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SECOND CHANCE NEWS

What's News:

The 1925 SCL Hall of Fame ballot will be sent out this weekend. You will need to cast your vote for 5 players. I anticipate no more than 2 players will receive the necessary 75%.

Jim Copeland's check has cleared, so the Heartland Milkmen will be hosting the 1926 SCL All-Star game at Dunn Field, former home of the Jersey City Skeeters.

No one has stepped up to pick this season's All Stars. Please let me know if you are up for the challenge by Monday. If I don't hear from anyone, I will do my best to pick the AL All Stars, while loading up the NL All Stars with players picked at random. That should be fun.

Both the Kenmore Miners and the Wheaton Warbirds lead their divisions with 24-7 records. That puts them on a record setting pace for 119 wins. Raise your hand if this makes you happy. Adam and Mike are the least liked Gms in the league, none of us wants them to make the playoffs. Check your upcoming schedule(it's on the website) if you're playing these guys put your best players in the lineup. Cheat if you have to. It's us against them.

SABR recently put together a simulation of the 1921 MLB Champion NY Giants against the 1921 Negro League Champion Chicago American Giants using APBA Baseball. A lot of SCL players are representing.

<https://sabr.org/research/article/1921-world-series-simulation-new-york-giants-vs-chicago-american-giants/>





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GAME OF THE WEEK: 5/4/1925, Robins vs Miners, Griffith Stadium

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB	DP
1925 Robins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	6	11	1	10	0
1925 Miners	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	9	1	9	0

Robins	AB	R	H	BI	AVG	Miners	AB	R	H	BI	AVG
Rice, S	rf 4	1	2	0	.323	McNair	lf 5	1	2	0	.253
Burns, GH	1b 5	1	2	0	.367	Grantham	1b 4	2	2	0	.281
Stearnes	cf 5	2	2	2	.424	Taylor, B	1b 1	0	0	0	.333
Redus	lf 3	1	0	0	.330	Beckwith	ss 4	0	0	0	.302
Cochrane	c 4	1	1	2	.315	Mann	rf 1	0	0	0	.333
Jackson	ss 3	0	1	0	.312	Blackwell	rf 3	1	2	3	.254
Ruel	ph 1	0	1	0	.200	Johnson, E	ss 0	0	0	0	.167
Huber	3b 1	0	1	2	.500	Carey	ph 1	0	0	0	.408
Bluege	3b 2	0	0	0	.260	Hale	3b 3	0	1	0	.314
Toporcer	ph 2	0	0	0	.125	Prothro	3b 0	0	0	0	.214
Adams, SJ	2b 2	0	0	0	.256	Long, F	cf 4	0	0	0	.325
French	ph 1	0	0	0	.167	Warfield	2b 4	0	1	0	.375
O'Rourke	2b 1	0	0	0	.500	Russ	c 3	0	0	0	.268
Bush, G	p 2	0	1	0	.200	Luque	p 3	0	1	0	.300
Brooks	ph 1	0	0	0	.385	Jenkins, F.	ph 1	0	0	0	.190
Grimes	p 0	0	0	0	.200	Stoner	p 0	0	0	0	1.000
Baro	ph 1	0	0	0	.429	Huntzinger	p 0	0	0	0	.000
Flournoy	p 0	0	0	0	.000	Reinhart	p 0	0	0	0	.000
	38	6	11	6			37	4	9	3	

Robins	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA	
Bush, G	6.0	6	3	2	3	3	87	55	5.12	
Grimes	W 1-1	2.0	2	1	1	0	1	28	17	6.95
Flournoy	S 5	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	9	7	0.00
		9.0	9	4	3	3	4	124	79	

Miners	INN	H	R	ER	BB	K	PCH	STR	ERA	
Luque	8.0	7	1	1	2	5	122	73	4.36	
Stoner	H 1	0.2	0	1	1	1	0	14	8	4.50
Huntzinger		0.0	1	1	1	0	0	6	4	2.25
Reinhart	BS 1, L 0-1	0.1	3	3	3	1	0	14	7	5.06
		9.0	11	6	6	4	5	156	92	

ARK: French batted for Adams, SJ in the 7th
 Brooks batted for Bush, G in the 7th
 O'Rourke inserted at 2b in the 7th
 Ruel batted for Jackson in the 8th
 Toporcer batted for Bluege in the 8th
 Huber inserted at 3b in the 8th
 Toporcer moved to ss in the 8th
 Baro batted for Grimes in the 9th
 KM : Taylor, B inserted at 1b in the 8th
 Mann inserted at rf in the 8th
 Johnson, E inserted at ss in the 8th
 Prothro inserted at 3b in the 8th
 Jenkins, F. batted for Luque in the 8th

E-Burns, GH, Beckwith. 2B-Stearnes (7), Huber (1), Grantham (5).
 HR-Stearnes (6),
 Blackwell (2). RBI-Stearnes 2 (31), Cochrane 2 (14), Huber 2 (2),
 Blackwell 3 (16). SB-Russ (1). K-Burns, GH, Stearnes, Cochrane, Brooks,
 Toporcer, Grantham 2, Long, F, Warfield. BB-Rice, S, Redus 2, Cochrane,
 Blackwell, Hale, Russ. SH-Bluege.
 GWRBI: Huber

Winning 4-0 in the 8th the Miners were getting ready to close out their 20th? Win in a row? But the Robins came alive sparked by a solo HR off the bat of the league's leading hitter Turkey Stearnes. Trailing by 3 the Robin started the 9th with 2 easy infield ground outs off reliever Lil Stoner. Stoner walked Sam Rice, bringing on nobody's favorite reliever Walt Huntzinger. George H. Burns blooped a single to left, sending Huntzinger to the showers. Art Reinhart for reason's only DMB knows came in to pitch. Stearnes greeted him with an rbi double, DMB then used its only known strategic move, the intentional walk. Mickey Cochrane promptly singled in a run, and Clarence Huber ended the scoring with a 2 run double to left. The Miners had finally lost after 25? Straight wins? More or less. Clarence would later go on to help George Bailey have a wonderful life.



It's possible.

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Card of The Week:



Tanner Boyle- Chico's Bail Bonds Bears

Thank you David Kuehn for submitting this card.

FYI: the actor that played Tanner Boyle(Chris Barnes) just recently turned 56. (Who's old? You're old. I'm not old!)

The screenplay for the movie was written by Bill Lancaster, son of Burt Lancaster, AKA Moonlight Graham.

The Bad News Bears came out in April of 1976. I was getting ready to graduate High School, and would very shortly be voted on Class Day, "Most Likely To Die a Virgin". (And yes, they were wrong, but at the time I thought they were spot on.)

I really liked this movie, and still do. I never related to Kelly Leake, Ahmad, Ogilvie, Engleberg, Lupus or Amanda. Out of all the players on the Bears, I related to Tanner Boyle. An undersized Little Leaguer with a mop of blonde hair, and an oversized sense of self.(This sense of self only showed up on the ball field for me. Off the field I was a little tiny ball of insecurities.) My coach in Little league was nothing like Coach Buttermaker. He once said "Golly" and everybody's head turned. He would sit in the dugout and drink hot tea. He brought his own tea set! He used sugar cubes! He used little tongs to put them in his cup!

Does the movie hold up? If you get past the 70's racism, homophobia, and misogyny, it's still funny, it's still relatable, and when you throw in the two dumpster fire sequels, it looks like top-notch comedy gold.

"Hey Yankees, you can take your apology and your trophy and shove 'em strait up your ass!"

-Tanner Boyle