

AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

Manuscript Collections

<p>Name of collection:</p> <p>Worcester Bohemian Society, Records, 1897-1978+</p>	<p>Location:</p> <p>Mss. boxes "W" Octavo volumes "W"</p>
<p>Size of collection:</p> <p>7 mss. boxes; 14 octavo vol.</p>	<p>N.U.C.M.C. number:</p> <p>N.A.</p>
<p>Finding aids:</p> <p>For information on the Worcester Bohemian Society, see Clarence P. Daigneau, <u>Historical Ramblings on Eighty Years of Worcester's Bohemian Club</u> (Worcester: The Bohemians Inc., 1977), under 1977, Box 5. See also, <u>Collected Verses, Poems and Limericks of Early Bohemians</u>, octavo vol. #11. For printed material, see the Society's Worcester Collection.</p>	
<p>Source of collection:</p> <p>On deposit from the Worcester Bohemian Society</p>	
<p>Collection Description:</p> <p>The Worcester Bohemian Society is a social club of business and professional men. Founded in 1897, the club meets monthly at which time lectures are presented on various subjects. Once a year the "Christmas Revels" are presented which include a play that spoofs some aspect of Worcester life. Membership in the society has steadily increased over the years.</p> <p>The Worcester Bohemian Society Records, 1897-1978+, include correspondence, membership lists and applications, bylaws, treasurer's reports, and meeting notifications. There are also programs, scripts of plays, and documents relating to the "Christmas Revels." There is also one folder of newspaper clippings and three record books with minutes of meetings, as well as photographs. Finally, there are seven scrapbooks with miscellaneous documents, especially items pertaining to the "Christmas Revels."</p> <p>See Contents List.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">23 March 1978 rev. 25 May 1983</p>	

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Contents List

Manuscript Boxes:

Box 1 Correspondence, Membership and Business Records, 1897-1973

- Folder 1 Correspondence, 1897-1954, concerning meetings, membership, etc.
- Folder 2 Correspondence, 1955-1965, concerning membership and resignations
- Folder 3 Membership applications, 1955-1972, with brief biographies of applicants
- Folder 4 Membership lists, 1937-1968
- Folder 5 Bylaws, 1942-1973
- Folder 6 Treasurer's reports, 1942-1971
- Folder 7 Leases and legal documents, 1934-1965

Box 2 "Christmas Revels" Records, 1902-1929, and undated

- Folder 1 Undated materials
- Folder 2 Christmas Revels, 1902-1919
- Folder 3 Christmas Revels, 1920-1929

Box 3 "Christmas Revels" Records, 1930-1946

- Folder 1 Christmas Revels, 1930-1937
- Folder 2 Christmas Revels, 1938-1941
- Folder 3 Christmas Revels, 1942-1943
- Folder 4 Christmas Revels, 1944-1946

Box 4 "Christmas Revels" Records, 1947-1959

- Folder 1 Christmas Revels, 1947-1948
- Folder 2 Christmas Revels, 1949-1951
- Folder 3 Christmas Revels, 1952-1955
- Folder 4 Christmas Revels, 1956-1959

Box 5 "Christmas Revels" Records, 1960-1978

- Folder 1 Christmas Revels, 1960-1964
- Folder 2 Christmas Revels, 1965-1969
- Folder 3 Christmas Revels, 1970-1978, including 80th Birthday Program, 1977

Box 6 Meeting Invitations, 1952-1959, and Meeting Notices, 1952-1973. Includes agendas of meetings.

Box 7 Miscellaneous Items and Newspaper Clippings

- Folder 1 Miscellaneous items including biographies, obituaries, and photographs of members, Christmas cards, announcements, etc.
- Folder 2 Newspaper clippings concerning members of the Worcester Bohemians

Octavo Volumes:

- #1-3 Record books, 1897-1957, with minutes of meetings and synopses of speeches
- #4-10 Scrapbooks, 1897-1958, with "Christmas Revels" programs, announcements, and other documents pertaining to meetings
- #11 Collected Verses, Poems and Limericks of Early Bohemians, compiled by Clarence Daigneau, 1977
- #12 Bohemian Revels, 1902 (duplicate in Box 2, Folder 2)
- #13 Bohemian Revels, 1904 (duplicate in Box 2, Folder 2)
- #14 Bohemian Revels, 1906 (duplicate in Box 2, Folder 2)