



LESLIE HORN'S .364 BATTING MARK SUPREME IN EAST DIXIE LEAGUE Greenville Player Makes High Total of 182 Hits, Good for 224 Bases; Bolton, Leading Slugger, Sets Pace in Homers, Doubles and in Driving Runs Across Plate

LEADING batting honors in the East Dixie League for 1934 went to Leslie Horn of Greenville, who turned in a mark of .364. Taking part in 104 games and going to bat 508 times, he made 182 hits, more than any other batter in the loop, and the bingles were good for a total of 224 bases. Gerald Mallett, manager of the Greenville team, took second place, with .358; Doc Miles, Clarksdale, with .354, was third; William Duke, Jacksonville, with .347; and Carlisle Pine Bluff, with .341. Slugging marks were topped by Cecil Bolton of Greenville. He made most home runs, 19; most doubles, 48; had most total bases, 282, and drove in most runs, 92. Other department leaders were Joe Valenti, El Dorado, who scored most runs, 100; Harold Sweeney, Pine Bluff, who had most triples, pilfering 25 times; and William Marshall, Clarksdale, who was the leading speedster on the base paths, pilfering 25 times.

Following are the official averages as prepared by William B. Ruggles, league statistician: TEAM BATTING. G. AB. R. H. TB. 2B. 3B. HR. RBI. BB. SB. SO. Pct. Greenville 129 4365 300 1225 1708 249 42 50 537 415 60 547 279 Pine Bluff 128 4332 462 1177 1701 222 82 40 572 460 68 494 270 Jacksonville 129 4314 624 1101 1608 59 31 572 472 108 54 266 El Dorado 128 4253 693 1210 1608 59 31 572 472 108 54 266 Clarksdale 129 4454 585 1151 1505 204 48 48 483 453 70 622 248 Greenville 128 4404 579 1590 1858 58 48 484 437 70 702 248

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Tour a Help to Fox Philadelphia, Pa. - Arguments in favor of a bat on foreign exhibition tours after the season is over, because they might be harmful to the players, were in loss of their services to their clubs the following season, were ridiculed by Jimmy Fox, the Philadelphia Athletics' star, on his return home. "Sticks" snorted Fox, who is expected to go behind the bat next season, desiring his first base post in favor of Alex Hooks, "the Babe" most all of our playing in November. We played only four games after December 1st. As to playing too much baseball-why, we were on the ocean about 45 days of the trip and where the better halves went along on boat? Jimmy, himself, furnished living proof that the tour was not harmful, for he was tanned and the picture of good health. He played in all 23 of the games staged on the tour, and several other players who brought home two huge bags and numerous cases filled with souvenirs heaped on him by Japanese admirers. The exhibits of all the ivory carved and lacquered Japanese kimonos, foxes and silken pillows. Fox doubts whether Babe Ruth, the Bambino weighed about 250 pounds and that he will be close to that figure when reporting time comes around. It is understood that Ruth received 40 per cent of the net receipts, and that several other players cut in, while the others were given expenses for themselves, also for their wives, where the better halves went along. John Shibe, the underwriter of the Oriental tour, reaped a substantial loss and the weather been unfavorable, but good weather conditions enabled him to come out a little ahead on the venture, it is believed.

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East Dixie Mound Ace



Hugo Klaerner

WHEN it came to pitching in the East Dixie League in 1934, Hugo Klaerner of Pine Bluff was in a class by himself, winning 24 games and losing only seven. His earned-run average stood at 2.61. As a result of his fine work, Klaerner was purchased by the Chicago White Sox, but since has been released to the Dallas club of the Texas League. He hails from Fredericksburg, Tex.

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HUGO KLAERNER'S 24 VICTORIES GIVE HIM MOUND LEADERSHIP

HUGO KLAERNER of Pine Bluff, who graduated to the Chicago White Sox, was the king pin among the pitchers of the East Dixie League in 1934, notching 24 victories against seven defeats. On top of this, he had an impressive 2.61 earned-run average, leading only four other hurlers in the league, who won 20 games and lost ten; Boutwell, Jackson, 19 and seven; Taylor, El Dorado, 19 and 15; and Galaria, Pine Bluff, 16 and nine. Mills was the leader in effectiveness among the hurlers who participated in 100 or more games in the Clarksdale league, finishing with a career-run average of 1.88. Klaerner was next among the regulars and then came Sweeney, Pine Bluff, 2.78. Here are the official figures compiled by William B. Ruggles, league statistician:

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STANDARD LINES SEEKING JOB ASIDES MOINES PILOT

Selection of Leader Will Be Made After Lee Keyser Confers With Mike Kelley; League Make-Up to Stand

MOINES, Ia.—A manager for the 1935 Des Moines Western League team will not be named until Mike Kelley, president of the Minneapolis club and half-owner of the Des Moines team, returns from a visit to the Pacific Coast. Lee Keyser, Des Moines president, has been considering several applicants for the job—one of them John (Shano) Kelly, who played for the Demons in 1932 and 1933—but has sent word from his home at Kansas City that he will take no action until he has an opportunity to confer with his Minneapolis partner. Kelly has been in the league and has been seen here this winter and local fans have had to content with the little gossip that is printed about the plans of other Western League clubs. The league will start this year with the same cities as in 1934. Jimmy Payton, president of the Topeka club, has told his fans that Topeka will definitely be in the league and that Kelly has organized and is making plans for the season. In fact, Tommy Taylor has been named manager of the latter team, whose directors are said to have a deal under way with Brooklyn where the latter will send surplus players. It was reported also that Johnny Butler, former manager of the Demons, was negotiating with the Rock Island directors in an effort to take over that team and to Cards to Work With Cedar Rapids. Cedar Rapids and Davenport also have reorganized. The former will become a Cardinal farm under an agreement whereby the St. Louis club will send eight players to Harper, Greenville, and Davenport the privilege of selecting four men at the end of the season. Cap Crossley, who played third base for Davenport last year, has been named manager. The latter is now working in Davenport, where he will continue as president and Hy Henry, secretary of the club. Paul Lagomarcino, Davenport president for several years, was forced to retain the position in spite of his resignation. John Johnson, as a result, Cletus Dixon will return as manager of the Blue Sox. Omaha club officials also have been active since Joe McDermott was named manager. John Johnson, former Cuban outfielder, will go to Topeka for Glenn Brightwell, also an outfielder. McDermott has announced that Sam Dalley, who was the voluntary retired player during the 1934 season, has been reinstated and will be with the Packers this year, providing he retains the cunning that made him one of the circuit's best hurlers two seasons ago. Last summer, Dalley pitched semi-pro ball in Wisconsin, where he is said to have won 18 games, while losing six. Johnny Intoleker, who was sent to Omaha on his way to Cedar Rapids last season, has been released outright by the Angels, according to an announcement from Omaha. SEC TAYLOR.

HUD TANNING BEGINS REDUCING

New Card Pitcher Aims to Shed 15 Pounds at Spa; English Also at Work. HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Different views on the outlook for the Chicago Cubs were expressed by two athletes who arrived here last week. Leading former Cub hurler who was traded to the St. Louis Cardinals, declared the Cubs will have "tough sledding," while Infielder Woody English had a different opinion. "Don't worry about the Cubs," he came back. "We'll do all right." "The players are here to get in some preliminary training tics, with Tanning trying to cut down his weight. Bud expects to melt off about 15 pounds, before February 15." English will go to Phoenix, Ariz., to visit relatives, after leaving here. Charley Grimm, Cub manager, and possibly a few more players, will be here soon, according to the Chicago press. The Chicago Cub, given his release at the close of the season, who remains unsigned with any club, also is expected to be a visitor. LEO D. MARTIN.

ASHEVILLE OPENS DOOR TO REDS

Seeking to Return to Piedmont Loop, City Anticipates Cincinnati Sponsorship. ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Asheville citizens have launched a drive in an effort to assure the city of Piedmont League club for this year and are concentrating on securing the support of the Cincinnati Reds. Dan W. Hill, president of the league, has announced that the Cincinnati club is interested in Asheville. The league club, which is expected to be based here, will be in the city for the season. A baseball banquet is being arranged, at which the fans hope to have the attendance of Powell MacPhail, Jr., owner of the Reds, and Larry Knepp, general manager. H. A. L.

BRAINERD TO WORK WITH ST. PAUL

First Move Under Plan Sends Joe Rezkoto to Saints on Trial Basis. BRAINERD, Minn.—The announcement of the conditional sale of Shortstop Joe Rezkoto, 19-year-old Chicago youth, by the Brainerd club of the Northern League to the St. Paul Saints by President Marvin Nutting revealed to the fans here the completion of a working agreement with the American Association club. Rezkoto hit .320 for the Muskies and ranked near the top in runs driven in. He also scintillated in the field, being hit by 12 batters with a record number of double plays. Should Rezkoto be kept by the Saints after May 1 the Muskies will receive \$700. Lou McKenna, business manager of the Saints, and Bob Conroy, former manager of the Muskies, also are interested in Tom Corbett, hard-hitting outfielder. He will work out with the Saints when they return from spring training. The working agreement will find the Saints sending rookies not quite ripe for Class AA company to the Muskies, with the best of them being sent back to St. Paul to be \$500 apiece. President Nutting also announced the trading of Wendell York, portly left-hander, to Superior for Elmer Johnson, a right-handed pitcher who won 12 games and lost eight while in Muskie livery last year. It is believed to be too old for saleable material, hence the Brainerd club decided to take on a younger man, who showed great possibilities with Dick Wade's first-half campaign. Skipper Charley Patton has been re-engaged and will report here about the middle of April to look over a half dozen youngsters. PAUL F. JAEGER.

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LEAVES FROM A FAIR'S SCRAPBOOK

JOHN LEONARD (PEPPER) MARTIN. Third baseman with St. Louis Cardinals. Born, Temple, Okla., February 29, 1904. Weight, 170 pounds. Height, five feet eight inches. Bats and throws right-handed. Married. Two children. Home address, 254 N. W. Eleventh, Oklahoma City, Okla.

HORN in stature, with wide shoulders, barrel chest and bulging legs and feet, John (Pepper) Martin is frequently referred to as Wild Horse of Osage. This expressive phrase grew out of Pepper's exploits in 1931 World's Series, when he gave one of most remarkable individual performances in history of annual major championships. To run wild on bases in that set, stealing five times, made total, 12 hits, including four doubles and homer, and galloped far and wide as center fielder for Cardinals. Athletics simply could not stop him and his personal efforts did much toward giving St. Louis club margin of victory. Martin is aggressive, ambitious type of player who, by sheer force of physical make-up, power and money radiates color. There are no manufactured frills about him. He is all business on field, with little apparent consideration of audience. Goes about work doggedly and determinedly and rises to heights when going to bat. He is fast runner in season, but in winter months he is transplanted from outfield to third base with Cards. Doesn't care where he is stationed because he likes game. Is restless and irritable out of line-up. Has major career mark of 292 with bat. As luck would have it, experienced poorest year in 1932, following 1931 World's Series prior fail. Suffered from inflammation in right shoulder early in 1932 season, was out of commission for better part of month and combination of other ills and accidents conspired to keep him off stride. Finished with batting mark of only .233. Pepper is an athlete of varied talents, has pitched (in the minors), played short, second base and outfield. He was in season of sub-normal year of 1932 when he was transplanted from outfield to third base with Cards. Doesn't care where he is stationed because he likes game. Is restless and irritable out of line-up. Has major career mark of 292 with bat. As luck would have it, experienced poorest year in 1932, following 1931 World's Series prior fail. Suffered from inflammation in right shoulder early in 1932 season, was out