

TINKLER and WILLIAMS THEATRE COLLECTION
(incorporating Walding, Hopkins, Tubby, Master, Hart and Mitchley collections)

WILLIAMS

Press-cuttings books

Norwich, 1949-1982

17 volumes

Deposited with Norfolk Studies Library 1994. Original deposit consisted of 18 volumes, volume 18 (February 1982-November 1993) lost in the fire which destroyed Norwich Central Library, August 1994.

Press-cuttings book, 1983-1986

Press-cuttings books, AW's contributions to *Melody Maker*, *The Stage*, etc, 1935-1970 (2 bound volumes)

Press-cuttings book 1935-1966

Press-cuttings book 1952-1970

Press-cuttings book September 1935 – July 1970

Press-cuttings book (Gt Yarmouth), February-June 1948

Press-cuttings on microfilm

Press-cuttings relating to theatrical performances in Norwich: March 1949 – Feb 1982. 17 volumes contained in 2 microfilm reels.

Programmes

Norwich Theatre Royal. 1932-1986. (In 28 green boxes).

Card index (in filing cabinet)

Chronologies

The chronologies cross-reference with the theatre programmes collection using AW's numbering system for his collection of programmes.

Chronology of Gt Yarmouth & Gorleston-on-Sea entertainments

Ring-binder, with loose inside:

 Photograph of Yarmouth beach showing the 'Happy Families Cage'

 Annotated picture postcard depicting the Duke of Edinburgh's School, Gorleston, Drum and Fife Band, 1889, with 3 pieces of ms notes attached.

Chronology of Norwich Theatre Royal and other venues, 1757-1899, in 2 ring-binders:

 v. 1 Theatre Royal, 1757-1839

v. 2 Theatre Royal, 1840-1899, followed by chronologies of other Norwich venues

Chronology of Norwich Theatre Royal, 1900-1927; 1928-1953 (2 bound volumes)

Chronology of Norwich Theatre Royal, 1954-1986, followed by chronologies of cine-variety and concert parties, Norwich, 1910 onwards.

Chronology of Hippodrome Theatre Norwich, 1903-1960 (bound volume)

Chronology of Maddermarket Theatre 1908-1985, with analysis of plays by country of origin. (ring-binder)

Photographic

1 green box-file of unsorted photographs and picture-postcards

Publications etc

John Hastings: *Sophia*. A play in 5 scenes, 1955 [typescript in binder]

Valerie Howard: *The Show must go on: the story of the Theatre Royal Norwich*, Wensum Books, 1977

The Stage Guide, Carson & Comerford Ltd, 1946

The Stage Yearbook, 1946-1969 inclusive (in 2 archive boxes)

Andrew Stephenson: *The Maddermarket Theatre Norwich*, [1971].

Who's Who in the Theatre, Pitman, 1947

Theatre World Annual (London), nos 1-3, 1949-1952

A.E. Wilson: *The Story of Pantomime*, Home & Van Thal, 1949

E.C. Le Grice. *New Theatre Royal Norwich : its past history and present story*, 193-?

3 press packs for films: *Smokey and the Bandit*, *Slap Shot*, *The Seduction of Joe Tynan*, with 3 stills

Reviews

Play Reviews, [by AW]. Binder of typescripts with additional material pasted in, arranged alphabetically by playwright.

Files (Research – 1 box)

Theatre Royal & sundry articles

Tufts University Massachusetts, USA, also annotated on file cover 'Elizabeth M. Grice' [author of...]

Correspondence with *The Stage*, 1935-1983 [AW was Norwich correspondent for *The Stage*, 1935-1983]

Letters to the Editor, *Eastern Evening News*, 1949-1983 [AW was a free-lance theatre reviewer for the *EEN*]

4 files of correspondence, notes, drafts, and research data

Loose material

Personal

1 green box-file of cards and letters (not theatrical).

TINKLER

Norwich Theatre Royal press cuttings 1955-1984 – 30 volumes.

Norwich Theatre Royal programmes 1932-1990

Cromer Pavilion, programmes, 1978-1988	1 box
Olympia Gardens Cromer, programmes, 1924-1928	

Yarmouth Little Theatre, programmes **(1 box)**

Amateur Stage (journal) August 1973 – January 1984

Photographs and picture postcards – theatrical **(1 shoebox)**

Variety (pbk, oversize) Vol. 324 No.13, Oct 22, 1986. *[LIB has 1905-1969 on micro and 2007-electronic, this 1986 volume is a lone volume].*

Royal Variety Performances: 1933-34, 1952, 1958, 1962, 1964, 1966, 1973, 1977, 1979, 1983 **(1 box)**

Historical typescript notes **(Green book)**

GT YARMOUTH:

- The Regent Hall, 1867-1874 (SEE ALSO Mitchley Collection)
- The Gem (later The Windmill), 1908-1909
- The Windmill, 1946-1973
- The Little Theatre, 1934-1969
- The Gorleston Pavilion, 1900-1974
- The Minstrel Ring, 1887-1911
- Revolving towers, 1897-1941

Mrs Mansfield's Visitor's Book 1934-1937 [Theatrical Landlady] + folder of notes by H.G.T. Tinkler & signed photographs presented to Mrs Mansfield **(Folder)**

Norwich Theatre Royal photographs by E.C. Le Grice **(bound book)**

Tinkler Box 1

Theatre programmes & printed ephemera

UK THEATRES (excluding London and Norfolk):

- Birmingham Repertory Theatre
- Buxton, What's On
- Churchill Theatre, Bromley, Kent
- City Varieties Theatre, Leeds
- Civic Hall, Guildford
- Congress Theatre, Eastbourne
- Connaught Theatre, Worthing
- Edinburgh Empire
- Franklin School, Spilsby
- Gaumont, Ipswich
- Hawth, Crawley
- Haymarket Theatre, Leicester
- Leatherhead Theatre Club
- Margate Pavilion & Winter Gardens
- National Sporting Club – concert, 5/12/1904
- Nottingham Playhouse
- Oxford Revue
- Palace Theatre, Watford
- Palace Pier Theatre, Brighton
- Phoenix Theatre, Leicester
- Pier Pavilion, Worthing

- The Playhouse, Buxton
- The Playhouse, Liverpool
- Pier Theatre, Skegness
- Theatre Royal, Bath
- Theatre Royal, Birmingham
- Theatre Royal, Plymouth
- Thorndike Theatre, Leatherhead
- White Rock Pavilion, Hastings, 1938
- Yvonne Arnaud Theatre, Guildford

UK Theatre - general (1 file)

International/Foreign (1 file)

Ballet (1 file)

Cinema (1 file)

Tinkler Box 2

Theatre programmes & printed ephemera

LONDON: [SEE ALSO the Winter/Gobbett Collection]

- Adelphi Theatre
- Aldwych Theatre
- Alhambra Theatre
- Ambassadors Theatre
- Apollo Theatre
- Barbican Centre
- Cambridge Theatre, WC2
- Comedy Theatre
- Criterion Theatre
- Duchess Theatre
- Duke of York's Theatre
- Garrick Theatre
- Globe Theatre
- Her Majesty's Theatre
- Hippodrome
- His Majesty's Theatre
- Kingsway Theatre
- London Coliseum
- London Opera House
- London Palladium
- Lyric Theatre
- National Theatre, South Bank
- New Theatre
- Palace Theatre
- The Palladium
- Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Rd
- Piccadilly Theatre
- Prince of Wales' Theatre
- Princes Theatre
- Queen's Theatre
- Richmond Theatre
- Royal Albert Hall
- Royal Festival Hall
- Royal Opera House, Covent Garden
- Royalty Theatre
- Savoy Theatre
- Shaftesbury Theatre
- St James' Theatre
- St Martin's Theatre
- Strand Theatre
- Theatre Royal, Drury Lane
- Theatre Royal, Haymarket
- Victoria Palace Theatre
- Whitehall Theatre
- Wyndham's Theatre

Tinkler Box 3

Personal recollections of theatres and theatre going – Norwich/Norfolk.

National Vaudeville Artists, 11/5/1924. Eighth annual benefit.

B.F. Keith's N.Y. Hippodrome, Metropolitan Opera House, Manhattan Opera House, New Amsterdam Theatre.

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Theatre:

Norfolk and Norwich Amateur Operatic Society: annual report 1986 and a card for H.T.G.

Tinkler

Play Pictorial – images

Notes on photographs

Enquiries and general correspondence

Personal:

- Letter from Mr William Gladstone (former PM), Hawarden Castle, Chester, 1894 about spectacle cases
- Plaque presented to H. Pechy [i.e. Pechey] by the Members of the Royal Aquarium Winter Evening Assemblies 1882
- Typescript note concerning a presentation made to Mr Pechey on 3/5/1883 by the Gt Yarmouth Winter Assemblies at the Aquarium
- Obituary of T.H. Tinkler, 1931
- Correspondence regarding H.T.G. Tinkler's lectures at Gt Yarmouth College of Art & Design, 1984

Correspondence A-Z

Andrews, Edward, 1956

Hart, Geoffrey, 1905-1945

Heslop, Charles, 1958

Morris, Henry, 1957

Raymond, Frank, 1956

Shears, E.M., 1956 (re: circus)

Tinkler Box 5

19th and early 20th century programmes (purchased?) & related sales lists and correspondence

Tinkler Box 6

Norwich Theatre Royal 1892-1929 + miscellaneous.

Programmes; a few photographs; playbills, printed ephemera, etc.

Press-cuttings books: (Mainly Norwich Theatre Royal and Norwich Hippodrome)

Vol.1 Theatres, Music Halls, 1908-1910

Vol.2 Theatres, Music Halls, 1911-1913

Tinkler Box 7

- Notebooks on Norfolk theatre
- Revolving towers. Correspondence between H.G. Tinkler and Geoff Mellor on towers
- Piers
- Articles and correspondence on individuals: Walford Bodie, James Chappell, bugler Dunn, Jack Hylton, Joseph Pujol, Harold Montague, and the Fieldings
- Chronologies of circuses, Wellington Pier, Hotchkiss Switchback Railway, Wellington Pavilion, Little Theatre, Windmill, and other venues in Gt. Yarmouth
- Photographic negatives.
- Press-cuttings (mainly Norwich Theatre Royal & Maddermarket Theatre), 1978-1983
- Press-cuttings (mainly Norwich Theatre Royal & Maddermarket Theatre), 1988-1990
- Herring industry and fishing in Gt Yarmouth – photographs and notes by Mrs Tinkler which she produced as a student teacher.

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NORWICH:

- Maddermarket

- St Andrew's Hall

- Spring Gardens

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NORWICH:

- Carlton Theatre
- Chapel Field Gardens
- Gaumont
- Hippodrome, 1904-1959

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NORFOLK & NORWICH miscellaneous venues/events

- ABC Regent Norwich
- Assembly House, Norwich
- The Blue Angel (play presented by Patrick Desmond)
- Concert Hall, Gas Works Social Club, Norwich, 1936
- The Continental Ballet
- East Dereham Choral Society, 1908
- Footlights presents Premises, 1982
- Guildhall of St George, King's Lynn
- Great Hall Players, Norwich
- Jubilee Year in Norwich, programme, 1977
- Lowestoft Players
- Norfolk County Asylum, 1901
- Norfolk Motor Club, 1928
- Norwich Amateurs – O Nana San, 1903
- Norwich Castle, 1966 (programme and two admission cards for Victorian Evening, presented by the Norfolk Drama Committee and the Maddermarket Theatre Association.
- Norwich Cathedral, 1942 Philharmonic Orchestra, Son et Lumiere
- Norwich Entertainment guide, Vol.1, no.9, March, 1958
- Norwich Festival, 1961
- Norwich Lad's Club, 1951
- Norwich Playhouse
- Norwich Puppet Theatre
- Norwich Roller Skating Club
- Norwich Theatres of the Rank Organisation, 1963-1964
- Norwich Union Amateur Theatrical Society
- Norwood Rooms, 1965
- Nuliseum Theatre, 1930
- Olympian Gardens, Lowestoft, 1899
- Pantomime in June, at Thorpe Lodge, Norwich, July 1935
- Royal Show, Norfolk
- The Samson & Hercules Ballroom
- Stuart Hall, Norwich
- Theatre De Luxe, St Andrew's, Norwich
- Thorpe Gardens season, 1912
- Under the Greenwood Tree. Programme of Pastoral Plays in Bracondale Woods, Norwich, 1898
- Waveney Light Opera Group

GORLESTON:

- Floral Hall
- Pavilion

GT YARMOUTH:

- Miscellaneous venues/events
- ABC
- Aquarium Theatre

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Hippodrome

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier – Roller Skating Rink
- Wellington Pier – Winter Gardens
- Windmill Theatre

KING'S LYNN:

- Theatre Royal

LOWESTOFT:

- Sparrow's Nest

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Circus

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier: Music programmes, 1928-1939

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Jubilee Minstrels
- Pool and marina
- Regal
- Henry Clay's Pops
- Regent Hall SEE ALSO Mitchley Collection
- Theatre Royal

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier: *miscellaneous*
- Concert Party Programmes, 1928-1947
- Wellington Pier Gardens, 1905-1956
- Midnight Matinees, 1949-1961

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GT YARMOUTH (Histories):

- Hippodrome & Gilbert's Circus (Agric. Hall Norwich)
 - Britannia Pier
 - Wellington Pier
 - Royal Aquarium and Theatre Royal
- (Bound typescript volumes compiled by H.T.G. Tinkler).*

Also, notes and press –cuttings on Gt. Yarmouth's entertainment history.

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Britannia Pier
- Chappell's Ring & Troubadours
- Old cinemas

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier Pavilion, 1908-1938 (SEE ALSO oversize box)

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier Pavilion, 1950-1984

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Wellington Pier photographs

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GT YARMOUTH:

- Photographs
- Postcards
- Cuttings
- Miscellaneous documents

Tinkler Box 23

Gt Yarmouth album of photographs

Miscellaneous ephemera
Official guides

Tinkler Box 24

Photographs – mainly theatre but also Tinkler family?

Tinkler Box 25

Books

Tinkler Box 26

Miscellaneous magazines etc.

Tinkler Box 27-28

Theatre/Amateur dramatics magazines

Contains: *NODA Bulletin* 1972-1980 (approx)

NODA News (National Operatic and Dramatic Association)

National Operatic and Dramatic Association – miscellaneous papers

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Programmes, posters – rest of UK

Tinkler Box 31-34

Norwich Theatre Royal – *handbills*, 1936-1990

Tinkler Oversize Box

Posters from theatres around the UK including Norwich.

Plan: Pavilion for Warwick's revolving tower, 1898.

Plan: Proposed promenade and landing pier, Gt Yarmouth, c. 1846

Ink drawing: Entrance to Wellington Pier, Gt Yarmouth, 1927.

PAUL M.S. HOPKINS

(Collection contained in 1 box. A gift to UEA)

Theatre programmes – Norfolk and North Suffolk – 1948-1958

Theatres included:

Beccles Public Hall

Cromer Town Hall

Dereham War Memorial Hall

Gt Yarmouth Little Theatre

Gt Yarmouth Wellington Pier

Kings Lynn St George's Guildhall

Lowestoft Sparrow's Nest

Lowestoft Playhouse

Norwich Hippodrome (later Norfolk Playhouse)

Norwich Maddermarket

Norwich Theatre Royal

Swaffham Assembly Rooms

Also contains the following publications:

Fox, Aldwyn D. 1948. *A crime in Norfolk : the story of Mrs Barry*. London : Play-Fare Productions.

The Playhouse. 1950. (Catalogue to an exhibition held at Castle Museum Norwich).

East Anglian Theatre. 1952. (Catalogue to an exhibition held at Castle Museum Norwich).

The Maddermarket version of The Pilgrim's Progress : made into a play by Nugent Monck. 1949. Norwich : Soman-Wherry Press.

Harcourt, Bosworth. 1903. Theatre Royal, Norwich : the chronicles of an old playhouse. Norwich : Norfolk News Company.
E.C. Le Grice. New Theatre Royal Norwich : its past history and present story. Norwich : Soman-Wherry Press.

TUBBY & MASTER

A collection of Norfolk programmes and printed ephemera (1 box)

Cromer and Sheringham Operatic and Dramatic Society
Dereham Operatic Society
Dereham Players
Norfolk and Norwich Amateur Operatic Society, 1925-1926, 1960-1971, 1993
Sheringham Little Theatre
Stephen Warden Productions
Swaffham Players
Wayland Players

MITCHLEY

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Playbills:

Playbill. From the Norwich Theatre Royal, at the Theatre in Chequer St. Lynn. *Hamlet*, 15/2/1800.

Playbill. Aylsham Theatre. *Man and wife*, 17/8/1811.

Playbill. Yarmouth Theatre. *Royal Oak*, 9/9/1811.

Playbill. Theatre [unknown] *Timour the Tartar*, 20/3/1823.

Silk playbill. Regent Hall, Gt Yarmouth. 7/6/1872

Drury Lane, Castleacre, 22/12/1812, (photographed playbill)

Norwich Company of Comedians at the White Swan Theatre, St Peter's, (undated photographed playbill)

Norwich Company of Comedians at the White Swan Playhouse, 1736, reprinted 1824 (photographed playbill)

Halesworth Theatre, 20/11/1841, (photographed playbill)

Publications:

Soleils. Paris : Editions Arts et metiers graphiques, 1947.

World Theatre Vol.1-3, 1950-1953? [incomplete]. [Copies are also in the External Store].

Newscuttings:

Advert. Woodbridge Theatre. *Foscari*, 26 Feb 1827

Advert. Cromer Theatre [1812]

Re-opening of Norwich Theatre 1894.

Photographs:

Bungay Theatre, 1949/1950
Bungay Theatre, (sketch drawing, undated)
Ipswich Theatre 1889
Norwich Theatre Royal Interior

Other:

Everyman – produced by the Moot House Players, 12/5/2001. [Tickets, programme and photographs].

HART

Contained in 1 oversize box

Notes:

Typescript notes on F.H. Cooper and Co's Cinemas Limited.
Describes the opening of cinema theatres across Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex by Mr Frederick Holmes Cooper. The first being the Electric Theatre in Wisbech [c.1910].

Scrapbooks:

Oversize green scrapbook of newscuttings, programmes and playbills from the Norwich Theatre Royal and other Norfolk theatres, 1908-1917.

Scrapbook of cuttings showing women from the [theatre?] [undated].

Newscuttings:

Protection from fire in London theatres [18--?]

Reviews of Mr Wilson Barrett in Hamlet at Norwich Theatre Royal, June 1891.

THEATRE – OVERSIZE

Norwich Theatre Royal:

A3 Photocopy. Line drawing of façade. The second Theatre Royal – Norwich. (1826-1934) c. 1840.

A3 Photocopy. Plan of Norwich Theatre Royal. 1847.

Playbill. Theatre Royal King's Lynn. *The Three Muketeers*, 13/11/1865.

Silk playbill. Theatre Royal [Norwich/King's Lynn?]. *Love's sacrifice*, 8/7/18--?

Auctioneer's notice including particulars and conditions of sale for Norwich Theatre Royal, 24/9/1902.

Other:

Amateur Stage, Vol2, no. 20, 1927.

Photograph. [Walter] Nugent Monck's First Shakespearean Production, Norwich, 1908.

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