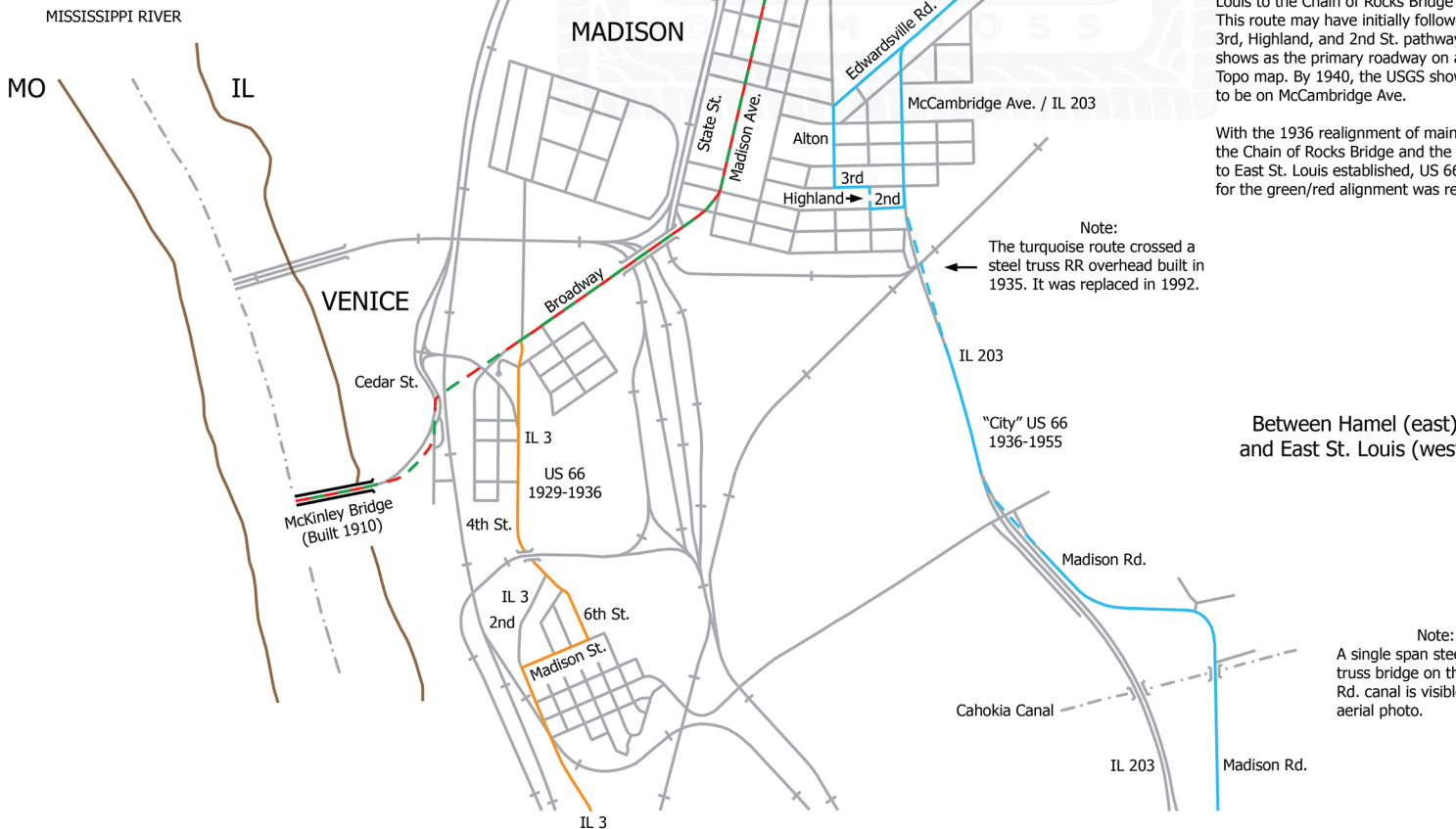


Alignments on this Map

Green/Red: 1926-1929 route to the McKinley Bridge. (A 1927 AAA Tour Book shows the route on Grand Ave., 18th, and State St. to Broadway, but this was likely a detour during a construction period.)

Orange: 1929-1936 realignment to the Municipal-MacArthur Bridge river crossing (next map). The Madison Ave. and Broadway portion of the 1926 route (green/red) as far as IL 3 (orange) remained unchanged. The McKinley Bridge crossing was kept as "Optional" US 66 into St. Louis so that motorists could cross there or stay with the new mainline route to the Municipal-MacArthur Bridge farther south.

Turquoise: 1936-1955 "City" US 66, established when the route was relocated from the Municipal-MacArthur Bridge in East St. Louis (next map) to the Chain of Rocks Bridge crossing (Map 91).



1936-1955 City Route

Turquoise: "City" US 66 assumed this alignment when the mainline route moved from East St. Louis to the Chain of Rocks Bridge (Map 91). This route may have initially followed the Alton, 3rd, Highland, and 2nd St. pathway, which shows as the primary roadway on a 1935 USGS Topo map. By 1940, the USGS shows the route to be on McCambridge Ave.

With the 1936 realignment of mainline US 66 to the Chain of Rocks Bridge and the new city route to East St. Louis established, US 66 designation for the green/red alignment was removed.

Note:
The turquoise route crossed a steel truss RR overhead built in 1935. It was replaced in 1992.

Between Hamel (east) and East St. Louis (west)

Note:
A single span steel pony truss bridge on the Madison Rd. canal is visible in a 1968 aerial photo.