

"The Princeton downtown Historic District consists of a fine collection of late nineteenth century and early twentieth century one to three-story commercial buildings that form the Historic commercial core of the city of Princeton."

This is the portion of the 1997 application that applies to your building:

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Anton Rimpler Building (Contributing) 545 West Water St. 189111 Map No. 12

This highly intact two-story rectilinear plan commercial vernacular form building occupies the southeast corner formed by W. Water and Pearl streets and it was built in 1891 for Anton Rimpler, who used it to house his dry goods store. The building measures 22-feet-wide x 75-feet-deep and it rests on cut stone foundation walls and the rear and the side walls that rest on this foundation are fashioned out of rubble stone. The building has an asymmetrically designed cream brick-clad main facade that is framed by a two-story-tall brick plaster strip at either side and which faces north onto West Water St. Its first story consists of a full-width four-bay-wide storefront, each bay of which is separated from the next by a paneled cast iron pilaster strip, all three of which each bear the legend "A. R. 1891" in raised letters. The left-hand bay contains the second story entrance and it still retains its original tall three-panel wood door, which features chamfering on the edges of the panels. The middle bay of the storefront (the second from the right) contains the deeply inset and canted store entrance, which is flanked by one-light display windows on either side, both of these display windows and both entrances also have one-light transoms above them and the paneled bulkheads below the display windows are also intact as well. The entire storefront is then crowned by an overhanging wooden cornice that is supported by four small pairs of shaped wooden brackets.

The second story is as original as the first story and is three-bays-wide. Each bay consists of a segmental-arched window opening, each of which has cut stone sill, a corbelled brick hood mold into which is set a stone Keystone, and each opening also still retains its original window, which is a one-over-one-light double hung wood sash with a segmental-arched upper sash. Placed in the spandrels above the left-hand and right-hand window openings are small panels filled with dogtooth-coursed brick while a lunette-shaped panel placed above the center window contains the date "1891" and the name "A. Rimpler." the facade is then crowned by a corbelled brick parapet.

From 1892 to 1914 the first story of this building housed a general store. It has recently been sensitively restored and is now in excellent condition.

William F. Schade Building (Contributing) 603 West Water St. 190112 Map No. 13

This two-story rectilinear plan Commercial vernacular form building occupies the southwest corner formed by W. Water and Pearl Streets and it was built in 1901 as a double store building for William F. Schade, who used the east store to house his saloon. The building measures 32-feet-wide x 63-feet-deep and it rests on cut stone foundation walls and the front, rear, and side walls that rest on this foundation

11 See also: Princeton Republic, August 14, 1890, p. 5; July 26, 1891, p. 5; August 27, 1891, p. 5; September 10, 1891, p. 5; October 1, 1891, p. 5.

12 Princeton Tax Rolls. See also: Princeton Republic, October 31, 1901, p. 5; December 19, 1901, p. 5.

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