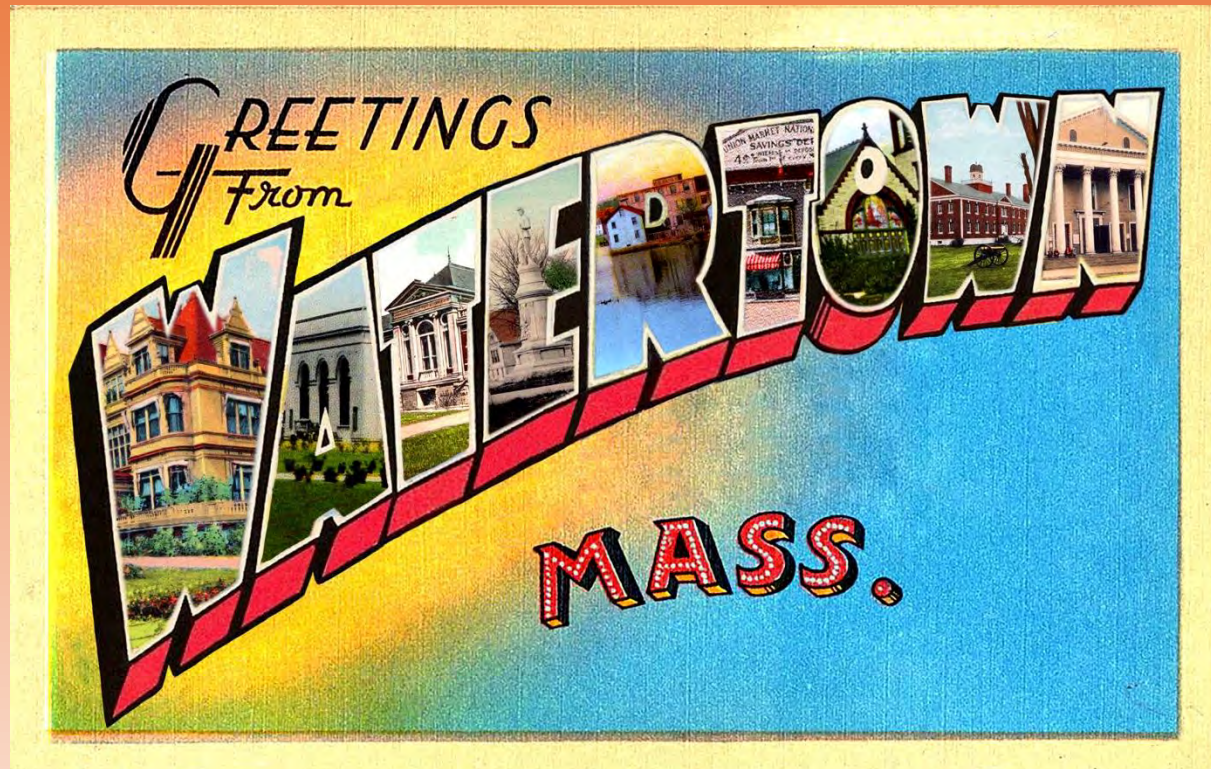


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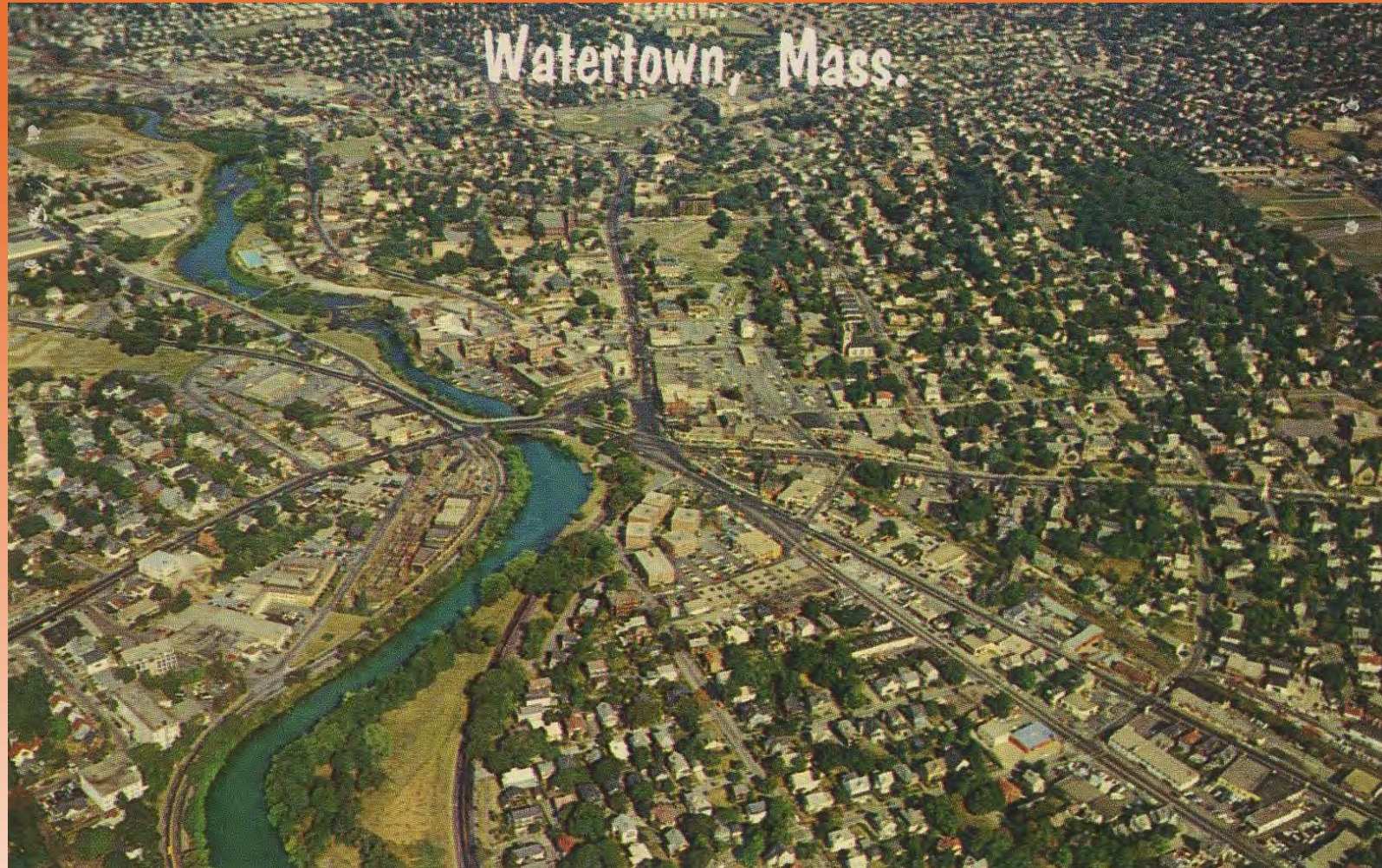
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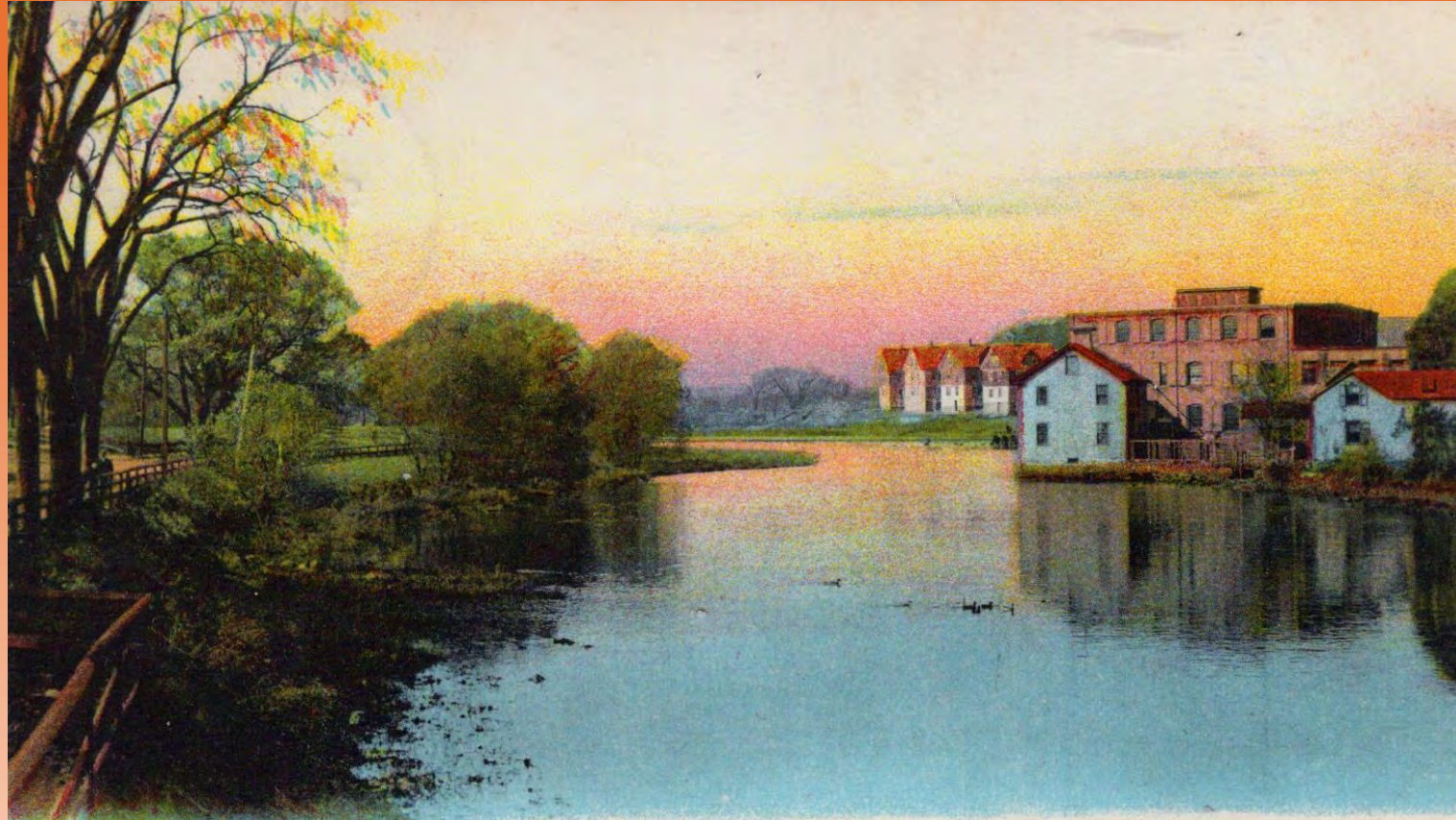
FOUNDING OF WATERTOWN

- Watertown stands where the stagecoach route crosses the Charles River heading West.
- First inland settlement in Massachusetts.
- Settlers who arrived on the ship "Arabella" founded Salem; a group of them eventually left to establish a community in Watertown.
- Mills, shops, and taverns sprung up around the area.

WATERTOWN SQUARE



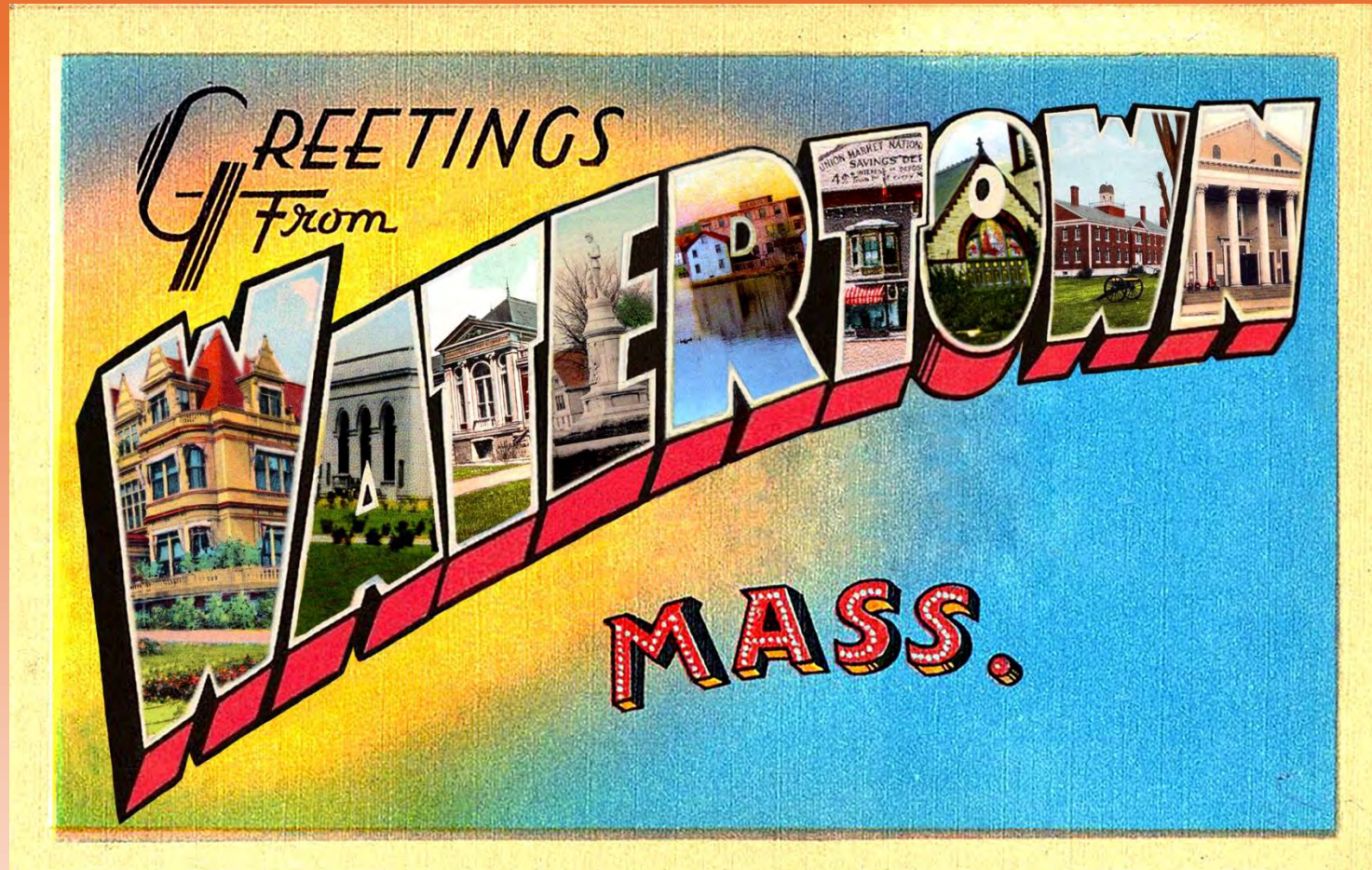
THE CHARLES RIVER



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HISTORIC WATERTOWN STREET VIEWS



WATERTOWN SQUARE



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Main St. Post Office and City Hall Watertown, Mass.

WATERTOWN SQUARE



MAIN STREET

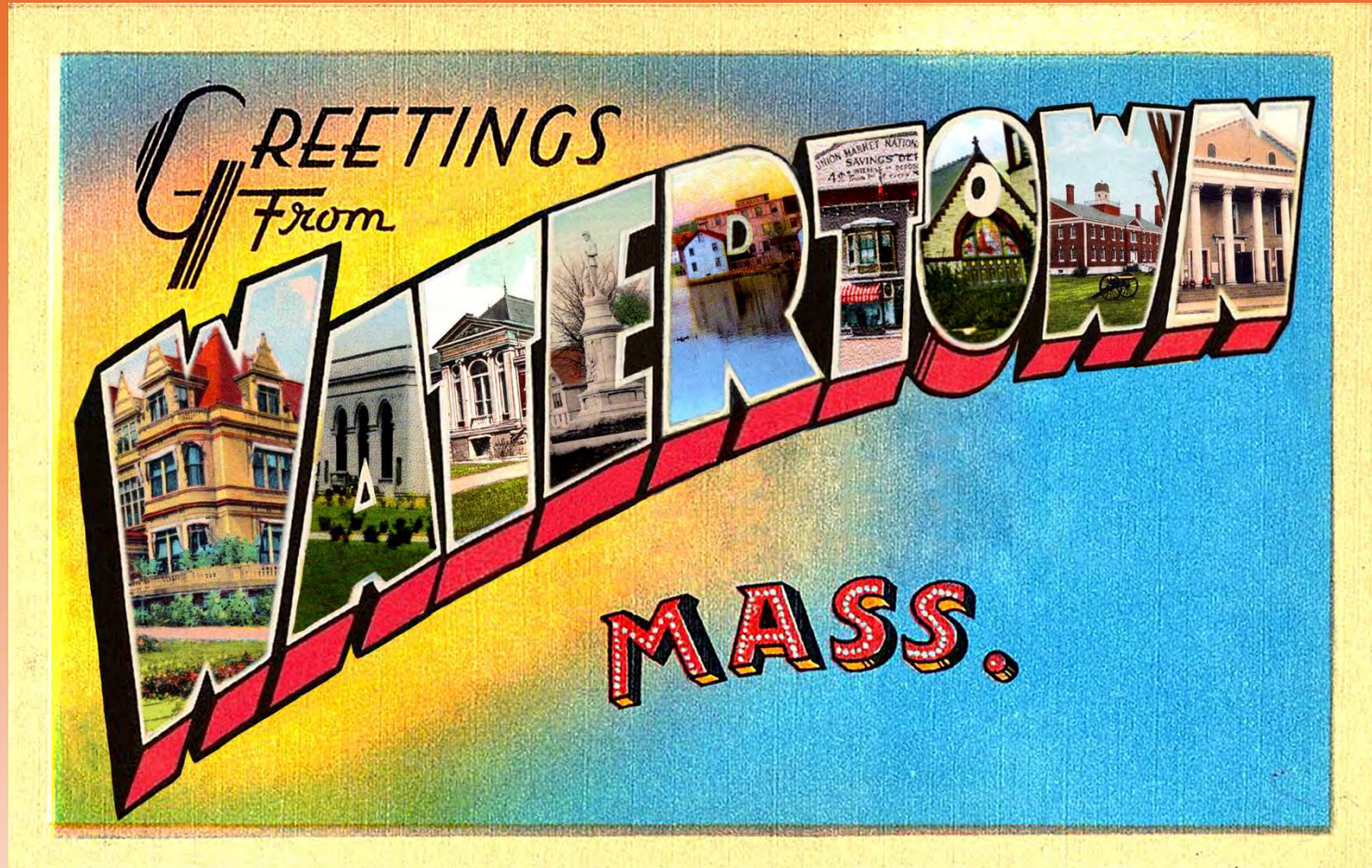


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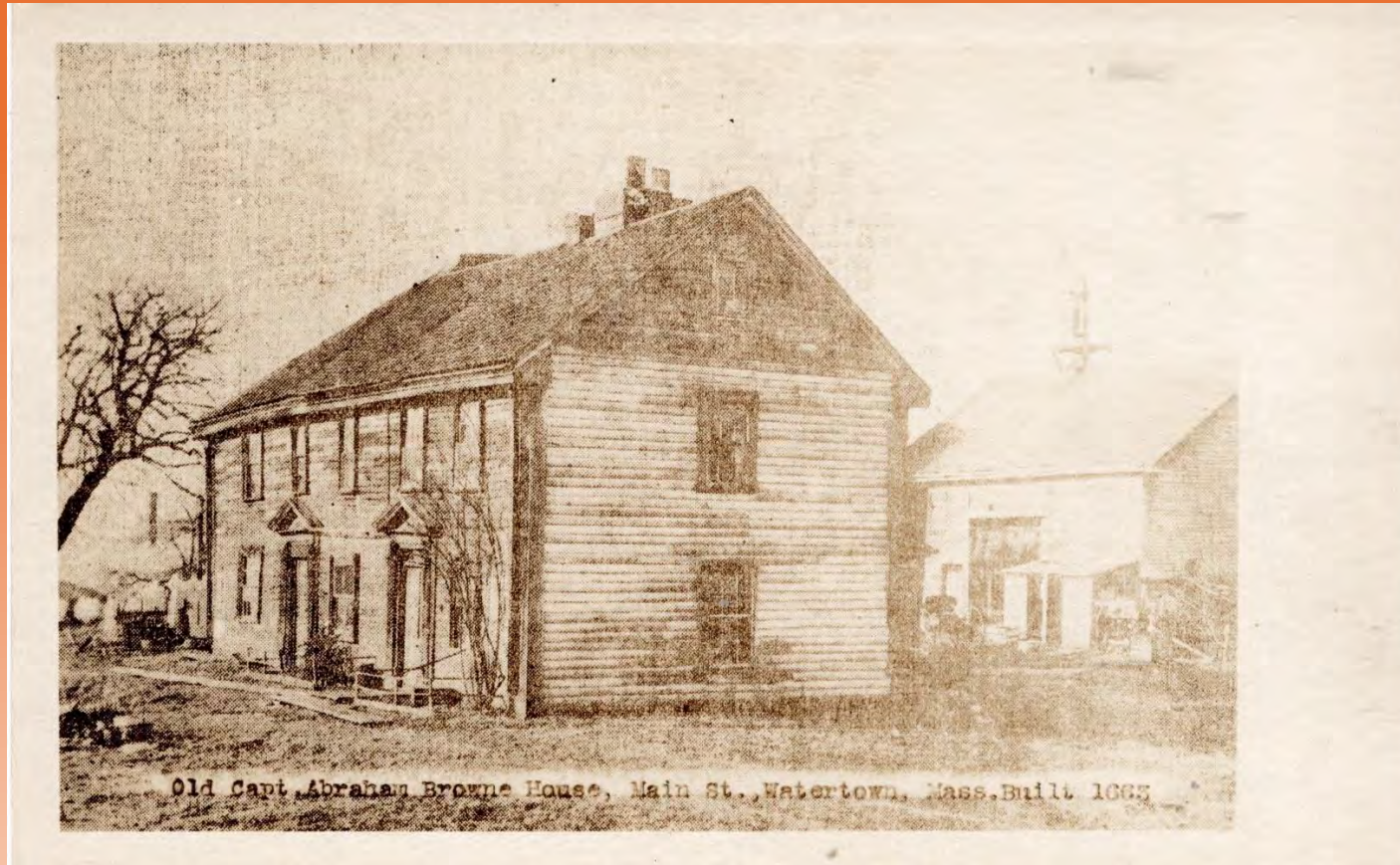


Erected on Main Street in 1866.

HISTORIC WATERTOWN RESIDENCES



OLD CAPTAIN BROWNE HOUSE



Old Capt. Abraham Browne House, Main St., Watertown, Mass. Built 1694

- Built in 1694.
- Currently serves as the home of the Watertown Historical Society.

MARSHALL STREET RESIDENCE



18 Marshall Street
Built in 1884

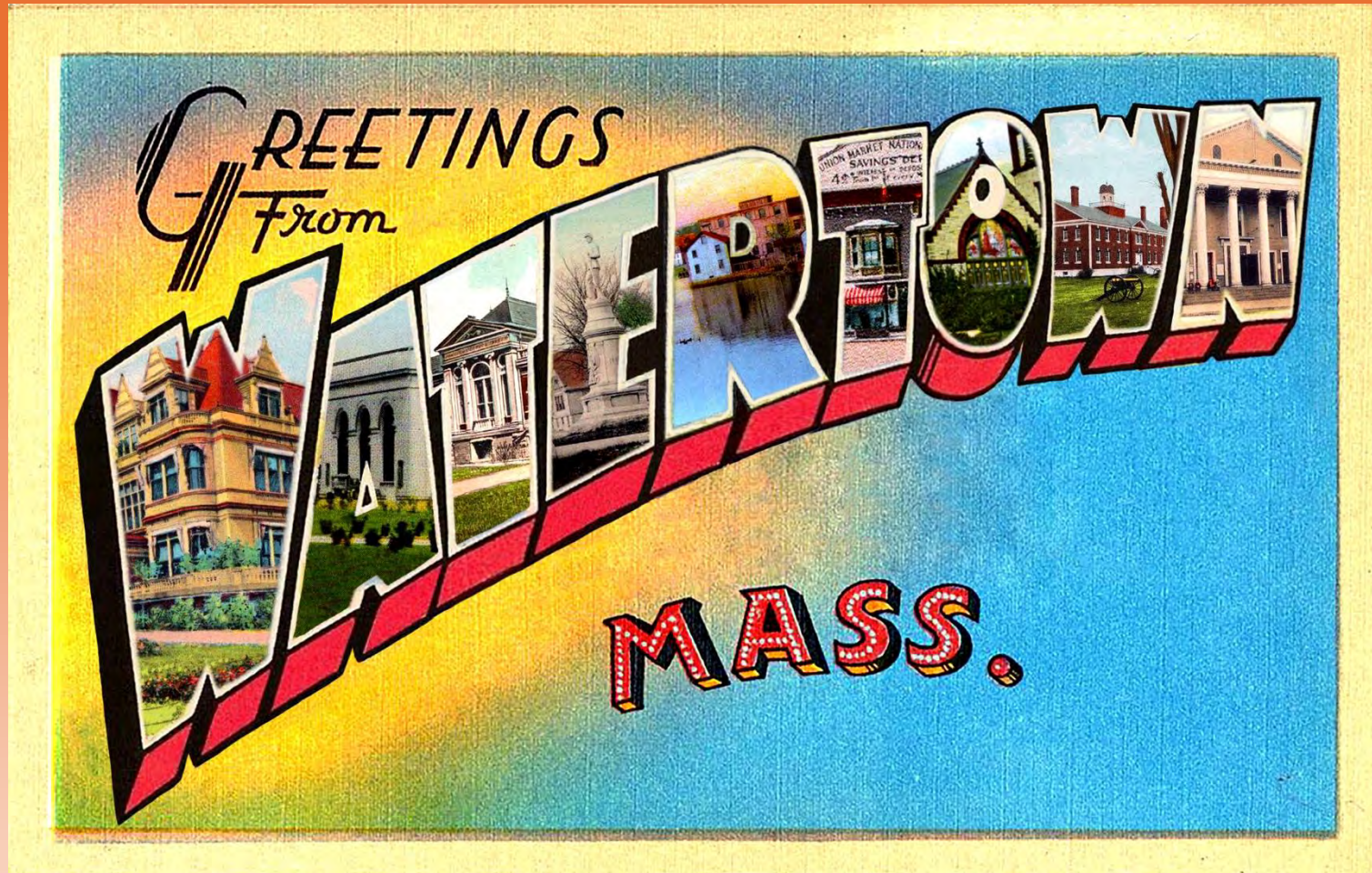


BELMONT STREET HOMES

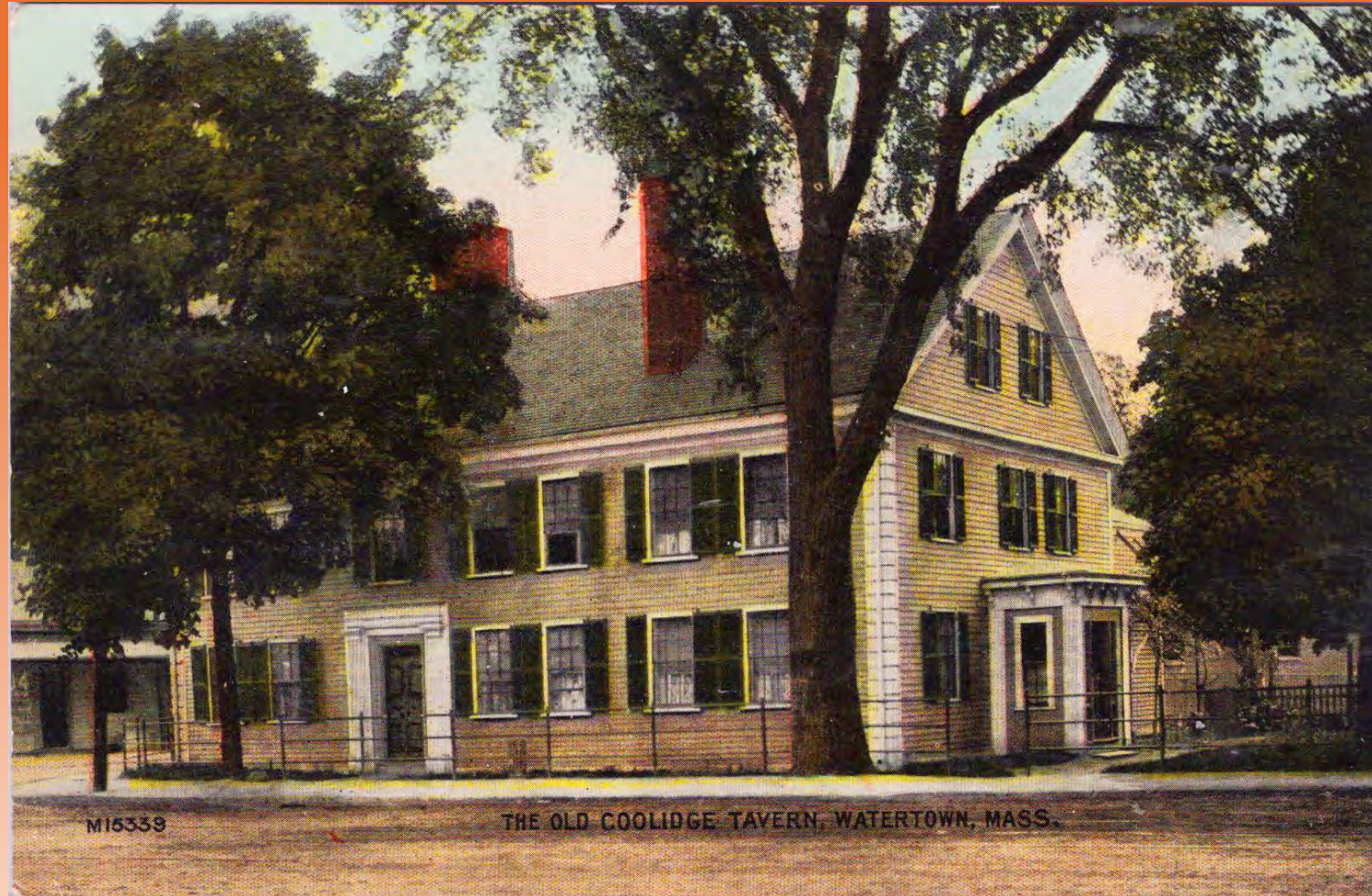


Belmont St., Watertown, Massachusetts

SOCIAL CLUBS & TAVERNS

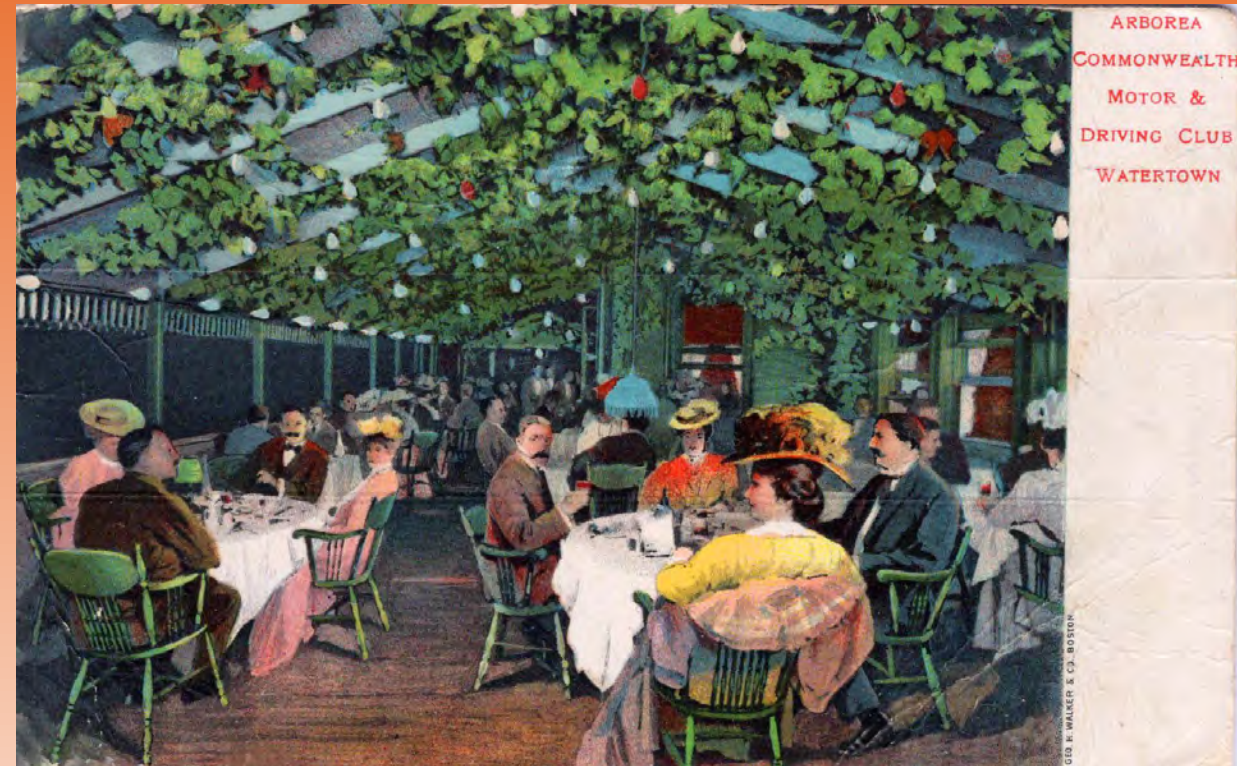


THE OLD COOLIDGE TAVERN



George Washington slept here.

COMMONWEALTH MOTOR & DRIVING CLUB



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Opened in 1898.

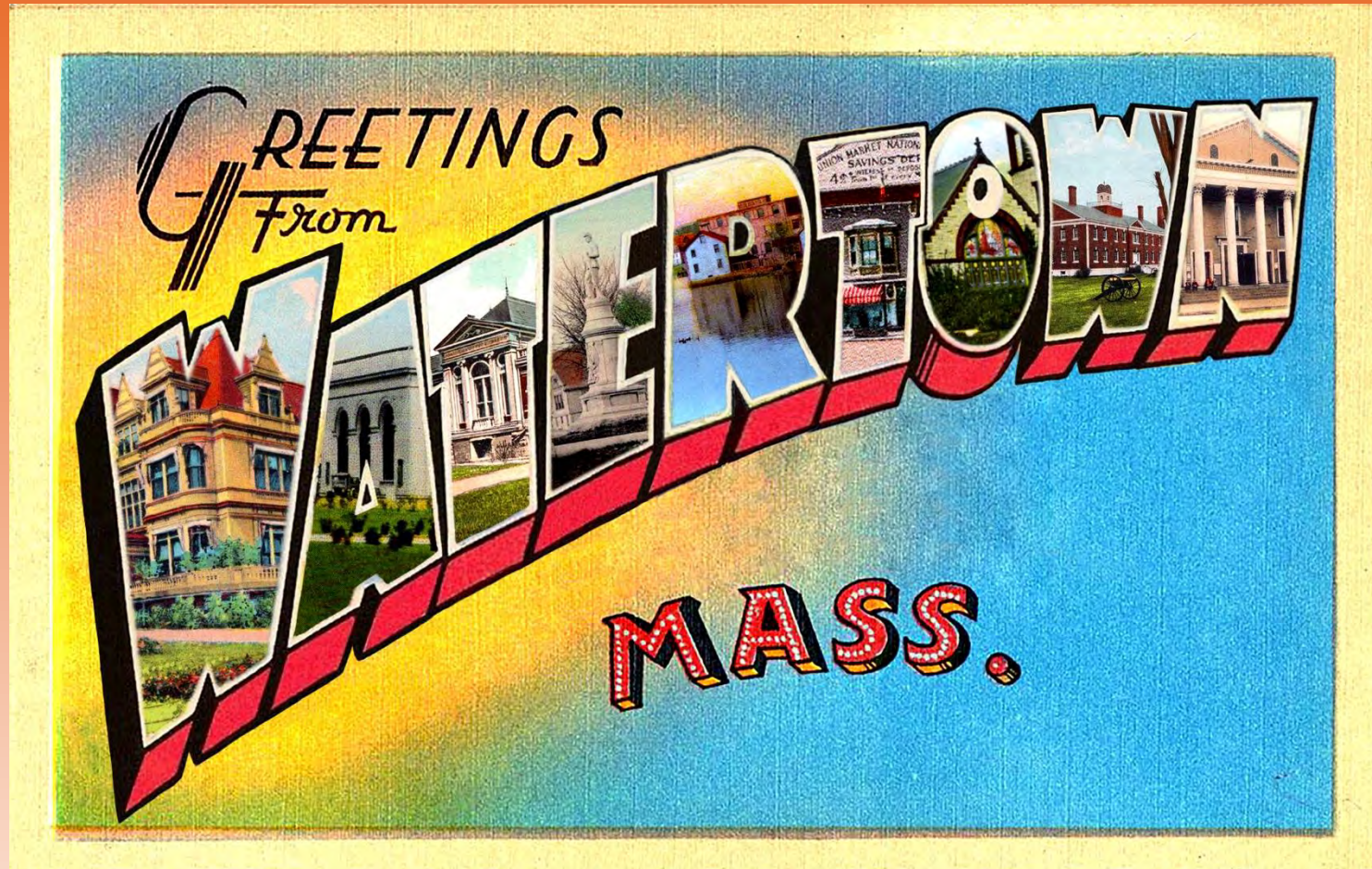
Served Donald Ross and Bobby Jones.

ELKS CLUB

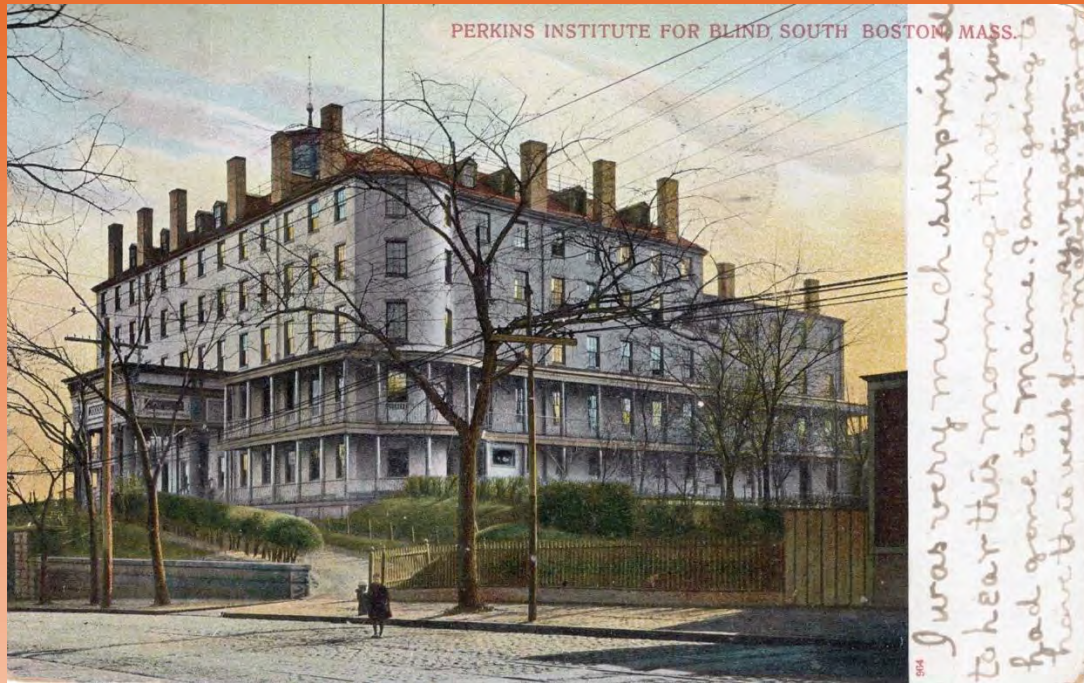


The original house was built in 1851 by John Coolidge, Jr. It was sold to the Elks, who moved the structure to Arlington Street and enlarged it. This postcard showcases the Elks Club's spiffy new home after it was remodeled in 1954.

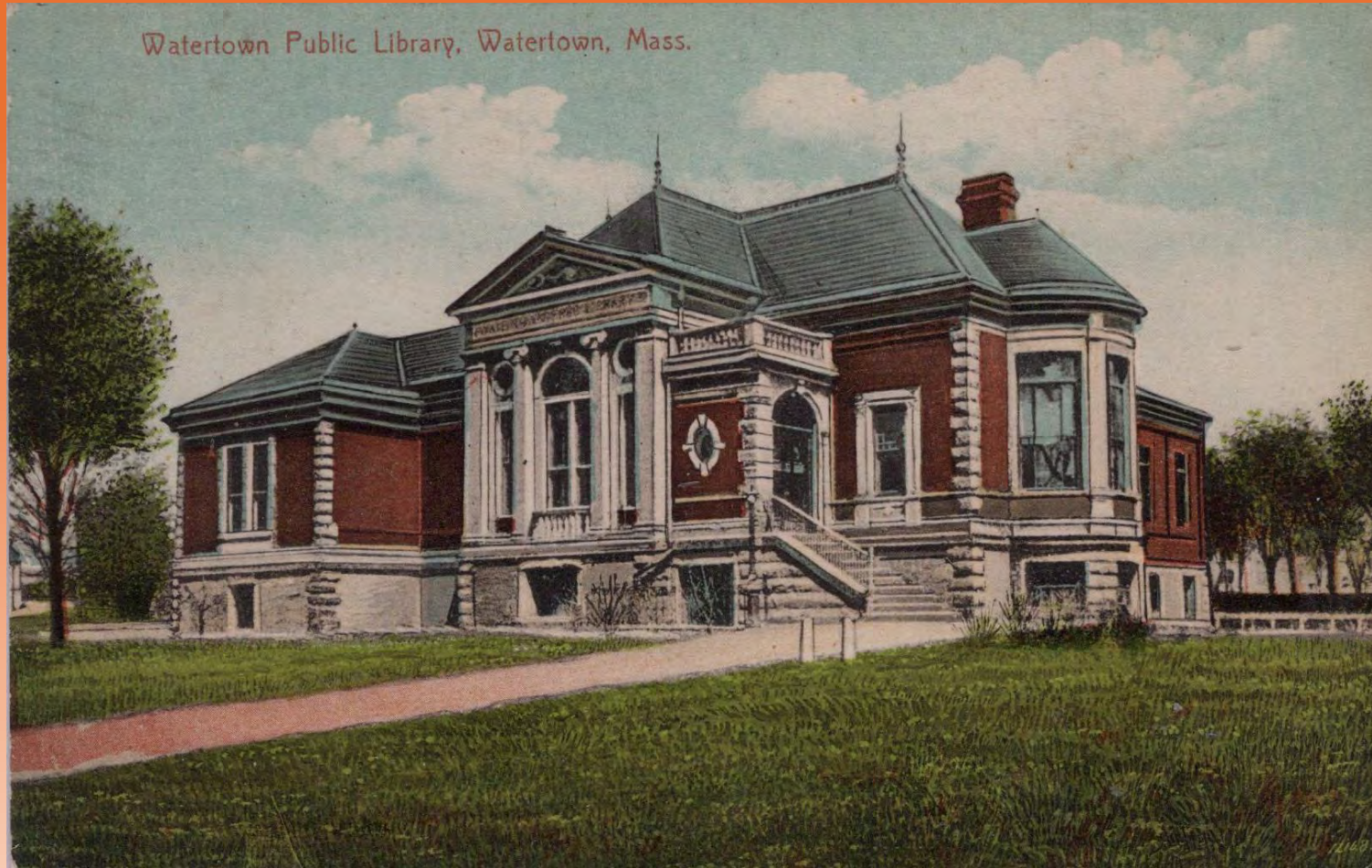
HISTORIC WATERTOWN PEOPLE & INSTITUTIONS



PERKINS INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND



WATERTOWN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY



- Hollis Hunnewell of Wellesley donated \$10,000 for a new library, designed by his architectural firm.
- Library opened in 1883.

WATERTOWN TOWN HALL



Watertown Town Hall was built in 18__
Demolished and replaced with the current City
Hall Building in 1936.

EARLY WATERTOWN HIGH SCHOOLS



Original Watertown High school built on Mt. Auburn Street in 1913.

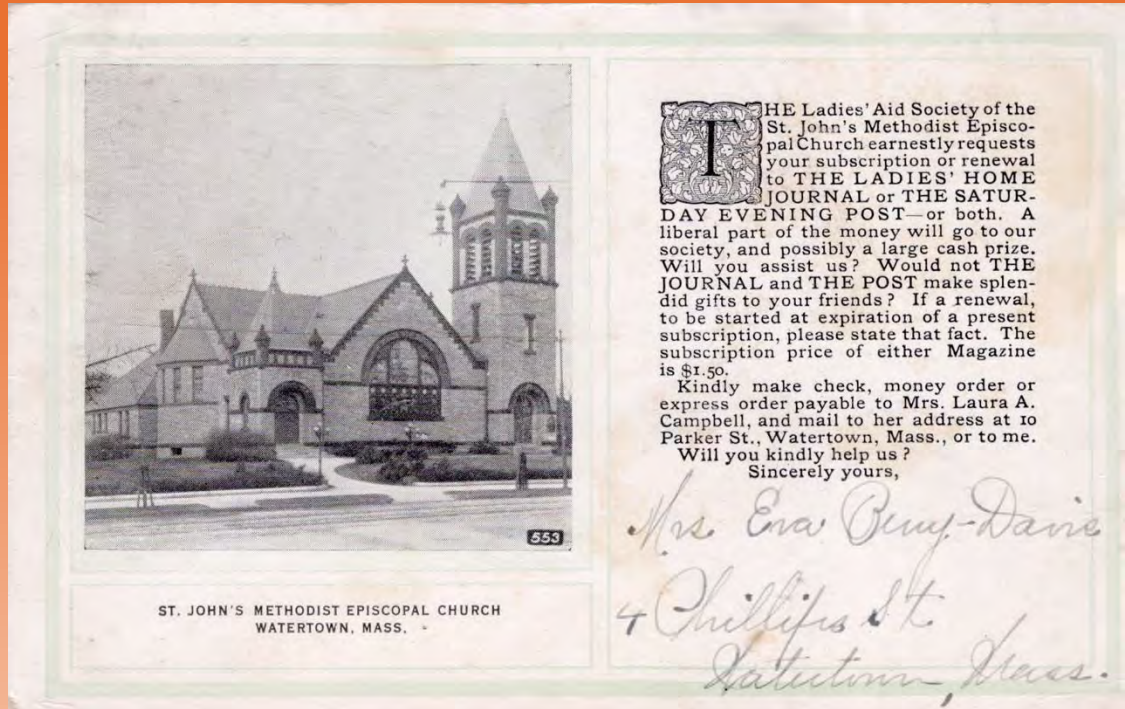


Built in 1926; demolished in 2023.

WATERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL FREAK DAY 1920s

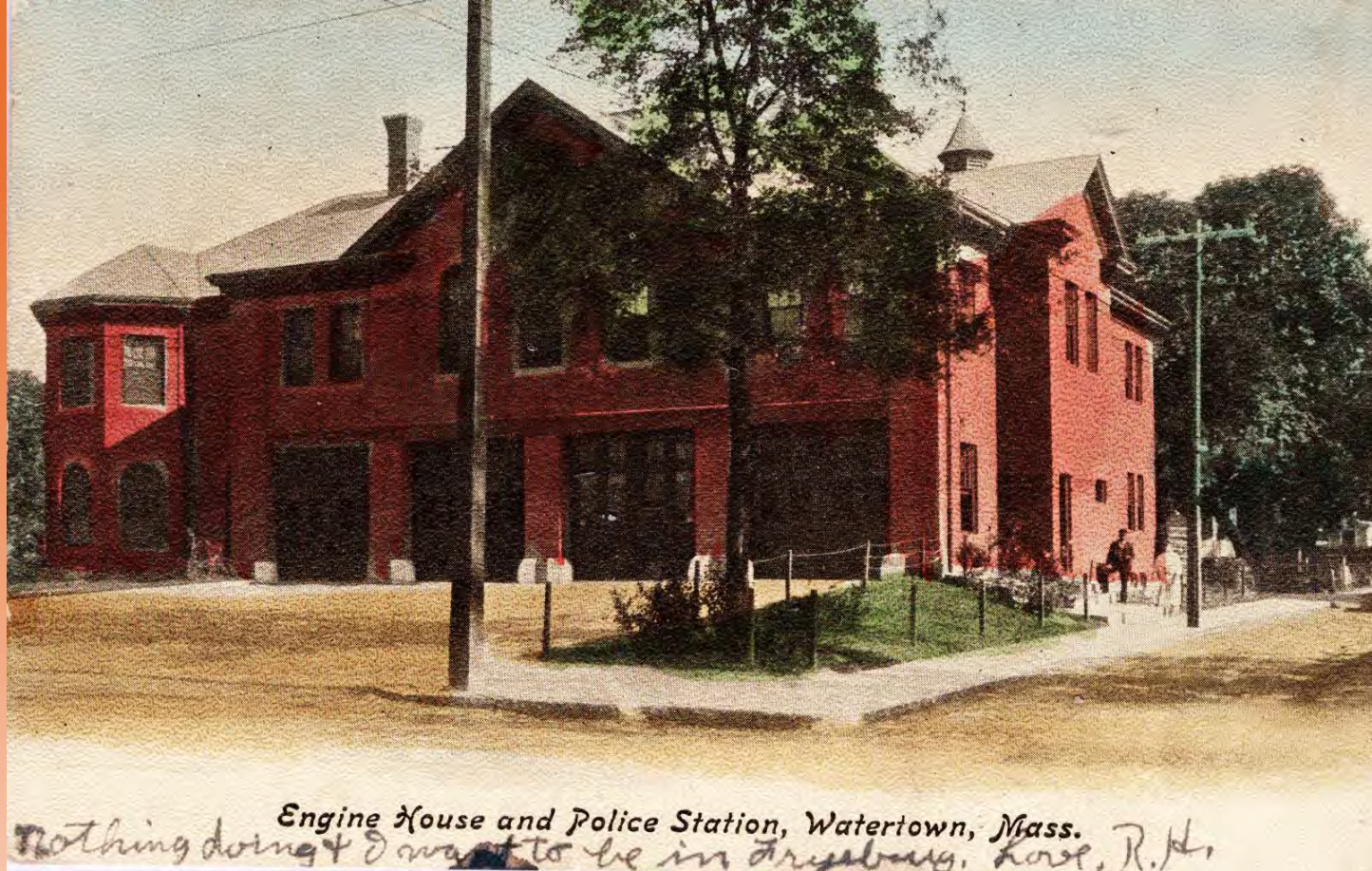


ST. JOHN'S METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



- Built in 1894.
- A religious revival occurred after liberation from British rule.
- Churches included Phillips Church, where Henry Ward Beecher preached on anti-slavery.
- Beecher was the brother of Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

WATERTOWN FIRE STATION



Watertown Fire and Police Station built on Main Street in 1906.

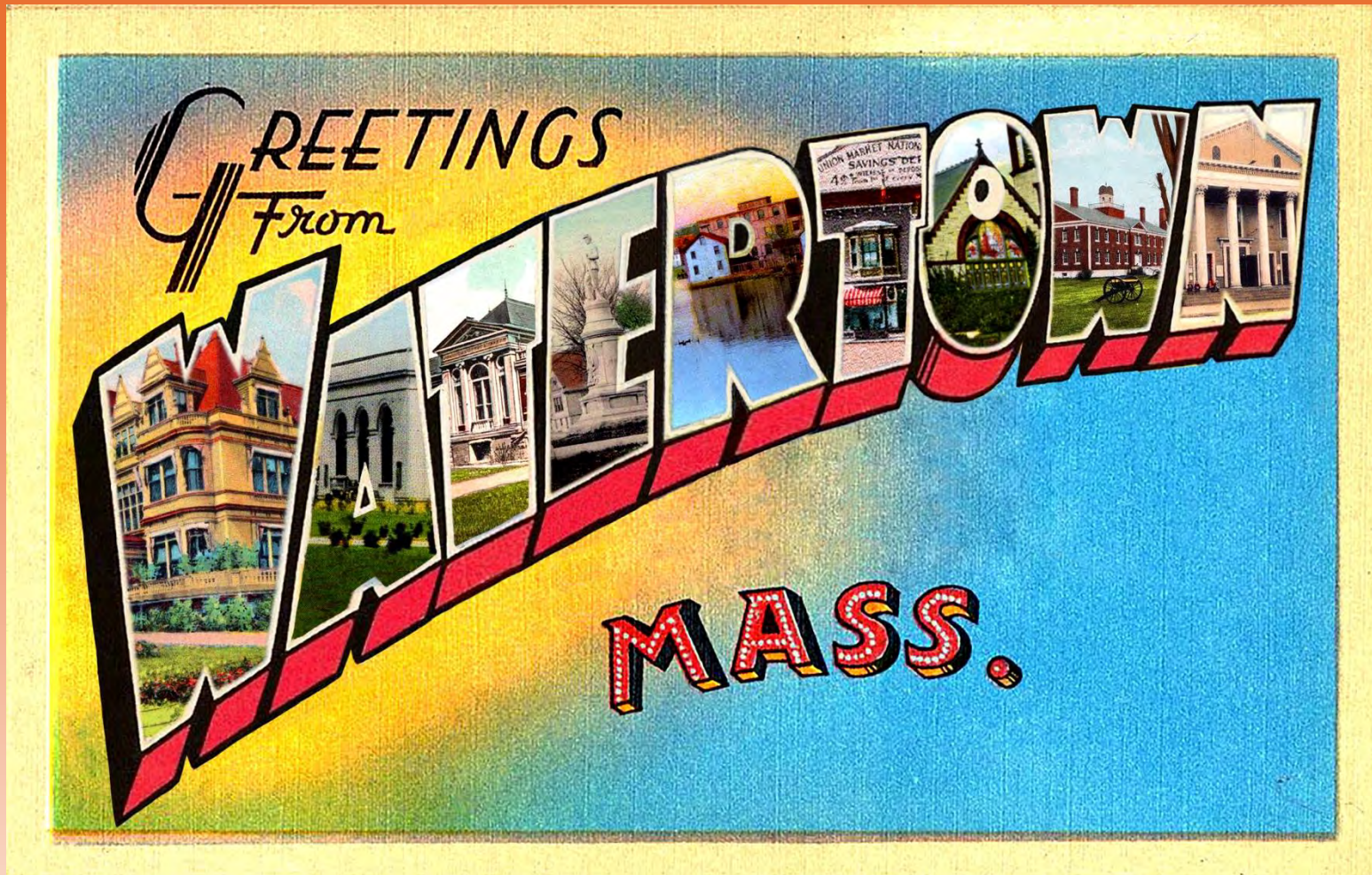
East End Fire Station built on Mt. Auburn Street in 1911.

WATERTOWN ARSENAL



- Established in 1816, after the War of 1812,
- Played a key role in Civil War, producing ammunition, cannons, and the Rodman Gun.

EARLY WATERTOWN BUSINESSES



LEWANDOS



-In the 19th century, Lewandos opened a cleaning and dyeing business in Watertown Square, on the banks of the Charles River.

- In addition to cleaning and dyeing, Lewandos manufactured textiles and shirts.

- The company had facilities in Watertown and offices at 65 Temple Place in Boston.

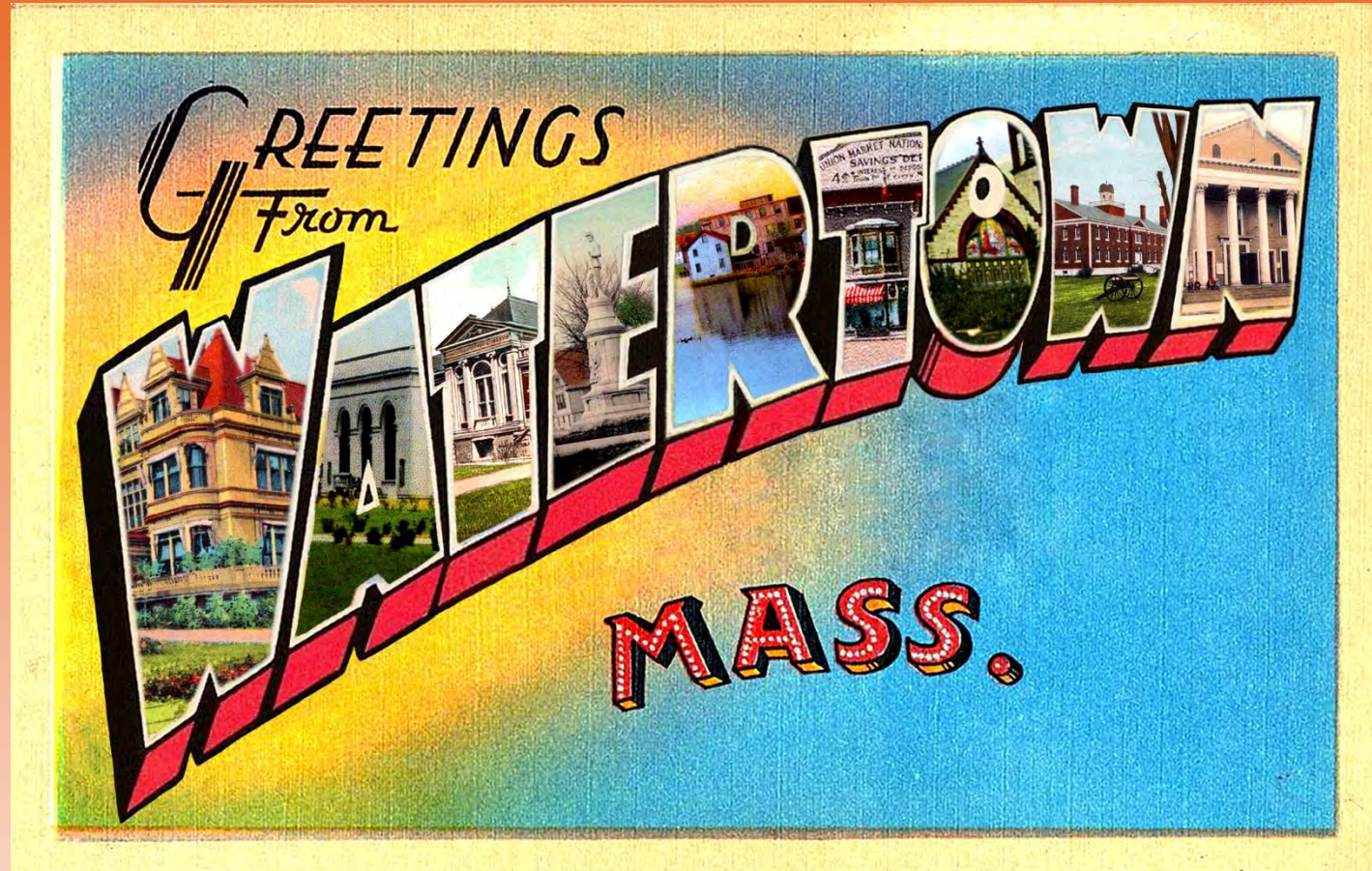
- Over the years, much waste from Lewandos operations was discharged into the Charles. - This trade card was given away to promote Lewandos's business.

HOOD RUBBER COMPANY



The rubber and footwear manufacturer employed thousands of Armenian immigrants during the early 20th century.

WATERTOWN BUSINESS MID TO LATE 20TH CENTURY



WATERTOWN SQUARE AT MIDCENTURY



TROLLEYS



Orange "streetcars" transported Watertown residents to Harvard Square and even Boston.

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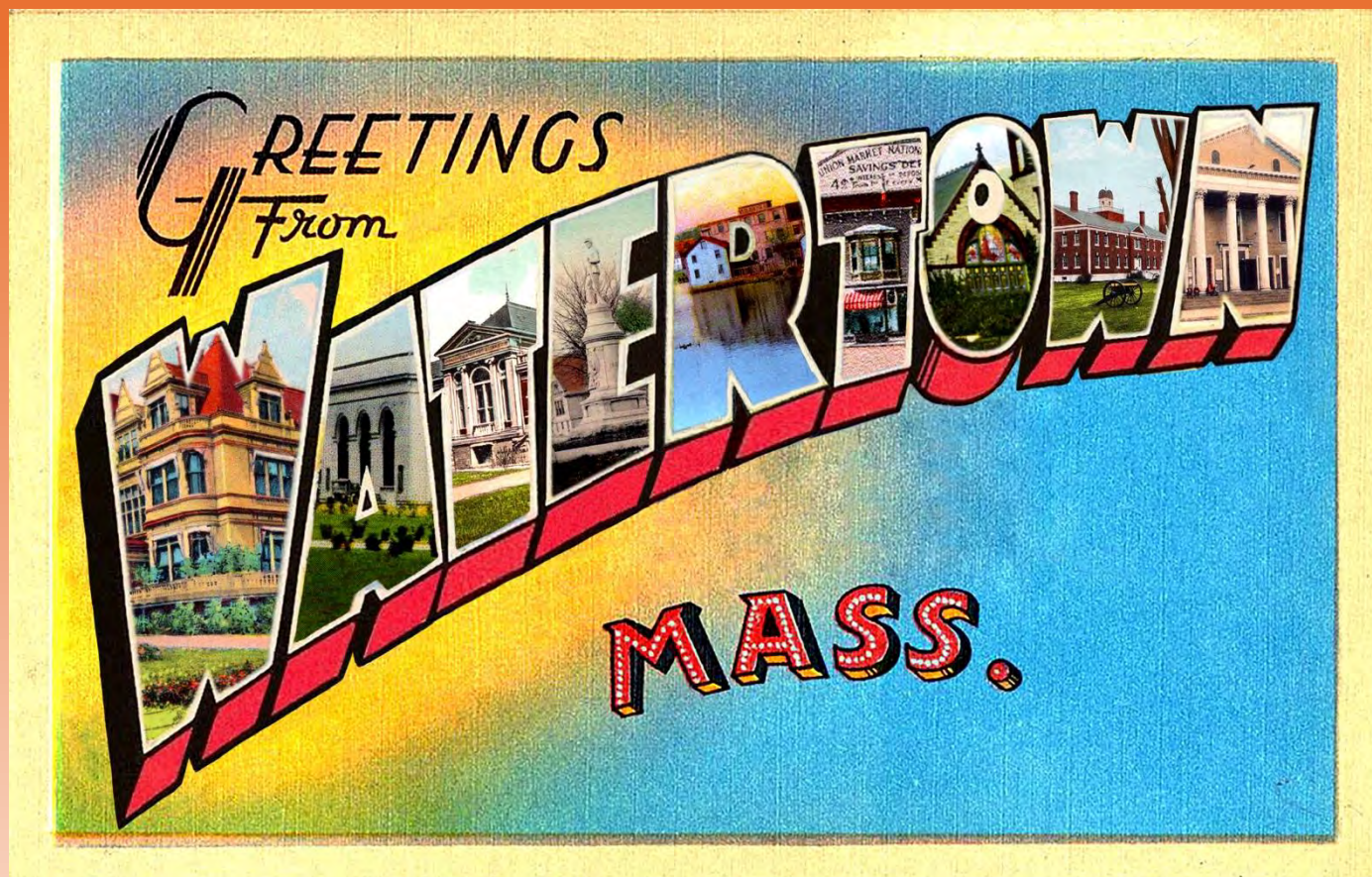
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