

Scope and Content:

Clarisse A. Poirier is a Professor Emeritus of History, Merrimack College. She received her PhD in 1978 from the American and New England Studies Program of Boston University. Before joining the faculty at Merrimack, she served as the first Program Director of the Immigrant City Archives (now Lawrence History Center) and worked as a Preservation Planner for the Lawrence Community Development Department from 1980 to 1985.

These records are largely resource and reference materials including published books, pamphlets, and newspaper clippings. There are some working files mostly related to working with Immigrant City Archives / Lawrence History Center. The files have been placed in their appropriate subject boxes which are listed next to the file names. Photographs were placed in the photograph collection, books in the LHC library and newspapers with the newspaper collection.

Working Files

Immigrant City Archives (ICA/LHC Box) Includes, NHPRC grant applications, correspondence and ICA Newsletter, Eartha Dengler honorary degree, etc.	9 F	1978-1995
Papers re Bi-centennial Forums (Lawrence Publications Box)	1 F	1975
Oral History Project (ICA/LHC Box)	1 F	1978
Script to go with slide presentation "Lawrence City of Immigrants" (Immigration box)	1 F	n.d.
International Institute for Young Women Lecture notes (International Inst. Box)	1 F	n.d.
Walking Tour of Lawrence (Walking Tours Box) Reference materials, maps, photos (these are polaroids and the dyes are not stable.)	1 F	1988
Text of Talk (see archivist) 1990		1 F

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Subject files

Bread and Roses Strike 1912 (B&R Box 2)	3 F	1972-1986
Applications for National Register (Architecture and Preservation Box) of Historic Places Historic District, Mechanics Block North Canal		4 F 1972-1988
Harvard Institute for International Development, Visit to Lawrence of workshop on Policy for Public Enterprise, Removed from ring binder (See archivist)	1 F	1980

Student papers

5 F

1979-1990

Taking Care of their Heritage II (A Collection of Oral Accounts), Sean A Kenna,
coordinator, prepared with Andover Public Schools, 1979
Student project interviewing older inhabitants, this is the second
year work (M/V Communities Box)

Oral History Project: Immigrant City Archives, 1980, Karen McCarthy
Original typescript with corrections and notations by teacher (ICA/LHC Box)

Growing Up Hispanic in Lawrence, Massachusetts, 1986,
Lawrence High School / Phillips Academy Urban Studies Unit,
(Hispanic Box 1)

The Irish Immigrants of the Shanty area, typescript, 1987, Bill Tibbetts (Irish Box
2)

Thirty –Five Gilbert St., Lawrence, Massachusetts, 1990
Student Project of Gregory W. Cassidy, Jr., Merrimack College
Includes photocopies of legal and financial records (Irish Box 2)

Printed materials

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Brochures, programs, self-guided tours, etc.
(Walking Tours box)

12 F

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Reference: Original Sources (Pre WWI)

Lawrence City Documents, 1872, Lawrence, MA (with other city documents)

Ralph's Scrap Book, Containing his Writings and Illustrated Stories of Travel,

compiled by Edmond Bicknell, Lawrence, MA, 1905

Ralph E. Bicknell 1881-1904, lung disease, travel to West and mountains,
1903 typhoid

inscribed: Presented to Dr. Robert W Foster, Lawrence, Mass, In memory
of our dear Ralph with the compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Bicknell
(Library)

O'Keeffe, Katherine A., Sketch of Catholicity in Lawrence and Vicinity ,
Lawrence, MA, 1882 (Library)

Mills, Hiram F., Memorial ...to the Governor and Council of Maine, Bangor, ME,
1867
Comments re: reasons for founding of Lawrence. (Hiram Mills Box)

A Textile "At Home", Harding, Whitman and Company and Their Allied Mills,
Prepared by Hardin, Whitman and Co., 1902. (Library)

Report ...for the Promotion of Public and Personal Health, Commissioners
[related to]

Sanitary Survey of the State, 1850

Photocopy of pamphlet, note on folder binder cover "1850 Mass
Survey & Floods" (Rivers box)

Keogh, J. P. Semi-Centennial History of Lawrence, 1903. (Library)

American Wool and Cotton Reporter, 1909, "Lawrence Dye Works" (Mills box)

American Wool and Cotton Reporter, 1909, "New Construction at Lawrence,
Mass." (Mills box)

Report of the Treasurer of the Committee of Relief for the Sufferers by the Fall of
the Pemberton Mill, June 1860. (Pemberton Mill box)

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Final Report of the Treasurer of the Committee of Relief for the Sufferers by the Fall of the Pemberton Mill, February, 1861 (Pemberton Mill box)

The Strike at Lawrence, Mass: Hearings Before the Committee on Rules of the House of Representatives on House Resolutions 409 and 433, Washington, Government Printing Office, 1912. (Research Room)

Reference materials: Published books and articles

America & Lewis Hine: Photographs 1904-1940, prepared by the Brooklyn Museum, published by Aperture 1977,
photographs with Forward by Walter Rosenblum, and essay by Alan Trachtenberg. (Library)

Bedford, Henry F., Trouble Downtown: The Local Context of Twentieth-Century America, Harcourt Grace Jovanovich, Inc. N. Y., 1978. (Library)

Cahn, William, Lawrence 1912: The Bread and Roses Strike, Pilgrim Press, NY, 1977

3 paperback copies (Library)

Cole, Immigrant City, University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, NC, 1963, (Library)

Greater Lawrence Board of 'Realtors, The Greater Lawrence Area of Massachusetts, Windsor Publications, 1979. (Library)

Hudon, Paul, The Valley & Its Peoples, Windsor Publications, Inc., Woodland Hills, CA, 1982. (Library)

Molloy, Peter, The Lower Merrimack River Valley" An inventory of Historic Engineering and Industrial Sites, Merrimack Valley Textile Museum and HAER, 1976 (Housing and Architecture box)

Noyes, Richard and Howard E. Turner, At the Edge of Megalopolis: A History of Salem New Hampshire 1900-1974, copy 417/ 500 special edition, 1974 (Library)

Pacific Mills, Memoirs of a Corporation, Barta Press, Boston, MA , 1950. (Pacific Mills box)

Parent, David C., Peaks Parapets, and Steeples, Glenridge Associates, Lawrence MA,

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Photographs, building or location not identified (Housing and Architecture box)

Uhl, William F. Charles T. Main (1856-1943) One of America's Best, Newcomen Society in North America, Princeton University Press, 1951 (Individuals and Families box)

Ford, Peter R., Massachusetts Historical Review "Father of the Whole Enterprise: Charles Storrow and the Making of Lawrence 1845-1860", Massachusetts Historical Society, vol. 2, 2000. (Essex Company box)

Reference: Reports and Studies of Lawrence

Browning, A & H, Architects, Lawrence, Mass, 1975.

A proposal of services for the re-use of the Old Public Library (Library Box)

HAER, National Park Service, HAER, No. MA- 72, Upper Pacific Mills Bridge (Moseley Truss Bridge) (Housing and Architects box)

Photo copy, images, history of bridge and designer T. H. Moseley, explanation of its restoration, nd probably early 1990s

Regional/Urban Design Assistance Team, Lawrence R/UDAT, Boston Society of Architects, 1990 (Housing and Architects box)

Winn, Jeanne M., Invest in Lawrence: A Guide to Financial Assistance,

Community Development Department 1981 (Lawrence Publications box)

Mayor's Historic Advisory Committee, Historic Preservation in Lawrence, 1967

Pacific Mills , Memoirs of a Corporation: The Story of Mary and Mack and Pacific Mills, 1950. (Pacific Mills box)

Boston Society of Architects, Regional / Urban Design Assistance Team, Lawrence, 1990.

Report on study done by R/UDAT (Housing and Architects box)

Leavitt, Thomas W., Mill Owners and Missionaries: A History of the Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence, 1975

Soft cover (LGH box)

City Planning Department , Lawrence Fact Book, 1973.

Analysis and compilations of census data 1960, 1970, removed from ring binder, prepared by (Lawrence Publications box)

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Yankee Technology Corp., Riverwalk, A Planned Business Center. n.d.

Promotional materials with plans and photographs (Lawrence Publications box)

Lawrence Community Development Department, , Lawrence: A Citizen's Guide to a Revitalized Intown, 1979

Promotional material as a folded poster with drawings and text of proposed changes. (Lawrence Publications box)

Bank of Boston, Department of Economics, Lawrence Massachusetts Current Situation and Outlook, 1985. (Lawrence Publications box)

Reference : Reports and Studies of Lawrence: continued

Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development, Profile of Lawrence, 1976? (Lawrence Publications box)

Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development, City & Town: City of Lawrence, 1972 (Lawrence Publications box)

Department of Planning and Community Development, The Lawrence Plan: Strategies for Growth, 1988 (Lawrence Publications box)

Massachusetts Department of Public Works and Merrimack Valley Transportation Policy Advisory Group, Transportation Improvements : Greater Lawrence Area: Environmental Impact Study. 1975 (Transportation box)

Thomas F. Halloran (Rear Admiral), Signals, "From Textiles to Electronics," 1955/56? (Mills box)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, City and Town Centers: A Program for Growth", Sept. 1977

Report of a Local Growth Policy Committees, prepared by the Massachusetts Office of State Planning (Lawrence Publications box)

U. S. Conference of Mayors, The Impact on American's Cities of the Administration's Federal Budget for Fiscal Year 1986, 1985 (Lawrence Publications box)

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Sullivan, Kevin J., The Lawrence Plan: Strategies for Growth, n.d. (Lawrence Publications box)

Merrimack College : The First Fifty Years, 1997 (Library box)

Report on the Ayer Mill Clock Tower, 1985 (Mills box)

Lawrence School Committee, Annual Report on Lawrence Public Schools, 1990 (Schools box)

Map of Greater Lawrence, n.d. (Maps collection)

MRTA, Bus Schedule n.d. (Transportation box)

Reference: Continued

Newspaper clippings 1968-1994

Arranged by paper: Lawrence Journal, Lawrence Eagle Tribune, Boston Globe, and then chronologically. One folder of articles not directly about Lawrence.

Newspapers: Sections

(check library for microfilm or microfiche copies)

AC&TW Union AFL-CIO, CLC, "Social Justice", June 1980

Articles re union fight with J P. Stevens

ACTWU LBOR UNITY, The Legacy of the 1912 Lawrence Textile Strike, pp11-14.

Inside of front and back cover have current news, but insert has article about a strike leader and artist Ralph Fansanella

Lawrence-Eagle Tribune, July 3, 1976, "The Heritage of '76", 36 pages in 2 parts

Articles include history of Lawrence, Salem witch trials, Philips Academy, Andover, local leaders of the 18th century and general Bicentennial articles.

Lawrence Eagle -Tribune, Sept. 8 1978, 125th Anniversary Edition, pp 39-76.

Whole section with articles and photos of Lawrence and ads of local businesses, pp. 75 & 76 are current stories and comics

Lawrence Eagle-Tribune, Special Supplement on Architectural Awards, "Looking Good in Lawrence," June 10, 1985, 24 pp.

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Lawrence Sunday Sun, Supplement, Oct. 19, 1968. 16 pages in 2 parts.

Various articles re: past and looking to future.

Lawrence Sunday Sun, Supplement Nov. 12, 1972, "The Governor Invites You to Come to the Greater Lawrence Industrial Fair, 24 pages, 2 copies

Articles, advertising, includes Methuen, Andover, North Andover

Today in Greater Lawrence, Oct. 9, 1974, 24 pp.

Sunday Boston Herald, "Latin Lawrence: Will the state's largest Hispanic community realize its political clout? Es inevitable," July 23, 1989

Reference: continued

Photographs

See LHC image files

See also: working file on walking tour for Polaroid photos of various buildings

See also book America & Lewis Hine, Photographs 1904-1940

Black & White prints of "Fisi Scales Building", Jan 1984,

Interior of mill building, 35 items

With negatives

Lower Pacific Mills approx. 8x10 glossy

Workers approaching mill over truss bridge ?1900

Work on cupola of City Hall 1984

Black and white, negatives

B&W print work done on façade of unidentified building, nd

Fisi Sales Building 1984

Prints and negatives, black and white largely interiors, a few exterior

Old Burke Hospital c. 1980

14 items, evidence of vandalism

Exteriors of domestic buildings on Orchard St. c .1980

12 items, black and white

Lower Pacific Mill, Lawrence, MA. Nd

Probably pre 1900, 8x10 glossy

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Skyline of Lawrence at Sunset,

from 1984 calendar; Economic and Development Corp., Lawrence

Rolled papers (poster collection)

Brochure print out "New City on the Merrimack" 1973

Poster Lawrence Heritage State Park

Poster Fasanella Celebrates New York