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Marcus Company
Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : Marcus Co. established in 1907 as furriers, expanded to include women's apparel in 1929, ceased operations January 1989.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : In part purchase of Kenneth Schneringer, Woodstock, Ga., June 2000; in part FIA.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings (lcs, aat, tgm, gmgcp)

Marcus, Sol.

Sol & S. Marcus Co, (Worcester, Mass.)

Fur trade – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Women's clothing industry – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Business enterprises – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Retail trade – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Historical/Biographical Notes

Sol Marcus, a furrier, established Marcus Furriers in 1907 on Pleasant Street, Worcester. The company moved to a location on Main Street the following year, and remained at different locations on Main Street for the next 80 years. The official corporate name, Sol & S. Marcus Co. was adopted in 1929 with the partnership of Sol and his brother Samuel Marcus, and with the expansion of the store to include women's apparel as well as furs. The store closed permanently in 1989 after three generations of ownership by the Marcus family.

Scope and Content

The collection is comprised of a descriptive catalog of fur types, ca. 1936, and a style catalog, ca. 1907; letter, 1989, relating to termination of business; clipping, 1989, relating to company history and termination of business.

Series Description

Series 1 : Catalogs, etc., ca. 1907, 1936. (2 items)

Series 2 : Letters, 1989. (1 item)

Series 3: Clippings, 1989. (1 item)

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Series 1, Catalogs, etc.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1		2000.64.1.1	<i>The romance of furs</i> : history of furs as costume, types of furs, stylistic changes over several centuries, 30 p., ill. / Marcus Furriers, Worcester, Mass., 1936.
1		2000.64.1.2	Annual catalog, fur goods : color ill., circular / S. Marcus, High Class Furs, Worcester, Mass., [1907]

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Series 2, Letters

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1		2000.64.2.1	Marcus Company to Mrs. Saul F. Feingold, letter relating to "going out of business sale", January 26, 1989.

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Series 3, Clippings

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1		2000.64.3.1	"Old family business to close" / by Renda E. Mott, Worcester Sunday Telegram, January 29, 1989. aqp