Guide to the Bryant F. Tolles Photograph Collection, 1972-1982

Administrative Information

Title and Dates:
Bryant F. Tolles Photograph Collection, 1972-1982

Repository:
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Author of Finding Aid:
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Creator:
Bryant F. Tolles

Language:
The materials in this collection are in English

Extent:
7 boxes

Abstract:
This collection is comprised of photographs of buildings in New Hampshire. They were taken by Bryant F. Tolles as part of research for his book, New Hampshire Architecture, completed in the 1970s. Mr. Tolles was assistant dean at Tufts University from 1965-71, assistant director for the New Hampshire Historical Society (Concord, NH) from 1972-74, executive director of Essex Institute (Salem, MA) 1974-84, and Professor of History and Director of the Museum Studies Program of the University of Delaware from 1984-2006.
Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:
The Bryant F. Tolles Photograph Collection was donated to the New Hampshire Historical Society by Bryant F. Tolles.

Processing Information:
This collection was organized and processed prior to the writing of the finding aid. The finding aid was written by Suzanne Huggard in July 2014. This finding aid follows the standards set-forth by Describing Archives: A Content Standard.

Access Restrictions:
Available for research

Location:
The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:
This collection is in good condition and does not require any special handling precautions.

Copyright/Conditions Governing Use:
For permission to reproduce or publish materials from this collection, please contact the New Hampshire Historical Society. Researchers are responsible for following all copyright and intellectual property laws.

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Collection Overview

Biographical Information/ Administrative Information:
Bryant Tolles was born in Hartford, CT. He received a BA degree in American Studies from Yale (1961), an MAT in History, also from Yale (1962), and a Ph.D. in History (New England and American Studies) from Boston University (1970). Mr. Tolles was assistant dean at Tufts University from 1965-71, assistant director for the New Hampshire Historical Society (Concord, NH) from 1972-74, executive director of Essex Institute (Salem, MA) 1974-84, and Professor of History and Director of the Museum Studies Program of the University of Delaware from 1984-2006. In retirement, he moved to Concord, NH with his wife, Carolyn. Focusing primarily on American architectural history in his scholarship, he lectured and published books on New Hampshire and Salem, MA architecture; summer cottages in the White Mountains; resort hotels of the White Mountains, the Adirondacks and the New England coast; and, college and university architecture and campus planning in New England before 1860. His non-profit
board service included the New Hampshire Humanities Council, The Squam Lakes Natural Science Center and the Canterbury Shaker Village.

**Collection Scope and Content Note:**
In the mid 1970s Bryant Tolles completed research for a book, New Hampshire Architecture. This collection of photographs and negatives was part of his research for that book, and consists of photos of buildings in New Hampshire towns. The photos are clearly identified by Mr. Tolles on the reverse of each photo, and the files are arranged alphabetically by town.

**Arrangement:**
This collection is arranged alphabetically, with each folder containing photos of a single town. Larger locations may have multiple folders. The photos are contained in folders in 5 letter size file boxes. Boxes 6 and 7 are small boxes containing negatives in sleeves. Negatives in this file are numbered sequentially, the numbers corresponding to numbers noted on the reverse of photographs. However, since the negatives largely are NOT labeled with locations, it would be difficult to move first from negative to photo.

**Contents List**

**Box 1**
- Folder A Finding Aid, Donor information
- Folder 1 Acworth
- Folder 2 Allenstown
- Folder 3 Alstead
- Folder 4 Amherst
- Folder 5 Andover
- Folder 6 Ashland
- Folder 7 Atkinson
- Folder 8 Bath
- Folder 9 Bedford
- Folder 10 Berlin
- Folder 11 Bethlehem
- Folder 12 Bradford
- Folder 13 Brookline
- Folder 14 Boscawen
- Folder 15 Bow
- Folder 16 Campton
- Folder 17 Canaan
- Folder 18 Carroll
- Folder 19 Center Harbor
- Folder 21 Chester
- Folder 22 Chesterfield
- Folder 23 Chichester
- Folder 24 Claremont
- Folder 25 Columbia
| Folder 26 | Concord (1 of 4) |
| Folder 27 | Concord (2 of 4) |
| Folder 28 | Concord (3 of 4) |
| Folder 29 | Concord (4 of 4) |

**Box 2**

| Folder 1   | Cornish               |
| Folder 2   | Conway                |
| Folder 3   | Crawford Notch       |
| Folder 4   | Croydon               |
| Folder 5   | Derry                 |
| Folder 6   | Dixville Notch       |
| Folder 7   | Dover                 |
| Folder 8   | Dublin                |
| Folder 9   | Dunbarton             |
| Folder 10  | Durham                |
| Folder 11  | Effingham             |
| Folder 12  | Enfield               |
| Folder 13  | Exeter                |
| Folder 14  | Fitzwilliam           |
| Folder 15  | Francestown           |
| Folder 16  | Fremont               |
| Folder 17  | Gilmanton             |
| Folder 18  | Gorham                |
| Folder 19  | Grafton               |
| Folder 20  | Greenfield            |
| Folder 21  | Greenland             |
| Folder 22  | Greenville            |
| Folder 23  | Hampton               |
| Folder 24  | Hampton Falls         |
| Folder 25  | Hampstead             |
| Folder 26  | Hancock               |
| Folder 27  | Hanover               |
| Folder 28  | Harrisville           |
| Folder 29  | Haverhill             |
| Folder 30  | Henniker              |
| Folder 31  | Hillsborough          |
| Folder 32  | Hinsdale              |
| Folder 33  | Holderness            |

**Box 3**

| Folder 1   | Hollis                |
| Folder 2   | Hopkinton             |
| Folder 3   | Jackson               |
| Folder 4   | Jaffrey               |
| Folder 5   | Keene                 |
Folder 6       Kensington
Folder 7       Kingston
Folder 8       Laconia
Folder 9       Lancaster
Folder 10      Langdon
Folder 11      Lebanon
Folder 12      Lempster
Folder 13      Littleton
Folder 14      Londonderry
Folder 15      Lyme
Folder 16      Manchester
Folder 17      Meredith
Folder 18      Merrimack
Folder 19      Milford
Folder 20      Milton
Folder 21      Moultonborough
Folder 22      Nashua
Folder 23      Nelson
Folder 24      Newbury
Folder 25      Newcastle
Folder 26      New Hampton

Box 4
Folder 1       New Ipswitch
Folder 2       New London
Folder 3       Newington
Folder 4       Newmarket
Folder 5       Newport
Folder 6       Newton
Folder 7       North Conway
Folder 8       Northfield
Folder 9       Northumberland
Folder 10      Northwood
Folder 11      Orford
Folder 12      Pembroke
Folder 13      Peterborough
Folder 14      Piermont
Folder 15      Plainfield
Folder 16      Plaistow
Folder 17      Plymouth
Folder 18      Portsmouth (1 of 2)
Folder 19      Portsmouth (2 of 2)
Folder 20      Raymond
Folder 21      Richmond
Folder 22      Rindge
**Box 5**
Folder 1    Rochester
Folder 2    Rollingsford
Folder 3    Rye
Folder 4    Salem
Folder 5    Salisbury
Folder 6    Sanbornton
Folder 7    Sanbornville
Folder 8    Sandown
Folder 9    Sandwich
Folder 10   Somersworth
Folder 12   Stoddard
Folder 13   Strafford
Folder 14   Stratham
Folder 15   Sullivan
Folder 16   Sutton
Folder 17   Swanzey
Folder 18   Temple
Folder 19   Tilton
Folder 20   Troy
Folder 21   Unity
Folder 22   Wakefield
Folder 23   Walpole
Folder 24   Warner
Folder 25   Warren
Folder 26   Washington
Folder 27   Webster
Folder 28   Wentworth
Folder 29   Westmoreland
Folder 30   Wilmot
Folder 31   Windham
Folder 32   Wilton
Folder 33   Winchester
Folder 34   Wolfeboro

**Box 6**
This box contains sleeved negatives identified only by numbers 1-545. These numbers correspond to numbers on the reverse of the photos in boxes 1-5, but there is no identification of the town on the negative.

At the front of this box are seven sleeves of negatives identified by town, but having no enlarged photos in the corresponding town file. They are: Bedford, Hinsdale, Keene, Rochester, Sandwich, Walpole.

Three other sleeves are unidentified.
Box 7
This box contains sleeved negatives identified only by numbers 546-1149. These numbers correspond to numbers on the reverse of the photos in boxes 1-5, but there is no identification of the town on the negative.

Related Materials
A copy of New Hampshire Architecture, an Illustrated Guide by Bryant F. Tolles is available in the library with call number 720.9778 N532t.