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U70

Records of members of Rogers family of 582 (later 585), Bolton Road, Pendlebury, pawnbrokers, jewellers and outfitters, 1880, 1908-74, n.d.

Deposited: see below.

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Location: Archives Centre, 658/662 Liverpool Road, Irlam, Manchester, M30 5AD.

There is an embargo of 50 years on the production of these records to members of the public.

In these records A.B. Worthington appears (in a record of a sale, 1880, included in U70/F5) as the first to run this business and subsequently members of the Rogers family. The address given for the business in these and other records varies. U70/F5 gives the address as 306 Bolton Road. The series of Swinton and Pendlebury Local Board or Urban District rate books (ref.: L/BSP/F1) show Abraham Boardman Worthington as occupying premises in Bolton Road even before 1880, at first unnumbered, later numbered as 328 and subsequently as 582. The last year in which he is noted in these rate books as occupying 582 Bolton Road is 1907 and in the next year James William Rogers is mentioned as the occupier of these premises. In the records catalogued below another address also quoted is Lombard House, Bolton Road, and, from the late 1950s, 585 Bolton Road. Besides pawnbroking, some business appears to have been done in the sale of clothes or other goods on credit.

The following information has been supplied by the Principal Keeper of Social History and Antiquities, Salford Museums and Art Galleries. By the mid-1930s the business was being run by Annie Rogers, the widow of James Rogers and later by their son, Ernest. The premises were sold to Mr. Fred Done during the summer of 1978 by which time the business had been closed for several years. A datestone above the doorway of these premises is marked "Market Place" and "1880".

Donations of these archives and other material were passed to the Principal Keeper by Mr. Ernest Rogers before the sale of the premises and by Mr. Fred Done after the sale. Other material from the premises (with the reference H121 to 134-1978) and notes on the business are held among the Social History collections of Salford Museum and Art Gallery.

The records catalogued below were deposited April - October, 1978.

UNOFFICIAL COLLECTIONS

BUSINESS

- U70/B1/1-5 Books for entering details of the pawning of articles individually worth no more than ten shillings, noting number of pledge, pawner's name (and sometimes address), article pawned, amount of loan, date of redemption and profit charged, 1927-30, 1934-66 (5 vols.; U70/B1/4 containing misc. loose letters and other docs., 1952, 1954-64, n.d., incl. papers received from the Swinton, Pendlebury and District Chamber of Trade, 1954-55, 1957, 1959-60, and from the International Nickel Co. of Canada Ltd., 1955; U70/B1/5 containing dog licence, 1966, wireless licences, 1968, 1971, inked tickets for sale of goods, n.d., letters on pledged goods, 1965, letters from Town Clerk of Borough of Swinton and Pendlebury on renewal of annual pawnbroker's licence, 1965-66, price list and order forms from Home Service Department, Rylands and Sons Ltd., 5 Tib St., Manchester, 1965, n.d., and other loose docs. relating to business, n.d.) 1927-30, 1934-66, 1968, 1971, n.d.
- /B2/1-4 Books for entering details (much as above) of pawning of articles individually worth between ten shillings and two pounds (4 vols.) 1927-54
The rate of interest applied to the pledging of such articles differed from that for the pledging of articles worth less than ten shillings.
- /5 Book as above, 1954 - 8 June, 1959 (1 vol.) 1954-59
- /6 Book containing in middle part details much as in U70/B2/1-5, 9 June - 31 August, 1959, and 1 Oct., 1960, with also: 1954, 1959-60, 1963-64, n.d.
Figures for totals of "coupons" (?for goods or betting), n.d.;
Lists of names, goods (e.g. "H stores", "trousers") and small amounts, with daily totals, 4 Oct. - 11 Oct., 1954;
Cash balances, 31 Aug. - 2 Sept., 1959, 29 Feb. - 3 Mar., 1960, 18 Mar. - 9 May, 1963;
Entries resembling those in U70/F1, 2 Apr. - 3 Oct., 1964, and on loose sheet, for 24 Jan., 1959 (1 small vol.)
- /7 Book containing details much as in U70/B2/1-5, 1 Sept., 1959-66 1959-1966 (1 vol.)
- /B3/1-5 "Contract books", each containing signed duplicates of forms of special contracts for pledging (5 small vols.) 1933-65
Special contracts were made for pledges of articles worth individually more than £2. The rate of interest was not a fixed one but was negotiated between pawnbroker and pledger.
- /B4 Sheets of blank pawnbroking tickets, printed for Annie E. Rogers, 1936, and for Ernest Rogers, 1955, 1966, 1950s and 1960s, n.d., both of Market-place, 582 Bolton Road, and 2 Pendlebury Road, Pendlebury, pawnbrokers; single pawnbroking tickets printed for same Ernest Rogers, 1950s, giving details of charges and conditions of pledging (14 sheets, 3 tickets) 1936, 1955, 1966, 1950s and 1960s, n.d.

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BUSINESS (contd.)

U70/B5	Receipts for pawned goods with acknowledgements of loss of pawn tickets and engagements to make legal declararions if required (1 small vol.)	1920-65
/B6	Printed duplicates for noting receipt of weekly payments for articles (1 vol.)	1953-68
/B7	Catalogue of W.J. Smith and Son, 31 Great Ancoats Street, Manchester, 4, of auction of jewellery and other accountable pledges, incl. property pledged with E. Rogers (1 pamphlet)	1951
/B8	Blank forms for memoranda of E. Rogers with printed letterheading (6 docs.)	n.d.
CORRESPONDENCE		
/C1	Cards, letters and notices received, chiefly consisting of printed cards from W.J. Smith and Son as in U70/B7 advertising sales of soft goods and jewellery, with other items (165 docs. found loose together; U70/07 removed) These docs include a police notice of stolen goods, 1962, a blank postcard of Betts-y-Coed, Wales, n.d. and a newspaper cutting on the origin of the sign of three brass balls for pawnbrokers' shops, n.d.	1944, 1947, 1949-64, n.d.
FINANCE		
/F1/1-5	Books apparently noting money received, with daily totals; at end of vols. some personal accounts entered (5 vols.)	1945-51, 1953-66
/F2/1-2	Books noting accounts with customers, giving name of customer, name of street or other indication of address and figures for balances and, presumably, repayments, with lists of names and relevant page numbers at front of vol. (2 vols.)	1928-c.1946
/3	Book noting account in similar manner to above (1 vol., cover missing)	1955-74
/4-6	Pages from same or similar book to above (2 docs., 1 bdle.)	1967-73
/F3/1-2	Notebooks containing accounts with individual customers (2 small notebooks)	1940, 1965, n.d.
/F4/1-10	Cash books recording daily cash balances (incl. figures for cash "to begin with", pledges redeemed, interest and auctions)(10 vols.)	1931-66
/F5	"Auction sale book", recording: sale of goods forfeited to A.B. Worthington, 306 Bolton Road, Pendlebury, on 22 March, 1880; sales of forfeited goods between 1908 and 1965; stocktaking for James Rogers, 582 Bolton Road, Pendlebury, 1922, and summary of stocktaking for J.W. Rogers of same address, 1928 (Ernest Rogers being one of the stocktakers); at end, copies of parts of income tax returns, either written on pages or on copies of forms, and related papers, 1922-28 (1 vol. enclosing loose papers)	1880, 1908-65

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U70/F6	FINANCE (contd.) Notebook apparently recording sales of forfeited stock (1 small notebook)	1935, 1938, 1945
/F7	Vols. noting sums under headings, "Forfeited pledges", 1961-64, "Expenses" (e.g. coal, rates), 1961-64, and "Paid bills for resale", 1960-1964 (1 vol.)	1960-64
/F8	Valuations or assigned figures under such headings as "pledge stock" [<u>sic</u>], "jewellery in safe" and "sale stock", with totals for kinds of stock (1 notebook)	1930, 1934, 1946-48, n.d.
/F9	Vol. chiefly used for listing names of soccer football teams and matches between Rugby league teams, apparently for small-scale betting, n.d., and also including: Valuations or figures assigned for stock, 1942-43, 1949-51; Figures for coupons (?for goods or betting), n.d.; Figures for various amounts (often at weekly intervals), 1941-48; Payments apparently for clothing, 30-31 May, 1949 (1 small vol.)	1941-51, n.d.
/F10/1	Cover of vol. containing loose sheets listing paid bills or expenses, 1925-55, and other figures for various amounts (often at weekly intervals), 1930-51 (1 cover containing sheets, removed from bdle. of vouchers for year 1959-60 selected for destruction)	1925-55
/2	Sheets listing paid bills or expenses as above (1 bdle. removed from bdle. of vouchers for year 1958-59 selected for destruction)	1954-59
/F11	Typed statements of accounts for the years 1953-56, 1957-58, 1959-60, with accompanying letters, 1957-58 (5 envelopes enclosing docs.)	1956-59

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U70/F12/1-3	FINANCE (contd.) Bundles containing bills, receipts, bank statements and related docs. (3 bdles. retained as samples)	1949-56
/01	OFFICIAL Papers regarding retail census of 1971 (1 envelope containing docs.)	1971-72
/02	Manchester, Salford and District Pawnbrokers' Society, printed or duplicated annual reports and balance sheets (and annual reports and balance sheets for the benevolent fund) for the years 1944-45, 1946-47, 1966-68 (2 small pamphlets, 2 envelopes containing docs.)	1945, 1947, 1967-68
U70/03-5 were issued by the Swinton, Pendlebury and District Chamber of Trade.		
/03	Printed rules (1 leaflet)	1943
/04	Papers regarding re-assessment for rates (1 envelope enclosing docs.)	1956
/05	Circular letter and poster from the Chamber of Trade (1 envelope enclosing docs.)	1963
/06	Stamp book of Ernest Rogers, Eccles and Patricroft Hospital Stamp Scheme (1 doc.)	1945-48
/07	Identity card (1 doc. found with U70/C1)	
/08	Contribution card, No. 4 Branch, Bolton and District Card and Ring-room Operatives' Provincial Association (1 card)	1960-61
/Z1	MISCELLANEOUS Vol. containing attached cuttings, apparently taken from weekly periodical, of photographic illustrations with captions describing an imaginary world tour through Europe, other continents and oceanic islands (1 vol.)	Between 1918 and 1939