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## ARCHIVES

Royal Toy Company  
Collection

2000.107

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### Collection Information

Abstract : Royal Toy Company of Worcester, active between 1937-1943, manufactured a game called "Alley-Oop". Roy-Toy Company of New York manufactured an identical game called "Alee-Oop" during the same period.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Aqp of company ledgers, cashbooks, check stubs, made for Bill Wallace, December 2000.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings (lcsh, aat, tgm, gmgcp)

Royal Toy Company (Worcester, Mass.)

Roy Toy Co. (New York, N.Y.)

Alee-Oop (Game)

Alley-Oop (Game)

Industries – Massachusetts – Worcester.

Worcester (Mass.) – Manufactures.

Ledgers. aat

Check stubs. aat

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

The Royal Toy Company of Worcester, Mass., manufactured a game similar to tiddley-winks named "Alley-Oop". Roy-Toy Company of New York and Worcester manufactured an identical game called "Alee-Oop". It appears that the two companies were the same from the available records. Ledger entries indicate that the Royal Toy Company was active between 1937-1943. The company was located on May Street near Main Street.

### **Scope and Content**

Collection comprises photocopies of ledgers, cashbooks, check stubs of Worcester Toy Company, ca. 1937-1943; and two advertisements (broadsides) for game "Alee-Oop" (or "Alley-Oop"), ca. 1940, with labels "Roy Toy Co., Worcester, Mass."

### **Series Description**

**Series 1:** Financial Records. Aqp of ledgers, cash books, check stubs, etc.

**Series 2:** Advertisements. Game Alley-Oop (Allee-Oop). (3items)

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Series 1, Financial Records

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2000.107.1.1	General journal; journal of sales, 1937-1943. Aqp, 11x17 in. enlargements.
1	2	2000.107.1.2	Ledger pages, cash receipts and cash disbursements, 1938-1942. Aqp, 11x17 in. enlargements.
1	3	2000.107.1.3	Cashbook, 1937-1942. Aqp, 11x17 in. enlargements.
	BV	2000.107.1.4	Directions to play Alee-Oop; Receipts and disbursements, 1937-1943; Supplies, orders; Journal, 1938-1941; Miscellaneous : Aqp in binder.
	BV	2000.107.1.5	Check stubs, 1937-1943 : Aqp in binder.

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Series 2, Advertisements

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	4	2000.107.2.1	Alee-Oop : broadside (or possible large can label) / ca. 1940.
1	4	2000.107.2.2	Strip of six can labels for Alee-Oop / Roy-Toy Company, New York, ca. 1940.
1	4	2000.107.2.3	Gummed labels, Roy Toy Co., Worcester, Mass. 2 labels.