

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN BUSINESSES
FROM THE ROCK HILL CITY DIRECTORIES
1908-1972**

Automotive Repair

People's Garage, Black St. corner Railroad (1920)
Walter White Garage, 137 W. Black St. (1925)
Ernest W. Walker, 125 W. Black St. (1933-1938)

Barber Shops

Edward Beckham, Wilson St. near Black St. (1913)
 219 S. Trade St. (1920)
 111 W. Black St. (1925)
Robert G. Jones, 115 Railroad Ave. (1908)
 107 W. Black St. (1920)
Jones and Barber, 109 W. Black St. (1925)
Dan Reid, 118 W. Black St. (1933)
John Knox, 130 W. Black St. (1933)
George Anderson, 118 W. Black St. (1933)
Richard Barber, 109 W. Black St. (1938)
 107 W. Black St. (1942)
 121 W. Black St. (1946)
Andrew Jackson, 118 W. Black St. (1933-1942)
Roosevelt Mobley, 113 W. Black St. (1936-1942)
OK Barber Shop, 128 W. Black St. (1946-1972)
Ideal Barber Shop, 168 W. Black St. (1949)
Willie Jackson, 120-121 W. Black St. (1949-1953)
 124 W. Black St. (1955-1956)
City Barber Shop, 103 W. Black St. (1951-1958)
 123 W. Black St. (1958-1971)
Hardin's Barber Shop, 124 W. Black St. (1968-1971)

Beauty Shops

Friendly Beauty Shop, 230 W. Black St. (1951-1968)
Jefferson Beauty School, 168 W. Black St. (1953-1966)
Caldwell & Jackson Beauty Shop, 302 ½ W. Black St. (1959)
Evelyn's Beauty Shop, 302 ½ W. Black (1961)

Beer/Confectioners

The Gaiety, 158 W. Black St. (1946-1949)
The Smoke Shop, 118 W. Black St. (1946-1949)

Billiard and Pool Rooms

Claude Crockett's Poolroom, 114 W. Black St. (1920)
Andrew Hood's Poolroom, 113 W. Black St. (1920)
Roosevelt Mobley, 121 W. Black St. (1933)

Alex Hinton's Poolroom, 113 W. Black St. (1925-1933)
Mutt's Pool Hall, 119 W. Black St. (1955-1968)
Pink Brown Poolroom, 121 W. Black St. (1936-1949)
Lucky Five Billiard Parlor, 120 W. Black St. (1936-1949)
West End Billiards, 128 W. Black St. (1940)
117 W. Black St. (1946)
113 W. Black St. (1958)
William Clemons Poolroom, 117 W. Black St. (1942)
113 W. Black St. (1949)
Samuel Gray, 113 W. Black St. (1953)
Brown's Billiard & Lunch, 115 W. Black St. (1953-1971)
Williams Brothers Pool Hall, 119 W. Black St. (1969-1971)

Blacksmiths

Cy Cureton, 117 E. Black St. (1936-1946)
Bishop Hall, 119 E. Black St. (1938)

Boarding Houses

Emma Davis, 327 W. Black St. (1942)

Bondsmen

David Tigler, 104 W. Black St. (1961-1963)
Pink Brown, 115 W. Black St. (1962-1971)

Contractors

Bailey's Tile Company, 117 W. Black St. (1967-1971)

Cleaning and Pressing/Laundry

City Pressing Club, 211 E. Black St. (1917)
J. Arthur Gettys Cleaning & Pressing, 211 E. Black St. (1908)
Alex Hinton, 113 ½ W. Black St. (1925)
Andrew Hood's Cleaning & Pressing, 111 W. Black St. (1920)
Alex Knox, 132 W. Black St. (1913)
Mary Bell, Laundress, 338 W. Black St. (1933)
Jordan Cleaners, 302 W. Black St. (1962-1967)

Dentists

Sumler H. Blake, 158 W. Black St. (1936-1967)
Spofford J. Gathings, 119 W. Black St. (1933-1942)
168 ½ W. Black St. (1946-1971)

Draymen

William Ferguson, 154 W. Black St. (1920)
Andrew Hood, 136 W. Black St. (1917)

Drug Stores

Ideal Pharmacy/Gathings, 119 W. Black St. (1925-1940)
168 W. Black St. (1942-1972)
Imperial Drug Co., 109 W. Black St. (1917-1920)
People's Drug Com., W. Black St. at Wilson (1913)
107 W. Black St. (1917-1942)
The Gaiety, 158 W. Black St. (1936)

Funeral Homes/Undertakers

People's Undertaking/Robinson, 117 W. Black St. (1917)
111 W. Black St. (1933-1972)
George Cauthen, 117 W. Black St. (1933)
Josh Wylie, 117 W. Black St. (1933)
Rock Hill Undertaking Co., 128 W. Black St. (1925)
117 Black St. (1938-1940)
225 W. Trade St. (1942)
Chisolm Funeral Home, 128 W. Black St. (1936-1938)
165 W. Black St. (1940-1971)

Grocers

Thomas Barber, 121 W. Black St. (1925)
Venus Barnes, 338 W. Black St. (1917)
Gussie Clinton, 255 W. Black St. (1925)
George H. Davis, 255 W. Black St. (1908)
225 W. Black St. (1925)
Annie Hemphill, 154 W. Black St. (1925)
Hampton Sims, 145 W. Black St. (1908)
143 W. Black St. (1913)
McNeely Nelson, 232 W. Black St. (1933-1942)
Henry Davis, 327 W. Black St. (1940)
Ferrell's Food Mart, 255 W. Black St. (1953-1959)

Insurance

North Carolina Mutual Life, 156 W. Black St. (1920)
115 ½ W. Black St. (1925)
158 W. Black St. (1938-1942) and (1961-1972)
168 ½ W. Black St. (1946-1958)
National Benefit Ins., 121 ½ W. Black St. (1925)
Pilgrim Health & Life Ins., 168 ½ W. Black St. (1953)

Liquor Stores

Pink Brown Liquors, 105 W. Black St. (1953-1956)
Dorothy miller Liquors, 114 W. Black St. (1953-1961)

Music Teachers

Marie Pride, Piano, 208 W. Black St. (1936-1940)

Newspapers

Rock Hill Messenger, 130 E. Black St. (1908-1913)

115 ½ W. Black St. (1917-1925)

Notary Public

Anderson D. Chisholm, 165 W. Black St. (1951-1956)

Nurses

Janie Tate, 149 W. Black St. (1917)

Pawn Shops

Browns Pawn Shop, 121 W. Black St. (1958)

Physicians

Isaiah Macon, 216 W. Black St. (1920)

Alexander E. Pendergrass, 115 ½ W. Black St. (1917-1920)

John N. Robinson, 175 W. Black St. (1917)

James W. Russell, 119 ½ W. Black St. (1925)

Dewey Duckett, 119 ½ W. Black St. (1936-1942)

168 ½ W. Black St. (1946-1964)

Hugh G. Hogan, 158 W. Black St. (1938-1940)

Restaurants

Edward Beckham's Rest., Wilson St, near Black St. (1913)

109 ½ W. Black St. (1925)

Joe Ingram, 114 W. Black St. (1925)

Rock Hill Restaurant, 115 W. Black St. (1917-1925)

Royal Garden Café, W. Black corner Railroad Ave. (1925)

114 W. Black St. (1933-1942)

Hattie Thorn, 123 W. Black St. (1913)

Charles E. Williams, 121 ½ W. Black St. (1925)

Hunt & Hemphill, 107 W. Black St. (1925)

F. H. Neal, W. Black St. corner Railroad (1933)

Mary Cloud, 119 ½ W. Black St. (1933)

Mary Gill, 303 W. Black St. (1933)

Kozy Kitchen, 121 W. Black St. (1936)

Lucky Five Billiards/Rest., 120 W. Black St. (1936)

Thomas Peary, 305 W. Black St. (1936)

D. A. Roach, 113 ½ W. Black St. (1936)

Charles Williams, 114 W. Black St. (1936)

Sanitary Café, 313 ½ W. Black St. (1938-1940)

West End Lunch, 303 W. Black St. (1942)

Joseph Benson, 119 W. Black St. (1946-1949)

William Perry, 303 W. Black St. (1946)
Roy's Garden, 116 W. Black St. (1946)
Sandwich Inn, 113 W. Black St. (1946)
Mrs. Marie Gist, 303 W. Black St. (1949-1953)
Hughes Henderson, 113 W. Black St. (1949)
Palace Grill, 107 W. Black St. (1949-1971)
Mary pride, 113 W. Black St. (1953)
Club Delisha, 113 ½ W. Black St. (1958-1959)
Dunbar Restaurant, 117 W. Black St. (1955-1961)
Ruth's Place, 120 ½ W. Black St. (1953)
Minute Grill, 121 W. Black St. (1961-1971)
Chicken in the Basket, 134 W. Black St. (1964-1972)

Service Stations

People's Service Station, 123 W. Black St. (1936-1942)
127 W. Black St. (1946-1949)
Mills Service Station, 127 W. Black St. (1951-1963)
131 W. Black St. (1964-1972)

Shoe Service/Shoe Shining

Sam Gray, Cobbler, 140 W. Black St. (1933)
Rock Hill Shoe Repair, 327 ½ W. Black St. (1946)
Harry Dixon Shoe Shine Shop, 112 W. Black St. (1946)
William Simpson Shoe Shine Shop, 112 W. Black St. (1949-1951)
Samuel Caldwell Shoe Shine Shop, 99 W. Black St. (1951)

Soft Drinks

Edward Murray, 338 W. Black St. (1925)

Tailors

Gore & Davie, 109 ½ W. Black St. (1917)

Taxi/Cab Services

William Phillips, 107 W. Black St. (1936)
Leroy Roseborough, 107 W. Black St. (1936-1940)
William Adams, 107 W. Black St. (1938-1940)
Andrew Hill, 107 W. Black St. (1938-1940)
Samuel Siblett, 107 W. Black St. (1938-1940)
Robert Byers, 107 W. Black St. (1940)
David Tigler, 107 W. Black St. (1940)
James Ferguson, 106 W. Black St. (1942-1946)
Andrew Love, 106 W. Black St. (1942)
Service Cab Co., 106 W. Black St. (1942-1946)
104 W. Black St. (1949-1971)
Blue Bird Taxi, 106 W. Black St. (1946-1961)
150 W. Black St. (1969-1972)

Fresh Air Taxi, 106 W. Black St. (1946)
Capitol Taxi, 122 W. Black St. (1963-1971)

Theaters

Glenn Theater, 120 W. Black St. (1925)
Washington Theater, Black St. corner Elm, (1917)