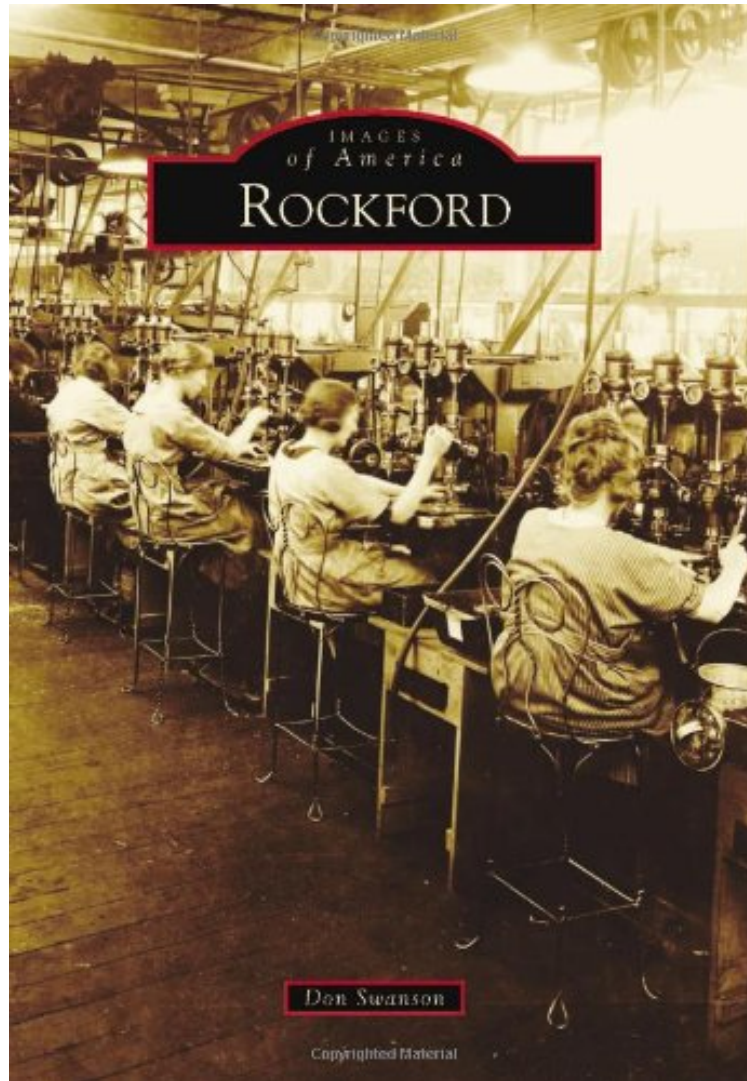


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Nestled in one of nature's beauty spots and spread out on both banks of Rock River, Rockford has grown and developed to become one of the principal cities of the state of Illinois and the Midwest. With its proliferation of trees, well-kept neighborhoods, and an extensive system of parks and museums, Rockford enjoys the distinction of being

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About the Author Don Swanson is a Rockford native and board member of the city's Midway Village Museum. The story of Rockford is alive today in the activities of the Midway Village Museum, and the city's traditions have been carefully preserved in the museum's artifacts, buildings, and exhibits that appear in this book.