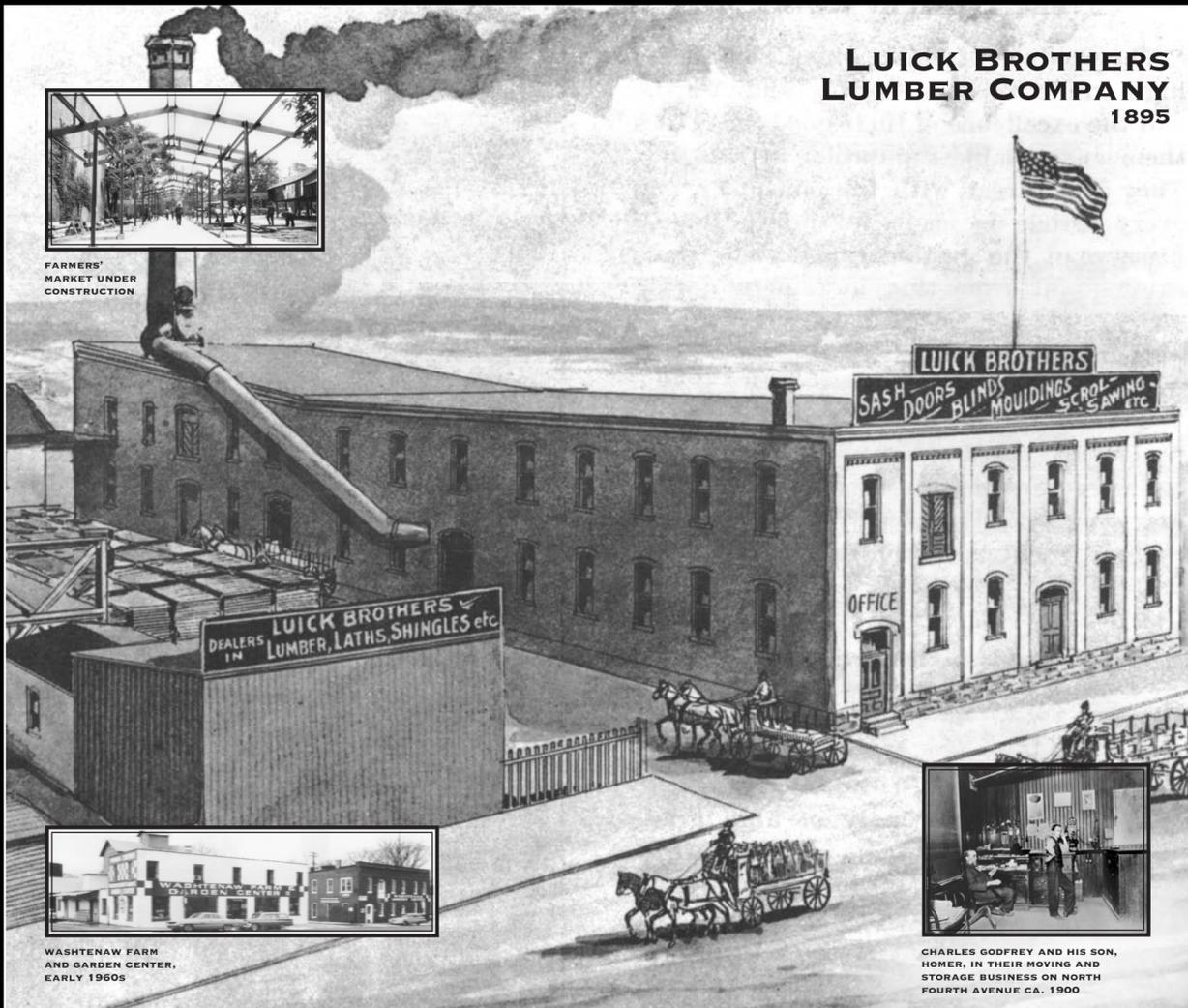




## LUMBER AND AGRICULTURE



**LUICK BROTHERS  
LUMBER COMPANY**  
1895

FARMERS' MARKET UNDER CONSTRUCTION

WASHTENAW FARM AND GARDEN CENTER, EARLY 1960S

CHARLES GODFREY AND HIS SON, HOMER, IN THEIR MOVING AND STORAGE BUSINESS ON NORTH FOURTH AVENUE CA. 1900

From 1873 to 1930 Luick Brothers lumberyard and planing factory supplied lumber, sash, doors, blinds, moldings, scrolls, and "fancy sawing" for the growing town. Nearby carriage, furniture, and farm implement factories, along with new construction, used Luick products.

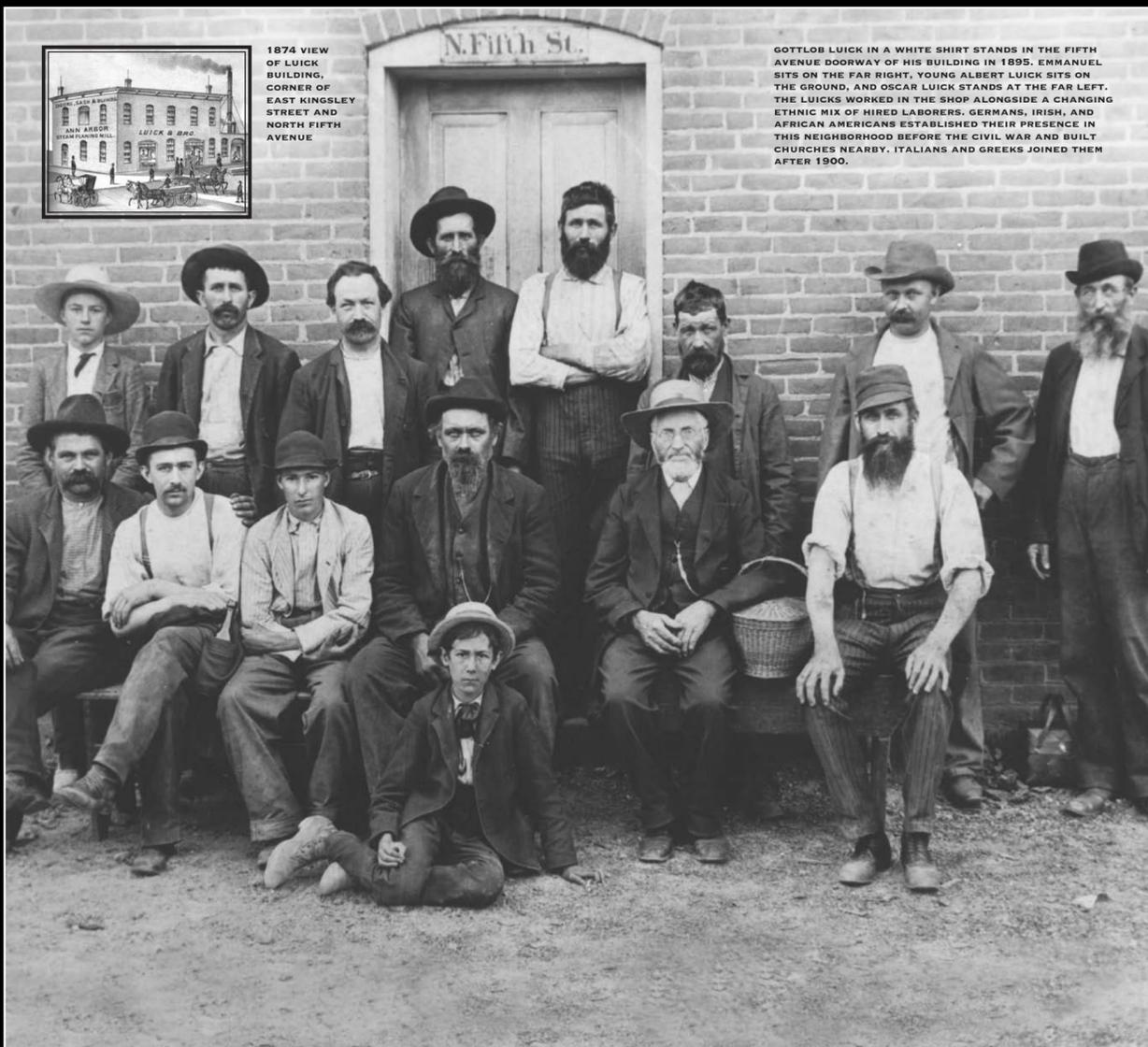
Gottlob and Emmanuel Luick were two of twelve children born into a farm family of early Washtenaw County German immigrants. Gottlob twice served as Democratic alderman and was mayor of Ann Arbor

from 1899 to 1901. Upon retiring in 1931, he gave the lumberyard land to the city to be used as a farmers' market. During the economic depression of the 1930s, farmers used the old lumber sheds for stalls and shelter during cold weather. From 1938 to 1940 a permanent market was built by the Works Progress Administration, a federal jobs program.

Charles McCalla purchased the Luick building in 1942 and erected a block structure next to it for his Washtenaw Farm Bureau store. He sold livestock feed

ground on the premises, seeds, pet supplies, and even penny candy. Market farmers often bought supplies from him. The old Luick building was used for storage. In 1962 McCalla's children renamed the business the Washtenaw Farm and Garden Center.

Beginning in the 1970s, the buildings, including the adjacent three-story Godfrey Moving and Storage on North Fourth Avenue, were transformed into the Ker-rytown shopping complex.



1874 VIEW OF LUICK BUILDING, CORNER OF EAST KINGSLEY STREET AND NORTH FIFTH AVENUE

GOTTLob LUICK IN A WHITE SHIRT STANDS IN THE FIFTH AVENUE DOORWAY OF HIS BUILDING IN 1895. EMMANUEL SITS ON THE FAR RIGHT, YOUNG ALBERT LUICK SITS ON THE GROUND, AND OSCAR LUICK STANDS AT THE FAR LEFT. THE LUICKS WORKED IN THE SHOP ALONGSIDE A CHANGING ETHNIC MIX OF HIRED LABORERS. GERMANS, IRISH, AND AFRICAN AMERICANS ESTABLISHED THEIR PRESENCE IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR AND BUILT CHURCHES NEARBY. ITALIANS AND GREEKS JOINED THEM AFTER 1900.