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Significant Date:

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

Registry Year: 1979 Erected Date: 1981

Marker Location

Address: 2000 Gratiot Avenue

City: Detroit

State: MI ZipCode: 48207

County: Wayne

Township:

Lat: 42.34840200 / Long: -83.03464600

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Joe Muer's Oyster House

Built around 1880, this structure originally housed a shoe and grocery store. In 1894 it was purchased by William Malburg, an undertaker and the father-in-law of Joe Muer. In 1906 Muer founded the Swift Cigar Company. He manufactured cigars on this site until the Great Depression. Muer started this popular restaurant on October 28, 1929, the day before the famous Wall Street crash. Despite a seemingly unfavorable beginning, the restaurant has continued to prosper for more than a half century and is still owned by the Muer family.

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