

DUTCH CHOCOLATE SHOP ONE SHEET

217 West 6th Street, Downtown Los Angeles

Municipal landmark: Finney's Cafeteria HCM #137

designated 01/15/1975.

Contributor to National Register Broadway Theater & Commercial District

Four retail stories + basement (architects Morgan & Walls, 1898)

Building size: 21,299 sq ft.

In 1914, the ground floor was remodeled for Chocolate Shop #4, with a vaulted Rathskeller interior by architects Plummer & Feil.

The walls were decorated with field and figurative tiles by Ernest Batchelder, with 22 decorative panels set at eye height around the room. These portray scenes of Dutch buildings, landscape and people, and are among Batchelder's largest and earliest commissions

One wall was dismantled in the 1980s, and three panels removed for storage. Two are missing, and one is in the possession of the property owner and can be reinstalled or exhibited on site.

Timeline.

- June 27, 1914 - Chocolate Shop #4 opens
- 1920s-1930s – retail use
- 1935-1946 - Paul Bragg's Downtown Health Cafeteria
- 1946-1985 - Finney's Cafeteria
- 1986-2011 - retail bazaar
- 2012-present - filming location