

CELEBRATE NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH



Dixie Atlas Republic Insurance Company Block 303-311 East Main Street

Three two-story brown, common bond brick buildings built between 1908 and 1915 belonged to the Dixie Atlas Republic Insurance Company in the late-1920s and early-1930s until the company went bankrupt in 1933. At 303, Ben Shapira began a dry goods business in 1913 followed by Purcell's Office Supply in the 1960s and 1970s. Between 1908 and 1928, the Taylor County Star, the Taylor County Enquirer, or the Taylor County Leader (all published newspapers) were located in one or more of the buildings. Later, stores operated by Joe Callison and H. H. Montgomery Grocery, David Gowdy's Store, Miller's Dry Cleaners, the Cozy Theater, Shirt City, a fabric shop, Boone's Antiques and People's Barbershop operated by Tom Hodgen were some of the occupants of these buildings. Today, Wise Buckner Sprowles & Associates at 301, Cozy Comforts at 305 and James Art Glass at 311 occupy the buildings.

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Edward Jones Garry Humphress & Son's Cherry Furniture 303 E. Main Street

This building housed Shirt City and Hodgen Barber Shop. Callison's Grocery in 1933, Moss Restaurant, and a plumbing supply occupied the building. There was an explosion in 1944. Then Purcell's Office Supply was here about 1945, then Craft Corner, and now Garry Humphress & Son's Cherry Furniture.

Paired wood windows with flat arched transoms are found on the second floor with a basket weave pattern above on the parapet wall.

Tom Hodgen, an African American, followed by other family members, operated a popular barber shop. The shop was in at least three locations: 303 E. Main, then at the SW corner of Central & 1st; then on the NE corner of Central and 1st. Currently, the building is occupied by Edward Jones.

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**Brothers Barbeque
Café Bonin
Crabtree's Firestone
D. W. Gowdy General Store
128 East Main Street**

This two-story common bond brick building was constructed in 1895. Pedimented metal window hoods, an iron storefront, leaded glass transoms, brick corbelling along the decorative tin parapet wall and pressed tin ceilings on 1st floor; Coakley and Durham written in black and white tile at the recessed front entrance.

By 1895, a two-story building housed D.W. Gowdy's General Store on the first floor with clothing and furnishings on the second floor. Gowdy owned the building from the late-1800s until the early-1900s. Buchanan & Sanders opened a hardware store here, operating in 1900, which later became Coakley and Durham Dry Goods (c. 1922-1930). The building housed the Firestone Store from the 1940s to the 1970s, then Broadway Appliance store, Kidwell Antiques, Café Bonin and currently Brothers Barbeque.

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First United Methodist Church 317 East Main Street

The first Methodist received into membership in Campbellsville was in 1831, with a church officially organized in 1844. Originally, this was the site of several log houses until the Methodists built the present two-story brick First United Methodist Church building in 1921. The land was donated by W.S. Hill, Edward Hill, and A.C. Hill. Pastor Rev. J.L. Piercy presided, and the chief architect and contractor was J.T. Phillips.

The central portico is supported by tapered stone columns. A large round stained-glass window pierces the façade. The bell tower has been removed. The building was remodeled after a fire in 1940. In 1977, the building to the west was converted into an educational building and fellowship hall.

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Historical Hobby Shop



The Spoke Easy & La Catrina

The Spoke Easy & La Catrina Happy Days All American Grill Corner Drug Store 227-229 East Main Street

About 1900 J. Walter Coakley operated a grocery on this corner. The present building was constructed after the 1911 fire, which destroyed the block. Pruitt & Leachman Drug followed by Corner Drug Store, Hobby Shop, Pierce Portrait Studio, the Mending Thimble and Happy Days All American Grill once occupied the building. Stella's Beauty Shop was upstairs over Happy Days.

227 East Main Street was Norman Hobson Grocery in 1905, Jo-Ann Dress Shop, Dearen's Dress Shop, Mrs. Davis's Beauty Shop, Supertone Studio, and the Mending Thimble sewing shop. In recent years, The Spoke Easy bicycle shop occupies 225 E. Main Street and La Catrina, a Mexican Restaurant, is located at 229 E. Main Street.

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**Cakes by Camille
Bennett Law Office
Margaret Ann's
Bank of Campbellsville
111 East Main Street**

Begun in 1887 as Campbellsville's first bank, the Bank of Campbellsville served the community until its collapse in 1939. Its officers were members of the Turner family, and it was often referred to as the Turner Bank. The building was then sold to the Taylor County Federal Savings & Loan Association who used it until 1965. A clothing store and Margaret Ann's Gifts and Flowers have since occupied the building. In 1901 a cigar factory operated on the second floor. By 1915, the Telephone Exchange was there. Currently, the building is owned by Jack Pogue and Eddie Rogers. The first floor is occupied by Cakes by Camille and the second floor is a private residence.

This three-bay, two-story brick structure is constructed of common bond brick. The stone front on the first floor is pierced by the main arched windows that are accented with keystone. The second-floor windows have stone sills and are highlighted with segmental brick arches. A tin cornice is accented with brackets that are decorated with acanthus leaves. The words "BANK OF CAMPBELLVILLE" appear on its façade.