

Dec. 18, 2021



SECOND CHANCE NEWS

What's News:



The 1926 SCL All Star Game will be played at Dunn Field, and will be hosted by the Southport Spiders. As usual the game will be played live in Google Meetings, probably sometime in late January. Once I get a better idea of exactly when, I'll let you know the precise date so you can clear your calendar and join in.

I took a look at every SCL draft to see which teams had the most #1 picks, and the teams with the most top 5 picks and the least. (This does not include any picks that may have been acquired by trade)
This is what I found:

The most #1 picks- Georgia Pines with 4. 1 based on W/L and 3 from the Lottery.
The Baltimore Terrapins have 3, all of which came in a 4 year stretch, and all were from the Lottery.
The Shamokin Stogies franchise has 2. This was pre-Colonel in 1911 and 1912.
The only other franchises with 2 are the Crimson Tide and the Vipers
7 teams have never had the #1 pick.

The most Top-5 picks: Vipers with 10
Spiders-9
Racers-8
Crimson Tide-7
Terrapins-7

The Warbirds and the Stogies have just 2 Top-5 picks
The Giants have just 2 top 5 picks in their 6 seasons. They had the #1 pick in the expansion draft in 1921, and the #4 pick in 1922. They have not cracked the top 5 since then.
The only team to not have a #1, or a #2 pick in the draft is the Skeeters. They've had just 3 top 5 picks, a 5/4 and a 3 in 1924.

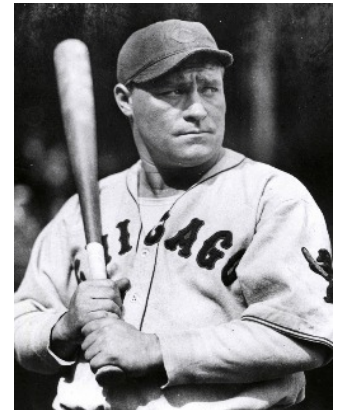
Conclusions: The ping pong lottery loves the Vipers, Terrapins, and the Pines, while not being too fond of the Giants and the Skeeters. No wonder George wants to neuter the ping pong lottery. I might have to reconsider my lottery stance.



Players of the Week:

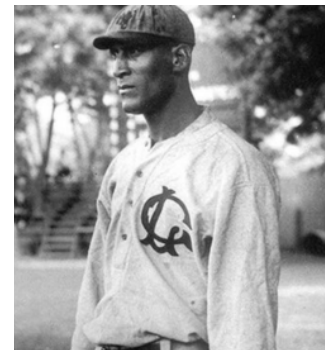
HITTER OF THE WEEK:

1. Hack Wilson (Vipers) .364-4-23 2 Grand Slams
2. Babe Ruth (Pines) .411-7-17
3. Newt Joseph (Skeeters) .400-4-19



PITCHER OF THE WEEK:

1. Smokey Joe Williams (Miners) 2-1. 0.00. 3-saves
2. Ted Lyons (Warbirds) 2-1, 2.42 1-CG
3. Hal Carlson (Dreamers) 3-0. 3.54



Tris Speaker (Caterpillars) 3000 hits in the SCL



GAME OF THE WEEK:

4/18/1926, SUN26-ARK26, Baker Bowl

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | R | H | E | LOB | DP |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|-----|----|
| 1926 Storm | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 13 | 1 | 12 | 0 |
| 1926 Robins | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 11 | 12 | 1 | 10 | 0 |

| | AB | R | H | BI | AVG | | AB | R | H | BI | AVG |
|-------------|------|----|----|----|------|-------------|------|----|----|----|------|
| Storm | | | | | | Robins | | | | | |
| Collins,E | 2b 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | .315 | Rice,S | rf 6 | 2 | 2 | 3 | .362 |
| Falk,B | lf 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | .333 | Burns | 1b 6 | 1 | 2 | 1 | .358 |
| Lloyd | ss 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .294 | Stearnes | cf 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .311 |
| Thomas,M | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | Redus | lf 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .149 |
| Mendez | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | Cochrane | c 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | .219 |
| Mirabel | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | Jackson | ss 5 | 0 | 2 | 2 | .245 |
| Heilmann | rf 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .389 | Adams,Spa | 2b 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .333 |
| Young, T | c 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .250 | Fournier | ph 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | .333 |
| Christensen | cf 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | Bluege | 3b 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .212 |
| Sisler | 1b 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | .229 | Bennett | ph 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .500 |
| Bengough | ph 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .444 | Hill, J | 3b 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Thevenow | ss 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .333 | Thomas,T | p 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Kamm | 3b 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .244 | Jones,D | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Vance | p 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .375 | Cooper, A | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Knode | ph 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .400 | Hubbard | ph 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .429 |
| Hensley | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | Flournoy | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Harris, V | ph 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .500 | Blankenship | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Johnson,S | p 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | Briggs | ph 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .667 |
| Kenyon | ph 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .286 | | | | | | |
| | 41 | 10 | 13 | 9 | | | 36 | 11 | 12 | 11 | |

| Storm | INN | H | R | ER | BB | K | PCH | STR | ERA |
|-----------|-------|-----|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|---------|
| Vance | 5.0 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 87 | 47 | 4.71 |
| Hensley | 1.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 2.89 |
| Johnson,S | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 28 | 12 | 9.39 |
| Thomas,M | 0.0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 5.79 |
| Mendez | L 1-2 | 0.2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 8 15.43 |
| Mirabel | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 3.12 |
| | 8.2 | 12 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 151 | 80 | |

| Robins | INN | H | R | ER | BB | K | PCH | STR | ERA |
|-------------|-------|-----|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|------|
| Thomas,T | 6.1 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 117 | 65 | 6.50 |
| Jones,D | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 7.20 |
| Cooper, A | BS 1 | 1.1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 8 | 5.40 |
| Flournoy | 0.2 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 10 | 8.59 |
| Blankenship | W 1-0 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 1.50 |
| | 9.0 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 171 | 89 | |

SUN: Knode batted for Vance in the 6th
 Harris, V batted for Hensley in the 7th
 Bengough batted for Sisler in the 9th
 Kenyon batted for Johnson,S in the 9th

ARK: Bennett batted for Bluege in the 8th
 Hubbard batted for Cooper, A in the 8th
 Hill, J inserted at 3b in the 9th
 Fournier batted for Adams,Spa in the 9th

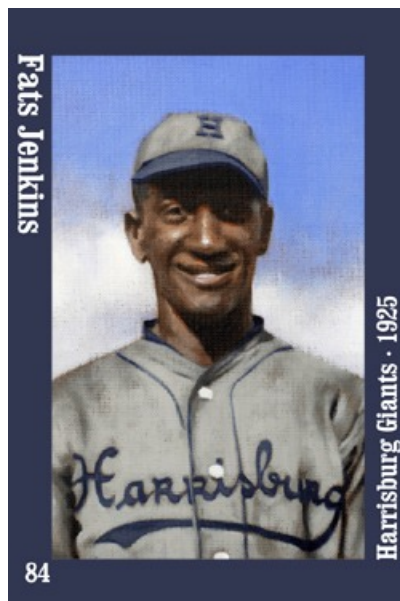
E-Thevenow, Hill, J. 2B-Falk,B(4), Harris, V(2), Rice,S(1). 3B-Redus(1).
 RBI-Collins,E(5), Falk,B 3(16), Sisler(3), Knode(4), Harris, V 2(4),
 Kenyon(4), Rice,S 3(6), Burns(11), Cochrane 3(7), Jackson 2(8),
 Fournier 2(3). SB-Rice,S(3). K-Lloyd, Young, T 2, Vance, Redus, Jackson,
 Thomas,T 2. BB-Collins,E, Falk,B, Heilmann, Young, T, Christensen, Sisler,
 Kamm, Stearnes 2, Redus, Cochrane 2, Adams,Spa, Bennett, Hubbard. SH-Redus,
 Thomas,T. SF-Cochrane. HBP-Kamm. HB-Flournoy.
 GWRBI: Burns

With the score tied at 5, the Storm scored 5 runs with 2 out in the inning. A hit batter, a Harry Kenyon pinch hit rbi single, and a walk loaded the bases for Bibb Falk. His bases clearing double put the Storm up by 5.

The Robins wasted no time in the bottom of the inning. Turkey Stearnes opened with a single, 2 walks loaded the bases. An rbi ground out and a 2 run PH single by Jack Fournier got the Robins within 2 runs. A short fly out made the 2nd out, and when PHer Otto Briggs grounded to Tommy Thevenow, it looked like the game would be over, but Thevenow booted the ball, loading the bases, Sam Rice's double tied the score, and George Burns won it with a 2 out walk off single into left field.



Card of The Week:



Clarence Reginald "Fats" Jenkins

Fats Jenkins is playing his 6th season in the SCL and is currently patrolling LF for the Kenmore Miners. Fats is listed as 5' 7" and 165 lbs. I wouldn't call that fat, but then back in the 20's, 5-7 wasn't considered short.

His Negro League lifetime average is .338, 11th best in the league. He was a very good lead off hitter with speed, as well as a fine outfielder.

He spent his off seasons playing professional basketball. He was a player/coach for 25 years from 1916–1941. He was a player/coach for the Harlem NY Renaissance, formed in 1923, it was the 1st All- Black professional African-American owned basketball team.

Clarence Jenkins was inducted into the basketball Hall of Fame as an Early African-American pioneer in 2021.



This is his HOF photo. Unfortunately when you click the link it takes you to the page of Dave Gavitt. I performed my due diligence and contacted the HOF on Wednesday to let them know about the incorrect link. As of now they have not corrected it. Just another reason why baseball is better than basketball.