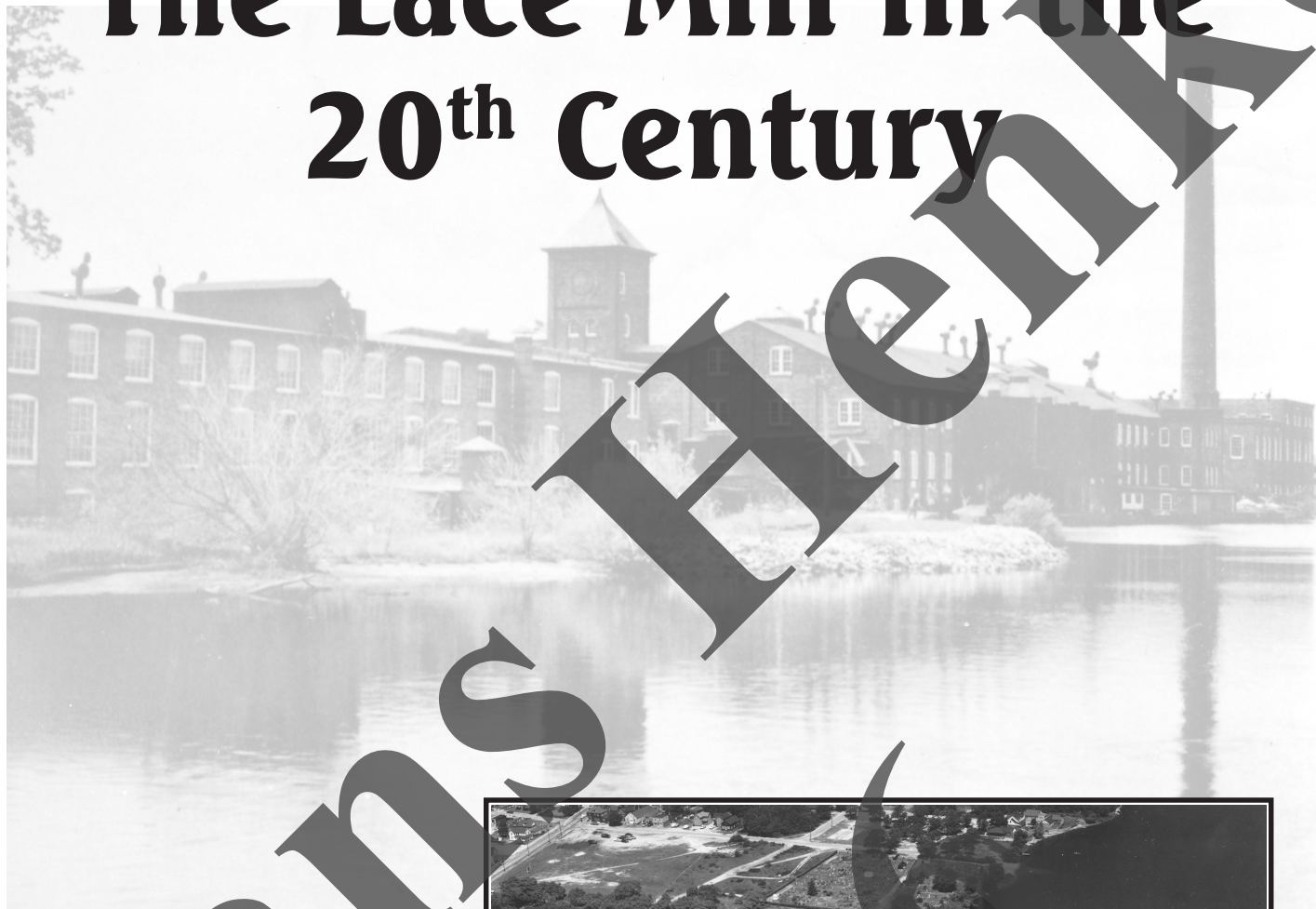


The Lace Mill in the 20th Century



While the book *Patchogue The Early Years* dealt with the development of the mill up to the year 1918, this chapter shows the growth of the mill after 1918 and the gradual decline, which eventually led to the closure of the mill in 1954, the conversion of the mill to the Island Industrial Park, the big fire in 1972 and the slow deterioration of the remaining buildings. The demolition of the remaining buildings in 1983 paved the way for the construction of the new Swezey flagship store.



A beautiful aerial photo of the Lace Mill, taken by Jim Mooney July 4, 1960.