

**Bradford Durfee Technical Institute  
Newspaper clippings, 1910-1948**

**University Records Collection – URC 23**

2.3 linear feet (one manuscript box, one oversize box and 2 slipcased ringbinders)

**Administrative background:** The Bradford Durfee Textile School was chartered in 1895 and incorporated in 1899; it did not open its doors until 1904, when the first building was completed on the corner of Durfee and Bank streets in downtown Fall River. In 1946 the school name changed to Bradford Durfee Technical Institute and in 1947 the school was authorized for the first time to award the Bachelor of Science degree. The name of the school changed again in 1958 to the Bradford Durfee College of Technology to reflect its status as a college with a 4-year curriculum (non-degree granting schools with less than 4-year curricula were known as technical institutes). In 1960 it merged with the New Bedford Institute of Technology to form SMTI (Southeastern Massachusetts Technological Institute), which was later renamed SMU (Southeastern Massachusetts University). In 1991 SMU joined the 5 campus system of the University of Massachusetts and was renamed University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

**Scope and Contents Note:** The collection consists of newspaper clippings, most from the *Fall River Herald News*, pertaining to Bradford Durfee Textile School and later iterations. The clippings from 1910 through February 1928 are pasted into scrapbooks and are very brittle. They should be handled with care. Clippings from February 1928 through 1948 are photocopies of the originals. The original scrapbooks for these years were presumably discarded. There is one gap in the records: 1914-1918.

**Access:** Unrestricted.

**Copyright:** retained by the newspapers. Clippings earlier than 1923 may be in the public domain.

**Acquisition:** retrospective (some were retrieved from Library Acquisitions); accession # 97-14

**Processed:** September 2000 by Judy Farrar.

**Item List**

Box 1	Folder 1	Clippings, March 1910-October 1912
	Folder 2	Clippings, November 1912-May 1913
Box 2	Volume 1	Clippings, March 1919-May 1922
	Volume 2	Clippings, September 1922-February 1928
Box 3	Slipcase 1	Clippings (copies), February 1928-November 1932
Box 4	Slipcase 2	Clippings (copies), May 1933-May 1948