

NORWOOD INDUSTRIES COLLECTION

PAPERS, 1847-1996, n.d.

MSS #1
Vol.: 2 boxes, 1 oversize folder

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Provenance: The copy of "Industrial History of Norwood, Mass." In Box 1, Folder 4 (the incomplete, bound version) was placed on long-term loan on April 26, 2006 by Bettina Cottrell. The materials in Box 2, Folder 4 (Norwood Hospital) were the gift of the Norwood Building Inspector's Office in 2006. Although a few items may have provenance numbers on them, particularly the T. O. Metcalf & Co. material, the provenance of the majority of this collection is unknown.

Conservation: Newspaper clippings have been photocopied onto acid-free paper; in some cases the original clippings have been discarded due to their condition. Photographs have been placed in plastic mylar sleeves.

Copyright: Requests for permission to publish material from this collection must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director of the Norwood Historical Society.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Norwood Industries Collection consists of two series. Series I contains some general information on industry in Norwood, Mass. Series II contains numerous separate folders containing information on various Norwood, Mass., industries or businesses.

Series I, General Norwood Industrial History, consists of some general information on business and industry in Norwood, including some clippings (1898-1930), a list of industries in Norwood in 1971, and some general history of Norwood (1934-36) (B1, F1). Box 1 Folder 2 contains a copy of Norwood: One of the Newest and Most Progressive Towns in Massachusetts (Norwood, Mass.: Ambrose Bros. Printers, [1905]), which covers numerous businesses and individuals. (Photocopies of some of the information in this book will be found in the individual collections relating to the Norwood Press, Plimpton Press, etc.) Box 1, Folder 3 contains a photocopy of “Industrial History of Norwood, Mass.,” a master’s thesis by Edward M. Gilpatrick, done in 1939 for Boston University. Box 1, Folder 4 holds a bound—but incomplete—version of this same thesis.

Series II, Individual Norwood Businesses, consists of information on different businesses and/or industries in Norwood. This information can vary widely, from one newspaper clipping to several photographs, billheads, or other info. The folders are arranged in alphabetical order according to the name of the business. Further information on each folder will be found in the contents list.

For more information on Norwood’s history in general, as well as its industrial history, consult Norwood: The Centennial History of a Massachusetts Town, by Bryant Tolles Jr. (1973), a copy of which will be found in the society’s library. Photocopied excerpts from this book on specific businesses will be found in the appropriate folders and collections.

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	2	<u>Norwood: One of the Newest and Most Progressive Towns in Massachusetts</u> , 1905.
	3	“Industrial History of Norwood, Mass.,” 1939.
	4	“Industrial History of Norwood, Mass.,” 1939 (incomplete, bound version).
 <u>Series II.</u>		 <u>Individual Norwood Businesses, 1847-1996, n.d.</u>
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	7	<u>Atlantic Properties</u> : correspondence re: smokestack replacement (1970).

Series II. Individual Norwood Businesses, 1847-1996, n.d. (cont.)

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| | 9 | <u>Bell & Casey Iron Foundry</u> : clipping (1954), letter (1995) and photocopies (1973), photograph (n.d.) |
| | 10 | <u>Bigelow Furniture Co.</u> : announcement (1890), two copies of undated photograph (before 1897?), clippings (1905, 1929). |
| | 11 | <u>Caleb Ellis Grist Mill</u> : photographs (after 1938, n.d.), sketch (n.d.) |
| | 12 | <u>Willard Everett Furniture Co.</u> : billheads (1853-62), clippings and miscellaneous notes (1927-35, 1973, n.d.), photographs (n.d.) |

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| 1 | 13 | <u>Frank A. Fales & Co.</u> : clipping (1921), history (1973). |
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| | 16 | <u>E. & F. King Co. Inc.</u> : ts. history (1968). |
| | 17 | <u>Richard A. Klein Inc.</u> : clipping (1970). |
| | 18 | <u>Lead Mine</u> : deeds (1847, 1854—for lot where mine was located?), history (1973), notes on lead mine (n.d.) |
| | 19 | <u>Masoneilan</u> : brochures (1971?), ts. company history (1971), history (1973). |
| | 20 | <u>T.O. Metcalf & Co. Printers</u> : bills (1879, 1884), items printed by Metcalf, such as notices, tickets, envelopes, ballots (1875-85, n.d.), clippings (1935-37), photographs (1920, n.d.). |

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| 2 | 1 | <u>Curtis Morse Furniture Factory</u> : billhead (1867), photographs of house (n.d.) |
| | 2 | <u>New London Mills</u> : sample booklet (1971), history (1973). |
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| | 4 | <u>Norwood Hospital</u> : correspondence re: elevator installation (1925-26). |
| | 5 | <u>Norwood Lumber Co.</u> : Christmas cards (1923, 1925, n.d.), ts. history (1936), two photographs (n.d.) |
| | 6 | <u>Norwood Machine Works, Inc.</u> : clipping (1929), history (1935, 1973). |
| | 7 | <u>Norwood Messenger</u> : clippings (1921, 1945, 1962, 1970). |

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| 2 | 8 | <u>J. E. Plimpton & Co.</u> : two photos (ca. 1905, n.d.), history (1905). |
| | 9 | <u>Polaroid Corp.</u> : clipping (1965), ts. chronology of Polaroid in Norwood (1965-68), history (1973). |
| | 10 | <u>Railroad Car Shops</u> : history (1905, 1907, 1934-35). |
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| | 12 | <u>Fred Rogers Book & Job Printing Establishment</u> : advertisement (n.d.) |
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| | 16 | <u>Whiting Smith Tannery</u> : brief history (1935), two photos of wrecked buildings (after 1938). |
| | 17 | <u>John A. Whittemore's Sons Co.</u> : TLS & consumer declaration re: delivery of coal (1944). |