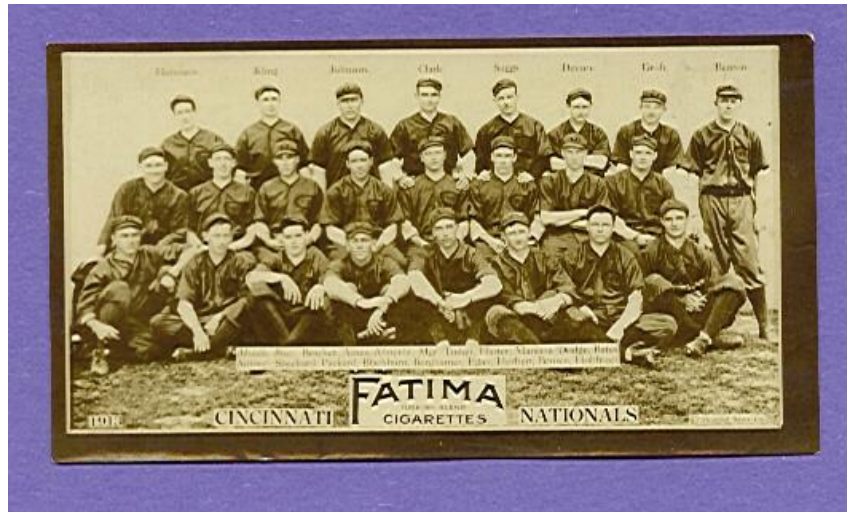


## -- 1913 T-200 Fatima Teams --



**The T200's.....Fatima team cards. A sixteen-card set measuring 2 5/8 by 4 3/4 inches issued in 1913 that depict each team in the majors. A total of 369 players, managers and mascots.... 33 of whom went on to the Hall of Fame.**

**Here's what the hobby guides and references have to say about this set.....**

### **SCD Standard Catalog of Baseball Cards**

Issued by Liggett and Myers Tobacco Co. in 1913 with Fatima brand cigarettes, the T200 set consists of eight National and eight American League team cards. The cards measure 2 5/8 by 4 3/4 inches and are glossy photographs on paper stock. Although it is unknown why, several of the cards are more difficult to obtain than others. The team cards feature 369 different players managers and mascots. The card backs contain an offer for an enlarged copy (13 by 21 inches) of a team card minus the advertising on the front, in exchange for 40 Fatima cigarette coupons. These large T200 premiums are very rare and have a value 12-15 times greater than a common T200 card.

### **Lew Lipset's The Encyclopedia of Baseball Cards - Volume Three**

T200's are the first small baseball tobacco card set listed in the American Card Catalog. Actually they were issued quite late in the tobacco era, 1913. The set shows photographs of all 16 major league teams, and was issued by the American Tobacco Company's Liggett and Myers division. Another similar issue featuring individual players is covered in the T222 article. With all the speculation regarding Honus

Wagner's alleged aversion to being on tobacco cards, the T200 remains the most prevalent tobacco card that Wagner does appear on. Of course, he's with the entire Pittsburgh team.

The "Fatima" brand cards measure 2 5/8" x 4 3/4" and are glossy photographs on a brittle paper. It is not unusual to find great differences in the picture clarity and contrast in cards of the same subject. The back of each card makes a "Special Offer" noting that if you send 40 fatima Cigarette coupons, they will send you an enlarged copy of the team picture of your choice. The team picture that would be received is identical to the small picture with the one exception being the Fatima advertising has been removed. This was apparently an important point as many collectors were offended by the tobacco advertising on the picture and some went so far as to carefully cut the Fatima rectangle out from the card. It is unknown why Burdick chose not to assign an American Card Catalog number to these cards, which are actually large Cabinet photographs, measuring 13" x 21". The actual photo is 11" x 19". The large cards are referred to by collectors as T200 Premiums and are extremely rare and desirable.

T200's show 369 individuals on 16 cards including a few managers and a couple of mascots. No 20th century set pictured more major leaguers until the Topps era. In the lower left-hand corner of each card, a rectangle shows the "1913" date and the lower right shows the credit "C Pictorial News Co." The Cincinnati team includes Leon Ames, Josh Devore and Heinie Groh, all of whom were on the N.Y. Giant roster at the start of the 1913 season. Devore was to go to the Phillies later in the 1913 season. It's obvious that the photos were taken after the 1913 season had started. virtually all the stars of the era are present. Ty Cobb, Joe Jackson, Tris Speaker, Nap Lajoie, Christy Mathewson, Joe Tinker, Honus Wagner, etc. are all shown with their teams. The only big name apparently missing is Gavvy Cravath, the Phillies outfielder who led the league in Home Runs and RBI's and was second in batting, missing a triple crown by 9 points. Also of interest is the inclusion of Jim Thorpe with the New York Giant team.

There are "unknown players" such as a player indicated as Herman on Cincinnati or Inglis shown on the Cubs. Baseball records do not show these individuals and it is assumed an error was made somewhere, but the nature of it is not known. One of the appeals of T200 is the presence of many obscure ballplayers who might not otherwise be on cards. One example is Les Hennessy of Detroit, whose only major league experience was 22 at bats in 1913. Similarly, Everett Booe played sparingly with Pittsburgh in 1913, although Booe did play some in the Federal League in 1914.

It is assumed that T200's were placed in oblong tins with the cigarettes. The brittle paper made them very susceptible to creasing and sometimes staining. Many times

stains are found on the back of the cards and it is assumed that the T200 picture was placed at the top of the tin with the back touching the cigarettes. There was no premium offered for the completion of the 16 T200 pictures so it's not clear why five teams stand out as more difficult to obtain, but that certainly is the case. New York A.L., both St. Louis teams, Detroit and Boston N.L. all are more difficult. The New York A.L. and the Browns are clearly the most difficult. Detroit and the to be "Miracle Braves" are next and the Cardinals follow. It should not be thought that the remaining 11 are equally common. That's not the case. Some cards are unusually common (the Athletics, Red Sox, Giants, Brooklyn, Cleveland and Cincinnati) while others are moderately more difficult (the Cubs and White Sox). There is no T200 Premium more difficult than any other, although the effect of history has created a large demand for the New York Americans card.

## My Collection .....

I acquired my first T200 in April 1998. Over three years later, I picked up the last two at the 2001 National. This is the story of how each was acquired:

**Cincinnati Nationals**.....this is the first one I acquired with the much appreciated help of the Carddude Andy Kimball. It was on eBay and closing while I was going to be out of town in Washington DC. Andy offered to bid on it for me and we talked a couple of times prior to the big moment to plot strategy. It so happened that I was in the map area of the Smithsonian as the auction was about to close and saw some computers available to the public. I jumped on the internet and hit eBay just in time to see that the high bidder was indeed the Carddude!!!! Features.....Heinie Groh and Joe Tinker.....Acquired:4/98; Condition: EX/MT; Cost: \$140

**Boston Americans**... I had my eye on this which was available from Mike Wheat for a few months. I thought it was priced a little high relative to the other I had but eventually broke down. When I got it I still wasn't totally satisfied due to the creasing that I wasn't able to see on the scan that Mike provided. I emailed back and they graciously said they would accept it's return at the National that was coming up in a week. But when I got to the National and saw the prices on T200's I quickly changed my mind. Mike's price was very reasonable ....and my Cincinnati card had been a major bargain!! Features.....Smoky Joe Wood, Harry Hooper, Tris Speaker and Jake Stahl.....Acquired:8/98; Condition: VG; Cost:\$135

**Philadelphia Nationals.....** Got this one at the aforementioned National in Chicago. There were quite a few available from various dealers but the prices were higher than I was expecting to pay. Had to pick up one and made the dealer an offer that I was happy he accepted. Features.....Hans Lobert, Eppa Rixey, Grover Cleveland Alexander and Sherry Magee....Acquired: 8/98 Condition:G; Cost:\$100

**Brooklyn Nationals.....**Got this one from a Solomon Cramer auction. It had the notation "mounted" next to it and later Solomon added info that the photo had been peeled away from it's paper backing. That had me curious because that would be tough to do and still have a front that appeared to be Ex+ as Solomon was indicating. I bid on it assuming it was damaged and was lucky to pick it up. I was even luckier as it turned out. Solomon advised me before sending it that upon further review, it was glued to a second piece of paper that was starting to come off. With the help of a little steam it did in fact and is now my second nicest T200. Features.....Casey Stengel, Jake Daubert and Zack Wheat....Acquired:9/98; Condition:EX+; Cost: \$45

**Washington Americans.....**T200's were starting to appear more and more. A couple on ebay and quite a few in some other auctions. I had my eye on a Senators card in G condition on ebay and used some rare discipline by not bidding beyond a limit I set. Less than 24 hours later another Senators card came available in Solomon Cramer's weekly auction! This was only the second one he had offered in the nine or so months I had know of him. Not only was it in better condition but I got it for \$60 less. Features.....Chick Gandil, Walter Johnson, Clark Griffith....Acquired:11/98; Condition:VG/EX; Cost: \$180

**Philadelphia Americans.....**One of those auctions referred to above was Oregon Trails Sports Collectibles (BTW...their catalog is a great addition to your collection even if you can't, as I can't, afford to bid on much). I had to have one of the six that he had offered so maybe I paid a little more than usual. Oh well. I also picked up a couple of T222 Fatimas!! Features.....Chief Bender, Eddie Collins, Frank Baker, Connie Mack, Eddie Plank, Stuffy McInnes...Acquired:11/98; Condition:EX except for the flaws that make it VG (don't you love the way dealers often advertise conditions!?!; Cost: \$255

### The San Diego Antiquities Find

I had only been monitoring eBay's pre-50's singles for months when I noticed their more general "Sports Memorabilia:Baseball" section and took a look at it. The very first night I did, I found some T200s that were closing in just a couple of days. These cards had been glued to a scrapbook, but since I had such good luck with the Dodgers card I decided to give them a try..... and they cleaned up quite nicely!!

Alas, every story does not have a totally happy ending.....a third page came up with a coveted Detroit Tigers T200 on it along with the NY Giants and another. They were even nicer than the others and I wanted them badly! But to make a long story short enough that I don't start crying, I missed them despite what I thought was a fool-proof plan to get the winning bid in.

**St. Louis Nationals**..... Features.....Miller Huggins....Acquired:11/98; Condition:VG; Cost: \$85

**Chicago Nationals**..... Features.....Johnny Evers, Roger Bresnahan, Ed Reulbach....Acquired:11/98; Condition:VG; Cost: \$75

**Pittsburg Nationals**..... Features.....Honus Wagner....Acquired:11/98; Condition:G o/c; Cost: \$75

**New York Nationals**.....This one appeared to be an amazing bargain on eBay although I didn't have much time to review it before I put a bid in. Upon minimal inspection it became obvious.... the entire bottom was trimmed to remove the Fatima advertising. Still a nice example especially of the common belief that many original owners trimmed the advertising off to improve the aesthetics. Features.....Jim Thorpe, John McGraw, Christy Mathewson, Rube Marquard....Acquired:1/99; Condition:F (trimmed); Cost: \$60

**Detroit Americans**.....Finally got a reasonable Detroit T200. It's quite faded and has some staining on the front and back...but its the Tigers!! Features.....Ty Cobb, Hughie Jennings, Sam Crawford....Acquired:3/99; Condition:G; Cost: \$160

**Cleveland Americans and Chicago Americans**.....Somewhere on eBay sometime; during the summer of 1999. Apart from that I can't remember at this point. Features.....Acquired:7/99; Condition:G; Cost: \$xxx

**Boston Nationals**.....Another eBay pickup. Features.....Rabbit Maranville .Acquired:2/01; Condition:G/VG; Cost: \$330 ouch!

**St. Louis Americans**.....at the 2001 National. A great buy on this hard-to-find card. I don't think the dealer was aware of it's rarity plus there was alot of residue of black scrapbook paper on the back.....Acquired 6/01; Condition P/F; Cost: \$75



**New York Americans**..... the **last card** also at the 2001 National. The toughest card in the set. There were a handful of them at the show but this one was the most reasonable due to some pencil on the back. I should have grabbed it without hesitation..... but for some reason I didn't want to pull the trigger and end my three-



year quest. During the last hour of the show, I decided to pull that trigger....but for a while I couldn't find the dealer's table. Finally, I located it. I was able to knock the dealer's price down by \$50 and it was finished !.....Acquired 6/01; Condition P/F; Cost: \$300

## Related Items ....

# Where are they?

The following players aren't included on a T200, but it would be nice if they had been.....

-  [Herb Pennock](#) - HOF pitcher who got into 14 games with the Philadelphia A's in 1913 as a 19 year old. Had pitched in 17 games the prior season as well. WS record of 5-0 with the Yanks.
- [Bob Shawkey](#) - started 15 games with the World Champ Philadelphia A's and compiled a 2.34 ERA as a 22 year-old rookie. Had 196 wins against only 150 losses in his 15 year career.
- [Slim Love](#) - Yes, he only pitched in 5 games as a 22 year-old rookie in 1913 with the Senators, but he has one of the greatest names in baseball.
- [Billy Southworth](#) - Got into one game as a rookie with Cleveland in 1913 (which was good enough for Dave Gregg). Went on to compile a .297 lifetime average over 13 seasons. Would then go on to a 13 year managerial career with the Cardinals and Braves in which he would win four NL Championships and two World Series.
- [Earl Moseley](#) - started 15 games as a rookie for the Red Sox in 1913. Went to the Federal League in 1914 and led the league with a 1.91 ERA in 1915. Pitched one last season in the majors with the Red in 1916.
- [Wally Rehg](#) - had 101 AB as a rookie with the Red Sox in 1913.
- [Larry Chappell](#) - rookie outfielder for the White Sox who had 208 at-bats. Would bounce around for parts of four more seasons.
- [Babe Borton](#) - rookie 1b for the White Sox who would become a Federal League star.
- [Davy Jones](#) - long-time outfielder with the Cubs and Tigers was with the White Sox in 1913 for 21 AB before moving to the Federal League and finishing his baseball career. Played in 15 WS games for the Tigers in 1907-09.
-  [Edd Roush](#) HOF outfielder who got 10 AB as a 20 year-old rookie with the White Sox in 1913. Skipped to the Feds then returned for 15 more seasons in the NL as one of the best CF of his day. Led the NL in batting twice and compiled a .323 career average.
- [Paddy Baumann](#) - played 50 games at 2b for the Tigers in 1913 and hit .298. Also played in reserve for the Yankees during his seven year career.
- [Frank Gibson](#) - rookie reserve catcher who played one year with the Tigers before making it back to the majors in 1920 with the Braves for seven more years.

- [Pepper Peplowski](#) - great name ..... 4 At-bats.
- [Ray Powell](#) - rookie outfielder who got two AB in 1913 with Detroit then went on to play eight steady seasons with the Braves and lead the NL in triples in 1921
- [Ralph Comstock](#) - starting pitcher for seven games with the Tigers in 1913.
- [Lefty Williams](#) - 20 year old rookie pitcher for the Tigers who went on to infamy with White (Black) Sox.
- [George Boehler](#) - rookie with the Tigers in 1912 and 1913, was a long-time minor league pitcher who got into 63 games over parts of nine season in the majors.
- [Lou North](#) - 20 year-old rookie who pitched in one game for the Tigers in 1913. Went on to pitch nine season, primarily with the Cardinals, as a relief specialist. Led the NL in winning percentage in 1922.
- [Frank Gilhooley](#) - 21 year-old rookie reserve OF who had 85 AB with the Yankees in 1913 and went on to play in a total of nine seasons.
- [George Whiteman](#) - called to the bigs three times in 1907, 1913 and 1918. The last allowed him to play 6 games in the 1918 WS in which he made a game saving catch in the decisive final game.
- [Ralph Young](#) - got into seven games as a SS for the Yankees in 1913. Then went on to play seven seasons with the Tigers and one last with the A's as a starting 2b.
- [Ed Klepfer](#) - got into eight games with the Yanks as a rookie in 1913. Would later go to the White Sox and be included in the trade to acquire Joe Jackson from the Indians. With the Indians was 14-4 in 1917 and led the AL in win-loss percentage.
- [Sam Agnew](#) - starting catcher for the Browns who had 307 AB in 105 games in 1913. Caught for seven seasons in the bigs. Charlie Flanagan probably told him the team pic was on a different day.
-  [Branch Rickey](#) - HOF baseball manager/executive who began his managerial career in 1913 season with the St. Louis Browns.
-  [Bobby Wallace](#) - HOF shortstop with the St. Louis Browns who had 147 AB in 1913 and went on to play in parts of five more seasons.
- [Tilly Walker](#) - Only had 85 AB for the Browns in 1913 but played regularly for 13 seasons from 1911 to 1923. Tied for the AL lead in home runs with Babe Ruth in 1918.
- [Rivington Bisland](#) - Short-stop who hit .118 in parts of three seasons with the Pirates, Browns (1913) and Indians.
- [George Maisel](#) - brother of Fritz Maisel of the Yankees who had 18 AB as a rookie in 1913 with the Browns. Hit .310 as a regular for the Cubs in 1921.
- [Claude Cooper](#) - 21 year-old rookie OF with the NY Giants who, although he only had 30 AB, was granted a full WS share. The next year jumped to the Federal League.
- [Eddie Grant](#) - 30 year old 3b who came over to the Giants from the Reds in 1913 and was used primarily as a pinch-hitter. Had two AB in his only WS that year and finished his career with two seasons as a reserve IF for the Giants. Had been a dependable lead-off hitter for the Phillies early in his career. Was killed in action in WW I.
- [Milt Stock](#) - 19 year-old rookie SS who went on to play 14 seasons with the Giants, Cards, Phils and Dodgers at third. Put up 1,806 hits and a .289 average.
- [Rube Schauer](#) - one of only five native born Russians to play in the majors. Born Dimitri Ivanovich Dimitrihoff.

- [Ferdie Schupp](#) - as a 22 year-old rookie with the Giants he had a 0.75 ERA in five games including one start. Pitched in 10 seasons with the Giants, Cards, Dodgers and White Sox. In 1917 he would win 21 games plus another in the WS and lead the NL in winning percentage.
- [Gavvy Cravath](#) - starting OF for the Phils who led the NL in home runs and RBsin 1913, missing the Triple Crown by .009 in batting average. Would lead in HR a total of six times and in RBI's twice. Managed the Phils to two last place finishes in 1919 and 1920. Probably the 1913 star most missed by lack of a place on a T200.
- [Beals Becker](#) - traded to the Phils by the Reds in 1913 he would finish fifth in batting in the league. The next year would move up to second .004 behind Jake Daubert. Played eight seasons in the majors with five clubs.
- [Happy Finneran](#) - future funeral director
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- [Fred Kommers](#) - starting OF for Pittsburgh
- [George McQuillan](#) -pitcher in 25 games (16 starts) for Pittsburgh
- [George Gibson](#) reserve catcher for Pittsburgh played in 48 games
- [Otis Clymer](#) OF with 105 AB for the Cubs
- [Ed Reulbach](#)
- [Bob Harmon](#) Cards pitched in 42 games
- [Bill Doak](#) - started 12 games for the Cards
- [Guy Zinn](#) - reserve outfielder with 138 AB
- [Tommy Griffith](#) - reserve outfielder with 127 AB
- [Buster Brown](#) - pitched in 2 games for the Braves but you gotta love that name

1913 era Fatima tin

- 1913 Spalding's Official Base Ball Record
- 1914 T222 Fatima players .... Hugh Jennings and Amos Strunk

## Who are they?

The following individuals are included on a T200, however their identity is in question.



- Bailey - Philadelphia AL ..... possibly Bill Bailey a pitcher who played for the Browns in 1912, was idle in 1913 and went to the Federal League in 1914. Or perhaps George Brickley who played in 5 games with the A's in 1913, his only year in the bigs.
- Martin, trainer - Washington AL
- Hinton - Cleveland AL ..... possibly Bill Hinchman who was a light hitting regular for the Indians during 1907-1909 and then tore up the American Association. Eventually made it back to the majors with the Pirates in 1915 where he hit .300 for two seasons before breaking his leg.
- mascot - New York AL ..... perhaps Eddie Bennett a hunch-backed mascot for a number of teams during the era.
- Rodgers - St. Louis AL ..... possibly Bill Rodgers, a 2b who was 26 in 1913 and first played in the majors in 1915, but never played for the Browns. Maybe this is Sam Agnew who was inexplicably absent from the T200.
- mascot - New York NL
- Inglia - Chicago NL
- Ring - Brookly NL
- mascot #1 - - Brookly NL
- mascot #2 - - Brookly NL
- Hermann - Cincinnati NL

## • 1913 : Their Only Year

- The following players played in the majors in 1913, but would never be seen in the majors again.....
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- • [Joe Evers](#) - one game as a pinch runner with the Giants
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- • [Jim Haislip](#) - pitched in one game with the Phillies.
- • [Ray Hartranft](#) - pitched one inning for the Phils.
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- • [Dan Howley](#) - still made it onto a T200 ([Phil. NL](#))
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- • [Doc Imlay](#) - nine games and a 7.24 ERA with he Phillies
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- • [John Merrit](#) - one game in the OF but no at-bats with the Giants.

