

FORM A - AREA

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA. 02108

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Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
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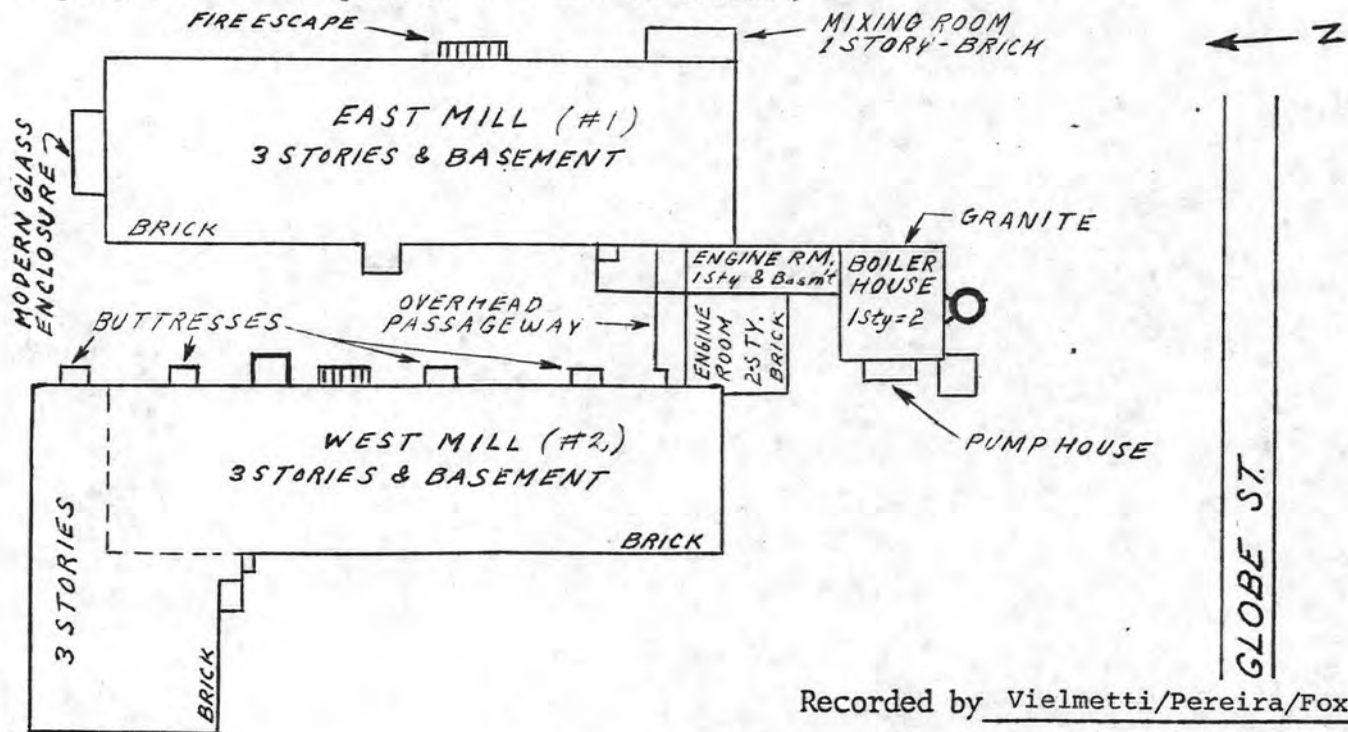
Town Fall River, Mass.

Name of area (if any) Globe Yarn Mills
(later Connecticut)

Globe Street

General date or period 1881-1886

Sketch map. Draw a general map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets (including route numbers, if any) and indicate north. (Attach a separate sheet if space here is not sufficient)



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Organization FROHP

Date 4/21/81

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Describe physical setting, general character, and architecturally significant structures).

The Globe Mills complex includes two large mills constructed in 1881 and 1886 and several auxiliary buildings. While of no special architectural distinction, they are solidly constructed and exhibit the characteristic features of 1880's brick mill design including brick relieving arches, arched 6/18 T-cross sash, bracketed cornices and low-pitched roofs. The mills are located in the southern "Globe Village" area of the city and were originally supplied with water from Slade Pond, possibly via a duct system. The pond was filled in for construction of the later Marshalls Fabric Co. buildings. The 1881 East Mill (#1) is 3 stories above the basement and measures 315' X 75'. The 1886 West Mill (#2) is almost the same height, measures 92' X 310', and has wall buttresses along the east wall and a large 1890 3-story brick ell. Also standing are the 1881 boiler house and engine room, an 1886 section of the engine house, and an 1886 brick chimney, now only 100' tall. The ends of the east mill have been painted.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Explain development of area, what caused it, and how it affected community; be specific).

The Globe Yarn Mills was incorporated in 1881 and specialized in the manufacture of yarn and thread, which the spinning departments of the print cloth firms could not always produce in sufficient quantity. The company was capitalized at \$350,000 and had as its original officers Wm. H. Jennings, president, and Arnold B. Sanford, treasurer and selling agent. Sanford went on to found the Sanford Spinning Co. in 1892. The first mill was constructed on Globe Street in 1881 and had a capacity of 32,000 spindles. It proved to be a major impetus to the development of the Globe Village area. The second mill was erected in 1886 and was powered by the first compound condensing steam engine to be used in Fall River. This type of engine, which had both low and high pressure cylinders and required only about two-thirds of the steam of a single cylinder engine, was in common use after its introduction here. A third mill, located some distance away on Globe Mills Avenue, was erected in 1887. In 1899 both the Globe Yarn Mills and Sanford Spinning became departments of the New England Cotton Yarn Company. The two mills on Globe Street were taken over by the Connecticut Company from 1919 to 1929. One of these (#1) is presently owned by the Cape Cod Dress Co. and used as a mill outlet and the other houses light industry.

The Globe Mills complex is representative of late 19th century brick mill construction and illustrates the expansion of the textile industry in Fall River during that period. The property meets criteria A and C of the National Register.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- Barlow Insurance Plan #7445, 1882
- History of Bristol County (1883), p. 323
- 1920 Corporate Millyard Plans
- Phillips' History of Fall River, Fascicle II, p. 130
- 1882 Fall River City Directory, advertisement, p. 497

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Fall River Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. Foster Spinning Co.

Substantive Review

Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dyke

Attest

42. ~~Globe Yarn Mills~~

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

43. Granite Mills

Substantive Review

Determined Eligible
Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dyke

Attest

OWNER OBJECTION

44. Greany Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

45. Hargraves Mill #1

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

46. Hathaway, James D., House

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National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

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47. Highlands Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

48. Hiker, The, (statue)

Substantive Review

Keeper

RS

Attest

49. House at 108-112 Quarry Street

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National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

50. Jesus Marie Convent

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Attest

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Globe Yarn Mills (Fall River MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 1/5/83-15
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84
Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/19/83
Action: ACCEPT 2/16/83
 RETURN
 REJECT
Entered in the National Register
Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexcavated		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UMT References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



GLOBE
DISCOUNT DEPT. STORE

G L O B E

Fall River MNA, Ms

MP-8-23

Globe Yarn

mill #1

n/e view



Fall River MRA. Ma

MR8-19

Globe Yarn

Boiler House & West Wall
of Mill #2



Fall River MPA, MA

MP-8-27

Globe Yarn

Mill #2 ell

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279