TOPPS CO INC Form SC 13G February 13, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No....)

THE TOPPS COMPANY, INC. ______ (Name of Issuer) Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ._____ (Title of Class of Securities) 89078610 ______ (CUSIP Number) December 31, 2000 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement) Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed: [] Rule 13d-1(b) [] Rule 13d-1(c) [x] Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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¹ NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Arthur T. Shorin

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9 2	AGGREGATE	AMOUNT	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON		
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11	PERCENT C	F CLASS	REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9		
(6.9%				
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*				
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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

THE TOPPS COMPANY, INC. (the "Issuer")

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

One Whitehall Street
New York, New York 10004

Items 2(a) Name of Person Filing; Address of Principal

and (b). Business Office:

This statement is filed by Arthur T. Shorin ("Shorin"). The business address of Shorin is One Whitehall Street, New York, New York 10004.

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

United States

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock")

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

89078610

Item 3. Not Applicable

Item 4. Ownership:

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,132,155, shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Shorin as of December 31, 2000.
- (b) Percent of class: 6.9%
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 3,132,155

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- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (iii) Sole power to dispose of or direct the disposition of: 3,132,155
- (iv) Shared power to dispose of or direct the disposition of: -0-
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

Not Applicable. Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf _____ of Another Person: Not Applicable Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being _____ Reported on By the Parent Holding Company: _____ Not Applicable Item 8. Identification and Classification of _____ Members of the Group: _____ Not Applicable Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group: Not Applicable Item 10. Certification: -----_____ Not Applicable

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 13, 2001

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