

FORM A - AREA

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

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H-21-1/7/8	502

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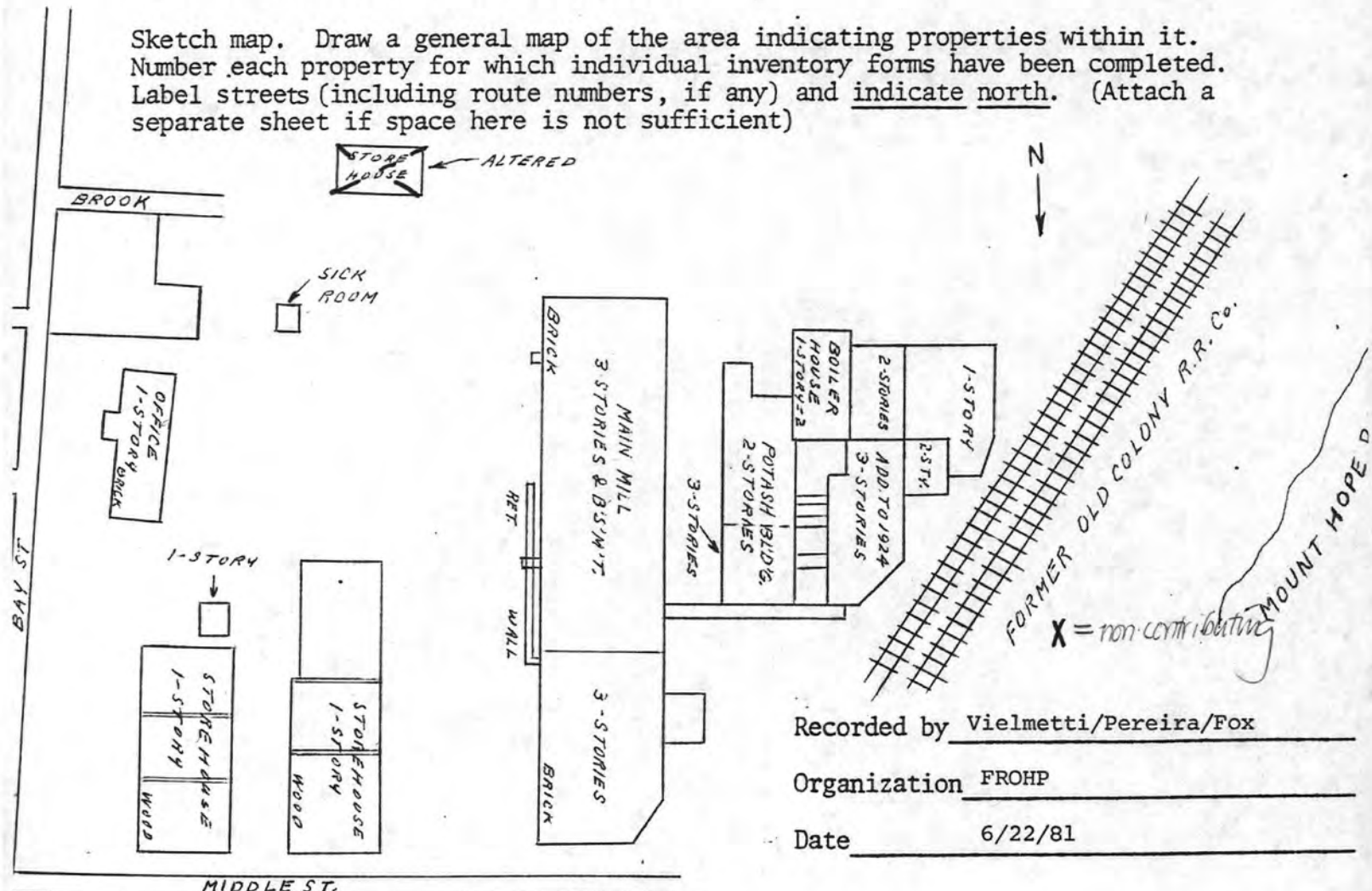
Town Fall River, Mass.

Name of area (if any) Algonquin Printing Co.

Bay Street

General date or period 1891-1912

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 6/22/81

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

The Algonquin Printing Company complex is typical of turn-of-the-century brick mill architecture and is notable for its solid, utilitarian construction and largely intact quality. It is located in the southern "Globe Village" section along the Taunton River adjacent to the Old Colony Railroad line and Globe Wharf. Water, which was very important in the printing process, was supplied from a stream which had its origin at Cook Pond and flowed into a reservoir on the property. The first buildings, located behind the present main mill, were erected in 1891. They stood adjacent to the James Marshall & Brothers Hat Factory, which was later demolished to make way for the new mill in 1902. This 3-story structure made it possible for the company to consolidate and expand its operations. It measures 104' X 250' and was built by contractors Beattie and Wilcox. Characteristic features of brick mill design include the large segmental windows with brick relieving arches, curved sash (combined T-cross and double-hung, 6/6/9), a bracketed cornice and low-pitched roof. The other building of note on the property is the one-story 1912 tan

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

The Algonquin was one of the last printing plants to be established in Fall River. It was incorporated in 1891 and specialized in calico printing. The authorized capital in 1901 was \$160,000 and officers at that time were T. Davis, president, and Wm. H. Jennings, treasurer. The name "Algonquin" is a general term applied to Indian tribes on both sides of the St. Lawrence. (By this date, the supply of local Indian names must have been much depleted.) The first buildings in the complex date from 1891 and the main mill from 1902. In 1892 the weekly capacity of the plant was 3,600 pieces, a number which had increased to 40,000 by 1911. At that time the company employed 350 hands. By comparison, the huge American Printing Company had a weekly capacity in 1911 of 100,000 pieces. In 1941 the company operations were transferred to another plant in Dighton. The main mill is presently used for light industry.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

1883 and 1895 City Atlases

Phillips' History of Fall River, Fascicle II, p. 151-153

1920 Corporate Millyard Plans

Bennett's Handbook of Textile Corporations (1913), p. 31

American Wool and Cotton Reporter (1920), p. 287

Building Permit #315

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:

Fall River, Mass.

Form No:

302
H-21-1/7/8

Property Name: Algonquin Printing Co.

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Continuation)

brick Classical Revival detached office, which has a central pedimented entrance pavillion, brick quoins, granite trim, a bracketed cornice and hip roof. An iron fence with brick and granite posts runs along part of Bay Street in front of the office. Also on the property are numerous interconnecting brick auxiliary buildings at the rear and one-story brick or wooden storehouses at the front and side of the property.

The Algonquin, one of the last printing plants established in Fall River is a typical turn of the century brick mill complex notable for its solid, utilitarian construction and largely intact quality; it meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places individually.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Fall River Multiple Resource AreaState Massachusetts Bristol County

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Algonquin Printing Co.

Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

2/16/83 Bruce Lee Boyd

2. American Printing Co. and
Metacomet MillEntered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melrose Byers 2/16/83

3. Anthony, David M., House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

4. Ashley House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

5. Ashworth Brothers Mill

Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

Determined Eligible

2/16/83 Bruce Lee Boyd

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

6. Barnard Mills

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

7. Belmont Club/John Young House

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2/16/83 Melrose Byers

8. Blossom, Barnabus, House

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9. Boguslavsky Triple-Deckers

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National Register

Keeper

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10. Borden, A. J., Building

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Substantive Review

Algonquin Printing Co. (Fall River MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

010583155

Working No. 115/83-15
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84
Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/19/83
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 2/16/83
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

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

Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Atc/Access
Reviewer Mike [signature]
Discipline A.H.
Date 2.16.83
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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed		

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

Acreage 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



Fall River MRA, Ma

MP-9-1

Algonquin Printing
Office

397 Bay St



Fall River MRA, Ma

MP-9-4

Algonquin Printing
Main Bldg.

n/w



Fall River MDA, Ma

MP-9-8

Algonguin Printing
south view, between
Main Bldg. & Boiler
House.

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279

*Fall River
object*

DURO Finishing Corporation

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September 1, 1982

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Commonwealth of Mass.
Office of the Secretary of State
294 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108

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MASS. HIST. COMM.

ATTN: MS. PATRICIA WESLOWSKI

Dear Ms. Weslowski:

After careful consideration of your letter of August 28, 1982 we are exercising our option to object to listing of our property with the National Register of Historic Places.

This is to certify that we are the sole owner of property located at Algonquin Printing Co., One Middle Street, Fall River, MA.

Very truly yours,
DURO FINISHING CORPORATION

Louis E. D'Amico
Louis E. D'Amico
Vice President

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Sworn to before me this 1st day of September, 1982.

John B. De Corte
Notary Public