

The Victoria Hotel

The Victoria Hotel, built by the Krause family in 1906, has had a colorful past and has changed hands numerous times. It has been renovated throughout the years but still stands today as a landmark on Queen Street. During the Spanish Influenza of 1918-1919, the hotel was turned into a temporary hospital. Several bachelors were living there and most remained in the hospital as patients. The most common symptoms of the flu were a stinging throat, fever, and in severe cases bleeding from either the nose or mouth; eleven deaths were recorded. The village was quarantined for a period of three weeks and the road entrances were roped off – police supplied the village with medicine and thermometers.



Victoria Hotel, 1918. Nurses caring for flu patients stand out front.