

# Uptown Main Street

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1. Cars lined Main Street for a patriotic celebration during the first week of October 1921. Besides offering a look at Crisfield at its most decorated, this image offers a rare view of the Commercial Hotel near Fifth Street.

2. This photo, taken during a National Hard Crab Derby parade in the 1950s, shows the Arcade Theater at the corner of Fourth and Main Streets. The theater was built on the former site of the City's Odd Fellows Hall, where the great fire of 1928 started.

3. Crisfield's uptown section was still booming when this 1950s photo was taken at the corner of Fourth and Main Streets. Down the left side of Main Street, starting in the foreground, are Hilda's City Restaurant, Kent Pharmacy, McCrory's 5 & 10 Cent Store, Scher's, and S. & N. Saltz and Son Furniture. On the right side is the W. T. Grant Co., Frank P. Landon Clothing, Bata Shoes and Peyton Pharmacy.

4. While fires in 1883 and 1912 were said to be the most devastating in Crisfield's history, the Hallmark Blaze that most recall today is the great fire of 1928. In this photograph, telephone and electrical linemen work to restore service to the City following the inferno.

5. During one of Crisfield's National Hard Crab Derby parades, the Miss Crustacean float passes the intersection of Somerset Avenue and Main Street. In the background you see the Baptist Temple, built in 1922, and the Masonic Lodge, constructed in 1927.

6. Looking north on Main Street from Fifth and Main Streets in this view of Crisfield, c.1909, you can see the Commercial Hotel on the left and the Lyric Theater on the right. The present-day U.S. Post Office is near the location of the Commercial Hotel.

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