

## **Ottawa Avenue, S.W.**

The first plat map of Grand Rapids shows streets in Lucius Lyon's plat named for the three contiguous counties in this area of western Michigan. Kent Street (later Crescent) was the east-west thoroughfare north of Lyon Street. Between Canal (adjoining the canal at the Grand River) and Division (the dividing line between the townships) ran the north-south thoroughfares of Ottawa (on the west) and Ionia (on the east).

19-25 Ottawa S.W. The largest of several warehouses near the Van Andel Arena, the 6-story brick building on the northwest corner of Ottawa and Weston was built in 1904. Occupied by Morley Brothers in 1960 and by Williams Distributing in the early 1990's, it was renamed the Williams Arena Station Building, and eventually simply the Arena Station. Steelcase negotiated to lease 31,000 square feet on the upper two floors of the building. Other tenants in 1997 included the Arena Brewing Co., first floor and basement; DuHadway, Kendall & Associates Security, second floor; and Envision Vacations, third floor.

30	12/14/79	5804	Ace Wrecking
			C & O Warehouse.
	01/10/86	7468	Development Division--Pitsch
			Same as 144 Weston S.W.

136-40      *Part of C & O freight house at Cherry Street.*