

Country Interiors



Above is a historic photo (circa 1905) of the Great Western Saloon. Henry Ewoldt, proprietor.

Historically, the building, 409 Main St., has housed restaurants, candy kitchen, dry cleaners and a state liquor store.

Since 1978, Country Interiors



In September 1895 this building was destroyed by a fire that claimed nearly all the commercial buildings in Block 7 on the west side of Main Street. W.W. Carpenter then erected this 2-story brick building for his general merchandise store. In February 1898 the building was sold to Johnson Brothers, bankers and real estate dealers. The building became known as the Johnson Building.

In 1900, William Meyer leased the building and opened a saloon, which sold beer from the Sioux City Brewing Co. In 1906, Henry Ewoldt operated the Great Western Saloon at this location. Ewoldt's saloon was eventually put out of business by the 1909 Moon Law which limited the number of saloons to one per 1,000 inhabitants in a town. In 1913, the building housed a restaurant.

Over the rest of the twentieth century, the building was occupied by restaurants and ice cream parlors including Manning Candy Kitchen. Other business at this location were Lawrence Jentsch dry cleaners, Goody Garden, Mayflower Café, and the Iowa State Liquor Store.

Since 1978, the building has been occupied by Country Interiors and Croghan Construction, owned by Peter and Lois Croghan.