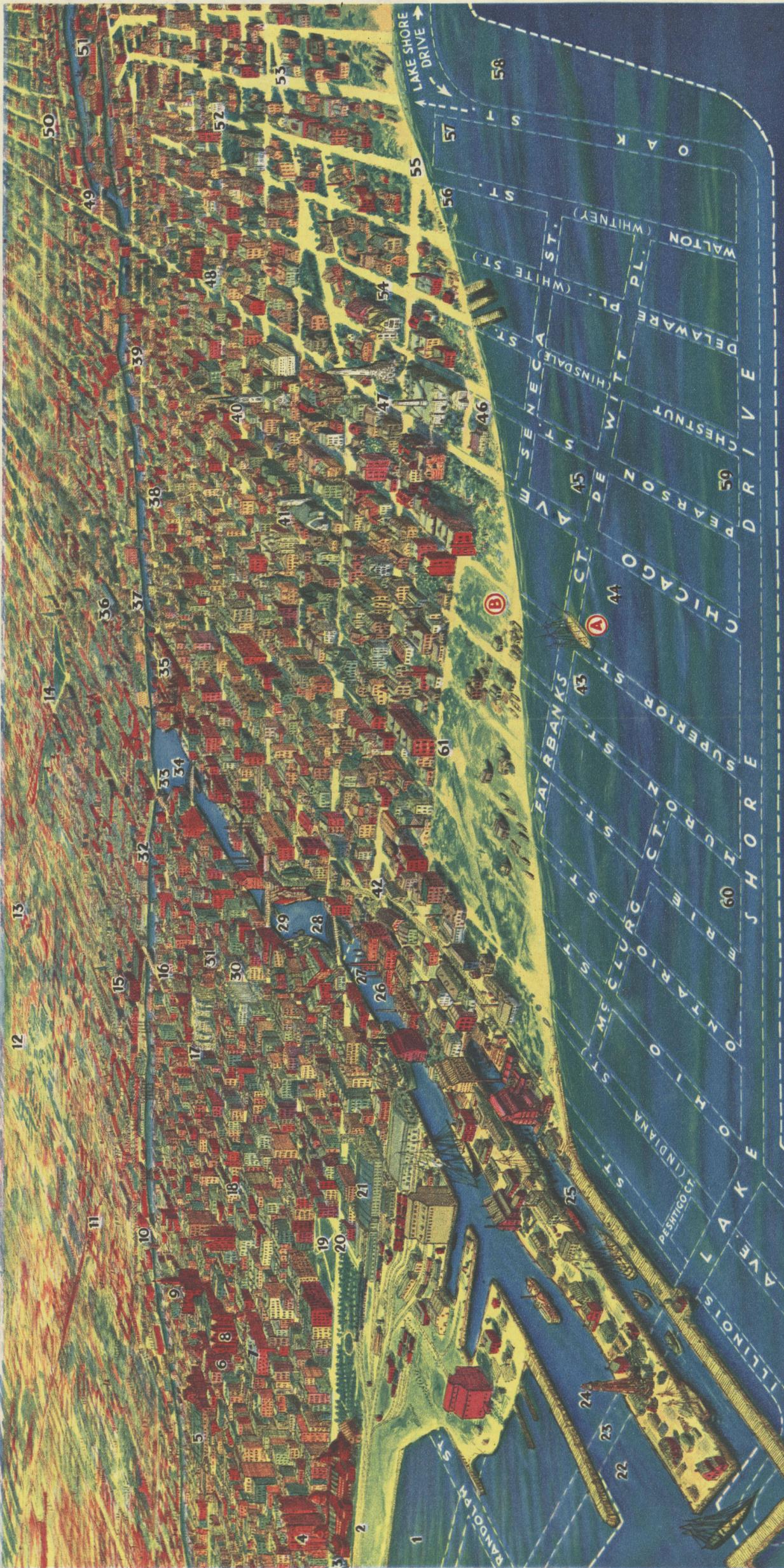


Saga of Streeterville — a Forty Year Real Estate War

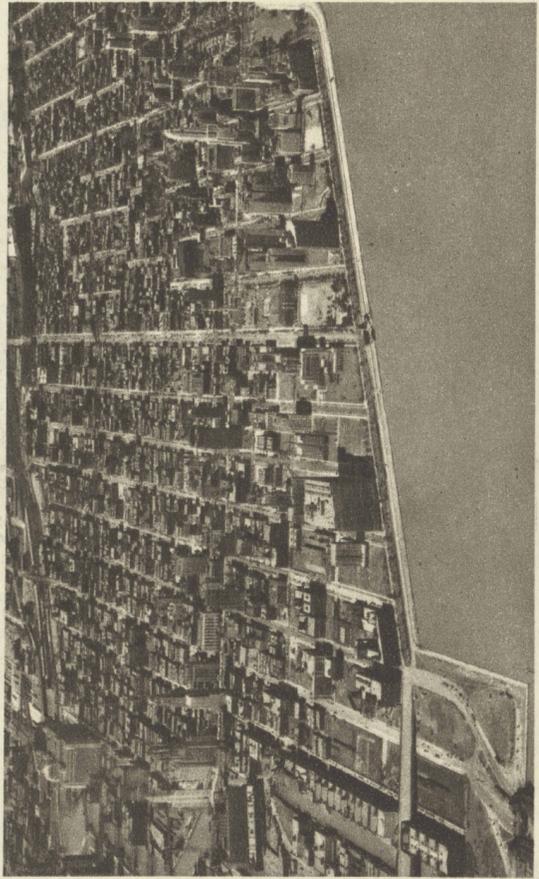


Picturesque Squatter's Futile Fight

THE SHORE LINE of Chicago's near north side was approximately where it is shown in the above drawing on July 10, 1886, when Cap'n George Wellington Streeter's pleasure boat, the Reutan, went aground to mark the birth of a real estate controversy that raged for forty years, an aftermath of which still is pending in court.

• Streeterville, or, as Cap'n Streeter called it, "the Deestrick of Lake Michigan," over which the dispute was carried on, contained approximately 186 acres, and is shown in the drawing as that part of Lake Michigan that has boundaries and streets outlined in broken white lines.

• Every one familiar with the latter history of Chicago remembers the doughty old Cap'n Streeter and the lake front property, which he contended, on the basis of a number of claims, was rightfully his. Streeterville now is built up largely with costly and imposing structures, such as Northwestern university's McKinlock campus buildings, Passavant Memorial hospital, and the Lake Shore Athletic club, and Cap'n Streeter has been dead more than sixteen years. But heirs of the old man still have a suit (Continued on page four.)



In the foreground is Streeterville as it appears today.

- 34—Well St. Bridge
35—C. & N. W. Station
36—Old Galena & Chicago Union Depot
37—Kinzie St. Bridge (Ave.)
38—Indiana St. (Grand Ave.) Bridge
39—Eric St. Bridge
40—Holy Name Cathedral
41—St. James' Church
42—Tribune Tower
43—Passavant Hospital
44—Northwestern University (McKinlock Campus)
45—Field Artillery Armory
46—Fire House
47—Water Works
48—Moody Corner
49—Halsted St.
50—Milwaukee Ave.
51—Goose Island
52—Washington Square
53—Rush (Green Bay) St.
54—Farwell Homes
55—Pine St. (North Michigan Ave.)
56—Palmdale Bldg.
57—Drake Hotel
58—Oak St. Beach
59—Lake Shore A. C.
60—Furniture Mart
61—St. Clair (Sand) St.
- 1—Grant Park
2—Exposition Bldg.
3—Lake Park
4—Pullman Bldg.
5—La Salle Depot
6—Grand Pacific Hotel
7—Palmer House
8—Post Office
9—Board of Trade
10—Van Buren St. Bridge
11—Blue Island Ave.
12—Douglas Park
13—Ogden Ave.
14—Union Park
15—Union Station
16—Madison St. Bridge
17—City Hall
18—Tribune Bldg.
19—Public Library
20—Michigan Ave.
21—I. C. Depot
22—Chicago River
23—Outer Drive Bridge
24—Lighthouse
25—Ogden Slip
26—Kirk Soap Works
27—Michigan Ave. Bridge
28—Rush St. Bridge
29—State St. Bridge
30—Tremont House
31—Sherman House
32—Randolph St. Bridge
33—Lake St. Bridge
- KEY**
Modern Features in Italic Type; Contemporary Features in Regular Type.
A—Where Streeter's boat, the Reutan, went aground, July 10, 1886.
B—Where the Reutan was hauled ashore.

(Chicago Aerial Survey photo.)