

NAPA • 205 North Wayne Street



A new brick building went up in 1880, built by George Krenning. Krenning had a general store selling dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes, and every variety of goods for family use. He was in business from 1880-1906. Frank Sonderman got his start from Krenning & Son and later opened a clothing store himself.

In 1907 H.W. Long and Morris Weiler, both of Portland, bought the store from the Krenning heirs. For 31 years the store was known as Weiler Bros. and Long's or simply Weiler & Long's.

Mary Rose Bergman loved to reminisce about early Fort Recovery. She made this comment about Weiler & Long dry goods store, "This store



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1929-14

Saturday is **\$** Day

Some Extra
Specials
for Your Inspection

14 yards 3/4" Tall Oxford cloth	\$1.00
12) yards of household Lin. sewing	\$1.00
1 yard of 2 1/2" Easy white dress fabric	\$1.00
12 pair each of 1/2" Easy socks	\$1.00
12 pairs full cut 1/2" Socks For pair	\$1.00
12 pair men's 22 1/2" Fullcut and Sewn Make 22 1/2" Socks, per pair	\$1.00
Men's 1/2" Easy dress shirt White Lin.	\$1.00
1 yard each white nap Each	\$1.00
1 yard men's 1/2" all 1/2" four-button shirt White Lin.	\$1.00
1 set 11, 22, 11 22 yard 27 inch Drawings For pair	\$1.00
1 set 47 inch Drawings worth \$1.00 and \$1.00, per pair	\$1.00

You will find
many other items
of interest at **\$!**

Weiler & Long

had a unique method of making change. The clerk would place your purchases and cash in a small wire basket and pull some important looking mechanized strings, making the basket whirl along wire lines up to a small cubicle near the ceiling. Marguerite Schneider Schroer presided over the little room. She would wrap your purchases nicely, make correct change and send the basket back to you. Everyone was amazed at this system and loved to watch and hear the tick-tick of the little basket going and coming." Weiler & Long were in business together until 1940.

H. W. Long's son, Harry Long, took over the business, naming it Harry Long Department Store. He continued in business until 1958. McCord's 5 & 10 moved from their first location to here, and then Bob Crabtree used the building for a furniture store. In 1974 Fort Recovery Supply, a NAPA dealer, moved to this location and is still here today with owner Kim Day.

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