

**HENDERSON HOTEL, 47 CENTRAL ST., WOODSVILLE, NH**  
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The Henderson Hotel was completed in 1914. It was built by Cummings Construction for Mr. Henderson who had purchased the lot where the Parker House stood, before the fire of 1912.

Mr. Henderson needed more space for his moving picture theater which he had been operating in what later became the bowling alley. Mr. Henderson moved his family into the building and Levi Kugelman, a clothier, was the first retail tenant. Kugelman was on the left side, facing the building.



**The next tenant was King's Cafe.**

The basement of the Henderson has had many tenants, including barbers, a pool room, a tobacco shop, a taxi service, and Alfonse Lorenzo's shoe service, with his nephew Mike Costello, here from Italy, as a cobbler.

**Paul Tetreault, one of Woodsville's longest running independent businesses, has his barber shop here, at the present time (2008).**

**Pete and Bernice Tegu, ran the Orpheum Theater for many years. They took over the Henderson Theater and constructed the marguee over the front entrance. There were glass bricks in the floor under the marguee.**

**There was a side entrance near the back door of Spofford's Drug store. Spofford's moved from up the street. I remember, as a kid, going in through Spofford's back door, walking through the prescription room, to the soda fountain, and booths, in the front.**

**Jessie Brown, Henderson's daughter, ran the Town Shop after Spofford's closed in 1957.**

**Dave Riggie operated a men's clothing store in the right side location, for many years. Mrs. Riggie was the Henderson's other daughter.**

**The building is now mostly apartments, called the Mount Gardner Apartments.**

**The roof is unusual to the extent it slopes from each side, to the middle, where surface water runs off through drain pipes!**

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