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LANDMARK—This 63-year-old structure, located at 6319 Pasadena avenue, is making way this week for the twentieth century. The old landmark housed Wells Fargo offices and acted as a depot for the Los Angeles Terminal railroad in the days when Garvanza was the hub of this sector's community life. A modern automobile service and repair establishment is to replace the building. Wylie Agler who is building the new auto repair shops has expressed willingness to donate the building to a group of Highland Park citizens who are now seeking land to which to move the old structure. If plans materialize the building may be used as a museum to house historical mementoes of the southland.

The old is making way for the new in Highland Park this week as one of the old landmarks of early Los Angeles prepares to bow to the twentieth century.

◆ Located at 6319 Pasadena avenue, a two-story frame structure, which in its day served as a railroad terminal and depot for the Northeast section of the city, is to be replaced by modern concrete and steel automotive service and repair shops owned and operated by Wylie Agler, well-known Highland Park automobile man.

63 YEARS OLD

The redwood building, rich in lore of early community life here, was built in 1884 to serve as a depot for the Los Angeles Terminal Railroad when the Garvanza district was the civic and cultural center of Northeast Los Angeles. The LAT Railroad operated from Pasadena to San Pedro via Los Angeles and provided speedy transportation to Garvanza residents who didn't care to make the horse and buggy trip to what was then the downtown area.

After being used as the local LAT station, the building saw service as a Pacific Electric depot and as a Wells Fargo freight office. Recently it has been used as living quarters and has housed several small shops.

MAY BE MUSEUM

Agler, realizing the historical worth of the old structure, has offered to donate it to a group of Highland Park citizens who are now actively interested in converting it into a historical museum to house mementoes of the southland. The building is still sturdy, and if land on which to place it is found may well serve as a nucleus around which to build a center of historical pieces to preserve the memory of old Highland Park and Garvanza.