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**Overview of the Collection****Repository:** Special Collections & University Archives: Finding Aid Database5500 Campanile Dr. MC 8050 San Diego, CA, 92182-8050 URL: <http://hobbit.sdsu.edu/archon> Email: [scref@rohan.sdsu.edu](mailto:scref@rohan.sdsu.edu) Phone: 619-594-6791 Fax: 619-594-0466**Creator:** United Food and Commercial Workers International Union. Local 135 (San Diego, Calif.)**Title:** United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW), Local 135 Records**Dates:** 1918-1988**Quantity:** 15.00**Abstract:** The United Food and Commercial Workers Local 135 Records consist of membership records, minutes of meetings, financial records, Local 135 publications, and miscellany. The collection is divided into series, and an outline of the collection inventory follows on the next page. The collection is organized with oldest material at the back of the box, newest in the front.**Identification:** MS-0023**Language of Materials:** The records are in: English Spanish; Castilian**Historical Note**

Local 135 dates back to the early part of the 20th century in San Diego. The Butchers Union was in existence and affiliated with the San Diego Federated Trades and Labor Council in 1903, and the Retail Clerks were organized and joined the Council in 1917.

Meat Cutters Local 229 emerged as one of the strongest and most respected unions in the nation under the leadership of the late Max Osslo, who remained a powerful figure on the San Diego labor scene from 1936 until his retirement in 1981. The modern era of the Retail Clerks Union began in 1943, when Samuel Meyers, an international representative, launched a campaign to organize clerks in food stores. Local 1222 received a charter from the Retail Clerks International Association in 1944.

In 1979, the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America merged with the Retail Clerks, and the United Food & Commercial Workers Union was born. The Barbers and Beauticians Union also joined with the UFCW.

Combining the memberships of the Retail Clerks Local 1222, and Meat Cutters Local 229 into UFCW Local 135 in January of 1986, marked the beginning of a new era of cooperation, progress and innovation.

**Scope and Contents**

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**Arrangement of Materials**

I. Member Dues, 1918-1842

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5. North County, 1977-1983

6. Packers Minutes, 1956-1963

7. Salesmen, 1956-1974

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**Index Terms**

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

**Corporate Name:**

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**Genre/Form of Material:**

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Organizational Records

Publications

**Topical Term:**

Butchers -- Labor unions -- California -- San Diego -- Sources

Food industry and trade -- Employees -- Labor unions -- California -- San Diego -- Sources

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**Member Dues**

Box 1	1918-19
Box 1	1920
Box 1	1921
Box 1	1922
Box 1	1923
Box 1	1924
Box 1	1925
Box 1	1926
Box 1	1928
Box 1	1929-30
Box 1	1931-32
Box 1	1933
Box 1	1934
Box 1	1935
Box 1	1936
Box 1	1936
Box 1	1937
Box 2	1937
Box 2	1938 (Butchers)
Box 2	1938 (Grocery Clerks)
Box 2	1939 (Butchers)
Box 3	1939 (Grocery Food Handlers)
Box 3	1937-38 (El Centro 520)
Box 3	1939-42 (El Centro Local 520)

Meeting Minutes

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Local 229 Regular and Special Meeting Minutes

Box 3	1918-February 1923
Box 3	1923-November 1925
Box 3	1925-27
Box 3	1928
Box 3	1929
Box 3	1931-34
Box 3	1935-July 1936
Box 3	1936-May 1937
Box 3	1937-January 1938
Box 3	1938-November 1938
Box 3	March 1938-August 1940
Box 3	November 1938-August 1939
Box 4	March 1938-December 1943 (Jobbers)
Box 4	February 1938-September 1938 (Packers)
Box 4	February 1939-August 1940 (Grocery Clerks)
Box 4	September 1939-December 1942
Box 4	1943, 1944,1945
Box 4	January 1944-November 1952 (Jobbers)
Box 4	December 1952-December 1959 (Jobbers)
Box 4	1946-December 1948
Box 4	1949-December 1951
Box 4	1952-December 1954
Box 5	1955-January 1957
Box 5	1958
Box 5	1959 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1960 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1961 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1962 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1963 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1964 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1965 (includes audit reports)
Box 5	1966
Box 5	1967
Box 5	1968
Box 5	1969
Box 5	1970
Box 5	1971
Box 6	1972
Box 6	1973
Box 6	1974
Box 6	1975
Box 6	1976
Box 6	1977
Box 6	1978
Box 6	1979
Box 6	1980
Box 6	1981
Box 6	1982
Box 6	1983
Box 6	1984

**Meeting Minutes**

**Local 229 Executive Board Minutes**

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**Local 229 Executive Board Minutes**

Box 6	1955-57
Box 6	1958
Box 6	1959
Box 6	1960
Box 6	1961
Box 6	1962
Box 6	1963
Box 6	1964
Box 6	1965
Box 6	1966
Box 6	1967
Box 6	1968
Box 6	1969
Box 6	1970
Box 6	1971
Box 7	1972
Box 7	1973
Box 7	1974
Box 7	1975
Box 7	1976
Box 7	1977
Box 7	1978
Box 7	1979
Box 7	1980
Box 7	1981
Box 7	1982
Box 7	1983
Box 7	1984

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**Fish Butchers Minutes**

1955-60

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**Imperial Valley Local 520 Minutes**

June 1937-November 1941  
January 1960-February 1963  
March 1963-January 1969  
February 1969-March 1976  
April 1976-November 1980 (became June 14, 1979 meeting)  
January 1956-November 1966  
January 1967-November 1974  
December 1974-November 1983  
1984

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**North County Minutes**

Box 7 1977-October 1983

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**Meeting Minutes**

**Packers Minutes**

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Box 8 1956-1963

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**Salesmen Minutes**

Box 8 1956-1963  
Box 8 1964-1970  
Box 8 1971-72,1974

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**Vista Minutes**

Box 8 1956-63  
Box 8 1965-70  
Box 8 1971-76

**Day Books and Financial Ledgers**

Box 8	1918,1919
Box 8	November 1924-May 1926
Box 8	January 1928-December 1928
Box 8	July 1930-December 1930 (includes lists of members in good standing, with addresses, 1931-33)
Box 8	January 1937-October 1937
	January 1937-December 1938
	August 1949-August 1951
	September 1951-July 1953
	May 1955-December 1956
	January 1957-November 1958
	December 1958-September 1960
	October 1960-August 1962
	September 1962-April 1964
	May 1964-January 1966
	February 1966-November 1967
	November 1967-August 1969
	September 1969-April 1971
	May 1971-January 1973
	February 1973-October 1974
	November 1974-August 1976
	September 1976-July 1978
	August 1978-March 1980
	April 1980-December 1981
	January 1982-August 1983
	September 1983-July 1984
	July 1984-January 1986

**Union Forms, Local 229**

Box 9, Folder 1	<b>10 copies Local No.229 Representatio Authorizations forms (completed 1939, 1940)</b>
Box 9, Folder 2	<b>5 copies Local No. 229 Time Cards (completed 1940)</b>
Box 9, Folder 3	<b>1 copy Application for Membership, Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen Local No. 229 (blank)</b>
Box 9, Folder 4	<b>Card: "Spend Your Union-Earned Money at Home for Home-Made Goods--Boost San Diego's Union Made Cigars Bearing This Label." n.d. ca. 1925</b>

**Publications**

Box 9, Folder 5	<b>Retail Worker vol.2 no.13 (November 1975)-v.3 n.12 (December)</b>
Box 9, Folder 6	<b>Retail Worker vol.4 no.1 (January 1977)- vol. 4 no.12 (December 1977)</b>
Box 9, Folder 7	<b>Retail Worker vol.5 no.1 (January 1978)-vol. 7 no.1 (January 1980)</b>
Box 9, Folder 8	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 7 no.2 (February 1980)-vol.7 no.12 (December 1980)</b>
Box 9, Folder 9	<b>The UFC Worker vol.8 no.1 (January 1981)-vol.9 no.5 (May 1982)</b>
Box 9, Folder 10	<b>The UFC Worker vol.9 no.6 (June 1982)- vol.10 no.2 (December 1983)</b>
Box 9, Folder 11	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 11 no.1 (January 1984)-vol. 12 no.11 (December 1985)</b>
Box 9, Folder 12	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 12 no. 12 (January 1986)- vol. 14 no.4 (April 1987)</b>
Box 9, Folder 13	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 14 no.5 (May 1987)-vol. 15 no.9 (September 1988)</b>
Box 9, Folder 14	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 15 no.10 (October 1988)-vol. 16 no.12 (December 1989)</b>
Box 9, Folder 15	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 17 no. 1 (January 1990)- vol. 18 no.12 (December 1991)</b>
Box 9, Folder 16	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 19 no. 1 (January 1992) -vol. 20 no.12 (December 1993)</b>
Box 9, Folder 17	<b>The UFC Worker vol. 21 no.1 (January 1994)- vol. 21 no.12 (December 1994)</b>
Box 9, Folder 18	<b>Local Union newspaper clippings-history</b>
Box 9, Folder 19	<b>Decade of Progress 1937-46</b>
Box 9, Folder 20	<b>UFCW Local 135</b>
Box 9, Folder 21	<b>It doesn't cost...It PAYS to belong to UFCW Local 135...</b>
Box 9, Folder 22	<b>Chiropractic Preferred Provider Directory Brochure</b>

**UFC Workers Newsletters**

Box 9, Folder 23	<b>UFCW 1995</b>
Box 9, Folder 24	<b>UFCW 1996</b>
Box 9, Folder 25	<b>UFCW 1997</b>
Box 9, Folder 26	<b>UFCW 1998</b>
Box 9, Folder 27	<b>UFCW 1999</b>
Box 9, Folder 28	<b>UFCW 2000</b>
Box 9, Folder 29	<b>UFCW Miscellaneous</b>

**Miscellaneous**

- Folder 1 **UFCW Local 229 Resolutions 1938-79**
- Folder 2 **UFCW Annual Award Dinner Honoring Jack Loveall 1982**
- Folder 3 **Correspondence: Max Oslo 1943-49**
- Folder 4 **Photographs: Retail Clerks Union Local 1222 ca. 1940s-1960s**
  - Newspaper Scrapbook**
  - The San Diego Story starring William Green and the American Federation of Labor**
  - Photograph 1**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - 30th Convention-Western Federation of Butchers of California- San Francisco February 2-4, 1953
  - Photograph 2**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - 17th General Convention of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America-Hotel Sherman-Chicago, IL-May 10-15, 1948
  - Photograph 3**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - Business Session State Convention-California State Federation of Labor- Long Beach Municipal Auditorium-September 27-October 2, 1948
  - Photograph 4**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - Western Conference of Butcher-Lafayette Hotel- Long Beach, California Feb 15-16, 1961
  - Photograph 5**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - Conference Dinner
  - Photograph 6**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - 48th Convention- California State Federation of Labor-The Amory-Santa Barbara- October 9-13, 1950
  - Photograph 7**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - National Packinghouse Conference of AMC and BW of N.A.- A.F. of L.- April 27, 1953- Hotel Sherman- Chicago, IL
  - Videotape (VHS)**
    - Scope and Content Note**
    - Stockyards-End of an Era 58:34