

128 S. Main, American Hotel—1916

Built on the site of E.L. Johnson’s horse-shoeing business, the American Hotel was in operation until it became the Anchor Inn in 1975.

120-122 S. Main, Hutchinson Implement Co.—1912

Built on the site of Colee’s Harness Shop, *The Hutchinson Gazette* occupied this building in 1919. It later became the Hutchinson Implement Co. and the McCenzies Body Shop. Currently the Anchor Inn.

116-118 S. Main—Hutchinson Auto and Tractor School—1908

This rare two-story auto facility housed the Hutchinson Auto and Tractor School in the 1920’s. WWII sailors danced at the Oak Leaf Dance Hall on the second floor. Now the ArtisTree.

121 S. Main, O’Brian’s Grocery—1907

O’Brian sold his medicinal oil from this site. Later, for many years, the building was used as a billiards parlor. Now Armstrong’s Antiques.

123 S. Main, Magers Agricultural Implements—1896

This store, which has housed a grocery store, shoe repair shop, pawn shop, and loan office, is one of the oldest frame structures in Hutchinson. Currently Memory Lane Antiques.



129 S. Main, Hess Feed Store—1919

This building housed the Hess Feed Store in 1919; by 1933 it was Dillon Mercantile. In 1951 it became B & Main Restaurant. Now Tesori Boutique.

201-205 S. Main, Home Theater—1901, altered 1929

Built with seats for 1,200 people, it housed the Home Theater in 1919, then was a filling station in 1933, Weeks Drugstore, a barbershop, and a restaurant in 1941. Currently Apron Strings.

221-223 S. Main, Knorr-Schlaudt Wholesale Notion Co.—1906

The Knorr-Schlaudt salesman covered Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. It was known as the Guymon-Petro Company in 1951. Currently the Stevens Building.

225-227 S. Main, Oldest Building in the Historic District—1876

The Mill was organized by C.C. Hutchinson as the Water Power Co., but was sold and converted to steam in 1880. It was remodeled as a grocery warehouse in 1902 for Gonder-Petro.

CROSS MAIN STREET TO THE EAST SIDE

200 S. Main, First Courthouse / Dillon’s Food Store—1873

Built prior to 1900, this building was the first and second courthouse (built in 1900) for Hutchinson. By 1941 it housed Dillon’s Food Store. Currently the Salvation Army Thrift Store.



Self-Guided Walking Tour of Historical Buildings in Downtown Hutchinson

Soldiers & Sailors Monument 1st and Poplar



Start at Avenue B and Main Street’s east side, go north and cross before bridge to the west side and proceed south.

1 N. Main, First National Bank—1876

Architect Daniel Burnham designed Hutchinson’s first skyscraper costing \$125,000 in 1911. It was renovated in 1974. This is the site of First National Bank’s original building in 1876.

3 N. Main, E. L. Meyer Drug Store—1875

1875-1880 E. L. Meyer was a druggist before he founded the First National Bank of Hutchinson.

5-7 N. Main, Hutchinson’s First Building—1875

A.F. Horner built the first building on his free lot. Later this was the site of the first real estate office and post office, which became a hotel when a canvas was put across the end of the room.

101 N. Main, Reno House—1871

Site of the first building solely a hotel, the 1871 Reno Hotel was replaced in 1912 by the Reno House. The American National Bank building became Hutchinson National Bank. Now Allie’s Deli.

103 N. Main, Strand Theater—1913

The Strand Theater occupied this site in 1913. It later was called the Deluxe Theater. Currently Carl’s Bar & Deli.

111-115 N. Main, Kress Five and Dime—1933

Art Deco replacement for original Kress building erected late 1890’s. Now home to Bear Blessings.

119 N. Main, Stallman Block—1889

This building has housed Star Clothiers, Nussbaum’s and Meschkes Men’s Clothing. Currently the Sports Shack.

123 N. Main, European Hotel—1888

The façade was added in 1925. The Hotel is listed in 1909 as occupying the upper level.

127 N. Main—1888

This building was altered in 1960 and rehabilitated in 1991. Housed Bussinger Clothiers, Hoagland Clothing, Watson’s Clothing, other offices, and was a boarding house. Now Westphal Jewelers.

CROSS MAIN STREET AT 2ND AVENUE TO EAST

200 N. Main, Citizens Bank—1886

Since its original construction, the Higley or Sidlinger Block has always housed a bank or other financial institution. Currently Oppenheimer & Co.



126 N. Main, Whiteside Building—1904

An early skylight drew Morton Interiors, McInturff Photo Studio, and Three Sisters clothing store. The site originally was a livery stable. Currently Cottonwood Quilts.



122 N. Main, Krous Building—1905

Replaced original 1899 Krous Building, altered in 1960 and rehabilitated in 1988. Housed Jenkins & Sons Music, Jones O’Neal Shoes and now is Payton Optical.

100 –102 N. Main, Wiley Building—1912

1882 Opera House preceded Vernon Wiley’s \$350,000, 1912 Classical Revival style skyscraper, the tallest building west of the Mississippi and home of Hutchinson Board of Trade and then Wiley’s Department Store.

Go East on 1st Avenue to the Historic Fox Theatre



Start at Sherman and Main Street and go north on west side of Main Street