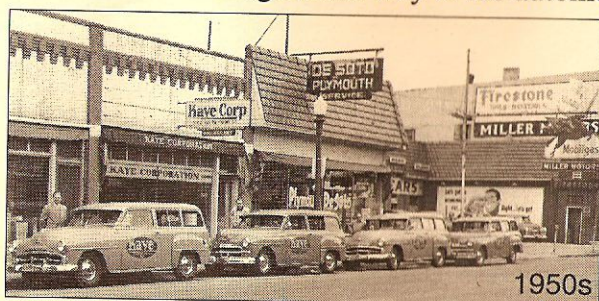


Red Sky Lounge 520 – 522 South Front Street

The buildings known today as Red Sky Lounge have an interesting connection to transportation history in Mankato. By 1902, this location was home to a Livery Barn. Gradually as horse and carriage made way to the automobile, the livery



barn at 520 South Front was replaced by H.B. Perrin and Son Automobile dealers in 1912. Perrin operated a

successful automobile company at 520-524 South Front until it moved in 1921. Other dealerships on this site included the Mankato Oldsmobile Company and the Powell Auto Company until 1926 when Herman Miller opened Miller Motor Company. In 1931, Miller purchased the former Odjard and Knoff Furniture factory at 516-518 South Front and expanded his business to occupy 512-526 South Front Street.

In 1965, Miller Motor Company condensed services into 512-518 South Front; thus beginning the next chapter for 520-522 South



Front - the bar/restaurant. The Hurdy Gurdy Saloon opened in 1974 followed by R.J. Noodles in 1982 and T.J. Finnegan's Pub in 1985. In 2008, Red Sky Lounge reopened with a new menu and modern look.