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The Way We Were

“1490” Mulholland

1891 Plat: Site Empty
1912 Sanborn Map: Carpenter Shop
2010: Parking Lot

1920s – 1930s Kerl’s Grist Mill/Carpenter Shop

Present Parking Lot

“1480” Mulholland

1891 Plat: Site Empty
1912 Sanborn Map: Dwelling (frame duplex)
2010: Parking Lot/Vacant Building

c.1912 Frank Kerl Residence

Present Vacant Building

1470 Mulholland

1891 Plat: Site Empty
1912 Sanborn Map: Dwelling
2010: Private Residence

1852 *The Tanner House*
The rear of the home dates from the Mormon Era. At some time the house was razed and partially rebuilt.

1863 – 1963 Sophia Tanner Harsch Residence
Sophia lived in this house for almost 100 years, dying just short of her 100th birthday.

Present Private Residence

1. 1891 Plat and 1912 Sanborn Maps were used as baselines for building locations. They are available for viewing at the Nauvoo Historical Society’s Weld House Museum, 1380 Mulholland.
2. Addresses in quotation marks indicate no existing structure at this location in 2010.



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“1490” Mulholland

Presently, not much is known about this site in its early years, other than the fact it was a frame building and carpenter’s shop c. 1912. Old timers remember it as being Frank Kerl’s grist mill c. 1920’s-1930’s, and, that it was noisy.

“1480” Mulholland

Presumably, the Kerl residence was located somewhere in the parking lot that fronts Mulholland. It is not known why the 1912 plat indicates two different living quarters in the same building.

1470 Mulholland

The original brick building (c. 1852) set slightly back on the lot with attached frame dwelling in front was noted at being at this location in 1912. (The rear part of the home dates from the Mormon Era. At some time the house was partially razed and rebuilt.) It was known as the “Tanner House” as John Tanner and wife Mary lived here in 1852; their daughter, Sophia Tanner and eventual husband, her father’s business partner, Henry Harsch, lived here their whole married life. Sophia Tanner Harsch, continued living here after his death, just missing her 100th birthday by a few months (1863-1963).

1460 and 1450 Mulholland

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1891 Plat: Site Empty (Note: Building was here in 1891)

1912 Sanborn Map: Wagon Shop

2010: Empty Building

1852-1902 **Tanner's Wagon Shop**
Partnered with Lucius Hemmy, a blacksmith

Tanner, a non-Mormon, helped build some of the wagons and hand carts for the Mormon's west ward trek before he established his shop at this location.

1902 – 19__ **Harsch's Wagon Shop**

Present Vacant Building

1450 Mulholland

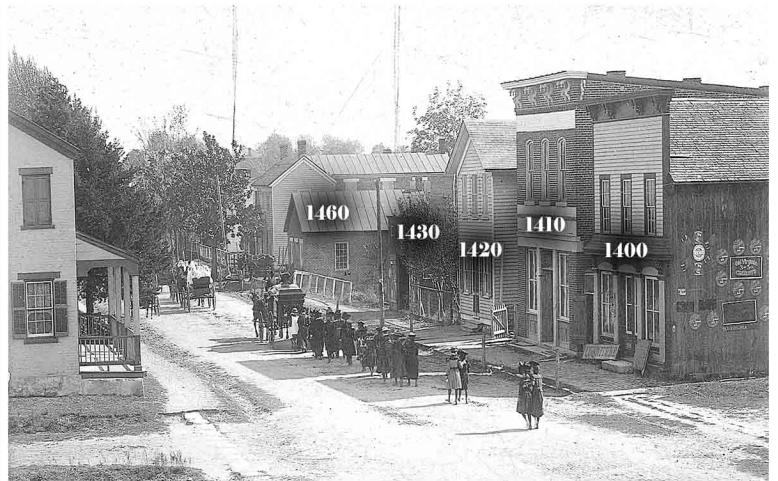
1891 Plat: Site Empty

1912 Sanborn Map: Site Empty

2010: Empty Building

1960s **Jerome Manka's Ice Cream Shop**

Present Vacant Building



1460 Mulholland

In 1852, John Tanner built a wagon shop at this location (See 1460 in picture above). (Is the existing bldg. THE original wagon shop? 1891 Plat makes no mention of it.)

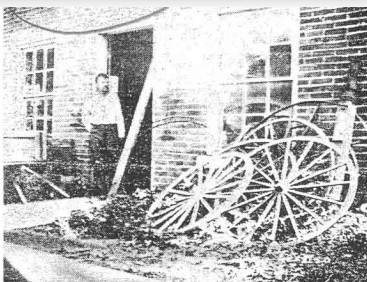
John Tanner came to Nauvoo in 1847, during the Mormon exodus. (Albeit late in Mormon history in Nauvoo, it is said that he helped make some of the wagons and hand carts for the westward trek.) A Swiss native, Tanner worked locally for others until 1852, when he built his own wagon shop at this location. From 1852 to 1902, he partnered with blacksmith Lucius Hemmy, who had a shop across the street to the north.

In 1902, Tanner's daughter Sophia, mentioned earlier, married Henry Harsch, who took over his father-in-law's business, and it became "Henry Harsch's Wagon Shop." It remained a viable business until 19__.

Point of interest: Wagon maker John Tanner and wife Mary Tanner were not Mormon; however, they shared the same names as Mormons John and Mary Tanner, who resided in Nauvoo during the Mormon Era (1839-1846). They were not related but, undoubtedly, the similar names could create some confusion.

1450 Mulholland

Presently, a building, that has been used as an ice cream shop, operated by Jerome Manka in the 1960's and '70's, followed by a series of food services by various operators, exists. A driveway is to its west.



Tanner's Wagon Shop in early 1900s



A view of the former Tanner's Wagon Shop in the 1950s

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