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### Collection Information

Abstract : Collection comprises photographs of the Town Talk Baseball team and individual players, photos of the minstrel show, and also of the 50th reunion in 1958. Several scrapbooks and loose newspaper clippings of the team's playing schedule are included as well as the baseball scorecards.

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

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Subject Headings: Sports- Baseball - (industrial leagues)  
Town Talk Baseball Club – Massachusetts - Worcester  
Town Talk Baking Company - Massachusetts -

Worcester

### Historical/Biographical Notes

Town Talk Baseball Club was one of the best semi-pro teams in the Worcester Industrial League winning the title in 1924.

### Scope and Content

The collection includes photographs of the baseball club and individual players from the early 1920's through the 1930's. There is also a collection of photographs from the 1933 Minstrel Show that the club sponsored for family and friends of the company. Fiftieth reunion photographs from 1958, baseball scorecards from 1921 – 1935, scrapbooks of newspaper clippings from the 1920's to 1930's and a large collection of loose newspaper clippings complete this collection.

## Series Descriptions

Series 1: Photographs.

Sub-series 1: Photographs of the Town Talk Baseball Club.

Sub-series 2: Photographs of individual players.

Sub-series 3: Minstrel show of 1933.

Sub-series 4: 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion photos taken April 26, 1958.

Sub-series 5: Miscellaneous photos taken of the Town Talk bread girls and other  
group photos.

Series 2: Baseball Scorecards from 1921 to 1935.

Series 3: Scrapbooks of newspaper clippings from the 1920's and 1930's.

Series 4: Loose newspaper clippings covering the period between 1922-1931.

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
 2003.13  
 Series 1, Photographs  
 Sub-series 1, Baseball Club

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	1	2003.13.1.1.1	Typescript note listing the players in the 1934 photo as seen in item #2-4 AN.
3	1	2003.13.1.1.2	Photocopy, newspaper clipping "Town Talks Claimants to the City Semi-pro Title".
3	1	2003.13.1.1.3	Photograph, Town Talk Baseball Team (TTBC), / 8 x 10 in. unknown photographer ca 1927-1928.
3	1 / 1934.	2003.13.1.1.4	Champions, Worcester Industrial League 8 ¾ x 7 in. on 11 ½ x 9 ½ in mat, ca 1934.
3	2	2003.13.1.1.5	"Town Talk Baseball Club", / 9 ¼ x 7 ¼ in on 13 x 11 in mat. Photographer unknown, ca 1927.
3	3 1924	2003.13.1.1.6a	Typescript list of team members in photo.

3 14	3	2003.13.1.1.6b	Town Talk Baseball Club / 10 x 8 in. on  x 12 in. mat, ca 1924.
3	3	2003.13.1.1.7	Photocopy, newspaper clipping, "Amateur Champions of City" Worcester Evening Gazette November 1, 1924.
3 on  1923.	4	2003.13.1.1.8	Town Talk Baseball Club / 10 ¼ x 8 in.  folded mat. Photographer: Hevy, ca
3	5	2003.13.1.1.9	Typescript: handwritten list of members
3 /  1922.	5	2003.13.1.1.10	Photograph, TTBC, Amateur Champions  5 x 7 in. Photographer unknown, ca
3	5	2003.13.1.1.11	"Amateur Champions" / 8 ½ x 6 ½ in. Photographer unknown, 1922.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3 12	5	2003.13.1.1.12-15	"Amateur Champions" / 8 ½ x 6 ½ in on  x 10 in mat, Photographer unknown, 1922.

3	5	2003.13.1.1.16	Photocopy, newspaper clipping, "Line-up of TTBT", Worcester Evening Gazette, Oct. 17, 1922.
3	6	2003.13.1.1.17	Photocopy, typescript list of members pictured in 1923 photo.
3	6	2003.13.1.1.18	Photograph, TTBC / 10 x 8 in. unknown photographer, ca 1923.
3	6	2003.13.1.1.19	TTBC, / 10 x 8 in. on double mat, Photographer, Hevy, Worcester, 1923.
3	6	2003.13.1.1.20	Photocopy, newspaper clipping "TTBT Lays Claim to the Worcester County 1923 Diamond Crown" / Worcester Sunday Telegram, October 28, 1923.
3	7	2003.13.1.1.21-23	TTBC / 10 x 8 in on 14 x 12 in. mat. Photographer unknown, 1921.
3	8	2003.13.1.1.24	Photograph of the GasCo. Baseball Club / 5 x 7 in on a 9 ½ x 7 ½ in mat. Photographer: unknown, October 1938.
3	9	2003.13.1.1.25	TTBC / 5 x 7 in on 9 x 7 ½ in mat. Photographer unknown, ca 1926.

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
 Series 1, Photographs  
 Sub-series 2, Individual Players

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	10	2003.13.1.2.1	Photo of Bill Regan / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.2	Photo of Hugh Canavan / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.3	Photo of unknown player / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.4	Photo of Raymond "Chief" Werre / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3 in	10	2003.13.12.5	Photo of unknown player, / 8 ½ x 6 ½  Photographer unknown.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.6	Photo of unknown player, / 8 x 10 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3 in	10	2003.13.1.2.7	Photo of Lefty Zimmerman, / 8 ½ x 6 ½  Photographer; unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.8	Photo of Joe Cole, / 8 ½ x 6 ½ in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.



3	10	2003.13.1.2.9-10	Photo of Raymond Werre / 8 x 5 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.11-12	Photo of Hugh Canavan / 8 x 5 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.13-15	Photo of Bill Regan / 8 x 5 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	10	2003.13.1.2.16	Photo of Raymond Werre / 8 x 5 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.

Town Talk Baseball Collection Series 1, Photographs  
Sub-series 2, Individual Players continued

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	11	2003.13.1.2.17 a-b	Photo of Tom Murphy / 4 x 6 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.18a-b	Photo of unknown player / 4 x 6 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.19a-b	Photo of Ted Floodman / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.20	Photo of Ted LaLone / 4x6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.21	Photo of Mr. Hendrickson / 4 x 6 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1925.

3	11	2003.13.1.2.22	Photo of Mst. Brick (Mascot) / 4 x 6 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.23	Photo of Mr. Galipeau / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.24	Photo of Mr. Higgins / 4x6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.25	Photo of Mr. Hass / 4x6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.26a-b	Group photo: (L to R) Caplette, P. Carroll, Kelleher and LeLong / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.27	Group photo: (L to R) first unknown, Earley, Henrickson & Bunker / 4 x 6 in Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.28	Group photo: (L to R) T. Vacca, T. Carrroll,  Floodman, T. Murphy / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.29	Photo of Pat Carroll/ 5x7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.

Sub-series 2, Individual Players continued

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	11	2003.13.1.2.30	Photo of Esley "Cooley" Hendrickson / 5x7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.31	Photo: Will Jackson / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.32	Photo: Pete Caplette / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.33	Photo: Pete Caplette / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.34	Group Photo: Three unknown players / 5x7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1923.
3	11	2003.13.1.2.35-74	Group and individual photos, mostly action shots / 3 x 5 in. Photographers: Hevy (Worcester, Mass) on a few photos but most are amateur or unknown, ca 1923 - 1927.

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Series 1, Photographs, Sub-series 3, Minstrel Show

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	1	2003.13.1.3.1a-b	Photo: Charles "Hunt" Wilson and James Moore, dancers with "Fortune Hunters" / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.2	Photo: Town Talk dancing girls / 8 x 10 in. sg. K.S. Melikian, Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.3	Photo: unknown clown / 6 ½ x 8 ½ in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.4	Photo: Sinking Hobo, William De Roehn /  8 x 10 in. Photographer: LaFlamme Studio, Worcester, MA, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.5	Photo: Finale photo of Minstrel Show / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.1.3.1.3.6a-b	Photo: Minstrel Show clowns, item
#a	lists		names of clowns / 6 ½ x 8 ½ in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.

4	1	2003.13.1.3.7	Group photo: Clowns in Minstrel Show / 5 x7 in. Photographer: Capital Photo Finishers, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.8	Photo: Clown; Thomas "Happy" Farrell / 8 ½ x 6 ½ in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.9a-b	Photo: "Singing Waiters" / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.10	Photo: Mona Dobson / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: Unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.5	Photo: Finale photo of Minstrel Show / Town Talk Baseball Collection Cont.

Series 1 Photographs, sub-series 3 Minstrel Show

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	1	2003.1.3.1.3.11	Photo: Mona & Beverly Dobson, "Dancing Team" / 4 x 6 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.1.3.1.3.12-17	Photo: various clowns / 2 ½ x 4 ½ in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1933.
4	1	2003.13.1.3.18-25	Photo: various clowns / 2 ½ x 4 ½ in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1927-1933.

4	2	2003.13.1.3.26a-b	Photo: Minstrel show cast at Lincoln Jr. High School, Framingham, MA *names listed on back of photo / 9 x 11 in. Photographer: unknown,1935.
4	2	2003.13.1.3.27	Photo: Minstrel Show cast / 8 ½ x 6 ½ in on a 9 ½ x 12 in. mat. Photographer: unknown,1935.
4	3	2003.13.1.3.28a-b	Photo: Minstrel Show cast on Lincoln H.S. stage, Framingham, MA / 8 x 10 on a 13 ½ x 11 ¾ in. mat. Photographer: unknown, 1935

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
Series 1, Photographs  
Sub-series 4, 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	4	2003.13.1.4.1	Typescript list of members and addresses of the Town Talk Baseball Club invited to the 50 <sup>th</sup> reunion celebrations, April 26, 1958.
4	4	2003.13.1.4.2	Group photo: Town Talk Baseball Club / 8 x 10 in. Photographer: unknown, April 26, 1958.
4	4	2003.13.1.4.3	Group photo: Three team members / 8 x 10 in.

Photographer: unknown ca 1958.

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| 4 | 4 | 2003.13.1.4.4a-b | Group photo: Team members / 8 x 10 in.<br>Photographer: unknown, ca 1958.  |
| 4 | 4 | 2003.13.1.4.5    | Group photo: Team members / 8 x 10 in.<br>Photographer: unknown, ca 1958.  |
| 4 | 4 | 2003.13.1.4.6    | Group photo: Team members at dinner / 8 x 10 in.<br>Photographer: unknown, ca 1958   |
| 4 | 4 | 2003.13.1.4.7    | Group photo: 25-year club members / 8 x 10 in. (Lists names on back)<br>Photographer: Paul W. Savage, Worcester, MA. December 3, 1949. |
| 4 | 4 | 2003.13.1.4.8    | Envelope, letter size with T.T. Minstrels return address, n.d.   |

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
Series 1, Photographs  
Sub-series 5, Miscellaneous

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	5	2003.13.1.5.1-3	Photo: "Town Talk Bread Girls" / 7 3/4 x 4 3/4 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925-1930.
4	5	2003.13.1.5.4	Group photo: Team members / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925-1930.
4	5	2003.13.1.5.5	Photo: "Avalin Trio" / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: Oliver-Plant Studio, ca 1925-1930.
4	5	2003.13.1.5.6	Group photo: unknown / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, ca 1925-1930
4	5	2003.13.1.5.7	Photo: Albert "Al" Tully / 5 x 7 in. Photographer: unknown, January 9, 1927.



Town Talk Baseball Collection  
Series 2, Baseball Scorecards

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	1	2003.13.2.1	Baseball Score Book, 1921.
2	1	2003.13.2.2	Baseball Score Book, 1921-1922.
2	1	2003.13.2.3	Baseball Score Book, 1922-1923.
2	2	2003.13.2.4	Baseball Score Book, 1923.
2	2	2003.13.2.5	Baseball Score Book, 1924-1932.
2	2	2003.13.2.6	Baseball Score Book, 1925.
2	3	2003.13.2.7	Baseball Score Book, 1926.
2	3	2003.13.2.8	Baseball Score Book, 1926-1927.
2	3	2003.13.2.9	Baseball Score Book, n.d.
2	4	2003.13.2.10	Baseball Score Book, 1929,1930, 1932-1933, 1934.
2	4	2003.13.2.11	Baseball Score Book, 1933.
2	4	2003.13.2.12	Baseball Score Book, 1934.
2	5	2003.13.2.13	Baseball Score Book, 1934-1935.
2	5	2003.13.2.14	Baseball Score Book, 1935.

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
Series 3, Scrapbooks

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2003.13.3.1	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, ca 1930's.
1	2	2003.13.3.2	Photocopy of item #1.
1	3	2003.13.3.3	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, ca 1930's (mixed).
1	4	2003.13.3.4	Photocopy of item #3
1	5	2003.13.3.5	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, ca 1920's (mixed).
1	6	2003.13.3.6	Photocopy of item #5
1	7	2003.13.3.7	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, ca 1920's (mixed).
1	8	2003.13.3.8	Photocopy of item #7.
1	9	2003.13.3.9	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, ca 1930's (mixed).

1	10	2003.13.3.10	Photocopy of item #9.
1	11	2003.13.3.11	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, 1920's - 1930's (mixed).
1	12	2003.13.3.12	Photocopy of item #11.

Town Talk Baseball Collection  
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Series 4, Miscellaneous newspaper clippings

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	13	2003.13.4.1	Newspaper clippings: 1922-1931.