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“The City of Parks”

Interesting Views, Public Buildings, Churches, Schools, Handsome Residences, Parks and Manufacturing Industries.



OBJECTS OF THE BOOK

To introduce to the outside world the industries of Kenosha and secure trade for her merchants.

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Greater Kenosha—Introductory

J. S. MATHER

THE average American delights to dote on the bigness of things. He is filled with a strong sense of civic pride, and when he directs a stranger's attention to some one object in his home city it is because he believes that object to be greater, stronger or handsomer than anything else in the universe. Either an industrial achievement, a geographical characteristic or a human celebrity distinguishes his city from all others.

The smallest hamlet boasts of its singular features or its social oddities; the larger city prides itself upon its commercial, industrial and educational strength, and upon all the things that are evolved as the result of rapid growth and sudden transformation.

An introduction to Kenosha may disillusion the reader in several particulars, and surprise him in others. In some respects, at least, Kenosha is one of the most unique cities of the American continent and not without positive interest to the student.

Kenosha is not the scene of great historic events. It is the scene of a peaceful conflict between man and the elements of nature—a magnificent conflict in fact, in which mind has triumphed over matter.

It has been found by American cities that the enterprise and energy of individuals can be considerably augmented by co-operation of its commercial, industrial and professional factors. There are opportunities for promotion of local interests in every community—opportunities which cannot be fostered by single individuals on the one hand, nor by the municipal government factors on the other.

Kenosha's most potent force in its civic and economic life is the Kenosha Industrial Association. Its membership is the backbone of the city. It makes for a great Kenosha industrially, commercially and numerically; it makes for a better Kenosha morally and educationally; it makes for a more beautiful Kenosha physically and externally.



Kenosha County Court House.



City Hall and Fire Station.

THE PROGRESSIVENESS OF KENOSHA

By W. T. Marlatt

THE City of Kenosha not only stands first in the state of Wisconsin in the percentage of numerical growth for two decades, but among all the municipalities of the Badger domain there is none more progressive than Kenosha.

Realizing the possibilities of a city that has twice doubled its population in two census taking periods, the leaders of the municipal life of Kenosha have recognized the demand for the kind of progress that is not aimed to meet present needs alone but rather to anticipate future demands. Kenosha has not been built in a day or a year but by steady, never-turning-back movements. As a municipality it has always stood for that conservative progress which makes for permanent advancement. It has always stood for a progress that meets and even anticipates the safety and comfort of its people without placing upon them the burden of heavy taxation.

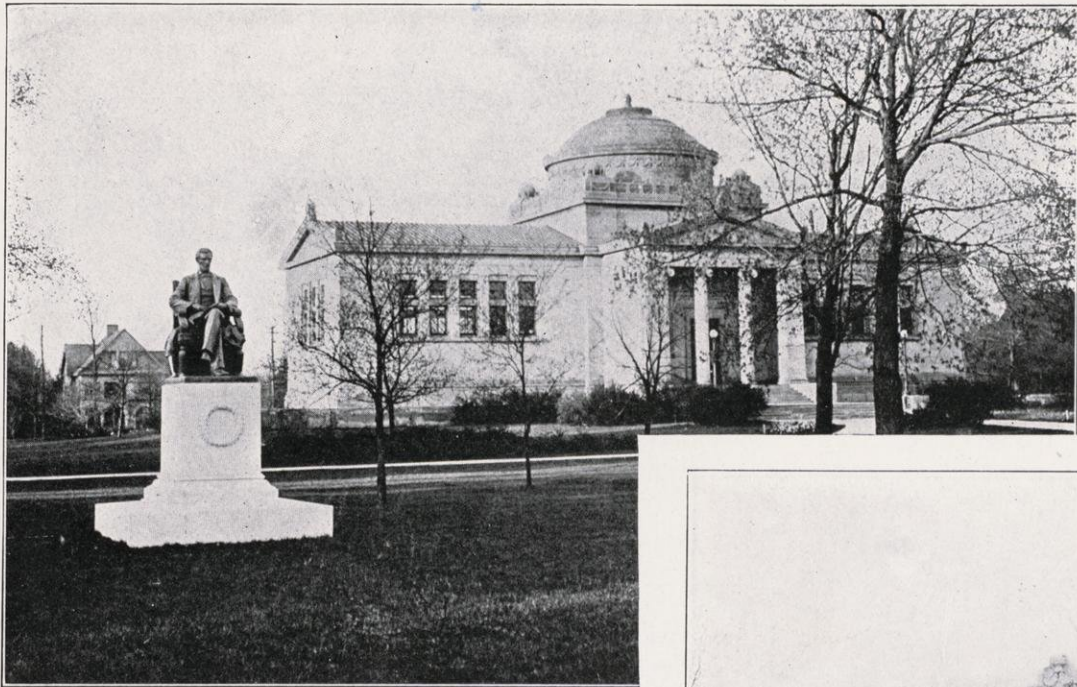
Kenosha has always kept step with the state and the nation, and today with its twelve miles of paved streets, thirty miles of sewers, sixty miles of concrete sidewalks, thirty acres of parks, a city hall second to none in the state, adequate fire protection, excellent water supply governed by a municipal water plant

that is out of debt and under the most careful of managements, Kenosha stands without a rival among the cities of her class in the middle west.

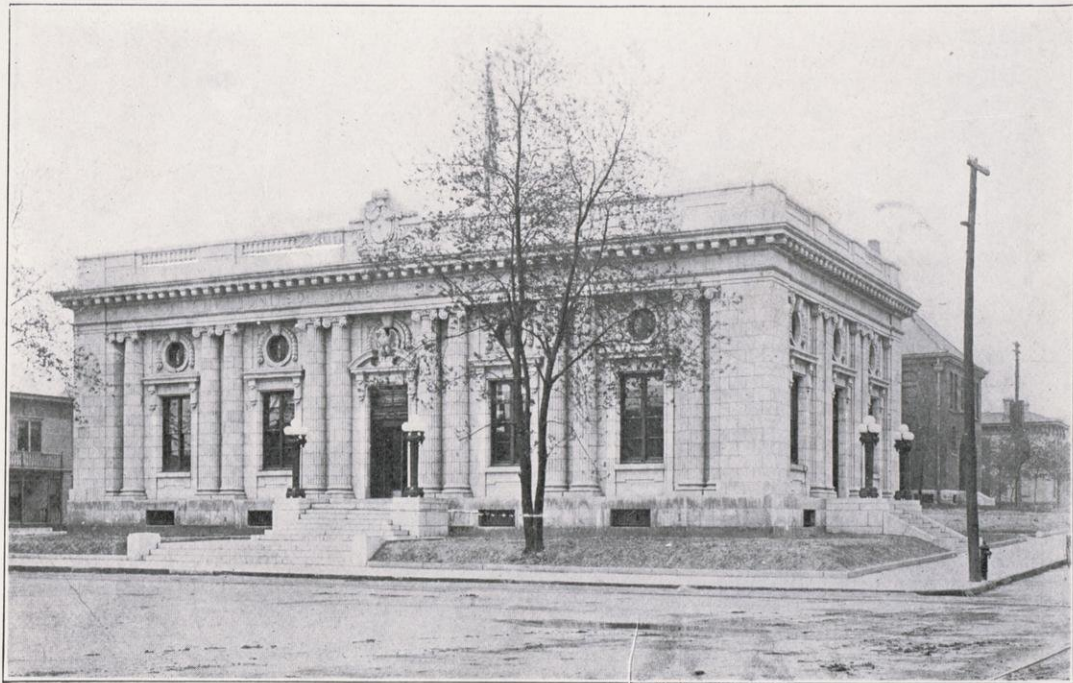
Its men of affairs are men of brain and experience. Men who have wisely led the officials of the municipality into the expenditure of the public funds in a manner to get the greatest value for the money and at the same time lay the foundations for a greater city.

No city in Wisconsin has done as much during the present year along the line of municipal improvements as Kenosha. Contracts for public work aggregating more than \$200,000 are pending. These will include the paving of two miles of streets and building and rebuilding of sewers. Finding the sewer system of the city inadequate the municipality has let a contract for a trunk line sewer costing nearly a hundred thousand dollars and which when completed with connecting sewers will make possible the development of a sewer system to take care of the demands of the city for a quarter of a century.

Kenosha Schools are progressive. Its teachers are all well paid specialists in their line and the latest improvements are to be found in the school rooms. It



Simmon's Memorial Library.



Kenosha Postoffice.

has schools of manual training for the boys, and schools of art, domestic economy and music for the girls. Its High School has a business course equal to the best offered in special schools of this line. It prides itself on having the finest and best equipped public library in the state outside of Milwaukee.

The progressiveness of the city and its people is shown by the fact that it is a city of beautiful homes and these are not alone for its wealthier class but also for the great mass of its operatives.

Kenosha realizes the value of its great manufacturing plants and every progressive movement to aid the development of these great industries is promptly met by the municipality.

The progressive spirit in Kenosha has been carried out without burdensome increases in taxation and today the tax rate in the city is lower than in almost any place in Wisconsin.

Kenosha stands for progress, the right kind of progress, the progress that means the welfare not only of the city but the welfare of all the people who go to make up its complex population. A progress tempered with conservatism, liberal to a fault but always building for the future as well as for the present.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

- Has 3 Banks, with total resources of \$4,500,000.00.
- Has 6 Department Stores.
- Has 3 Newspapers.
- Has 18 Hotels.

THE KENOSHA INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.

By Dan. O. Head.

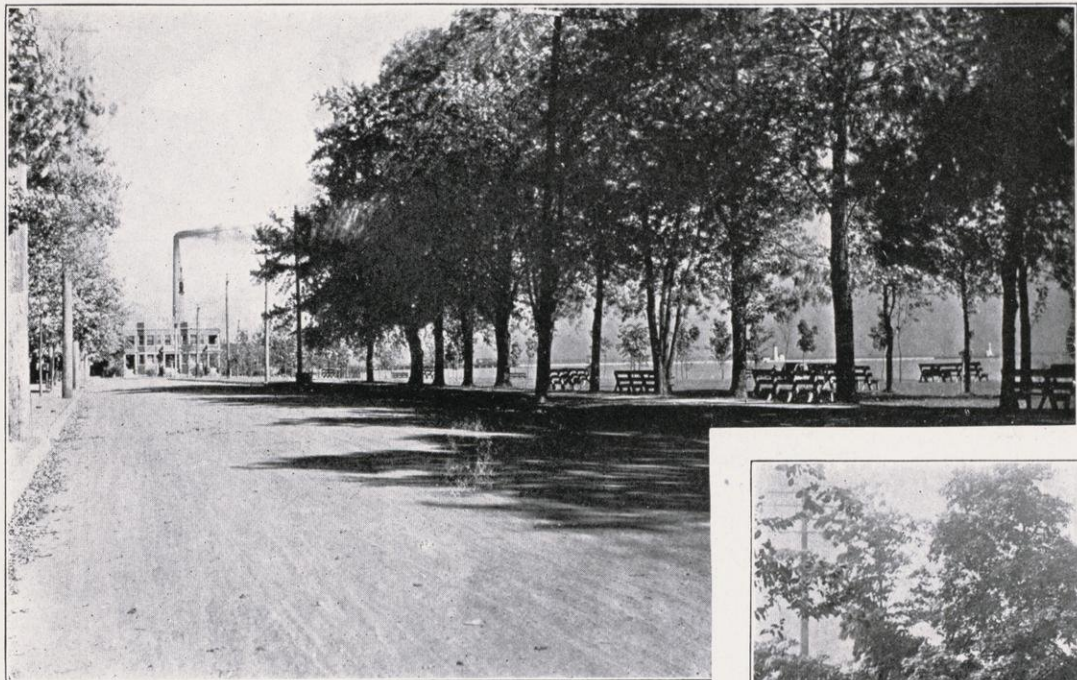
THE Kenosha Industrial Association is the embodiment of the associate business and manufacturing interests of the community, and was organized and incorporated to promote the city's growth in home building, in manufacturing industries and in civic improvement and extension, as well as to foster and encourage the general business, the social and commercial welfare of Kenosha.

The Kenosha Industrial Association was organized in March, 1910, and since that time has interested itself in every forward movement, and lent its aid to every project proposed for the city's betterment.

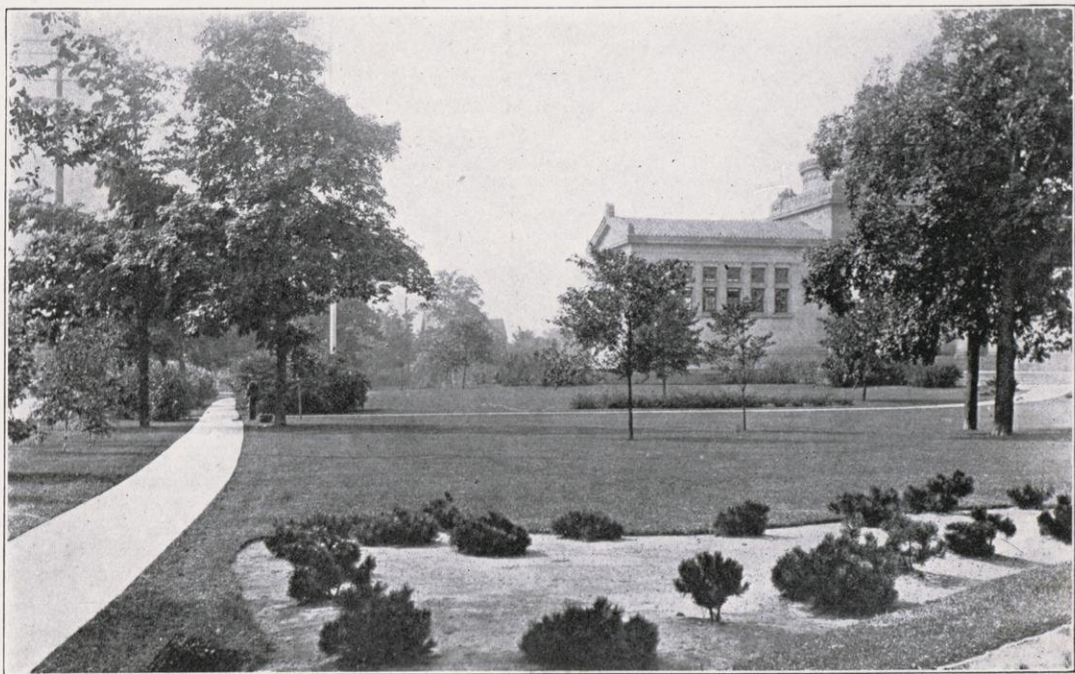
Its enterprise and ambition means the enlarging of the city's boundary lines, the laying of new water mains, the extension of its telephone system, its gas and electric business, its sewerage, its street railways

The membership of the Kenosha Industrial Association embraces men who represent practically every legitimate line of business and profession, at present it comprises nearly 200 members, who stand ready to lend their aid and encouragement to all projects which tend to the promotion of the city's welfare in any way.

The officers and directors are: A. E. Kuolt, president; Dan. O. Head, vice-president; John Corcoran, secretary; W. H. Purnell, C. E. Dewey, and Charles Deffrey, directors; W. F. Fisher, Treasurer.



Eichelmann Park on Lake Michigan.



Scene in Library Park.

THE MANUFACTURING INTERESTS OF KENOSHA
By Wm. L. Yule, President Manufacturers' Association of Kenosha

A HISTORY of material Kenosha is but a reflex of the development of her manufacturing institutions. To the casual observer, statistics are uninteresting or of but passing moment; yet a summary of the product of her industries is Kenosha's most eloquent advocate. Statistics gathered by our State and Government and recently published, offer silent but eloquent tribute to our importance as a manufacturing center.

We are primarily and essentially a city of manufacturing industries. Some of them are the largest of their kind in the world; others of them are the best equipped and most up-to-date of their class in the United States; and all of them are sound and progressive. They are fundamentally the cause of Kenosha's rapid but sound physical development.

The fact that Kenosha has shown a greater percentage of gain in population during the past ten years, than any other city of Wisconsin, is because her manufacturing industries have more than doubled in size during that time.

It is perhaps still more remarkable that in the per capita product of our industries, government statistics show that we occupy the proud position as first of our class in the entire United States. That a city the size of Kenosha should contain several factories which are the largest of their kind in the world is a remark-

able fact and portends a still brighter future for Kenosha.

We are a constructive city. Our manufacturers draw raw material from the copper mines and timber lands of the North; from the coal and iron mines of the East; from the cotton fields of the South; from the wool and cattle ranches of the West, and transform these crude materials as by a magic wand into machinery and springs, beds, furniture, hosiery, underwear, leather, wagons, refrigerators and engines; fire-fighting apparatus, plumbers' supplies and searchlights.

The products of our factories carry the name "Kenosha" to the markets of the world. Skilled artisans and workmen through assimilation with careful thought, a progressive spirit and liberal capital here transform the raw materials of nature into the useful and ornamental article of commerce. We are actual producers and by applying brains to raw material and capital, we add materially to the comfort, the wealth and the permanent welfare of our commonwealth. Kenosha has a bright future because of her great manufacturing industries.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

- Has 14 Miles of Paved Streets.
- Has 32 Miles of Sewers.
- Has 38 Miles of Water Mains.
- Has 36 Miles of Gas Mains.
- Has over 100 Manufacturing Industries.
- Has a new City Hall, cost \$65,000.



River View.



Harbor and Life Saving Station.

THE KENOSHA SCHOOLS

By Mrs. Bradford

ITS good schools, public, private and parochial, make Kenosha a desirable residence place of people with families of children to rear. The Catholic and Lutheran churches have large, well conducted schools located near them. Kemper Hall, occupying a beautiful site on the lake shore, is under the auspices of the Episcopal Church, and is a well established, excellent school for girls.

The public high school with its faculty of twelve teachers offers the usual courses preparatory to college, and also a four year commercial course, which fits young men and women for business positions demanding such preparation. The elementary schools furnish children with a well planned course, which includes manual training for the boys, and will soon include the domestic arts for girls.

Two private business colleges offer excellent facilities to those deserving preparation for office and business positions.

CHURCHES.

Many beautiful church edifices are found in Kenosha, and people of the various faiths may all find their desired place of worship.

KENOSHA'S PARKS

Kenosha has had the foresight to reserve in the older section of the city several small open spaces for park

purposes. Among these is Library Park, so called because it was made the setting for the beautiful Gilbert M. Simmons Memorial Library, shows to what perfection the landscape gardener's art may reach. Its smooth, green stretches, broken by carefully placed shrubbery, flower-beds, and walks, and shaded by trees, all combine to set off the elegant structure in the center, and make this park one of the most beautiful spots in the state.

Eichelman Park lies on the lake shore. Its well shaded seats, commanding a fine view of light-house, piers, and harbor-mouth, and "Old Michigan's" great stretch of blue water, make this beautiful little park the tired man's resting place. Besides these, there are Bain Park on Elizabeth Street and Union Park on Milwaukee Avenue.

It is believed that Kenosha will be wise enough to secure and reserve for park purposes, before it is too late, one or more of the desirable tracts of land lying outside its limits. The greater and more beautiful Kenosha of the future will need these acres of wood and field for the benefit and the pleasure of its people.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

- Has 3 Theaters.
- Has 6 Parks.
- Has 2 Hospitals.
- Has 26 Churches.
- Has 9 Public Schools and 5 Parochial.
- Has 4 Colleges.
- Has 70 Secret and Fraternal Societies.



Residence of George A. Yule.



Residences on Park Avenue.

THE KENOSHA BANKS.

By C. C. Brown.

THE banks in Kenosha are each doing a very successful and prosperous business, and the stockholders and officers of the banks are among the wealthiest and ablest business men and capitalists of the city.

The banking interests are increasing commensurate with the progress of the commercial, manufacturing and mercantile advancement of the city, the capital and surplus earnings having more than doubled in the last five years, while the deposits have grown to over \$3,502,562.89, and the last call from the comptroller of the currency shows the total resources of Kenosha bank to be \$3,837,760.45.*

The first National Bank was organized in 1852, and is the oldest bank in the county, located in its large office building, owned by the bank, in the heart of the city at the northwest corner of Main and Market streets. The institution transacts a general banking business and always maintained a reputation of the highest order for superior management of affairs and broad principles on which business is conducted, carefully guarding the interests of its depositors.

The Merchants and Savings Bank was established in 1897, and is steadily building for itself an enviable position among the banking institutions of the state. The bank is conveniently located in its fine office building at Main and Park streets, and affords every facility for the transaction of banking in all its branches, tendering all the courtesies usually extended by a well-conducted and obliging banking house.

*It can truly be said that the banks of Kenosha have taken care of the various business demands made upon them and that they have been important factors in the progress and growth of this beautiful city, the home of as worthy a class of people as can be found in any city on the Globe.

TRANSPORTATION—RAILROAD AND WATER

By F. H. Truax.

ONE of the most important factors in the growth and development of a city is its transportation facilities. In order to grow and develop, it must have easy access to its source of supply, and also to the large markets for the disposal of its products.

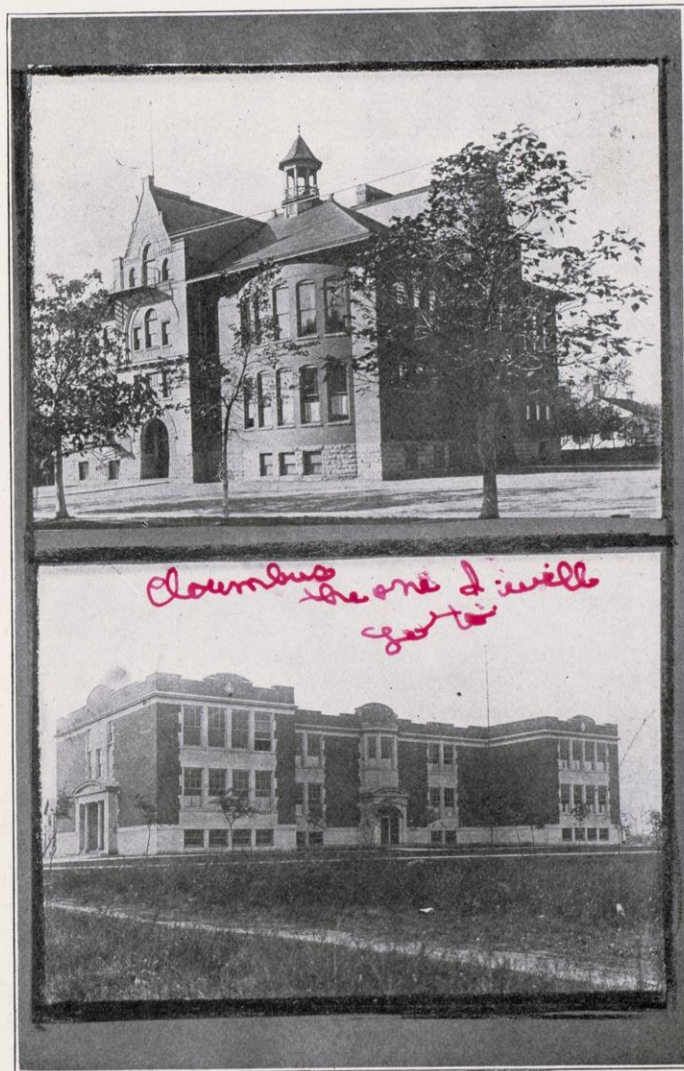
A glance at the map will convince the business man that Kenosha transportation facilities and location could hardly be improved upon. In the first place, we are very fortunately located on one of the best natural harbors of Lake Michigan. This fact enables us to enjoy a position impossible to an inland city; ever insuring the buyer the transportation benefits secured from the natural competition between rail and water carriers. It brings us in close touch with all the ports of the Great Lakes, enabling us to draw on the North and East as a source of supply, and upon the water rate basis.

In order to fully realize the importance of this condition, compare the rates on coal, lumber, etc., from East and North points to Kenosha as against some inland city of relative distance. This comparison you will find, favorable to Kenosha, via all-rail route, as well as by water, for to a very large extent, the rail rates are governed by the fact that Kenosha is competitive from a water standpoint.

Kenosha is also a "hunder per cent point." This means that we are on the same basis as Chicago on business destined to or from territory East of Buffalo. In other words, we can ship to or from New York at the same rates that apply to Chicago. Practically speaking, this condition only applies to lake ports between Milwaukee and Chicago. All other points West



Soldiers' Monument in Library Park.



Weiskopf School.
Columbus School.

and North of Chicago take a certain differential higher than the Chicago basis.

As you will notice by again referring to the map, Kenosha is the junction point of the Milwaukee, Kenosha and Rockford divisions of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, and due to its location occupies a strategic position difficult to duplicate; being assured a service from a freight and passenger standpoint that we could not hope to enjoy otherwise.

In fact, there is no lake port so advantageously located for the distribution of its products or of the products of the North and East (across the lake) to the West and North-West, as Kenosha is, for the Kenosha and Rockford Division of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company is the short line and reaches, through its junction points with other railroads, practically every point in the West and North-West.

We are, therefore, a logical point for the largest coal dock on the West Shore, on account of the fact that the water haul to Kenosha is the same as into Milwaukee, and distributing out of Kenosha would save a 33 mile rail haul and the transfer.

Kenosha is distinctly a city of the future, and as time goes on, will occupy a relatively more important position.

Our present transportation service could not be improved upon. We have 21 daily trains in each direction between Kenosha and Chicago; 17 daily trains in each direction between Kenosha and Milwaukee. The freight service is all that could be desired, inasmuch as the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company handle Kenosha's output specially; that is, trains are made up to take care of the outbound freight in time to get it to Chicago or connecting lines to connect with fast trains and scheduled trains in all directions.

The E. J. & E. Belt Railway is reached at Upton, and train schedule out of Kenosha is made in accordance with the E. J. & E., which enables us to insure delivery to connecting line within 12 hours after leaving Kenosha.

The Hill Steamboat Line has a daily freight and passenger service between Kenosha and Chicago, and also between Kenosha and Milwaukee. Shipments leaving here in the morning are in the hands of connecting lines in the afternoon, enabling us to make through package car connections the same day shipments leave Kenosha.

As a summary, would say, that at the present time Kenosha has all of the transportation facilities and service she can possibly use. This statement can be verified by conversing with any of the users of transportation in Kenosha.

PLACES OF INTEREST IN KENOSHA.

By F. L. Cotter.

Visit Library Park, wherein is located our beautiful Public Library, and the Lincoln and Soldiers' Monuments.

Visit the new City Hall.

See the beautiful residences on Durkee avenue.

Visit our Lake Shore Park for a fine view of Lake Michigan.

See our Municipal Bathing Beach.

See our large manufacturing plants.

See our new Automobile Race Course.

See our fine Harbor.

Visit our up-to-date Department Stores.



Residence of Frank L. Wells.
Residence of A. H. French.



Residence of W. J. Bermingham.
Residence of Michael Bode.

KENOSHA RETAIL MERCANTILE INTERESTS

By Arthur B. Ames

KENOSHA'S retail merchants, always enterprising and wide awake, have kept pace with the rapid growth of the city. Numerous changes and improvements for the better accommodation of the buying public have taken place in the last few years. Many handsome new business blocks have been erected along our busy thoroughfares. Nearly every business firm has enlarged and improved its facilities. Modern methods are employed everywhere, modern store fittings have been installed for the comfort of the patrons and stocks are so complete that they afford to the discriminating and loyal citizens of Kenosha opportunities of supplying their wants equal to those enjoyed by the inhabitants of much larger cities. Easy access to the best markets of the country enables Kenosha retailers to keep in touch with the latest fads and fashions, and to supply the tables with fresh fruits and vegetables both in and out of season. The sound and healthy condition of the retail trade in Kenosha is an important factor in the prosperity of the community. Every line of business is well represented by exclusive stores, and in addition there are several large department stores at which almost anything can be purchased. Sharp and lively competition holds prices to the lowest point consistent with the character of the merchandise carried, making Kenosha an attractive trading center for the people of the entire county.

KENOSHA REAL ESTATE OPPORTUNITIES.

By John H. Corcoran, Secretary Kenosha Industrial Association.

THE old saying that "Opportunity knocks but once at a man's door," is not true, as opportunity is ever present to be taken advantage of by the man when Kenosha real estate is under consideration.

In 1895, growth and prosperity made its appearance in Kenosha, and has remained with us ever since and all indications are that Kenosha is to continue the record of growth and prosperity made since said date.

Our city has awakened to the fact, that in order to reap it must first sow, and more has been done in the last 15 years than in its entire previous history in the matter of sewers, paved streets, schools, and other public buildings, and it has reaped the benefit as is easily demonstrated by an examination of the assessment rolls.

In the year 1894, the assessed valuation was \$1,497,224, with a tax rate of 3¾%; in the year 1900, the assessed valuation was \$1,811,418, with a tax rate of 5%; in 1910, the assessed valuation was \$19,689,655, with a tax rate of 13-10%.

In 1895, real estate values appeared high to many of our citizens. In 1900, they were shaking their heads, saying that there was a boom in real estate values, and that there would be a reaction. In 1910, their regret was that they did not invest in 1900, and in 1915 a great many more will be sympathizing with themselves for not taking advantage of the many opportunities in real estate now open to all, but which will be grasped by those who know that Kenosha has made good, will continue to do so and is on the map to stay.



Kenosha Masonic Temple



Kenosha Y. M. C. A.

THE KENOSHA POST OFFICE—RECEIPTS AND SERVICE.

By Robert V. Baker, Postmaster.

KENOSHA, the ninth largest city in the State of Wisconsin, shows evidence of her great progressiveness and high commercial standing when it is stated that in point of postal receipts Kenosha ranks seventh and has assumed this proud position after a ten-year struggle, having risen from twelfth place in 1900 to her present standing, and is now threatening her nearest leading competitors for higher honors. The receipts of the office have more than tripled in the past decade, having increased from \$20,196.31 in 1900 to \$69,871.13 in the year 1910.

In 1900 the business was conducted in quarters rented by the Post Office Department and was operated by ten employes, but in 1910 the business was moved into the beautiful new building erected by the Treasury Department at a cost of over \$65,000.00 and located in the heart of the business district. The building is handsomely equipped with the most modern improvements and latest facilities for the expeditious handling of mail matter, and in 1911 it requires thirty-five employes to handle the ever increasing business of the office.

The average number of pieces of mail handled daily is estimated at over 35,000. The business district is served with three deliveries and five collections daily and residential districts with two deliveries and two collections. These deliveries and collections of mail are made by fourteen city carriers who serve a population of over 22,000. There are also four rural routes emanating from the office, serving several thousand other patrons.

OUR KENOSHA HOMES.

By Wm. H. Purnell.

IN THE crown of happiness there are two radiant gems: Health and Home.

The man who builds his home amid surroundings that make for health is wise. He may be happy if in his heart is the philosophy that makes happiness possible.

Kenosha has always been famed for its beauties as a city of homes, a very large portion of our citizens owning their own homes, and this may account to a large extent for their eagerness to do all in their power to make their city even more attractive.

The Kenosha streets and avenues lined as they are with thousands of shade trees, the well kept lawns, flowers and foliage are particularly attractive and accentuate the beauty of the city.

The location of the city on Lake Michigan gives it a climate as healthful as any city in the north, and during the summer it is delightful, possessing every element of a summer resort. The heated terms here are exceedingly brief, being alleviated by cooling currents from the lake.

A city may be well located, maintained on right principles and still be undesirable, unless the people are progressive, friendly, open-hearted, thoughtful and kind. Kenosha people are hospitable, intelligent and patriotic. They believe in Kenosha and invite you to come and be one of them, if you are worthy and clean.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

- Has 39 Fraternal Societies.
- Has 2 Theaters.
- Has 1 Skating Rink.



First National Bank Building.



View of River.

ELECTRIC RAILWAYS AND CONNECTIONS.

By S. P. Loughridge.

KENOSHA Electric Railway Company's system is superior to that of any Electric Railway in any town in the State of the size of Kenosha, having seven and one-half miles of track all of the girder rail type, laid in concrete, and operating eight cars, giving a ten-minute service to all points in the city. The good service is largely due to the intelligence and loyalty of the operators, who are at all times ready in any manner to assist strangers in Kenosha.

The city line connects with the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railroad Company's lines at its two stations in Kenosha, Grand Avenue and Elizabeth Street. The Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railroad Company is probably the finest interurban line in the country, giving hourly service to Racine and Milwaukee, as well as to Waukegan and Chicago. The limited trains on this line run every three hours and are equipped with fine buffet and dining-car service. Chartered cars of this company are brought over the lines of the local company to any point in the city at prices which are very reasonable.

The Kenosha Electric Railway Company's lines also connect with the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company's lines at the north limits of the city. This line gives hourly service to Racine and Milwaukee.

PUBLIC UTILITIES—WATER.

By Roger N. Kimball.

Kenosha has an abundance of pure lake water, the supply being taken from artesian wells and Lake Michigan. Water rates are as low or lower than any cities in Indiana, Illinois or Wisconsin. Water mains of ample size cover the whole of the city. The plant is operated by the Water Commission of the City of Kenosha.

GAS.

Gas is supplied by the Kenosha Gas & Electric Co. at lower rates than any city in Wisconsin except Milwaukee, and the rates for gas for industrial purposes are lower than Chicago. Gas is used in large quantities for industrial purposes by Thos. B. Jeffery Co., Simmons Mfg. Co., Badger Brass. Co., Chicago Brass Co., and The Chicago-Kenosha Hosiery Co. The rates for gas are \$1.00, 80 cents and 60 cents.

ELECTRICITY.

Electricity is furnished by the Kenosha Gas & Electric Co. for light and power purposes. New rates have recently been introduced which should compel every manufacturer, large or small, to use electric power and light.

All the public utilities are operated under the supervision of the Railroad Commission of Wisconsin.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

By A. W. Lewis.

Kenosha has an efficient fire and police department. Kenosha is essentially a city of homes.

The Allen Tannery is the largest tanners of harness leather in the world.

The Badger Brass Mfg. Co. are the largest manufacturers of motor lamps in the world.



The Kenosha Hospital.



View on Prairie Avenue.

AMUSEMENTS, CLUBS, LODGES.

By Fred Baebenroth, Jr.

KENOSHA, in all probability, offers more to the homeseeker than any city in Wisconsin. The lodges are all flourishing and each order is of the highest standard. The Masons are very strong, and own a beautiful home in the heart of the city, likewise the Knights of Columbus and the Knights of Pythias.

The Elks in Kenosha are exceptionally strong, dispensing good fellowship and promoting charity to the degree that has attracted the attention of the traveller often and endeared itself to the newcomer on many an occasion.

On the shore of Lake Michigan, near the southern limits, lies the Kenosha Country Club, certainly an ideal spot for the golfer, the links being second to none in the state. The hospitality of this Club and the warmth with which you are received, makes it a veritable Bohemia.

The shore on the north limits is favored with an ideal bathing beach and as this is a municipal proposition, it is kept in perfect shape, the pavilion, beach and bath-houses being under the direct supervision of life-savers and beach police.

Living in Kenosha, you surely are surrounded with the best in this country and the environments highly elevating, besides the numerous parks filled with all sorts of amusements, Kenosha enjoys the reputation of having a theater under the management of a thorough theatrical man, playing the first and best companies on the major circuit and presenting nothing but the legitimate.

Kenosha also has a first-class vaudeville house and a number of five-cent moving picture shows.

When all this has been said, you can begin to realize what a perfect place Kenosha is to live in, and now add to this the good-fellowship and warmth of its inhabitants, whether you be a Hoo-Hoo or a Yip-Saw, you will find companionship here that is unsurpassed.

BRIEF FACTS ABOUT KENOSHA.

By A. W. Lewis.

- Has 1 Bathing Beach.
- Has 8 Five-cent Picture Shows.
- Has Yachting, Fishing, Golfing, Baseball, etc., etc.
- Has a new Post Office, cost \$65,000. Receipts for 1910, \$69,871.13.
- Has a new Library, cost \$150,000, containing 27,000 volumes.
- Has a new City Hospital, cost \$100,000.
- Has a new Y. M. C. A., Country Club, Yacht Club, Women's Club, Masonic Temple and Elks' Hall.
- Has a new Municipal Bathing Beach.
- Kenosha is 51 miles from Chicago.
- Kenosha is 34 miles from Milwaukee.
- Kenosha has daily steamboat service, twice daily, to Chicago and Milwaukee.
- Kenosha has 132 passenger trains (steam and electric) arrive and depart from city every day.
- The Tax Rate is \$1.30 per \$100—covering city, state, county and school taxes.
- The Simmons Mfg. Co. is the largest manufacturers in the world of iron and brass beds.
- Population in 1850 was 3,466.
- Population in 1900 was 11,606.
- Population in 1910 is 21,371.
- There are several thousands residents just outside of the City Limits.



Residences on Durkee Avenue.



View on Prairie Avenue.

KENOSHA'S LEADING INDUSTRIES.

	Employees.
Simmons Mfg. Co.....	2,300
Thos. B. Jeffreys & Co. (Automobiles).....	1,300
Chicago Brass Co.....	900
Bain Wagon Works.....	300
Allen's Sons Tannery.....	1,200
Badger Brass Mfg. Co.....	600
Cooper Underwear Co.....	300
Chicago-Kenosha Hosiery Co.....	900
Frost Mfg. Co.	150
Kenosha Knitting Co.	30
United Refrigerator Co.....	250
Windsor Spring Co.....	75
Pettit Malting Co.	20
Anderson Bros.	10
H. E. Hansen Co.	20
Frank L. Wells Co.	85
Kenosha Creamery	12
E. C. & F. W. Becker	6
J. P. Pirsch	10
Peter Pirsch & Co.	30
J. B. Wallig	20
L. C. Thonsen & Co.....	10
Kenosha Chemical Co.....	5
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By A. W. Lewis.

Eight families from Hannibal, N. Y., settled here in 1835, and from 1841 to 1850, it was known as Southport. The name of Kenosha was adopted in 1850 and chartered as a City at that time.

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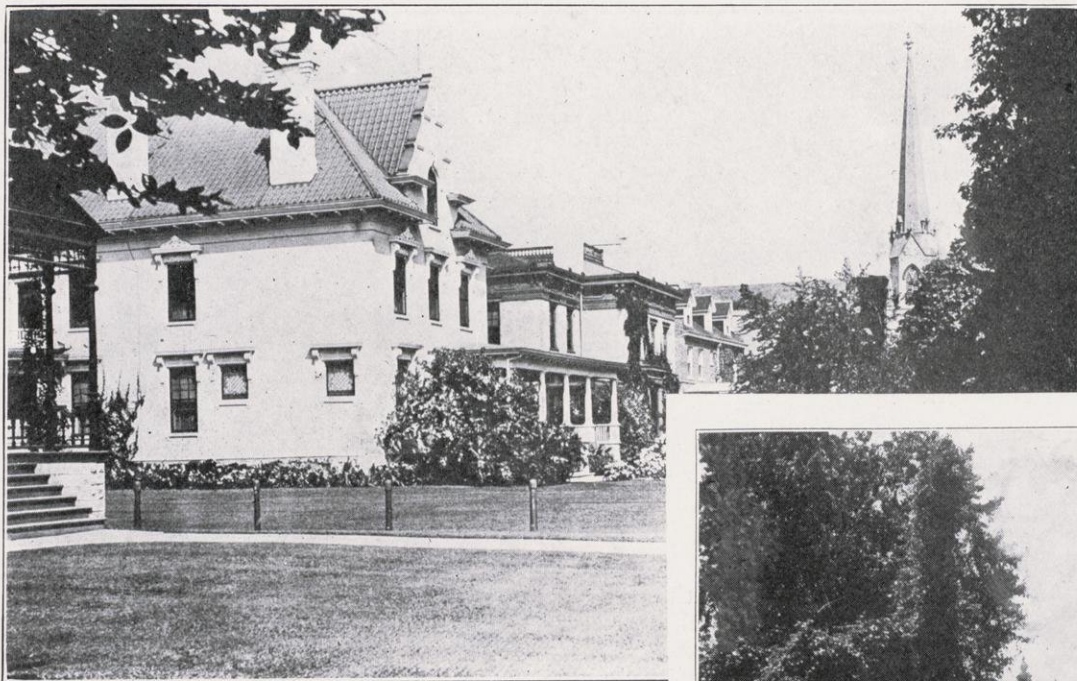
Kenosha has a fine harbor and a U. S. Life-Saving Station.

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Kenosha has fine electric street railway service and connections.

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View on Chicago Street



View on Park Avenue.

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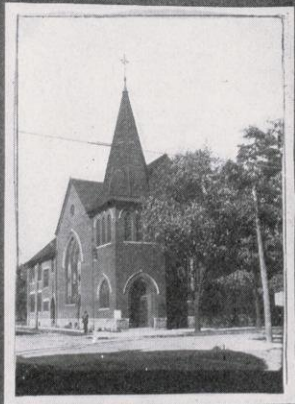
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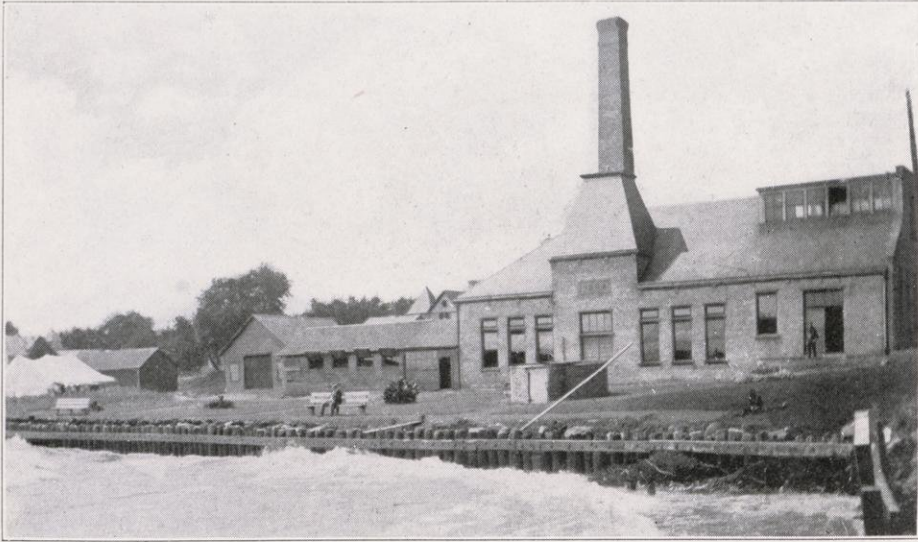
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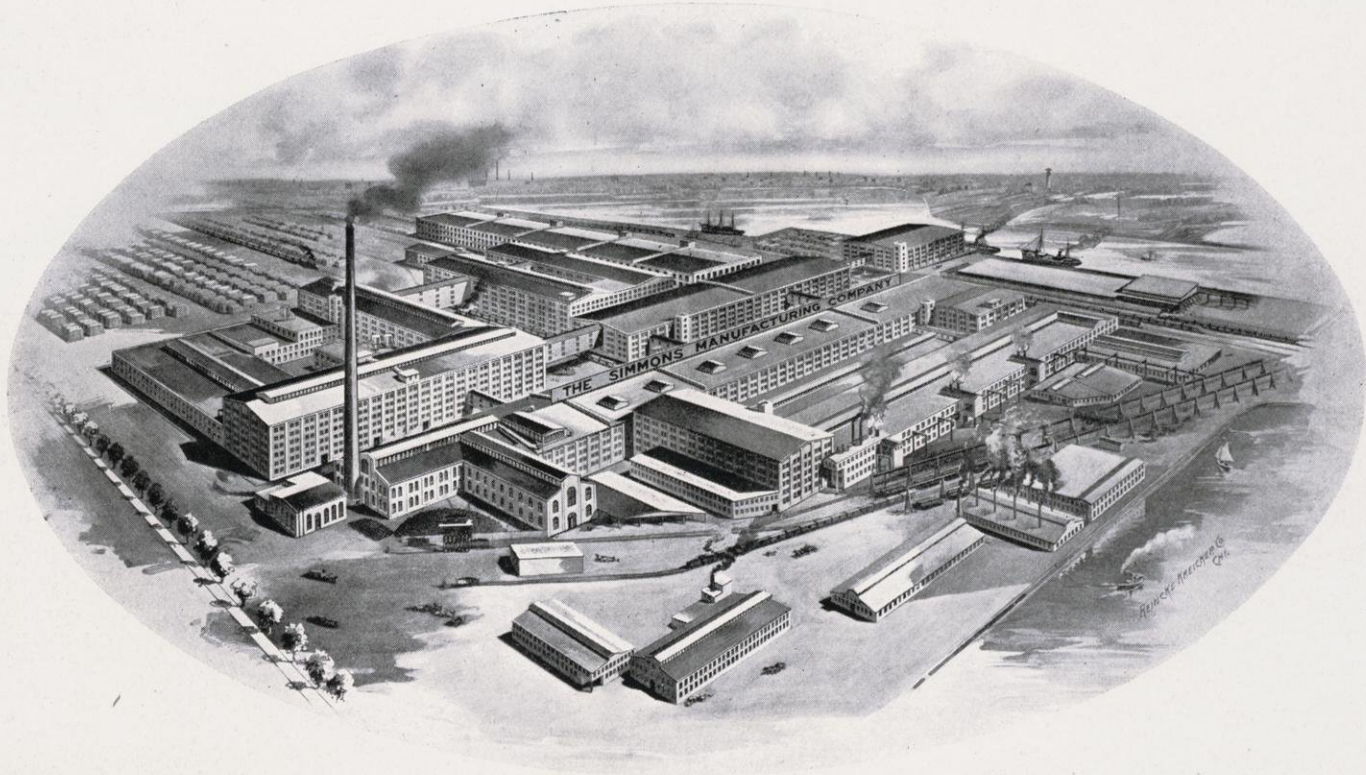
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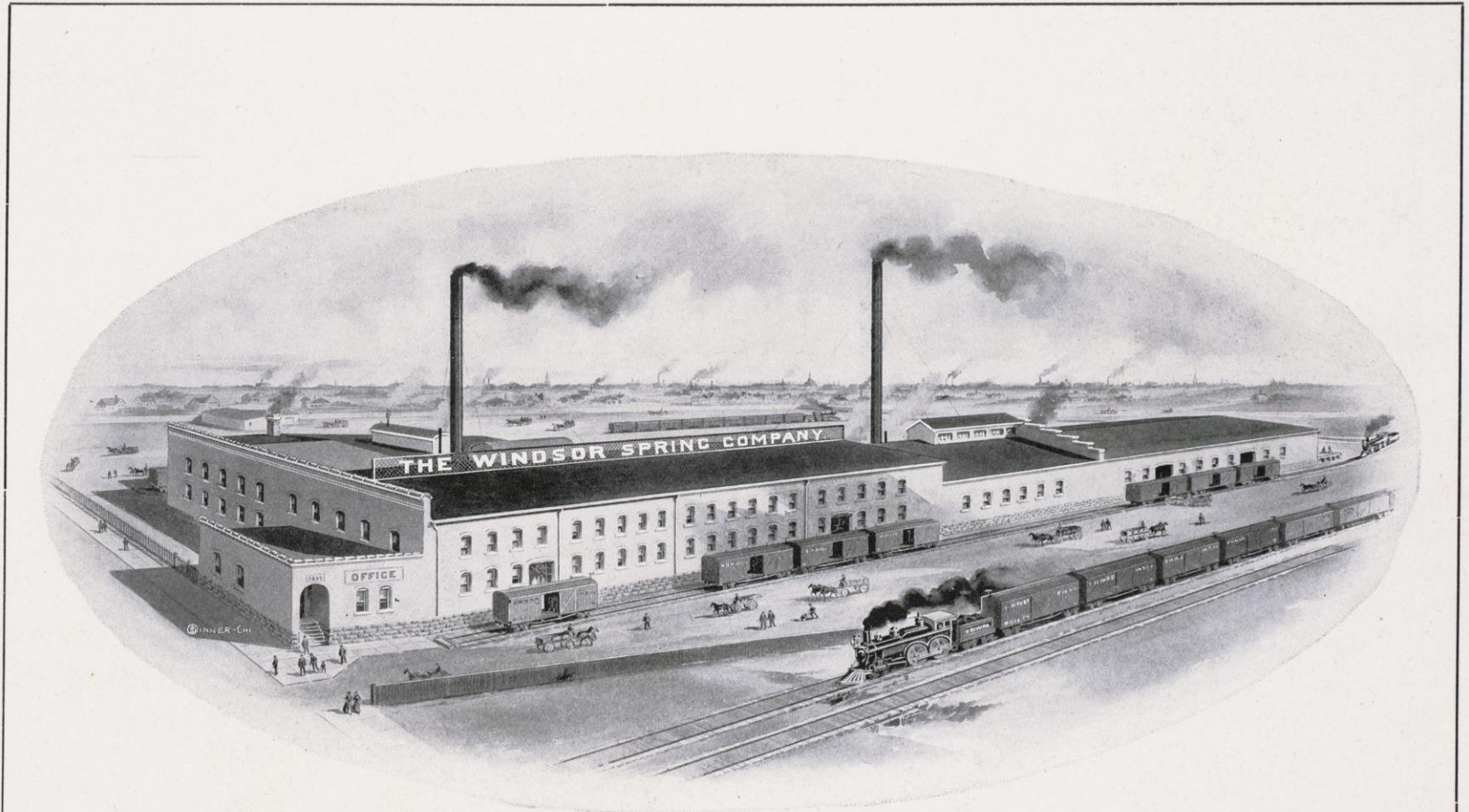
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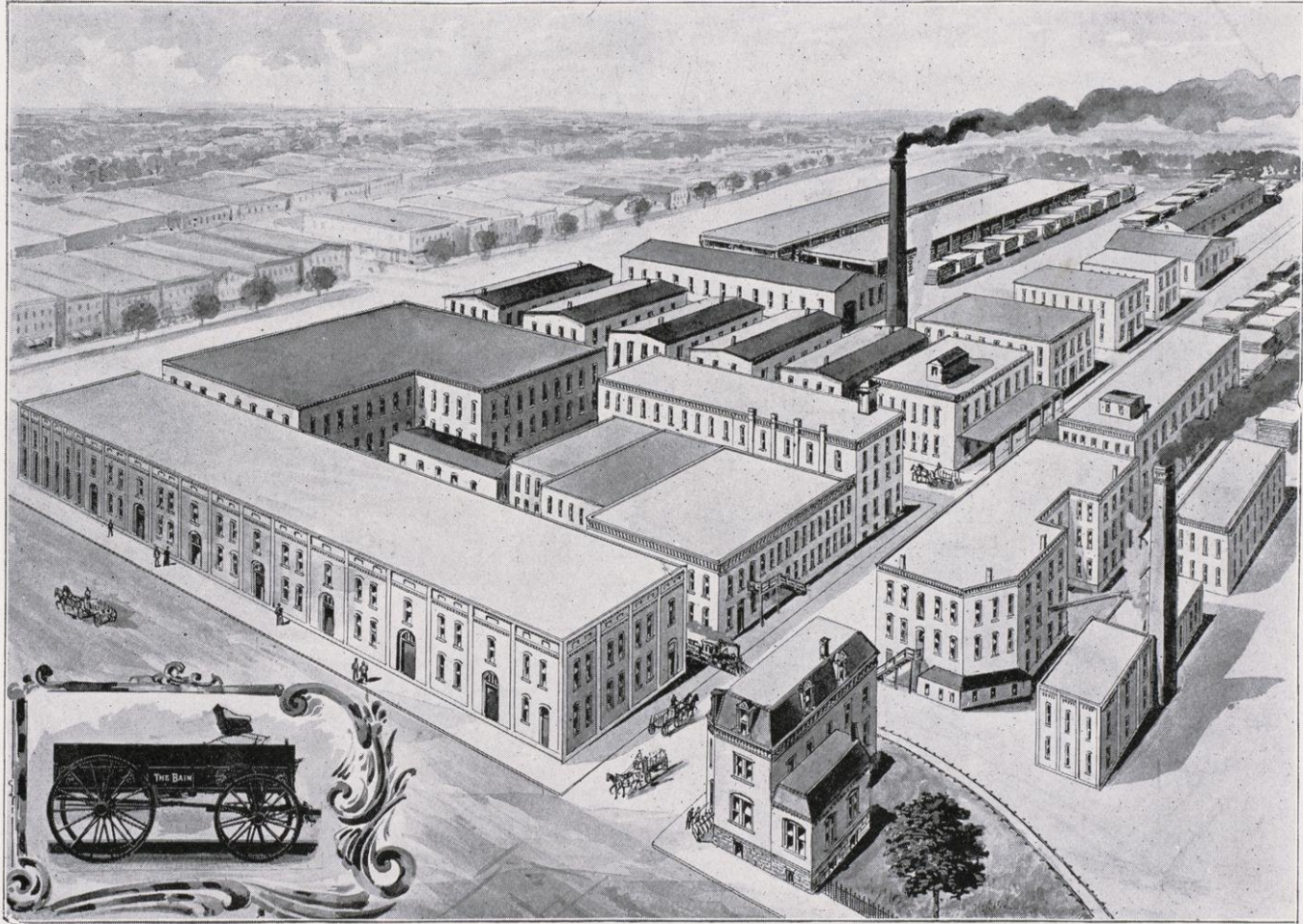
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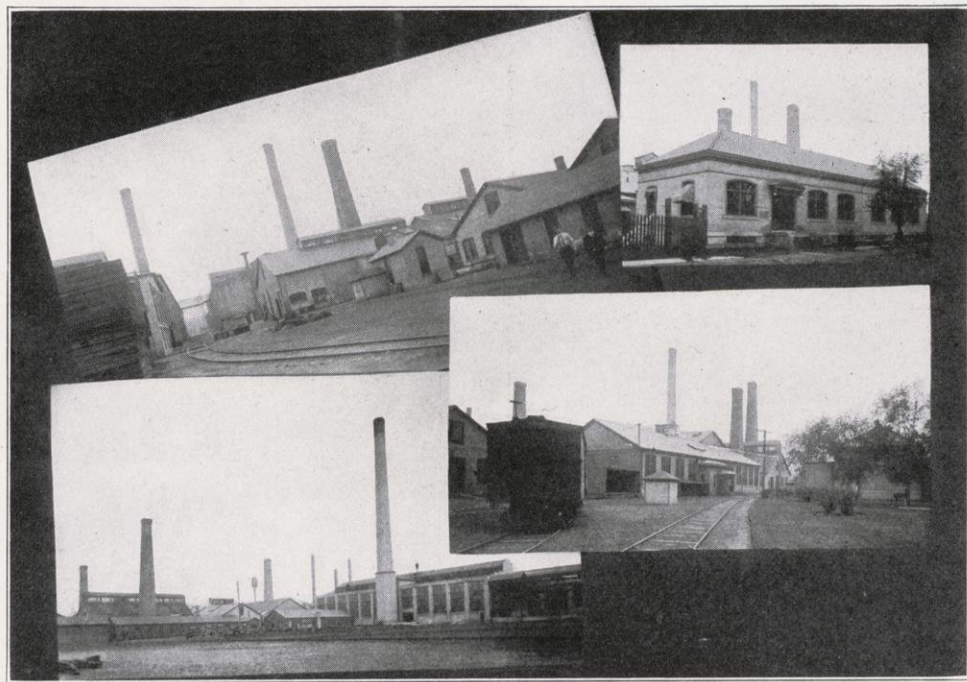
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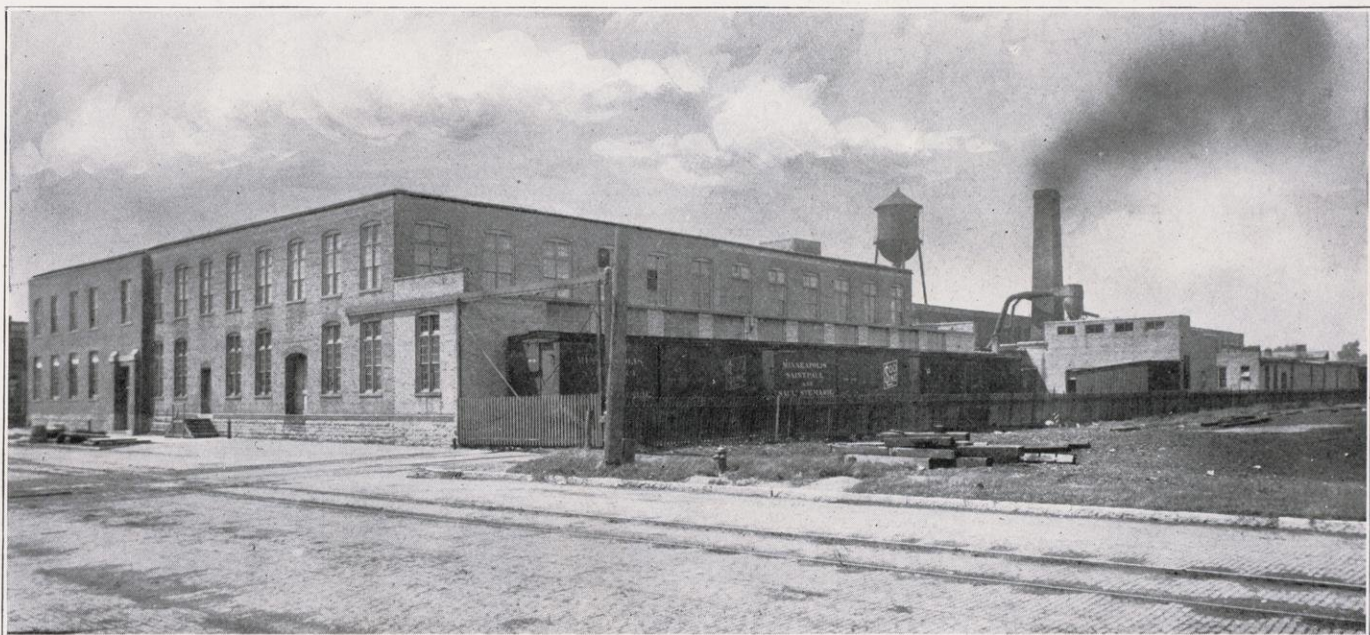
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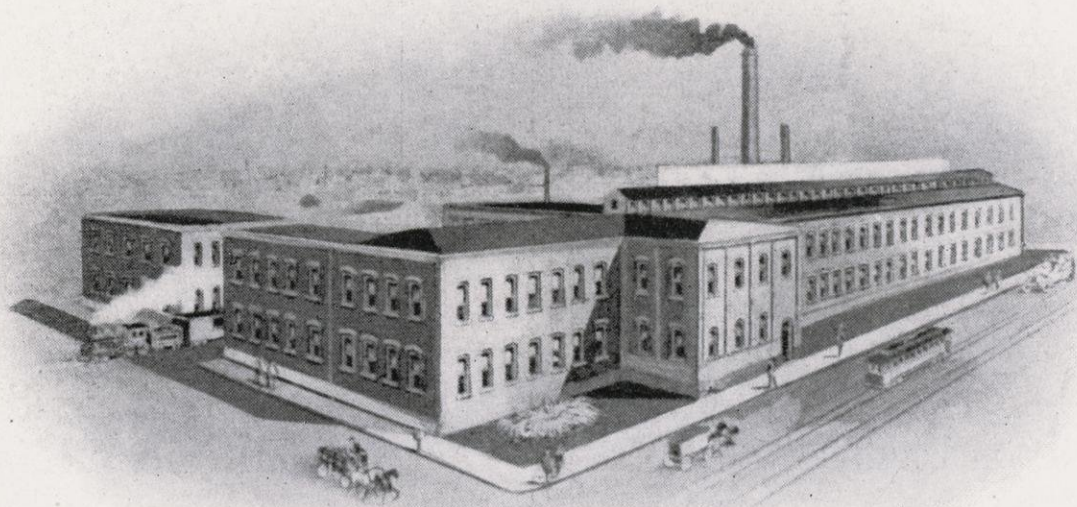
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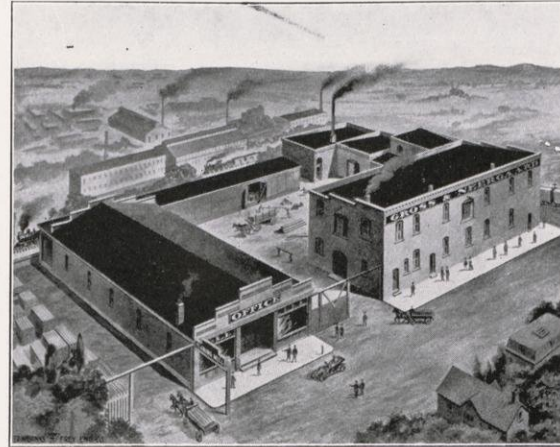
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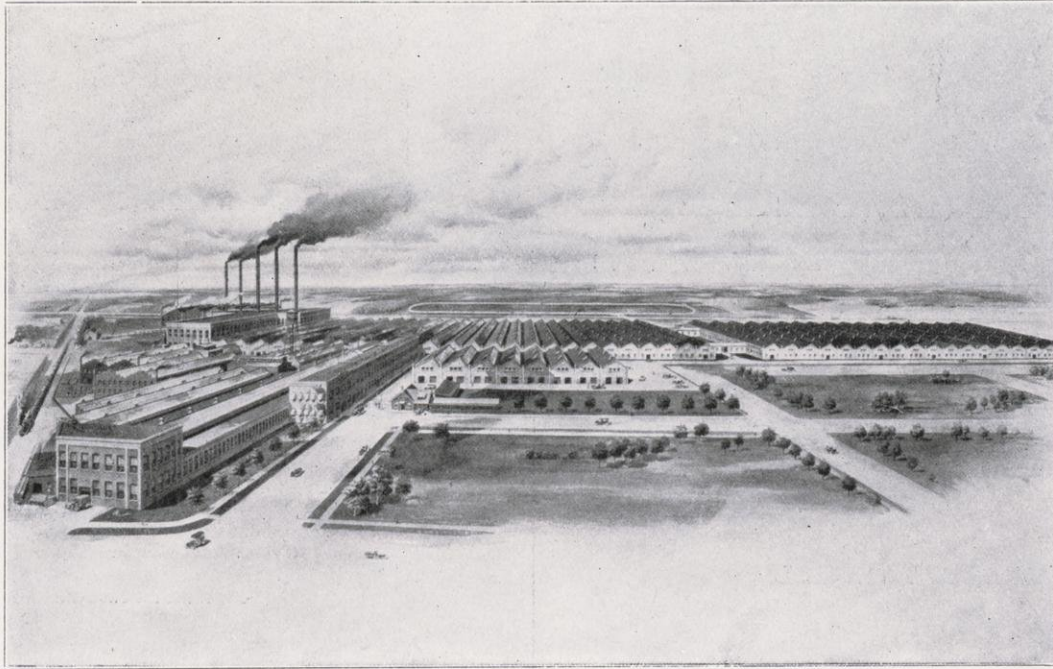
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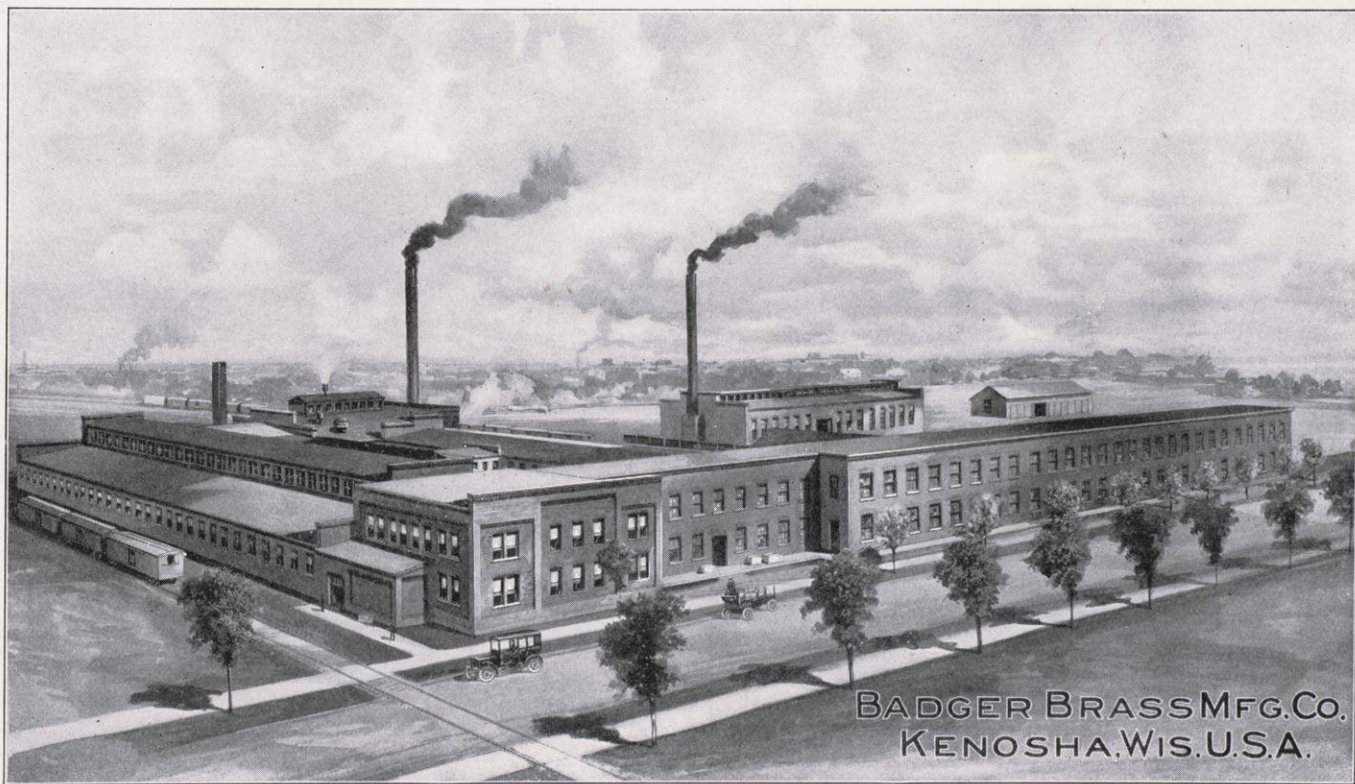
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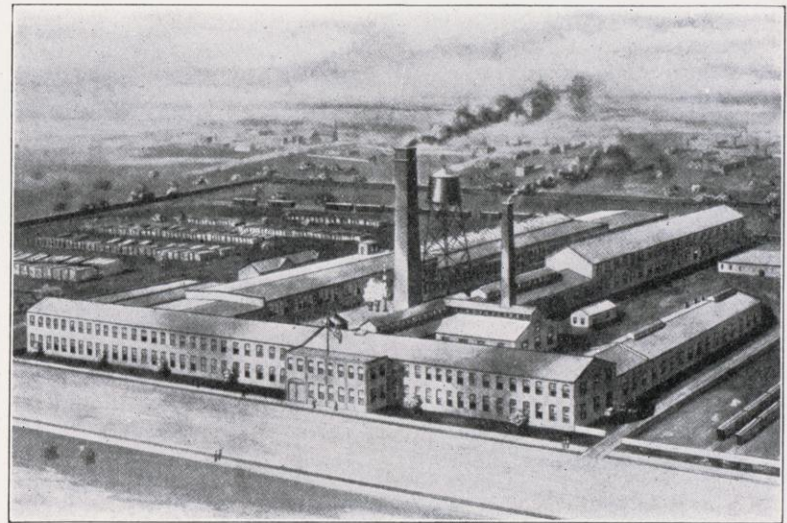
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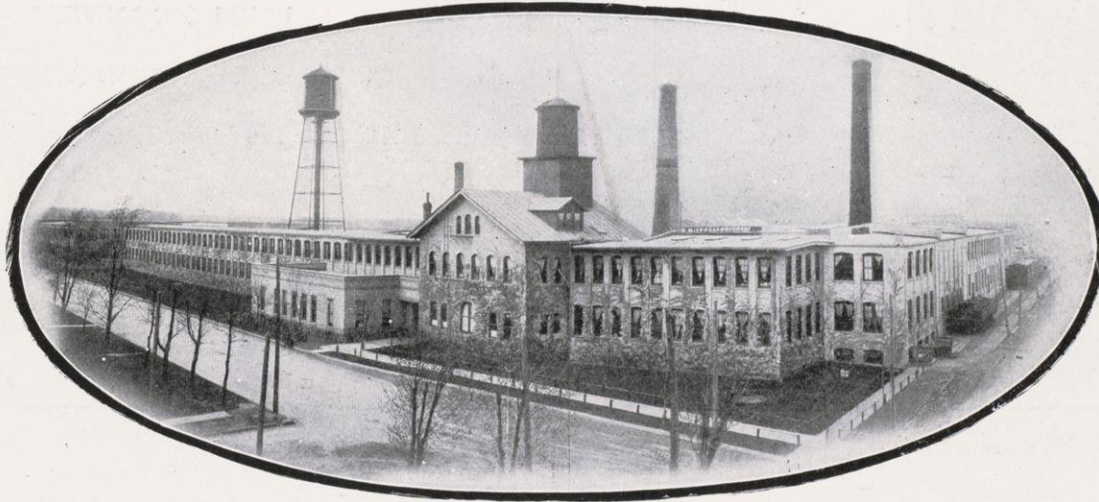
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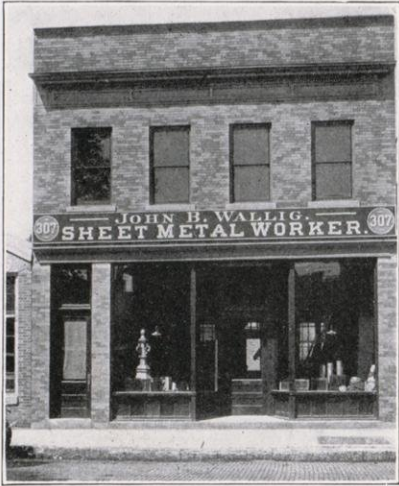
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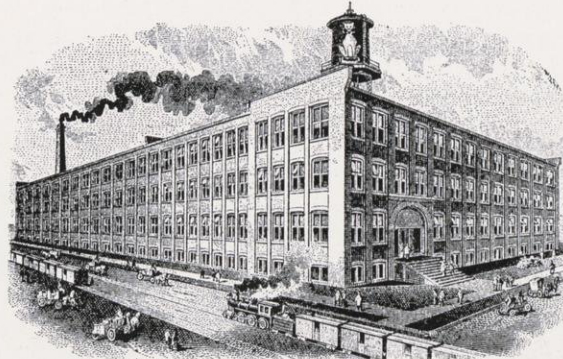
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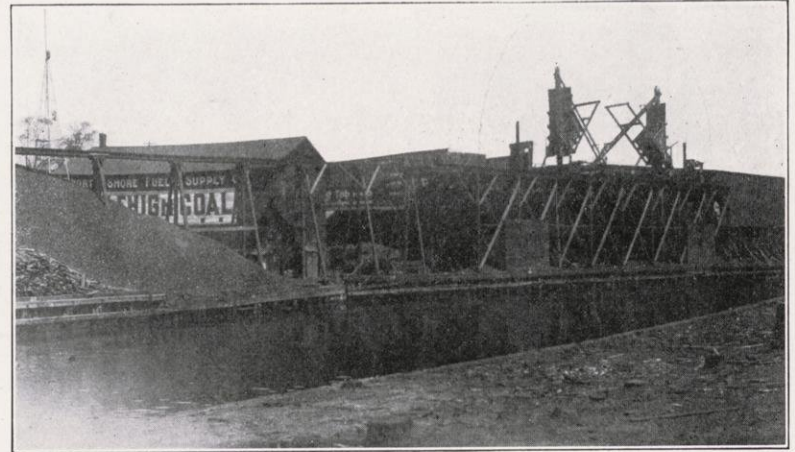
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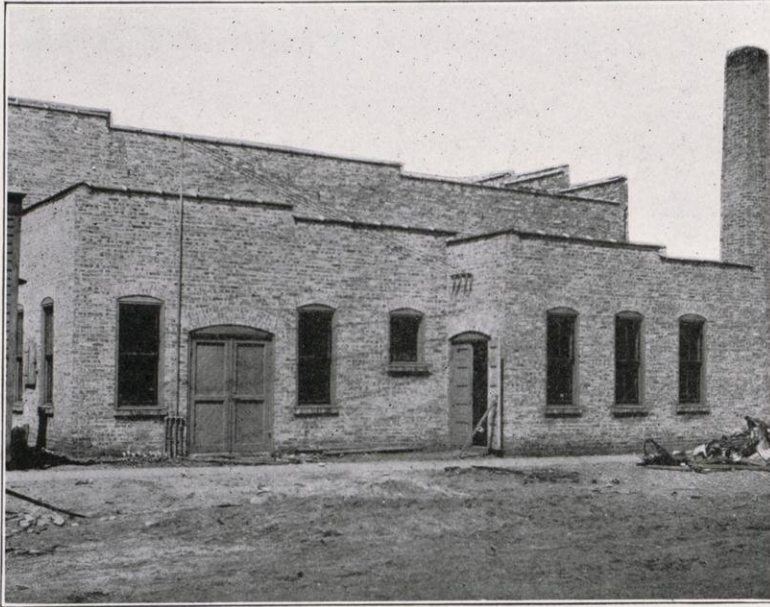
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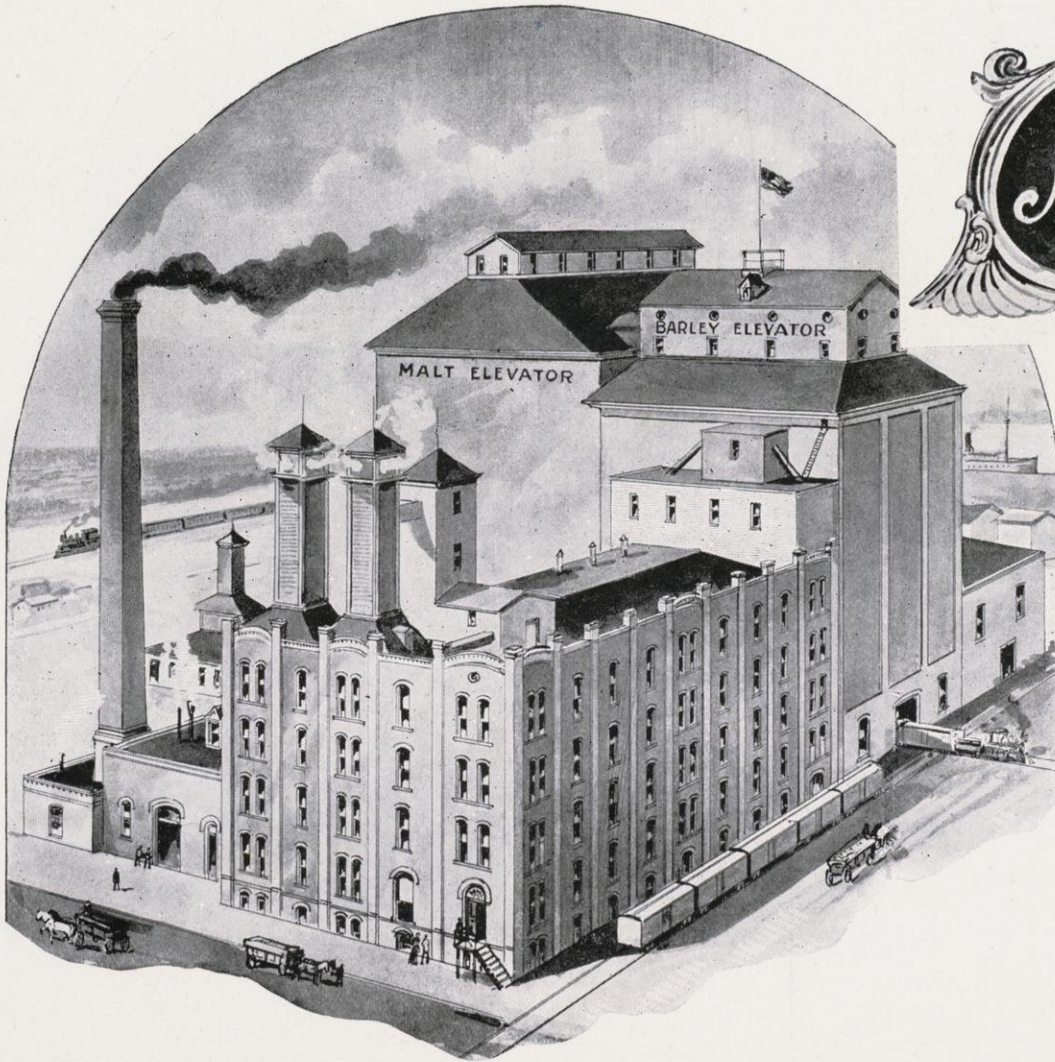
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