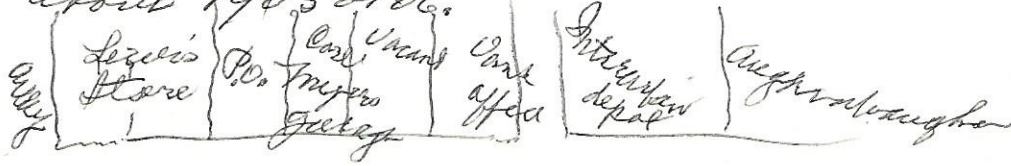


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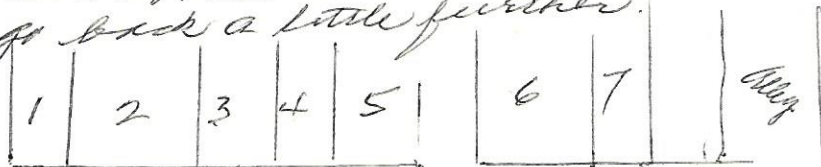
Bea Public Library -
att Eileen Bowers -

Eileen doesn't Pearl Lacey have, or had a sister Ruth Holland. If I'm correct just wonder where Ruth Holland is. She used to live in Brookings S.D., and visit us years ago when I was teaching in Lake Benton, Minn. We lost track of her after leaving L.B. and I am ~~sure~~ certain that there is a connection if this is true I have a picture of Edith and Ruth taken away back when. I just looked thru some pictures and it wasn't where I thought it was. I am not sure that the daughter is going to give up that 1907 high school picture as Edith and I are both in the picture. We saved pictures some 55 years old. But I'll do the best I can. In the early days there was a Dr Lane, dentist in the old brick building, directly north across the street. Later Dr Congilder was there. He and I were great old fishing friends. He took Wednesdays off and we Edith & I spent most every summer in Mentone, visiting his folks, Mills, and my folks & Aunty. So we fished that day.

3. Next to that at that time there were two vacant lots just west of the old brick. The old post office was next to Sauley's store east of the alley. I think Carl Meyer built the cement block bldg east of the old store in about 1905 or 06.



I don't know ^{the} church who or when the building on the vacant lot was built but I do know the library was there I should have made a better drawing - Let's go back a little further.



In 1902 space 2⁸ was occupied by S. P. Dufferen. Space 1 by Storey, Rockwell space 3. Cal Shin & Earl meat market, 4 John Aughebaugh harness shop. 5 John Dunlop my uncle May father's bro. John had a grocery. 6 Fred Bros Clark kindred. 7 Hardware to the garage, this takes me up to the alley.

- 8. The old hotel
- 9 Dock Thompsons tobacco store
- 10 Chris Flecks meat market
- 11 Ed Halls saloon
- 12 Frank Warren's bar place
- 13 HD Fertine Monuments.

I could go on in 1902 12 3 4 5 places burned out, even Mrs Stowers had shop between ~~the new~~ and the Edinger brick houses. Now where the Bank building is in 1906 there was Dr Bennetts drug store on the corner of J.M. Jenkins low and Lettis's old, Prentiss meat market. Dan Ellsworth shoe repair, bus

3 the saved the little building on the alley at
that time Belle Thullenow had a Millinery.
where the dentist office is or was. Then
across the alley was C.M. Smith's
Mentone Gazette printing place. I think Belle
moved her shop back on the alley.
1905 From the depot lets go north, first house
Arthur W. Wandomore, daughter's name did in
1918 plus across the alley Mrs O. A. Dodge's
picture gallery, those days then next John
John attorney with Frank Bowman, next
the P.O. Mr. Wilburn postmaster then on corner
#5 saw other pages. I could go on go on on
and on about Mentone after 1905. We an
on time lived in the building now where
Frank & Jerry's store. The lower part was a
shop, had was a boulder, telling about
Mentone about the inconvenience before
water and sewer about 1910-11.

I expect you tired of reading this scribbling
as I am of writing. I expect Earl Shinn
knows more about early Mentone than
any one living now.

I'll do the best I can concerning
the pictures. Don't know if I'll ever get
back to Mentone under the circumstances
but I'm going to try. Greet the Bruners for me
please.

Sincerely an old Mentone
resident Max Dunlap