

One more time "Illegal Of the Day" needs to fix a bad ID.

David and I bought these on ebay back in 2008. We sent for the Mason record on it. It came back as Dallas S Wood, Dallas, TX, 1938. We did not get the actual card, only a typed message with the info. OK, maybe a good chip but we never looked into. It was entered into TGT. David sold a few. They were forgotten about.

Fast forward to a few weeks ago.

Ed Hertel who is from Texas looked into them. He found nothing on a Dallas S Wood in Dallas, TX. Well, I guess we have either a ghost or a mail drop. \*vbg\*

Fast forward to Oct 5. I get this email from our "Friend Of The Hobby."

Gene, would it be possible to have the Mason card on the DSW hub re-checked. Pic of the chip I'm referring to below. ID info I have says it was delivered October 28th 1938 to Dallas S. Wood in Dallas, TX. I've looked into it a few times and have never been able to find anything in Dallas.

My reply: Welcome to our world. Same results here. \*vbg\*

OK, it's worth a recheck in the Mason records.

WOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Looks like a major "TYPO back in 2008." \*vbg\*



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Dallas S Wood,

Hammond, LA

400 black, 1000 orange

10/28/38

We now have a Club name and address.

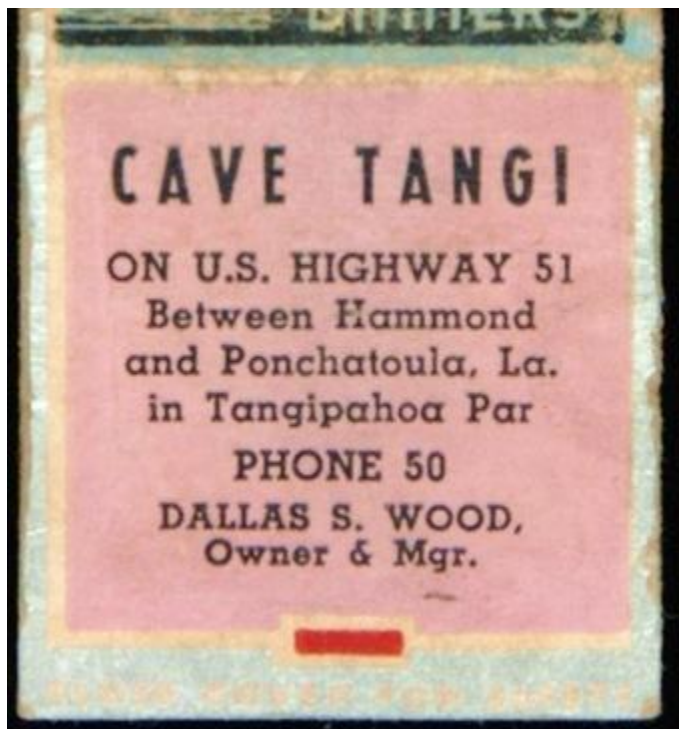
Cave Tangi

US Highway 51

Between Hammond and Ponchatoula LA in Tangipahoa Parish.

And now "The Rest Of The Story" from our "Friend" and the reason he asked for a new record search.

Recently I was looking at some matchbooks on eBay and saw this:



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My note: The matchbook went unsold. It had a buy it now for \$26.

I did some looking into it and Dallas Sim Wood opened the Cave Tangi in October 1938, same time as the chip order. Cave Tangi is said to have opened as a "gambling and dance hall." It was around until 1982. Maybe just a coincidence, but I thought it might be worth checking the card again to see if the chip might be Louisiana.

ad from 1938:

**CAVE TANGI**

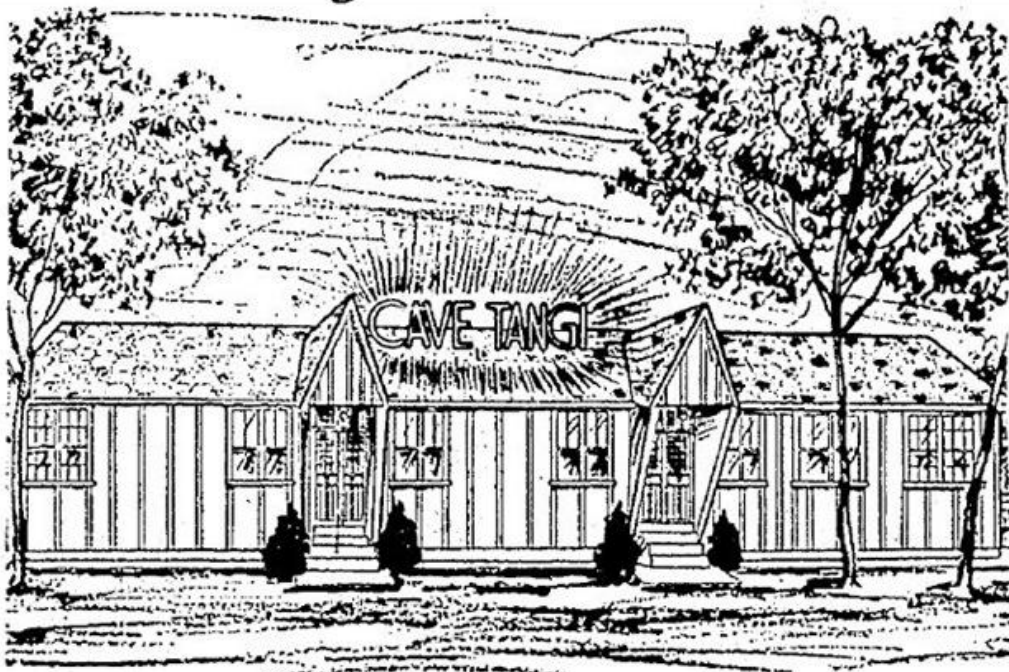
ONE OF THE FINEST AND LARGEST UNDERGROUND NIGHT CLUBS In The South is now presenting **GEORGE WAGNER** and his famous Radio Orchestra every night and Sunday from 4'til 7 p. m. No cover charge during the week. Cover charge only on Saturday and Holiday nights 40c per person. Orchestra plays to 1:30 a. m. during week, 3 a. m. Saturday nights.

For refined amusements... visit **CAVE TANGI**, located 3 miles South of Hammond, La., in Tangipahoa Parish. Phone 2491.

**DALLAS S. WOOD,**  
Owner and Manager.

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1941:



Illustrated above is the Cave Tangi, popular restaurant and bar between Ponchatoula and Hammond on U. S. Highway No. 51—the mecca of those many miles around who enjoy chicken, either fried or served with a full course dinner. Here is served chicken at its best—of taste quality which reminds one of the chicken dinners back on the farm. Cave Tangi boasts of one of the finest dance floors of all the roadside restaurants and bars in Louisiana. Only chickens raised on the Cave Tangi farm are used there, according to Dallas Wood, congenial operator of the place. Unique in several respects the dance floor at Cave Tangi is enjoyed in the “cave,” which is located below the main floor. Since Cave Tangi is only a delightful drive from New Orleans, many families and groups drive up on Sundays and at other times to enjoy an excellent chicken dinner there. You are assured that the liquors served in the bar are of the finest quality and that the bartending service is most efficient. The name Cave Tangi comes from the fact that there is a cave and also because it is located in the great strawberry-growing parish of Tangipahoa. By all means, stop at the Cave Tangi upon your next visit to that section. You will find a special trip up there to be most delightful; that you will enjoy the motor ride, the excellent cuisine and the dancing and bar service at the Cave Tangi.

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link to an article about Dallas Wood and Cave Tangi:

<http://files.usgwarchives.net/la/tangipahoa/history/businesses/cave.txt>

My Note: Interesting stuff in this article.

Some good reading at the link. A few highlights of the article.

The project took more than a year.

Wood had an actual "Cave" dug under the building with a huge inlaid dance floor. "Three teams of mules and Irwin McCahill with his Ford tractor made a combined salary of \$8 per day for the job. "You have to remember that 10 cents per hour was the going wage," he said."

Large bingo and other gambling in a building behind "The Cave" building.

Wood "should have been the Colonel Sanders of chicken."

Wood hired some of the best of their time. Gene Krupa, Harry James, Glenn Miller, the Rhythm Kings with Claiborne Williams Sr. and Jr., Fats Domino, Ray Anthony and Phil Harris, were just a few "big names" that packed the Cave during the week.

My note: I hope the "Texas Boys" aren't too upset about losing a Texas chip. "Illegal Of The Day" is dedicated to righting wrongs and telling the "Rest of The Story."