

The Suffolk Traction Company 1911 - 1919



The Suffolk Traction Company, based in Patchogue, started laying tracks for the trolley line in 1907 after long years of negotiations. It took another three years before the line could start their operation. In this picture we see Mr. Benkenstein driving the first spike of the line in front of the Lace Mill in 1907.



The Patchogue streets were in quite a disarray when the trolley tracks were laid down. Here workers install the tracks on South Ocean Avenue in November 1907.