

Back before we had the manufacturers records, collectors found chips and put names to the initials with the idea they could sell them for more money. This was pure greed. These bad ID's and lies (IMO) made it into our chip books including TGT.

Current TGT entry.

Wilbur H Clark - Long Beach, CA - Probably used in Clarks leases. (meaning The SS Rex and other places)

Our "Friend OF the Hobby" did a quickie and put an end to this nonsense.

Take it away, "Friend" and THANK YOU!



WHC CA1

Wm H. Clark

1631 Alamitos Ave

Long Beach, CA

400 chips - 1940

Definitely not the well known Las Vegas casino operator Wilbur Clark (not even a close relative <g>).

William "Bill" Harold Clark, born 1911 at an Army post in Rhode Island, moved to the LA area when a young man. The chips were delivered to 1631 Alamitos in 1940 which at the time was the location of a café recently opened by Clark called the "Alamo." He operated the Alamo Cafe

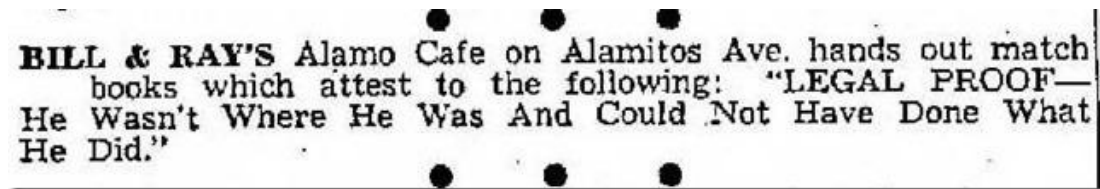
at the location for over 20 years, adding a billiard parlor next door in the 1950's. He changed the name to the Cozy Cafe in the early 1960's and was gone by the mid-1960's.

1945:



WHC CA2

1955 (the Ray mentioned below is Bill Clark's brother):



WHC CA3

structure on Alamos Avenue which housed Clark's café and billiard parlor:



WHC CA4

BTW, Ed Hertel is in Egypt, He got some info that a couple "ILLEGAL" casinos were operating in a pyramid back during Roman times. Go get the chips, Ed. *vbg*