## Roddis Lumber and Veneer Company

The Roddis Lumber & Veneer Co. is one of Marshfield's big enterprises and the "Greater Marshfield Industrial Edition" of the Times were incomplete without mention of its importance.

The big plant of the concern gives employment to 300 hands in various departments, while the other plant, located at Park Falls, Wis., also employs 125 men and boys.

The Roddis tops, lumber, panels, flush veneered doors and other products of this company are known far and wide. The plant and yards cover twenty acres, which gives some idea of the vastness of the enterprise.

For twenty years this concern has been furnishing the trade with high class flush veneered doors, veneers, built-up panels, red or white oak, birch, curly birch, ash, elm, bass, mahogany, bellows stock, sleigh panels, table tops, desks tops, etc.

The saw mill is at Park Falls, Wis., and they have there a fully equipped



Roddis Plywood Corporation at West Second Street, ca. 1950's. (photo from the North Wood County Historical Society)

saw mill with 2300 acres of standing timber and are operating there over 20 miles of railroad. In their big yards here they have more than 2,000,000 feet of lumber stored, and five dry kilns are operated. Goods are sold direct to the manufacturer. The firm now have in course of erection here, a new modern saw mill.

Their products are shipped to all parts of the United States as well as to foreign countries, and the local plant is one of the finest in the country. They are now completing a big new sawmill, which will soon be in use.

The tracks of the Soo line and Omaha Ry serve the yards and furnish first class shipping facilities. It is nothing to see many carloads of lumber come into or go out from the plant daily.

W. H. Roddis is president of the company and Hamilton Roddis is secretary and treasurer. They have developed their enterprise to its large proportions through furnishing their trade with dependable goods. Both are prominent in business circles.

(from the Marshfield Times, April 19, 1916)

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