

Reference: YA2003.104

Title: Newton Mill Limited

Archival history: The material was collected by David Sanderson, who worked in the offices of the estimating and costing department from 1961 until the Company's closure in 1972.

Scope and content: The material consists of journals, photographs, a calendar, plan, and published books relating to the history of the Company and employees.

System of arrangement: The material has been arranged into 5 series reflecting the activities of the employees and production.

Administrative history: The business Jacobsen Welch & Company was founded in 1893 by Mr. Stanley Welch, born in London on 25th September 1872 and son of a butcher, and Mr. T.O. Jacobsen. They had a small factory and office at Ludgate Square, London and produced stationary on the ground floor and basement. Mr Jacobsen was able to secure business with large stores and trade dealers. The business then moved to Aldersgate Street and then Sydney Avenue around 1896. In 1898 the firm became a limited company and business was good. Unfortunately Mr. Welch fell ill with typhoid fever but recovered in Australia and New Zealand, taking with him a case of samples with which to do business.

In 1899 the Company acquired the whole of the undertaking of the British Envelope Co. Ltd. in Hyde. Frank Welch, Stanley's brother joined the firm in 1900 and was responsible for the London and Continental trades. In 1905 Stanley Welch was elected to Hyde Borough Council. It was decided to build a completely new factory and the warehouse of this venture was completed in 1910. This year also saw the introduction of Waldorf Club Notepaper which became one of the first to be nationally advertised.

Series 1: Journals

Item	Date	Description
1/1	1927 May- 1928 Aug	Newton Mill Journal vol. VII no.1-4
1/2	1929 Aug- 1930 Nov	Newton Mill Journal (in-house) vol. III no.1-6
1/3	1934 Mar- 1935 May	Newton Mill Journal vol. X no.7-11
1/ 4	1937 Jun	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 5
1/5	1937 Oct	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 6
1/6	1938 Jun	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 8
1/7	1939 Spring	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 11
1/8	1939 Winter	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 10
1/9	1940 Feb	Newton Mill Journal vol. XI no. 13
1/10	1949 Jul	Newton Mill Journal vol. 12 no. 4
1/11	1950 Jan	Newton Mill Journal vol. 12 no. 5
1/12	1955 May	Newton Mill Journal vol. 12 no. 10
1/13	1955 Dec	Newton Mill Journal vol. 12 no. 12
1/14	1956 Mar	Newton Mill Journal vol. 13 no. 1
1/15	1957 Aug	Newton Mill Journal vol. 13 no. 4
1/16	1960 Jul	Newton Mill Journal vol. 13 no. 7

Series 2: Personnel

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| 2/1 | 25 Sep 1918 | List of signatories presented by the employees of Jacobsen, Welch & Co. Ltd. |
| 2/2 | c1920s | Photograph of employees all in fancy dress |

Series 3: Company History

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| 3/1 | c1900 | 'The Working of a Modern Stationary Factory. A Day at Newton Mill' reprinted from <i>The Stationary Trades Journal</i> |
| 3/2 | c1950-1978 | Folder containing plan of E.S.M. (C.E.S) Ltd. on former Newton Mill site (1983); extracts relating to The Walldorf Club's history and related papers; 'The Manufacture of Stationary Books' by Newton Mill Ltd. (c.1950); photograph of shop floor in Newton Mill (1958); 2 issues of <i>Waldorf World</i> (1976-1978); issue of <i>Waldorf News Paper</i> (1992) |
| 3/3 | 1965 Jan | Photocopy 'Newton Mill Limited, Hyde, As it was in the beginning': a brief history of the growth of the Company from 1893 by W.A. Mason |
| 3/4 | 1968 Sep | Waldorf 75 th Anniversary News produced by Newton Mill Limited |

Series 4: Newton Mill products: Calendar

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| 4/1 | early 20 th C | Calendars in leather bound folder, some in card and some leather
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Series 5: Books

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| 5/1 | 1929 | 'The Retail Stationer's Handbook' ed. by A.E. Owen-Jones |
| 5/2 | 1966 | 'Tables and Data for Printers and Binders', by British Federation of Master Printers |
| 5/3 | 1966 | Operating Instructions for Paper Calculating Rule |