

1. Front Street - Monument and Railroad The bronze plaque commemorates Johnson's Rancho as the first California settlement on the Emigrant Trail. The lifeline of the community, the railroad was the center of the business district. While the depot, stockyards, lumberyard and hotels are gone, some warehouses and many businesses still exist.

2. 505 4th St. – Roddan House, a large two story house built by Elmer and Elizabeth "Lizzie" Roddan in 1898 as an exact replacement of the house which burned that year. To the right was his lumberyard, which also burned and was rebuilt.

3. 419 4th St. - Wheatland Rochdale Company was originally a wooden two-story building, one of the earliest in town. It had a dry-goods store downstairs and a Woodsmen's hall upstairs. Rebuilt after the 1898 fire, three barrels of vinegar saved the existing building from the 1903 fire.

4. 417 4th St. - Harding Building, originally a saloon, it's housed an ice cream parlor and many other businesses. Dynamite was used to excavate the small cellar. The exterior entry tile still displays the name "Hardings".

5. 400-402 Front St. - Odd Fellows Hall The original 1867 wood frame hall was destroyed by fire in 1880. The two-story brick replacement, destroyed in the 1898 fire, was replaced in 1899. The 2nd floor, used continuously as a lodge, now houses the Masonic Lodge. The 1st floor was mercantile space. The Wheatland telephone exchange at 400 Front St. was established in 1893, one of the first in Calif. Original details are visible. Front: door handles, high ceilings, windows. Side: brick construction. Rear: metal shutters, 1899 cornerstone.

6. 404 Front St. - Farmers' Bank of Wheatland was started by local citizens in 1874. Destroyed in the 1898 fire, the fireproof vault saved documents. The vault still exists, and some of the old metal shutters are on the back windows. Farmer's Bank and the Odd Fellow's Hall next door were the only buildings on Front Street to survive the 1903 fire. Note the sheaf of wheat at the top.

7. 420 Front St. - Stineman Building Originally a two-story wooden structure with an entertainment hall on the 2nd floor, it was rebuilt in brick after the 1898 fire. After the 1903 fire, it was reconstructed as a one-story using the brick walls left standing after the fire. At one time, it

housed the *Four Corners Newspaper* upstairs and a drug store and doctor's offices downstairs. Note the plaque to the left of the front door - "1872-1959".

8. 424 Front St. - Ziegenbein & Co., the first store in Wheatland, sold dry goods. The original 1866 wooden structure was the town's 2nd building. (The 1st was a saloon.) Note the brick showing under the plaster on the base of the side facing Main St.

9. 512 Main St. - Holland House, built in 1869 by Crawford Holland, was the 1st residence in Wheatland. Slated for demolition in 1995, the house was purchased and restored. Note the plaque designating it as the town's first home.

10. 410 Main St. - Duplex's Barber Shop and Bathhouse Edward Duplex, one of the first African American mayors of a western city, established Duplex's Barber Shop and Bathhouse in 1895. A barbershop until 1995, it's considered to be Wheatland's longest operating business. Note the plaque, old porcelain knob, and transom window above door..

11. 401 Main St. - Dr. Louis Melton Home, occupied by 5 generations of the same family. Note the front (original) brick section of the house. After 3 devastating fires, the business section was ordered to be rebuilt in brick. This home is on the edge of this zone.

12. 313 Main St. - Former Wheatland City Hall/Jail/Hook and Ladder Co. More than 100 years old, the brick building was originally 2 stories with a bell cupola. It housed a jail on the 1st floor with the courtroom above. When the 2nd story burned, it wasn't replaced. An old building (now gone) attached on the right housed Wheatland's 1st official fire department. Established in 1874, it's one of the oldest volunteer fire departments still operating in California. Note the fire bell in front.

13. 215 Main St. - First Christian Church Services have been conducted at this location since 1879.

14. 214 Main St. - St. Daniel's Catholic Church A Catholic church was first built on this site in 1872/73 and rebuilt in 1890. The present structure was erected in 1972.

15. Wheatland Grammar Schools site since 1871. A series of 3 schools were built in different locations on the property.
15 A - Eastside Elementary School (later known as

Wheatland Elementary) opened in 1936. Built during the Depression by the WPA, it was one of the most modern school buildings in California.

15 B - The "Little Red Schoolhouse" was originally an industrial arts classroom located across the street. The bell tower was built when the Baptist Church donated its bell.

16. Wheatland Hop Riot Monument commemorates the site of the 1913 Hop Riot, California's first organized farm labor conflict.

17. Camp Far West Army Outpost Marker commemorates the military outpost located one mile east of Johnson's crossing. Open 1849-1852, its purpose was to protect miners and settlers from hostile Native Americans. Malaria and desertion of troops to the gold mines were major problems.

18. 107 Olive St. - Stineman House was built in 1893. It was home to John and Eunice Ann Stineman and their 8 children. Lit with carbide gas, it was the 1st home in town with indoor bathrooms. John oversaw the building of the first public works projects in Wheatland, including the water mains and tower.

19. 115 Olive St. - Dam House Cyrus King and Frances Dam built a two room house here in 1872 on a 3,000-acre ranch adjoining Wheatland. A major addition was built in 1876, including a bathroom with one of the first bathtubs in town. In 1892 it was remodeled into its present form.

20. 4th and A Sts. - Wheatland Water Works Tower City water is pumped from underground wells. Water mains were laid in 1889. The city water tower, still the most visible landmark in town, was constructed c.1920. It replaced an earlier tower built c.1906.

21. 315 B St. - Wheatland Baptist Church was constructed on this site in the 1880's. This wooden church, destroyed by fire in 1903, was rebuilt in 1914 with homemade concrete blocks. When the bell tower was damaged by an earthquake, the bell was given to the elementary school.

22. 401 4th St. - Baun House, built by John and Elizabeth Baun directly across the street from his blacksmith shop. After the town was wired for electricity in 1901, Mr. Baun was honored by turning on the town's 1st light in their home. The existing structure replaced the one lost in the 1903 fire.