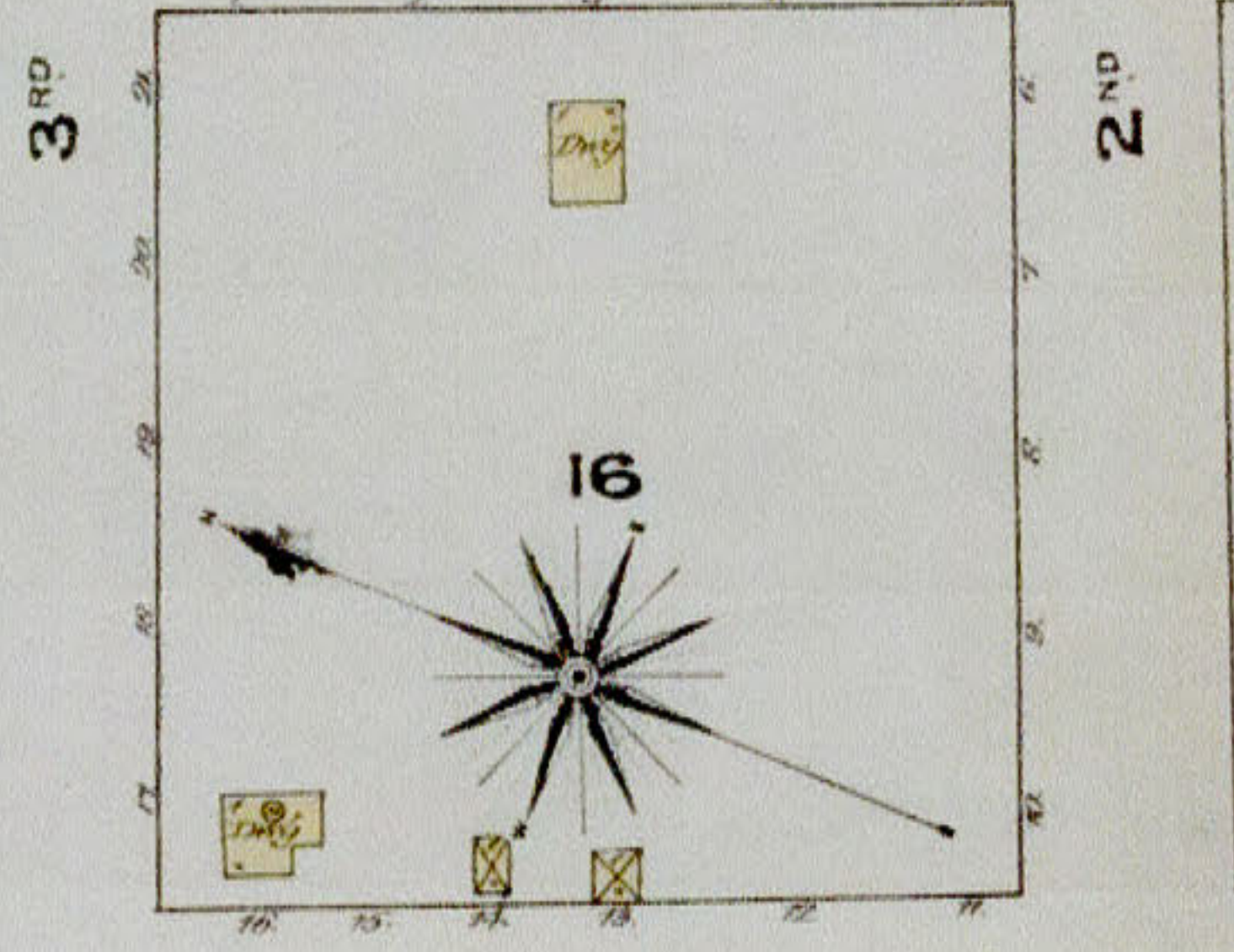
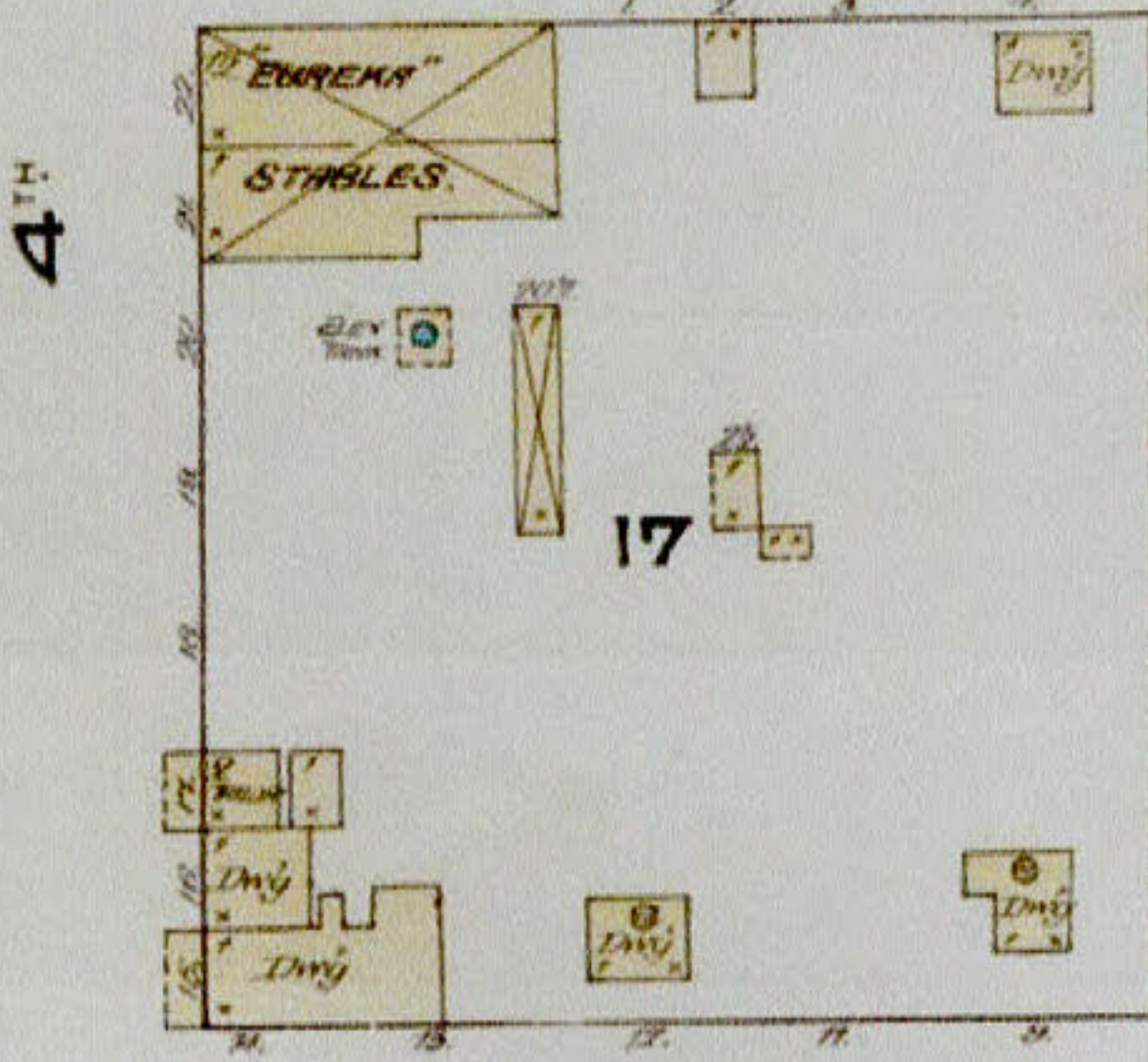
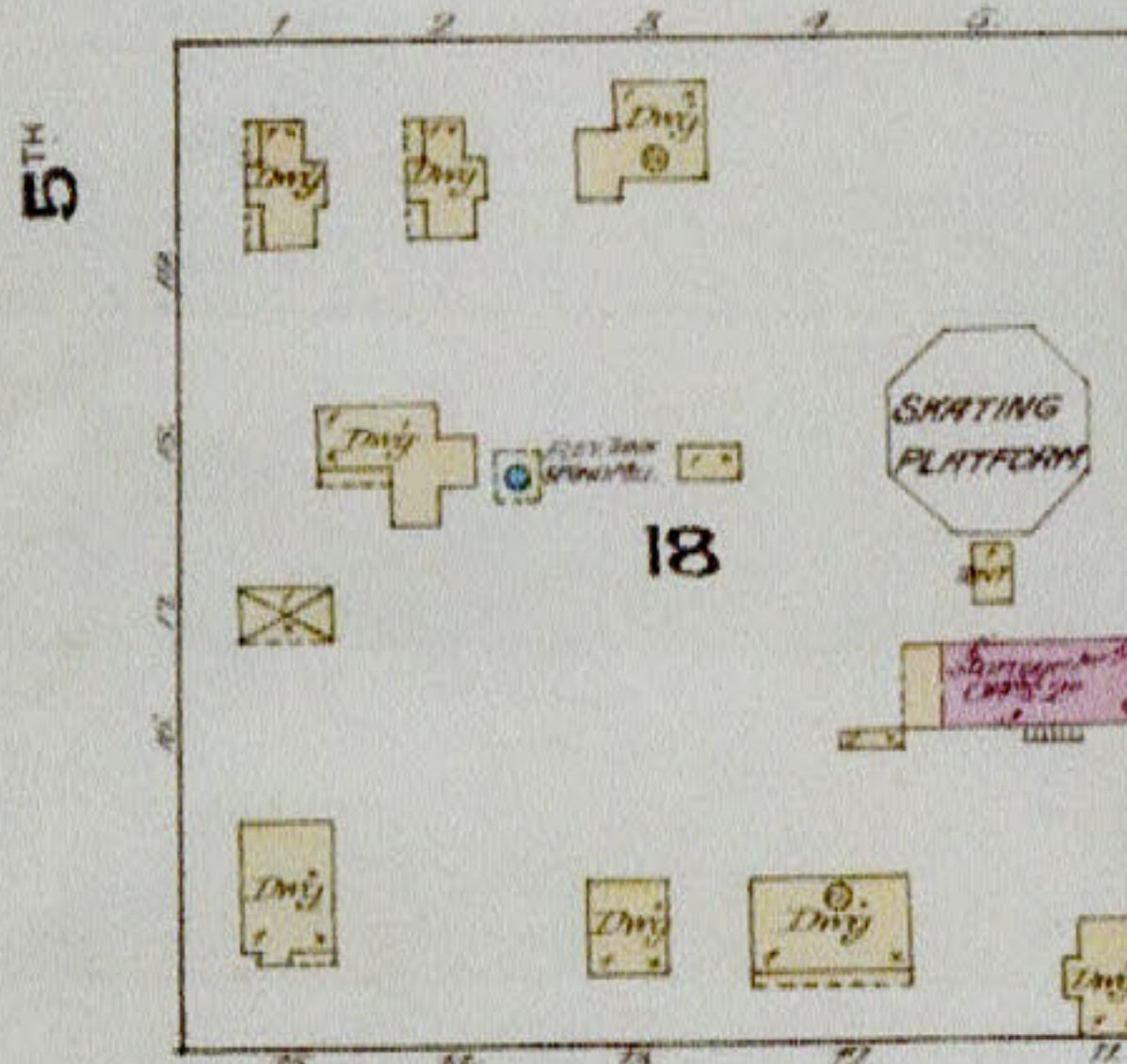


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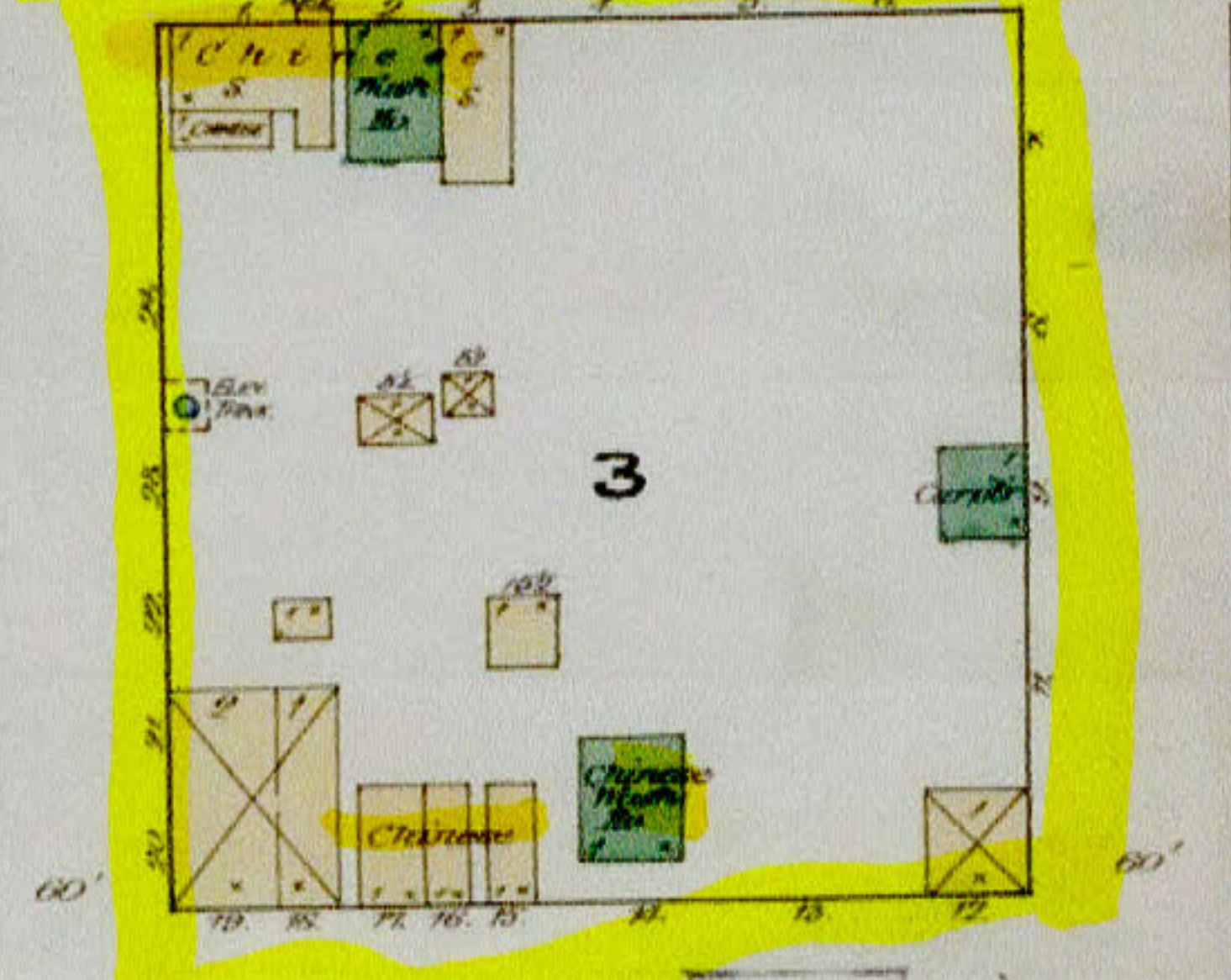
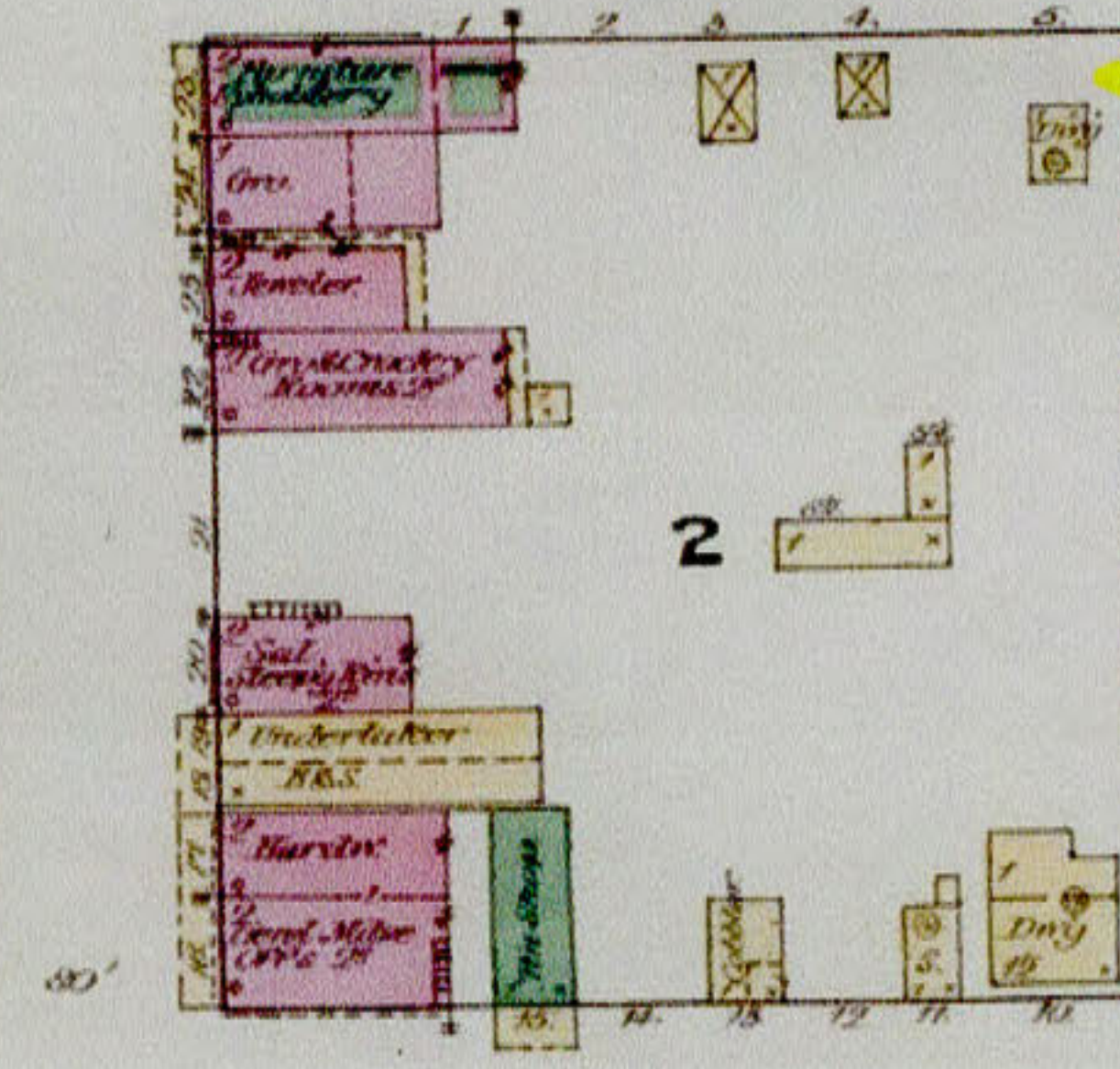
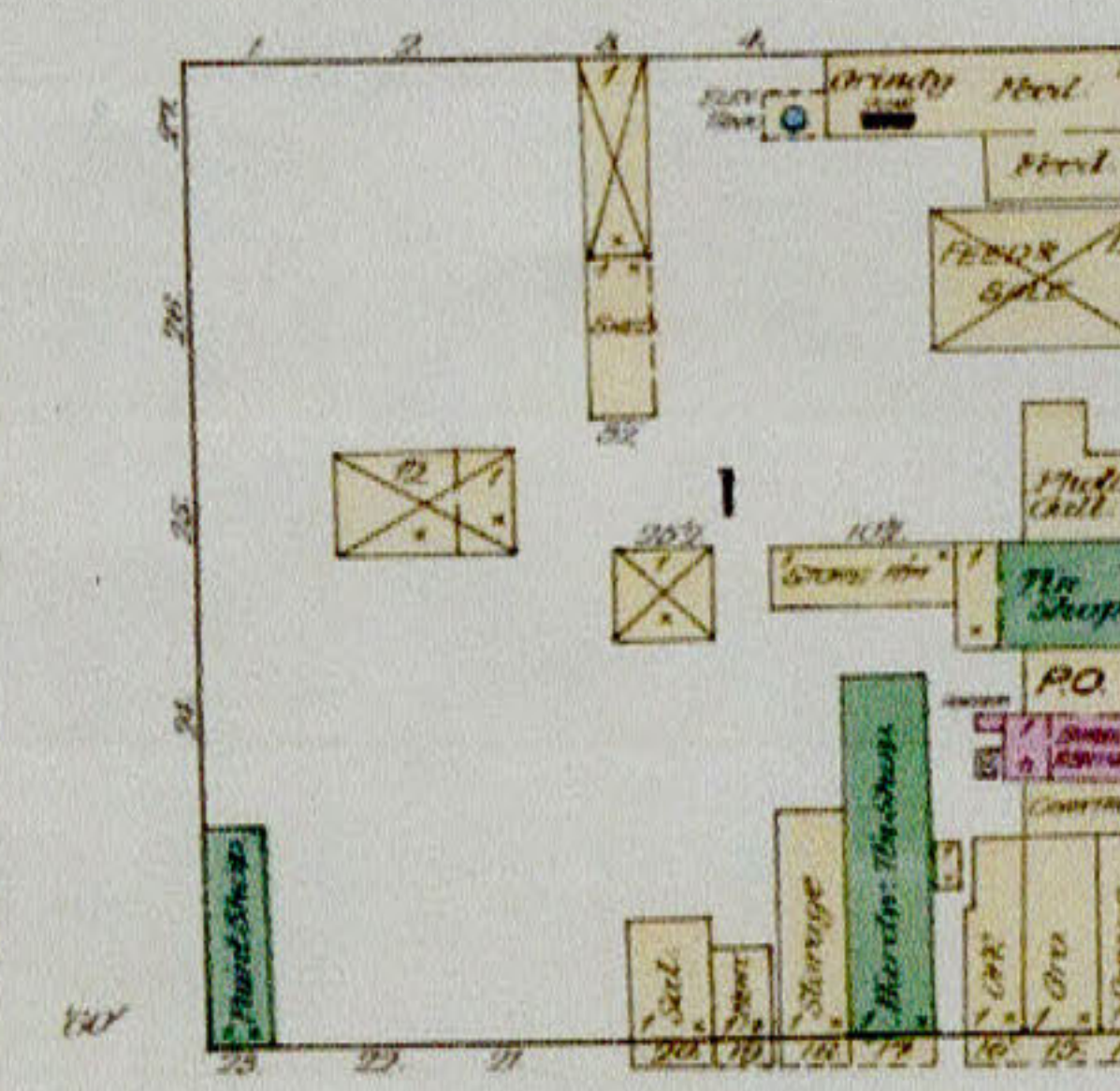


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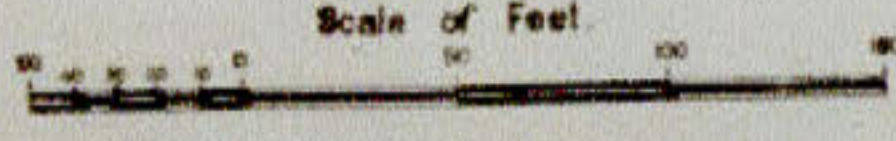
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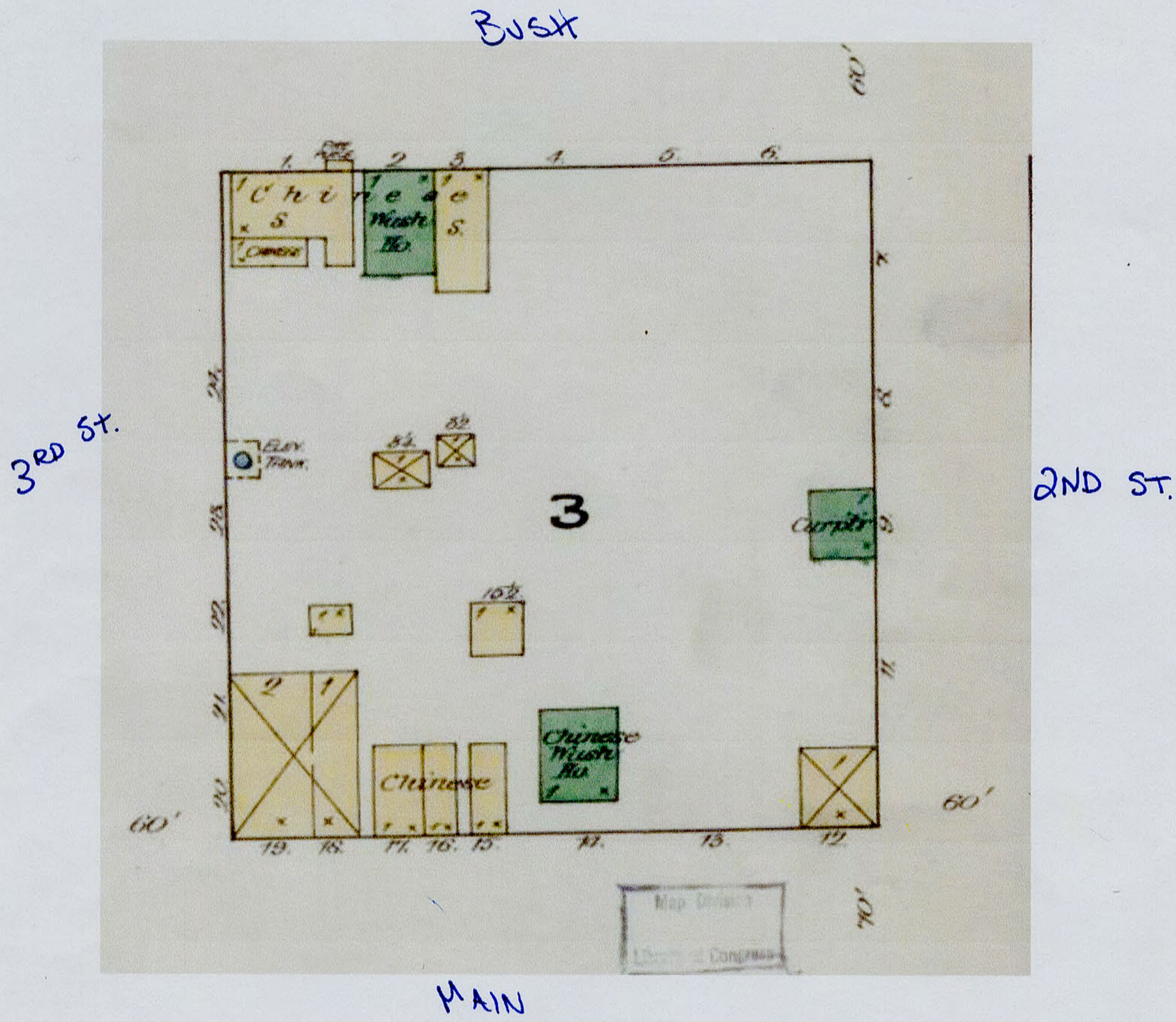


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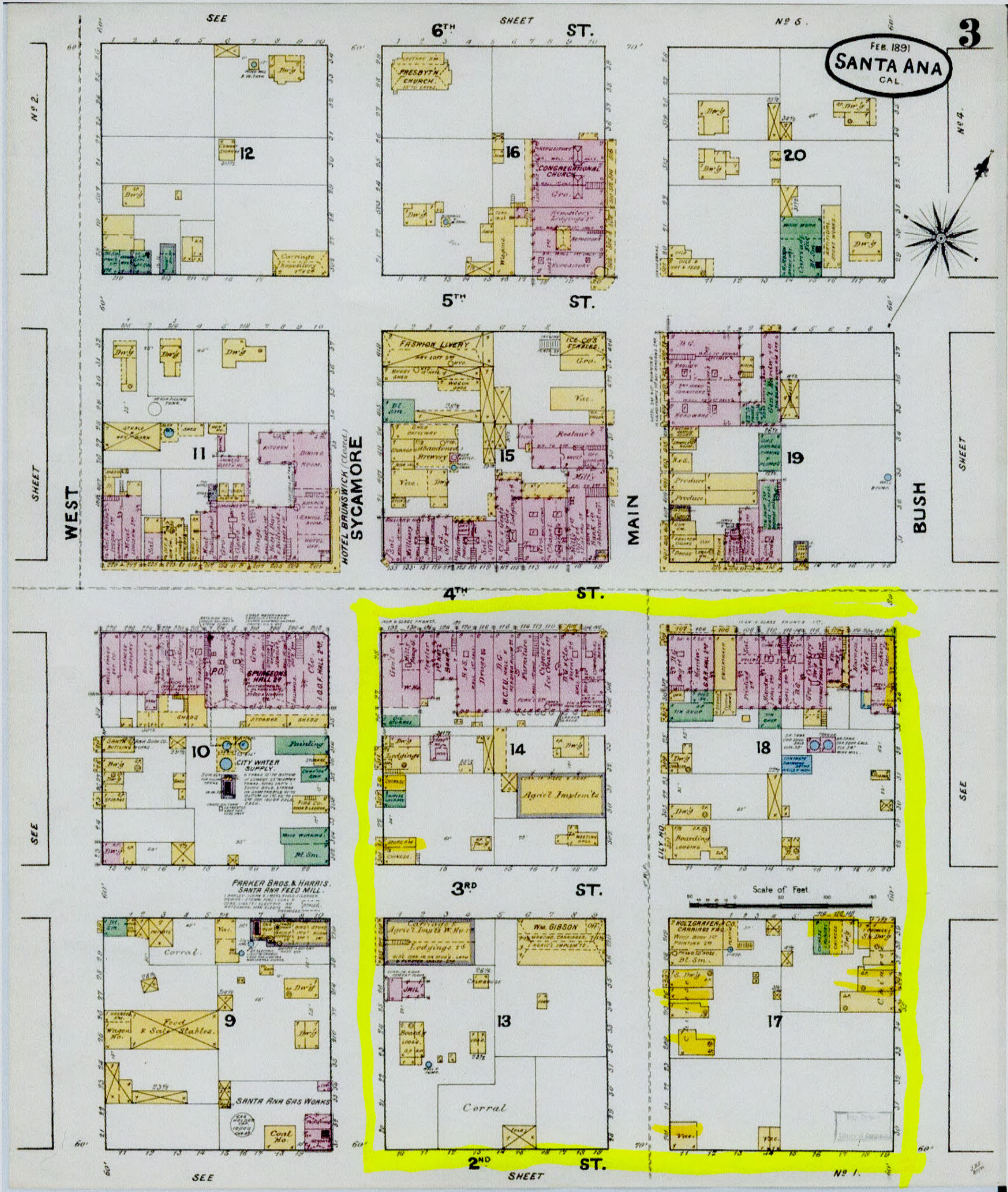
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Historian Merle Ramsey, who lived in Santa Ana at the time, claimed that this blurry image was a photo of the burning of Chinatown there in 1906. *Courtesy the First American Corporation.*

ORANGE COUNTY
CHINATOWN BURNED.

Santa Ana Takes Drastic Measures to
Get Rid of Leprosy—Victim of
Disease Isolated.

SANTA ANA, May 25.—Drastic measures were adopted this evening to rid Santa Ana of its case of leprosy, and at the same time destroy all trace of what has become known as "Chinatown." During the afternoon the infected man was removed to a vacant lot and placed in a tent under guard until such time as the Supervisors can provide a more suitable place for him. The other Chinamen in the shacks were placed in large tents south of the City Hall, where they will be thoroughly fumigated. As soon as this was accomplished the fire department was ordered out and under their supervision the old shacks and buildings that have so long disfigured this section of the city were burned to the ground.

This was not accomplished without considerable trouble. The City Trustees called a special meeting early this morning to indorse the action of the Board of Health condemning the buildings, and ordering them burned. Attorney Clyde Bishop objected to the action of the board on the ground that they had no legal right to adopt such drastic measures. Mr. Bishop said that he represented the owner, Mrs. M. J. Schaffer, who was out of the city at present, and that the board would regret taking such extreme measures. He contended that the State Board of Health were the only ones who could order a building destroyed, and roundly grilled the Trustees for their action.

In turn Mr. Bishop was requested to attend to his own affairs, and not try to advise the Trustees as to their authority in this matter, but to offset any possibility of trouble, Dist.-Atty. Head was asked to visit the board at the City Hall. When Mr. Head arrived and the matter was presented to him, he was asked if an action for arson could be brought against the board, or any member, or whether an injunction would hold good. Mr. Head smiled and said: "Well, gentlemen, they would have to come to me for warrants, and I don't think that you need fear any criminal suit."

SANTA ANA GOSSIP.

Plans for the observance of Memorial Day have been completed, and the memory of the dead of the Grand Army of the Republic will be fittingly observed by the citizens of this city. On Sunday, May 27, a special memorial service will be held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Rev. T. C. Miller will deliver the address. Tuesday an interesting patriotic service will be held in the cemetery, and a new sixty-foot flag pole will be raised on a plot of ground purchased several years ago by the Daughters of Veterans of the Mary A. Logan Tent of Orange.

Wednesday, May 30, the graves of the soldier dead will be decorated during the morning. There are 125 graves in Santa Ana cemetery, and they will be cared for by the comrades of Sedg-

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MAY 26, 1906

wick Post. The salute for the dead will be fired by a detail from Company L, N.G.C. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon there will be a parade of the military civic and fraternal organizations, followed by exercises in the Grand Opera-house. The Hon. Samuel M. Davis will deliver the oration.

Secretaries from various Merchants & Manufacturers' Associations in Southern California, are in session today in the rooms of the local association. The object of the meeting is to have a general discussion of the different methods pursued by each association, and to agree, if possible, upon a uniform scope of work that will enable the different bodies to accomplish a greater amount of good for their members than is now possible.

HORROR STALKS IN LEPER DEN.

Los Angeles Times
MAY 28, 1906
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Hideous Plight of Victim in Tent at Santa Ana.

Furore at End Over Burning of Chinese Shacks.

Problem Now to Get Rid of Miserable Sufferer.

In common humanity, the hideous leper on whose account the Chinese quarter of Santa Ana was burned to the ground, ought to be painlessly killed. He is dying a death of unimaginable horror.

Educated Chinese of Los Angeles expressed the opinion yesterday that he ought to be put out of his misery.

The furore over the burning of the Santa Ana Chinese quarter has died away. The Chinese Minister is not coming to Los Angeles to investigate.

Meanwhile the people of the Orange county city do not know what to do with the leper. They are about to make a request of Los Angeles county to keep him at the County Hospital and be paid for his board.

This deserted, forlorn, miserable wretch was visited yesterday by Times men. He is the most horrible spectacle imagination could conjure up.

Beyond the charred ruins of the shacks that once were Chinatown is a small white tent. Across the front of it is a menacing sign:

"Leprosy; keep-out."

The health officer, Dr. Clark, who acted as guide for the expedition, thrust aside the tent flap, disclosing a bare, forlorn interior. In the middle stood a cracker box. A tiny cup of some sort of black-hued medicine rested upon it.

In the soiled cot bed lay a muffled form whose outline could hardly be

HIDEOUS SPECTACLE.

Dr. Clark called very low, and a hideous thing happened. A frightful, long claw was thrust out from the blankets, the skinny hand of it was spotted with ghastly white spots. Then a putrid wreck of a man raised himself to a sitting position and whimpered.

The rest of this could not be printed. No doctor can be found who will wash and dress his dreadful sores. Medicine is poked into his tent and he applies it as it occurs to him. He complained yesterday because it was all gone.

Even the Chinese who lived with him are afraid to go near him. He has been left to die as best he may.

Their miserable homes destroyed in the fire, the other Chinamen are huddled in a big store room that formerly served as a Salvation Army barracks. It is the best home they ever had. The shacks in which they lived were indescribably vile.

There are only nine of the Chinamen. Yesterday they were all taking a Sunday off and smoking yen shee.

It was a queer and picturesque scene. Their belongings were gathered in an indiscriminate heap in the middle of the floor—trunks, crates of chickens, cigar boxes, red prayer papers in bundles.

Around the edges of the room were husky Chinamen in their stocking feet, lying around of soiled comforters of a billous red design, pulling at their pipes.

Through the room floated a faint, drowsy odor of burning sandal wood. Half awake, slipping away into sweet dreams, the Chinamen were leaning over little glass lamps, incessantly rolling the little black pills on needles and dropping them into the guttering, sputtering pipes.

"THE WAGES OF SIN."

A big Chink in overalls, from a vegetable farm over Orange way, had dropped in, and he and Yick Sing were sharing a lamp. Over their bed flamed a big Salvation Army sign:

"The wages of sin is death."

Yesterday the quarantine was lifted from them. Some of them may have contracted leprosy; but it takes many years for the disease to develop, they can't be held there for seven years to find out. They are now free to come and go.

For days after the fire, these Chinamen lived in mortal terror lest they were to be driven out of the country. They have been promised restitution of the property lost and have no further kicks. The one to whom the city now looks for trouble is the white woman who owned the shacks.

The fire itself was as picturesque an event as could be imagined.

The burning of the Chinese quarter has been variously represented as the firing of one small shack and the wholesale conflagration of a rich Oriental city.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

The facts as investigated yesterday by Times reporters are these:

Santa Ana's Chinatown consisted of a ramshackle collection of seven shacks huddled in a mass. One of the shacks was a small merchandise store belonging to Yick Sing; the others were little homes of vegetable peddlers. The whole was a mass of indescribable filth.

The buildings belonged to a Mrs. Sherer, a spiritualist who says the spirits of her dead husband objected to her making changes.

Her hovels were located on one of the best corners in Santa Ana, directly in the rear of the City Hall.

In one of the filthiest lived Wong Woh Ye, a coolie who had been working in the peatlands for years. The other Chinese knew for some months he was sick, but did not realize the nature of the disease.

When it was discovered by an American doctor, an excited meeting of the City Trustees was held and it was determined to burn the whole quarter.

The Chinese were given notice to take out their clothes and certain other personal effects which were considered to be safe. All the sick man's goods and all the vegetables with which most of the stores were filled were doomed.

Before the fire, an officer was sent to the scene to kill all the live things that could be found. Half a day he was popping at cats and dogs. Eighteen pussies went to their various nine lives' limits. Three dogs were shot.

Then the fire department was called out and the shacks were touched off.

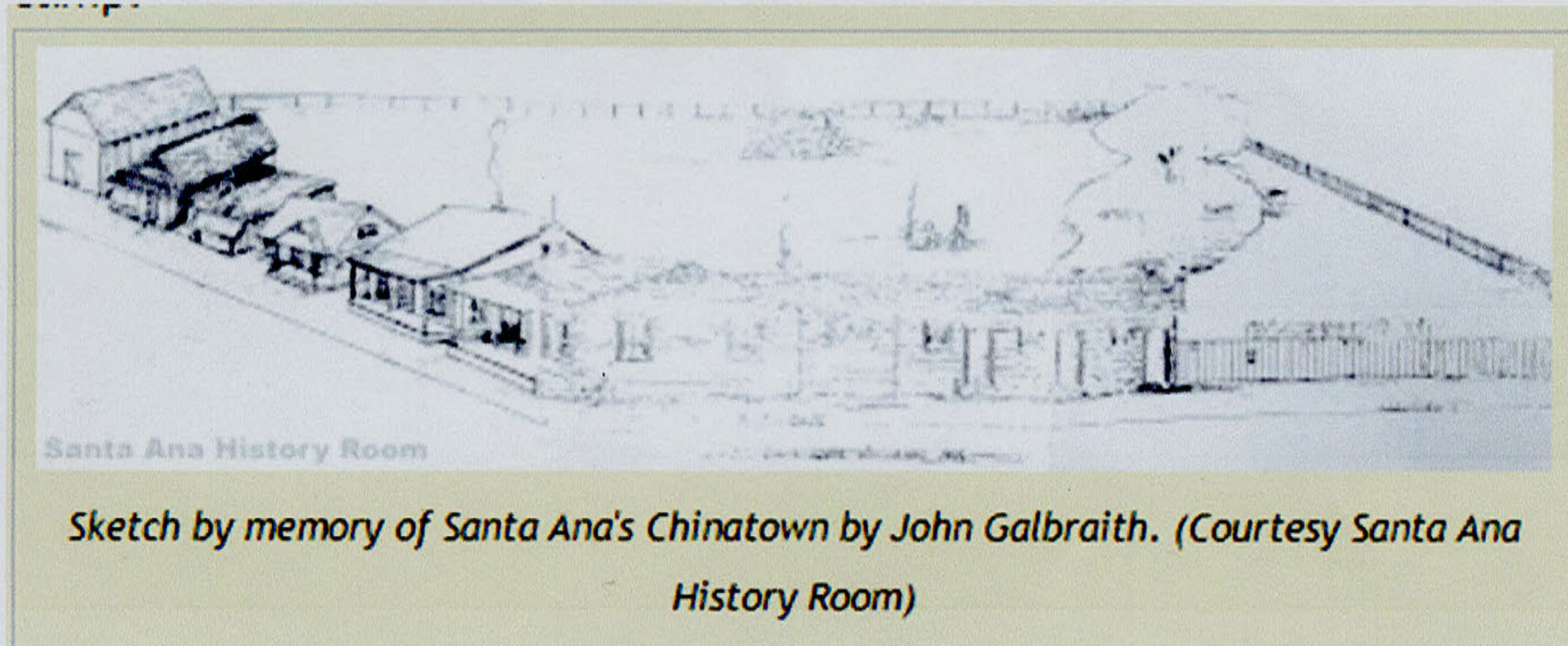
Other temporary quarters will be found for the Chinese. Eventually another Chinatown will be built along firm and sanitary lines.

CHINESE MORTUARY RECORDS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NAME	SEX	M. or S.	AGE	OCCUPATION	HUSBAND OF OR WIFE OF—	BIRTHPLACE	PLACE OF DEATH	DATE OF DEATH	CAUSE OF DEATH	NAME OF UNDERTAKER	PLACE OF BURIAL
Yee Lee Kwai	M	M	56	Merchant	Not given	China	Barkeley	Jun 30 1906	Tuberculosis	Jameson & Wards	Oakland
Oh Quei	M	S	1800	Student	Not given	Oakland	Oakland	"	"	W.M. Brown & Co.	"
Moy King Chow	F	-	2	"	(Mother; at home)	California	at home	"	Tubercular Peritonitis	"	Six Brothers Bur.
Loo Fio	M	S	44	Book	(Mother; at home)	China	at home	"	"	"	San Mateo Co.
Yee Yock Shuen	M	M	45	Laborer	Not given	"	at home	"	Chase of brain	E. J. Finney	"
Chin Yee Sui	M	S	38	"	at home; at home	"	at home	"	Stroke & hemorrhage from P.P. angina	W.M. Brown & Co.	"
Wong Toy Yick	M	M	45	"	Not given	"	at home	"	Opium poisoning	"	"
Lee Toy	M	S	40	Farmer	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Lee Tong Bee	M	S	40	Book	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Lo Chin Toi	M	S	20	Student	Not given	San Francisco	at home	"	"	"	"
Joo Jeng Hong	M	-	42?	Cook	"	China	Oakland	"	Tuberculosis	E. J. Finney	"
Foo Hong (Hong)	M	S	61	Laborer	"	"	Oakland	"	Endocarditis	W.M. Brown & Co.	"
Phung Low	M	-	50	"	"	"	at home	"	Stroke due to P.P. angina	"	"
Wong Quong	M	S	51	"	"	"	at home	"	Opium poisoning	"	"
Chie Lan Lo	M	F	60	"	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Soo Chin	M	M	55	"	Not given	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Hong Yoo	M	S	49	Farmer	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Fong Yuen	M	S	28	Cook	"	California	at home	"	"	"	"
Lum Sat	M	S	40	Merchant	"	China	at home	"	"	"	"
Hong Suet	M	M	40	Merchant	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Hoo Mow	M	M	30?	Cook	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Chang Chong	M	S	51	Merchant	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Hong De	M	S	58	Laborer	"	"	at home	"	"	"	"
Loo Hee	M	M	56	"	Not given	"	at home	"	"	"	"

WONG OH 58 YRS OLD

~~REPROSY~~ & PNEUMONIA



<https://ochistorical.blogspot.com/2019/06/the-chinese-in-early-orange-county.html>

The Chinese leper at Santa Ana died some days ago. Chinese whose belongings were destroyed in the fire with which Chinatown was burned have brought in a claim for damages against the city amounting to \$1500. It is claimed by residents of Santa Ana that the entire property loss sustained by the heathen does not exceed \$500.

SOLDIER BLUE DONNED BY A CHINESE MERCHANT.



SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE
JUNE 18, 1898
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SINCE the beginning of the war several California-born Spaniards and Mexicans have enlisted with the volunteer companies from the Golden State to do battle against Spain, but the first Chinese to offer his services to Uncle Sam for \$13 per month is Ong Q. Tow, a merchant of Santa Ana. Among a squad of twenty-five men which will leave Santa Ana to recruit Company L of the Seventh California Volunteers is one soldier that will attract considerable attention because he wears a pigtail under his cap, and, although he is willing to sacrifice that to get to enter the army, has by birth and residence as much right to take up arms in defense of the flag of the United States, with a place in the ranks of the California volunteer regiments, as any one in the State. He is not only a native-born citizen of the United States, but a native son of the Golden State as well. Ong Tow was born in Sonoma county, Cal., twenty-five years ago and has been a resident of the State ever since.

Ong Tow presented himself before the recruiting and examining officers and proved to them that he is physically able to stand the hardships of army life. He stands 5 feet 4½ inches high in his stocking feet and weighs 147 pounds stripped. His chest measurements and expansion are also much above the ordinary.

The idea of sending a Chinese to join the regiment was at first smiled upon by the recruiting officer, and he passed him on to the examining physician, but when the representative of Uncle Sam was referred to the voting register of Orange county, Third ward, of the city of Santa Ana, where he found the name of Ong Q. Tow as one of the citizens and voters of the county he discovered that he could not deny the Mongolian that privilege. Tow had helped to elect President McKinley by voting the only Chinese vote in the county for him, and was of the opinion that he had a right to respond to the President's call for troops with other American citizens.

Ong is the son of wealthy parents and is well educated, having attended school in San Francisco for a number of years. He is quite a mechanic, and has a small brass cannon and a model of the battle-ship Maine on exhibition in a show window on Fourth street, in Santa Ana.

PRIVATE TOW, U. S. V.

Among the newly mustered recruits is
Ong Q. Tow, a full-blooded Chinese.—San
Francisco dispatch.

Ching-a-ring-a-chin-chin!
Troops a-fighting now;
Ailee samee Melican
Marchee Ong Q. Tow.
Soon him sail in boatee,
Looke velly clean;
Flight fol Al'mal Dewee—
Killee Fillypeen.

Ching-a-ring-a-chin-chin!
Tow he veilee biave,
Shootee gun go biang-biang!
Fillee biggee glave.
Cuttee muchee head off,
Spillee lot a blood,
Chasee Fillypeeny—
Namee samee mud.

Ching-a-ring-a-chin-chin!
Tow he say goo' bye,
Chinaman feel solly,
Wettee in him eye.
Blace up, evlybody,
Got to hoolah now;
Hip! hip! altogelee—
Hip hoolay fo' Tow!

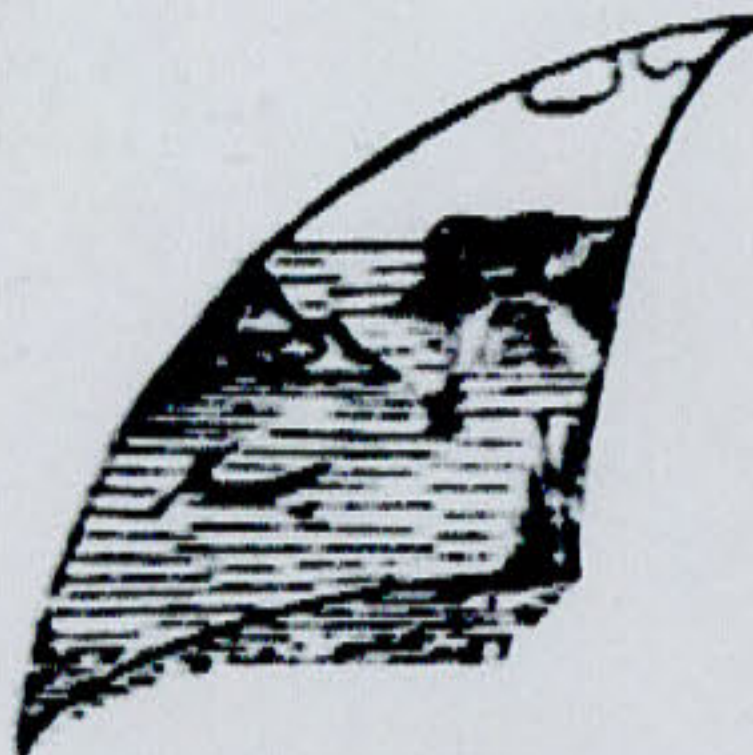
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Comforts of Travel.—Professional Guide

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SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

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MILITARY AND NAVAL POPULATION.

Enumerated by me on the _____ day of June, 1900.

Company or Troop

Regiment

Arm of Service

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Enumerator.

Name of Military or Naval Station, or Vessel: Bainag
 State _____
 Country Philippine Islands
 Seaport _____

NAME <small>of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was at the above station or aboard the above ship.</small>	RANK, GRADE, OR CLASS	RESIDENCE IN THE UNITED STATES			PERSONAL DESCRIPTION				NATIVITY			CITIZENSHIP			EDUCATION		
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Matthews, Harry J.	Captain	Santa Ana	Cal		W. M.	Nov 1866	33	M.	Illinois	Ireland	Illinois						
Blint, Louis	1st Sergeant	San Francisco	Cal		W. M.	Jan 1870	30	S.									
Measur, Walter C.	1st Sergeant	San Francisco	Cal		W. M.	Jan 1870	30	S.									
Barrett, Louis A.	C. M. Sergeant	Santa Ana	Cal	410 E Second St	W. M.	Apr 1874	26	S.	Illinois	Massachusetts	Illinois						
Cole, George J.	Sergeant	Delroit	Mich		W. M.												
Allen, William	Sergeant	None			W. M.	May 1860	36	W.	Michigan	Massachusetts	New York						
Brook, Leo	Sergeant	Santa Ana	Cal	301 N. Main St	W. M.	Jan 1875	22	S.	Illinois	Ohio	Illinois						
Northouse, Bob C.	Sergeant	Orange	Cal	None	W. M.	Jan 1870	30	S.									
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Coble, Addison C.	Corporal	Fuller	W. Va	None	W. M.	Aug 1860	36	S.	New York	New York	New York						
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Adams, Leonard H.	Corporal	Orange	Cal	None	W. M.	Jul 1866	32	S.	Ohio	Virginia	Virginia						
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Loon, George C.	Musician	San Francisco	Cal	1214 Hyde St	W. M.	Mar 1860	36	S.	Virginia	Germany	New York						
W... John W.	Musician	Columbus City	Ind	None	W. M.	Jan 1870	28	S.	Indiana	Ohio	Ohio						
J... Fred	Artificer	None															
Anderson, Walter	Private	Not listed															
Rice, Clyde E.	Private	Albany	Ill	None	W. M.	Sep 1871	23	S.	Illinois								
W... Wm	Private	None															
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Blanchard, John H.	Private	Rocklin	Cal	None	W. M.	Jan 1870	28	S.	California	Massachusetts	Massachusetts						
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Carr, Michael	Private	Windsor	Ohio	None	W. M.	Jan 1870	28	S.	Ohio	Ohio	Ohio						
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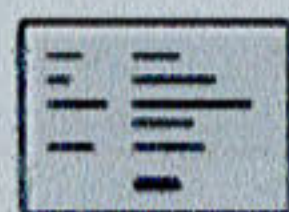
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MARRIAGE IN PHILIPPINES

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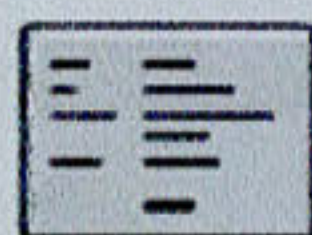
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DEATH IN PHILIPPINES

Deaths and Burials, 1726-1957

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ST. LOUIS, WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 8, 1898-



ONG Q. TOW,

The First Chinaman to Enlist in the United States Army.

Special Correspondence of the Globe-Democrat.
SANTA ANA, CAL., June 2.—Since the beginning of the war several California-born Spaniards and Mexicans have enlisted with volunteer companies from the Golden State to do battle against Spain, but the first Chinaman to offer his services to Uncle Sam for \$13 per month is Ong Q. Tow, a merchant of Santa Ana.

Among a squad of twenty-five men which will leave this place in a few days to recruit Company L, of the 7th California Volunteers, is one soldier that will attract considerable attention, because he wears a pig-tail under his cap, and, although he is willing to sacrifice that to get to enter the army, has by birth and residence as much right to take up arms in defense of the flag of the United States, with a place in the ranks of the California volunteer regiments, as any one in the state. He is not only a native-born citizen of the United States, but a native son of the Golden State, as well. Ong Tow was born in Sonoma County, Cal., twenty-five years ago, and has been a resident of the state ever since.

Ong Tow presented himself before the recruiting and examining officers this morning and proved to them that he is physically able to stand the hardships of army life. He stands 5 feet 4 1/2 inches high in his stocking feet and weighs 147 pounds stripped. His chest measurements and expansion are also much over the ordinary, and he has hardly spent an unwell day in his life. Ong Q. wears a queue, just as does his father

and Chinese associates, and the idea of sending a Chinaman to join the regiment was at first smiled upon by the recruiting officer, and he passed him on to the examining physician, but when the representative of Uncle Sam was referred to the voting register of Orange County, Third ward of the City of Santa Ana, where he found the name of Ong Q. Tow as one of the citizens and voters of the county, he discovered that he could not deny the Mongolian that privilege. Tow had helped to elect President McKinley by voting the only Chinese vote in the county for him, and was of the opinion that he had a right to respond to the President's call for troops with other American citizens. He is hardly willing to part with his queue yet, but will gladly do so as soon as he finds that he is certainly going to be admitted to the army and that its removal is necessary for him to be a soldier.

Ong is the son of wealthy parents and is well educated, having attended school in San Francisco for a number of years, but has never been allowed to spend his time in idleness. He is quite a mechanic, and has a small brass cannon and a model of the battleship Maine on exhibition in a show window on Fourth street. He is at present engaged in running a mercantile establishment in Chinatown, which his father purchased for him, and does an extensive business.

The Chinaman has taken an active interest in the affair ever since the war trouble began, and when the Maine was blown up was one of the first to denounce the act as a piece of Spanish treachery, and his response to the cry of "Johnnie, Get Your Gun," is made in all sincerity.

'Joplin Special' Recalls Thrills Of War In '98

By JOHN B. JOPLIN

The special dispatch above was written by this writer and published in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat under date of which is printed below, and recalls exciting days here at the beginning of the Spanish-American war in 1898.

Ong Q. Tow, Tow, as he was known to more than half the pop-

ulation of Santa Ana at that time, was the only Chinese from Orange county, and one of the few from California, to enlist for duty in the United States army. Tow, born and educated in San Francisco, was a resident of Santa Ana's Chinatown, but associated more with Americans than he did with his own countrymen.

Dealer in Antiques

He was a dealer in antiques and did a profitable business.

The California born Chinese went to San Francisco after his enlistment, about the same time

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'Joplin Special' Recalls Thrills Of War In '98

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as did Santa Ana's National guard Company L. After a few months' stay around the Presidio, Tow went to the Philippines as a member of a company of volunteers commanded by Harry T. Matthews, a former Santa Ana attorney and city recorder. In the same company with Tow were Leo Brock, Earl Glenn, Bob Northcross and other Orange county men.

Tow enlisted as a cook, but after his arrival on the islands his services were of so much more value as an interpreter that he was transferred to the intelligence department of the army.

Died in China

When the war was over and the troops ordered home, Brock, son of Orange county's second county clerk, and Tow remained, Brock in the Philippines and the Chinese went on to his parents' native country.

Tow went into business in China and was quite successful. He died there a few years ago, but for a number of years corresponded regularly with two or three Santa Ana friends.

Numbers had sex in ancient lore, The even numbers were feminine; the odd numbers masculine.

were elected to honorary membership.

ROBBERY CHARGE—Wong Gong, Wong Don and Wong Hong, the three Chinese laundrymen who were arrested at Orange Monday charged with murderous assault upon their countryman, Hong Gee, will also have to answer to the charge of highway robbery, a complaint having been sworn to by Ong Tow of Santa Ana, who accuses the three men with having robbed him of \$8 in silver at the same time they assaulted his friend, poor Hong Gee. Wong Gong, the leader of the three assailants, has suddenly disappeared and it is thought that he has skipped the country.

Los Angeles Evening Express

Los Angeles, California · Wednesday, November 23, 1898

Ong G. Tow, the Chinese merchant of Santa Ana who enlisted in the Seventh Regiment, has failed to pass the physical examination at San Francisco on account of not being the required height. Tow is much disappointed over his rejection, but has determined to serve his adopted country even if he has to go to the front as a cook.

The Southern Pacific motor franchise, granted by the city of San Bernardino, has

Los Angeles Evening Express

Los Angeles, California · Saturday, June 18, 1898

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MATTERS BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

WANT \$1200 FOR CHINATOWN ASHES

The ashes of Chinatown were taken up last night, and it was the opinion of Mrs. Martha Shaffer, who owned the buildings burned last May when the fire broke out in the building that she was \$1200 in the ashes. Last night a communication from her was read as follows:

"On May 24, 1906, upon the recommendation of the board of health of this city your predecessors as trustees adopted and passed a resolution directing the destruction by fire of the buildings known as Chinatown, situated upon the southeast corner of the block upon which stands the city hall, and the same were burned as directed by the trustees upon the same date. Up to this date no communication nor offer of compensation therefor has been made me, and I hereby the a claim against the city of Santa Ana therefor."

"At the time said buildings were destroyed I was in receipt of an annual income of \$155 in rental. This amount was a 5 per cent interest on \$1075 per annum. Therefore I sustained a direct loss of \$155 from the destruction of said buildings, inasmuch as their value may have otherwise been in excess of this amount. These buildings covered an area of about 7000 feet and had their remaining walls seen have been in the course of extensive improvements, as C. W. Harris my agent therefor, was in conference with the old board in reference to repairs and contemplated improvements."

"Now, if the city will settle this matter without putting me to any further trouble or annoyance, or the complications and expense of the courts in the collection of the damages, I will accept as compensation for the destruction of said buildings and the loss thereof sustained, the sum of \$1200."

Respectfully submitted,
MARTHA M. SHAFFER

The city attorney was asked for his opinion concerning the legality of the claim, and he answered: "This matter is ancient history."

"Has it ever been admitted that the city destroyed the building?" asked Trustee McNaught.

"There is no doubt in my mind but what the city is liable," said City Attorney Heathman, "for whatever the value may have been."

"Were these buildings appraised by these contractors?" asked Trustee Blodgett.

"They were," said the city clerk, "and the highest appraisement was \$90."

Ex-Trustee Edgar said that the buildings were condemned by the city, "and I do not think the city is liable for a copper cent."

Attorney Keith volunteered that shortly after the fire he had talked to Mrs. Shaffer's attorney and had told him that it looked as though under the circumstances she could recover nothing, and her attorney replied that it looked that way to him too.

"If city takes up building it has to pay for it. The fact that property was there does not alter the case. The best plan is to fix on damages and pay it," said the city attorney.

"I wonder if she will take as a compensation claim the increased value of the property?" asked Trustee McNaught.

"It certainly was increased in value," said Mayor McFadden.

"About \$1000," was Trustee McNaught's reply.

"I think we can let the matter rest here for awhile," concluded Mayor McFadden. "We need not rush into the payment of this \$1200."

WANT CONTRACTOR TO BUILD THE BRIDGE

A petition asking the Mexican Bridge & Construction Co., holding the contract to build the North Main street bridge, be given no further extension of time and be required to build the bridge at once was presented. This petition was largely signed by residents in the north end of the city.

The bridge company has already been given an extension of sixty days.

- 1—Investigating committee reports that overcharges Blade Publishing Co. in last two years amount to \$939.29.
- 2—Mrs. Martha Shaffer demands \$1200 for compensation for loss of Chinatown burned by the city a year ago.
- 3—Main street bridge contractor to be notified that will be given no further extension of time to finish bridge.
- 4—Council sees no reason why Tustin people should be given permit to ride sidewalk.
- 5—City will purchase 1200 feet of fire hose.
- 6—Property owners offer deed to open street from Main to C south of Santiago creek. Council wants street on grade.
- 7—Ordinance calling for election to issue \$60,000 school bonds and \$25,000 street bonds read for first time.
- 8—Map of Heninger tract approved.

The sixty days will be up on June 1 but the contractor has not started a spad toward actual building. The extension from April was given because it was claimed big steel pieces had not arrived from the east.

The city attorney was instructed to notify the contractor that he would be expected to live up to his contract.

NO PERMIT GIVEN TO RIDE SIDEWALK

It is a communication City Marshal Edwards submitted whether or not Tustin people should be allowed to ride on the sidewalks on East First street.

Trustees McFadden, Thompson and Harris said they could see no reason for granting privileges in one locality and not another. City Attorney Heathman said the ordinance covered sidewalks as well as street sidewalks.

"There is no petition here from the Tustin people," said City Clerk Telford.

"I think we had better drop the matter," said the mayor.

CITY WILL PURCHASE 1200 FEET OF HOSE

The fire commissioners asked that the city purchase 1200 feet of new fire hose and on motion calls for bids for the hose were ordered published. City Trustee McNaught remarked that the hose is needed and Mayor McFadden said that there is no use in having a fire department if it is not kept up. The fire commissioners asked for four new fire hoses. This matter was referred to the fire and legal committee.

WANT TO OPEN NEW STREET TO C STREET

A deed to a street from Main street to C street just south of the Santiago creek, signed by property holders, was read. This strip has been laid out but not opened or graded. Robert Palms said it was the intention of the grantors to make it a street under the conditions the board might set down, though the grantors might withdraw the deed should the conditions be too severe.

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"My idea is that the city should establish a grade and accept no streets that are not on the grade," said Trustee McFadden.

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"We generally made them come to a grade," said Mr. Elgar. "In a case like this I think we would have asked hold and helped them out."

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Building \$31,700
Judge Willcox reported taking in \$58.93 in fees during April.
The water works superintendent reported pumping 46,472,852 gallons of water.
During April Building Inspector H. W. Roper reported issuing twenty-three permits amounting to \$21,710.



Mrs. Martha M. Shaffer

Picture taken from FINDAGRAVE.COM

HARKS BACK TO FIRST DAYS OF THE TEMPLE

Some years ago Dr. A. M. Roberts was a moving picture manager in Santa Ana when he entered into negotiations with Mrs. Martha Shaffer for the erection of a Spiritualistic Temple, of which the Temple theater was to be a cornerstone. The Temple theater was built. In the negotiations somewhere notes aggregating \$4280 were given Mrs. Shaffer, who afterward became Mrs. Vaughan. In attempting to settle the estate of Mrs. Martha Shaffer Vaughan, the Orange County Trust & Savings Bank recently secured judgment on the notes, and attached some property interests of Mrs. Laura A. Roberts, widow of Dr. Roberts. Today the bank petitioned the superior court to enter into a compromise with Mrs. Roberts, who has agreed to give a deed to some of the property in settlement of the judgment.

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Santa Ana, California · Friday, November 01, 1918

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

No. 7960. Dept. 1.

In the Superior Court of the County of Orange, State of California.

In the Matter of the Estate and Guardianship of Martha Shaffer Vaughan, an Incompetent Person.

Orange County Trust and Savings Bank, a corporation, as guardian of the estate of Martha Shaffer Vaughan, an incompetent person, having this day filed its verified petition asking that it, as such guardian, be authorized, empowered and directed to enter into a lease leasing certain real property belonging to the estate of said incompetent person:

It is ordered that all persons interested in the estate be and appear before this court at the court room of Dept. 1 thereof, in the Court House at the city of Santa Ana, Orange County, California, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of February 23rd, 1917, which is hereby fixed as the time and place for hearing said petition, the same being a time not less than two nor more than four weeks after the filing of said petition, then and there to show cause why the real property belonging to the estate of Martha Shaffer Vaughan, an incompetent person, briefly described as the building or structure located at the southwest corner of Third and Bush Sts., city of Santa Ana, California, and known and designated as Temple Theater, should not be leased for the period of one year with the option of a renewal of said lease for a second year at a monthly rental for the first three months of \$100 per month; for the next nine months at \$125.00 per month; and if said lease is renewed during the period of the second year at a monthly rental of \$150.00 per month. This order to show cause shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the County of Orange for at least two successive weeks before the time herein fixed for the hearing of said petition, and all persons are referred to the petition on file for further particulars.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1917.

Z. B. WEST,

Judge of the Superior Court.

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— W. S. S. —

CHINESE CHARACTER • DIES AT HOSPITAL

Yick Sing, well known local and Orange Chinese character, died Saturday at the County Hospital. The immediate cause of his death is attributed to gastritis and old age. Information given by a member of the Chinese settlement on South Glassell street, Orange, gives his age at approximately 84 years.

Yick Sing came to Orange county in the early days and settled in Santa Ana Chinatown, formerly located at the site of the block now occupied by the Santa Ana city hall. After destruction of this settlement in Santa Ana by fire some years ago he went to Orange with a group of other Celestials and settled on South Glassell street, where the few remaining Chinese still maintain a settlement.

The funeral services were held at 9 a. m. yesterday.

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LEE YOU, LAST OF CHINATOWN HABITUES, TO LEAVE S. A.

Vegetable Vendor Tells
Customers, With Grin,
He's to See Wife

NATIVE LAND IS LURE

Day When Old Orientals
Made 'Last Stand' In
City Are Recalled

"Pre' soon I go back China.
Two week maybe I go back China."

With a grin all over his wrinkled old face, Lee You, vegetable peddler, has been telling his customers that he is to leave soon for the land that gave him birth.

Just as the departure of Lee You will remove the last living landmark of a day that was in Santa Ana—a day when Santa Ana had a Chinatown that covered most of the block where the city hall now stands—just so does his departure mark the new day in vegetable peddling.

Lee You has suppld his substitute, a bright Chinese youth, with an automobile truck to replace the horse and wagon that Lee has been driving about the streets of Santa Ana for years.

Arrives By Rail

"Sure, I live in Santa Ana long time ago. First time I come San Francisco maybe fifty year maybe sixty year, maybe more—long time ago. I come Los Angeles on Steamboat by San Pedro; no railroad. I come Santa Ana just after railroad. I don't know what year. I just know it long time ago. I live in Chinatown on Main street, and husk corn down there, (pointing to the southwest.) Then I go cook in mining camp long time. Then I go Los Angeles. Then I come back Santa Ana some more."

Lee You said that he had been peddling vegetables in Santa Ana "ten year, maybe fifteen year, maybe more."

"Twenty-f' twenty-sick year ago," said he, "I go back China visit my wife and children. Sure, I got children back in China."

Lee You's home is on Lincoln street.

Hundreds Live Here

Old-timers in Santa Ana tell of the thriving Chinatown that was

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once located here with its center on Main stret, between Second and Third. Hundreds of Chinese who worked in vineyards and on farms in this section made their headquarters here. After the exclusion act went into effect about forty-five years ago, the number of Chinese gradually dwindled. The old shacks were torn down until there remained only a rambling group of unsightly shacks at the southwest corner of Third and Bush streets, in which a half dozen decrepit old Chinese made their homes.

Shacks Are Burned

Seventeen or eighteen years ago, the city health department condemned the structure, and one evening when the atmosphere was still, city firemen set blaze to the shacks, and the last shack of Santa Ana's old Chinatown went up in smoke.

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Now Lee You, the last old Chinese living in Santa Ana, has made his plans to sail across the sea to China. Just now he is spending two or three days at Riverside saying good-by to some of his old cronies of many years. Then he will be here for another trip around his vegetable peddler route, and—with a grin covering his wrinkled old face—he will say to the housewives who have patronized his wagon, "Goo'by, I go now. I go back now. I go back China."

LONE ORIENTAL IN ORANGE CHINATOWN WILL MOVE OUT; "ALLE SAMEE THRO" VERDICT

ORANGE, June 12.—Chinatown, whose fascinating lures once served to attract large throngs, will soon pass into the discard, tossed aside by the onward march of progress.

The flourishing little village, located on South Glassell street, near the Santiago creek, once boasted a laundry, truck gardens and several stores.

Quaint figures, bent and stooped, clad in silken garments darted noiselessly to and fro in the rambling weather-beaten structures, while visitors generally thronged the places, purchasing oriental curios.

Pungent odors often greeted the nostrils, but usually the evil scent was overcome by incense, burning lazily before the Buddha, which the orientals guarded zealously.

The laundry, where bent and shrunken forms bent over their labors, wielding hot irons and sending streams of water sizzling between their teeth, outlived the other structures.

But now, even that will be no more.

"Alla samee thro."

With that philosophical remark, Sing Lee, laundryman, who holds the championship for squirting

water through his teeth, today prepared to move out, having been given notice to vacate the premises.

Others before him, have left, one by one, some locating in the Mexican settlement, others going to nearby cities.

When Chinatown was at its height, throngs congregated in the little buildings, Sundays usually being the busiest day for the orientals.

Often the shacks were the target of rock bombardments, pitched by youthful hands. A chorus of jabbering always echoed through the quiet little village as the missiles found their targets.

A scurrying of feet followed down the Santiago creek, with an occasional "pigtail" fluttering in the breeze.

Now the march of progress has taken a hand. The low rambling structures, which have withstood the ravages of the elements for more than thirty years, will soon be razed in the development now taking place in that section of the city.

"Alle samee thro," remarks Sing Lee stolidly, as he goes about his task of moving.

And Chinatown, once the lure of throngs, is through.

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'JACKET' PLAY MAY LURE CHINA GHOSTS

The stage of the Temple Theater here may be crowded with weird Oriental spirits on the nights the Santa Ana Community Players produce the Chinese play, "The Yellow Jacket," it was declared today.

The local players have chosen the nights of December 11, 12 and 13 for their production and their place as the Temple theater. It was regarded as a strange coincidence that a Chinese play should be produced on the very site of the old Chinatown of Santa Ana.

Some of the older inhabitants can easily remember the night the old place burned to the ground, wiping out the last vestige of an Oriental flavor in this American city. When the flames licked the old ramshackle buildings to the ground and a few remaining inhabitants of Chinatown betook themselves outside of the city limits for other habitations, Santa Ana bade farewell to all things Oriental until the Community players revived things Oriental in "The Yellow Jacket."

The Register

Santa Ana, California · Monday, December 04, 1922

THE YELLOW JACKET

Do you remember the old store of Wing War on Main street, just below where the city hall now stands? In the back room stood his favorite Joss and it was here, rumor had it, that the favored came to smoke their "hop."

Where the Temple theater now stands stood the establishments of Chuck, the vegetable man, and Dock Yick, the dispenser of Chinese medicines. Next door the establishment of Kee Kee attracted the gamblers.

Their ghosts, mayhap, will attend the performance of "The Yellow Jacket" to see that the play is done in true Oriental manner.

MAN NO FAM



Well-respected merchant and contractor Man Wo and his family in Anaheim's Chinatown, around 1892. Usually the women and children remained in China. (Courtesy Anaheim Public Library).

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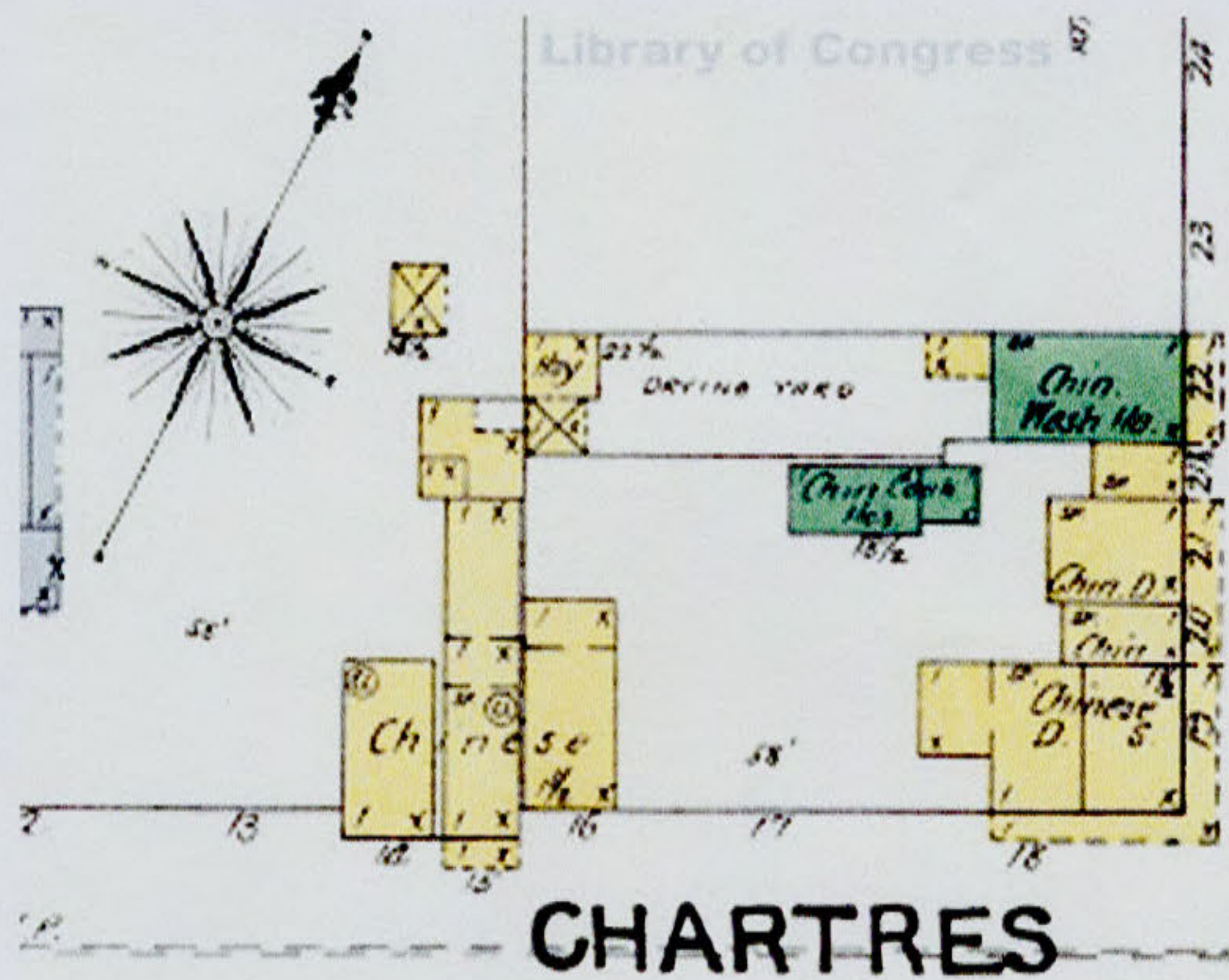
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Anaheim, California • Thu, Aug 25, 1892

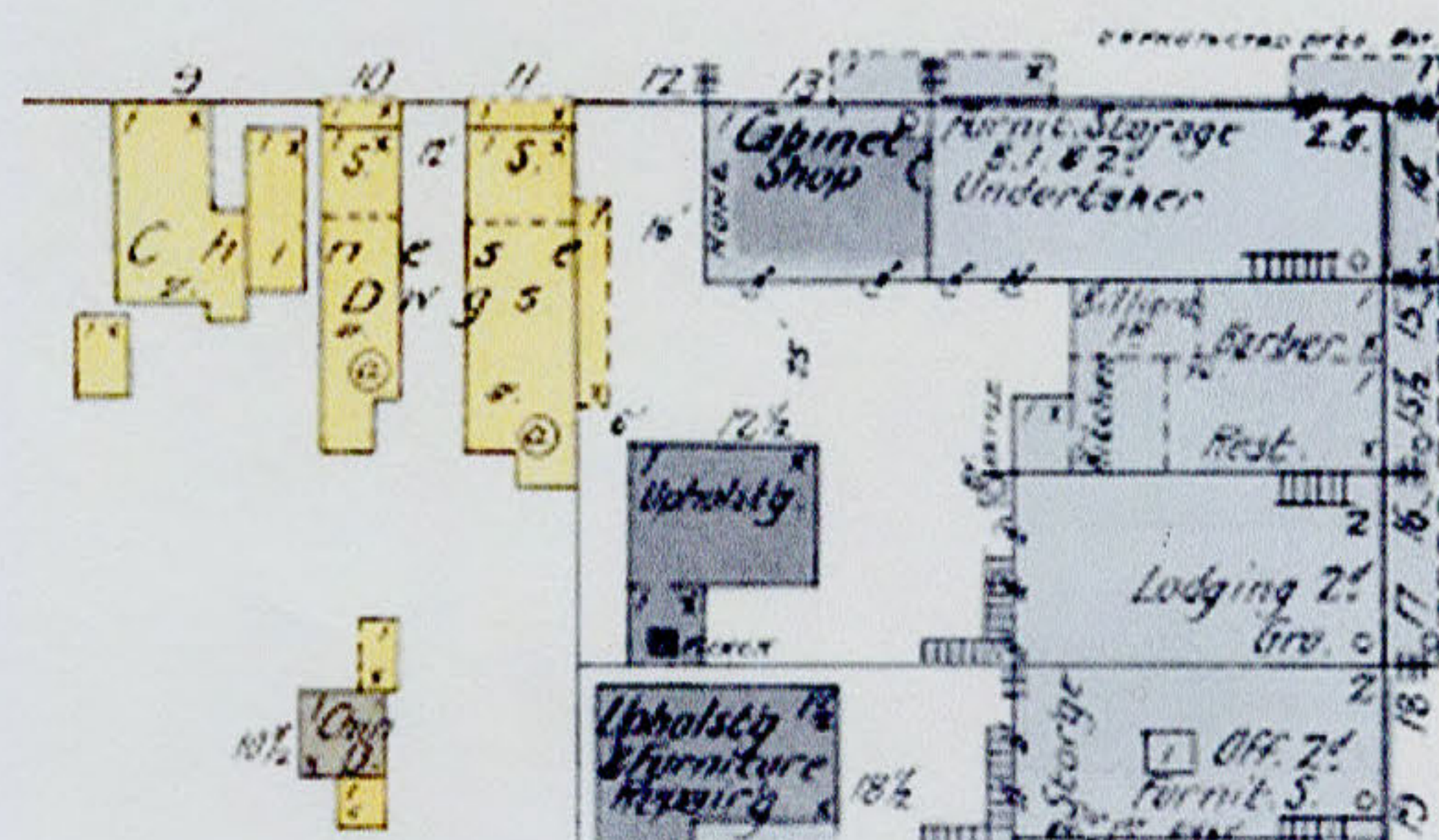
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distinction.

—Our Celestial friend Man Wo enjoyed a visit during the week from his brother, whom he had not seen in a long time, and who has the distinction to be married to a Caucasian wife. The couple have three good-looking children, two girls and a boy, and the wife is herself not a bad looking woman. The Chinaman serves as cook on a sailing vessel, and his family reside in San Francisco. We did not learn the Celestial's name, but the children's surname is the good old-fashioned Anglo-Saxon one of Johnson. The family were the objects of much curiosity during their stay, which was made very pleasant at Man Wo's place of business on Los Angeles street. The family took their departure for Los Angeles on Tuesday.



LOS ANGELES



War in the Peat Lands.

A war is on between the whites and Chinese down in the Peat Lands. The Earl Fruit Company recently made contracts with the Chinese companies here to work 140 acres a couple of miles below Westminster for the cultivation of celery and cauliflower for the Eastern markets, and the horny-handed backwoodsmen vehemently protested against it. Man Wo sent down three Celestials to prepare the land for the crops, and everything worked smoothly until last Friday night, when a gang of about a dozen white men gathered at the Chinese quarters and proceeded to set fire to their house. They poured coal oil on the walls and set it blazing in several places. The Chinese, awakening at the unusual light, rushed out to extinguish the flames, only to be fired upon by the midnight marauders. The bullets flew thick and fast and upon examination next morning the building looked as though a small army of Indians had made an attack upon the premises. The Chinamen remained in the house during the night, but beat a hasty retreat in the morning, resolving never to return to the celery fields again. The Celestials entered into a contract with the Earl company to raise early vegetables, and pay \$375 rent per year for the tract. The first installment of \$125 has been paid already, and that they should be given peaceable possession of the land is beyond dispute. A representative of THE GAZETTE accompanied Mr. Collins on a trip of investigation last Sunday afternoon and found several Deputy Sheriffs on a still hunt for the law breakers, but as yet no arrests have been made.

Some of the Chinaman have been persuaded to return to their labors under the protection of a couple of deputy sheriffs, and peace will in all probability reign supreme during the officers' temporary stay. The residents of that section are against Chinese cheap labor and have resolved at their indignation meetings held recently to wipe out the almond-eyed mongols at all hazards. Some interesting events are looked for, and it is not at all improbable that there will be bloodshed. The camp is under the direct supervision of Mr. Smelser, who is an indefatigable worker in shipping early products from this prosperous section to the Eastern markets, and he will do all in his power to preserve the peace.

The Board of Supervisors have offered a reward of \$50 for the arrest and conviction of the offenders.

City Fathers.

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THE CHINESE AGITATION.

The anti-Chinese agitation failed to pan out to any great extent Saturday night. A crowd of youngsters, with a sprinkling of old people, gathered at the old Planters' Hotel corner, but no attempt was made to call the meeting to order or to give the anti-Chinese orators a chance to speak. About 9 o'clock a crowd of several dozen men and boys gathered in front of Man Wo's establishment, and George Heffner kicked the door. Deputy Sheriff Buckley, who was standing near, with the other city officers, stepped up and told the ambitious youngster that if he kicked the door again, he would arrest him. Then the crowd dispersed, and the anti-Chinese agitation was over. The rumor had prevailed that the Celestials would be given five days to leave town, but the agitators had not the backing or the sympathy of the citizens in their crusade. All the Chinese houses were closed early in the evening, and lights were out and doors barred. The heathen had a good scare, but doubtless breathed easier Sunday morning when they awoke and found themselves alive and well and their houses still standing over them.

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time of the year.

—Ah Pob, mother of Mrs. Man Wo, died at Man Wo's place on Saturday morning at half-past 9 o'clock. She was aged 55 years, and had been a resident of this city for ten years. The burial occurred on Sunday afternoon, the interment being conducted according to the customary Chinese rites.

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—The little eleven-months-old daughter of Man Wo died in Los Angeles on Wednesday of last week. Man Wo has three children living, one of whom, Ling Fat, attends the public school. He takes the loss of his little child keenly to heart, and weeps bitter tears when referring to her untimely death. The mother of the child died in child-birth. Man Wo feels that his cup of grief is full and running over.

Sixty hundredths of a inch of rain.

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—Man Wo was presented by his better half some days ago with another son and heir, making four children Mr. Wo now has under his roof, two boys and two girls—two pair, as he informs us. Another one of either kind will make a full house, and Man Wo will then be ready to bet on them to his last dollar.

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MANAGE COMMITTEE.

—Among the kids to start to school on Monday is Man Wo's little son and heir, who has been taken with the honorable ambition to get a common school education. Mr. Wo is highly gratified at the idea of sending his boy to school, but is apprehensive lest the little fellow be set upon by bad boys after school. This little celestial is a well mannered little heathen, lifts his hat very politely to people he knows, and we do not think he should meet with harm. Man Wo has spoken to us about it, and we have assured him that Principal Little and his corps of able assistants will see to it that the little fellow is not harmed.

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regain his health.

Man Wo, the Chinese mandarin, says he will shortly leave for Los Angeles, where he hopes to secure a position as head cook in one of the hotels. Mr. Wo has resided in Anaheim 31 years. He has decided to dispose of his store and go to cooking, being persuaded there is more money in the business.

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erecting a handsome home.

Man Wo, once head of the Chinese colony here, but now resident in Los Angeles, was in town this week, after an absence of eleven years. Man Wo has three grown children, all of whom are graduates from the grammar grade schools. Two sons are with him in Los Angeles, and his daughter is married and lives in China. Man Wo conducts a store in the Chinese quarter, and is prospering. He found many evidences of advancement here, and marveled at the progress Anaheim has made since his first arrival here thirty odd years ago. He expressed sorrow for Sam Lee, the local celestial recently pinched for contraband business and sentenced to two years in a federal prison. Man Wo started to catch the noon-train home, but met so many old-time friends that he turned back and waited for the evening train.

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ANAHEIM has the champion native-born Chinese shortstop in the business, by name Ling Fat, son of Man Wo, the Chinese mandarin. Ling eats up hot liners like they were chop 'suey, throws with unerring precision and bats balls so far that at times it is almost impossible to recover them. Will Mr. Morley of the Seraphs look this way?

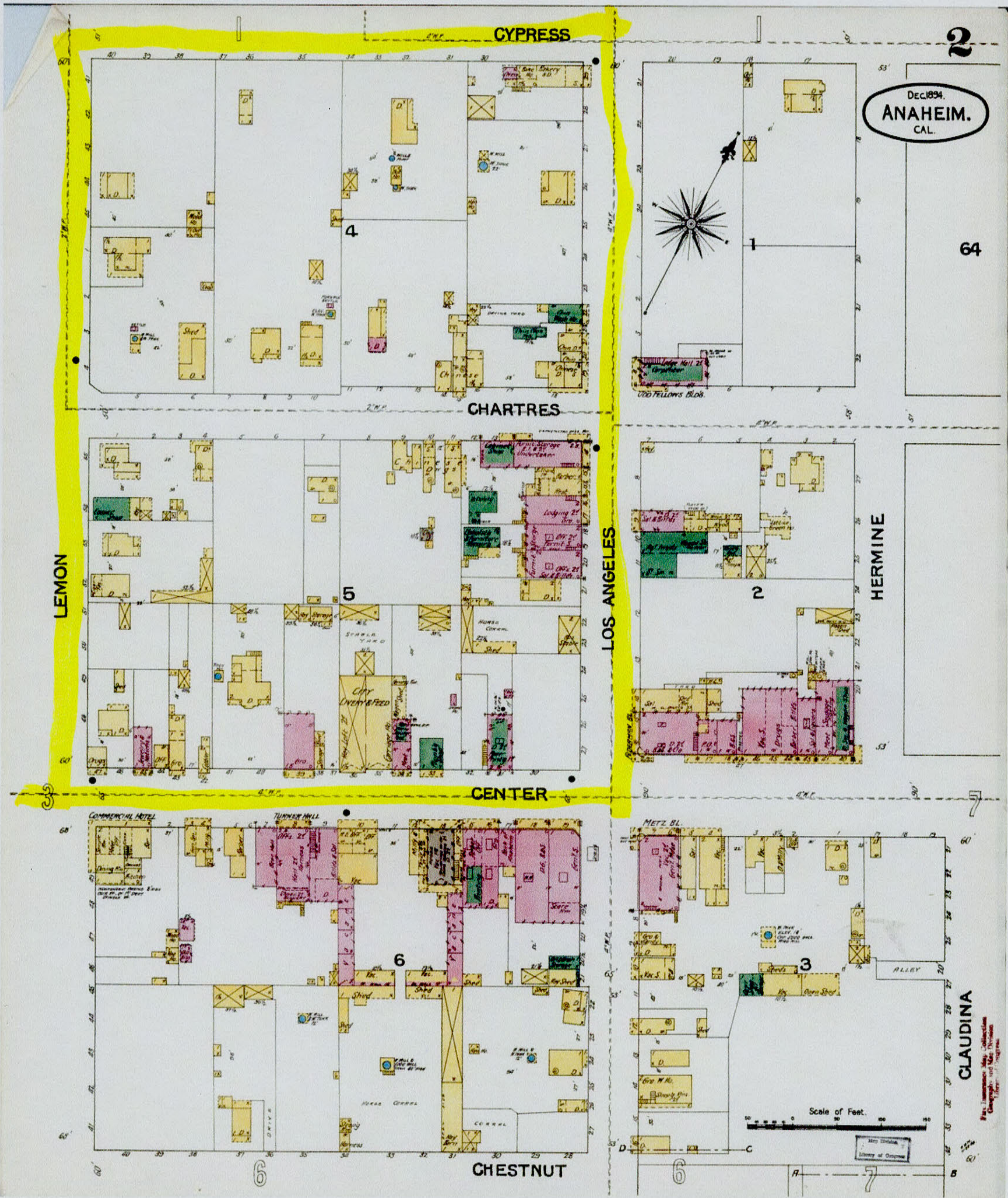
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Supervisor's District No. 6
Enumeration District No. 7

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Enumerated by me on the 15 day of June, 1900. George A. Hunter
Ward of city. X 4301
Enumerator.

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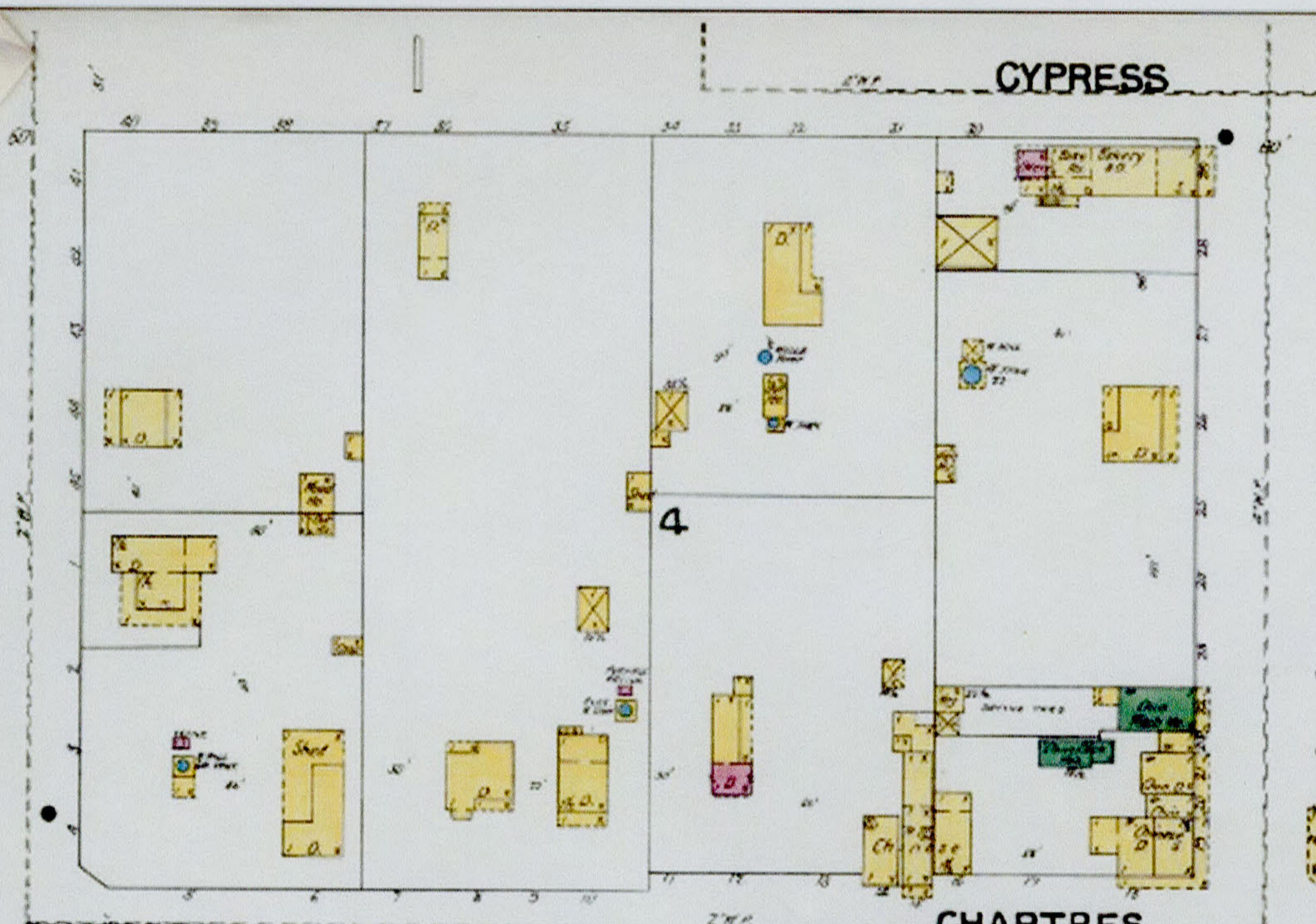
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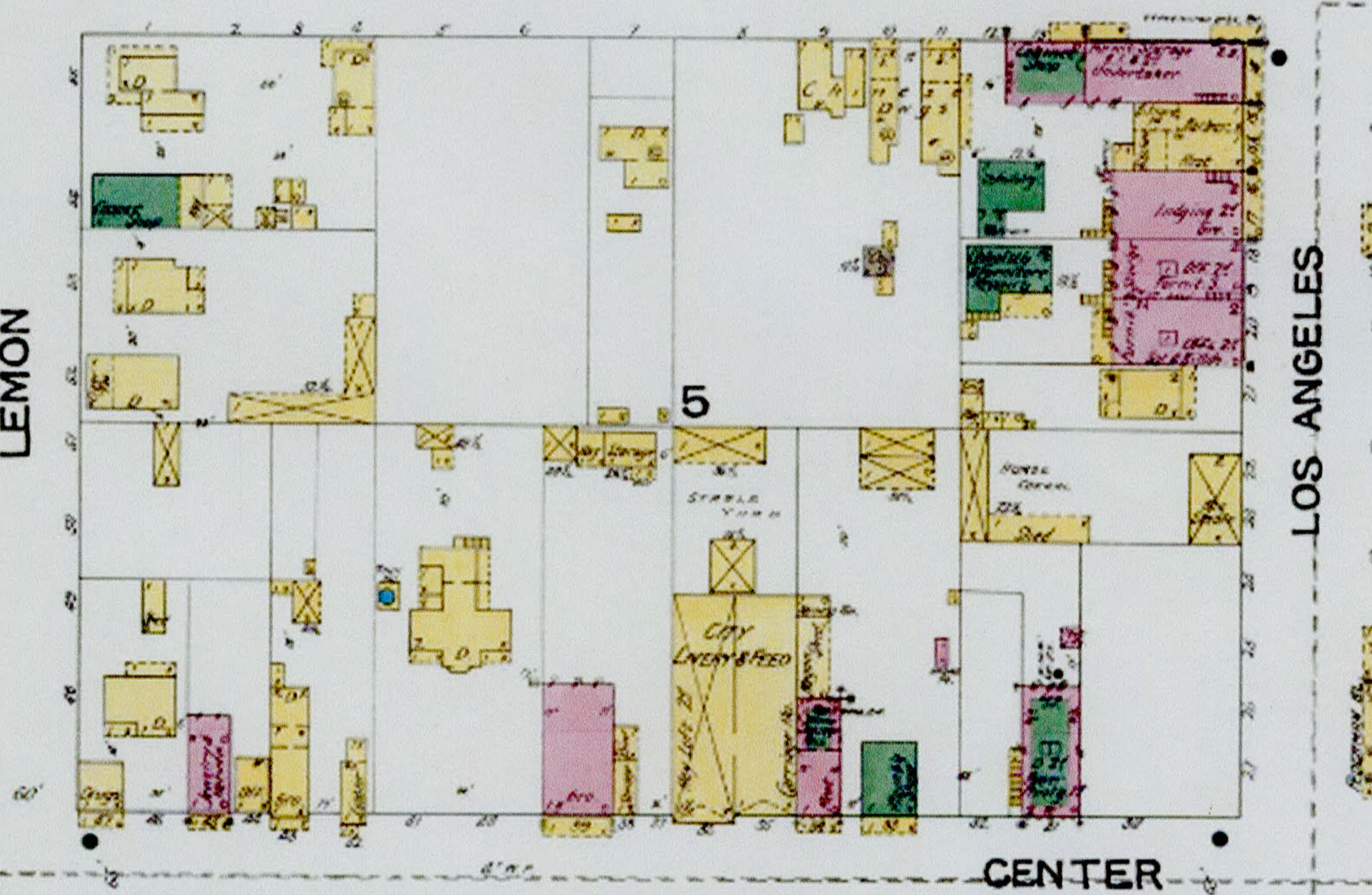
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THE MURDER OF AH WING

Ah Fook on Trial for the Deed.

Strong Evidence Presented Against Him.

A Case in Which Several China-
men Have Been
Accused.

The trial of Ah Fook for the murder of Ah Wing in Chinatown on December 30, 1893, was begun before Judge Rialley yesterday. By noon the following jury was sworn: P. W. Sims, C. W. Catten, J. W. Potter, O. A. Vorce, John Yeargin, W. M. Gibson, A. R. Holmes, B. T. Wolfe, Alex Noble, Herman Granz, B. M. Hague and G. R. G. Glenn.

There is a formidable array of attorneys who are trying to convict the defendant of the atrocious murder. Deputy Jones is representing the district attorney's office, and he is assisted by M. K. Harris and W. D. Crichton, who have been employed by friends of the deceased. Ah Fook is energetically defended by Dante R. Prince.

The prosecution introduced some strong evidence in the afternoon, two eye witnesses of the tragedy testifying that they saw Ah Fook fire the fatal shot.

The murder of Ah Wing, nearly four years ago, occurred in the evening on G street, between Mariposa and Tulare streets, in Chinatown. The victim was walking along the sidewalk, when a Chinaman stepped up to him and shot him, death resulting almost instantaneously. The murderer turned and fled, and though the friends of the victim have been untiring in their efforts to find the guilty man, not until Ah Fook was arrested in Monterey county a few months ago for abducting a Chinese girl did they find the man whom they believe to be the slayer of Ah Wing.

The killing of Ah Wing has been the source of a great deal of trouble to the authorities. They have always been willing to follow up every clue that might lead to the identity of the perpetrator of the cold-blooded deed, and they have several times been imposed upon by unscrupulous Chinese, who would try to gain revenge upon some enemy by accusing him of the killing. Highbinders would always undertake to furnish any and all kinds of evidence to prove the guilt of the countryman they were trying to railroad to the penitentiary or the gallows.

The officers have had to closely investigate the character of this evidence, and have always come to the conclusion that the man suspected was only the victim of the ill-will of some opposing company, and that there was no foundation for the charge against him.

On one occasion District Attorney Snow received a call from a Chinaman who said he had located the slayer of Ah Wing. The district attorney explained what evidence would be required before the issuance of a warrant would be justified. Mr. Snow spoke in a general way as to how strong the testimony should be.

In a few days the Chinaman returned and informed the prosecuting officer that the required evidence had been gathered, that he had found witnesses who would give testimony as desired. When Mr. Snow asked what they would swear to he was surprised to find that the evidence was just as he had explained to the Chinaman would be necessary, and the district attorney saw at once that it was but another attempt to fabricate a case against some man who was the object of vengeance.

The authorities were induced to arrest one Chinaman named Ah Suey, and after an exciting preliminary examination he was held to answer. Mr. Snow made some further investigations, however, and learned that the efforts of the Chinese to convict the prisoner were prompted by hard feeling engendered by a 'highbinder war' in Los Angeles. The district attorney then dismissed the case against Ah Suey.

When Ah Fook was arrested in Monterey the friends of Ah Wing at once informed Mr. Snow that the prisoner was the murderer who had so long been sought. His past experiences in the case caused the district attorney to proceed very carefully before putting the county to the expense of a trial and to ascertain that an innocent man was not being prosecuted. At first he was inclined to reject the idea that Ah Fook was Ah Wing's slayer, but he gave the matter the thorough investigation that he had given every one of the numerous attempts at prosecution before.

The result was that the abduction case against Ah Fook was dismissed in Monterey county, and he was brought to Fresno to stand trial for the more serious charge of murder.

The two witnesses who testified for the people yesterday were Hung Mow and Yick Sing. Hung Mow swore that he was a few paces behind Ah Wing, who was walking with two friends. The witness stated that the defendant was coming towards them, accompanied by two other Chinamen. As the two parties met Ah Fook jumped towards the deceased, caught him by the arm and fired the shot. Ah Wing sank to the ground, and as his companions picked him up he was breathing his last.

The murderer immediately turned and ran with his two companions, all disappearing in the cellars leading from the sidewalk.

Yick Sing was one of the Chinamen who was walking by the side of Ah Wing when he was killed. His story in substance was the same as that of Hung Mow. Sing testified that when the defendant grabbed the deceased Ah Wing asked him what was the matter, but the reply was the discharge of the pistol.

Both Hung Mow and Yick Sing positively identified the defendant as the murderer. Ah Fook has very striking features and would easily be recognized. He has only one eye and his lips protrude in a manner unusual in a Chinaman. His face bears an expression of depravity.

The two witnesses were bright looking Chinese and they gave their testimony in a straightforward manner.

It has always been the belief that the killing of Ah Wing resulted from his participation in the rescue of a Chinese girl from a brothel in Chinatown, where she was held in captivity. A price was

set on his head, and Ah Fook is now accused of having sought the reward.

The company to which the deceased belonged offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the murderer.



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 Crime Grand Larceny
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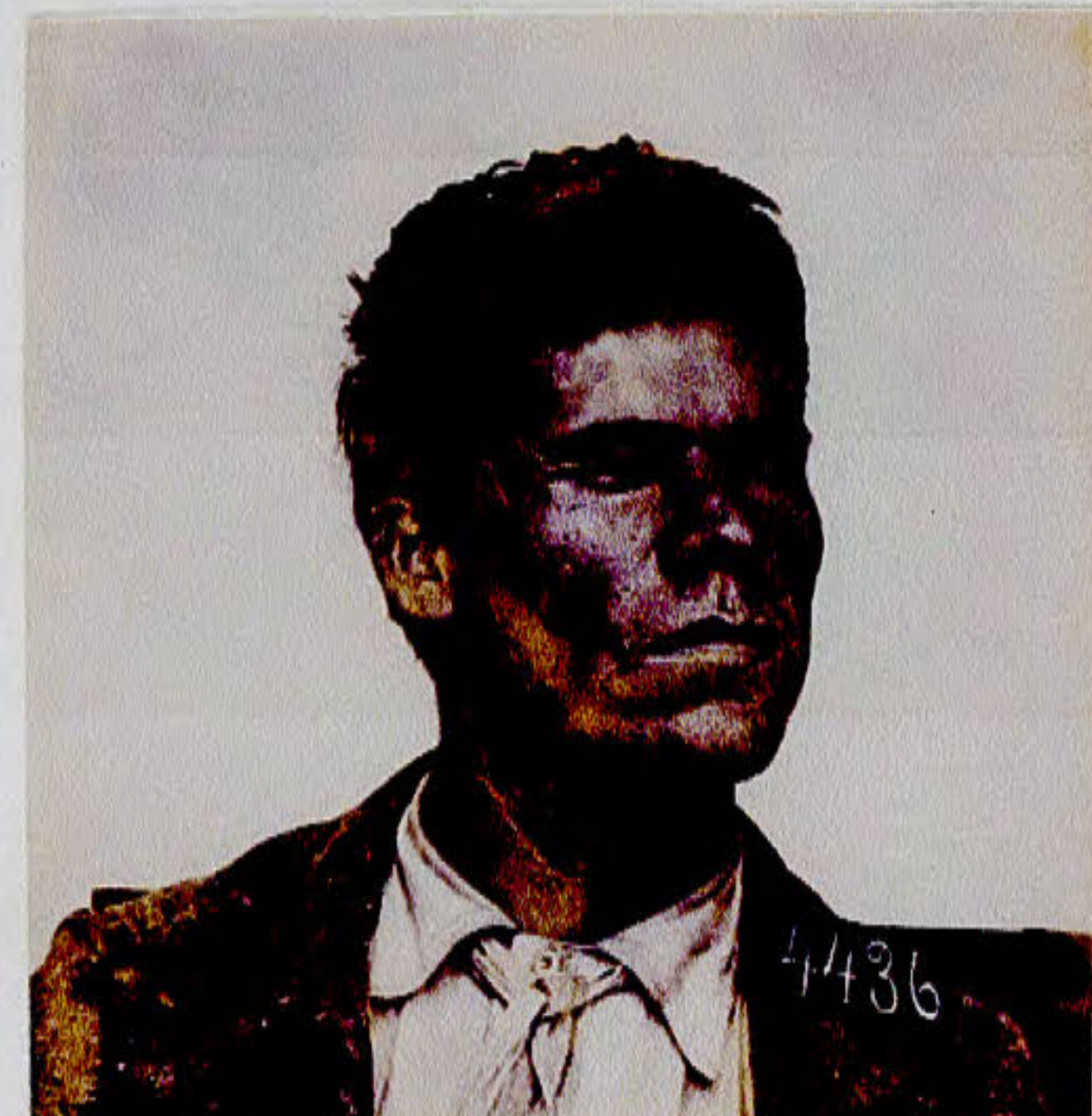
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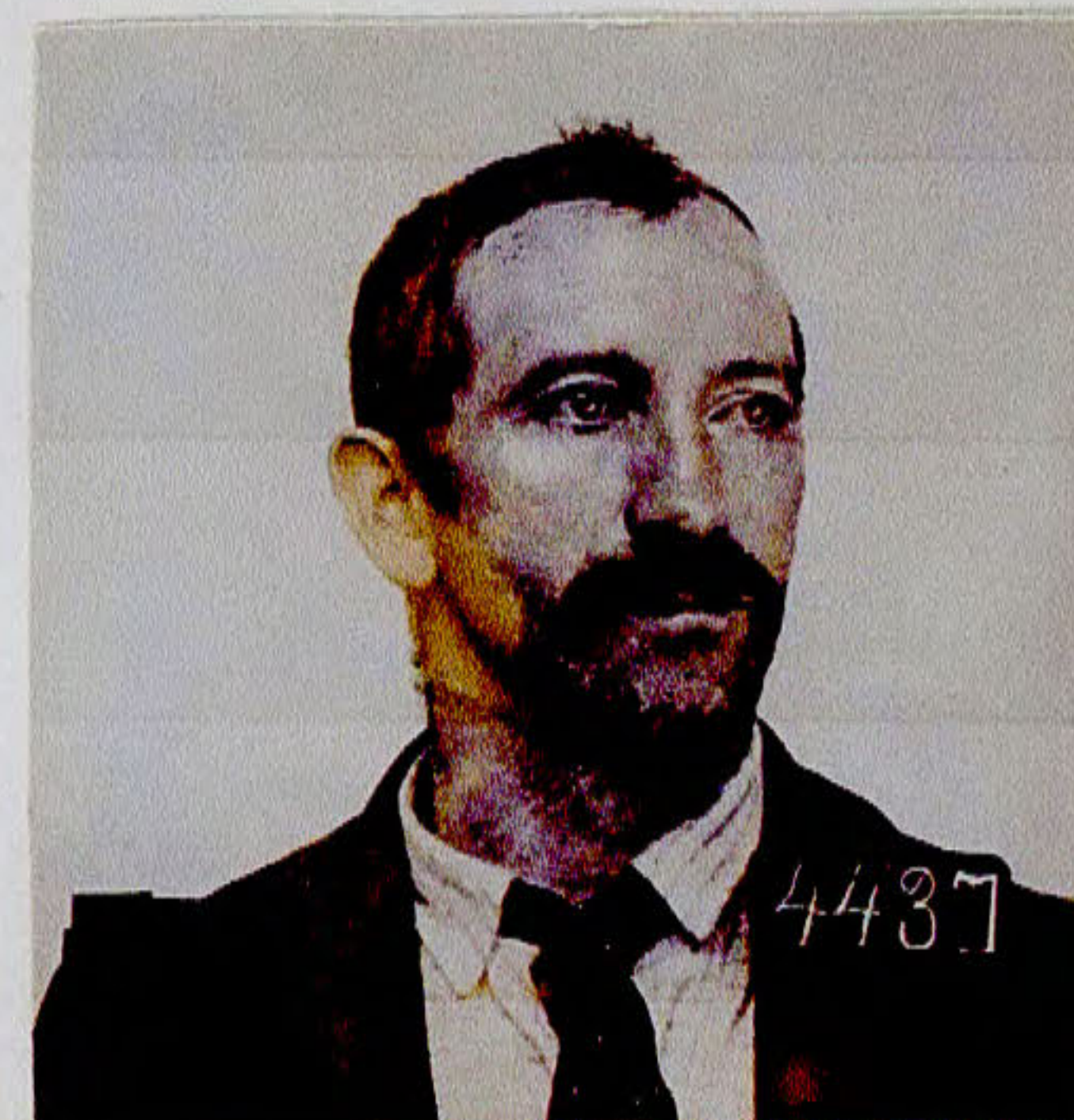
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 Name Antonia Renedas
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 Crime Rape
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 Received July 5. 1898
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 Name Ah Fook
 County Fresno
 Crime Murder 1st Deg.
 Term - Life - years.
 Received July 5. 1898
 Discharged
 Remarks:



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 Name Jose Gonzales
 County San Bernardino
 Crime Burg. 2nd Deg.
 Term - 3 - years.
 Received July 9. 1899
 Discharged Nov 9. 1900
 Remarks:



No. 4437
 Name Geo. Dugan
 County San Francisco
 Crime Rape
 Term - 30 - years.
 Received July 12. 1898
 Discharged Sept. 12. 1916
 Remarks:



No. *4434*
Name *Ah Fook*
County *Fresno*
Crime *Murder 1st Deg*
Term *Life* years.
Received *July 5 1898*
Discharged
Remarks



