

Naturally the Inn established where it did because of the predicted population expansion in the area. In the motor hotel set up there are about six acres of land involved. The 60 rooms (with coloured TV) are frequently occupied by government people here on regional development business. Racers at Cayuga Raceway make use of the Inn. Miss Canada stayed there. Conference rooms have been used by officials from Mohawk College, McMaster University, Ontario Hydro, Texaco and Stelco officials and teamsters unions personnel use the facilities also.

Originally the Explorer Inn Ltd. owned 200 acres of land at the site but some of it to the north has been sold to be used in Explorer subdivision development. The Inn initiated subdivision activity and has sold lots to builders for housing units approved for the area.

Employees at the Inn come from a wide area in the district. Kitchen staff includes Nellie Norg, Tony VanGuilik, Hilda Kanjc and Carol Weaver. Household keepers personnel includes Dorothy Walker and Chuck Havens. Diane Saunders is the dining room hostess and Don Ivey heads the lounge staff.

A branch of the Royal Bank opened in the Inn in September under the managership of George Brown, formerly of Milton. The bank occupies a space once used as a restaurant area. (Manager Jim felt two dining rooms were not necessary.) Royal Bank intended to build but the space they required was available at the Inn so they decided to lease there.

Owner of the Inn is Mike Lypka, an attorney in Hamilton. He also owns a small 22-unit motel and restaurant at Winona on the Queen Elizabeth Way. He hopes to expand his Winona enterprise along the lines of the Jarvis set-up.

People of the area regard the Explorer Inn as a definite asset. The Inn has started its business venture impressively. If the same quality management continues, the future looks bright for the Inn.



City of Nanticoke Councillor, James Davidson, happily snips the ribbon to officially open the Jarvis branch of the Royal Bank. On his left is Dick Gross of the Regional Management Dept. and on his right is bank manager George Brown and a bank official.

Ribbon cut to open bank

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The large amount of economic growth which has taken place in the Jarvis area, was signified last week by the opening of a second bank in the town of Jarvis.

Thursday afternoon the Royal Bank opened a Jarvis branch in the building of the Explorer Inn.

Manager of the Jarvis branch of the Royal Bank is George Brown, who is in the process of opening his third new branch.

Mr. Brown said that he found all the development taking place in the Jarvis area to be very exciting.

"In a few years, many people in this area, may not remember when it was all fields around here," he said. "This development will benefit us all, but many of us will have to give up a slow pace of life."

Mr. Brown thanked the people of Jarvis for the good reception that he has received from them.

Nanticoke Councillor James Davidson was present representing the city, in place of Mayor John Pow who was attending a roads convention in Calgary, Alberta.

Mr. Davidson commented that the bank will be an asset to the industry which is rapidly moving in, and will also serve as a big help to those buying homes in the community.



A part of the Explorer Inn that you don't see from the highway is located at the back of the Inn. It's the pool area where eating can be enjoyed amid pretty landscaping and the hotel room back doors in the background. (Nanticoke Times Photo)