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Second Chance News

What's News:

The 1925 Negro League file will be sent out on Sunday. There are 2 dozen players listed as driftwood. I don't think any of them will be missed, but if you desperately want that .205 hitting OFer as an active player in 1925, let me know, I can change it. Look for errors, primarily concerning the players on your team. In the last couple of seasons errors were not brought up for a couple of players until the draft had already started, I'd like to avoid that from happening.

Don't forget to send me a player for your team Hall of Fame. The only qualification for selection is that the player must be retired and played on your team for 5 seasons. The Excel sheets that were sent out earlier will help you make your decision. If you don't have a choice, just let me know that you pass for this season.

Five days' worth of games will be played on Monday. I'll upload the stats on the website, and David Kuehn and I will make our selections. The All-Star game will be played "LIVE" on Sunday night 5/9. The regular season will resume on Monday 5/10.

If you can make it to the live playing of the All-Star Game I urge you to do so. You'll laugh, you'll cry, it'll become a part of you. I hope to see you there.



Players of The Week:

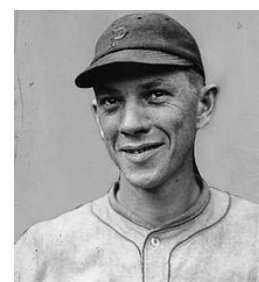
Hitters of The Week:

1. Zack Wheat(Vipers)
.531-2-16, 26 hits, 10 extra base hits
2. Ken Williams(Gorillas) .477-5-14
3. Charlie Mason(Warbirds) .358-5-17



Pitchers of The Week:

1. Wilbur Cooper(Warbirds)
2-0, 2.13
2. Bob McClure(Storm) 2-0, 3.42
3. Juanelo Mirabel(Mets) 2-0, 2.49



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Game Of The Week:

6/16/1924, West Side Mets vs Peoria Caterpillars, Redland Field

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB	DP
1924 Mets	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	10	1	10	0
1924 Caterpillars	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	5	5	1	6	0

Mets	AB	R	H	BI	AVG	Caterpillars	AB	R	H	BI	AVG
Jacobson	cf 4	0	1	1	.253	Wright	ss 4	1	1	0	.245
Robertson,G	3b 5	0	1	1	.304	Johnson, Ju	3b 4	1	1	1	.274
Moore	ss 5	0	3	1	.301	Speaker	cf 3	0	0	0	.338
Snyder	c 5	0	1	0	.320	Collins,S	1b 4	1	1	1	.252
Brower	1b 4	1	0	0	.234	Bassler	c 2	0	0	0	.329
Harris,Bu	2b 3	1	1	0	.299	Holloway, C	rf 4	0	0	1	.289
Burns,GJ	rf 3	1	2	0	.257	Jones, J.	lf 3	1	1	0	.273
Thompson, S	lf 2	0	1	0	.312	Pryor	2b 2	0	0	0	.228
Cuyler	ph 0	1	0	1	.263	Brown, C	ph 1	1	0	0	.298
Marquard	p 3	0	0	0	.000	Foster, W	p 2	0	0	0	.200
Kelly,GL	ph 1	0	0	0	.314	Ferguson	p 0	0	0	0	.154
Yeargin	p 0	0	0	0	.143	Fonseca	ph 1	0	0	0	.389
Hasty	p 0	0	0	0	.000	Thurston	p 0	0	0	0	.250
	35	4	10	4		Toporcer	ph 1	0	1	2	.340
							31	5	5	5	

Mets	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA
Marquard	7.0	2	1	1	4	3	100	54	3.63
Yeargin	H 4	1.0	2	2	2	0	23	13	7.55
Hasty	BS 3, L 1-6	0.1	1	2	1	1	0	16	7 11.45
		8.1	5	5	4	5	3	139	74

Caterpillars	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA
Foster, W	6.2	7	4	4	3	6	112	66	2.26
Ferguson	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	6.52
Thurston	W 2-3	2.0	3	0	0	1	0	26	15 5.70
		9.0	10	4	4	4	7	142	84

WSM: Cuyler batted for Thompson, S in the 7th

Cuyler moved to lf in the 7th

Kelly,GL batted for Marquard in the 8th

PC : Fonseca batted for Ferguson in the 7th

Brown, C batted for Pryor in the 9th

Toporcer batted for Thurston in the 9th

E-Brower, Holloway, C. 2B-Harris,Bu(4), Burns,GJ 2(3), Collins,S(9).

3B-Johnson, Ju(8), Toporcer(3). RBI-Jacobson(57), Robertson,G(22), Moore(47),

Cuyler(10), Johnson, Ju(34), Collins,S(12), Holloway, C(34), Toporcer 2(13).

CS-Snyder. K-Robertson,G, Snyder 2, Thompson, S, Marquard 3, Wright 2,

Foster, W. BB-Brower, Harris,Bu, Burns,GJ, Cuyler, Speaker, Bassler 2,

Jones, J., Pryor. SH-Jacobson. HBP-Cuyler. HB-Foster, W.

GWRBI: Toporcer

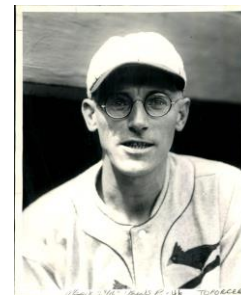
Temperature: 83, Sky: clear, Wind: left to right at 11 MPH.

Rube Marquard took a 4-0 lead and a no-hitter into the bottom of the 7th for the Mets.

Shano Collins broke up the no-no with a lead-off double in the 7th. He would score the 1st Peoria run on a groundout.

In the 8th Al Yeargin came on in relief of Marquard and promptly gave up a lead-off single to Glenn Wright. He scored on a triple by Judy Johnson, Johnson would score on a groundout to make the score 4-3 Mets.

In the last of the 9th Johnny Jones walked with 1 out. Frank Brower booted an easy grounder at 1st to put 2 men on for pinch hitter Specs Toporcer. Toporcer clubbed one off the centerfield wall for the game-winning walk-off triple.

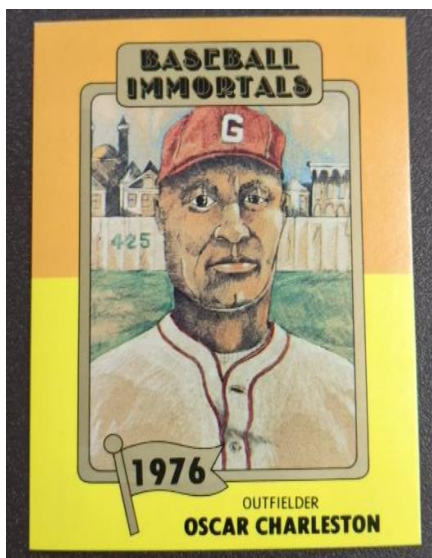


Specs Toporcer

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Card of The Week:



Oscar Charleston- Custer's Crimson Tide

This is an Oscar Charleston #152, Baseball Immortals card issued by our friends at TCMA, and distributed by Renata Gallasso, beginning in 1980. This set includes all the inductees into the Hall of Fame, beginning with Card #1, Babe Ruth, inducted in 1936, and ending with card #172, Chuck Klein, inducted in 1980. From what I could find, they were released through the 1988 inductees.

I bought these cards at a baseball card show held at our local Minor League Stadium in the late 1980's. Lou Brock was there signing autographs. Lou Brock was one of my all-time favorites, and I was looking to get an autograph and to shake his hand, but the line was really long, so I didn't bother to get in line. This is one of those poor decisions in my life that, even though it was one of the few times that didn't require a parole officer, or a bounty hunter, it remains one of my biggest regrets in life.

The Babe Ruth card in the set can be found on Ebay for around \$3. So my baseball card investment portfolio remains sound.

Renata Gallasso was a female card dealer in a male dominated field. I applaud her for choosing that path. My Grandmother was a drug dealer in Scranton, another male dominated field. She used her skills as a world class knitter to stand out among the hundreds of male drug dealers in the city. She would knit a tiny blue and pink ribbon and attach it to each dime bag of weed that she sold. She called it Grandma's Ribbon of Joy. It sounds hokey now, but this was the late 60s, the stoners loved it. She also used to make her own hooch in a backyard still. It's what eventually killed her. She had reached for her jar of hooch one night and accidentally drank a whole bottle of furniture polish. It was a horrible ending.....but a beautiful finish.

This Charleston card is pretty sad looking, Charleston deserves better. I don't know who the artist was, but I'm sure it originally began as something his Mom hung up on the refrigerator. I know good art when I see it. A velvet Elvis....good art. Dogs playing poker....good art. Jackson Pollack accidentally spills a jar of paint on a white canvas, slaps a frame on it and calls it Number 17A....art....???. I probably shouldn't diss a \$216 million dollar painting, but I'm going to. The guy that paid 216 big ones for that painting is insane...what am I missing. Am I not the art connoisseur that I think I am? Someone please explain Jackson Pollack to me!

The Charleston card makes him look like Mr. Potato Head after an all-night bender. And he wasn't elected to the HOF until 1976?? Mr. Potato head didn't get elected into the Toy Hall of Fame until 2000. Further proof that America needs to get its shit together.

Charleston is currently hitting .391, while leading the League with 24 home runs and 46 extra base hits.

He is a .345 lifetime hitter in the SCL, and his 164 career Hrs is 2nd to Babe Ruth. Not too shabby.



Not Oscar Charleston