

Old Royal Bank Building Sold to Unnamed Buyer

The former Royal Bank building on the north-west corner of Mill and Main Street was sold last week. The building has 1800 square feet of floor space on the main floor.

The Royal Bank moved across to the opposite corner of the intersection between April 2 and March 30 of this year.

Their new building was built by Grand Canyon Construction Co. Ltd. and has 3000 square feet on the main floor. This gives them three times as much floor space as their previous location with the arrangement

of the furnishing, said Douglas Hauser, Georgetown Branch manager.

Mr. Hauser commented that the new owners could not get the rent to support a new building, if the present one was demolished. He explained that there is a municipal bylaw saying that a new building could not exceed 50 percent of the property.

TOWN OWNED

The Royal Bank purchased its former bank site July 14, 1947. The building was originally designed for a bank and housed a Bank of Montreal

branch until it closed during the war years.

The town then purchased the building and used it for municipal and police offices and council chamber until its sale in spring of 1947.

After the town vacated the building, extensive alterations were made and painters completed redecorating it in three shades of gray-green. A new vault had been constructed inside the old vault, and 18 tons of railway rails were imbedded in the vault structure.

Fluorescent lighting has been installed throughout the building.

What The People Are Saying About A Ban On Hitchhiking



HECKY COOPER, 70 River Dr.: "I don't think thumbing should be banned because we are not forcing anyone to pick us up. If you don't like hitchhikers, don't pick us up."

CHERYL McLAUGHLIN, 29 John St.: "I can't agree with a ban on hitchhiking because for some people it is their only way to get around. Some people hitch hike to work every day."

WAYNE GRIEVE, 46 Main St. S.: "To tell you the truth, it's a good thing to ban hitchhiking. There are too many kids getting killed who are hitchhiking."

CHRIS RYDEVAATE, 15 Mountainview Rd. N.: "From what's been happening, I think a ban is a very good idea. Two girls were believed killed a short time ago while hitchhiking."

FRANK CONITALE, 3334 Acala St., Mississauga: "A ban on hitchhiking seems to be a good idea. If you give someone a ride he could turn out to be a real bad guy. And so could a driver."

DOUG MCCANDLESS, 29 Beaver St., Glen Williams: "Hitchhiking is not right for girls. But for guys, it is the only way some of them can get around. (Herald Photos)"



ROYAL BANK of Canada signs sit on the pavement at the corner of Main and Mill revealing Bank of Montreal in the locations from where they were removed. The building housed the Bank of Montreal until 1947. (Herald Photo)

O'Connor Studies Vancouver Ports

Terry O'Connor, Halton M.P. was one of a five-man Conservative Caucus committee which spent last weekend studying, first hand, harbour and port facilities and problems in the Vancouver area. The group included Tory M.P.s representing ridings with harbours on both coasts and the Great Lakes. Halton has two natural harbours, on the 16-mile creek and at Bronte both of which are being planned for redevelopment.

On Saturday the committee toured three small craft harbours at the mouth of the Fraser River and on Sunday they spent the day in Vancouver's huge port.

"It was interesting to note the close similarity to our harbours, in terms of size, facilities, and problems, of the Fraser's small craft harbours, even though the chief function of them is to service the salmon and crab fishing fleets rather than pleasure craft. For in-

stance the harbour at Ladner, almost exactly the same size as Oakville's, is badly in need of redevelopment. Like us they have been attempting for some time to obtain federal government assistance, with about as much success" said Mr. O'Connor.

HOW TO MOW

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Milton Will Get Two New Schools

Halton Board of Education passed recommendations for two new schools in Milton, last week. It was approved that the board make application to the Ontario Ministry of Education for permission to construct a new secondary school on the site at the corner of Main Street and Third Line in Milton to open in September, 1975.

The school is to include space for 400 Special Vocational students and will serve part of Esquesing.

It will have an initial rated capacity of 1200 pupils with provision for expansion to 1800 to 2000 pupils.

The board also approved that it make application to the Ontario Ministry of Education for permission to construct a new public school on a Wilson Avenue site in Milton to open in September, 1974.

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