BY DELAYS OF TWO KEY CITIES

Montgomery and Columbus Seek Backing of Major Clubs Before Entering; Other Six Towns Ready to Go



outheastern League doctors will go into confer-ence at Pensacola, Fla., Sunday, March 3, for the fifth and final examination of the patient that has been suffering since May, 1932, with sleeping sickness, and in all probability will come

out with a revived and healthy circuit. Progress has been retarded somewhat because the two key cities-Columbus, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala,—want sustenance served up in large doses by

Promised support from Branch Rickey of the St. Louis Cardinals for Montgomery has not materialized, but Roy Williams, president of the Southeastern League, has been advised that the Redbird front office is still been caused by failure of agreement on terms between Cramton Bowl trustees, oppendable entry in the old Southeastern, is aloof to the civic pride angle and home ownership plan for baseball. The Foxes are looking with hungry eyes toward the pursestrings in the hands of Brooklyn officials.

set-up are Anniston, Gadsden, Salem, Mobile and Montgomery, Ala.; Columbus and Macon, Ga., and Pensacola, Fla. Anniston and Gadsden were former red-hot competitors in the Georgia-Alabama League, Class D, while Mobile had Class A ball for years

in the Southern Association. Selma were original members of the old Southeastern, and Macon was a member of this organization, which started out on a Prior to this bad start, the Southeastern fell for him hook, line and sinker. enjoyed five prosperous seasons and dozens of crack players were developed for the International, Southern, American Association

The Southeastern is headed by an energetic, enthusiastic leader in Roy Williams of Macon. Baseball is his hobby and his keen business judgment and knowledge of the game equip him ideally to run a cir-

Rickey Expected to Attend Meeting. League officials believe Branch Rickey will attend the final organization meeting of the Southeastern in the event he does not conclude his arrangements with Mont- and the writers. gomery by that time. The Capital City has an ideal ball park, equipped with lights, and is located in the center of the league with a tremendous drawing territory. Close to 110,000 fans paid their way into Cramton seen." Bowl during the 1929 season and the attendance neared the 100,000 mark during one other year of Montgomery's membership in

the old Southeastern. Kid Elberfeld, one of baseball's most colorful figures, has been signed by the Gadsden club. Elberfeld's experience and his ability to lead a team most likely will enable the Gadsden interests to operate Hardly Lasts Past Opening Day their club at a profit. The natural rivalry with Anniston, only 26 miles away, also will help to pack the park when these rivals

Milton Stock, the old maestro, is working with Larry MacPhall in the interests at Mobile. Stock will manage the team and his help will come from Cincinnati's baseball schools and other Redleg holdings. Selma is probably the richest of the small towns in the proposed league—in experience heard the end: "Don is the nearest thing team average of the 16 big league clubs. and enthusiasm, anyway. Maurice I. Bloch to Tris Speaker I ever have seen on the That's why the baseball world then knew had the good fortune to sell a gang of ball field." Zinn Beck's boys from the great championship team of 1931. That dough is still available for baseball in Selma.

Joe Engel, the Chattanooga showman, hasn't said so, but his tie-up with Selma may mean that he will release his veteran scout, Zinn Beck, and send him down to manage the Cloverleafs again. Selma fans would like that. Beck's 1931 Selma team was one of the greatest Class B combinations in the history of baseball. Look up the records if you don't believe it.

The population of the eight towns in the Selma, Gadsden, Columbus and Anniston, the smallest four towns, have only 125,000. Yet, these four towns will draw better than three years and then suddenly lose it. their population, a bit unusual, but true. The little fellows will certainly do their

The St. Louis Cardinals will play an exhibition game on April 3 in Ozark, Ala., member of the Dixle Amateur League, who served as president.



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COMPLETION OF CIRCUIT SET BACK PItchers Frequently MAJOR FADE-OUTS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE ROOKIE FAD Assist in Failures by Finding Weaknesses

> Many Seasoned Players Have Faded Out Like the Rawest Rookie When Confidence Failed; Kress, Whitney and Hurst Recent Examples

> > By FREDERICK G. LIEB

ITHIN another week, the crack of the busy bat will ring in training camps scattered from the East Coast of Florida to Catalina, the magic isle off the mainland of Southern California. Unknowns from Keckuk, Peoria and Watkins Glen will stand up to the plate against the pitching of a Hubbell, Harder or Dizzy Dean and with ringing clouts bash their

offerings to all corners of the semi-tropical

The impetuous young baseball writer will dash to his portable and employing the adjectives of a moving picture press agent, he will regale his readers back home with stories of how the greatest young hitter Pittsburgh was said to be interested some since Ty Cobb has made his appearance in the baseball firmament. Sometimes he is right. Ever so often a Gehrig, Foxx or a Trosky makes his appearance in a training camp. More often he is wrong. Baseball managers and veteran writers always are leary of the spring morning glories. They would rather see the youngsters in whom they are interested come along grad-

Of course, even the wise ones are fooled. In his Jacksonville training camp of 192 Miller Huggins had a young outfielder by the name of Frank Gleich. He came from shoestring in 1932, and collapsed barefooted. the old Michigan-Ontario League and Miller

It was an interesting camp. Babe Ruth was making his first appearance as a Yankee, and Huggins had two other talented rookies who later won distinction, Bob Meusel and Rip Collins, the Texas pitcher, Lefty O'Doul, as flashy a kid as ever appeared in a training camp, was starting his second season with the club as a pitcher. The apple of Miller's eye, nevertheless, cuit that will prosper and serve baseball was Gleich. In the years after 1920 that admirably-if the "loose ends" can be tied I accompanied Miller over the training trails. I never recall him getting so steamed up over a young player. The odd thing about Gleich was that most of the scribes couldn't see him. There was a lot of kidding about Gleich's ability between Huggins "All right, laugh, smart guys," Miller

would say. "Gleich has everything, In two years, I'll show you one of the greatest hitting outfielders New York ever has Miller opened the season with Gleich in

right field. He played several hitless games and was benched. He stuck that year as a substitute, was farmed out the next and after the Yanks let him go he never got any higher than Class B.

"Nearest Thing to Speaker"

TITE HAD a somewhat similar experi-Evening Sun, and then an experienced baseball writer. Bill Donovan was manager of the Yanks at the time and we had a young outfielder by the name of Don Brown. He could hit in Macon and was out an average of .355. In the league seafast and a showy kid in the outfield. Trum- son, Rohe hit .258 in 74 games. The Sox bull wrote one line of which he never in that season hit .228, the second lowest

Shortly after that Don blew up with a Following his wonderful World's Series dull thud. He stuck until we got back to hitting, Comiskey and Fielder Jones de-New York, but not long thereafter. For cided they had to make a place for such years our nickname for Trumbull

"Don Brown." In justice to Walter, I will say that emerged with a .213 average for 144 games. Brown fooled another pretty smart base- | That was even lower than the team averball man. In fact, they don't come any age, so George was shunted to the minors. smarter. Connie Mack gave Don another | There were other flashes of that period. trial several years after the Yanks turned Nig Clarke, the Cleveland catcher, who him loose. Brown had one mediocre sea- hit .358 in 1906 and two years later was son with Connie and then faded out. One training season doesn't make a hit- part in Clyde Sukeforth, former Red and Southeastern is more than 400,000. And ter. Neither does one league season. In Brooklyn catcher. Clyde jumped his batfact, there are numerous incidents of play- ting average from .132 in 1928 to .354 in

The St. Louis Browns have had more | melted away in successive years, .284, .256, than their share of such players. Remem- | .234, .056. ber George Stone and the furore he kicked! Cincinnati fans can recall when they up among the Mound City fans of a genera- | had visions of Hughie Critz, the crack little tion back by leading the American League second baseman, being a second Willie in hitting in 1906 with an average of .358? Keeler. With two Minneapolis averages of which was organized and operated with That was hitting in that period. It was 327 and 328 behind him, Hughie hit 322 great success for two years by the writer, George's first .300 average in the majors. in 1924, his first season with the Reds. He He was still good the next year, but fell seemed to have that important Keeler knack off 38 points to .320. The next year he was of "hitting 'em where they sint." But after down to .281 and two years later he was 1924, they apparently played Hughie bet-

> batting champion. In 64 games, Dode rap- | And, then, for some odd reason, they lose ped out an average of .341, which was 17 it. Take such recent examples as Art Shires, points higher than Cobb's official league- Smead Jolley, Ralph Kress, Don Hurst, leading mark Jimmy McAleer, manager Dale Alexander, and Adam Comorosky. All of the Browns at that period, then tried an should have been splendid hitters in the big experiment which Ed Barrow later success- leagues for a span of at least ten years. fully tried in Boston with Babe Ruth. Jimfor a .341 hitter in his regular line-up. So owner, liked him and would have kept him Dode was mustered in as a first baseman. on his club as an attraction if Art's batting However, once the Texan was given regu- had not collapsed. Shires made quite a lar work, the batting average started to commotion when he first came up to the melt away. It dropped to .250 and then to White Sox in 1928. He talked big, but ac-.230 and soon, Dode, the 1908 batting flash, companied his talk with a batting average was back in the Texas League. Harry Niles and Albert Schweitzer were share of escapades, but averages of .312

period who had brief spells of glory as hit- at the plate.

strong defensive outfielder. He came along rather slowly as a hitter and then one season he seemed to get the real batting knack. He was up with the big batters.

But the knack again eluded him and he fell back to the .230-.240 grade of hitters. Schweitzer was a one-year sensation. He hit .291 in 1908, the year the American League had only three .300-hitting regulars, The next two seasons Schweitzer tried to regain the secret he had lost and St. Louis wondered how Al ever had hit his .291.

ball player, as he was very fast and a

Rohe, a World's Series Hero, Couldn't Stick as Regular

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TOMORROW!

ALKING of brief batting sensations of that period, we mustn't overlook George Rohe, the star of the 1906 World's Series, the one in which the White Sox won a surprising victory from the Cubs, winners of 116 National League games, in the all-Chicago World Series. An injury to George Davis, great shortstop of the ence several years earlier with Walter | Chicago Americans of that day, put Rohe Trumbull, formerly of the New York | into the series at third base, Lee Tannehill moving over to short. Triples by Rohe in the first and third games won pitching duels for the Sox; he carried his hitting through to the end of the series, whacking them as the "Hitless Wonders."

was a hitter on their regular line-up. Rohe played all through 1907 at third base, but down to .241. Nig had a modern counterers who show hitting skill for two or 1929, the biggest one-year gain of which I have any recollection. Then the average

ter, as he never hit .300 again and in rethe pitching pinch-hitter. In 1908, Dode, a However, there are different types of brawny Texan, got himself considerable batting failures, men who apparently have renown by finishing ahead of Ty Cobb, at the batting knack, the heft and the natural that time the perennial American League swing to remain great hitters for years.

Shires, of course, was a hard man to

Blue Ridge to Operate

Ridge League is to return to Organized Ball on a six-day basis. This was decided at a meeting in Hagerstown last week after a previous vote had indicated the plan was to be abandoned. Frederick, the lone hold-out for amateu: ball, finally fell in line. Frank Colley of Hagerstown will serve as president of the league. Chambersburg, Martinsburg, Fred-

erick and Hagerstown have indicated their willingness to operate and it is believed that Waynesboro and Cumberland will enter to make it a six-club circuit. A salary limit of \$700 a month for

14 players, including the manager, was fixed by the Class D league, Major league clubs will be limited to five players they may send to the clubs they sponsor. Thirteen rookie players without previous experience must be carried and the one class man must be the manager. The clubs will operate as commu-

and officers, although all of them,

except Hagerstown, will be sponsored

by others of higher classification.

ment for his transgressions and had a big season. So Fuchs brought him back into the majors with the Braves. The Judge thought "What-a-Man" Shires and Al Spohrer, whom Shires had met in the ring, would be quite an attraction on the same club. However, What-a-Man hit only .238 for Fuchs in 80 games in 1932 and had to be sent back.

Jolley Started Out Strong

But Couldn't Keep Pace TOLLEY was a poor fielder and had to do a lot of hitting to cover up his slow ground-work. Just before Smead came east he had two batting years of .404 and .387 with San Francisco. He started with .313 and .300 with the White Sox. Traded to Boston, he dropped to .280 in 1933, which wasn't enough to keep a player with no greater fielding ability in the ma-

Kress looked like one of the greatest shortstops since Wagner when he first came up with the Browns in 1928. It would make Phil Ball's heirs sick if they knew the offer Miller Huggins made for Kress after his ting over his head. Two years later he merchants to close up shop on the after- are in the market for the young outfielder first season. Broad-shouldered, with a nat- struck a more normal level with .256 in noon of April 16. ural right-handed swing, Ralph looked like 112 games. Yet the quick up and down George Buchanan, young southpaw hurler, class are keeping it a closely-guarded secret. a man who would star for years. However, must have had some effect on the player's scheduled to report at Meridian. expects It is certain that nothing will happen une lost his skill as an infielder and after psychology and affected his play. In the to come through from the west coast with three .300 averages, his batting petered back of his consciousness was the knowl- Bobby Allaire. The two went to school toaway. He wasn't even a good substitute edge of a 222-point gain in one year. He gether in California. Buchanan last year

Five years ago, Comorosky had all the earmarks of a National League batting ace. In his first two seasons as a regular with the Pirates he hit .321 and .313. Hé was fast and had good batting form. A great career apparently was ahead for the Pole from the Pennsylvania mines. Then, withmy decided it was necessary to find a place handle. Yet I know Judge Fuchs, Brave out warning, he toppled to .243 in 1931. He has never been more than a mediocre play- He used to call Bill Terry a "made ball er since. Traded to the Reds a year ago, he was another of Crosley's disappointments with a .260 batting average.

Whitney of the Braves is another player who has mislaid his punch in recent years. of .341. The next two years he got into his He was a sensation in his first three seasons with the Phillies, going as high as .342 another pair of Brownies of the McAleer and .300 showed he had not lost his skill in 1930. Traded to Boston in 1933, he seemed lost in the broader acres of Braves Field. ting sensations. Niles really was a good | He was with Milwaukee in 1931 as punish | His two averages as a Bean Boy have been

lapse in recent years was that of Don size. The weight and bulk just came as If this notion has been driven deeply Hurst, former Philly first base star, who failed so ignominiously after being traded to the Cubs for young Camilli last season. Hurst always had been a hitter, going back to his early years in the Cardinal chain sys- | Mark Koenig, shortstop for Huggins' great tem. He had hit well with the Phillies, and Yankee clubs of 1926, 1927 and 1928, was reached his top in 1932, when he cracked out an average of .339, hit 24 homers and led | The fact that he did not try to hide this his league in runs batted in with 143. Hurst was a hold-out the next spring and occulists he could find on the Coast made | chased from Beaumont; Clyde Hatter, from

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threatened to go to the movies if Gerry his return to the big leagues possible. Nugent didn't come across. Perhaps i would have been better if Don had made good his threat to go to movieland and retired on his 1932 laurels. Since then, it has been sad. He slumped to a .267 average in 1933, but the real smash-up in his batting average came last season. He wound up with a .228 average for 91 games and a meager 33 runs batted in. After a poor start, he Phillies traded him to the Cubs, where it was believed the chance to play on a contender and possible champion would spur Hurst to his old deeds. But, with a chance of succeeding Grimm as the club's regular first baseman, he fell down ignobly and was sent to the minors.

If Youngster Has Weakness Pitchers Soon Find It Out

TIT HAT is the reason for a player losing his batting form? It is a difficult Ty question to answer. In the cases of ski, catchers. the spring flashes or the one-year sensations, it is easy. It takes pitchers a while to find the young hitter's weakness. But once the news travels around the grapevine of the dugouts, it soon is common knowledge. Pitchers learn a certain youngster is a sucker for a curve or a ball between the owner and the player. He ad-

just above his knees. Then the case becomes psychological. The pitcher pitches he's interested in, and that once a player with more and more confidence, while the is under contract, he expects him to give confidence which the young hitter brought the team 100 per cent service. into the league rapidly is dissipated. Then I believe the law of averages has been doing a bit of missionary work here went to Miami for a vacation before prosomething to do with it. I mentioned the the past few days, which has created a case of Sukeforth. No doubt when he hit great deal of early interest. The two offi- hand when the first of the batterymen ar-.132 in 33 games in 1928 he must have hit cials have been luncheon or dinner guests rive. Rowe is expected to be among them, a lot of balls hard which went on a line of the Exchange, Kiwanis, Lions, Elks and to fielders, or his manager would not have Rotary clubs. At all of these gatherings, the salary differences between the Schoolheld on to him or employed him in 33 the new manager discussed his team, while boy and his employer will be settled withgames. The next year the law of averages | Shank reiterated his intention of provid- out prolonged argument. worked for him overtime. Admitting the ing Toledo with high-class ball. boy had made progress, it wasn't in the Permission has been granted for the stagcards for him to hit .354 in 84 games. He ing of an opening-day parade, and the ald Walker to some other club in the backmust have had many breaks and was hit- mayor is doing his part to encourage local ground. Rumors persist that the Yankees

last season and finished with an average could go down as fast. However, it was a was prominent in semi-pro ball and pitched hunting accident, impairing sight in one eye, several games for the Hollywood Stars towhich wiped out Sukeforth's average en- ward the close of the season. tirely in 1933.

> I have heard both of those master strategists, now deceased, John McGraw and Miller Huggins, remark that you cannot make a hitter. McGraw held you could teach a man how to field, run bases, even to the clubs. . . . Only five of the first group his peace with Mickey. pitch, but batting had to be born in him. player." Terry was his creation, inasmuch as he took Bill when the Memphibian was an industrial league pitcher and outfielder, and developed him into one of the National League's foremost first basemen. But he developed Terry into a first baseman because he recognized that Bill had the real hitting instinct within him.

Yet, I believe two of McGraw's stars became hitters due to their own application and the encouragement and advice of their managers. They were Dave Bancroft and George Burns. Banny's highest minor league average was .277. He broke in with the Phillies in 1915 and hit .254 on Pat Moran's championship team of that year. The next year the pitchers got on to Dave's weakness and he dropped to .212. From then on his yearly average showed the most amazing and uninterrupted gains of any player I know. In successive years his averages were: .212, .243, .265, .272, .299,

George Burns had New York State League averages of .251, .241 and 289 when he joined the Giants. He had broken in as a catcher. Surely, those averages had little to recommend him. However, he hit .294 in his first year as a regular for McGraw and became one of the greatest lead-off men and outfielders in the game. Perhaps the outstanding case of a made hitter was Clyde Milan, Washington's great center fielder of two decades back. Credit belongs to Jimmy McAleer and Clark Griffith, who followed him in Washington. Milan hit .239 in 1908, his first year as a regular, and an even .200 in 1909. It took 7 a lot of patience to string along with a .200-hitting outfield regular, even in the low hitting era of 1909. But Zeb got going in 1910, jumping to .272 and in 1911 it was .315. After that he never wandered far from the If some players show the steady improve-

ment of Bancroft, Burns and Milan, perhaps it is natural to expect others to retrograde. All men are not constituted the same way. Some thrive in difficulties and others are broken by the same obstacles. So it probably is with hitters. Some have the tenacious nature which will enable .954 them to down every obstacle. Others may .943 not be able to take it when days go by with nothing but zeros in the base-hit column. "It's all a player's disposition," Miller Huggins used to say.

With some players, sudden batting slumps .943 may be due to physical conditions. Perhaps

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All Mud Hen contracts were put in the

mail late last week. President Shank had

been marking time until the arrival of Man-

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FRANK L. CARROLL, JR.

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TOLEDO. O .- The first contingent of the

ETROIT, Mich.—By the first of next week the advance squad of Tigers will be in training for the pennant fight they hope will be as successful as the last one. Pitchers and catchers are to report at Lakeland, March 3. Some of them, notably Elden Auker and Elon Hogsett, already are

n Florida, and the rest will proceed from their homes in various parts of the counlry. The only one leaving from Detroit is Frankie Reiber, the recruit backstop, who has been spending the winter at Battle Luke Hamlin, the lean pitcher, was to have departed along with Reiber, Arthur

Sheahan, road secretary, and Aloysius Je-

rome Egan, veteran scout, but has been

delayed by an automobile wreck. While

driving about his home town of East Lansing a few days ago, Hamlin lost control of his car and it crashed into a tree on the Michigan State College campus, Luke's left arm was fractured in two places and doctors said that he would be two or three weeks late in getting down to work, Fortunately for Hamlin, his pitching arm was undamaged. His injury means that the other candidates for the staff will get the jump on him. This, however, will be no new experience for Hamlin. Last spring he was taken ill with fever at Lakeland and was not ready to pitch until almost midseason. By that time the Tiger hurling corps was well organized and Luke had no chance to win a regular place. His service

was largely in relief roles, though we recall that on his twenty-eighth birthday, July 3, Mickey Cochrane elected him to start gainst the Indians and Hamlin celebrated with an impressive victory in the Cleve-May Have Bad Psychological Effect. With 13 other pitchers on the roster, the

Pigers are in position to get along without Hamlin until he fully recovers and works nimself into shape. The chief effect of his absence, if any, will be psychological. Already some of the fans are wondering whether the accident presages a run of ill luck to the Detroit team. All winter, certain critics have been harping upon the freedom from mishap that helped the Tigers to the chamure, after a great promise, is attributed to pionship last year and insisting that it is No doubt the worst case of a batting col- the fact that he became too heavy for his not in the cards for such luck to endure enough into the minds of the players, the injury to the gangling right-hander will be anything but a mental tonio.

When Cochrane, already in Lakeland, heard about Hamlin's trouble, he said it meant that the younger pitchers would be watched more closely. He was referring to Joe Sullivan, the southpaw, who is coming up from Hollywood; Jake Wade, pur-Louisville; Izzy Goldstein, back for another trial, and Steve Larkin, recalled from Beau-

Since last October, Cochrane has believed that at least one of the five will win a Detroit berth. Now, there is a better chance that two will land on the payroll, at least temporarily. Sullivan brings the best record and is accounted by the scouts and other Mud Hens' 1935 squad has been ordered to observers as the most likely prospect.

Cochrane intends to give the newcomers a chance in the early exhibition games that made by Manager Fred Haney shortly after | start on March 16, when Jimmy Wilson takes his Philadelphia Nationals to Lakeland, The Detroit manager has full knowledge of the and three catchers. The other players will capabilities of veterans like Fred Marberry, Schoolboy Rowe, Tommy Bridges and Vic Sorrell, but he has never laid an eye upon Sullivan, Wade or Hatter and has no first-hand knowledge of the development of Goldstein and Larkin after they left

here last summer. Four Benefit From Advance Work. Marberry and Bridges have gained a running start on the rest of the staff by going to Hot Springs for some preliminary boiling out and hill climbing. Auker and Elon Hogsett also promise to report in better than average shape, as a result of weeks spent in the Florida sunshine.

There have been no developments in the case of Schoolboy Rowe, whose contract difficulties remain unsettled, Frank J. Navin, who headed for Florida a week ago, did not go directly to Lakeland to confer President Shank and Manager Haney have with Cochrane, as announced. Instead, he ceeding to the Tiger camp. He will be on and there is every reason to believe that Navin's delay in reaching Lakeland like-

wise has kept the reported transfer of Gerbut, if any progress has been made, offi-

Walker, meanwhile, apparently intends to be in physical condition to give his best efforts to whatever club gets his services. He has been wintering in Lakeland and, no doubt, will be the first of the second squad nual visit to the major league training to don a uniform, if he is not traded. He has had ample opportunity for heart-to-It is hoped that by then some surplus ma- heart talks with Cochrane in the last few weeks and it may be that he has made

So don't be surprised if the Tigers decide, after all, to keep Walker and let the Yanks and Browns hunt elsewhere for outfield strength.

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ROSTER OF PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES FOR 1935 HE 1935 roster of the Philadelphia Nationals adds emphasis to the fact that President Gerry Nugent and Manager Jimmy Wilson

have done a lot of shuffling and adding to the ranks of the club since the close of the 1934 season. Thirty-one players are listed on the training squad, with nearly half of these being newcomers, men obtained in deals or minor league purchases. The piggest change can be found in the pitching department, where Wilson has seven newcomers and one hurler who was recalled. Bowman and John Pezzullo, two of the additions, went to the Phils by way of New York in the Dick Bartell deal. Pezzullo put in the 1934 season with Richmond and Nashville. Harry Gumbert, Jim Bivin and Orville Jorgens were purchased from Galveston; Earl Stratton from Crookston; Keith Parks is a collegian, while Frank Pearce was called in from Buffalo. Clarence Jonnard, a veteran catcher, was signed as a free agent to team up with Todd, Wilson himself and Joe Holden, who was

Deno Chiozza, brother of Louis, is listed among the new infielders. Others are Stanley Sperry from Eau Claire, and Johnny Vergez and Blondy Ryan, obtained from the Giants in the Bartell transaction. Morris Arnovich, hard-hitter from the Superior club, is an outfield addition. Eddie Boland, who is also listed as a fly chaser, joined the club during the 1934 season.

Here is the complete personnel, with vital statistics; Position. Date of Birth. Home Address. New York Pitcher Kansas City, Mo. June 17, 1910 Bivin, James N. Collins, Phil. E. Pitcher Galveston Dec. 11,1910 Philadelphia Aug. 27, 1903

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