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According to Sanborn maps this building was a billiards hall in 1909. It was then a barber shop in 1927. Later, Ann and Roy Thomas owned the building for over 50 years, running it as Ann's Place (picture on left). Ann's place was an early day convenience store. They ran the store from the front and Ann and Roy lived in the back. They ran the business probably up until Roy died in 1986, Ann died a year later. After Ann's place it was a veterinary hospital owned by Dr. Horton. He owned Willow Mountain Veterinary Hospital when it was first starting, from the late 1980's to 1995 when he sold the veterinary hospital to Michael Smith and Melinda Robin.

NOW

Today the building is Willow Mountain Veterinary Hospital (picture on right). It is owned by Michael Smith and Melinda Robin. It is a small animal veterinary hospital, mostly for only dogs and cats. They have owned it since 1995, until now, it still runs successfully and they are always busy. Janet Edens runs her dog grooming business from the back. There is a satellite clinic in Florence, Montana, that was also sold to them by Dr. Horton around the same time he sold them Willow Mountain Veterinary Hospital. Michael and Melinda love what they do and there are no plans to sell the business in the near future.

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