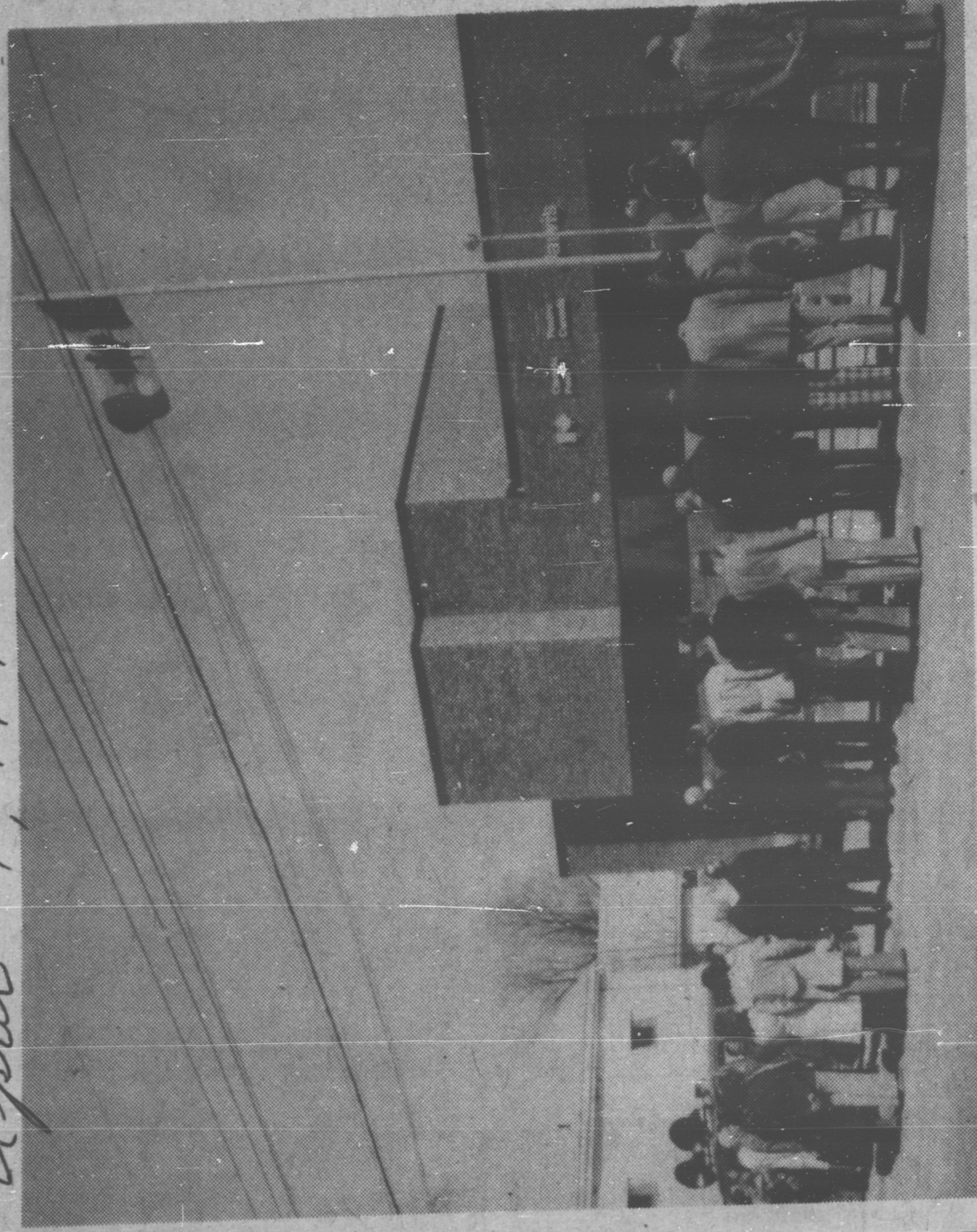


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The new Jarvis Post Office was officially opened on Friday with several hundred local residents looking on. City of Nanticoke Mayor John Pow assisted by postmaster Larry Scarr officially opened the building. (Times Staff Photo)

Jarvis Post Office officially opened

JARVIS — Over 125 years of postal service in the village of Jarvis have culminated in the \$143,000 brick building which was officially opened on Friday by Larry Condon, officiating for Postmaster General Bryce Mackasey. Mr. Condon is the MP for Middlesex London-Lambeth.

The brick building is a first for Jarvis. Previously the post office operated out of rented quarters, and the new structure is the first federal building in the town. The Department of Public Works acts as landlord for the building.

Postmaster Larry Scarr and his staff of seven welcomed visitors to the 2,500 sq. ft. building which contains an attractive wicket area, 573 lock boxes with expansion room for another 400 and a spacious lock room sortation area.

Mayor John Pow, City of Nanticoke, welcomed the guests and citizenry. He said the building incorporated the past but looked for the future with its increased population to meet the needs of the fast growing area. Mr. Pow said, "This building is the right move at the right time as we

contemplate the growth of Townsend and Nanticoke."

In June 6, 1851 the first postal service began in Jarvis with C.W. Shannon the original postmaster. In 1860 the Sill family, James, Robert and Mrs. Urania began a tenure which endured for 40 years.

To acknowledge the long service to the community Mr. Condon presented Postmaster Scarr with a framed scroll of appreciation from the Dominion Post Office.

Over 100 enjoyed a tour of the premises and the coffee and donuts provided by the staff. Platform guests included: Ron McPherson, Dept. of Public Works; John Ellis, Postmaster of Simcoe and Supervisory Postmaster for Jarvis; Rev. W.M. Reeves, Jarvis United Church; Mr. Scarr; Gordon Miller, MPP Norfolk-Haldimand; William Knowles, MP Haldimand-Norfolk; John Pow, Mayor of the City of Nanticoke; Larry Condon, MP Middlesex London-Lambton; and Ben Baker, East Area Manager in the South Western Postal District.



Larry Condon representing the postmaster general presents postmaster Larry Scarr with a framed scroll commemorating the 125 years of service provided by the Jarvis post office.

Postmaster Larry Scarr and his staff welcomed visitors behind the scenes last week at the Official Opening and Open House of the new Jarvis Post Office.

The new 2500 sq. ft. building opened for business last November but the official opening was held off until last week awaiting the chance of better weather.

Built at a cost of \$143,000 by G. & E. Construction of Hamilton, the building contains an attractive wicket area, 573 lock boxes with expansion room for another 400 and a spacious "back-room" sortation area.

Mr. Scarr supervises a staff of seven including his fulltime assistant, Mrs. Fred Walker, parttime clerks Mrs. Donna Dunnett and Mrs. Mary Monture and Rural Route carriers, Mr. and Mrs. John Brohman and Mr. and Mrs. William Addison.

for 41 years. In more recent times, Albert Morgan Williamson served from 1933 to 1950 and Stanley George Burdett from 1950 to the end of 1969.

C.W. Shannon was the original Postmaster serving until 1860 when members of the Sill family - James, Robert and Mrs. Urania began a tenure that endured Mr. Scarr by Mr. Condon.