

# White Cloud Feed Mill

## White Cloud, Michigan



*The Past:* Originally built in 1893, the White Cloud Feed Mill was a key fixture to the village of White Cloud. Built by Henry Rauch and George Rauch, the mill operated as a flourmill from 1893- 1920. In 1895 it supplied electricity to the village. When the railroad was built through, it opened up a new way to sell the town's produce. During the year 1921 it became the feed mill for the White Cloud Cooperative Association. The Association consisted of 75 farmers. Business went well for the mill; during the 1922-1923 fiscal year, the Cooperative Association showed a \$1,197.20 profit. Much of their profit can be attributed to the sales of seed potatoes and vetch. Besides grain and wholesale produce, other items for sale at the Cooperative Mill included farm supplies, coal, vacuum cleaners and kitchen appliances. Years later, it became a general feed store for the area. The Cooperative Association owned it till 2003. In 2012, the county treasurer auctioned off the mill to the highest bidder. The mill was dismantled in 2015 for land development.

### Mill Facts:

- 2 ½ story wood frame
- Board and Batten
- Gambrel roof
- Small gable roof elevator
- Dismantled in 2015 due to housing development



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