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# Santa Fe Depot



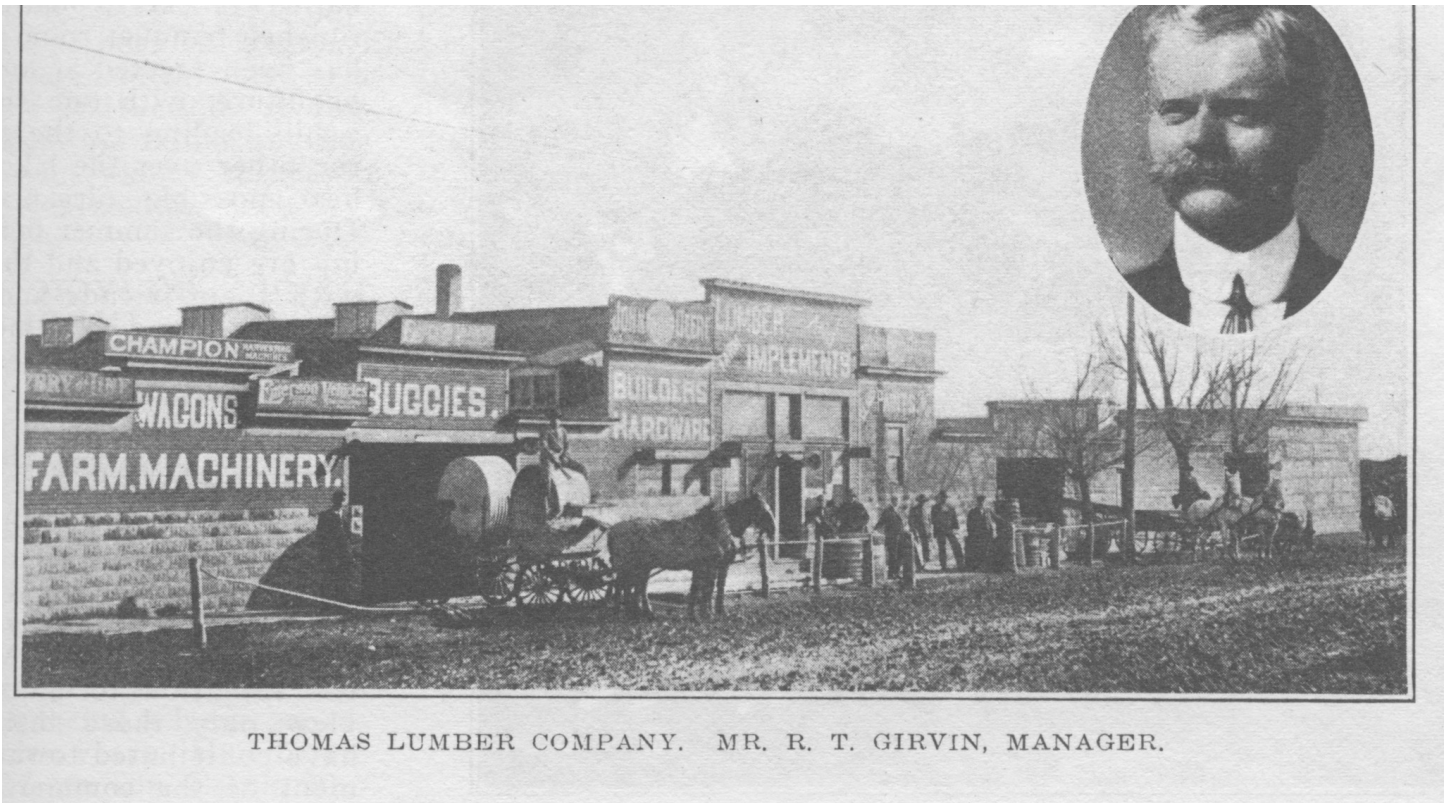
In 1888, the first wooden depot in Marceline was built. The original structure was dismantled in 1912 to make way for a new brick depot. On April 10, 1913, the new Santa Fe Depot was dedicated. The depot closed in the 1980s, with the last Amtrak passenger train stopping in Marceline in 1997. The abandoned depot was set for a possible demolition unless an organized plan could be developed to ensure its existence. Rush and Inez Johnson, and others, had an idea to turn it into a Walt Disney Museum. In 1999, the depot was renovated and converted into the museum, which opened in 2001.

## In The News

**December 15, 1887 -**  
*Brookfield Gazette:* The depot building is under cover and is being pushed to completion as fast as possible. It is 134 feet long and 24 feet wide, with the usual projecting roof, and two bay windows.

**February 2, 1888 -**  
*Brookfield Gazette:* The Santa Fe division was established here the first of the week. The station agent, train-dispatcher and telegraph-operators are on hand at their quarters in the new depot. Trains leave Marceline at 6:25 and 6:30 a.m., for Fort Madison and Kansas City respectively, and arrive here, from those places, between 6 and 7 p.m. The arrangement is quite inconvenient for persons coming here on business, as there is no hotel yet in operation. Under the former time table, visitors could run up to

# Cannon Lumber Yard - Howell Avenue



THOMAS LUMBER COMPANY. MR. R. T. GIRVIN, MANAGER.

W. A. Cannon established the first lumber yard in this city. It was located on Howell Avenue. After a fire destroyed the building in 1915, a new brick building was built. The Cannon Lumber Yard changed hands, and changed names to the Thomas Lumber Company, and Linn County Lumber.

## In The News

**W. A. CANNON,**  
 DEALER IN  
**PINE LUMBER,**  
 Doors, Sash, Blinds and Lime.  
 Bridge and Scale Timbers  
 Sawed To Order.  
**YARDS, HOWEL AND RIGHT of WAY**  
 SHIPPING YARDS AT CANTON, MO. MARCELINE, MO.

**December 15, 1887 - Brookfield Gazette:**

The Marceline Lumber Company, with Mr. W. A. Cannon as manager, have taken six lots west of the depot, and have a large stock of lumber on the ground, and an office nearly finished, in which the post office will be located.

**December 15, 1888 - The Bulletin:** W.

A. Cannon sold his lots on Kansas Ave. to Green & Tooley for \$1,200, and is moving his lumber to Howell street, near the railroad.

**July 11, 1889 - The Marceline Journal-**

**Mirror:** Lumber is rolling into town in large quantities, W. A. Cannon received

Ad from the Dec. 19, 1889 Marceline Journal-Mirror

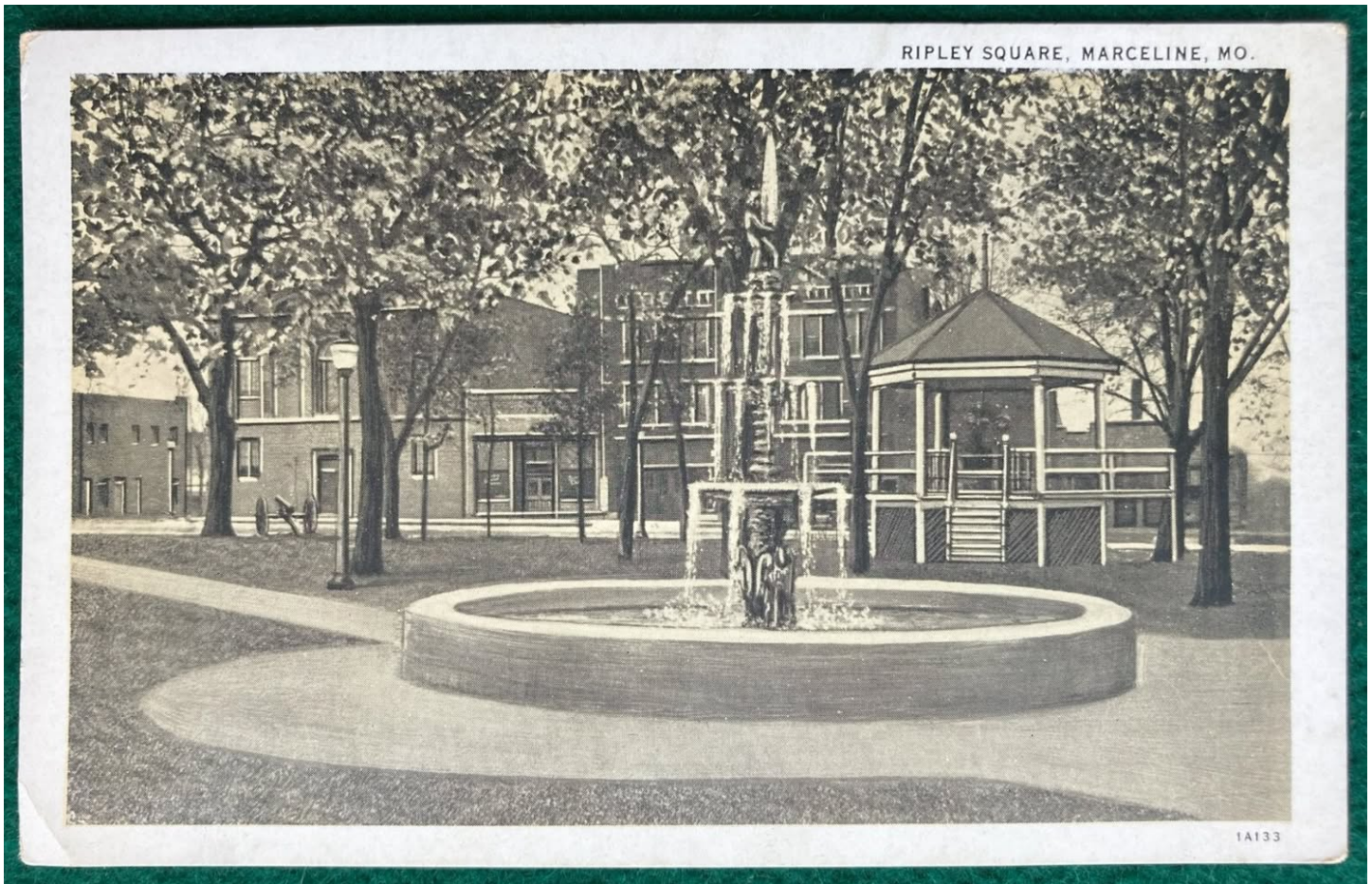
# Zurcher's Jewelry - 123 Main Street



This brick building was built in 1891, and it originally housed the Bank of Marceline. In 1904, the Bank of Marceline moved into the southeast corner of Kansas and Howell, as the First National Bank of Marceline. Marceline State Bank took over this building in 1905, and they sold it in 1909. This building next became the location of a jewelry store, owned by Albert Zurcher in 1909, until his retirement of serving Marceline for 64 years. In 2019 the building was acquired by the non-profit Downtown Marceline organization. They began to repair the building in 2020 and completed it in 2021. In 2026, Hazel & Grace Boutique has their business here.



# Ripley Square



**July 11, 1902 - *The Marceline Journal-Mirror*:** In the latter part of May, a representative of the city of Marceline called by appointment on Mr. E. P. Ripley, President of the Santa Fe, at his office in Chicago, and there laid the plan before the official for converting block 157, being the block on which the elevator, the residence of W. F. Neal and that of Robt. Herndon are located, in Marceline, into a public park and pleasure ground, thus removing an unsightly waste and by one stroke practically building the town around a square. After carefully examining the plat, Mr. Ripley expressed his approval of the movement, and when asked to donate the nine lots owned by the Santa Fe, in order that "Ripley Park" might be assigned a place on the map of Marceline, he assured the city's representative of his willingness to aid us in the good work, and said he would take the matter up with the officials and we would hear from it. Later, Mr. Mudge, the general manager, brought the matter to the attention of Superintendent F. T. Dolan, and all these officials approved the plan. Mr. Dolan came to Marceline, looked over the prospect and announced to the city officers the conclusion of the Santa Fe to donate all the company's holdings in this block, nine 25x150 foot lots, and the movement started when this assurance was given. Monday evening an ordinance was passed by the Board of Alderman, without a dissenting vote, condemning the private property in the block of the park purposes, and as soon as the matter can be reached the election will be called, and the people given an opportunity to vote the bonds necessary to convert the block into a public breathing spot, and the old, unsightly vacant property will become a central park, with the new, pushing restless Marceline built compactly around it. No public