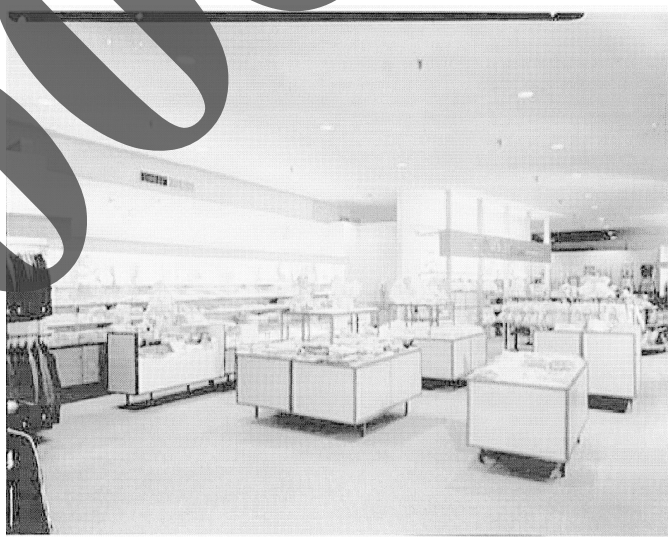
The old stately Roe home on East Main Street was razed in February 1956. It was built in 1911 for Gelston G. Roe, owner of Roe's Hotel. The site of this home would become the site of the new Bee Hive store in the near future.

The new 60 000 square feet Bee Hive Store opened August 15, 1957 on the south side of East Main Street. The management added 100 employees to the former staff of 50. This store had the first escalator in Patchogue.



Interior view of the Bee Hive Department Store.

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