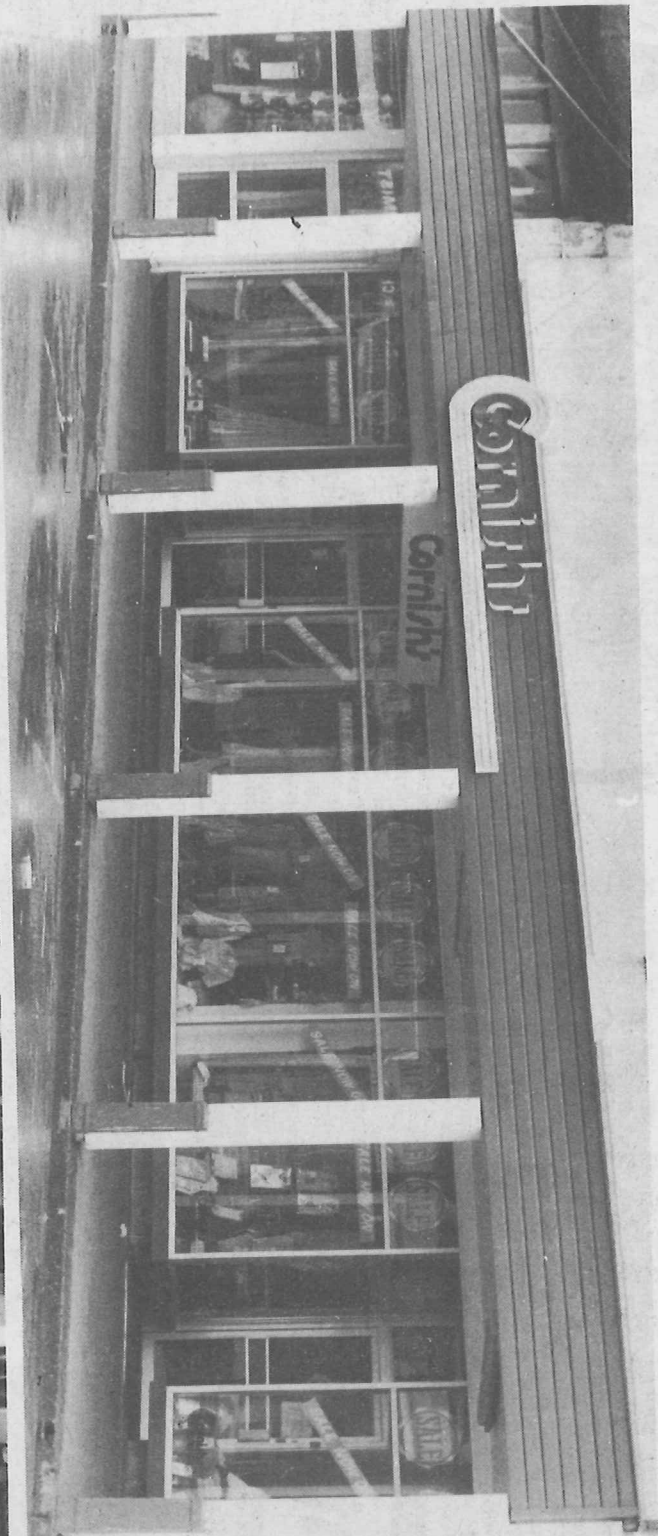


HAWERA'S LEADING DEPARTMENT STORE



On 31st March, 1916, with J.D. McGruer as a silent partner, Mr E.H. Harrop came from Invercargill and took over the 'Economic' drapery business from Mr W.S. Spence.

In 1920 Mr Harrop bought the premises and formed a limited liability company which was to trade as 'Harrops' for the next fifty years. Also in 1920, he bought an adjoining chemist shop from G.H. Westwood which was to become the Men's department for years to follow.

Mr E.H. Harrop died in 1958 and his son, Arthur, assumed the managing directorship in that year.

A rebuilding and modernisation project was commenced by Mr Harrop Jnr and substantial additions were made. The rear of the shop was extended and from the bottom of the ramp to the rear this was the major part of the rebuilding. Virtually none of the original building remains, but what does is thought to be about 77 years old.

The store was purchased in June, 1970 by Mr A.S. Cornish, a prominent Wellington businessman.

Arnold Hand was subsequently appointed Manager and during his time, further shop alterations were made, including the new shop frontage and the change around of departments.

R. W. Stannard was appointed statutory manager to the Cornish group in July 1974.

In 1975 Mr Jerry Valenta became Manager and created two new departments — Husqvarna Sewing Machines and the China and Gift Department.

Promotions within the company resulted in Mr Richard Kennedy-Moffat being appointed Branch Manager in 1980.

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