

SABR Minor League Newsletter

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Joe Overfield

Most of you read about the death of Joe Overfield in the September-October SABR newsletter. Joe was one of our top minor league researchers and he was always willing to help others with their research. We will miss Joe.

1937 Bi-State and Coastal Plain Leagues

Ray Nemecek is compiling averages for the 1937 Bi-State and Coastal Plain Leagues. He needs the following box scores:

Bi-State	Sept. 3	Martinsville	11	South Boston	9
Coastal Plain	May 14	Greenville	8	Snow Hill	9
	May 18	Snow Hill	11	Aydon	6
	May 19	Snow Hill	8	Aydon	4
	May 23	New Bern	0	Snow Hill	12
	May 25	Aydon	5	Snow Hill	3
	May 26	Aydon	7	Snow Hill	9
	May 27	Williamson	3	Snow Hill	7
	May 28	Williamson	8	Snow Hill	6

Kitty League

Kevin McCann is working on a history of the Kitty League. In addition he is compiling averages for the 1903-05 and 1922-24 seasons, as well as redoing the 1935 season. Kevin is experiencing long waits in obtaining newspaper microfilm via the inter-library loan. If you have access to any newspapers in the following cities, please contact Kevin at 283 Murrell Road, Dickson, TN 37055, or stlcards@aol.com:

Bowling Green, KY	1939-41	McLeansboro, IL	1910-11
Cairo, IL	1903-06, 11-14, 22-24, 46-50	Madisonville, KY	1910, 16, 22, 46-55
Central City, KY	1954	Mattoon, IL	1906
Danville, IN	1906	Owensboro, KY	1913-14, 16, 36-42, 46-55
Evansville, IN	1912	Paducah, KY	1906, 10-14, 22-23, 35-42
Fulton, KY	1911, 22-24, 36-42, 46-54	Portageville, MO	1935-36
Harrisburg, IL	1910-11, 13	Princeton, IN	1905
Henderson, KY	1903-04, 10-14, 16	Vincennes, IN	1904-06, 10-11, 13
Jacksonville, IL	1906		

Texas League Official Media Guide and Record Book

The last newsletter carried a writeup on the *Texas League Record Book*. There are two corrections to that writeup. The book lists All Star selections for 1929-36, 48-49, 55 to date. Club attendance is included for 1922 to date.

Twin States League

It was mentioned at the SABR Convention this past summer that someone was working on the stats for the 1911 Twin States League. This Class D league had teams in Bellows Falls, Brattleboro, Keene and Springfield-Charlestown; all near the New Hampshire - Vermont border. Who is this ambitious researcher?

Six Lost Home Runs

There was an article in the last newsletter about a player who hit home runs in six consecutive games and lost every one of them due to one reason or another. This story is really getting around. Three people have called me and one person wrote to Ray Nemeč, each with a different version. One version is that the player hit home runs in six consecutive games and they all counted. Two versions have Bill Bribeck, playing for Bloomington of the 1923 Three I League, hitting the homers. Nemeč checked on Bribeck's eleven home runs for the season. He hit homers in two consecutive games on July 21 and 22. The rest were scattered. Two of the people with this story got their information from a Japanese publication.

"Less Than" Project

As you all know, published minor league averages prior to the 1962 season usually did not include stats for players in less than ten games for batting stats and less than forty-five innings pitched for pitching stats. These cutoffs varied from year-to-year and from league-to-league.

We would like to start a project of compiling these stats for the top minor leagues (AA, IL, PCL, SA, TL). Many well known players, including major leaguers, will have lines added to their career records as a result of this project. We will start the project by taking an inventory of the work that has already been completed. The following are now available:

American Association	1918-34, except 1925 batting (McConnell) 1940-57 (Nemeč)
International League	1940-57 (Nemeč); 1953-61 (Hoie)
Pacific Coast League	1934, 1940-57 (Nemeč); 1953-61 (Hoie)
Southern Association	1940-56 (Nemeč)
Texas League	1940-56 (Nemeč); 1953-61 (Hoie)

Write to Bob McConnell, or e-mail Reed Howard at rhoward@udel.edu, if you have or are aware of any additional "less than" stats.

After the inventory has been completed, we will ask for volunteers to work on the project. In some cases, we will supply alphabetical lists, by team, of "less than" players. In most cases we will supply alphabetical lists, by team, of players who do appear in the averages. The box scores for most of the leagues in question are in *Sporting Life* and/or *The Sporting News*.

Team Rosters

Bob Koehler is compiling year-by-year rosters of the Milwaukee Brewers of the American Association. The roster includes first and last name, nickname when known, other teams played for during season when applicable, fielding positions, games played and batting average. In addition, games pitched and W-L record are listed for pitchers. Bob has completed the 1902 thru 1920 seasons. His sources of information are box scores in *Sporting Life* and the *Milwaukee Sentinel*. This is a great project. We encourage other committee members to take on similar projects for their home town clubs.

General Articles

A number of people have sent articles and clippings relating to the minor leagues. Space does not permit including them in the newsletter. They are listed below. If anyone wishes a copy, write to Bob McConnell, or e-mail Reed Howard.

- 1 Roster of players on Dubuque, Rockford, Davenport and Omaha clubs of the 1879 Northwestern League.
- 2 *Minor League Elevation Database*. Ron Selter has compiled elevations for over 600 minor league cities. In addition, he has calculated the average for the cities in each league operating in 1910, 1925, 1942, 1954 and 1978.
- 3 Article on promotions used to attract fans to Akron Aeros ballpark. Some of them are pretty far out.
- 4 Clippings from several papers on 15 inning no-hitter by Tommy Walker of Dallas-Fort Worth vs Albuquerque - TL in 1971.
- 5 Clippings on scoreless 15 inning game between Dallas and Waco of the Texas League in 1905.
- 6 Article on Joe Cambria from the time he played ball as a boy thru his career as a club owner in 1933.
- 7 Story on Mike Reeder from start of career in the Cubs minor league system to his second career as a school teacher in Minneasota.
- 8 Obituary for Louis Heilbroner, well known statistician.
- 9 *The Canton Crocodiles in the 2000 independent Frontier League*. Mainly about attendance.
- 10 Article on efforts of Eastlake, Ohio to obtain a minor league team.
- 11 List of the 32 changes in farm club affiliations for 2001.
- 12 Article on promotions for the Kane County Cougars of the midwest League.
- 13 Story about Duke Landgraf, Manager, club owner and league organizer. Emphases on activities in Allentoen, PA area.
- 14 Article on Wahconah Park in Pittsfield, MA. Should this 80 year old park be preserved or replaced?
- 15 Pictures of 1896 Lancaster - Atlantic League, 1896 Wahington, PA - Interstate League, 1897 Meriden - Connecticut State League and 1898 Rochester - Eastern League clubs. None of these reproductions are very good. However, players in pictures are identified.
- 16 Story and box score of Ron Necciai's 27 strikeout game.
- 17 *George Nicholson, Nate Moreland and the Integration of the Arizona Minors*. Story of two blacks breaking into the minors.
- 18 Article about Guelph (Ontario) Maple Leafs from 1874 to 1930.
- 19 Article by Bob Bailey on how he went about in researching his history of the Junior World Series.
- 20 *This Place Called Artillery Park*. Story of the ballpark in Wilkes-Barre from its opening in 1925
- 21 *Percy Miller and the Danville Leafs, 1951*. Article on the interfration of baseball in the South.
- 22 Printouts from the *Research in Baseball Index*. There are approximately 75 citations of books and published articles on the minor leagues. Printouts give author, title, document type, topic (s), publication name, copyright date and issue date.
- 23 Article on efforts to bring a team back to Austin, TX after World War II.
- 24 Article on all Texas minor league clubs in 2000.
- 25 Article on Texas semi-pro Texon Baseball Club of the 1920Ös.
- 26 Story on Eddie Rose, long time New Orleans player. This article, as well as the next 8, were written by Art Schott. Naturally, most of them relate to baseball in New Orleans.
- 27 First night game in New Orleans.
- 28 Ted Breitenstein and his 8 years in New Orleans.
- 29 Moxie Manuel pitches doubleheader shutouts.
- 30 Joe Martina pitches 21 innings in doubleheader.
- 31 Story on Cotton Knaupp.
- 32 Larry Gilbert's first game with New Orleans.

- 33 Near riot at 1927 New Orleans game ve Birmingham.
 34 List of minor league clubs that won two or more consecutive league championships.

Additional Candidates for *Minor League Stars: Volume IV*

Bob Bailey submitted an interesting list. It includes all players who played in at least three Junior World Series and/or Dixie Series. The theory is that a player has to be pretty good in order to be on three winners. Several players have been omitted from the following list due to the fact that they were included on a previous list of candidates.

Antonelli, John	Gionfriddo, Art	Mullen, Billy
Atwell, Toby	Gleeson, Jimmy	Nahem, Sam
Ballenger, Pel	Gray, John	Olivo, Chi Chi
Bankhead, Dan	Grob, Connie	Ortiz, Luis
Barrett, Frank	Haas, Bert	Papai, Al
Bell, Herman	Haley, Frank	Phelan, Art
Bergamo, Augie	Hasty, Bob	Phillips, Howie
Berghammer, Marty	Haworth, Homer	Rackley, Marv
Boley, Joe	Heath, Tommy	Rehm, Vic
Brainerd, Fred	Heusser, Ed	Riggs, Lew
Brookens, Ike	High, Andy	Sears, Ziggy
Browne, Pidge	Hughes, Roy	Sheedy, Clayton
Calvo, Jack	Jeffcoat, George	Shilling, Jim
Campbell, Paul	Johns, Gus	Shofner, Frank
Cazen, Walt	Judd, Ralph	Smith, Ira
Cobb, Joe	Lasorda, Tom	Steiner, Ben
Costa, Bill	Locklin, Stu	Styles, Lena
Crimian, Jack	MacKenzie, Ken	Tavener, Rabbitt
Deal, Cot	Mauch, Gene	Walker, Harry
DiPrima, Frank	McAllister, Fred	Walters, Fred
Dorish, Harry	Meeks, Sammy	Warmoth, Cy
Dowie, Bob	Meyer, Bill	Weaver, Jim
Drews, Karl	Mihalic, John	Welaj, Johnny
Edington, Stump	Modica, Pete	Whitaker, Bill
Ewoldt, Art	Moore, Eddie	Wieand, Ted
Faszholtz, Jack	Moore, Possum	Wilkinson, Roy
Florence, Paul	Morgan, Bobby	Wilks, Ted
Frank, Harry	Muffett, Billy	Worthington, Red
Genovese, Chick		
George, Charlie		

Terry O'Neil and Jamie Selko have sent extensive lists of candidates. If the project continues, we will publish these lists in the next newsletter. Reed Howard has prepared a list of players who played at least twelve years in the minors during the Nineteenth Century for further consideration.

First Game No Hitter

Johnny Scroggs played his first game in organized baseball on April 22, 1954, and pitched a no-hit game for Waycross against Thomasville in the Georgia-Florida League. (from Arthur Schott)

Minor League Baseball Stars: Volume IV

The response to this project has been poor. We will give it one more try, and if the interest does not improve, the project will be shelved. Send your lists of (A) candidates for whom you have completed career records; (B) candidates whose records you are currently working on; (C) candidates whose records you plan to work on in the near future. Send the lists to Bob McConnell, 210 West Crest road, Wilmington DE 19803, or on the internet to Reed Howard, at rhoward@udel.edu.

Several members have suggested candidates as follows:

Balcena, Bob	1923 H; 1167 R; 372 2B
Bonner, Frank	19th C, early 20thC; eleven years; .318
Bottenus, Billy	19thC, early 20thC; 15+ years
Carnevale, Danny	long time star player, manager, executive
Cartwright, Ed	19th C.; led league in HR three times
Chapman, Cal	fifteen years; .315
Coates, Jim	1952-70; 142 wins
Cobb, Neal	short career, but hit over .400 in 1954
Coletta, Chris	hit .300 nine times in 1960s-70s
Goff, Bobby	eighteen years, 2105 H
Hines, Henry "Hunky"	19th C, early 20thC; 1867 H; .311
Hoover, Bill "Buster"	19th C; 1416 H; .312; 357 SB
Kennedy, Bill	1939-60; 150+ wins
Kennedy, Mike "Doc"	19thC; fourteen years; .325
Koranda, Jim	fourteen years; 198 HR
Lippert, Lou	19thC, early 20thC; 598 SB
Lopez, Miguel Suarez	fourteen years; .328; 2466 H
McVicker, Clyde "Mattie"	19thC; 1519 H, 1001 R
Morse, Hap	twenty-two years; 2237 H
Motz, Frank	19thC; twelve years; .319; 107+ 3B
Neville, Ed	1942-55; 134 wins
Oh, Sadaharu	great Japanese player
Olsen, Al	pitching star for San Diego in 1940s-50s
O'Neil, George "Mickey"	twenty-five years
Ponce, Tony	1941-58; 171 wins
Scheffler, Ted	19thC; fifteen years; .313; 1452 R; 114+ 3B; 585+ SB
Seybold, "Socks"	19thC, early 20thC; nine years; .322
Shipplett, "Duck"	1955-72; 144 wins; relief star in 1960s
Strauss, Joe	19thC; 1475 H
Taylor, Byron "Jock"	1947-61; 182 wins
Torchia, Tony	thirteen years; 1496 H; .294
Weikart, Frank	19thC, early 20thC; 1670 H; 116 HR
Werrick, Joe	19thC; 102 HR
West, Milt	19thC; twelve years; .309
Wheelock, Bob	19thC; 1168 R

Yankee Outfielders in the Minors

The 1941-42 & 46 Yankee outfield of Joe DiMaggio, Charlie Keller and Tommy Henrich racked up some pretty good numbers in the minors. DiMaggio's career average was .361, Keller's was .357 and Henrich's was .339. Collectively, they hit .353. Based on a 600 AB season they averaged 125 runs, 212 hits and 118 RBIs.

Membership

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Museum of Minor League Baseball

The National Pastime: Museum of Minor League Baseball is collecting biographical information concerning players of the 1900-1935 era. Some of the needed data (first names, height, weight, hometown, birthdate, bats and throws) is contained on preseason rosters in local newspapers. Also, the preseason prognostications contain ballpark and uniform information. The museum would appreciate it if members of the Minor League Committee would photocopy pertinent local information and send it to Dave Chase, The National Pastime: Museum of Minor League Baseball, 8 S. Third; Suite 400, Memphis TN 38103; Fax: 901-527-1642; Tel: 901-722-0207.

Independent Leagues in North Carolina

Two independent leagues operated in North Carolina in the mid-1930's. The Carolina League of 1936-38 was the stronger of the two. This league featured such well known players as Vince Barton, Cliff Bolton, Walter French, Red Mincey, Howie Moss, Hank Oana, Alabama Pitts, Jim Poole, Mule Shirley, Norman Small, Bill Steineke, Eric Tipton and Ed Yount. Averages are available for the 1937 and 1938 seasons. However, averages for the 1936 season are available only thru July 16. Teams in the league in 1936 were Charlotte, Concord, Hickory, Kannapolis, Lexington, Mooresville, Shelby and Valdese. Is anyone interested in compiling the 1936 Carolina League stats?

The Coastal Plain League operated as an independent league from 1934-36. Charlie Keller, Jim Tabor and Eric Tipton played in the league. There are no known averages for any of the three years of operation. Teams in the league were Ayden, Goldsboro, Greenville, Kinston, New Bern, Snow Hill, Tarboro and Williamston. A Raleigh or Greensboro newspaper may have carried box scores. Any volunteers?

Movie Actor Pitches in Minor League Game

Cameron Mitchell appeared in about eighty movies, as well as in three TV shows; The Beachcomber (1960), High Chaparral (1967-71) and The Swiss Family Robinson (1971). Mitchell was the starting pitcher in the second game of a doubleheader on September 1, 1947 for Las Vegas in the Sunset League. He lasted 2/3 of an inning, yielding 6 hits, 3 walks and 11 runs. His teammates helped him along with a few errors. He did manage to strike out one batter.

Gary Fink sent me this story, but he did not say if Cameron's appearance was a publicity gimmick. Earlier in the season, Mitchell had pitched 4 shutout innings in a benefit exhibition game against the Los Angeles Angels.

Texas League Hall of Fame

The Texas League is planning a hall of fame and Tom Kayser, league president, is looking for ideas. He is interested in the criteria used by other leagues in selecting entrants. Also, do you have any suggestions regarding criteria? How about suggestions regarding candidates? Write to Tom at 2442 Facet Oak, San Antonio, TX 78232.

Nineteen Century League Summaries Needed

The Minor League Committee maintains summaries of performance of Nineteenth Century leagues and players where the Committee has been able to collect them from SABR members who have compiled these records. There are a number of leagues for which summaries of performance may have been prepared where the Committee does not have these records. If anyone has summaries of batting and/or pitching performance, which they are willing to share, for any of the following Nineteenth Century leagues please contact Reed Howard at 619 Mt. Lebanon Rd., Wilmington DE 19803, 302-478-1004, or rhoward@udel.edu.

Atlantic League/Asso.	1890, 1898
California League	1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1898, 1899, 1900
Connecticut League	1897, 1898, 1899, 1900
Eastern League	1894, 1898, 1899, 1900
Illinois-Iowa League	1891
International Asso./League	1888, 1889
Interstate League	1896, 1897, 1898, 1899
Montana State League	1900
New York State League	1890, 1898, 1899, 1900
Southern Association	1895
Texas (&Tx-So) League	1889, 1895, 1896, 1898
Tri-State League	1890
Western Association	1895, 1896, 1897
Western League	1886, 1898, 1899

There are a number of other leagues for which we do not have summaries, where it is unlikely that anyone has yet compiled performance. If any Committee members desire information from the league summaries which we do possess please contact Reed Howard.

Minor League Baseball Standings

The above book is advertised in the latest McFarland catalog. This 808 page book was authored by Benjamin Barrett Sumner and sells for \$55. The description in the catalog is as follows, "This comprehensive reference is a complete source of information on the teams and leagues that have comprised minor league baseball in North America. The work contains team names, franchise relocations, major league affiliation and final standings for over 400 separate minor league entities dating from 1883 through 1999."

Is there a committee member who has this book and is willing to write a review of it? Of interest to committee members would be information in the book that is not in *The Encyclopedia of Minor League Baseball*.

The Independent Carolina Baseball League, 1936-1938

This book was published by McFarland and was advertised in the July-August SABR Bulletin. Can someone write a review of this book?

Louisville Diamonds

This 1992 hardbound book was written by Philip Van Borries. The book is mainly about Louisville' s teams in the Nineteenth Century major leagues. However, it does also cover the minor league teams. It can be ordered from Turner Publishing Company, PO Box 3101, 412 Broadway, Paducah, KY 42002. \$34.95 including postage.

Books on the Pacific Coast League

John Spalding has authored and published the following books:

Sacramento Senators and Solons. This 200 page book tells of Sacramento' s pro teams from 1886 to 1976, but concentrates on fifty-three seasons in the PCL. \$22 including postage.

Pacific Coast League Trivia Book. This forty page book is filled with interesting and amusing bits of trivia plus listings of no-hitters, batting, fielding and pitching records, playoffs and much more. \$5.60 including postage.

Pacific Coast League Date Book. Fifty-five seasons of strange, silly and significant situations, 1903-1957. Forty-two pages. \$5.60 including postage.

These books can be ordered from John at PMB #257, 1875 S. Bascom Ave., Campbell, CA 95008. California residents add sales tax of \$1.45 for the Sacramento book and \$0.40 for each of the other two books.

Compilation of League Averages

Davis Barker has compiled the stats for the 1902 Texas League and the 1905 North Texas League.

He is working on a history of the 1902 Texas League season.

Ray Nemeč has completed the 1902 Southern Assn. (published stats in guides full of errors). He is about finished with the 1911 Southern Assn. He is also working on the 1892 Southern League, 1937 Coastal Plain League, 1937 Bi-State League and "less thans" for the 1935 West Dixie and 1941 California Leagues.

Kevin McCann is working on the 1903-05, 22-24 and 1935 Kitty Leagues.

Karl Knickrehm and Gary Fink are working on the "less thans" for the 1947 Sunset League.

Dave Chase is working on the 1911 Northeast Arkansas League.

Jack Dougherty is working on the "less thans" for the 1898 Eastern League.

Bob Richardson has completed the 1903-04 New England Leagues and is working on 1905.

Frank Williams has made revisions to the 1887 Eastern League and has made many interesting notes. He even came up with a new league champ - Bridgeport - and he has the data to back this up.

Carlos Bauer has completed the 1896 San Francisco City League and the 1910-11 California Winter League.

Inter-League Play in 1917

The American Association and the International League planned to end their seasons early in August of 1917. They were then to play an inter-league series starting on August 6 and ending on September 22. Each team was scheduled to play a six game home and away series against each team in the other league.

The American Association backed out of the deal prior to the start of the season, and each league then added forty-four games to their regular schedule.

Recommendation of a Base Ball Crank

"Some kind of arrangement be provided whereby the patrons, especially the ladies, could tell which player is at bat. A large framework might be in view from the grandstand and bleachers, which would contain the names of the players. Opposite their names would be a number, and on the backs of the players' uniforms would be a corresponding number."

Printed in the May 23, 1900 New London, Connecticut *The Day*.

2000 Minor League Season (From *Baseball News*, August 2000)

Austin Kearns had an 8-game hitting streak for the Dayton Dragons (Midwest) in which he hit at least one home run in each of the 8 games (July 17-24). Overall, he batted .720, going 18-for-25 with 10 homers, 20 RBIs and 19 runs. In a 3-game stretch during that time, he was 9-for-9 with 2 doubles and 5 homers...The run of home runs was two short of the all-time Minor League record set by Bob Sanguinett in 1928 with Midland of the West Texas League...Kearns, 20, was the Reds' first round draft pick (7th overall) out of high school in 1998.

Binghamton (Eastern) ran off 15 straight victories, best streak in Minor League baseball this season and just two games short of the all-time Eastern League record of 17 by Scranton in 1943.

Lancaster (California) had an even longer winning streak--if they could only count home games. The JetHawks reeled off 22 straight home victories before falling to Bakersfield on Aug. 9.

Moving around is obviously no problem for St. Louis fieldhand Bud Smith, a 20-year-old lefty in his third pro season. On Aug. 21, he recorded his 15th straight victory, which is tough under any circumstances. This is the way Smith put it together. He won six in a row for Arkansas (Texas) before a quick callup to Memphis (Pacific Coast) where he won his only start. He then returned to Arkansas for another five in a row before a return to Memphis for four more wins.

Minor League Player Deaths through September 23, 2000 - Issue #3

Player	Debut	DOD	POD	Informant
Allen, William G. (Dub)	1946	7/22/00	Nashville, TN	Al Quimby/Bill Carle
Andrews, Robert W. (Zeke)	1946	5/12/00	Texas	Rich Bozzone
Askew, James L.	1938	8/17/98	Medford, OR	Davis Barker
Beard, William E. (Bill)	1939	9/15/00	Salem, OR	Jim Price
Belz, James L.	1949	9/7/00	Springfield, IL	John Royster
Burgess, Joseph W.	1950	4/20/00	Robertsdale, AL	Bill Plott
Capps, William T.	1937	7/31/00	Fort Worth, TX	Bob Bailey
Currie, Woodrow J. (Jim)	1938	12/29/99	Ranton Twp, NJ	Davis Barker
Davenport, John J.	1942	7/6/00	Birmingham, AL	John Hall
Finucane, Clare J.	1938	7/26/00	Arlington Heights, IL	Tony Szabelski
Fortin, Joseph L.	1942	6/5/00	Pampa, TX	Tony Szabelski
Harris, Sylvester (Les)	1947	6/17/00	St. Louis, MO	John Hall
Heller, Harry	1940	5/15/00	Glenview, IL	Bob McConnell
Johnson, Allan E.	1935	6/18/00	Menomonee Falls, WI	Bill Carle
Joshua, Joe C.	1951	10/10/98	Los Angeles, CA	Davis Barker
Kerr, Frank	1939	4/28/00	San Diego, CA	Dick Beverage
Khederian, Oscar	1946	8/16/00	Rowley, MA	Bill Carle
Kohout, Robert W.	1941	6/24/96	Tulsa, OK	Vern Kohout (bro.)
Mediamolle, Frank Henry	1940	8/11/00	Algiers, LA	Art Schott
Muffoletto, Joseph A.	1941	6/14/00	Gary, IN	Bill Carle
Owen, Marion R.	1942	2/25/00	Sunbury, PA	Bill Carle
Parker, Roy	1946	3/19/98	Lubbock, TX	Tony Szabelski
Pemberton, Clifford E.	1941	9/4/00	Ardmore, OK	Royse Parr
Pickens, James E. (Jim)	1951	6/12/00	Bowling Green, KY	Dick Clark
Plate, William H.	1947	8/15/94	Spring Garden Twp, PA	Rich Topp
Pollack, John J.	1939	6/25/00	Jamestown, NY	Bill Carle
Rapps, William H.	1903	4/20/65	Iola, KS	Linda Rapps
Regelsky, Adolph J.	1945	8/9/93	Dallas, TX	Tony Szabelski
Rosson, Eulis F.	1946	7/26/00	Lamesa, TX	Tony Szabelski
Santiago, Pedro R.	1948	4/26/00	Albuquerque, NM	Tony Szabelski
Siragusa, Reano P. (Noddy)	1934	6/21/00	New Orleans, LA	Art Schott
Summers, Lloyd H.	1933	11/15/92	Pampa, TX	Tony Szabelski
Vanek, Ollie C.	1930	6/29/00	St. Louis, MO	Rich Topp
Wiseman, Irvin C.	1937	2/27/97	Lubbock, TX	Davis Barker

Hit Safely in Sixty-Nine Consecutive Games

Joe Wilhoit of Wichita in the Western League hit safely in sixty-nine consecutive games in 1919. He led the league in batting average with a .422 mark. (from Arthur Schott)

Andy Coakley

Andy Coakley came out of Holy Cross College in 1902 to pitch for Connie Mack's As. After the 1906 season, he went to Cincinnati and then Chicago in the National League, where he pitched thru 1909. He pitched in two games for the Yankees in 1911. Coakley's only minor league record published in the guides starts with Jersey City - IL in 1914, Asbury Park - Atlantic League in 1915 and the Inter-State League (no team listed) in 1917. Can you fill in the blanks in his minor league record? If so write to Norman Macht, 226 South Washington St., Easton MD 21601.

Unassisted Triple Plays

Many years ago, Art Schott and George Leonard, a sportswriter for the Nashville Banner, worked on a list of unassisted triple plays in the top minor leagues (AA, IL, PCL, SA, TL). Art would like to revive this project. With the many people now researching the minors, we should be able to add many players to this list. Contact Art Schott at 459 Jewel Street, New Orleans, LA 70124. The known UTPs are as follows:

Aug. 18, 1902	Harry O'Hagan	1B	Rochester-IL
June 21, 1905	Larry Schlafly	2B	Portland-PCL
July 19, 1911	Walter Carlisle	CF	Vernon-PCL
May 9, 1912	Roy Akin	3B	Waco-TL
Sept. 4, 1912	Bill Rapps	1B	Portland-PCL
July 20, 1916	Bill Rodgers	2B	Portland-PCL
Aug. 8, 1916	Henry Knaupp	2B	New Orleans-SA
Aug. 31, 1920	Walter Keating	SS	Baltimore-IL
July 4, 1921	Henry Sand	SS	Salt Lake City-PCL
Aug. 6, 1922	Charles Pechous	SS	Columbus-AA
May 6, 1927	Ed Hock	SS	Houston-TL
Sept. 21, 1930	Bill Rhiel	2B	Portland-PCL

You will note that Portland is on the list four times. Someone there was keeping good records.

Extra Base Hit Leaders

John Benesch, 75 Phaeton Drive, Penfield, NY 14526 is seeking the 2B, 3B, & HR leaders for the following leagues:

Atlantic Association	1890
California League	1902
Eastern League	1916
International League	1888
Inter-State League	1895-96
New England League	1905-06, 19
New York State League	1897-99, 1901-02, 04-11, 13-17
Pennsylvania State League	1892, 95
South Texas League	1903, 05
Southern League	1892
Texas League	1888, 97, 1903-04, 06-07
Western League	1900
Western Association	1893

Access to Connecticut Newspapers

Mike Dempsey sent some followup information regarding the Connecticut newspapers to which he has access. The University of Connecticut is about an hour's drive for Mike and they have a very good microfilm collection of Connecticut newspapers. Don't expect much from the Norwich Library. The New London Library has an excellent collection of the *New London Day*.

25 Greatest Minor League Teams

An advertisement for this book appeared in the classifieds of several SABR Bulletins. I wrote to the author requesting a description of the book, but have not received a reply.