

Powell Street Interview

332 Powell Street

Tadao Wakabayashi tells the interviewers that at 332 Powell Street there was a Japanese Canadian owned café and Kato Shoes, where shoes were repaired and new shoes sold.

TADAO WAKABAYASHI

I don't know that, there was a cafe here run by the Japanese too and next to that one was Kato shoes. You know, Irene's [Tsuyo?] father's shoe store was here.

INTERVIEWERS

Really? Did he make shoes?

TADAO WAKABAYASHI

Repairs. New shoes and shoe repairs.

INTERVIEWERS

So that would be 332.

TADAO WAKABAYASHI

I'm quite certain it would be. And next to the shoe store was the Powell Bakery, and then next to that was a confectionary store.