

Goodmans

ley's wife, Mary, did the book-keeping. At Christmas the store employed eight or nine full-and part-time people. Glen Stewart, Billy Foster, Andre Rashotte and Jim Tilley are a few of the students recalled by Henley.

In 1953 Walt Harden went to Kingston to manage another of Sam Goodman's businesses and Henley took over the Belleville store. This entailed, among other duties, devising the advertisements and buying the clothing.

The latter was done at the Sun Valley Motel, which Goodman also owned. Travelling salesmen rented rooms at the hotel and set out samples of their wares for store owners to view. They then ordered what they liked. When the new ship-

ment was in, Goodman's would have about 400 suits on their

racks, plus hats, shirts and accessories.

"Hats were a big thing. We sold all sorts of hats," says Henley.

The business also sold boys' clothing.

Goodman's outlasted many of its competitors. In 1975 Sam Goodman died and his estate fell to nephew Henry. He ran the store — with Henley remaining as manager — from 1975 to 1986 or '87. He then sold the business but it continued under the Goodman name until being changed to McAlpine's Big and Tall. It recently closed, severing the final link to one of the city's old clothing stores.



An old photograph of Goodman's on Front Street.

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Remember where.



Goodman's junior baseball team, Eastern Ontario Champions, 1946, front row from left, M. Rollins, Ted Hurst, D. Boyle, H. Wardhaugh. Back, Sam Goodman, J. Boyle, J. Moher, R. Culkin, G. Donovan, L. Cross, Don Locke, Ron Fralick, W. Harden. Inset, J. Green, H. Bullied, John Haggis, M. Bush. W. Adams, B. Bunton, D. Barrett and A. Meagher are absent.