

**Litchfield Heritage Preservation Commission
Historic Commercial District
Property History**

**Parcel Identification Number: 27-0828000
Block: 65 Lot: 21 & 22 & N100' of Lot 20
Current Address: 23 Depot Street East
Non-contributing**

**This building was torn down after a tornado went through the community in 1997.
It is a vacant lot today.**

23-25 E. Depot St.
Parking Garage (now B. Lease and Sons)
Circa 1915
1 Contributing Building

1996 Application National
Register of Historic Places

This one story brick building has a gabled roof with stepped parapet walls forming false fronts on the main and rear facades. The main facade is faced with cream-colored glazed brick and the rear facade is faced with common

brick and has several garage door openings. There are three simple panels of recessed brickwork at the cornice level on the main facade. The storefront has been altered with new brickwork, windows, and a pent eave. This parking garage, with a cement floor and an original capacity for 50 cars, was located on this site by 1917. It replaced a previous woodframe livery stable. By 1930 the southeastern storefront housed a printing office and the southwestern storefront was a restaurant. During the 1940s both storefronts were occupied by restaurants--the western storefront was Adolph Nelson's Cafe, and Dewey Johnson operated the restaurant in the eastern storefront.