

Notes on 105-109 Congress Street, Salem

According to Patricia Kelleher at the Salem Historical Commission, all of the buildings at the point were destroyed in the Great Fire, which happened on June 25, 1914.

In reviewing both the current assessor's map and the 1911 Walker Lithograph and Publishing Company Map, it would appear that the lot area that was 67-71 Congress Street on the 1911 map is the area that is now 105-109 Congress Street on the current assessor's map.

Prior to the fire, the area that is 105-109 Congress Street was owned by Eugenie Cote. The pamphlet "1914 Data on Burned District at Salem, MA" and published by F.W. Dodge Co., notes that Eugenie Cote lost wooden apartments buildings, a store and perhaps a stable in the area that was known at the time as 67-71 Congress Street.

Based on the Building Inspection Records from the Salem Historical Commission, Eugenie Cote was the owner of an apartment building on Congress Street; the record card states the building was inspected for habitation on August 23, 1915.

The following evidence above and below indicates that Eugenie Cote was the owners of the property that is now 105-109 Congress Street:

Deed descriptions from the Essex South County Registry of Deeds;

MACRIS On-Line Database

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The 1920 United States Census reveals Eugenie Cote and her husband Theodore were immigrants from French Canada and they were 46 and 50 years old, respectively. Both Eugenie and Theodore were literate; their native language was French but both spoke English. Eugenie appears to have emigrated in 1885 and Theodore in 1895. Both were naturalized citizens in 1920. Eugenie worked as a book keeper and Theodore worked as a retail dealer in furniture. According to the 1916 Salem Directory, they lived at 285 Lafayette Street and the furniture store was located at Congress Street. The 1917 Salem Directory lists the furniture business as located at 67 Congress Street. Eugenie and Theodore had five children living with them in 1920 and it appears that the marriage was Eugenie's second as two of the children are listed as step-children in their relationship to Theodore, the head of the household. All of the children in the household were born in Massachusetts.

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Plaque to read: Built for Eugenie Cote, bookkeeper, and her husband. 1915 Replaced apartment buildings, a store, and a stable destroyed in Great Salem Fire of 1914



Owners	Date of Conveyance	Registry Reference
Gervais Bolduc, et al to Eugenie Cote of Salem	April 25, 1902	Book 1966, Page 13-15
Estate of Eugenie Cote to M. Valeda Jodoin, Theobald L, Cote, George E. Cote, all of Salem, and Reine M. Bouchard, of Topsfield	October 16, 1943	Book 3350, Page 387
M. Valeda Jodoin, Theobald L. Cote, Reine M. Bouchard and George E. Cote to Ira Salloway of Beverly	June 28, 1951	Book 3828, Page 402
Ira Salloway of Salem to John S. Cappuccio and Bertha L. Cappuccio	May 8, 1961	Book 4768, Page 174
John S. Cappuccio and Bertha L. Cappuccio Of Salem to Angelo A. Clemenzi and Philip J. Villanti d/b/a Anselmo Realty	November 10, 1961	Book 4841, Page 396
Angelo A. Clemenzi and Philip J. Villanti, d/b/a Anselmo Realty to Israel Frisch of Beverly and Cecil H. Weinstein of Swampscott	April 8, 1965	Book 5274, Page 100
Cecil H. Weinstein of Swampscott to Israel Frisch of Beverly	December 28, 1967	Book 5575, Page 796
Heirs of Israel Frisch to Aser Frisch of Salem	March 6, 1972	Book 5850, Page 431-437
Aser Frisch of Swampscott to Jupiter Two LLC	July 30, 2004	Book 23226, Page 119
Jupiter Two LLC to Congress & Dow LLC	December 10, 2014	Book 33769, Page 390
Congress & Dow LLC to Congress Street Residences, LP	June 10, 2016	Book 34994, Page 383