

MINNESOTA ARCHITECTURE-HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

Property Location			
Property Name:	Baril's Paint	Inventory No.	ME-LTC-0160
Address:	25 West Second Street	County:	Meeker
City/Twp:	Litchfield	PIN	27-0796000
T-R-S Quarter:	T119N R31W Sec. 11 SW ¼	Block:	64
USGS Quad	Litchfield North, Minnesota	Lot:	Partial D, 1, 2, 3, 4

Property Information			
Architect:	Unknown	Style:	Commercial
Date Const:	19123	Historic Context:	Railroad and Agricultural Development 1870-1940
Historic Use:	Commercial	Present Use:	Commercial
Property Type:	Building	Survey Name:	Downtown Historic Resources Resurvey
NR Status:	Contributing	NR Recommendation:	Contributing
Prepared by:	William E. Stark, based on National Register nomination by Susan Granger and Kay Grossman (1996)	Survey Date:	October 2009

Description:

This two-story Commercial Style building is located at the western edge of the historic district. It is faced with medium-brown textured brick. The second story has rectangular window openings with 1/1 sash. On the eastern wall some of the window units have been replaced and resized within the openings. The storefront has been altered with limestone and glazed metal panels and there is a one-story rear brick and concrete block addition.

History:

Constructed in 1923, this building originally housed Olaf M. Olson's general merchandise and feed store, known as "Feed Ole." By 1930, a grocery store leased the front half of the building and that use remained until 1940. Baril's Paint, operated by Wilfred, Hilda, and Dale Baril, opened here in 1951. The Barils had been operating a decorating service in Litchfield since 1926. An auto parts store was also located in this building. In the 1980s, it became a video store, and then a picture framing shop and electronic repair shop in the 1990s. In 2009, Litchfield Flooring moved into the space.

Evaluation:

This building is a contributing property to the Litchfield Commercial Historic District.

Integrity: Good

Alterations to this building include the modified storefront, circa 1950. A rear addition appears to have been constructed after 1941. The building retains a strong sense of its original character and design.

Condition:

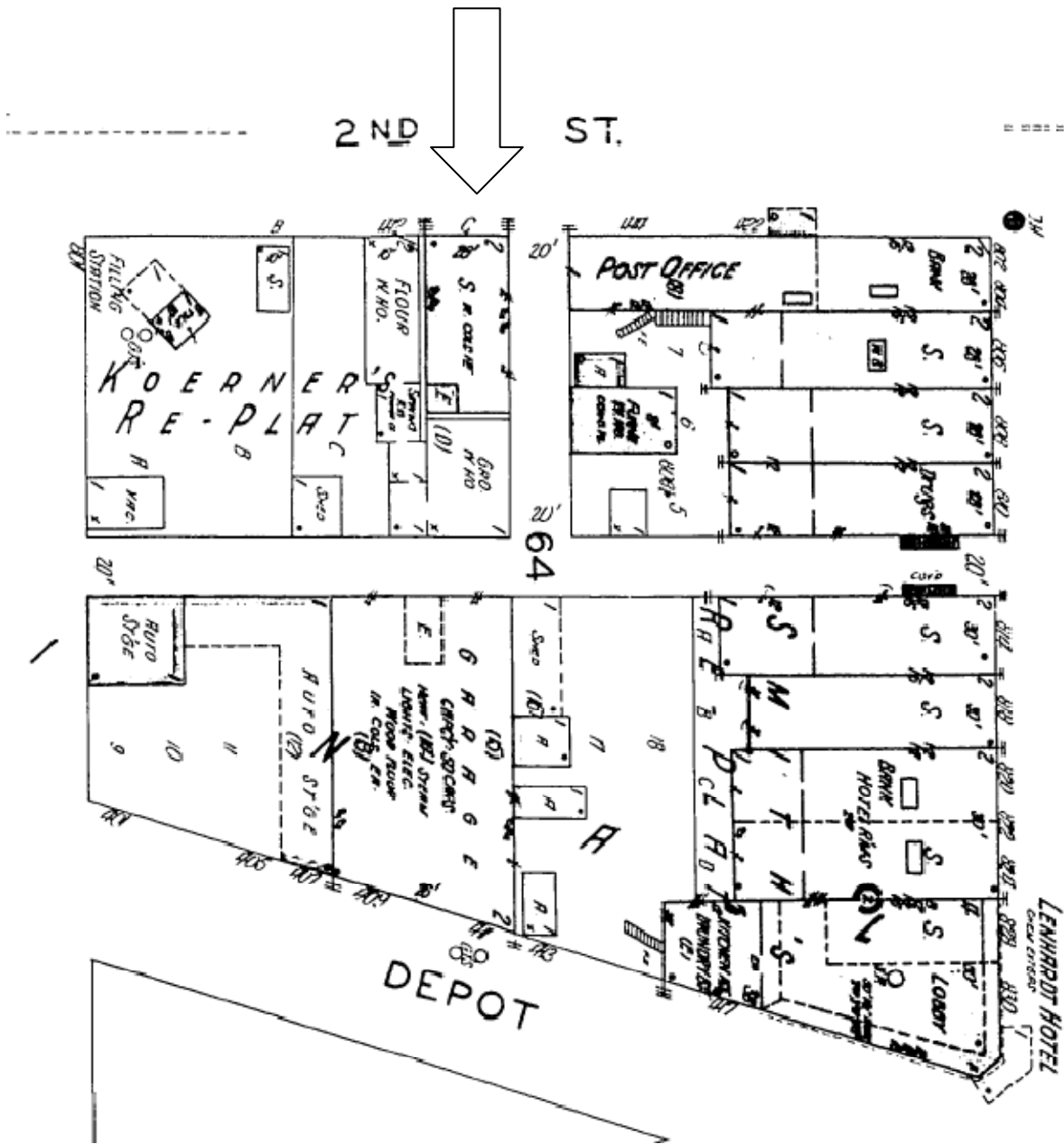
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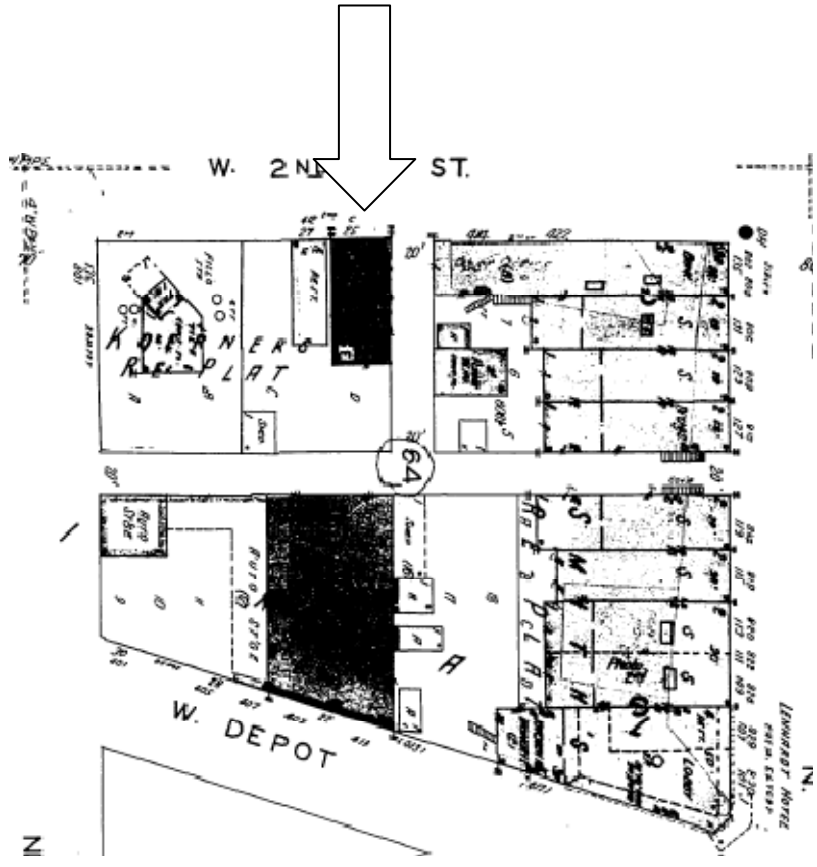
Facing SW



Facing N



1930 Sanborn Map



1941 Sanborn Map