

of one-over-one, double-hung, metal sash windows. The lugsills and lintels are of stone. The cornice area of the second story is elaborated with corbelled brick and rectangular patterns.

20. Description of environment and outbuildings.

101-105 W. Broadway fills the entire lot at the southwest corner of Main and Broadway streets. It is surrounded by other commercial buildings within a linear district.

21. History and significance

This two-part commercial block was constructed between 1905 and 1909, and retains some detailing on the second story which reflect its early commercial heritage. As a large commercial structure, it housed a variety of enterprises over the years, but the anchor (101 W. Broadway) for many decades was a drug store. 101 W. Broadway at first housed the F.M. Applegate Confectionery & News shop for a short period, but later became the site for A.M. Howard Drug (which moved from a few doors down at 113 W. Broadway). By 1922, it had become the Rexall Drug Store. From the 1900's through at least the 1920's, 103 W. Broadway was the location for the S.G. Johnson Clothing Store (later S.G. Johnson & Son). In 1940, Madden's Dry Goods Co. was at this address. 105 W. Broadway housed Cole & Miller Meats, later S.B. Cole, Meat, through the 1900's and 1910's, and the "Hometown Grocery No. 2" in 1940. Office space was offered on the second story, housing such enterprises as Silvers & Berridge, Real Estate in 1908. At the rear (south) of the building, small businesses often operated, such as the K.C. Laundry at 108 S. Main in 1908. In the 1940's, the second story was used for rooming. Although altered on the ground level, this building is not only an example of small-town commercial architecture, but reflects the variety of commercial enterprises found in Excelsior Springs. While every small town contained a drug store or two, Excelsior Springs had a proportionately high number due to its role as a resort town. This building housed one of several which were located on Broadway.

22. Sources of information.

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