

BUILDING FOR SALE

1418 Newcastle Street Historic Downtown Brunswick Georgia Asking Price \$825,000

- 2 Story, 30'x90', 5400+ sq. ft. (+additional mezzanine and attic area)
- New roof 2016
- 2 Heating and air units installed 2014 and 2016 (one unit needs attention)
- 4 entry points to first floor, one door to second floor
- Full walk in safe
- Zoned commercial and residential
- Located next to Square/Park "Jekyll Island East"
- Working Street Clock
- Built in 1885 as new Masonic Lodge "Ocean Lodge #214"
- Rich in history

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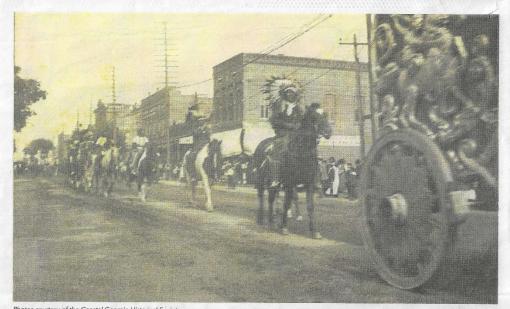
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Some history...



In 1871 ladies held a fair to raise money for a Masonic Building. On March 11, 1885, the cornerstone was laid, and the Masonic Hall was dedicated on October 14, 1885, "Ocean Lodge #214", architect Nicholson Block. Originally the building was 30'x60'; in 1904 it was extended 30 feet to its current 30'x90' footprint. In 1907-8 the Lodge room (second floor) was beautifully furnished, and the walls artistically decorated, credit goes to Bro. Earnest Houseman. "It was the most beautiful Lodge Room in the State." Unfortunately, some 20 years later the whole of it was covered with paint instead of restored.

According to Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps in 1889 there was a General Store located in the building, the address at that point in time was 810 Newcastle Street. (The address changed twice before its present day 1418 Newcastle Street.) In 1898 the Sanborn maps list a Crockery and Tin Ware Store with address 210 Newcastle Steet.



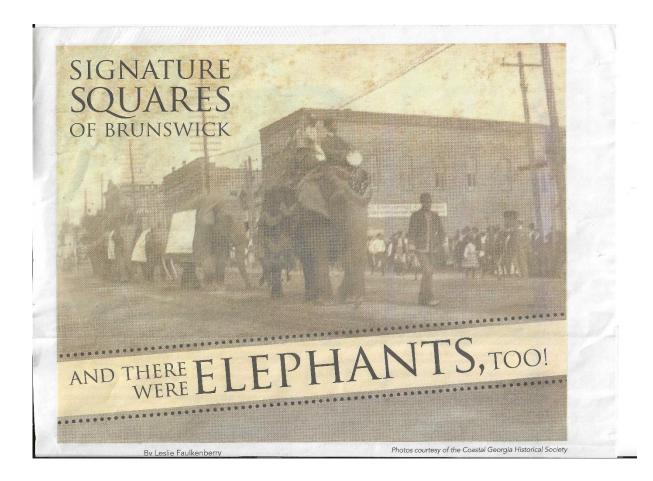
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extravaganzas tended to visit major cities, where substantial crowds brought in the revenue required to run such complex operations.

When the Transcontinental Railroad was completed in 1869, it made the entertainment accessible to any place in the country that had rail service. Circuses no longer had to contend with poor roads, days in transit and the enormous overhead involved with moving many wagons full of animals and people overland to remote towns across the nation. More companies entered the field.

from upper floors of buildings to avoid being trampled by the crowds on the street. To entice those potential customers, he ordered the tin roofs of the circus wagons to be painted with elaborately detailed scenes as well.

John Robinson's Ten Big Shows visited Brunswick in 1895. Crowds gathered on the corner of Newcastle and Mansfield Street, in the northernmost half of Queen Square, to watch as the parade turned toward the circus grounds at Union Street and 2nd Avenue. The exciting spectacle enticed citizens of our town to buy tickets to see the 3-rina circus, aviant, three menageries of





Wood-Bailey Clothing Company, circa 1907.

Wood-Bailey opened its doors at 1418 Newcastle in the fall of 1906 with a line of men's and boy's goods. William Henry Wood, 714 Richmond Street, was company president. A Brunswick News article from Sept 18th of that year called the opening a decided success. A few years later the company was renamed the Wood-Newton Clothing Company after J.B. Newton took over partnership. The company remained in business until around 1929 when the partnership was dissolved.





In the 1930's-1940's the building was occupied by Lovett's Groceteria. They leased the location from Ocean Lodge #214. Later the name changed to Winn-Lovett's, precursor to the grocery store of today, Winn Dixie.



Clarence J. Dubs purchased the building from Ocean Lodge #214 in April 1945 and moved Dubs Jewelers to its new location at 1418 Newcastle St. I have read varying dates regarding this, but I have the actual documentation. I think the confusion lay in the fact that Dub's was already operating as a jewelry store at 1422 Newcatle St. before purchasing 1418 (see picture of Lovetts). The front façade was changed sometime in the 1950's. My best guess is that this is roughly the time when the Masonic Lodge moved out of the building to its present-day location on Parkwood Ave. Clarence Dubs passed away in 1982.



Ned J. Cash purchased the building in 1990 and opened it as Ned Cash and Associates Jewelers. Bennie Mitchell "Mitch" Parrish III, worked with Mr. Cash since 1985 and joined him at this new location. Peggy Shanahan began working at Ned Cash Jewelers in 1998. By 2005, Mitch Parrish and Peggy Shanahan Parrish were 50% owners in the business along with Mr. Cash. Mr. Cash died in May 2013. As already designed and set up, Mitch and Peggy bought Mr. Cash's shares in the business and purchased the building at 1418 Newcastle Street. Mitch Parrish and Peggy Shanahan love this building tremendously (it's bittersweet) but they see and are excited for new chapters on their horizons.

It's time for someone else to get a chance to love this building. In 2025, 1418 Newcastle St. was purchased by......

