

A warm welcome to Belmont to the new Belmont Farm Supply Ltd. and to the joint owner and manager, Mr. Lloyd 1970 Whitesell and his foreman, Mr. John Hamilton. We all hope they will enjoy being here and create a successful and satisfying business.

Mr. Bev. Finch, General Manager of the Elgin-Middlesex Farmers Ltd. is carrying on his import and distributing business from his property at 116 Main Street. The dried molassas from Indiana is shipped in in 50 lb. bags, and much of the firm's business has been in the wholesale supplying to feed mills throughout the Province. The trade name is Sweetlas.

Mr. Finch is planning a complete renovation of the building, and will have store and office space to rent when the alterations are complete.

E-M Farmers bought the property from Mr. W. C. Barons, who had a general store there for many years, in 1964 and has been using it as a storage place for seeds, and as a warehouse since that time. The business was started as a Farmer's Club in March of 1919 and is still called by that name by many who customers although it became incorporated and the name was changed. The Alfred Welden feed business was purchased, a new office built in 1959, the grain elevator in 1962 and the fertilizer warehouse in 1965. Since the fire in the old mill four years ago, that building has been used as storage for grain.

Mr. Erdley Finch has been the President for almost all these years and still takes an active part in the business.



CANADIAN MILK PRODUCTS

now known as Borden's Co. Ltd.

The large manufacturing plant was known as the C.M.P. from 1911 to 1928. When it was taken over by Borden's, the name changed.

Mr. Alex Monck (now deceased) helped to dig the foundation for the first plant in 1911, and worked there until the day of his death in 1939. Mr. Alex Monck is mentioned as he was the writer's father. Mr. Jack Smith also worked and drove a delivery truck from 1912 to 1963, and also retired with an enviable record.

Borden's has been in Canada since 1899 when Queen Victoria was still on the throne. The main products manufactured by the Canadian Milk Products from 1911 to 1928 were whole powdered milk, skim powdered milk, powdered eggs and grocery products.

The Ice Cream Division at Belmont handles an impressive list of products as follows -- ice cream bulk, bricks, mello-roll, lady Borden, ice cream bars, bon bons, and ice cream novelties, ice cream pies, rolls, sundae cups.

On September 10th, 1943, Borden's was nearly destroyed by fire. The highest praise was given the men of the Belmont Plant for their work in saving the boiler room and large warehouse. The complete manufacturing department was destroyed with a loss of some \$200,000.00.

In June, 1960, Borden's extended \$650,000.00 expansion program in their Belmont ice cream plant, was completed and the building was one of the largest ice cream plants in Canada.

Some of the Superintendants were--

Mr. MacDonald 1911 - 1912 under Ebenezer Agur of  
Brownsville. Head office: Toronto. Benny Gould - president.

Mel Barnes 1912 - 1914  
Harry Mannell 1914 - 1918  
Dan Scott 1918 - 1919  
Lorne Stephensen 1919 - 1920

1920, CMP taken over by Merrul Soule Company.

Robert McArter 1920 - 1928

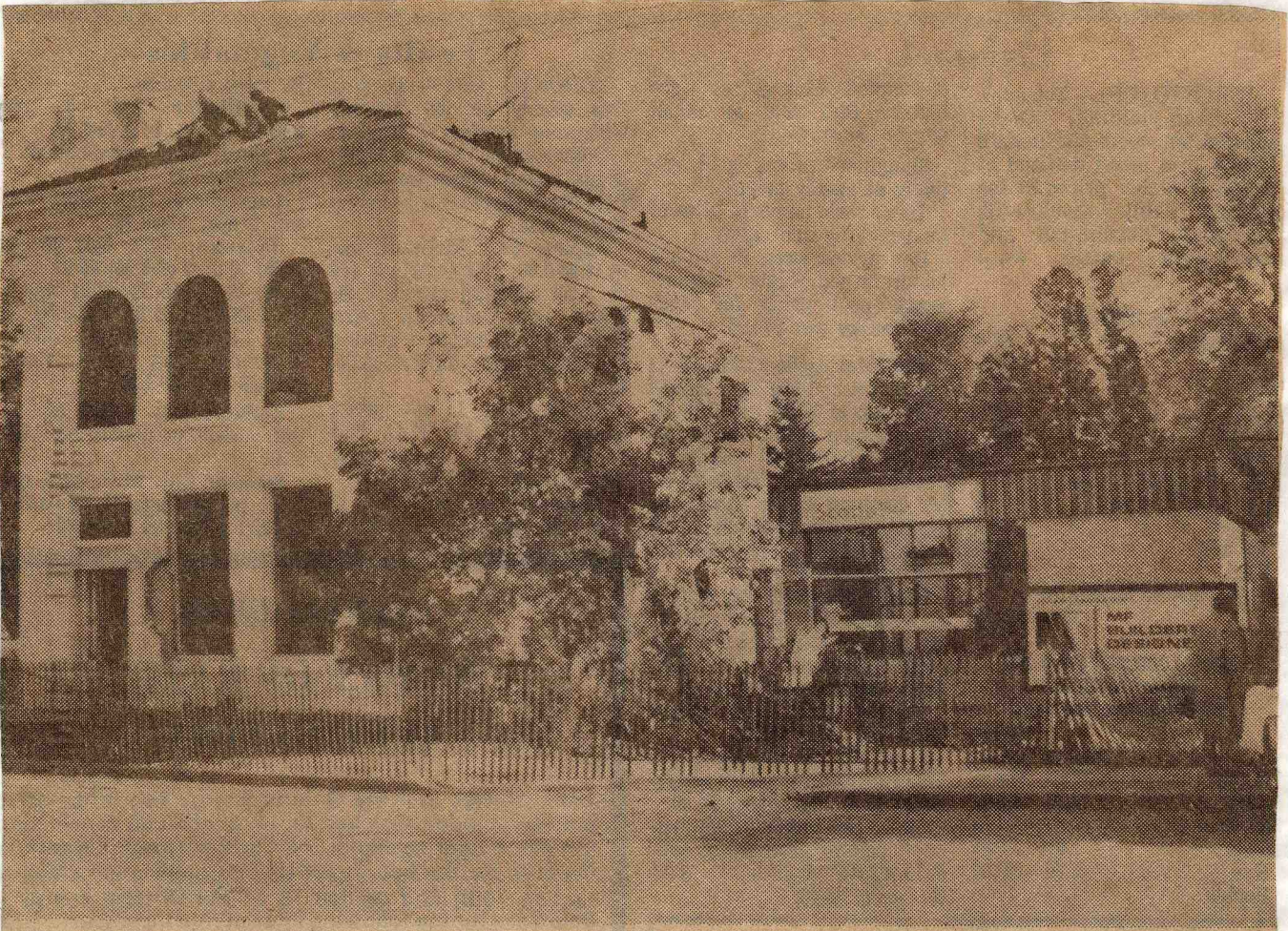
Borden Company - 1928

Charlie Reason 1928 - 1934  
Lorne Stephenson 1934 - 1944  
E. D. Layfield 1944 - 1957  
J. H. Baird *1920 - 1957* 1957 - 1958  
H. W. Warner 1958  
F. W. Lang 1958 - 1963  
G. Buckley 1963 - 1964

Sec.-Manager  
Production Manager  
Production Manager



# As old bank building comes down



**BEING DEMOLISHED** — While the old Bank of Nova Scotia on Main Street in Belmont is being carefully demolished, the new building is open just behind it. The original bank was built in 1908 and had only 1,000 square feet of area for business, while the

new bank, which officially opened on Wednesday has modern facilities and 2,400 square feet. The new bank is totally equipped with four teller wickets and an 8-by-12 foot, reinforced concrete vault.

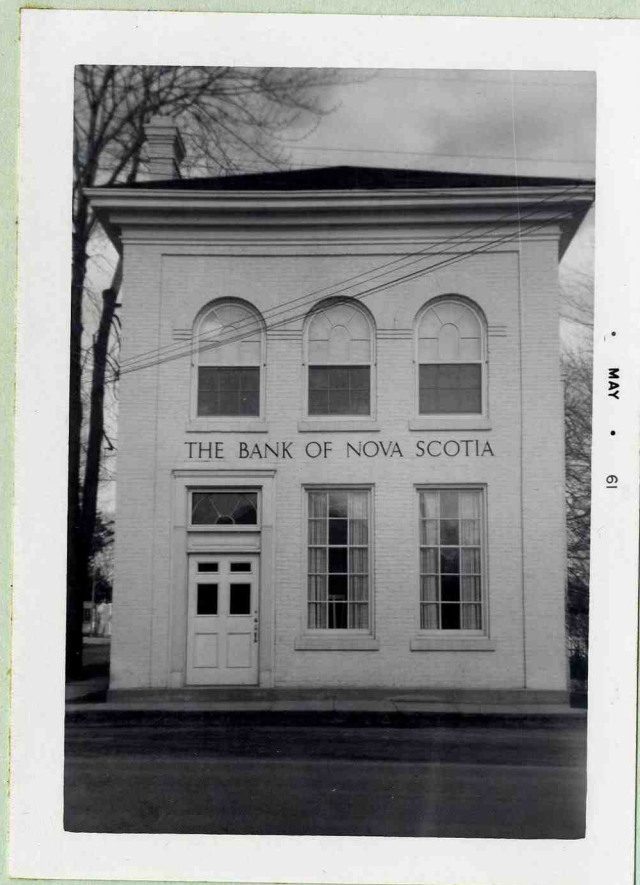


**OFFICIALLY OPENED** — The new Bank of Nova Scotia, on the corner of Main and Union Streets in Belmont, was officially opened on Wednesday. Pictured here from the left are: Bryan Servos, manager; Harold Ballard of Ottawa, a former manager; Ken McLaughlin of Aylmer, a former manager who

retired in 1972; Dianne Rose, a teller; Russell Thomas, Belmont councillor; Lorne A. Thurston, vice president and general manager, of Toronto; and R. G. Taylor, of Windsor, district manager. (T-J Photos).

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THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

The present Bank of Nova Scotia was formerly called the Sovereign Bank of Canada. On January 18th, 1908, it became the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The land and building, formerly owned by William Odell, was donated to the Sovereign Bank.

The building was formerly a general store and when renovating a few years ago, the contractors discovered the same large center beam at the front to the original store front.

Some of the managers were Messrs. Stewart, Edgington, Wilson, Barker, Hibbard, McKenn, and Baker. BALLARD, McLAUGHLIN, ROBERTSON, SERVOS,