

George and Donald Smithers, second and third generation owners of Smithers' shoe store which opened in 1890.

Westmount's commercial stores were building their own traditions. Several were in the charge of second or third generation

of their members founder's families. Smithers' boot and shoe store on St. Catherine Street was more than 60 years old and had been supplying footwear to Westmount families, as well as to the police and fire departments personnel, since the time those forces had been represented by a single individual.

Around the corner on Greene Avenue was Tony's Shoe Store,

opened in 1937 by Tony Fargnoli. Unpretentious in decor, it carried both traditional and fashionable shoes for men, women and children.



'Maryland Ice Cream Parlor and Confectionery' now 'Nick's Restaurant'

Further north on Greene Avenue, the Alevisatos' American style soda fountain, the "Maryland Ice Cream Parlor and Confectionery," opened in 1922, had evolved into "Nick's Restaurant," a popular neighbourhood meeting place.