

United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name Tack Factory, The

historic Salmond Tack Factory

and/or common The Tack Factory (Preferred)

2. Location SW of Norwell at

street & number 49 Tiffany Road _____ not for publication

city, town Norwell vic. _____ vicinity of congressional district 12th

state Massachusetts code 025 county Plymouth code 023

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> * occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> * commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> * no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name South Shore Lincoln Press

street & number 49 Tiffany Road

city, town Norwell _____ vicinity of state Massachusetts

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Plymouth County Registry of Deeds

street & number Russell Street

city, town Plymouth _____ state Massachusetts

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Inventory of the Historic Assets
title of the Commonwealth has this property been determined eligible? _____ yes no

date 1979 _____ federal * state _____ county _____ local

depository for survey records Massachusetts Historical Commission

city, town Boston _____ state Massachusetts

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Salmond Tack Factory in Norwell, Massachusetts is located at the lower end of a mill pond created when a dam was built across Third Herring Brook in the late 18th century.

The original part of the Salmond Tack Factory is a low one story plus attic frame structure with a very broad, rather high pitched roof. Of post and beam construction, the building has heavy hand-hewn timbers. The exterior walls are covered with many layers of wood shingles over rough board sheathing. A brick chimney, approximately 30 feet in height, rises from the north slope of the roof. It is thought to have vented the fire used by the tack factory to heat metal. Foundations are of granite and native stone with some brick infill added over the years. A granite sluiceway, still operational, runs from the mill pond north to south beneath the approximate center of the original factory building and empties downstream into Third Herring Brook. The tack factory's water wheel and related equipment, once used to run the belt-driven tack machinery, are also still in place beneath the mill, though they have long been out of use.

Later additions to the original ca. 1834 mill building are an ell (ca. 1900) and shed (1970) on the north side and a shed (ca. 1900) now used for shipping and receiving on the south side. They are frame construction with shingles over plywood sheathing.

The present dam across Third Herring Brook is a reinforced concrete structure with multiple spillways across which are long-unused gates. A concrete retaining wall starting at the dam extends around the north side of the property and is reinforced at the sluiceway entrance. Dam and retaining wall are thought to have been constructed in the early 20th century.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
* <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	* <input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	* <input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1834 **Builder/Architect** n/a

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Salmond Tack Factory, built ca. 1834 on a late 18th century mill site, remained in continuous operation for well over 100 years under the direction of several generations of the Salmond family. In this respect it is unique in the history of Norwell. Today the tack factory building, with its intact granite sluiceway, is the last remaining example in Norwell of a water powered mill. Still in place beneath the building, and possibly reclaimable, are the water wheel and related machinery once used to power the tack-making operations above.

A grist mill, said to have been built by local entrepreneur, Charles Stockbridge, first occupied this site. He was succeeded by Recompense Tiffany who gave his name both to the pond and to nearby Tiffany Road. In about 1834 Captain Zephaniah Talbot and Captain Samuel Salmond acquired the water rights and, having constructed the main part of the present structure, established a tack works there. Several generations of the Salmond family continued to operated the tack factory, under the name of Samuel Salmond & Sons, well into the mid 20th century. Today a printing company operates in and owns the building.

9. Major Bibliographical References

"A Narrative History of South Scituate-Norwell", by Joseph Foster Merritt, printed by Rockland Standard Publishing Co., Rockland, Mass., 1938, page 157
 "History of Shipbuilding on North River", by L. Vernon Briggs, printed by Coburn Brothers Printers, 114 Washington Street, Boston, Mass. 0889

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED
UTM NOT VERIFIED

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property 1.27

Quadrangle name Hanover, Mass.

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A

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Zone			Easting				Northing							

B

Zone			Easting				Northing							

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D

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H

Zone			Easting				Northing							

Verbal boundary description and justification

See sketch map enclosed

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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organization Massachusetts Historical Commission

date September 1980

street & number 294 Washington Street

telephone 617-727-8470

city or town Boston

state Massachusetts

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Peter K. Westlowka

10/20/80

title Executive Director, Massachusetts Historical Commission

date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Carol O. Shull

date

12-3-80

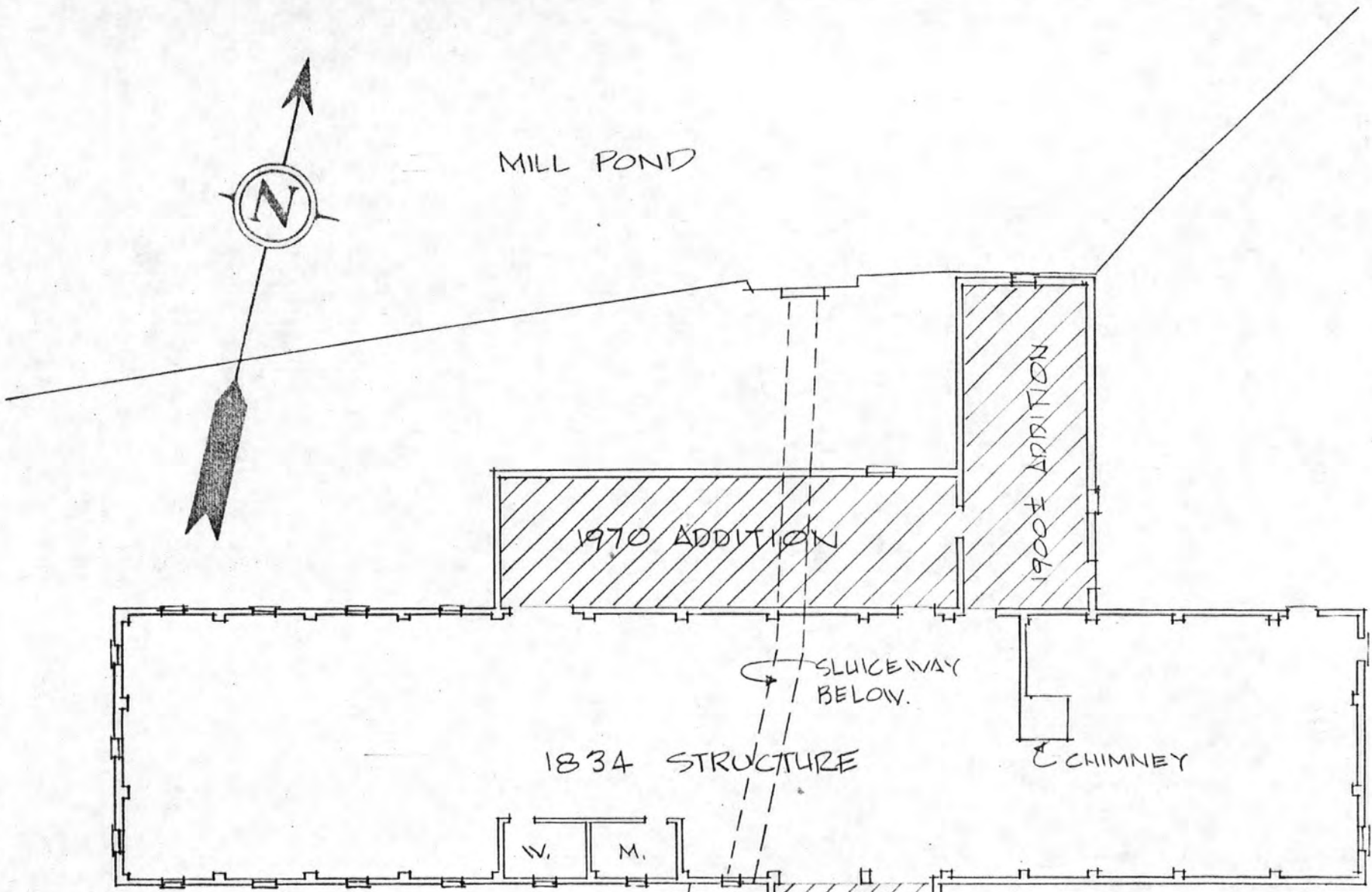
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

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Chief of Registration

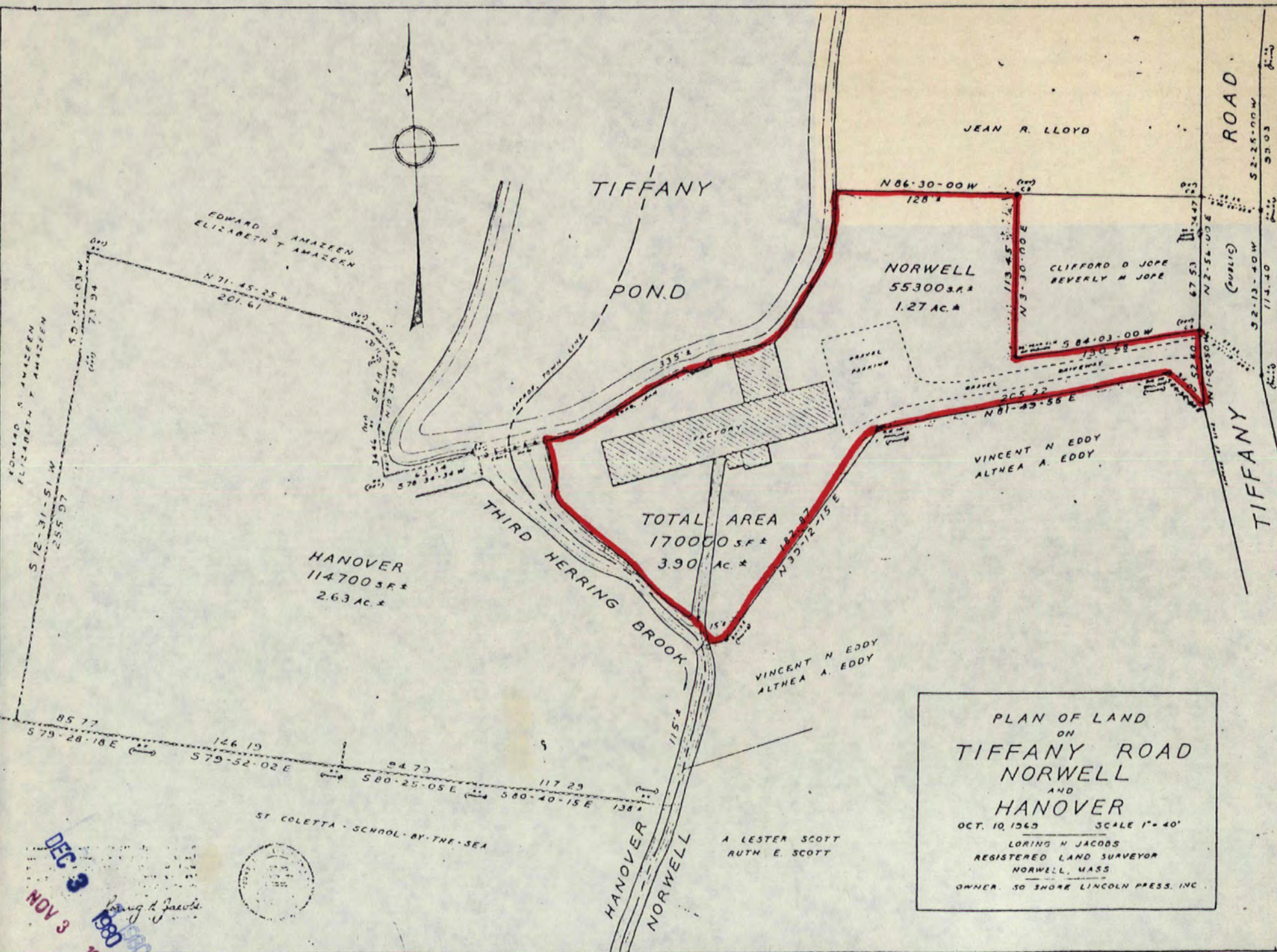


Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

W.L. Garside
July 23, 1979
1/16" = 1'

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1900± ADDITION



PLAN OF LAND
ON
TIFFANY ROAD
NORWELL
AND
HANOVER
OCT. 10, 1969 SCALE 1" = 40'
LORING H. JACOBS
REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR
NORWELL, MASS.
OWNER: 30 SHORE LINCOLN PRESS, INC.

DEC 3 1969
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Loring H. Jacobs



Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

Plymouth Registry of Deeds
October 10, 1969
Not to scale (originally 1'=40')



DEC 9 1969

Property

Tack Factory, The

State

MA, Plymouth

Working Number

115.80.2733

DUE

1/3/81

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos

5

Maps

42

HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

BRANCH CHIEF

With its intact granite sluiceway the Tack Factory is the last remaining waterpowered mill in Norwell

*Accept
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National Register Write-up _____

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Federal Register Entry

2.2.82

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'TACK FACTORY'
NORWELL, MASS.

EAST FACADE
PARKING AREA, ENTRANCE

PHOTO #1

Tack Factory, The
Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

Edward Nute, June 1979
Negative at Norwell Historical Commission
Norwell, MA

East facade, main parking area, and entrance

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Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

*Jack Factory, The
Plymouth Co.*

Edward Nute, June 1979
Negative at Norwell Historical Commission

West Facade, retaining wall, open space
between building and dam

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Tack Factory, The
Norwell, MA

Salmond Tack Factory

*Plymouth
Co.*

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Edward Nute, June 1979

Negative at Norwell Historical Commission,
Norwell, MA

North facade, opening to sluiceway

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Tack Factory, The
Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

Plymouth Co.

Edward Nute, June 1979

Negative at Norwell Historical Commission,
Norwell, MA

Basement interior; view of structure
holding water wheel over sluiceway

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PHOTO #4



'TACK FACTORY'
NORWELL MASS.

CLOSEUP OF MILL MECHANISM
AND TIMBERS

PHOTO #5

Jack Factory, The
Norwell, MA
Salmond Tack Factory

Edward Nute, June 1979

Negative at Norwell Historical Commission,
Norwell MA

Close-up of mill mechanism and timbers

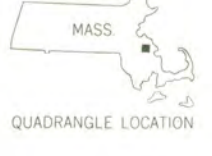
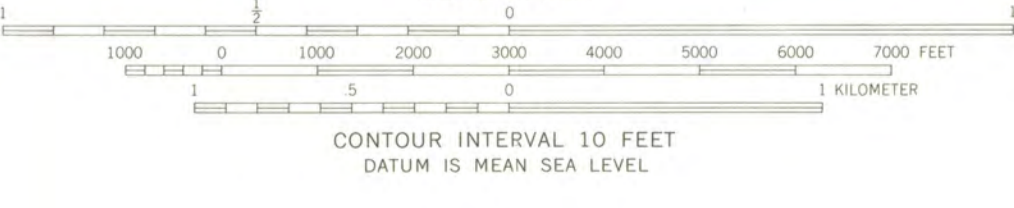
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Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
Topography by planetable surveys 1935. Revised 1962
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Massachusetts coordinate system,
mainland zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 19, shown in blue



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
○ State Route

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N4200—W7045/7.5
1962
AMS 6868 III SE—SERIES V814



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Norwell, Mass.
Salmund Tack Factory
UTM References:
19/350460/4664760

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered DEC 3 1980

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Holyoke Canal System	Holyoke Hampden County
Tack Factory, The	Norwell vicinity Plymouth County
Eddy Block	Webster Worcester County
Water Shops Armory	Springfield Hampden County
Gunn and Hubbard Blocks	Springfield Hampden County
Spauling Block	Webster Worcester County
Shumway Block	Webster Worcester County

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