# **South Side - East Second (West to East)** (Corner of Second and Railroad Track)



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Ottawa Municipal Light Plant - The exact number of years the plant was in operation is unknown. Later it was the icehouse where ice blocks were stored and sold.

For a large number of years John Hornung served as engineer of the Ottawa Municipal Light Plant and later held similar positions at the Ottawa Water Works Plant and at the Ohio Sugar Company. He also operated a plumbing and tin shop in Ottawa for approximately ten years.

\* Electric lights turned on Sept. 30, 1891 from municipal plant built by Goetschius, Engineer. Plant stands south by R. R. bridge; ice plant, used now for storage. Ice cut in large chunks out of river by Glandorf bridge. Covered with sawdust, stored in ice house. Delivered to homes on ice wagon.





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Plastic Products - Vic Unterbrink - Developed bowling lane and lane cleaning equipment. Vic started marketing his lane finishes and equipment. Soon thousands of lanes were covered with Lino-Plastic Lacquer across the mid-west and almost every lane in the country was now being refinished with Unterbrink's patented applicator. In peak years Plastic Products, as his firm was called re-rolled and distributed over a million lineal yards of replacement dusting cloth a year, as his Line-Duster and "Red Edge" dusting cloth became the standard for the industry.

The company soon outgrew its original location and in 1950 Vic built a 5,000 square foot factory. It was an Ultra-Modern office and factory building at 209 S. Oak Street to house his chemical and manufacturing business. The art-deco building had curved glass block corners. (Today the building exterior has been re-sided, covering the glass block corners.)

Larry graduated College and joined Vic in operating the company. They soon became the third largest builder of bowling lanes in the mid-west. Brunswick and AMF were #1 & #2. These new lanes would still utilize Brunswick and AMF automatic pinsetters. Plastic Products would supply the entire balance of the equipment, balls, pins, bowling shoes, seating and bowling ball returns.

Vic and Larry built around 30 installations in 13 Ohio counties, one in Indiana, one in Pocatello, Idaho and one in Provo, Utah. This amounted to approximately 400 lanes. Over 5000 bowling ball were supplied to these installations



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Indian Burial Site - Log cabin located on the natural high bank above burial grounds of Tawas Indians. Fill where County Garage is located covers much of the site which extended west along the riverbank. Many skeletons found in this area. Beads and ornaments indicate trade with the French.

#### South Side - East Second (West to East) 638 - 720



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638 — Second St. — House constructed of lumber from old Courthouse (1867-1911). Doors also out of Courthouse.

720 E. Second St. — Former home of S. F. DeFord, Supt. of Ottawa Union Schools. Credited with raising standards of education and qualifications of teachers in the county; associated with Samuel Slauson banker in 1886. No photo example 19



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812 E. Second — former home of Lawyer John B. Bailey Firm of Bailey and Bailey, famous trial lawyers. J. P. Bailey admitted to bar in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and some Federal Courts.



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1136 E. Second St. — Former home of G. A. Stauffer Family. Mr. Stauffer U. S. Marshal under President Harding and Secretary of Agriculture under Gov. Frank B. Willis.

1205 & 1206 E. Second St.



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## South Side - East Second (West to East) Fairgrounds Corner of E. Second St & Agner St.





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Putnam County Fair Grounds - Ottawa, Ohio The first fair was held in 1854.

Unconfirmed Rumor - An Indian Princess is buried beneath the grandstand.

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