Löwenwirt Heigl House

History...

As early as the 16th century, the "Löwenbräu" inn existed on this site. In 1697, the inn was purchased by the gingerbread baker and then mayor, Georg Ertl, whose property was across the road.

In the old days, the house was separated from the neighbouring building by an alleyway, known as a "Reihen". In this narrow alleyway there were two Haimlichkeiten (privies) causing much stench in lanes and streets and thus again and again leading to disputes between the neighbours.

In the 18th century, the "Löwenwirt" was purchased by the market town to accommodate the county court office along with a flat for the court clerk. In 1827, the by now dilapidated building was acquired by Franz Xaver Wieninger, whose brewery inn "Gensstallerbräu" was situated on the opposite side of Freisingerstrasse (now Konrad-Adenauer-Strasse) towards the edge of the town. He had the present stately house built. Lately the residence of the Ziegler family of brewers and innkeepers, the house was sold to the municipality by Eduard Ziegler Jr in 1933 and was temporarily used for the municipal offices, as the old town hall was in danger of collapsing.

Dachau shoemaker's son turned cathedral choirmaster in Cork, Ireland:
Aloys Georg Fleischmann Senior (1880–1964), 1905

... and a story

Eduard Ziegler Sr and his wife Josephine, known as Aunt Peppi, received many guests in their home. Painters, writers, and musicians, including Wilhelm Leibl, Ignaz Taschner, and Ludwig Thoma were frequent visitors. The art-loving couple supported many a young artist, such as the young composer and musician Aloys Georg Fleischmann.



The "Heigl House" (left) whose top floor is now home to the Dachau Picture Gallery. The former "Genstallerbräu", later "Hörhammerbräu" in the background (centre), around 1900



Musical talent in the Ziegler family: Singer Dora Ziegler (1870–1955), wife of Eduard Ziegler Jr, around 1905

The picturesque old town of Dachau with its 1200-year history features many sites of historical interest. Special buildings of prominence in the townscape are marked by these historical plaques.



