

Grund House

11. Grund House, northeast corner of Main and Mill Streets



The Grund House, later the Hotel Onekama and for many years the home of the local telephone switchboard, which was in service by 1914, was mentioned in the article, "Onekama," appearing in the *Manistee Standard* of September 13, 1884. An early picture of the structure shows the letters for "Grund House" extending across the third story of a false front and the absence of any porch. Later, the front of the

building had a porch that continued along the east side. In 1908, the Henry Sandenburghs, who had operated the boardinghouse in Williamsport, assumed operation of the hostelry, after Mrs. Sandenburgh purchased it. Improvements, which included moving an east wing to the rear of the building, were made that year.



Jessie Sandenburgh
DuBois at the Village
Telephone Switchboard
in Hotel Onekama

Bill and Winona Green purchased the building in 1945 and renovated it into their home, her beauty shop (which she first opened in 1936), and rental apartments. Mrs. Green preserved and maintained the beautiful garden and artesian fountain created by the Sandenburghs.



The Garden and Artesian Fountain Today
(with Live Ducks) and Yesterday

