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## ARCHIVES

O. S. Walker Co.  
Collection

2000.60

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### Collection Information

Abstract : O. S. Walker Company started in 1895 as manufacturer of magnetic holding and lifting machinery, is still in business in 2000.

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 found in archives.

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

O. S. Walker Co. (Worcester, Mass.) – Catalogs.  
Chucks.  
Magnets.  
Electromagnets.  
Lifting magnets.  
Industries – Massachusetts – Worcester.  
Worcester (Mass.) – Manufactures.

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

O. S. Walker Co. was established in Worcester by Oakley Smith Walker in 1895 as manufacturer of special machinery with a company emphasis on magnetic chucks and other machinery utilizing magnetic equipment including hoists and lifting equipment. The company is still in business in Worcester (2000). Walker was associated with Washburn Shops at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and with Norton Company prior to establishing the business.

### **Scope and Content**

The collection is comprised of one catalog of magnetic chucks manufactured by O. S. Walker Co., ca. 1910, and 1 article from *Industry* serial describing the company and its products, 1948.

### **Series Description**

Series 1 : Catalogs, etc. ca. 1910-1948. (2 items)

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Series 1, Catalogs, etc.

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|--------------|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| 1            |                 | 2000.60.1.1        | Walker magnetic chucks : ill. catalog, 48 p. /<br>Commonwealth Press Printers, Worcester, ca. 1919.   |
| 1            |                 | 2000.60.1.2        | Fascination with magnets built Walker, article<br>reprinted from <i>Industry, Official monthly magazine<br/>of Associated Industries of Massachusetts</i> , May<br>1984, 2 1., ill. |