

THE IRON DOORS
 THE QUARRY CAVE,
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 JAMES KING'S IRON
 WORKS
 **PRODUCTS OF
 LOCAL IRON
 WORKS
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 AROUND BRISTOL
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 SALOONISTS
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 CITY,TENN.
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 BOTTLES FOUND?
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 ** BRISTOL TENN-
 VA BOTTLE CLUB

Dr. Jere Bunting. In 1875, J.G. was having a new home constructed and while inspecting the second floor, he fell and became fatally injured. In 1879, the Pepper & Bunting partnership was dissolved.

C.T. Pepper was born in 1830, and he graduated from the University of Va. in 1855. In Nov. 1865, he is a member of the Bristol Masonic Fraternity. From 1870 to 1876, he is a Bristol-Goodson City Councilman. In 1875, he is on the Board of the Bristol Academy of Medicine and is the Deacon of Central Presbyterian Church. In 1879, he is Treasurer of the Bristol Academy of Medicine.

A May 1879 advertisement notes that Dr. C.T. and Mrs. Pepper will erect another brick store. However, something occurred to change this plan, for in Aug. of 1879, C.T. and his family move back to Rural Retreat. There he opens a Pharmacy/Soda Fountain business. (It is from here that the "legend" about the Dr. Pepper soft drink begins).

An 1892 ad notes Drs. Rhea & Pepper, Dentists.

In 1870, Pepper Bros. prepared and sold "Pepper's Celebrated & Aperient Tonic Bitters." They also sold McClung & Betterton's Eureka Bitters, manufactured in Knoxville,TN., Rosenheim's Bitters, Plantation Bitters, and Stoughton's Bitters. An April 1871 ad for Pepper's Aperient & Tonic Bitters claimed it was for dyspepsia, diseases of the liver, stomach, headache, constipational, and all diseases arising from a torpid condition of the digestive organs.

#11) **NEWTON COLBERT** - Established a drug store about 1893 with W.C. Reser as a partner..ie...Colbert & Reser Drug Store. By 1905, Reser has left, and the store is known as Colbert's Drug Store, cor Moore & State Sts. By 1907, it's listed as the Colbert-Stover Drug Store. In 1909, it has become Colbert's ReXall Drug Store at 6th St. cor State St. *I.Baker Cowan* is noted as president of the firm. Colbert died in December 1910 after a lengthy illness.

#12) **W.C. RESER** - after dissolving his partnership with Newton Colbert in 1905, and Reser entered into another partnership with I. Baker Cowan at State St. cor 6th. By 1906, Reser & Co. have contracted for a franchise with The Owl Drug Company, a national chain. By September of the same year, Reser has relocated to 533 State St. An ad that month reads: Owl Drug Co. successors to Colbert-Stover Drug Co. Not exactly certain what occurred here, but it would appear that Reser and Colbert merely switched sides of the street. It's also at this time that Cowan becomes Reser's ex-partner and President of Colbert's Drug Co. By 1909, Reser is manufacturing and advertising his own brand of Red Cherry Expectorant. In 1923 The Owl Drug Store has moved to 409 State St. and *T.O. Cowan Drug Store* is in Reser's former location.



*** *The Owl Drug Company had franchises allover the U.S. It originated in San Francisco in 1892 and was bought out by ReXall Drug Co. in the 1930s.*

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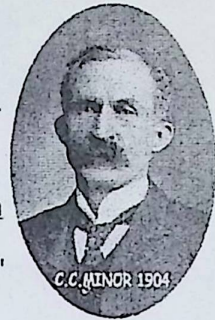
#13 **MINOR'S DRUG STORE** - established about 1889 by C.C. Minor on the SE corner of Main & 5th Sts.

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**There is a *W.S.Minor*, listed in 1865, located on the

Nickel's House Corner. An ad from *W.D. Minor* placed in 1868 notes: candy, cigars, soap, kerosene, oil lamps, combs, toilet powders, extracts, spices, hair oils, colognes, etc. Products typically found in a drug store or small general store.

In 1896, C.C. Minor became partners with J.L. Williamson, in the druggist business - Minor & Williamson Drug Store. This only lasted until about 1902, as Minor's ads of that time note he is the "Sole Proprietor." By 1914 Minor has moved to 600 State St., and remained there as late as 1923. Minor's Drug Store went out of business in 1991 at #8 6th St.



MARTIN LYNCH.....born in Sunbright, Tenn., May 18, 1877 and lived in Bristol until his death in an automobile accident Aug. 22, 1953. It is ironic and sad, but Martin Lynch was killed when turning onto the highway near his home.....by a drunk driver. He was in the whiskey business from about 1905 to 1916, operating and/or owning several saloons during the period. One was located on Front St. and another was on State St.

In 1909 C. J. Dinan is noted as the Manager of one Lynch Saloon on a whiskey License application submitted to the Corporation Court of Bristol, Va.. In May 1911, Lynch is reported to have closed his saloon on Front St. and was consolidating it with another saloon he owned on State St. Oddly enough, Lynch's saloons were robbed four times in the same month - Feb. 1913, each time only of bottled whiskey. (Unlike Bryan Brothers' Saloon robbery the same night as one of Lynch's robberies - in which the iron safe was cracked and robbed of about \$300.00.)

In 1914, as newspaper articles have reported, he re-opens the Front St. business with both he and his brother, Eugene, listed as Managers on the License application. Also in 1914, Lynch, makes application for a Malt Liquor License which is approved. Cost of this single license was \$1000.00.

After Prohibition became Law in November 1916, Martin Lynch attempted to make a go of it in the Temperance drink business. Temperance drinks at this time consisted of "near-beer" drinks and "non-alcoholic" sodas. One such product was manufactured in Chattanooga and distributed by Lynch in 1917...Reif's Special - "A Pure Liquid Food" - which boasted it had the snappy flavor and foaming goodness of the hops with the alcohol left out.

At some point, Eugene Lynch opened the Bristol Recreation Parlor. Whether Martin was affiliated with this business is not known.

Martin Lynch is listed in City Directories in 1927, under the heading: Butter, Eggs, & Cheese at No. 27 City Market House. In 1929, a listing notes: Lynch Dairy, No. 44 Moore St. In 1930, Lynch Dairy at No. 26 City Market House. In 1932, back to No. 44 Moore St. And lastly, from 1936-42 he is located at 610 Cumberland St., (no subsequent entries after these dates).

Martin Lynch owned a large farm on the old Bluff City highway, where he raised cattle and did some farming. A huge portion of his farm