

City of Lawrence Board of Health Collection

Repository: Lawrence History Center

Creator and Dates: Employees of the City of Lawrence 1874 – 1984

Some supplemental information that was not created by city employees and pre and post- date the above dates is included in the listing with the Charitable Department Records

Accession Number: 2015.011

Quantity: The collection is comprised of numerous ledgers and paperwork that is in folders and stored in Hollinger boxes.

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Access: Open for research, but the Lawrence History Center reserves the right to restrict some material

Provenance: The majority of this material was rescued by Immigrant City Archives (Lawrence History Center's original name) founder Eartha Dengler and early volunteers. The bulk of the records came from the basement of Lawrence City Hall; some records came from the basement of the Bessie M. Burke Memorial Hospital before it was demolished. We are not sure of the exact dates this activity took place, but we do know that it was between 1980 and 2000. Some of the material was stored in the LHC warehouse, while other items were stored in the closed stacks.

In 2017, LHC volunteers Kathy Flynn and Mary Pannos began the process of rehousing the material to the closed stacks. Some ledgers will remain in the warehouse and they are included and noted as being stored in the warehouse in this listing. The material was inventoried and carefully examined to determine what type of information was available. Mary then created custom covers for each ledger and re-folded loose material.

Historical Note: (from the *Lawrence Eagle Tribune Centennial Edition, 1953; refer to the article for more detail*): "The Lawrence municipal health department dates back to 1877 when the citizens of Lawrence were called upon to vote on special statutes providing for a board of health. In 1878, the Health Department began to function as a separate municipal division.

The principal functions of the Board of Health included the collection of offal and garbage, cleaning out privy vaults, the supervision of plumbing in buildings and all of drainage, both public and private, the collection of ashes and rubbish, and to act as a vigilance committee to discover the source of disease and resultant epidemics. At the time, the main worry of health officials was curbing smallpox, typhoid and diphtheria, principally."

Some key dates in the Board of Health's history (dates and events listed below fall between the years and among the areas our records represent):

1849 – On February 20 an Alms House was opened (called the municipal hospital and, in its earliest stages, the Cottage Hospital)

1885 – Contagious Disease Hospital was erected (in the Marston St./Essex County Training School area of Lawrence)

1893 – The city saw a significant decline in typhoid fever after the filtering process of municipal water supply was adopted.

1902 – To further reduce the outbreak of smallpox, larger mills began to require a vaccination certificate by prospective employees before they were allowed to work

1909 – A Tuberculosis Hospital was established on Chickering St. (was ready for occupancy in the fall of 1910)

1909 – Legislation was passed on May 19 to include a milk inspection department under the jurisdiction of the Health Department

1918 – On December 1, the first social disease clinic was opened by the Health Department

1936 – 1937 – Sections of the City Hospital and Infirmary were remodeled and a new hospital section, an administration building, nurses' home and new infirmary wing were constructed. On March 2, 1936, city council unanimously voted to name the hospital in honor of Bessie M. Burke, who had formerly served as its matron

Related Information: The Lawrence History Center is home to many resources which document the history of public health in Lawrence since its inception in 1847:

Board of Health Ledgers
Lawrence, Massachusetts

Accounting Ledgers

Board of Health Correspondence and Complaints

Board of Health Minutes of Meetings

Charitable Department Records

Contagious Disease Ledgers

Death Registers

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Lawrence Hospitals:

Bessie M. Burke Hospital Ledgers

Cottage Hospital Patient Records

Municipal Hospital Ledgers

Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1935

Tuberculosis Hospital Ledgers

Licensing Ledgers

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Sanitary Collections and Conditions Ledgers

Incidental Hospital Paperwork (1 Box)

Incidental Patient Records (2 Boxes)

Board of Health Records

Lawrence, Massachusetts

Accounting Ledgers – Board of Health

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Book #1: Board of Health Cash Book 1921 – 1922

This ledger lists Names, Amount Paid and Date Paid to City Treasurer for Board and Attendance. Only pages 1-4 are filled out. The rest of the ledger is blank.

Book #2: Training Center/Clinic Fees and Costs 1954 – 1957

The clinic name is unknown.

Book #3: Board of Health Cash Book 1888 -1889

This ledger is an accounting of cash received and disbursed. Names are listed but there is no explanation as to the reason for the receipts.

Book #4: Board of Health Cash Book 1894 – 1895

This ledger is an accounting of cash received. Names are listed but there is no explanation as to the reason for the receipts. There is included a section of Detailed Expenditures for 1907, 1910 and undated years.

Book #5: Board of Health Cash Book 1896 – 1902

This ledger is an accounting of cash payments and receivables. Names are listed with some explanations for cash received and include licenses, manure sales and waste paper sales.

Book #6: Board of Health Cash Book 1902 – 1918

This ledger is an accounting of cash received for night soil removal, sales and licenses..

Book #7: Board of Health Cash Book July 9, 1918 – April 30, 1928

This ledger is a listing of Bills Committed and licensing fees.

Book #8: Bills Payable by the Lawrence Board of Health January 1900 – October 1904

Salaries are included.

Book #9: Bills Payable by the Lawrence Board of Health January 1905 – December 1914

Book #10: Bills Payable by the Lawrence Board of Health January 1915 – April 1920

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Book #11: Lawrence Health Department Payroll May 1909 – December 18, 1915

This ledger contains weekly entries and is categorized by department.

Book #12: Bill Book Closed December 31, 1899

This Index is an alphabetical list of names with accompanying numbers.

Book #13: Bill Book Index

This Index is an alphabetical list of names with accompanying numbers.

Book #14: Health Department Bills January 1, 1896 – December 31, 1899

This ledger contains an accounting of bills paid and includes salaries, utilities, rent, supplies and other expenses incurred by the Health Department.

Book #15: Expense Journal Health Department January 1889 – February 1892

This ledger contains an accounting of bills paid and includes salaries, utilities, rent, supplies and other expenses incurred by the Health Department.

Book #16: Inventory and Valuation of Health Department Property 1909 – 1910

This ledger is an inventory of property and supplies held by the Health Department. Included is a list of the 38 horses, which were used by the Health Department, along with their names and valuations.

Book #17: Bills Payable by the Lawrence Health Department December 1956-December 1973

Note: This Ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #18: Department of Health Budget Sheets 1955 – 1960

This ledger is listed by occupation. Note: This Ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #19: Health Department Expenses 1970 – 1984

This ledger is listed by department. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #20: Health Department Payroll 1975

This ledger is unbound and is listed by department. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

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Book #21-46: Health Department Payroll

These ledgers include the following information: Name, Title of Office, Kind of Work, Time, Salary/Wages, Amount. Note: These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse.

1918 – 1922: 10 volumes (2 volumes per year)

1923 – 1936: 14 volumes (1 volume per year)

1938 – 1939: 2 volumes (1 volume per year)

Book #47-88: Health Department Expenditures

These ledgers include expenditures such as Salary, Car and Truck Supplies, Utilities, Water Deliveries, Shipping and Postal Expenses. Note: These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse.

1920 – 1921: 1 volume

1922 – 1961: 40 volumes (1 per year)

1962 – 1963: 1 volume

Book #89 – 90: Health Department Bills Payable

These ledgers include expenditures such as Salary, Car and Truck Supplies, Utilities, Water Deliveries, Shipping and Postal Expenses. Note: These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse.

May 1925 – December 1936 (1 volume)

January 1937 – December 1955 (1 volume)

Book #91: Board of Health Receivables and Abatements

This ledger contains information on receivables mainly from city utility payments such as cesspool. The unpaid abatements are monies owed the city, usually from the TB Hospital. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

January 1924 – December 1936 (1 volume)

Book #92: Board of Health Accounts Receivable

This ledger contains information on receivables, mainly from city utility payments. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

January 1937 – November 1942 (1 volume)

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Book #93: Board of Health Accounts Receivable

This ledger contains information on receivables mainly from city utility payments. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

December 1942 – December 1955 (1 volume)

Book #94 – 97: Health Department Bill Expenditures and Balances

Theses ledgers contain several accounts including: Salaries (Child Welfare, TB Dispensary, Dental Clinic, Refuse, Incinerator), Health Expenses, Care of Premature Infants, Milk Inspection Lab Supplies, Parker Manor and Office Equipment. Note: These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse.

1964 – 1965 (1 volume)

1966 – 1967 (1 volume)

1968 – 1969 (1 volume)

1970 (1 volume)

Book #98-103: Health Department Time Sheets

These ledgers contain time records for Board of Health Employees on a weekly basis. Information includes Name, Department, Specific Days Worked. Note: These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse.

1965 – 1970 (6 volumes)

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Charitable Department Records

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Book #1: Full Support Record/Pauper Department/City of Lawrence April 2, 1874 – 1914

This ledger is a record of “Paupers Fully Supported by the City of Lawrence” and contains the following information: Name, Age, Birthplace, Sane/Insane/Idiotic, Period of Support, Place of Support and Remarks. The Place of Support designations are Hospital, City Home and Almshouse. The Remarks column lists information such as the address inmate was admitted from, death and receiving Undertaker. Pages 195-197 contain a list of persons removed from and transferred to the following institutions: Danvers Insane Hospital, Taunton Insane Hospital, Medfield Insane Hospital, Asylum Wards State and Asylum for Criminals State Farm. Enclosed in this ledger is a photocopy of a ledger page dated December 11, 1890 – May 21, 1910 and titled “Inmates Supposed to be Paid for at Almshouse” and contains the following information: Amount, Name, Admitted Date, Ended Date.

Book #2: Pauper House Ledger December 31, 1882 – July 10, 1900

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the Pauper House and contains the following information: Register Number, Name, Color, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Place of Settlement, Able to Perform Labor, Sane/Insane/Idiotic, Period of support, Place of Support, Average Weekly Cost and Remarks. Near the back of the ledger are entries for the Cottage Hospital from January 1, 1893 – December 1894. The front cover of this ledger is missing.

Book #3: Fully Supported/City of Lawrence/Pauper Department 1894 – 1909

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the Pauper Department and contains the following information: Registered Number, Name, Age, Date of Admission, Previously Aided or Supported, Color, Sex, Marital Status, Date of Birth, Birthplace, Nativity of Parents, Place of Settlement, Name of Settlement, Able to Labor, Temperate or Intemperate, Sane/Insane, Idiotic, Place of Support, Date of Discharge, How Discharged and Additional Facts.

Book #4: Pauper Department Register December 2, 1914 – May 6, 1927

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the Almshouse and contains the following information: Registered Number, Age, Name, Sex, Date of Birth, Birthplace, Place of Settlement, Physical or Mental Peculiarities, Date of Admission, Reason of Admission, Date of Discharge, How Discharged, Able to Work, Amount of Earnings and Remarks.

Book #5: Pauper Department Register April 11, 1927 – October 27, 1933

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the Almshouse and contains the following information: Registered Number, Age, Name, Sex, Date of Birth, Birthplace, Place of Settlement, Physical or Mental Peculiarities, Date of Admission, Reason of Admission, Date of Discharge, How Discharged, Able to Work, Amount of Earnings and Remarks.

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Book #6: Pauper Department Records October 27, 1933 – December 31, 1936

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the Almshouse and contains the following information: Registered Number, Age, Name, Sex, Date of Birth, Birthplace, Place of Settlement, Physical or Mental Peculiarities, Date of Admission, Reason of Admission, Date of Discharge, How Discharged, Able to Work, Amount of Earnings and Remarks.

Book #7: Numerical Index of Pauper Department Records 1914 – 1933

This ledger is an alphabetized listing of Almshouse inmates with a corresponding number beside each name. This corresponding number cross-references their entries in the Pauper Department Registers Book #4 and Book #5.

Book #8: City Home and Hospital Register/1937/City of Lawrence January 1, 1937 – June 12, 1939

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the City Home and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of inmates' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding inmates' information. The following information is included: Registered Number, Name, Color, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Period of Support, Place of Support, Address at Time of Admission.

Book #9: City Home and Hospital Register/1939/City of Lawrence May 31, 1939 – December 2, 1941

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the City Home and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of inmates' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding inmates' information. The following information is included: Registered Number, Name, Color, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Period of Support, Place of Support, Address at Time of Admission.

Book #10: City Home and Hospital Register/1942/City of Lawrence December 2, 1941 – June 23, 1947

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the City Home and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of inmates' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding inmates' information. The following information is included: Registered Number, Name, Color, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Period of Support, Place of Support, Address at Time of Admission.

Book #11: City Home and Hospital Register/City of Lawrence June 30, 1947 – June 7, 1953

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the City Home and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of inmates' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding inmates' information. The following information is included: Registered Number, Name, Color, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Period of Support, Place of Support, Address at Time of Admission.

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Book #12: Full Report Record/Welfare Department/City of Lawrence/May 27, 1953 – March 13, 1956

This ledger is a record of persons supported by the City of Lawrence through the Welfare Department and contains the following information: Registered Number, Name, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Place of Settlement, Period of Support, Place of Support, Address at Time of Admission.

Book #13: Almshouse Ledger

This ledger is blank.

The following documents are stored in brown accordion file with the Charitable Department Records:

Folder #1: Report in 1824 on the Relief and Settlement of the Poor (New York Secretary of State)

This is a photocopy of the Annual Report compiled by the New York State Board of Charities.

Folder #2: Pauper Records/City of Lawrence/1882-1884, 1898

These are photocopied records of paupers fully supported by the City of Lawrence and include the following information: Registered Number, Name, Age, Sex, Birthplace, Place of Settlement.

Folder #3: "Almshouse Construction and Management 1911/Alexander Johnson, Author.

This is a photocopy of the book written in 1911.

Folder #4: "Persons (Sample) Supported by City of Lawrence Almshouse"

This is a typewritten, alphabetical sample list of residents of the Lawrence Almshouse compiled by Edythe Cederlund for her research paper, "Who Were the Paupers of Lawrence".

Report #1: "Who Were the Paupers of Lawrence"/Edythe Cederlund, Author/May 1, 1989

Accession Number 89.30.3. This research paper focuses on the Lawrence Almshouse and its' residents from the years 1882-1899.

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Records of Contagious Disease Ledgers

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Book #1: Influenza Journal September 25, 1918 – April 9, 1920

This register is a record of influenza cases and billing pertaining to supplies and rents for “Tent City”. The journal is divided into the following sections: Pages 1-6 Base Hospital Bills dated November 1, 1918; Pages 10-210 Influenza Cases Reported dated September 25, 1918-April 9, 1920 (Note: page 106: “Commenced to put up cards”); Pages 572-588 Influenza Bills (Note: August 1919 a payment is listed to Hannah Daley for rent of “Tent City” land); Pages 590-600 Base Hospital Bills dated November, 1918.

Book #2: Communicable Diseases Laboratory Findings Ledger January 2, 1919-1928

This register is a record of disease testing and laboratory findings and includes the following categories: Patient Name, Residence, Date, Physician, Test Result. The ledger is categorized by disease. These diseases are: Diphtheria, Tuberculosis, Typhoid, Gonorrhoea, Lobar Pneumonia, Pneumonia, Ophthalmia, Diphtheria. Urine Exam findings are also included.

Book #3: Communicable Diseases Laboratory Findings Ledger January 9, 1929-April 7, 1948

This register is a record of disease testing and laboratory findings and includes the following categories: Patient Name, Residence, Date, Physician, Test Result. The ledger is categorized by disease. These diseases are: Diphtheria, Gonorrhoea, Tuberculosis, Typhoid Fever, Malaria, Vincents Angina, Bacillary Dysentery, Undulant Fever, Scarlet Fever, Septic Sore Throat, Meningitis, Anthrax.

Book #4: Record of Contagious Diseases 1892-1899

The ledger categories are as follows: Date, Measles, Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Fumigated and Card Removal, May Attend School, Result, Name, Age, School Attended, Residence, Physician, Owner, Condition of Premises.

Book #5: Record of Cases of Contagious Diseases 1899-1915

The ledger categories are as follows: Date, Measles, Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Fumigated and Card Removal, May Attend School, Result, Name, Age, School Attended, Residence, Physician, Owner, Condition of Premises.

Book #6: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1915-1918

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #7: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1918-1920

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

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Book #8: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1920

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #9: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1921-1922

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks. Note: The inside front cover bears an "Important Notice as to the keeping of records pertaining to gonorrhoea and syphilis off the public record". Note: Included in this ledger are loose pages listing death tallies from 1923-1930.

Book #10: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1922-1923

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #11: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1924-1925

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Remarks.

Book #12: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1925-1927

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #13: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1927-1929

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #14: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1929-1931

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #15: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1931-1934

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #16: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1934-1937

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

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Book #17: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1937-1939

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #18: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1939-1941

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Disease, Physician, Milk Supply, Water Supply, Remarks.

Book #19: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1941-1944

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #20: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1945-1947

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #21: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1949-1952

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #22: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1952-1957

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #23: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1957-1963

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #24: Record of Diseases Dangerous to the Public Health 1963-1971

The ledger categories are as follows: Patient Name, Address, Physician, Remarks.

Book #25: Isolation Hospital and Contagious Disease Expenses January 1, 1903 – July 31, 1919

This ledger contains the costs incurred to manage the Isolation Hospital. Ledger accounts include beds, food, medicine, clothing, ice, hardware, payroll, coal and electricity. Notations are made regarding rent paid to George A. Hadfield between May 1904 – March 31, 1915 for the use of his house at 156 Marston Street for the sum of \$7.00/month. Mrs. Hadfield was employed during this period as a nurse tending to smallpox patients. An additional entry lists a payment made to James Dolan at 12 Nelson Street in the amount of \$2.33 in February, 1903 for rent “while the house was occupied as a hospital”.

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Book #26: Social Disease Clinic Accounts 1919 – 1932

This ledger is in two sections. Section #1 is an accounting of the cash received from the State Department of Health to the Social Disease Clinic (pp 5-10). Section #2 is an accounting of cash received monthly from the Clinic (pp 25-30).

Book #27: Accounts Payable for Contagious Diseases 1921 – 1932

This ledger contains records of payments by the City of Lawrence to other state sanitoriums, hospitals and town/city Boards of Health. These include Rutland, Lakeville, North Reading and Westfield Sanitoriums, Lawrence General Hospital, Boston Consumptive Hospital, Mass Memorial Hospital, Harvard Infantile Paralysis Commission, State Infirmary, Mass General Hospital. Information includes Date Paid, Patient Name and Amount.

Book #28: Accounts Receivable for Contagious Diseases 1920 – 1952

This ledger is an accounting of money and subsidies owed the Lawrence Board of Health for medical treatments and hospitalizations of patients. The first section of this ledger is an alphabetized list of names along with a corresponding page number. The second part of the ledger is a detailed explanation of the aforementioned patients' required medical care along with amounts paid and received.

Board of Health Correspondence and Complaints

Book #2: Board of Health correspondence 1897 – 1903

Additional Notes

Smallpox Report p. 108:

A request for a copy of the report was made to New York City's Board of Health. A specific inquiry was made regarding the NYC's Board of Health findings on the use of pasteurized milk to reduce mortality rates of children from cholera and other like diseases.

Licensing of Undertakers p. 109, 122

A letter to the City of Lynn's Board of Health inquiring as to their practices regarding the licensing of undertakers. This letter states that Lawrence undertakers are not licensed but instead file an annual bond. (109) A later letter addressed to the City Clerk of Lawrence notifies that office that the first city undertakers have been licensed and lists the names of the first undertakers to be licensed. (122)

Civil War Remains p. 160

A letter regarding the receipt of remains of Harvey A. Dunn, a Civil War soldier, who died from typhoid fever and the concern that Dunn's remains were not properly encased.

Contagious Disease Hospital p. 243, 268

A letter to the Mayor demanding that suitable hospital accommodations be made by the city for the treatment and care of residents suffering from contagious diseases. January 18, 1900

Location of Isolation Hospital p. 342

A letter to the Mayor requesting that the isolation Hospital be built at the Alms House. December 9, 1901

Filtration System pp. 370-371

A letter exploring the spread of diseases and the effectiveness of the water filtration system.

Clarification of the role of the Board of Health pp. 411-412

A letter to the City Solicitor seeking clarification as to the role of the Board of Health in the settlement of indigent persons' cases. Also, inquires as to whether the Isolation Hospital could be used for patients with contagious diseases other than just smallpox. March 26, 1903.

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Board of Health Correspondence and Complaints

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Book #1: Board of Health Correspondence 1894 – 1896

This ledger consists of carbon copies of handwritten correspondence from the Board of Health to residents, business owners and government agencies. The majority of the correspondence is notification of complaints and include topics such as cesspool construction, sewer hook-up, hen removals, rubbish removal, notice of new BOH order prohibiting swine, unreported death and burial. This ledger is in fragile condition.

Book #2: Board of Health Correspondence 1897 – 1903

This ledger consists of carbon copies of handwritten correspondence from the Board of Health to residents, business owners and government agencies. Topics include: Smallpox Report, Pasteurized Milk (108), remains of Civil War soldier Harvey Dunn (160), the need for an Isolation Hospital (243,268), Isolation Hospital siting (342), Water Filtration System (370-371). Detailed notes pertaining to these and other topics are included in the file.

Book #3: Board of Health to Cities and Towns/Notifying Settlement/City of Lawrence/January 10, 1913 – December 22, 1932

This ledger is a record of billings sent to cities and towns for the care of those municipalities' residents who are currently residing in Lawrence due to a communicable disease deemed dangerous to the public by the Lawrence Board of Health. Such disease include Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Dyptheria, Dog Bites with the majority of cases being Tuberculosis. Patients' names are listed alphabetically alongside a number which corresponds to the individual billings.

Book #4: Board of Health to State Board of Charities/City of Lawrence/January 11, 1913 – March 9, 1915

This ledger is a record of patients who have applied to the State Board of Charities via the Office of the Board of Health seeking residence at city hospitals due to illness. The city hospitals listed are the TB Hospital, Lawrence General Hospital and the Municipal Hospital. These patients are too sick to "be removed to the Almshouse". Patients' names are listed alphabetically alongside a number which corresponds to the individual application notifications.

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Book #5: Board of Health to State Board of Charities/City of Lawrence/March 13, 1915 – November 19, 1920

This ledger is a record of patients who have applied to the State Board of Charities via the Office of the Board of Health seeking residence at city hospitals due to illness. The city hospitals listed are the TB Hospital, Lawrence General Hospital and the Municipal Hospital. These patients are too sick to “be removed to the Almshouse”. Patients’ names and addresses are listed alphabetically alongside a number which corresponds to the individual application notifications.

Book #6: Board of Health to State Board to Charities/City of Lawrence/November 27, 1920 – August 9, 1932

This ledger is a record of patients who have applied to the State Board of Charities via the Office of the Board of Health seeking residence at city hospitals due to illness. The city hospitals listed are the TB Hospital, Lawrence General Hospital and the Municipal Hospital. These patients are too sick to “be removed to the Almshouse”. Patients’ names and addresses are listed alphabetically alongside a number which corresponds to the individual application notifications.

Book #7: Board of Health Correspondence 1901 – 1904

This ledger consists of copies of letters written mainly by John O. Collington, Plumbing Inspector, to city property owners.

Book #8: Board of Health Correspondence 1908 – 1910

This ledger consists of copies of letters to city property owners regarding various code violations.

Book #9: Sanitary Complaint Register/Board of Health 1960 – 1975

This ledger consists of records of complaints against city property owners and renters. These records list the following information: Name of Complainant, detailed description of the complaint, date and time complaint received and report of action by the Sanitary Inspector. A list of Sanitary Inspectors with their home addresses and telephone numbers is included in this ledger.

Book #10: Sanitary Complaint Register/Board of Health 1964 – 1969

This ledger consists of records of complaints against city property owners and renters. These records list the following information: Name of Complainant, detailed description of the complaint, date and time complaint received and report of action by the Sanitary Inspector. A list of Sanitary Inspectors with their home addresses and telephone numbers is included in this ledger.

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Book #11: Sanitary Complaint Register/Board of Health 1969 – 1975

This ledger consists of records of complaints against city property owners and renters. These records list the following information: Name of Complainant, detailed description of the complaint, date and time complaint received and report of action by the Sanitary Inspector. A separate section lists Razing Permits (199-214) and includes the property owner's name, Wrecker Company, Building Address and Building Class.

Book #12: Sanitary Complaints/Board of Health 1977 – 1983

This is a folder with loose pages listing various complaints against city property owners and renters.

Book #13: Board of Health Unsanitary Condition Notices 1904 – 1923

This ledger consists of carbon copies of notifications to city property owners requesting that work be done to conform to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Health. These records list the following information: Property Owner Name, Address, Detailed Description of Violation.

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Board of Health Death Registers

Book #1: Death Register City of Lawrence January 1, 1890 – January 31, 1895

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index.

Book #2: Death Register City of Lawrence February 1, 1895 – December 30, 1900

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index.

Book #3: Death Register City of Lawrence January 1, 1901 – May 31, 1905

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index.

Book #4: Death Register City of Lawrence June 1, 1905 – December 30, 1913

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index.

Book #5: Death Register City of Lawrence January 2, 1936 – December 30, 1947

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index. This volume also

contains some WW II deaths between the years 1942 – 1945. Additional entries in red ink after the tab are marked WW II deaths. All are listed as out of town deaths but are buried locally.

Book #6: Death Register City of Lawrence February 12, 1968 – December 30, 1969

This ledger is a handwritten record of deaths registered by the Board of Health in Lawrence, Mass. and contains the following information: Assigned Number, Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Name of Husband, Sex, Color other than White, Single/Married/Widowed/Divorced, Age, Disease or Cause of Death, Residence and Place of Death, Name of Cemetery or Place of Burial, Name of Certifying Physician, Occupation, Place of Birth, Name and Birthplace of Father, Maiden Name and Birthplace of Mother, Name of Undertaker, Date of Interment or Removal. There is no index.

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Incidental Hospital Paperwork Box

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This box includes:

- Three (3) Burke Memorial Hospital Time Cards, Work Week Ending May 11, 1961**
- “Telephone School Systems” listing of nearby Massachusetts towns, accompanying names and phone numbers.**
- Electric Plant Proposal 1954-1955**
- TB Dispensary Blank Stationary**
- Two Bank Statements with cancelled checks for United Cerebral Palsy dated 1963**
- Cards and letters for Burke Hospital patient Alma Ferron dated 1970**
- Miscellaneous photocopied newspaper articles and photographs, ledger index lists.**

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Incidental Patient Records

Revised 12/1/17

Box #1:

-Burke Hospital Patient Records (Miscellaneous)

-Scattered years from the 1940's, 1960's and 1976.

-"Lawrence Health Department-Child Welfare Division-Immunization Records"

4" x 6" Cards listing the following information:

-Name

-School

-Address

-Sex

-Birthdate

-Immunization types, date, lot number and remarks

-Scattered years covering the decades between 1960-1980.

-Pulse Charts (Miscellaneous) dated 1971, 1972

Box #2:

-Insulin Charts

-Charts cover the years between 1969-1972.

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Board of Health Indexes

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Book #1: Alphabetized Index

This index contains an alphabetized list of names. The purpose of this index is unknown. This index is undated.

Book #2: Alphabetized Index/"Burr's Combination Index"

This index contains an alphabetized list of names with corresponding numbers. The purpose of this index is unknown. This index is undated.

Book #3: Partial Index

This partial index is a portion of an unknown ledger. The index contains names and page numbers.

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Licensing Ledgers

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Book #1: License Index Book:

This ledger is an alphabetized list of names alongside a number. No other information on this is available.

Book #2: Permit to Keep Fowl or Animals Ledger:

This ledger is a record of animal permits granted to city residents and businesses. An alphabetized listing of street addresses along with the accompanying last names of residents at those addresses is recorded. The entries also include Date, License Number, Amount and Species of permitted Animals being kept at the listed addresses. Species listed include rabbits, hens, roosters, pigeons and pigs.

Book #3: Stable Applications 1901-1936

This ledger is an index of Horse and Stable license applications. The entries are listed alphabetically by street along with the accompanying names of residents at those addresses. Entries also include Date, Application Code and Number of Horses.

Book #4: License Records 1905-1912 (1 of 5 vols)

This ledger is a record of licenses granted to individuals doing business in the City of Lawrence. The entries are listed by Profession and include Date, Licensee Name, Licensee Address and Cost of License. Licensed professions include Master Plumber, Journeyman Plumber, Swill Collector, Fish Dealer, Undertaker, Oleo Margarine Vendor, Drain Layer.

Book #5: Licenses Issued 1913-1928 (2 of 5 vols)

This ledger is a record of licenses granted to individuals doing business in the City of Lawrence. The entries are listed by Profession and include Date, Licensee Name, License Number, Licensee Address and Cost of License. Included in this register is an original license issued to Mrs. Lumina Gaudette to board infants (see page 282).

Book #6: Licenses Issued 1933-1953 (3 of 5 vols)

This ledger is a record of licenses granted to individuals doing business in the City of Lawrence. The entries are listed by Profession and include Date, Licensee Name, License Number, Licensee Address and Cost of License. The professions requiring licensure reflect the changing times and now include professions such as Social Disease Clinic Patients, Spring Water Dealer and Carbonated Beverage Dealer.

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Book #7: Licenses Issued 1953-1967 (4 of 5 vols)

This ledger is a record of licenses granted to individuals doing business in the City of Lawrence. The entries are listed by Profession and include Date, Licensee Name, License Number, Licensee Address and Cost of License.

Book #8: Licenses, Fees and Permits 1967-1974 (5 of 5 vols)

This ledger is a record of licenses granted to individuals doing business in the City of Lawrence. The entries are listed by Profession and include Date, Licensee Name, License Number, Licensee Address and Cost of License.

Book #9: License Fee Cash Book 1928 – 1932

This ledger includes a license code index along with names and addresses.

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Board of Health Minutes of Meetings

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Book #1: February 4, 1878 – April 30, 1895

See attached notes.

Book #2: February 3, 1896 – February 6, 1905

Book #3: February 6, 1905 – January 1, 1912

Book #4: January 16, 1918 – April 14, 1931

Book #5: January 30, 1950 – December 29, 1955

Notes from Board of Health Minutes of Meetings/Book #1

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February 4, 1878: On this date, the Lawrence, MA Board of Health held their first meeting. The Board was established as a new City Department and property was transferred to the office in City Hall. This was the first step in oversight and licensing by the Board of Health. Regulations were established regarding the governance of privy vaults, night soil removal and disposal, swill removal (see 12/23/1879), keeping of swine, death certificates, uniform collection barrels.

May 17, 1880: The establishment of written minutes with regulations printed in newspapers commenced. These included: the removal and disposal of dead animals, cesspools, water analysis, bids for collection of swill, grease, bones and night soil. Health regulations for new construction were devised.

1881: It was established that doctors must notify the Board of Health of any contagious diseases diagnosed among their patients.

January, 1882: Noted rise in cases of smallpox.

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Board of Health Miscellaneous

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Book #1: Standard Nomenclature of Diseases and Operations 1952

This reference book was kept in the Lawrence Health Department. The inscription on inside cover reads "Mary G. Pendergast/Senior Clerk/Lawrence Health Dept/5-15-57/Class 1948 From Marjorie MG Judge/St. John's Hospital/1953/Do Not Remove From Desk/Personal". AMA/McGraw-Hill 1952.

**LAWRENCE MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL
PATIENT RECORDS 1935**

Folder #1:

David Achin
Joseph Adams
Jennie Albris
Jean Allen
Vera Allen
Cecile Alliette
Edward Anderson
John Anderson
Dora Andrewchuk/Baby Boy
Mary Andrukitis/Baby Boy

Folder #2:

Marylin Appleby
Virginia Arcideadno/Baby Boy
Anthony Abramovitz
Gilbert Arsenault
Jennie Arsenault
David Archibald
Mary Ashton
Joseph Assaf
Matthew Augusta
Violey Auselmann

Folder #3:

Sebastiano Avarino
Ruth Aziz
Fred Bacigalupo
Patrick Banahan
Mary Barberian
Jean Barczyk/Baby Girl
John Bardwell
Arthur Barka
William Barr, Sr.
William Barr

Folder #4:

Priscilla Barrett/Baby Boy
Mary Remilliard/Baby Boy
Stella Bartolotta/Baby Girl
Ora Beal
Marion Beam
Yvonne Beauden/Baby Girl
Joseph Becotte

Mabel Becotte

**LAWRENCE MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL
PATIENT RECORDS 1935**

Folder #4 (cont.):

Dicrume Bedrosian

Veronica Befito/Baby Girl

Folder #5:

Michael Begley

Bertha Belair

George Beland

Elise Belanger

Jeanette Benoit

Alfred Bergeron

Arthur Bergeron

August Bergeron

Oliver Bergeron

Josephine Bernard

Folder #6:

Delina Berthiaume

Laura Berthold/Baby

Rose Berthol

Paul Biers

Catherine Bird

Rose Bishop/Baby Boy

Isabella Bistany

John Bivetsky

Florence Blackwell/Baby Girl

Yvonne Blair

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Sanitary Collections and Conditions Ledgers

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Book #1: Weekly Swill Collections Ledger 1929-1932

This ledger is a record of the amount of swill collected in the City of Lawrence on a weekly basis. Each report is titled "Report of Swill Men Week Ending" and the corresponding date. The reports include the following information: Ward Number, Name of Swill Men, Time Reported, Number of Loads, Where Delivered. The data is recorded on a daily basis within the week's report.

Book #2: Garbage Book 1896-1906

This Sanitary Collection Ledger contains information tracking the collection of swill, ashes rubbish and cesspool.

Book #3: Garbage Book 1906-1915

This Sanitary Collection Ledger contains information tracking the collection of swill, ashes, rubbish and cesspool.

Book #4: Night Soil Removals 1881-1888

This Ledger is a record of the removal of night soil and accounting of cash received for its' removal.

Book #5: Night Soil Removals 1891-1896

This ledger is a record of the removal of night soil and accounting of cash received for its' removal.

Book #6: Night Soil Removals 1890-1912

This ledger is a record of the removal of night soil and accounting of cash received for its' removal.

Book #7: Night Soil Removals 1896-1913

This ledger is a record of the removal of night soil and accounting of cash received for its' removal.

Book #8: Sanitary Department Auditing Book 1893-1912

This ledger tracks the sale and removal of night soil, sale of swill and waste paper, and licensing fees. Residential names and addresses are listed.

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Book #9: Health Department Cash Book 1885 - 1888

This ledger is an accounting of cash received for night soil, swill collections, ash collections as well as licensing fees.

Book #10: Record of Charges and Collections from Health Department January 31, 1911 – December 31, 1913

This ledger is a record of names, description of charges and receipts, dates and amounts for the sale and removal of night soil, swill, manure.

Book #11: Bills Receivable and Abatements April 1914 – January 1920

This ledger contains three pages of abatements listed by Date, Name, Amount. Schedules of Bills Receivable for the Health Department are also included and are listed by Date, Bill Number, Name, Description and Amount. The categories listed in Description include Cesspool, Waste Paper Contract, Swill Contract, Vault Cleaning, Sale of Manure, Ambulance Service, Night Soil.

Book #12: Bills Receivable Health Department 1922 – 1923

This ledger contains listings of Bills Receivable and is listed by Date, Bill Number, Name, Description and Amount. The categories listed in Description include Cesspool, Waste Paper Contract, Swill Contract, Vault Cleaning, Sale of Manure, Ambulance Service, Night Soil.

Book #13: Health Department Accounting Ledger (in two parts)

Part 1: Cesspool Cleaning Accounts 1926 – 1945

This is a record of cesspool cleanings listed by Name, Address, Date, Amount Charged, Amount and Date Paid.

Part 2: Swill and Fish Offal Accounts 1936 – 1953

This is a record of swill and fish offal sold to swill contractors listed by Date, Amount Charged, Amount and Date Received.

Book #14: Dangerous Disease Bills and Bills Committed to Holders of Swill Contracts 1933 – 1946

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Disease and Swill Contracts. The Disease Billings are for expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanitorium in Middleton, MA. The Swill Contracts are billings to swill contractors for the sale of swill collected and sold by the Sanitation Division of the Health Department.

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Books #15-44: Time Books Sanitation Division

These ledgers contain time records for Board of Health Employees on a weekly basis. Information includes Name, Specific Days Worked, Total Time, Rate Per Day and Amount Paid. These ledgers are stored in the Warehouse (9/22/17).

1926 – 1934 (9 volumes)

1936 – 1942 (7 volumes)

1948 - 1961 (14 volumes)

Book #45: Schedule of Bills Receivable 1921 Health Department

This ledger is a listing of cash received and includes entries for the TB Hospital.

Cross-Referenced Material:

A) Tuberculosis Hospital Ledgers:

Dangerous Disease Bills and Bills Committed to Holders of Swill Contracts January 3, 1947 – December 31, 1950

Book #11

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Diseases and Swill Contracts. The Disease Billings are for expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanatorium in Middleton, MA. The Swill Contracts are billings to swill contractors for the sale of swill collected and sold by the Sanitation Division of the Health Department.

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Book #1: Tuberculosis Hospital Ledger 1912 – 1920

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the TB Hospital and includes the following information: Patient Name, Current Date, Admit Date, Discharge Date, Monthly Charge, Payment Received. This ledger is cross-referenced with Book #2 and Book #3.

Book #2: TB Hospital Schedule of Bills Receivable 1914 – 1920

This ledger is a record of billings to Cities and Towns or Boards for the patients confined to the TB Hospital. This information is cross-referenced with Book #1 by listing the ledger page (Bill Number) which coincides with the page number in Book #1.

Book #3: TB Hospital Schedule of Bills Receivable 1922 – 1923

This ledger is a record of billings to Cities and Towns or Boards for the patients confined to the TB Hospital. This information is cross-referenced with Book #1 by listing the ledger page (Bill Number) which coincides with the page number in Book #1.

Book #4: Payments Received from Patients at Lawrence TB Hospital 1917 – 1924

This ledger contains duplicate of payments received from patients for their care while in the TB Hospital to the City of Lawrence. Many of these invoices were signed by Agnes M. MacDougall who was the acting supervisor of the Lawrence TB Hospital. (Note: Anna M. Allen and Thomas F. Joyce were also TB Hospital Supervisors).

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Book #5: Lawrence Municipal Hospital for Tuberculosis

This ledger is in five (5) Sections:

Section 1: This section is an accounting of patients and the amount due for their care per month between the years 1906-1916. These charges were offset by subsidies and by the City of Lawrence or the State Board of Charity.

Section 2: "Record of Vouchers, Approved and Passed to Treasurer for Month" January 1916 – October 31, 1920. This is a monthly accounting of expenses including supplies, utilities, food, payroll and city pharmacy.

Section 3: "Record of Collection for January 1-31, 1915". There is only one entry in this section.

Section 4: "Record of Journal Entries for May 1, 1911". There is only one entry in this section.

Section 5: This section consists of four detached pages with the heading "Inventory from June 1912 for TB Department". This is an itemized list of physical assets categorized by location in the TB Hospital. The total valuation of the TB Hospital is listed as \$47,301.39.

Book #6: TB Hospital Accounts 1921 – 1931

This is a multi-use ledger. The Title Page reads: "Stock Book of Goods Received at Battery Building". The next pages contain an alphabetized list of patients' names alongside a corresponding page number. Also included is an itemized food list with prices from the Currin-Todd Company dated from January 29, 1915 – March 4, 1915. The remainder of the ledger is separated into six sections:

Section 1: This section is a list of patient names, page numbers, "Closed" status, and notes. Another page is labeled "Contagious Diseases" and consists of a short list of Names, Diseases, Dates of Admission, Amount Billed and Amount Paid.

Section 2: "Lawrence Settled Cases/State Subsidy Cases at TB Hospital". This contains a list of Patient Names, Corresponding Page Number, "Closed" status, Positive or Negative Test Results and Date.

Section 3: This section contains a list of Patient Names, City or Town of Origin, Corresponding Page Number, Deceased or Left, Closed status.

Section 4: This sections lists Patients, the amount they were billed for their care and whether payment was made in cash or abated.

Section 5: "Non-Bacillary" heading. There are no entries in this section.

Section 6: This section lists Patients, the amount they were billed for their care and when payment was received.

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Book #7: TB Patient Settlement Book

This ledger was originally used to record Patients' settlements from 1911 – 1913. The ledger was then re-purposed and used to record Lawrence, MA Patients' settlements at the Essex County Sanatorium. Settlement dates are from February 1925 – November 1932.

Book #8: TB Hospital Patient History Book 1912 – 1914

This ledger is a collection of Patients' Medical Records and includes handwritten notes from attending physicians.

Book #9: TB Hospital Patient History Book 1914 – 1916

This ledger is a collection of Patients' Medical Records and includes handwritten notes from attending physicians.

Book #10: Reported Cases of TB February 1913 – 1967

This ledger identifies reported cases of TB. Information includes Patient Name, Address, Date of Notice, To Whom Sent and Remarks. Included in the ledger is an undated four page typed list of Lawrence students who have been diagnosed with TB. Information includes Serial Number, Student Name, Student Address, Age, School. Attached note to this list bears dates ranging from 1936-1938.

Book #11: Dangerous Disease Bills and Bill Committed to Holders of Swill Contracts January 3, 1947 – December 31, 1950

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Diseases and Swill Contracts. The Disease Billings are for expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanatorium in Middleton, MA. The Swill Contracts are billings to swill contractors for the sale of swill collected and sold by the Sanitation Division of the Health Department.

Book #12: Dangerous Disease Bills January 4, 1951 – December 10, 1957

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Diseases expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanatorium in Middleton, MA.

Book #13: Dangerous Disease Bills January 8, 1958 – December 20, 1968

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Disease expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanatorium in Middleton, MA.

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Boxes 1-7: TB Dispensary Patient Records 1914 – 1959 (circa) These loose files are a collection of Patients' Medical Records and include handwritten notes from attending physicians, TB Dispensary cards and Nurse Visitation cards. Information in these records include Patient Names and Addresses, Living Conditions, Medical Treatment and Date of Death.

Cross Referenced Materials:

A) Sanitary Ledgers:

**Dangerous Disease Bills and Bills Committed to Holders of Swill Contracts 1933 – 1946
Book #14**

This ledger contains detailed copies of bills for Disease and Swill Contracts. **The Disease Billings are for expenses incurred by the Lawrence Board of Health for board and medical care of patients, the majority of whom were residing at the Essex Sanitorium in Middleton, MA.** The Swill Contracts are billings to swill contractors for the sale of swill collected and sold by the Sanitation Division of the Health Department.

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Cottage Hospital Patient Records

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Book #1: July 30, 1903-January 29, 1907

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Cottage Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced number and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Marital Status, Age, Past and Present Medical History, Treatment, Diagnosis, Discharge Date.

Book #2: January 1, 1907-December 28, 1909

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Cottage Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced number and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Marital Status, Age, Past and Present Medical History, Treatment, Diagnosis, Discharge Date. Note: There are some duplicate entries between Book #1 and Book #2 for the month of January 1907.

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Municipal Hospital Ledgers

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Book #1: Admission and Discharge Book October 27, 1912 – January 1918

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #2: Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1918 – 1925

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death. Pages 941-948 contain a list of "Total Number of Deaths for 1918-1924 and includes Names and Dates of Death. Page 949 lists formulations for Baby Formula, Hiccough Relief, Cramps and White Wash.

Book #3: Admittance Book March 20, 1925 – December 1928

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #4: Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1927 -1934

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #5: Municipal Hospital Patient Records January, 1934 – September, 1935

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

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Book #6: Municipal Hospital Operating Room Ledger January, 1935 – June 1938

This ledger contains information pertaining to surgical operations performed at the Municipal Hospital and includes the following information: Date, Patient Name, Operation Performed, Surgeon, Diagnosis, Anesthetist and Nurse.

Folders 1-6: Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1935

These folders contain Patient Records and include the following information: Patient's Name, Date, Treatment and Vital Signs. See enclosed list for list of Patients' Names.

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Bessie M. Burke Memorial Hospital Ledgers

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Book #1: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1935-1936

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #2: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1936-1938

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #3: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1938-1940

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #4: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1940-1944

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-reference numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death. Included in this ledger is a typed piece of paper with the heading "Burke Memorial Hospital-Clerkships" and a list of names and dates.

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Book #5: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1944-1947

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #6: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1947-1949

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #7: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1949-1952

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #8: Burke Hospital Patient Records Ledger 1952-1957

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Burke Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names along with a corresponding cross-reference number. Section 2 lists the cross-referenced numbers and the corresponding patients' individual records. These records list the following patient information: Date of Hospitalization, Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative, Diagnosis, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #9: Burke Hospital Records of Operations June, 1938-December, 1952

This ledger is a record of operations performed at the Burke Hospital. The following information is contained in each entry: Date of Operation, Patient Name, Type of Operation, Surgeon Name, Pre and Post Diagnosis, Anesthesiologist Name, Attending Nurse Name.

Book #10: Burke Hospital Records of Operations 1953-1959

This ledger is a record of operations performed at the Burke Hospital. The following information is contained in each entry: Date of Operation, Patient Name, Type of Operation, Surgeon Name, Pre and Post Diagnosis, Anesthesiologist Name, Attending Nurse Name.

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Book #11: Commitment Record Nursing Service 1960

This spiral notebook contains Patient's Name, Date Admitted, Referred By, Date Committed. The last page of the notebook contains secretarial notes dated October, 1960.

Book #12: Burke Hospital Payroll September 3, 1953 – December 15, 1961

This ledger contains the payroll records for Burke Hospital. These records list the following employee information: Employee Name, Position, Time Worked, Pay Rate, Deductions, Net Amount. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #13: Burke Hospital Monthly Schedule of Unpaid Accounts Receivable December 1954-January 1960

This ledger lists Date, Bill Number, Name and Amount Received. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #14: Schedule of Bills Payable by Burke Hospital November 1955 - October 1965

Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #15: Employee Information Cards 1960's

A series of bound cards listing Employee Name, Occupation, Birth Date, Nearest Relative and some W-4 Tax Forms. Note: This ledger is stored in the Warehouse.

Book #16: Daily Time Registers of Employees/Patient Care 1949 - 1950

Book #17: Daily Time Registers of Employees/Patient Care 1952 - 1953

Book #18: Daily Time Registers of Employees/Patient Care 1955 - 1956

Book #19: Nurses Register-Ward Supervision August 2, 1961 – December 21, 1963

This ledger contains Dates, Hourly Coverage and Nurses Signatures.

Book #20: Narcotic Log September 16, 1959 – December 18, 1960

This black ledger lists the distribution of narcotics at the Burke Hospital. The following information is included: Date, Time, Narcotic, Amount Used, Patient Name, Nurse Name.

Book #21: Narcotic Log December 18, 1960 – April 1, 1962

This black ledger lists the distribution of narcotics at the Burke Hospital. The following information is included: Date, Time, Narcotic, Amount Used, Patient Name, Nurse Name.

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Book #22: Narcotic Count Book 1960

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #23: Narcotic Count Book 1961

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital

Book #24: Narcotic Count Book 1961-1962

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #25: Narcotic Count Book 1962

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #26: Narcotic Count Book 1962-1963

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #27: Narcotic Count Book 1963

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #28: Narcotic Count Book 1963

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #29: Narcotic Count Book 1963-1964

This green ledger lists the type and amount of Narcotics on hand, as well as a signature, for the Burke Hospital.

Book #30: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Second Floor/September 1961-April 1962

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients, names and dates are included.

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Book #31: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Second Floor/August 10, 1962-January 30, 1963

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #32: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Female Floor/April 6, 1962-October 8, 1962

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #33: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Female Floor/October 9, 1962-March 28, 1963

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #34: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Female Floor/March 28, 1963-October 11, 1963

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #35: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Male Floor/July 22, 1961-February 26, 1962

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #36: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Male Floor/February 26, 1962-August 10, 1962

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #37: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Male Floor/January 30, 1963-August 24, 1963

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

Book #38: Sodium Seconal Count Book/Male Floor/August 24, 1963-February 25, 1964

This spiral-bound notebook is a log of the amount of Sodium Seconal on hand as well as a record of the dispensing of it to patients at the Burke Hospital. Patients' names and dates are included.

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Book #39: Undertaker Ledger February 28, 1923 – March 31, 1941

This ledger is a record of the removal of the deceased from the Municipal and Burke Hospitals and includes the following information: Date, Name of Deceased, Signature of Receiving Undertaker. The last page of the ledger is entitled "Deaths for Year Ending 1925" and lists the Number of Deaths by month.

Book #40: Undertaker Ledger January 3, 1969 – July 6, 1976

This ledger is a record of the removal of the deceased from the Burke Hospital and includes the following information: Date, Name of Deceased, Signature of Receiving Undertaker, Signature of Witness and notes regarding Belongings.

Book #41: Bessie M. Burke Hospital Employee Attendance Records 1972

This three ring binder is a record of employee attendance for the year. Employee names, positions and Social Security numbers are included.

File #1: Rules of Re-Anointing

This is a 3-1/2" x 6" card with the heading "Saint Laurence O'Toole Church/55 East Haverhill Street/Lawrence, Massachusetts" with a sub-title "Re-anointing". The card lists three instances of patients with declining health and whether or not a re-anointing should take place.

File #2: Rules Governing the Function of the Medical Examiner 1969

This is a typed bulletin from the Office of the County Commissioners/County of Essex/Salem Massachusetts and is dated February 13, 1969. This bulletin is a notification of the change in the rules governing the functions of the Medical Examiner.

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Book #1: Admission and Discharge Book October 27, 1912 – January 1918

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and a corresponding page number. Section 2 includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #2: Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1918 - 1925

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and a corresponding page number. Section 2 includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date, Date of Death. Pages 941-948 contain a list of "Total Number of Deaths for 1918-1924 and includes Names and Dates of Death. Page 949 lists formulations for Baby Formula, Hiccough Relief, Cramps and White Wash.

Book #3: Municipal Hospital Patient Records July 13, 1912 – February 15, 1923

There are two labels on the binding. Label #1 reads "Hospital Records July 13-1912 SCATTERED Feb 8-1923". Label #2 reads "City Bills". This ledger is in three sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of businesses and a corresponding page number. Section 1 also includes alphabetized patients' names and corresponding page numbers. These patients' names have been crossed out. Section 2 runs from pages 1-101 and is dated between July 13, 1912-February 15, 1923. Each page is printed with the following headings: Patient Name and Address, Place of Birth, Father and Mother's Name, Family History, Civil Condition, Duration of Sickness Before Entrance, Any Previous Sickness, Diagnosis, Date of Admission, Date of Discharge, Results. The handwritten information provided with these patient records is sparse in most circumstances. Some patient records are, on the other hand, very detailed. The patients listed in this ledger can also be found in cross-referenced listings in Municipal Hospital Ledgers Book #1 (Admission and Discharge Book October 27, 1912-January 1918) and Book #2 (Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1918-1928). It appears that most of these patients were identified as Private Patients. Section 3 contains dates ranging from January-March 1929, a business name and a dollar amount.

Book #4: Admittance Book March 20, 1925-December, 1928

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and a corresponding page number. Section 2 includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

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Book #5: Municipal Hospital Patient Records 1927 - 1934

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized list of patients' names and a corresponding page number. Section 2 includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #6: Municipal Hospital Patient Records January, 1934 – September, 1935

This ledger is a record of patients confined to the Municipal Hospital and is in two sections. Section 1 is an alphabetized- list of patients' names and a corresponding page number. Section 2 includes the following information: Patient Name, Patient Address, Nearest Relative's Name and Address, Diagnosis, Treatment, Discharge Date or Date of Death.

Book #7: Municipal Hospital Operating Room Ledger January, 1935 – June, 1938

This ledger contains information pertaining to surgical operations performed at the Municipal Hospital and includes the following information: Date, Patient Name, Operation Performed, Surgeon, Diagnosis, Anesthetist and Nurse.

Folders 1-6: Municipal Hospital Patients Records 1935

These folders contain Patient Records and include the following information: Patient Name, Date, Treatment and Vital Signs. See enclosed list of Patient's Names.