

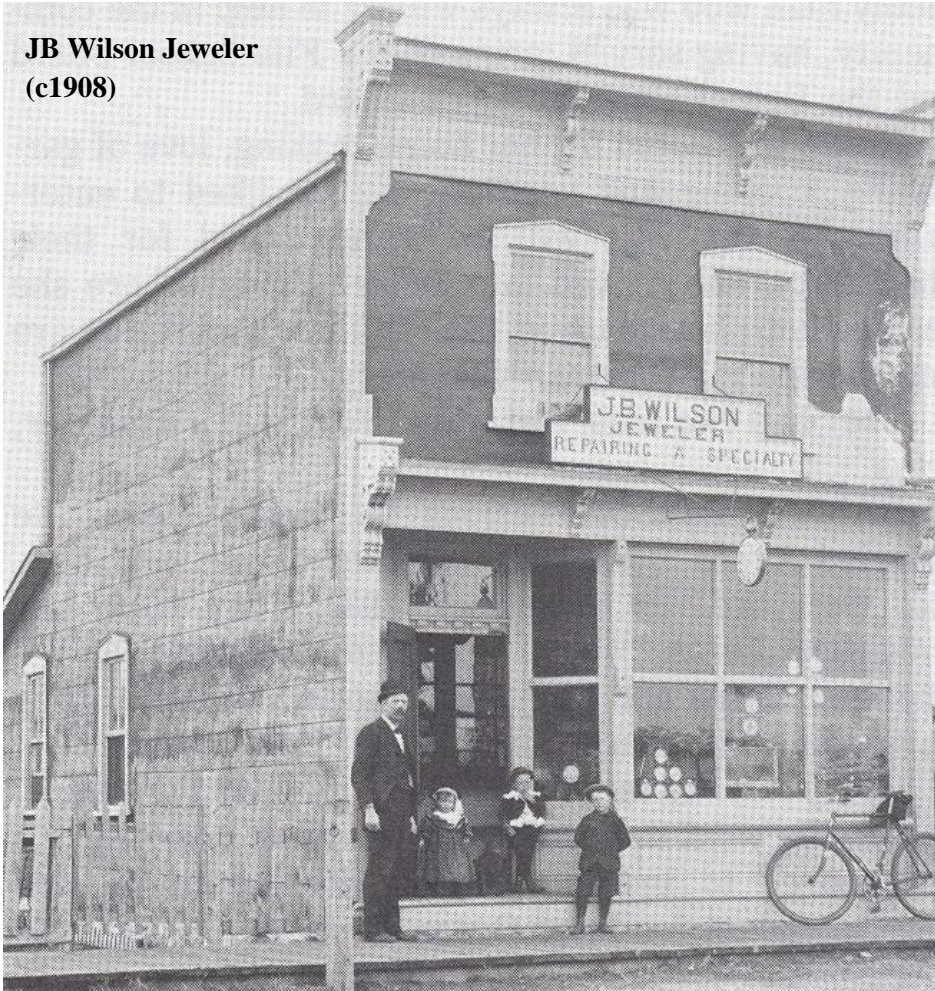
A Walk to Remember...

Block 2, Lot 1, 2 & 3

Subway

This original building on this location was built in the early 1900s by John B. (J.B.) Wilson to serve as his jewelry store when he relocated from the E.J. Huxley building on Broadway. Initially, Mr. Wilson and his family resided in the upstairs and maintained his business on the main floor.

**JB Wilson Jeweler
(c1908)**



Mr. Wilson passed away in 1913, but the building continued to be used as a residence by Mrs. Wilson and her family for the next several years. After losing daughter, Arita to the influenza epidemic in 1918 the family moved. In July, 1920 Francis (Frank) Kerr and his children moved to Carnduff, when they purchased the West End Livery and Feed Barn across the street from this location. They bought the jewelry store and house to serve as their residence. The Livery Barn burned for the third time in June of 1924 and Frank decided to sell that business. The Kerr family moved from the community in 1926. The Wilson property continued to stand and be used as a residence for the next 40 years.

The last tenants to reside in the two-storey building were Oliver Malcolm (Mac) Hoyle and wife, Flossie who lived here for about 2 years in the early 60s. Mac was employed by Firby's Cockshutt implement business for this

period, before returning to a job and home on a farm north of Carnduff.

The building was demolished to make way for a new Saskatchewan Government Liquor Store built here shortly after. The store only remained open for a couple of years before government direction opted to switch to private 'vendors' for distribution of liquor in Carnduff. Harold Chrest bought the building and in turn sold it to Foster's Electric.

Murray Foster began this electrical contracting business in 1972 buying out L.E. Electric from Larry Rogers and operated from this location for close to 30 years. During that period, additions were made to the building several times, both to accommodate their own growth and to add rental office space. Tenants in this space over the years, varied including the law office of Eric Wilmot and the accounting office of Matchett, Potts & Seipp.

In 1992, Sharlene Foster, deciding to diversify from her role as accountant for Foster's Electric Ltd., opened The Flower Shoppe in Carnduff, offering fresh flowers for all occasions. The Flower Shoppe remained in the newly renovated Foster's Electric building until 1997, by which time it had outgrown its limited space and opted to move to a more spacious location on Broadway.

The oil boom had really begun to impact Carnduff shortly after the turn of the millennium and Foster's, needing more space opted to build a new shop. The Railway Avenue location was sold to Larry and Cheryl Ewert. Larry's own oilfield business, Courage Oilfield Services became the main tenant of the building. Shortly thereafter, the Ewert's, in partnership with daughter Lynda decided to add a Subway Restaurant franchise to the location. Subway added another recognized 'national' brand to the streets of Carnduff and was instantly popular.



In 2005, Ed & Judith Oldridge moved to Carnduff, making it home and purchasing the building and Subway franchise. Subsequently, a unique coffee house was added called Williams Bay. While it no longer operates on a regular basis, the space continues to be utilized for special occasions and meetings. Ed & Judith's daughter, Tammy, already a long-time Carnduff resident (married to Lee Evans who was born and raised in the Carnduff district) gradually became more involved in the franchise as Ed & Judith looked to slow down. Tammy now manages the restaurant which continues to attract a solid business from Carnduff and surrounding communities. It is not uncommon to see lineups out the door during peak hours.

Various oilfield companies have leased office space in the building since Subway was built including PetroBakken Energy (later to become Lightstream Resources Ltd. in 2013). With the growth of their own business, this office space has now become utilized by Lee and Tammy for the Subway operation and Lee's construction company True Integrity Developers Inc.