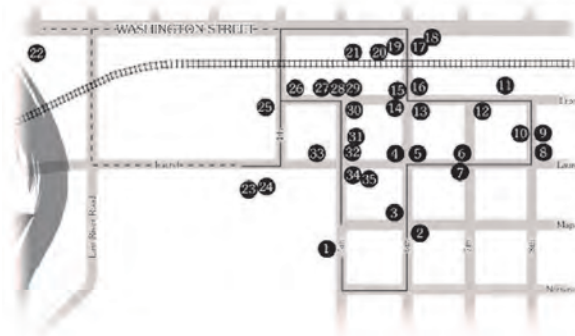


A Walk Through History



Historical Markers

Be on the lookout for historic markers indicating each destination point of the tour.



Destinations

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| 1) Brainerd Public Library | 19) Arlington Hotel |
| 2) Post Office | 20) Headquarters Hotel |
| 3) Fred Drexler's
Blacksmith Shop | 21) Depot, NPRR, Second |
| 4) Iron Exchange Building | 22) Trading Post |
| 5) Elks Hotel | 23) County Jail and
Sheriff's Residence |
| 6) Parker Building | 24) Courthouse |
| 7) Brainerd State Bank | 25) Last Turn Saloon |
| 8) O'Brien Mercantile | 26) Nash Finch Company |
| 9) Sleeper Opera House | 27) Fire Hall - First |
| 10) Lakeland Building | 28) Russell Creamery |
| 11) Freight Depot, NPRR | 29) Park Opera House |
| 12) Cullen Block | 30) Bank of Brainerd |
| 13) First National Bank | 31) Fire Hall - Second |
| 14) Ransford Hotel | 32) City Hall |
| 15) YMCA, Northern
Pacific | 33) Armory |
| 16) Hobo Park | 34) Greyhound Bus Depot |
| 17) Depot, NPRR, First | 35) Lively Garage/ Auto
Company |
| 18) Water Tower | |

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