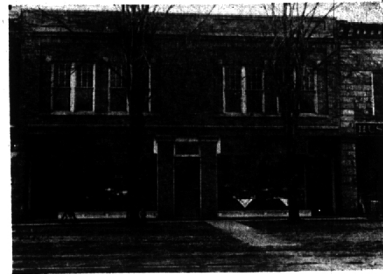


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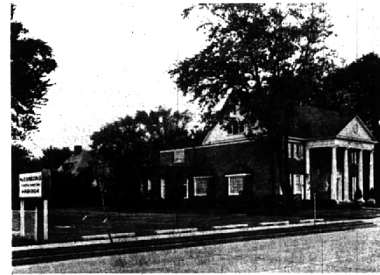
1910
Only available photo showing the Daines & Bell Funeral Home.



1916
Woodward Avenue location next to Huston Hardware Company on the right.



1929
John Snow, descendant of John Hunter, built this home. His daughter married S. O. Wylie Bell and it is the location and still a part of our present structure on East Maple Street.



1938
Our present building which was expanded in 1938.

Our Steps Of Progress . . .

Our chapel in Birmingham was originally founded by Mr. C. W. Jenks who, at that time, also operated a farm implement business. In 1822, he sold that business to Mr. George E. Daines who later invited Mr. S. O. Wylie Bell to join him in the year of 1900. Upon the death of Mr. Daines, the chapel became the Bell Funeral Home, a name we still retain by being known as The Bell Chapel Of The Wm. R. Hamilton Company.

Through the years, we have kept pace with the growing and modern community of Birmingham as the above photos attest; from our first location in 1910 to the Woodward Avenue location in 1916 and then the move to our present site at 820 East Maple in 1929. In 1938, we completely renovated the building and enlarged the parking lot, which we are doing again during our present reconstruction program.

When completed, we feel the "new" Bell Chapel Of The Wm. R. Hamilton Company will be a source of pride, achievement and dedication not only to us but to you, Birmingham, and your fine citizens. May we thank you for your patience during this building program which is now being brought to completion. At that time, we will offer you what we believe to be the finest facilities in this area.

We dedicate this additional portion of what has been our continuous remodeling and expansion program to you, Birmingham. The fine and proud community that your citizens have nurtured over the years have made our growth possible. Thankfully we look back . . . positively we share your look to the future with confidence as we go forward with you. **Have a Happy Birthday, Birmingham!**



1964

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