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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Northeast Archives of Folklore and Oral History
<b>Title:</b>	American Thread Company / Russell Carey
<b>ID:</b>	MF055
<b>ID [aspace_uri]:</b>	/repositories/5/resources/2969
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1992-1993
<b>Physical Description:</b>	14 items
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Material Specific Details:</b>	Audio files are the primary source material. Transcriptions are the transcriber's best effort to convert audio to text, but should be considered secondary to the audio.

### Preferred Citation

Interviewee last name, interviewee first name. Year. NA[unique series identification number], MF055, NAFOH. Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine.

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## Scope and Contents

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A collection of fourteen series deposited by University of Maine graduate student, Russell Carey between March, 1992 and November, 1993. The collection features videotaped and or audio interviews with workers at the American Thread Company's wooden spool mill in Milo, Maine, and contributed to research for Carey's Master's thesis entitled 3,750,000,000 Perfect Wooden Spools (University of Maine, 1994) (See NA 2329). The collective oral history of the mill's workers documents conditions, issues, history, occupational lore, and people's feelings about the mill from the 1930s through the 1960s.

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Rights assessment remains the responsibility of the researcher. Known restrictions on material NA2339.

### Existence and Location of Originals

Located at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress: AFC 2012/047 <https://lccn.loc.gov/2013655211>.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Folklore
- Oral histories
- Maine

## Collection Inventory

### MF 055, Collection Summary

Title/Description	Instances
MF055, Collection Summary, undated Digital Object: <a href="#">MF055, Collection Summary</a>	Text MF 055

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### Clyde Angove and Yvonne Angove, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Angove, Clyde, 1908-2003

Source: Angove, Yvonne M. (Bouley), 1911-2011

Abstract: NA2282 Clyde Angove and Yvonne Angove, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 425, October 14, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 2 interviews, 1 VHS tape with transcript. The Angoves of Milo, Maine talk about their experiences as employees of the American Thread Company in the early 1900s. Text: 82 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2282\_v0053 (wmv) (V 0053 VHS). Time: 01:33:32.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Angove, Clyde, 1908-2003
- Angove, Yvonne M. (Bouley), 1911-2011

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2282, transcript, October 14, 1992 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2282, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2282
NA 2282, video, October 14, 1992 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2282, video</a>	Audio NA 2282

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### Thesis, by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Abstract: NA2329 By Russell Carey for AY 597, fall 1993, Milo, Maine. Thesis titled "3,750,000,000 Perfect Wooden Spools." An oral history of the American Thread Company and its spool factory in Milo, Maine. Text: 299 pp.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history

- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2329, monograph, August 1994 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2329, monograph</a>	Text NA 2329

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## Student paper, by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Abstract: NA2330 By Russell Carey for AY 597, fall 1993, Milo, Maine. Student paper describing Russell Carey's methods for collecting and recording the materials used in his thesis on the history of the American Thread Company's spool mill in Milo, Maine. Text: 12 pp. paper.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2330, student paper, December 22, 1993 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2330, student paper</a>	Text NA 2330

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## Lawrence Bryer, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Bryer, Lawrence M., 1917-2000

Abstract: NA2331 Lawrence Bryer, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, November 23, 1993, LaGrange, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. Bryer talks about his work as a sawyer for the American Thread Company in Milo, Maine during the 1950s. Text: 31 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2331\_v0062 (wmv) (V 0062 VHS). Time: 02:03:12.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Bryer, Lawrence M., 1917-2000

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2331, transcript, November 23, 1993 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2331, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2331
NA 2331, video, November 23, 1993	Audio NA 2331

Digital Object: [NA 2331, video](#)

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## Alasco Carey, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Carey, Alasco V., 1921-2008

Abstract: NA2332 Alasco Carey, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, April 11, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. Carey talks about his work for the American Thread Company in Milo, Maine from 1939 to the 1960s. Text: 34 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2332\_v0063 (wmv) (V 0063 VHS). Time: 01:20:21.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Carey, Alasco V., 1921-2008

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2332, transcript, April 11, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2332, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2332
NA 2332, video, April 11, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2332, video</a>	Audio NA 2332

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Margaret Carey and Doris Decker, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Carey, Margaret G. (Bellingham), 1922-2012

Source: Carey, Ralph A., 1916-2013

Abstract: NA2333 Margaret Carey and Doris Decker, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, October 18, 1993, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. Carey and Decker talk about working for the American Thread Company in Milo, Maine. No picture on the video/audio only. Text: 46 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2333\_v0064 (wmv) (V 0064 VHS). Time: 02:04:04.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Carey, Margaret G. (Bellingham), 1922-2012
- Carey, Ralph A., 1916-2013

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NA 2333, transcript, October 18, 1993

Digital Object: [NA 2333, transcript](#)

Audio NA  
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NA 2333, video, October 18, 1993

Digital Object: [NA 2333, video](#)

Audio NA  
2333

## Ralph Carey and Mary Tyler, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Carey, Ralph A., 1916-2013

Source: Tyler, Mary E. (Ramsdell), 1907-2003

Abstract: NA2334 Ralph Carey and Mary Tyler, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, April 10, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. First ten minutes of video is the end of an interview with Ralph Carey (see NA 2337, V 0070). The majority of the video is an interview with Tyler talking about her work as a secretary in the main office of the American Thread Company operations in Milo, Maine from the 1940s to the 1960s. Text: 32 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2334\_v0065 (wmv) (V 0065 VHS). Time: 01:42:56.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Carey, Ralph A., 1916-2013
- Tyler, Mary E. (Ramsdell), 1907-2003

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2334, transcript, April 10, 1992 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2334, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2334
NA 2334, video, April 10, 1992 Digital Object: <a href="#">NA 2334, video</a>	Audio NA 2334

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## Earl Rhoda, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Rhoda, Earl M., 1924-1996

Abstract: NA2335 Earl Rhoda, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, October 18, 1993, Milo, Maine. Rhoda talks about his work in various positions in the sawmill, spool mill, and Head Mtn. for the American Thread Company and Spool Mill in Milo, Maine from 1948 through 1963. Text: 36 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2335\_v0066 (wmv) (V 0066 VHS) Time: 60 minutes.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Rhoda, Earl M., 1924-1996

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2335, transcript, October 18, 1993	

Digital Object: [NA 2335, transcript](#)

Audio NA  
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NA2335, video, October 18, 1993

Digital Object: [NA2335, video](#)

Audio NA  
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Clyde Angove and Yvonne Angove, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Angove, Clyde, 1908-2003

Source: Angove, Yvonne M. (Bouley), 1911-2011

Abstract: NA2336 Clyde Angove and Yvonne Angove, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, March 25, 1992, October 14, 1992, and November 23, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 3 w/ transcript. The Angoves talk about their work for the American Thread Company and Spool Mill in Milo, Maine from the 1930s to 1976. Included also is home movie footage from 1976 about the production of spools at the company in Milo, Maine. Text: 113 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2336\_v0067 (02:03:13), mfc\_na2336\_v0068 (mp3) (01:16:14), mfc\_na2336\_v0069 (01:01:22) (V 0067 - V 0069 VHS). Total Time: 04:20:49.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Angove, Clyde, 1908-2003
- Angove, Yvonne M. (Bouley), 1911-2011

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NA 2336, transcript, November 23, 1992

Digital Object: [NA 2336, transcript](#)

Audio NA  
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NA 2336, video, part 1, March 25, 1992

Digital Object: [NA 2336, video, part 1](#)

Audio NA  
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NA 2336, audio, October 14, 1992

Digital Object: [NA 2336, audio](#)

Audio NA  
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NA 2336, video, part 2, November 23, 1992

Digital Object: [NA 2336, video, part 2](#)

Audio NA  
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## Ralph Carey, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Abstract: NA2337 Ralph Carey, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, April 1, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 (2 hr) w/ transcript. Ralph Carey talks about his more than 20 years at the spool mill working as a master

mechanist and other positions for the American Thread Company in Milo, Maine. Text: 52 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2337\_v0070 (V0070 VHS). Time: 02:00:12.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Carey, Ralph A., 1916-2013

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2337, transcript, April 1, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2337, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2337
NA 2337, video, April 1, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2337, video</a>	Audio NA 2337

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## Woodrow Decker, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Decker, Woodrow W., 1912-1999

Abstract: NA2338 Woodrow Decker, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, April 15, 1992, and October 16, 1992, Bangor and Milo, Maine. Video: 2 w/ transcript. In two interviews, Decker talks about his work for the American Thread Company's spool mill in Milo, Maine for over 30 years. Mr. Decker retired as manager of the mill. Also included is footage of Mr. Decker watching and commenting on 8 mm movie strip showing the mill's operations. Text: 122 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2338\_v0071 (mp3) (02:03:11), mfc\_na2338\_v0074 (wmv) (02:03:45) (V0071 and V0074 VHS). Total Time: 04:06:56.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Decker, Woodrow W., 1912-1999

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2338, transcript, April 15, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2338, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2338
NA 2338, audio, April 15, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2338, audio</a>	Audio NA 2338
NA 2338, video, April 15, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2338, video</a>	Audio NA 2338

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## Roy Monroe, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Monroe, Roy H., 1913-2003

Abstract: NA2339 Roy Monroe, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, March 29, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. Monroe, a local Milo historian, talks about the role of the American Thread Company and how its spool mill played in Milo's history. RESTRICTED. Text: 43 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2339\_v0072 (wmv) (V0072 VHS). Time: 02:02:37.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Historians -- Maine
- Monroe, Roy H., 1913-2003

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Ken Nutter, interviewed by Russell Carey

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Nutter, F. Kenneth, 1910-2000

Abstract: NA2340 Ken Nutter, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, April 6, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 1 w/ transcript. Nutter talks about his work as a master wooden spool maker at the American Thread Company's spool mill in Milo, Maine from the 1920s to the 1960s. Text: 68 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2340\_v0073 (wmv) (V0073 VHS). Time: 02:02:37.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker
- Nutter, F. Kenneth, 1910-2000

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NA 2340, transcript, April 6, 1992  
Digital Object: [NA 2340, transcript](#)

Audio NA  
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NA 2340, video, April 6, 1992  
Digital Object: [NA 2340, video](#)

Audio NA  
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## **Gardiner Osgood, interviewed by Russell Carey**

Creator: Carey, Russell

Source: Osgood, Gardner E., 1916-2012

Abstract: NA2341 Gardiner Osgood, interviewed by Russell Carey for AY 597, March 30, 1992, May 20, 1992, and October 13, 1992, Milo, Maine. Video: 3 w/ transcript. In three interviews, Osgood talks about his work for the American Thread Company's spool mill in Milo, Maine from the 1930s to 1970. Text: 120 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na2341\_v0075 (01:48:14), mfc\_na2341\_v0076 (01:46:50), mfc\_na2341\_v0077 (01:02:40) (wmv) (V0075 - V0077 VHS). Total Time: 04:37:44.

Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Milo (Me.) -- History
- Industrial Worker

- Osgood, Gardner E., 1916-2012

Title/Description	Instances
NA 2341, transcript, October 13, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2341, transcript</a>	Audio NA 2341
NA 2341, video, part 1, March 30, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2341, video, part 1</a>	Audio NA 2341
NA 2341, video, part 2, May 20, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2341, video, part 2</a>	Audio NA 2341
NA 2341, video, part 3, October 13, 1992 <u>Digital Object:</u> <a href="#">NA 2341, video, part 3</a>	Audio NA 2341

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