



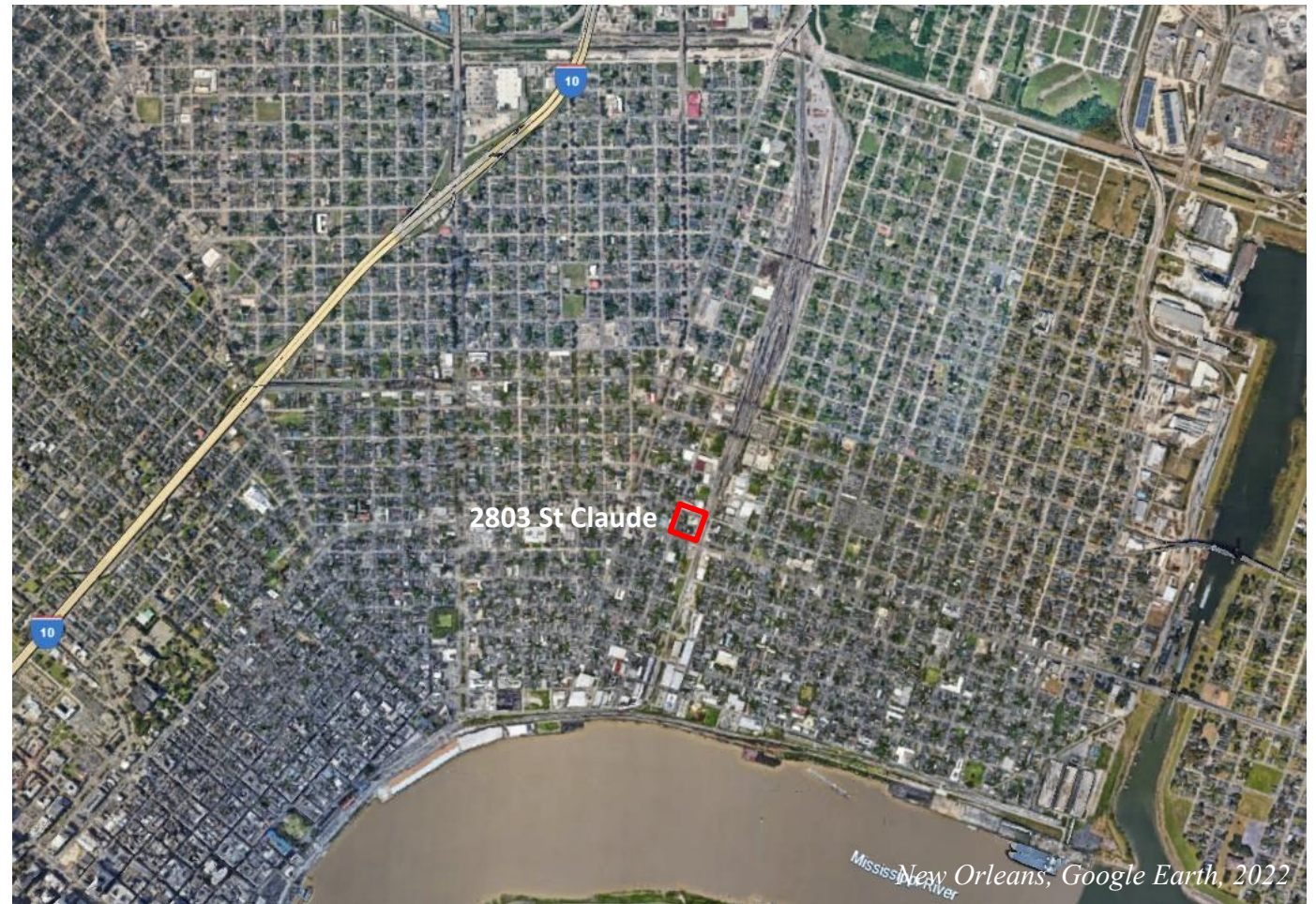
2803 St Claude

Historic Property Report

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Property Description

2803 St Claude

Local Historic District: Faubourg Marigny

State Cultural District: St. Claude Corridor

National Historic District: Faubourg Marigny

Zoning Description: HMC-2, Historic
Marigny/Tremé/Bywater Commercial District

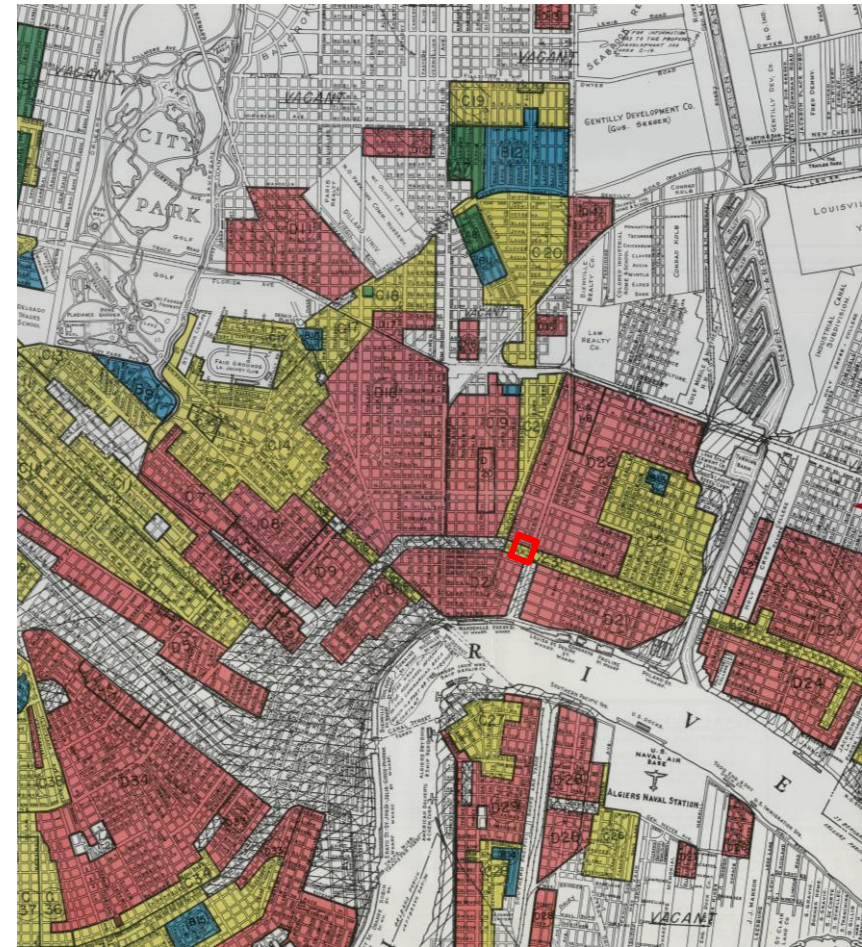
Property Description: SQ 398 LOT 1 OR 3 ST CLAUDE &
ST FERDINAND 32X118 DBLE 8/RM S/R 2801-03 ST
CLAUDE AVE

Built: c. 1880

Style: Italianate

Type: Shotgun Double Camelback

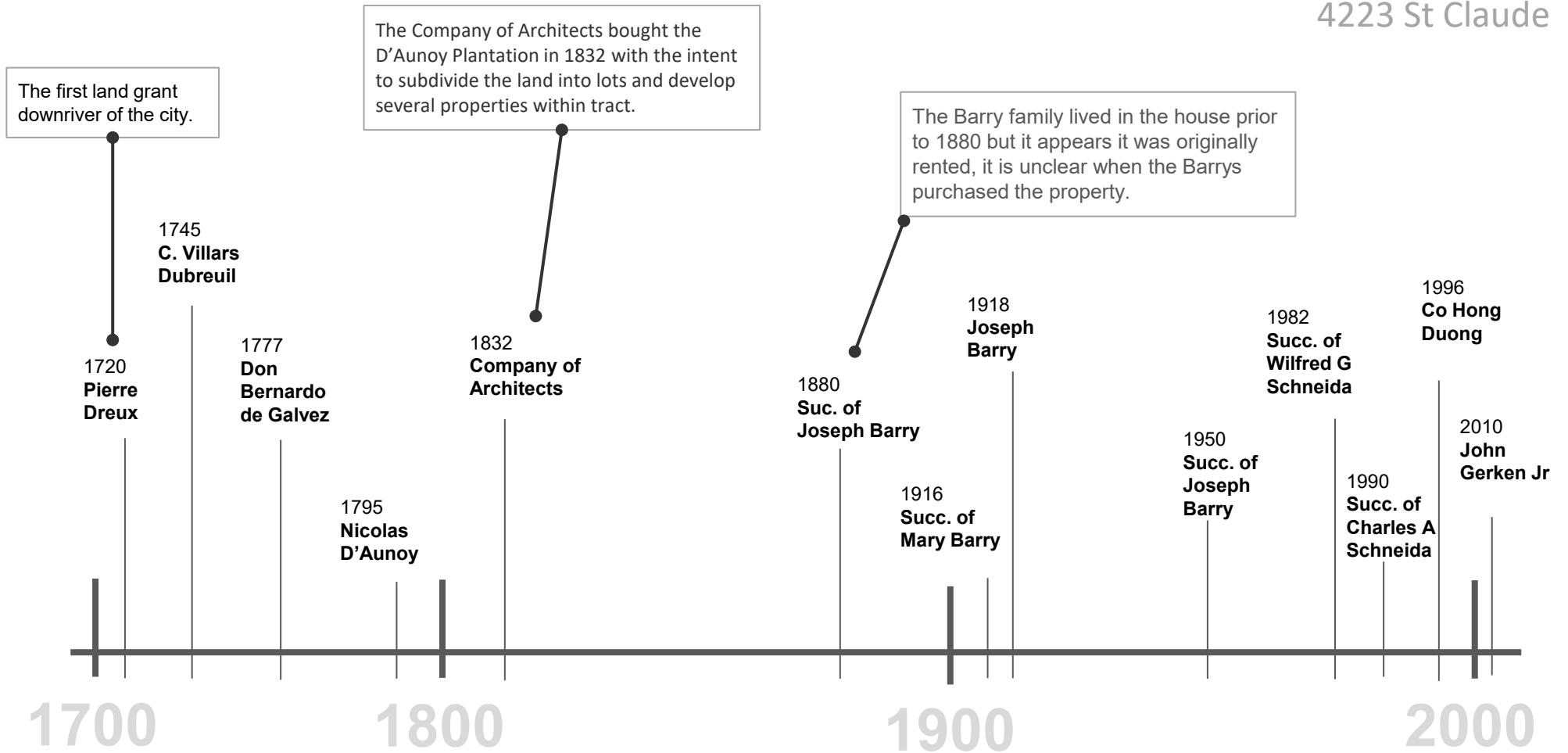
Original Address: 677-677 ½ St Claude



"Redlining Map, 1939" Map of Greater New Orleans, Compiled & Drawn by Wm. E. Boesch, Louisiana State Museum Historical Map Collection

Chain of Title

4223 St Claude



Neighborhood History

Faubourg Marigny

Though the area between Franklin Ave and Press Street is considered part of Faubourg Marigny today this narrow section of land between the Marigny Plantation and what is now the Bywater Neighborhood was still the D'Aunoy Plantation in 1805 when Bernard Xavier Philippe de Marigny de Mandeville petitioned the City Council to allow the subdivision of his plantation.

When the City was laid out the land adjacent to the city fortification was reserved as a commons (what is now Marigny, Tremé, and Central Business District). The Company of the Indies granted land for the first plantation below the original city (French Quarter) around 1720. This tract was known as La Brasserie, given it was the site of the first manufacturing establishment in New Orleans, a brewery.

In 1809 thousands of Haitian refugees arrived in New Orleans escaping the revolution. Bernard Marigny offered to sell property in his new faubourg with no down payment to these French speaking refugees. This solidified this area as the French speaking creole faubourg as the Americans expanded into Faubourg St Mary (CBD) upriver of the original city.

Topographical Map of New Orleans and its Vicinity, downtown and West Bank, 1833, Charles F. Zimpel, Historic New Orleans Collection.

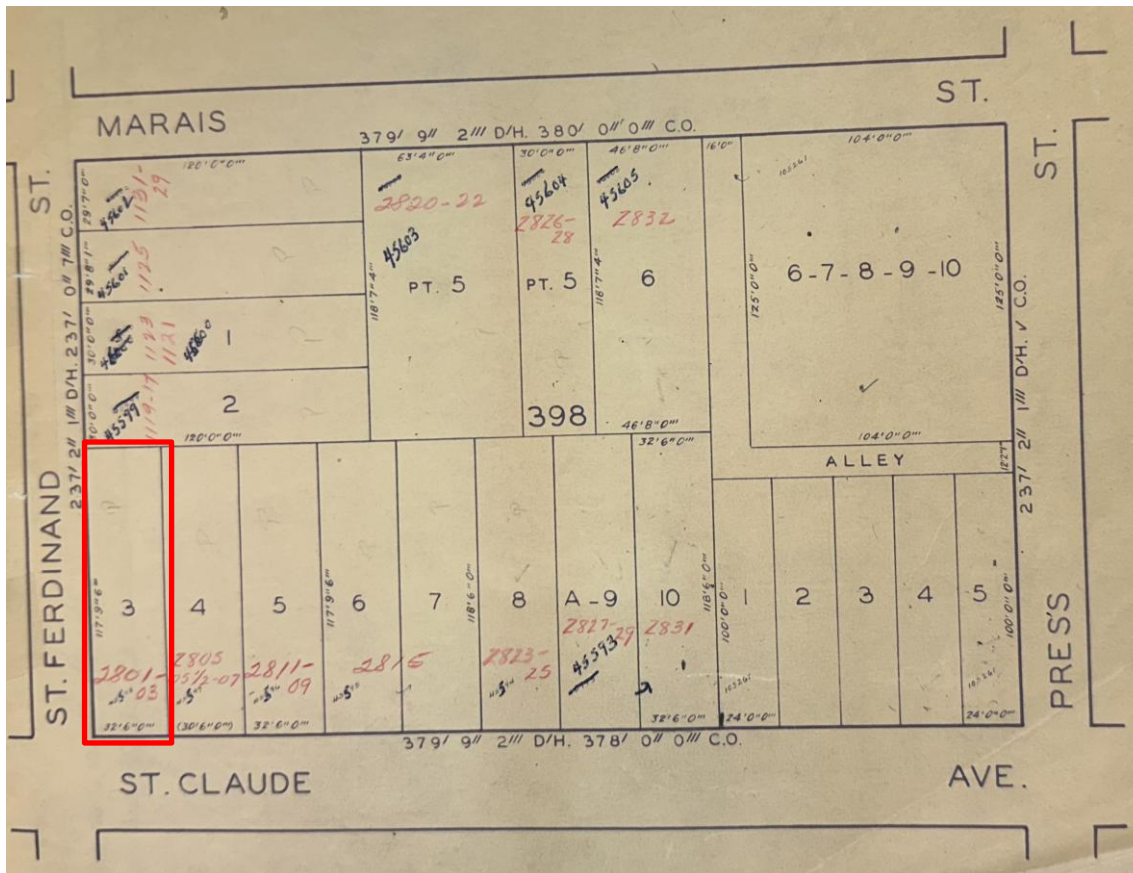


Neighborhood History

SQ 398

As the first land grant below the city, it has passed through many hands. First granted to Pierre Dreux in 1720 by the Company of the Indies, the land was sold in 1745, after Dreux's death to C. Villars Dubreuil, owner of the adjoining plantation. After a succession of owners, including Don Bernardo de Galvez in 1777, the Spanish Governor at the time, Nicolas Daunoy, purchased the land in 1795. From this time on, the land tract was known as the Faubourg Daunoy and was defined as the land between Franklin up to and including Press Street, from the river to the back swamp. Brigitte Daunoy, daughter to Nicolas, sold the land to the Company of Architects in 1832.

With this areas proximity to the New Orleans & Northeastern Railroad, which ran along the river ports and out of the city along Press Street, half of the block was used for warehouses adjacent to the train tracks. The uptown side of the block has had a consistent history of working class shotgun houses and small businesses.



Square 398, Lot Plan, Real Estate & Records City of New Orleans.

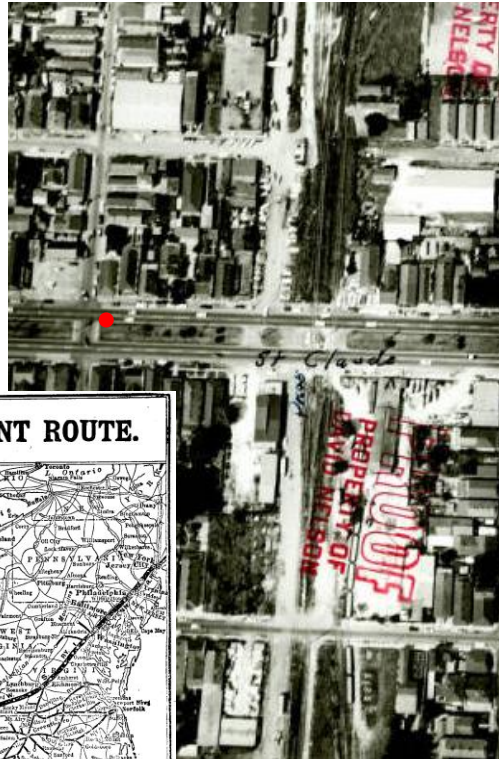
Neighborhood History

N.O. & N.E.R.R.

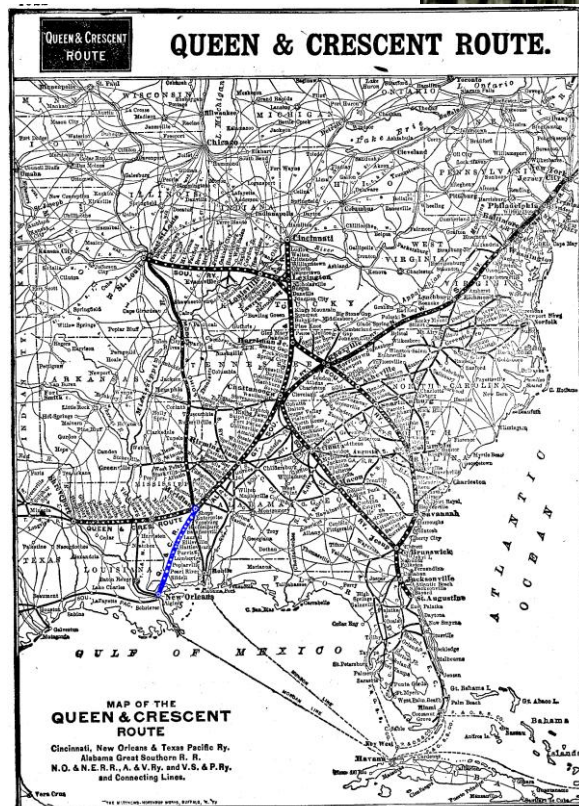
The New Orleans & Northeastern Railroad played a significant role in the development and economic growth of the southeastern United States after the Civil War. Its history is marked by its strategic importance in connecting major cities and facilitating the movement of goods and passengers, fostering significant economic growth. It provided a critical supply chain route for the movement of agricultural products, notably cotton, timber, and later, oil products.

It was on the N.O. & N.E. in 1892, that Homer Plessy deliberately sat in a whites-only train car and refused to move when asked. This was part of a planned effort by a group of black citizens known as the Committee of Citizens to challenge the Louisiana 1890 Separate Car Act, which required separate railway cars for black and white passengers. The case resulted in the 1896 Supreme Court decision that established the "separate but equal" doctrine, which legally sanctioned racial segregation across the United States for nearly 60 years until it was overturned by *Brown v. Board of Education* in 1954.

Formally, the N.O. & N.E. disappeared in 1969 when it was merged into the Southern Railway subsidiary Alabama Great Southern. However, it remains a vital component of the modern Norfolk Southern's main line to New Orleans.



Above: St Claude Avenue,
Department of Streets,
New Orleans City Archives.
Left: American-Rails.com



Barry Albert, clk. r. 95 Louisa
 Barry Arthur J. clk. r. 104 Annunciation
 Barry Bernard, engraver A. B. Griswold & Co.
 119 Canal, r. 677 St. Claude
 Barry Bidget, wid. Robert, r. 54 Felicitey
 Barry David, clk. r. 211 Baronne
 Barry David O. clk. G. Lefebvre, 191 Gravier, r.
 93 Louisa
 Barry Dennis, clk. A. B. Griswold & Co. 119
 Canal, r. 677 St. Claude
 Barry Edward, lab. r. 112½ Dauphine
 Barry Elizabeth Miss, teacher, r. 323½ St. Mary
 Barry Ellen, wid. Freeman, r. 171 Elysian
 Fields
 Barry Firminus, prof. Jesuit College, Baronne,
 ne. cor. Common, r. same
 Barry George W. clk. I. O. R. Co. Howard av.
 sw. cor. S. Rampart, r. 114 Annunciation
 Barry James, clk. r. 75 St. Thomas
 Barry James, ex-clk. First Recorder's Court, r.
 104 Annunciation
 Barry James, clk. r. 556 N. Rampart
 Barry Jeannette, wid. Arthur, r. 672½ Laurel
 Barry John, lab. r. 271 St. Thomas
 Barry John, slater, r. 371 Dumaine
 Barry Joseph, porter A. B. Griswold & Co. 119
 Canal, r. 677 St. Claude
 Barry Joseph P. bartender Mrs. C. Socha, St.
 Charles, nw. cor. Poydras
 Barry Lizzie Miss, teacher McDonogh School
 No. 11, Palmyra, nw. cor. S. Prieur, r. 323
 St. Mary
 Barry Maria, wid. Joseph, r. 677 St. Claude
 Barry Mary Miss, furnished rooms, 43 S. Rob-
 ertson
 Barry Mary, wid. James, r. 74 Jackson av.
 Barry Michael, clk. r. 272 St. Phillip
 Barry Robert E. clk. U. S. Ry. Mail Service,
 Custom House bldg. r. 402 Magazine
 Barry Thomas, lab. r. 170 S. Basin
 Barry William, clk. r. 104 Annunciation
 Barry William J. clk. r. 54 Felicitey

1894 City Directory

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New Orleans States
 July 3, 1958

Neighborhood History

Barry Family

As a major port city, New Orleans has always had a significant immigrant population. Moving into the later 1800s the creole faubourgs, traditionally French speaking, saw a wider array of immigrants, including Irish, Swedish, Norwegian, German, and Prussian populations, among others. The double shotgun house built at what was at the time 677 St Claude was owned by Joseph Barry, an Irish immigrant and laborer who died in 1880 and left the home to Mary Barry, his only daughter, who eventually left this house and two others in the neighborhood to her brothers when she died in 1916. Her eldest brother Joseph kept the now three-unit rental property until his death. His two children, Marie and Joseph, sold the property to Wilfred Schneida, who employed his many family members at his small chain of Bill's Food Stores.

677 1/2 St. Claude	Barry Jos	Wm 37	1	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	Ireland
	Marie	Wm 35	1	Keeps H	Ireland	Ireland	Ireland
	Jos	Wm 12	1	at School	La	Ireland	Ireland
	Dennis	Wm 9	1	at School	La	Ireland	Ireland
	Mary	Wm 5	1	at Home	La	Ireland	Ireland
	Bernard	Wm 3	1	at Home	La	Ireland	Ireland
	Arthur	Wm 2	1	at Home	La	Ireland	Ireland

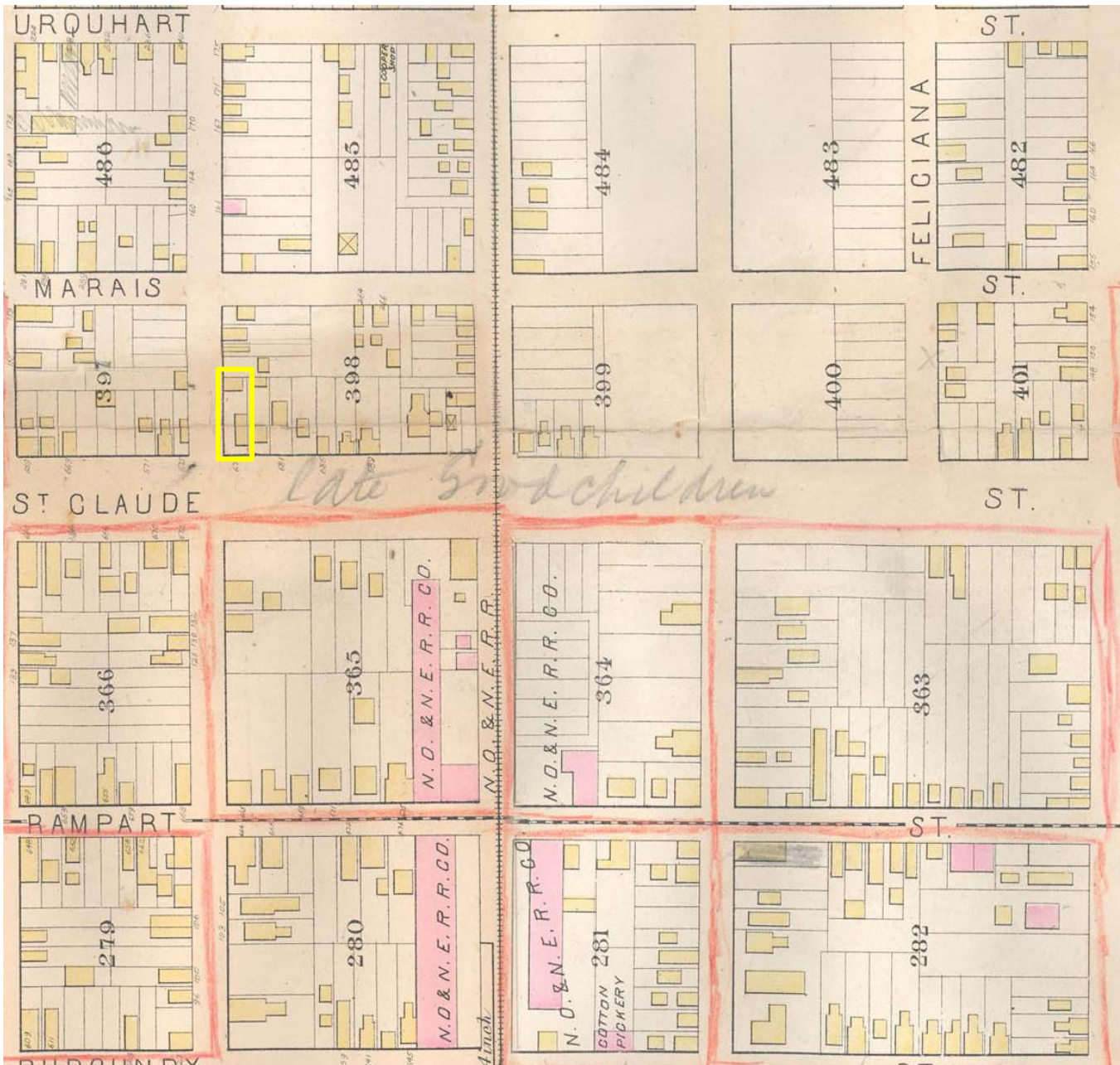
1880 Census

Property History

Maps

The Robinson's Atlas of the City of New Orleans, was published by E. Robinson in New York City in 1883. The title page states that it was compiled from surveys by New Orleans city surveyor and architect John F. Braun. Braun most likely created the maps during the latter part of the 1870s. This map was used for insurance purposes and was the predecessor to the Sanborn maps.

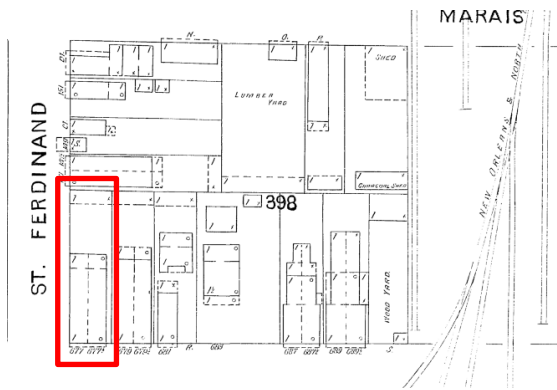
*The Robinsons Atlas of the City of New Orleans, 1883.
E. Robinson, New York, publisher
New Orleans Notarial Archive*



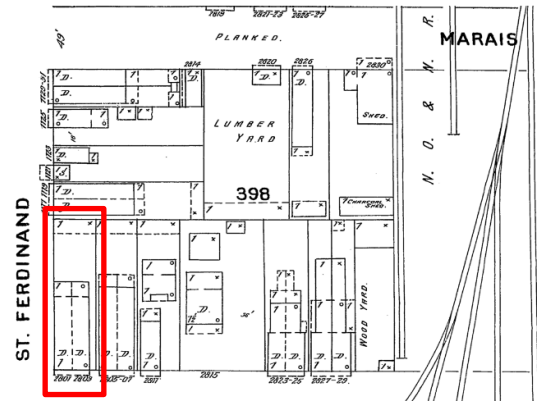
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Sanborn Maps

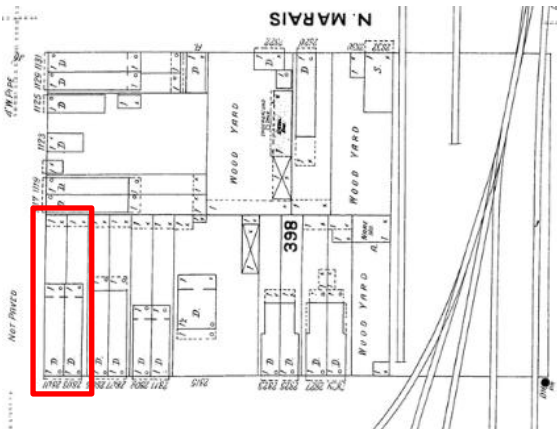
Sanborn Fire insurance maps were used in the late 19th and early 20th century to insure property in urban areas. These maps help to date a building, denote number of floors, building materials and use. These maps were updated regularly and make it possible to track changes in the property over time.



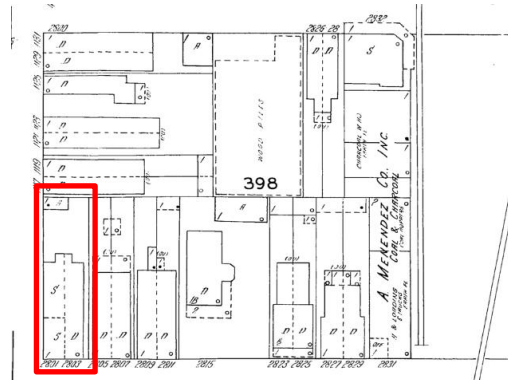
1893



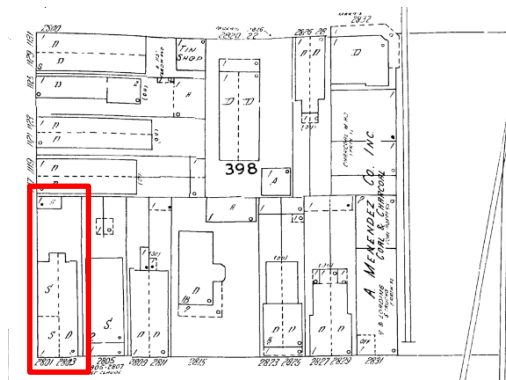
1896



1908



1937



1951

Sanborn's Insurance Maps

REGISTRATION CARD

SERIAL NUMBER	1210	ORDER NUMBER	92353
Name: <u>William Fred Brunssann</u> <small>(First name) (Middle name) (Last name)</small>			
PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: <u>2801 St. Claude</u> <u>NO</u> <u>Orleans</u> <u>La</u> <small>(No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)</small>			
Age in Years	Date of Birth		
34	October 4 th 1883 <small>(Month) (Day) (Year)</small>		
RACE			
White <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Negro <input type="checkbox"/>	Oriental <input type="checkbox"/>	Indian <input type="checkbox"/>
U. S. CITIZEN ALIEN Native Born Naturalized Citizen by Father's Naturalization Before Registrant's Majority Declarant Non-declarant 10 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 12 <input type="checkbox"/> 13 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 <input type="checkbox"/>			
15. Is not a citizen of the U. S., of what nation are you a citizen or subject?			
PRESENT OCCUPATION		EMPLOYER'S NAME	
Barber		Self	
16. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS: <u>2801 St. Claude</u> <u>NO</u> <u>Orleans</u> <u>La</u> <small>(No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)</small>			
17. NEAREST RELATIVE: Name: <u>Mother, Julia Hobbs</u> Address: <u>2801 St. Claude</u> <u>NO</u> <u>Orleans</u> <u>La</u> <small>(No.) (Street or R. F. D. No.) (City or town) (County) (State)</small>			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE P. M. G. O. <u>Wm. F. Brunssann</u> <small>Form No. 1 (Rev. 1-17-18) (Signature or mark) (OVER)</small>			

World War I Draft Card, 1918
William Fred Brunssann

Times-Picayune
January 17, 1909

SCHNEIDA—Of 2801 St. Claude avenue, on Friday, December 16, 1949, at 9:30 o'clock p. m. **GEORGE ALFRED SCHNEIDA**, husband of Julia Brunssann, father of Mrs. Leon Walker, Esther, Wilfred, Alvin, George and Charles Schneida, brother of Mrs. Henry J. Moore, Mrs. Marvin Davidson, Mrs. Robert Mulholland, Mrs. Edward Schneider and the late Frank and Antone Schneida, brother-in-law of William Brunssann, grandfather of Moonrean Walker and Georgette Schneida, aged 64 years, a native of New Orleans, La. Relatives and friends of the family, also officers and members of Local Barbers' Union No. 496, are invited to attend the funeral, Sunday, December 18, 1949, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., from the mortuary of Jacob Schoen and Son, 527 Elysian Fields avenue. Religious services at First English Lutheran church. Interment in St. Roch No. 1 cemetery.

Property History

2801 St Claude

Times-Picayune
December 18, 1949

GOOD harbor, good wages paid right man.
2801 St. Claude Ave.

Times-Picayune
September 13, 1917

BY FITZPATRICK & CO. AT RESIDENCE, No. 2801 ST. CLAUDE STREET, CORNER ST. FERDINAND (TAKE ORAIBORNE CAR.) WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20, AT 11 A. M. SHARP. CABINET GRAND PIANO, NICE PARLOR SUITE, FINE WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, Iron Beds, Odd Pieces Furniture, Quartered Oak Dining-room Set, Mantel Cabinets, Nice Heater, Tables, Chairs, Rockers, Mattings, Rugs, Fine Ornaments, Glassware, China, Shades, Curtains, Draperies, Bedding, Bars, Nice Stove, Safe, Agateware and other household goods. TERMS—CASH. NO LIMIT. Jan 17—4t	BY FITZPATRICK & CO. HARRY W. FITZPATRICK, Auctioneer.
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68	Y	270	250	Mother. HELEN.	Wife.	July 1882	17	0			Louisiana	Louisiana	Louisiana			Charleston R. R.	0	Yes	Yes	Yes
69		280	276	Barry. MARY.	Head.	Apr 1844	56	46	5	5	Sweden.	Sweden	Sweden.	1854	46	White Alchiv.		Yes	Yes	Yes
70				Bernard	Wife	Apr 1876	24	1			New York.	Ireland	Sweden.			Peter Store.	0	Yes	Yes	Yes
71				Mary	Daughter	Feb 1873	26	1			Louisiana	Ireland	Sweden.			Tracher. John	0	Yes	Yes	Yes
72				Rachael	Son	Apr 1878	21	0			Louisiana	Ireland.	Sweden.			Alumni. Lewis.	0	Yes	Yes	Yes
73		271	260													DD 1100-10-10-1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes

1900 Census

Property Use

2803 St Claude

Los Angeles, Calif.. papers please copy.
SCHNEIDA—Of 2803 St. Claude avenue, on Thursday, February 12, 1953, at 12:45 o'clock a. m., **JULIA M. BRUNSSANN**, wife of the late George A. Schneida Sr., mother of Mrs. Leon Walker, Wilfred, Alvin, George, Charles and Esther Schneida, grandmother of Moon-yeon Walker and Georgette Schneida, sister of William Brynssann, aged 72 years, a native of New Orleans, La.
 Funeral took place Thursday, February 12, 1953, at 3 o'clock p. m., from the mortuary of Jacob Schoen and Son, 327 Elysian Fields avenue. Religious services at First English Lutheran church. Interment St. Roch No. 1 cemetery.

New Orleans States
 February 13, 1953



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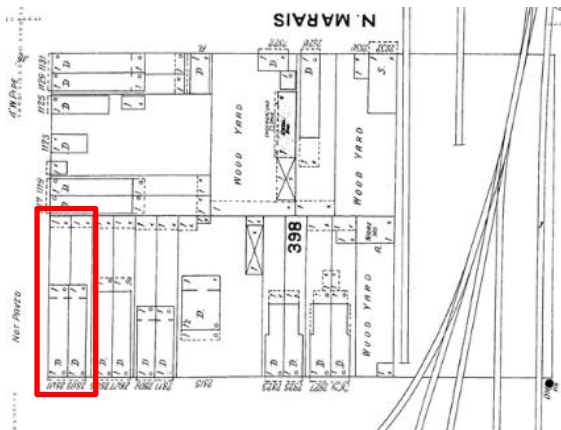
New Orleans States
 April 7, 1947

Registrar Clerk's Wife Swallows Poison in Error

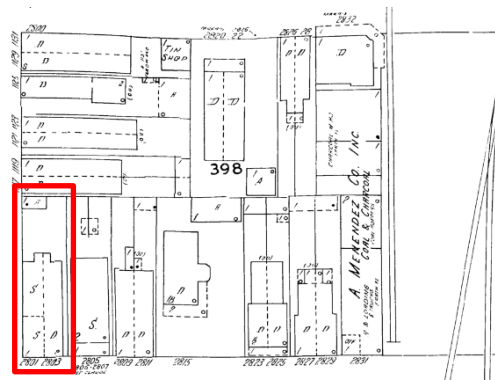
Mrs. Adele Ahrens, 42, wife of Joseph Ahrens, 2803 St. Claude avenue, a clerk in the office of the registrar of conveyances, was taken to Charity hospital early Saturday suffering from the effects of poison which she drank by mistake for medicine. Her condition was not regarded as serious.

Mrs. Ahrens, mother of three children, has been in ill health for two years. Saturday morning she arose early to prepare breakfast for her husband and children, and becoming ill, she drank what she thought was some medicine, which a physician had prescribed for her. By mistake she got the wrong bottle and a few minutes later she was found, where she had collapsed in the kitchen.

NO State-Item
 June 18, 1927



1908

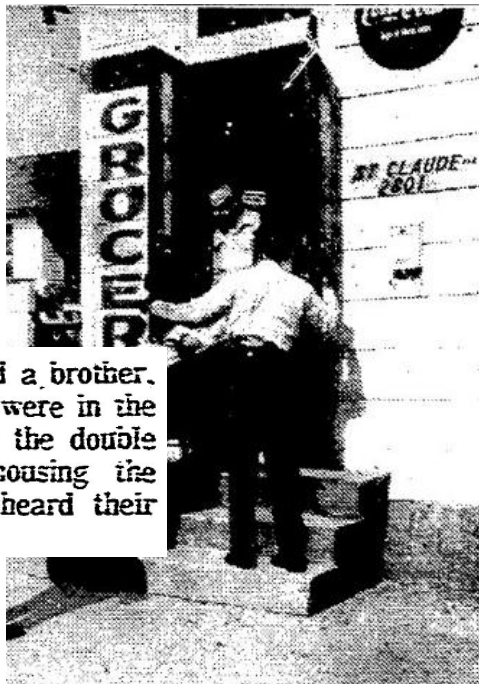


1951

Architectural Changes

All buildings are altered over time, adapting to the way we use them. This double shotgun house has evolved into a mixed use commercial and residential building and finally a fully commercial use.

While the Barry Family originally lived in one side of the double, after 1909 it was used as a rental property. The 2801 side was broken into two commercial units with the second using a St Ferdinand address, while the 2803 unit remained a residential unit. Today the front facade of the building retains much of its original appearance, though a later camelback addition was added to the rear. Inside however much of the original interior walls and details have been removed to serve its commercial use.



Mrs. Walker and a brother, Wilfred Schneida, were in the living quarters of the double frame building housing the store when they heard their sister cry out.

New Orleans States-Item
January 22, 1974

2803 ST. CLAUDE — Living room, 2 bedrooms, kitchen, utility rooms, bath, porch, yard, furnace, heaters, 220V. Locker. Redecorated. 949-9014.

Times-Picayune
November 24, 1967



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