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Out of the Past

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The J.C. Penny Company store which has operated continuously for the past 31 years on Main Street will close on May 1st. The business first opened its doors in September 24, 1927 at 312 Superior Avenue in a new brick building constructed at the location after the disastrous fire on March 14, 1926 which destroyed most of the stores on the north 300 block of Superior Avenue. Manager Clifford Olson stated that the trading area could not support the continuation of the large and varied inventories that Penny Company maintains nationwide. In addition to Olson, the store employs four sales clerks, Mrs. Eleanor Couch, Mrs. Eugene Dove, Mrs. Jean Johnson and Mrs. George Suck. The building is owned by Mrs. Lina Peebles who hopes to secure a new business enterprise in the near future.

Two other Superior Avenue businesses have announced plans to relocate. The Lud Stoor Agency and Anderson Jewelers, both located at 300 Superior Avenue, will relocate to 21 North Fifth Street in the former Galbraith home which Stoor purchased next to the Snack Bar. Stoor has been doing business at the present location since 1952 and Anderson since 1955.

