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LLOYD JOHNSON ELECTED SABR PRESIDENT

W. Lloyd Johnson, former Executive Director of the Society for American Baseball Research and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, has been elected president of SABR in mail balloting concluded December first. Results of the balloting, reported by SABR's Teller's Committee, appear below.

Lloyd has been professionally involved in baseball research since joining the staff of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum as Senior Research Associate in 1985. In December, 1985, Johnson became SABR's second full-time Executive Director, succeeding Cliff Kachline. Johnson served as SABR Executive Director until April 1989.

Upon leaving SABR, he launched a baseball newsletter (Here's The Pitch), and wrote *Baseball's Dream Team*. He has also written for *Total Baseball* and *The Whole Baseball Catalog*, is a consultant for the Ken Burns' Baseball Project, a member of the executive committee of the RBI (Revitalize Baseball in the Inner City) program in Kansas City and is currently working on the *Minor League Baseball Encyclopedia* with **Miles Wolff** and Baseball America. Lloyd is a co-founder and member of the board of directors of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum and teaches a baseball course at University of Missouri at Kansas City.

A SABR member since 1983, Johnson has been an active member of the Nineteenth Century, Ballparks, Minor League, and Negro Leagues Committees. He has done extensive research on Upstate New York baseball of the 1870s, written for *The Baseball News*, a publication of the Syracuse Chiefs, and consulted for *The Pete Gray Story*, a made for TV movie.

Johnson, 40, received a bachelor's degree in history from Oklahoma State University and a master's of history from the University of Tulsa. He has worked in a research library for Cities Service Oil & Gas Corp. and edited a college catalog for Cornell University. Johnson also served two years in Senegal, West Africa with the U.S. Peace Corps.

A message from the new president appears on page two.

VOTING FOR SABR PRESIDENT

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CALL FOR CANDIDATES

The nominating period for 1992 SABR elections continues until February 15. Offices requiring candidates include Secretary and Treasurer for the 1992-1994 term and Director for the 1992-1996 term. Candidates must have been members of SABR for at least two years. Members can nominate themselves or be nominated by others. Nominations and/or questions concerning nominations and duties of the officers to be chosen should be directed to **Harrington "Kit" Crissey**, Chairman, SABR Nominating Committee, 3991 Lankenau Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19131. The election ballot is scheduled to be part of the April 1992 SABR Bulletin.

RENEWAL DRIVE CONTINUES

As of December 5, more than 40 percent of 1991 members have paid 1992 dues. Your support of SABR is very much appreciated. If you have not received a renewal notice, please contact the SABR office.

WELCOME TO SABR 1992

In addition to our returning members, many new members are receiving their first issue of *The SABR Bulletin*. SABR's monthly newsletter provides current news of the society and other baseball information, including these recurring features:

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A list of SABR officers and committee chairpersons appears on page 7. Members old and new are encouraged to become as active as they wish. If you have any questions about your SABR membership, or becoming active in SABR research committees, regional groups, or other aspects of the society, please contact Executive Director **Morris Eckhouse**, SABR, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101 or call 216-575-0500.

CONVENTION INFORMATION

SABR's 22nd annual convention will take place June 25-28 at the Adam's Mark in St. Louis, Missouri. A convention registration form will be included in the February edition of *The SABR Bulletin*.

Research Presentations:

If you would like to make a research presentation at the convention, contact Jim Rygelski, 2612 Hord Avenue, Jennings, MO 63136 (314-868-9962). You will then receive further instructions.

Awards:

Award presentations are a highlight of each SABR convention. Presentations will include the Bob Davids Award for outstanding service to SABR, the Macmillan-SABR awards for the outstanding baseball research efforts of 1991, and the John W. Cox award for best research presentation at the convention.

Nominations for the Macmillan-SABR award are being accepted until April 1. A nominating petition was printed in the November-December issue of *The SABR Bulletin* (page 15). Additional ballots are available from the SABR office for a \$.29 SASE. Nominations should be addressed to **Steve Gietschier**, Chairman, Macmillan-SABR Baseball Research Awards, P.O. Box 56, St. Louis, MO 63166.

Tours:

Tours of the city, *The Sporting News*, and the St. Louis Sports Hall of Fame will be offered. The city tour includes downtown, central west end, historical sites, Missouri Botanical Garden, Forest Park, Old Cathedral and the Gateway Arch. The visit to TSN includes a tour of the archives. The Sports Hall of Fame will also include the St. Louis Browns Hall of Fame.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Howard Green was back in "Sam Blair's People" column. **Howard** noted that Joe L. Brown was traveling secretary of the 1939 Lubbock club...**Bobby Plapinger** is profiled by Ron Bellamy in the Eugene (Oregon) Register-Guard of October 15...**Dick Miller** and **Kevin Grace** contributed to **Steve Gietschier's** article about the 1919 Cincinnati Reds in Timeline magazine...**Gregory W. Johnson's** letter about Babe Ruth's home runs appeared in the November 11 issue of the Washington Post. **Johnson** notes that Ruth was disadvantaged by a rule in existence until 1920 counting bottom of the ninth, game winning home runs as singles if the winning runs were on base, but advantaged by the rule in existence until 1931 counting balls that bounced into the stands as home runs...**Andrew Milner's** satirical piece on TV's The Brady Bunch appeared in the July-August issue of Spy Magazine...Reviews of Tony LaRussa's Ultimate Baseball and Micro League Baseball: The Manager's Challenge by **Win Rogers** appear in the November 1991 issue of Computer Gaming World. **Win's** review of Earl Weaver Baseball II is in the December issue of CGW...**Dr. Harold Seymour** was inducted into the Drew University Athletic Hall of Fame as a charter member. **Dr. Seymour**, a first baseman, was captain of Drew's first team (1931), had a .425 career batting average and a single season record .514...Yankee Stadium Panorama by Andy Jurinko, Ebbets Field Classic by Bill Purdom, and Sunlit Wrigley Field are the newest paintings published by **Bill Goff, Inc.** For details, call 1-800-321-GOFF...**John Dunn** and **Heidi Ziemer** spoke about the Lockport Reds at a recent Discover Historic Lockport meeting.

BOOKSHELF

The SportsBook File, Volume 1, Number 3 features reviews of nine baseball books among more than 30 featured titles and an interview with Dan Dickinson, author of *Major League Stadiums*. SBF is available for \$15 per year (six issues). Address is 1069 Alexander Drive, Rotterdam Junction, NY 12150.

Baseball Quarterly Reviews, Volume 6, Number 3 features articles by **Bill Deane** on leadoff batters with 75 or more RBI, **Herm Krabbenhoft** on top leadoff run producers and home runs at Memorial Stadium (Baltimore), and **James Smith** on triple plays at Memorial Stadium (Baltimore). BQR is available by subscription (\$25 for four issues). The BQR address is P.O. Box 9343, Schenectady, NY 12309.

McCormick Field: Home of Reality by Bob Terrell, a 62 page booklet with more than two dozen photos, traces the history of the oldest minor league baseball park in America, from 1924 to its final year, 1991. It sells for \$7.50, but is available to SABR members for \$6. Send a check or money order to Bob Terrell, P.O. Box 66, Asheville, NC 28802.

CASEY AWARD NOMINEES

Baseball by the Books...**Andy McCue**...William C. Brown Publishers

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Tales of the Diamond...Woodford Press

Ted Williams: A Portrait in Words and Pictures...**Dick Johnson** and **Glenn Stout**...Walker and Company

To Everything a Season: Shibe Park and Urban Philadelphia...**Bruce Kuklick**...Princeton University Press

Presentation of the 9th Annual Casey Award by Spitball magazine for best baseball book of the year will take place at a banquet Saturday evening, January 4, 1992 at the Carnegie Arts Center, Covington, Kentucky (across the Ohio River from Cincinnati). Call **Mike Shannon** at 513-541-4296 for more information. This year's judges are **Bob Bailey**, **Paul Bauer** and **Richard Puff**.

THE PRES BOX

SABR officers usually begin their terms in the summer. Taking office mid-term, in the winter, reminds me that every baseball team is a pennant winner in January. Around the hot stove league, squads develop starting rotations of four 20-game winners and batting line-ups with eight .300-hitters. SABR likewise anticipates the new season with high hopes.

During my term of office as president, I hope to lead SABR to financial stability and to ensure that membership in the Society is a satisfying experience. In return, I ask that all of you cooperate with the Executive Director, the Publications Director and the elected officers to rebuild the spirit of our organization.

The primary purpose of SABR is to facilitate the compilation and dissemination of baseball research. This winter, the board of directors will be looking for better ways to do that with the help of SABR's committees and the Publication Director.

Members paying attention the last couple of years know that SABR is experiencing financial difficulty. The Board of Directors will be seeking money from sources other than membership dues to rebuild the Society's reserve fund. We will also solicit corporate sponsorship for special projects, and to underwrite some costs of the annual convention.

As stated in the SABR bylaws, meetings of the Board of Directors are open to all members. I encourage you to attend any board meeting that is convenient; notices of meetings will be published in the Bulletin. To submit an item for the agenda, notify the Executive Director two weeks in advance of the meeting. A written description of the agenda item, including a tentative budget if pertinent, must be presented before a time-slot on the agenda will be assigned. Minutes of board meetings will be available through a standing order from the Executive Director. Contact Morris Eckhouse at the SABR office if you want to receive the minutes on a regular basis.

The new season approaches. Let's plan our strategy, get our gear together, and take the field.

Lloyd Johnson

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For the second consecutive year, The SABR Bulletin offers members a chance to voice a preference for the annual Hall of Fame vote. Once again, the same rules used by voting members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America apply. You can vote for up to ten of the players listed below. Write-in votes are not permitted.

Dick Allen	Garry Maddox
Dusty Baker	Bill Mazerowski
Vida Blue	Minnie Minoso
Bobby Bonds	Thurman Munson
Kenn Boyer	Ben Oglive
Cesar Cedeno	Tony Oliva
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John Denny	Vada Pinson
Rollie Fingers	Bill Russell
Curt Flood	Ron Santo
Ken Forsch	Tom Seaver
George Foster	Rusty Staub
Bobby Grich	Gorman Thomas
Toby Harrah	Luis Tiant
Jim Kaat	Joe Torre
Dave Kingman	Pete Vuckovich
Dennis Leonard	Maury Wills
Mickey Lolich	Steve Yeager

There are 19 players making their first ballot appearance and 17 players returning (Allen, Bonds, Boyer, Fingers, Flood, Kaat, Lolich, Mazerowski, Minoso, Munson, Oliva, Pinson, Santo, Staub, Tiant, Torre, and Wills).

We would also like to see how members would vote if they were part of the Baseball Hall of Fame Committee on Baseball Veterans. Candidates eligible include major league players who have competed in any portion of at least ten (10) championship seasons and who have been retired as players at least twenty-three (23) years. Those whose careers began after 1945 must have received votes on at least sixty percent (60%) of the ballots cast in any election of the BBWAA. Baseball such managers and/or umpires who have been retired from organized baseball as executives and/or for at least five (5) years prior to the election (six (6) months for anyone age 65 or older) and players who played in any portion of at least ten (10) years in the Negro Baseball Leagues prior to 1946 or whose service in the Negro Leagues prior to 1946 and the major leagues there after totals at least ten (10) years or portions thereof. Votes for a maximum of ten (10) eligible candidates is permitted.

Votes must be received no later than February 15, 1992. Results will be printed in the April issue of The SABR Bulletin.

Send your votes to: SABR, Hall of Fame Vote, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.



REGIONAL CHAPTER PROFILE

The Bob Broeg St. Louis Chapter of SABR, host chapter of the 1992 SABR National Convention, has been active even before its first regional meeting on July 21, 1984. St. Louis played host to the 1979 SABR national convention, the largest SABR convention to that date with 115 individuals attending.

At the urging of then Executive Director Cliff Kachline, **Erv Fischer**, **Bill Borst**, **Craig Carter** and **Dan Krueckeberg** planned the first St. Louis regional meeting, July 21, 1984. Ex-Cardinals Terry Moore and Phil Gagliano joined author and Hall of Fame sportswriter **Bob Broeg** for a panel discussion. The first "hot stove league" meeting of the St. Louis group took place February 2, 1985 at the National Bowling Hall of Fame across from Busch Stadium. The group has met annually in the winter and summer. Special guests of the chapter have included Jim Delsing, Frank Crespi, umpire Dave Phillips, Ted Sizemore, Joe Cunningham, Red Schoendienst, Gene Karst and Lee Landers.

The second annual winter regional featured adoption of a new chapter name in honor of Broeg. Bob has been a stalwart supporter of SABR since its early days and an active local member since the first St. Louis regional.

Broeg chapter activities have reached far beyond regional meetings alone. In 1987, the chapter and the St. Louis Cardinals co-sponsored a display of baseball history at the historic Hawkin House in Webster Groves, highlighting the 1887 American Association champion Browns. On May 19, 1990, the chapter dedicated a specially inscribed gravesite memorial honoring Joe Medwick at St. Lucas cemetery outside St. Louis. A commemorative plaque at the site of Sportsman's Park, home to more major league baseball games than any other field in America, was dedicated by the chapter on April 27, 1991. In June, the group took a bus trip to Springfield, Illinois for a minor league game between Springfield and Clinton.

Fischer was elected first chapter president at the 1986 summer meeting. **Erv** has been succeeded by **Mary Wurtz**, **Harry Brunt** and current president **Rick Salamon**.

The next major chapter project is, of course, the 1992 SABR national convention. Work is well underway to have the St. Louis group repeat its 1979 effort and establish a new convention attendance mark. With some 250 members in the St. Louis and hundreds more within comfortable access of the Gateway city, expectations are high for an outstanding convention and another triumph for the Bob Broeg St. Louis Chapter of SABR.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES BOOKS BENEFIT SABR

The latest edition of James Bready's history of the Orioles and a new pictorial on Baltimore's Memorial Stadium are now available from SABR on a first come, first served basis. SABR will receive all proceeds from the sale of these books.

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SABR QUESTION: RUTH OR MARIS

Like most baseball questions comparing different eras, no clear cut answer exists for our question, Was Babe Ruth's 60 home runs in 1927 or Roger Maris' 61 in 1961 the greater achievement. Basic arguments in favor of Ruth or Maris appear below. Thanks to all members who responded. If you have other topics for future questions, please send them to Editor, The SABR Bulletin, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

In favor of Ruth: Ruth hit 60 of 439 AL homers (13.7 percent) in 1927, Maris 61 of 1534 AL homers (4 percent) in 1961; Ruth played in a shorter schedule season (154 games to 162); Ruth hit for a higher batting average and slugging percentage; AL pitching in 1961 was watered down by expansion

In favor of Maris: Maris was confronted by night baseball, increased use of relief pitchers, fewer games against each team, jet lag, pressure of chasing Ruth, increased attention, longevity of Ruth's record, ground rule doubles by today's rules were home runs by 1927 rules.

George R. Weaver notes that Ruth ranks first among home run hitters between 1921 and 1991 with 54.7 homers per 600 at-bats (665 for 7289) while Maris ranks 20th (258 for 4199).

RESEARCH NEEDS

The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum is trying to obtain a copy of "The Kid From Cleveland," a 1949 film featuring Satchel Paige and the rest of the 1948 Indians. Contact **Larry Lester**, Research Director, Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, 1601 East 18th Street, Suite 260, Kansas City, Missouri 64108 or call 816-221-1920.

Jeffrey Staats hopes to find a copy of the story about Nellie Fox's Greatest Game, July 13, 1954 in a booklet published by Sport Magazine called "Baseball's All-Stars" in 1958. Contact Jeff at 75 Wilkey Avenue, Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871.

Richard Leutzinger is writing a biography of Lefty O'Doul and hopes to hear from any members who might have information about him not readily available. He seeks personal anecdotes and little known facts about O'Doul's career. **Richard** can be reached at 999 David Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA 93950.

Joe Williams is interested in all opinions concerning the Hall of Fame and the people in and out of it, especially Eddie Murray and Vern Stephens. Joe can be reached at 31 Sillimanville Road, Colchester, CT 06415.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On the morning of October 27, hours before the seventh game of the World Series, I was holding my twelve-week-old son. I was astonished to see him do two Tomahawk Chops with his left arm. Since Clifford slept through most of the World Series, the occurrence was probably a random motion. Would anyone have the physiological knowledge to determine the chance of a random motion being a Tomahawk Chop?

Joe Naiman, San Diego, California

On the research journal article on umpires—the difference in won-lost percentage in home games is just about what would be expected by chance.

Probability theory says the variation in data like this can be easily calculated. Two-thirds of the data should be within one standard deviation of the mean, while 95 percent should be within plus or minus two standard deviations. One standard deviation is equal to the square root of p times q over n , where p is the probability of success (.535), q the probability of failure (.465) and n the number of samples (usually about 140). This gives a standard deviation of .042. So, we should get 95 percent of the readings between .451 and .619. This says two or three of the umpires should be outside this range. In actuality, there were three (Kibler low, Palmero and McCoy high). I didn't include Pallone, because his sample size was smaller, so his standard deviation is .060, (.535 times .465 over 70), and his expected range .415 to .655.

For batting average, with 10,000 at-bats, and a league average of .250, the standard deviation is .0043 (square root of .25 times .75 over 10000), meaning two-thirds of the data should be within nine points of the mean. The data shows almost all umpires within that range (.251 to .269 for the AL, .243 to .261 for the NL), with only three slightly over these limits.

For strikeouts, the standard deviation should be equal to the square root of the (.15 probability of a strikeout times .85 probability of a non-strikeout times 76 batters per game all over 140 games). This gives an average of .15 times 76 or 11.4 strikeouts per game and a two sigma range of plus or minus .5. Since the league averages are a bit different, the AL should be between 10.8 and 11.8 while the NL should be between 11.1 and 12.1. There are four outside this range, a little more than expected.

For walks, it is the square root of (.085 times .915 times 76 over 140), which gives 6.5 walks per game, plus or minus .4, or a range of 6.4 to 7.2 in the AL, 6.1 to 6.9 in the NL. There are quite a few outside this range, suggesting there are significant differences in walks.

Most people don't think the expected variation due to chance is so high. If you want to test it, just flip a coin 140 times and count the number of heads you get. It should be outside the range of .500 plus or minus .084 in five percent of the cases. The mean here is 50 percent because heads or tails are equally likely.

Pete Palmer, Lexington, Massachusetts

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

Research Exchange items are available from **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906) unless otherwise noted. Items are \$.05 per page and \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages. Research Exchange submissions should be sent to the SABR office.

Art Schott offers two of his "Schott From The Bleachers" columns, Foxx reached for Babe's Mark (Jimmy's 58 home run season in 1932) and The 1937 Newark Wonder Team (the New York Yankee farm club that was 109-43). Either or both items are available from Art for a SASE (9 1/2 inches X 4 inches). Art's address is 459 Jewel Street, New Orleans, LA 70124.

Louis Hegeman has prepared a 14 page Petition For The Restoration of George Daniel "Buck Weaver" Weaver To The Rolls of Major League Baseball. The petition includes 14 pages of exhibits. The petition is available from Levin for \$3.20.

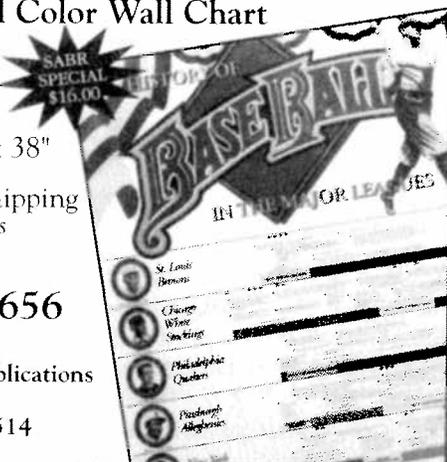
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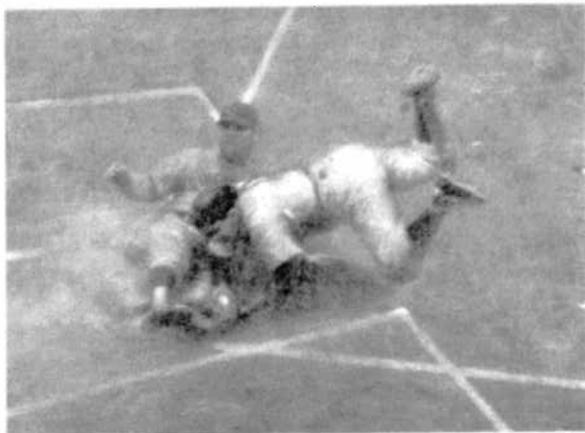
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Efforts that began in 1981 when the late John Tattersall's log of all home runs in major league history was purchased by SABR reached a milestone on December 9, 1991, when the final basic home run information was computerized. **Bob McConnell** continued to keep the log after Tattersall's death, and intensified efforts by the SABR computerization committee over the past year have resulted in the completed computer data base. The Tattersall/McConnell Home Run Log lists 168,854 home runs in major league history. According to the log, the best bet for a home run comes on a Sunday in July in the fourth inning with the bases empty. The next step in the project is computerization of notes for significant home runs, such as Babe Ruth's 60th in 1927 or Roger Maris' 61st in 1961. Some final data on the pitchers allowing the home runs must also be entered. Watch for further notice as the home run log computerization is finalized and firm guidelines for use of the log are developed.

In addition to the completion of phase I of the Tattersall-McConnell home run log, the computerization committee has completed work on data entry and the creation of a database for the Cleveland Indians data project. Once final verification is completed, data on all games in Indians history will be available for reference purposes. The committee also proposes a computerization seminar for the national convention in St. Louis. Any thoughts and/or suggestions should be relayed to committee chairman **Jim Johnston**. The newest issue of the committee newsletter (available from the SABR office for \$1) focuses on these topics and includes a list of current committee members.

MORE COMMITTEE NEWS: The new Nineteenth Century Committee newsletter, *Nineteenth Century Notes*, compiled by **Frederick Ivor-Campbell**, features a list of Civil War Participants in the National Association from **Richard Puff**, progress reports on the NA box score project and the sequel to *Nineteenth Century Stars*, an ancient history of baseball, a committee roster, and **Bob Tiemann's** articles on Stolen Bases in the 19th Century and Tom Barlow. Of Barlow, Tiemann writes:

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HALL OF FAME VOTING CONTINUES

Balloting of the Baseball Writers Association of America for the 1992 National Baseball Hall of Fame inductions has concluded, but you still have a chance to take part in SABR's poll and see if we agree with the writers. Will Tom Seaver match his record setting percentage? Will Rollie Fingers make the 75 percent cut? Would SABR members have scheduled anyone else for 1992 induction? Find out in the April issue of *The SABR Bulletin*. SABR balloting continues until February 15. The list of eligible players appears in the January issue of *The SABR Bulletin*. You are also encouraged to vote for players eligible for induction by the Hall of Fame Veterans Committee based on its guidelines.

BING DEVINE CHOSEN KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR SABR 22

Long time baseball executive **Bing Devine** will be the keynote speaker at the 1992 SABR National Convention banquet. Devine spent 18 years in the St. Louis Cardinals organization, rising to general manager when he succeeded Frank Lane in 1958. Devine spent 18 of the next 21 years as St. Louis GM (1958-64, 1968-78). Between his abrupt departure in 1964 and surprising return in 1968, Devine worked for the New York Mets as Assistant to the President and then General Manager. A recent addition to the SABR membership rolls, Devine is currently a special assignment scout for the Philadelphia Phillies. Devine will be the third general manager to address the annual banquet. **Andy MacPhail** was keynote speaker in 1988 and **Lou Gorman** spoke in 1984. The annual SABR banquet will take place on Saturday, June 27 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis as part of the 22nd SABR National Convention.

MORE PRELIMINARY CONVENTION INFORMATION

While awaiting the registration forms to come next month, you might make other plans regarding the 1992 SABR National Convention in St. Louis. You can make hotel reservations now by calling 1-800-444-ADAM. Specify you are registering for the SABR convention. Room rates are \$82 per room with one to four person occupancy (tax and parking not included).

If you wish to make a research presentation, contact **Jim Rygelski**, 2612 Hord Avenue, Jennings, MO 63136 (314-868-9962) to receive more information.

Three tours will be offered in conjunction with the 1992 convention on Saturday, June 27. Attendees will have a chance to visit *The Sporting News* archives, the St. Louis Sports Hall of Fame, or take a tour of the city. These three tours will run concurrently, so you will have to choose one of the three. Prices will be \$5 for *The Sporting News* (for the bus to and from the archives), \$4 for the Hall of Fame, and \$20 for the city tour. (Note: *The Sporting News* archives will not be available for research purposes during the convention.)

BASEBALL BRIEFS INSIDE

For the fourth consecutive year, *The SABR Bulletin* is pleased to publish **L. Robert Davids'** Baseball Briefs. Davids, the founder of SABR, began publishing the Briefs in 1971. His related efforts led to the formation of SABR that same year. The first half of the 1992 Briefs is on pages four and five. Two more pages of Briefs will be in the next issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

The 1992 *Bulletin* schedule published in the September 1991 issue of *The SABR Bulletin* indicated convention registration forms would appear in the February issue and Baseball Briefs would appear in March. To finalize last minute details, the forms will appear in the March *Bulletin* and the first installment of Baseball Briefs appears on pages 4-5 of this issue.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

David Pietrusza received congratulations for his books *Major Leagues* and *Baseball's Canadian-American League* in *Zgoda*, the official publication of the Polish National Alliance. David is a past president (1985-1987) of PNA Lodge 1291. His article on Walter Dilbeck's Global League appears in the December 25 issue of *Baseball America*. Pietrusza and Tom Heitz are quoted in an article on the National Baseball Library from the *SARATOGIAN* (November 24)...**Louis Jay Herman** made the New York Times Sports Section Letters to the Editor column again on November 10 citing the Czechoslovakian origins of Kent Hrbek's name. Louis is author of *A Dictionary of Slavic Word Families*...**Daniel Woodhead's** campaign to encourage Lefty O'Doul's induction to the Baseball Hall of Fame has recently received testimonial endorsements from Dom DiMaggio, Bobby Doerr, Frank Crosetti and Jim Murray. Dan seeks any suggestions and/or contacts to help his "Lefty O'Doul for Cooperstown" campaign. Write to Dan Woodhead, 1550 Bay St., #204, San Francisco, CA 94123...**Al Bonowitz** has been hired as Director of Stadium Operations for the Bakersfield Dodgers (California League). Al was an intern at the SABR office last summer...**Joe Vellano** and son Adam are headed to Australia from February 14 to March 3 with a group of all-stars from Scotia's (New York) American League team. Joe is team general manager, Adam a team member... Congratulations to **Joe Simenec** upon his retirement from the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Joe was secretary to the publisher for over 40 years. The golf course and increased biographical research await.

BOOKSHELF

Horton Publishing Company continues its series of Spalding and Reach guide reprints with issues of each for 1905. Each guide includes complete coverage of the 1904 season, final standings and averages of National League, American League, and minor leagues, complete rules and schedules for 1905. Spalding Guide emphasizes the NL, Reach the AL. Both guides are well illustrated. Spalding Guide is 400 pages, Reach Guide 360 pages. To order, send \$50 for either guide, or \$90 for both, and add \$3 per order for postage and handling (\$5 for Canada; \$7 for other foreign shipments) to Horton Publishing Company, P.O. Box 29234, St. Louis, MO 63126.

MAC STATS FINAL REPORT 1991 BASEBALL SEASON by **Jon R. McEntyre** is a nine page report on players with the highest sums of runs and RBI. McEntyre argues that Mac Stats are statistically more significant than the Triple Crown stats, citing 28 of the 53 MVPs since 1965 have been the Mac Stats leader. Available for \$4 from Mac Stats, c/o Jon R. McEntyre, 14 Harbor Drive, Corte Madera, CA 94925.

A Fan's Guide to Baseball Fever - The Official Medical Reference by Thomas Singer, M.D. and Stuart Copans, M.D. is a lighthearted look at "medical" symptoms of intense baseball interest. Humorous definitions of anxiety, insomnia and despair (as related to baseball) are accompanied by the illustrations of Mitchell Rose. The 142 page, soft cover book (5-1/4x8-1/2) includes an index and has a \$10.95 cover price. To order, contact Tom Singer, 2536 Clay Street, San Francisco, CA 94115 or call (415) 563-2211.

The Tom Seaver File by Irv Moullem is a 63 page collection of every major league appearance by date including full stats, records and awards, and post-season/exhibition season play. To order send \$7 +\$3 postage to Irv Moullem, 6601 Burns St., #2M, Rego Park, NY 11374.

THE PRES BOX

A couple of years ago, two compilations of baseball research materials appeared in bookstores. *Everything Baseball* listed films, radio, TV, plays, songs, poetry, art and sculpture that feature baseball. *The Whole Baseball Catalogue* touched on almost everything else. One chapter in particular listed baseball collections in museums and libraries. This discovery of primary documentation is part of SABR's mission.

The archives of the Evangeline League are kept at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana. Northern League records are in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the Pettigrew Museum. Eastern League materials are in private hands. National League papers are neatly stacked in a vault beneath the offices of a New York law firm. Judge Landis' baseball papers were destroyed, on his orders, at his death.

Several years ago, an intrepid researcher visited the Carnegie Pennsylvania Historical Society and innocently asked, "Do you have anything on Honus Wagner?" It turned out that Wagner's original professional contract was there.

WHAT'S MISSING

Bob McConnell has been searching for the Frank Marcellus Ledger Books, used as the basis for the Barnes Baseball Encyclopedia, since they disappeared in the vicinity of Long Beach, California at the time of Marcellus' death in the 1960s. Likewise, there are thousands of Athletics' player contracts and scouting reports somewhere in Kansas City. Only one box has been found to date. John H. Farrell, first secretary of the National Association, must have left some papers related to his work in baseball - are they stashed somewhere in Auburn, New York? Papers from the National Association's tenure in Columbus, Ohio have yet to surface. Likewise, the whereabouts of papers of former National Association president Judge William Bramham are unknown.

SABR members live in all 50 United States and beyond. Somewhere near you may be a museum, historical society, or archives department of a public or college library that has primary research material on baseball. Make a scouting trip and report your findings to the Bibliography Committee. You never know what you may discover.

Lloyd Johnson

(In 1987, SABR published the *Baseball Research Handbook*, an invaluable 120-page guide to sleuthing for information on the national pastime. It is still in print, and is available from the SABR office for \$6.00 plus \$1.50 postage and handling.)

OBITUARIES

Condolences to the family and friends of **Grandfield White** and **John A. Wood**. White, a member since 1972, died on December 9. Wood, a member since 1991 and charter member of the Hall-Ruggles Chapter, suffered a fatal stroke on December 16.

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Grace Coolidge—the first lady of baseball (4 pages) by David Pietrusza.

Bill Veeck: The Tucson Years (3 newspaper pages, cost as for 6 pages) by Mark Stewart, *Arizona Daily Star*.

The Providence Grays as a National League franchise (6 pages) by Fred Stinson and Richard Waldbauer.

The Cyclone comes to Canton (5 pages) by James P. Holl (*Cy Young's* 1990 season in Canton, Ohio).

Chick and Jake Stahl: Were they brothers? (4 pages) by Dick Thompson.

The day Maris hit no. 61 (2 pages) by Bruce Lowitt (copy of newspaper article).

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Interesting information about Rhode Islanders in baseball (18 pages) by Jim Murphy.

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Prelude to the fall: Boston Red Sox accidents, antics and anxieties before the 1946 World Series (6 pages) by William Ferraro.

The institutionalization of the modern World Series, 1903-1905: An example of American progressivism (8 pages) by William Ferraro.

Radbourne's wins in 1884 (2 pages) by Fred Ivor-Campbell (did Hoss really win 60?).

The American Association. Its ten years of history from 1882 to 1891 inclusive (4 pages) (copy of pages from 1892 Spalding Guide).

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Mauzy McDermott's life has been eventful—both in and after baseball (3 pages) by Johnette Howard (copy of newspaper article).

The SABR Research Library currently contains almost 500 articles. An updated index to the Research Library is available for \$2 from Len Levin (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, RI 02906).

Herman Krabbenhoft offers two exchange items: A comprehensive report, "The Phenomenal Achievement of Frank Lary—Premier Yankee Killer." The 12 page report is available for \$2.00. A comprehensive list of those players who hit ultimate sudden death homers—come-from-behind-game-ending-extra-inning homers—that followed homer by the opposing team in the top half of the overtime frame. This list is available for an SASE. Requests for either of these items should be send to Herm at P.O. Box 9343, Schenectady, New York 12309.

RESEARCH NEEDS

Marv Hammerman requests information on Billy Cox, Brooklyn third baseman from 1948 to 1954. Any reminiscences about his off-the-field as well as on-the-field life would be appreciated. Contact Marv at 7130 Cascade Road SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506 or call 616-949-5619.

Debbi Dagavarian-Bonar is trying to locate a team photo or card for the 1983 Indiana Blues of Valparaiso, a team no longer in existence. Please write to Debbi at 105 Baylor Road, Hamilton, NJ 08610 or call 609-984-1133 (work) or 609-888-4007 (home).

K.C. Priest requests names and photos of players who wore/wear eyeglasses in major league baseball games. Contact K.C. at 921 Upton Dr., South Charleston, WV 25309.

Jeffrey White seeks help researching the 1910 Elgin, Illinois team of the Class C Northern Association. One team member was Fritz Maisel, later an American League stolen base champ. Jeff is trying to reproduce a uniform for the local historical museum and has been unable to locate any clear pictures of the uniform. He needs a photo of the 1910 Elgin Kittens and any leads on companies that make uniforms for individuals. Contact Jeff at 116 N Porter, Elgin, IL 60120.

Barton D. Darrell is seeking the names of any Major League baseball players who before, during or after their baseball careers were also attorneys at law. He is interested in knowing where the individual went to law school, where they practiced law and what type of law they practiced, if such information is available. Contact Barton at 1010 College Street, P.O. Box 738, Bowling Green, Kentucky 42102-0738 or call 502-781-8111.

CLARIFICATIONS

Lucas Hobbs notes that the 1890 Louisville club (American Association) was 88-44, not 88-64 as mentioned in the November/December Bulletin. Hobbs also notes that the St. Louis Terriers of the Federal League also accomplished the "Worst to First" feat. In 1914, the Terriers finished last with a 62-89 record, then improved to 87-67 and a first place tie with the Chicago (86-66) club.

An item on page 16 of the 1991 Baseball Research Journal entitled "Renewed Interest in 'One Arm' Daily" should have credited **Al Kermisch** as the author. Al's name was inadvertently left off the end of this interesting piece, which for the first time provides Daily's correct date of birth and describes how he lost his left hand as a twelve-year-old boy while working at the Front Street Theater in Baltimore. Our apologies to Al for failing to properly credit this outstanding research.

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REGIONALS

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA...87 members and friends attended the Northern California chapter meeting at the New Pisa Restaurant on November 12, 1991. The program included: **David Nemecek** discussing his upcoming book "The Great American Baseball Team Book"; **Dan Woodhead** and **Harry Jupiter** on the campaign to put Lefty O'Doul into the Hall of Fame; **Barry Mednick** on proposed rules changes. **Tony Salin** and **Frank Schwarz** won the trivia contest. The next meeting is scheduled for March.

SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK...22 members attended the most recent North East New York regional. Presentations were made by **Joe Vellano**—state of Australian Baseball; **David Pietrusza**—Grace Coolidge: First Lady of Baseball; **Herm Krabbenhoft**—Special Home Runs; **David Walsh**—Troy vs. Worcester 1882 re-creation; **John Evers**—Johnny Evers (John's grandfather).

GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA...Plans are still in the works for a winter regional in Greensboro. To help, or obtain more information, contact **Francis Kinlaw**.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA...The Allan Roth Chapter will hold its spring meeting April 4 at the Amateur Athletic Foundation, 2141 West Adams Boulevard, Los Angeles. An optional trip to a Freeway Series game that night is being planned. For details, contact **Dick Beverage**.

TO JOIN YOUR LOCAL REGIONAL, call the contact in your area.

TO START A REGIONAL in your area, call the SABR office.

REGIONAL PROFILE

As designated host chapter of the 1993 SABR National Convention, the Ted Williams (San Diego) regional chapter is bringing SABR's big event back to the west coast for the first time since 1985. Regional activity in San Diego began on July 28, 1984 at Jack Murphy Stadium when 36 members and five guests gathered. Featured guests were Padres' infielder Kurt Bevacqua, National League umpire Joe West, Negro League's pitcher Chet Brewer, and former minor league Padres' Tony Criscola and Gene Locklear. Research presentations were given by **Fred Rogers**, **Andy Strasberg**, **Bruce Ericcson** and **Earl Keller**. The group also attended an Astros-Padres twi-night twinbill courtesy of the club. A year later, **Phil Lowry** hosted the second annual area regional at his home. Presentations were given by **Greg Funk**, **Helen Knop**, **Joe Naiman** and **Lowry**. Afterward, the group watched the second game of the 1985 World Series. On October 11, 1986 area members formally established the San Diego Padres Chapter of SABR, electing **Lowry** president, **Mark Reynolds** vice president and **Naiman** secretary. The next chapter regional did not take place until 1988. Trips to California League games in Palm Springs and Riverside also took place in 1988. The death of **Vern Luse** in 1989 and **Mil Chipp** in 1990 sidetracked the local, and plans to hold a 1990 regional in Yuma fell victim to the player's strike. Activity resumed with two meetings in 1991. On September 7, 1991 the chapter officially adopted its new name. In his reply to the chapter's request, Williams wrote, "This is indeed an honor and I am certainly happy to give my consent."

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February 16... Bob Broeg Chapter (St. Louis) meeting
February NWSABR meeting in Portland, Oregon
March 7..... Forbes Field Chapter (Pittsburgh) meeting
March Northern California regional
April 4..... Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting
May 21 St. Louis Browns Fan Club 8th annual Hall of Fame dinner
June 15-17 Cooperstown Symposium
June 25-28 SABR Annual Convention-St. Louis
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timore] he had four bunt singles and was out trying for another. His stolen bases included a steal of home in the fifth inning, but it was his caught stealing that really caused some comment. With Jack Burdock on ahead of him at second, Barlow lit out from first and naturally drew a throw. But he was able to stay in the rundown long enough for Burdock to come all the way around to score.

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CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORMS AND INFORMATION INSIDE

The schedule and registration forms for the 1992 SABR National Convention can be found on pages 10 and 11. The annual convention is SABR's biggest event of the year. Good convention attendance helps us gain competitive room rates and funds to keep registration fees low. Support SABR and enjoy a great baseball weekend by making plans to attend the 1992 SABR convention. If you have any unanswered questions about the convention, contact the SABR office (216-575-0500).

MINOR LEAGUE HISTORY JOURNAL PUBLISHED

The SABR Minor League Committee's Minor League History Journal was printed in mid-January and has been distributed to all those who have ordered copies. We appreciate the patience and support of all members who made the publication possible.

The 40 page journal contains 10 articles, seven statistical charts, and a seven page pictorial essay on ballparks of the Pacific Coast League.

Additional copies of the journal are available for \$6 plus \$1.50 for shipping and handling. Order from SABR, Department MLHJ, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

MORE COMMITTEE NEWS

Ballparks: Discussion of a multi-purpose domed stadium for Boston is among 23 items in the November/December 1991 committee newsletter (available from the SABR office for \$1 and \$.29 SASE). Some of the suggested research projects in the newsletter include developing a collection of ballpark plans and 1992 ballparks photo contest.

Biographical: Committee member **Dr. Jose Jimenez** of the Dominican Republic has "found" Ricardo Torres of the 1920-22 Senators. Torres was born April 16, 1891 in Regla, Cuba and died there April 17, 1960. The eighth edition of *The Baseball Encyclopedia* show Torres born in Cuba in 1894 and died in Havana with no dates given. Jimenez was able to find the new information through a contact in Cuba. Information is still needed for two remaining Cubans, both assumed to be deceased, Alfredo Cabrera of the 1913 Cardinals and Rafael Almeida of the 1911-13 Reds.

Two new players have been added to the all-time list, Collins and Leonard. Both played for St. Louis on September 12, 1892.

(Committee news continued on page seven)

GREEN CATHEDRALS PUBLISHED BY ADDISON-WESLEY

The much awaited revision of *Green Cathedrals* has been published by Addison Wesley. See the special offer on page 3 with special ordering information for SABR members. Originally published by SABR in 1986, the original has been out of print for some time and is one of the most sought SABR publications. Both the original and the revision are the product of years of research by author **Phil Lowry** and other members of the SABR Ballparks Committee.

The new version of Lowry's book features a chapter on each of the current major league parks. More limited information is presented regarding the former major league and negro league parks. Like the original *Green Cathedrals*, the update provides the occupants, capacity, dimensions and phenomena (if any). The new version includes a bibliography and index along with more than 100 photographs. The foreword is written by **Dale Swearingen, A.I.A.**, Vice President, Director of Architecture, The Osborn Engineering Company, and the book is dedicated to **Bob Bluthardt**, Chairman, SABR Ballparks Committee.

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ALVAREZ HIRED TO DIRECT SABR PUBLICATIONS

Mark Alvarez became SABR's fourth Publications Director when he was signed to an 18 month contract at the SABR Executive Board meeting January 24-26 in San Diego. Preceding Alvarez in the position were John Thorn, Paul Adomites and John Holway.

Mark has an extensive background in both writing and editing. He was associate editor of *The National Pastime* #8 (Spring 1988), TNP #7 (Winter 1987), and TNP #4 (Winter 1985). Mark also administered the SABR lending library from June 1989 to August 1990.

Submissions for *Baseball Research Journal* #21 (1992) and other forthcoming SABR publications are encouraged. Submissions should be addressed to Mark Alvarez, Box 736, Woodbury, CT 06798.

Other topics of discussion at the meetings included the SABR constitution and by-laws, upcoming SABR conventions, committee and regional operations. Reports were made by the Executive Director, Treasurer and new Publications Director. The next SABR Bulletin will contain more meeting details.

Members can obtain meeting minutes and meeting reports by sending a SASE (\$.52) to the SABR office. Please specify the report(s) and/or minutes you desire (one SASE for each).

BOOKSHELF

The SportsBook File, Volume 1, Number 4 features reviews of *Gil Hodges-The Quiet Man*, *Baseball Research Journal #20*, *Glory Fades Away*, and an interview with Bill Deane. To subscribe (6 issues for \$15), write SBF, 1069 Alexander Drive, Rotterdam Jct., NY 12150.

Grandstand Baseball Annual-Special 1-James J. Weigand Issue is 120 pages of Weigand's research, primarily home runs, base stealing and the 1927 Yankees. To order, send \$7.95 to GBA Special #1, P.O. Box 4203, Downey, CA 90241-1203.

Fall Classic Forum, Issue 1, is a one page introduction to plans for a newsletter about the history and statistics of the World Series. Write to FCF, 3925 Crow #42, Beaumont, TX 77706 for more details.

The Final Season by Fred Nichols (112 pages, softcover, illustrated), is a day-by-day account of the farewell campaign of the St. Louis Browns. Available from the St. Louis Browns Fan Club for \$8.50, or it can be purchased with the forthcoming *A Jockstrap Full of Nails: A Cornucopia of St. Louis Browns History and Trivia*, by Bill Borst and Erwin Fisher, for \$16. Order from St. Louis Browns Fan Club, P.O. Box 16271, St. Louis, MO 63105.

NO DEPRESSION WHEN DIZ WAS AROUND

by Bob Carr

Roll 'em together—Mark Fidrych, Joe E. Brown (as Elmer the Great), Sidd Finch and Muhammad Ali. (especially Ali) and you wouldn't have one Dizzy Dean. "There'll never be another like me," said The Great Dean (a handle he preferred for a while).

He was right—and forgivable. "If you say you're gonna do somethin' and go ahead and do it," Diz explained for those who might consider him just another blowhard, "it ain't braggin'."

Robert Gregory lifts this handsomely-produced, 29-photo bio, *Diz*, above the stream by cramming it with quotes (Dean was funny) and opinions (Diz spared no one, including FDR). Speaking of FDR, columnist Arthur Brisbane wrote, after Dean was knocked cold in the '34 Series, "Of 123,000,000 people in this country, 99 percent are more interested in Dizzy Dean than the president of the United States."

Gregory mixes in his own wry pitches. He never takes his hero too seriously. No one did—except batters who, rarely, upset him. When Billy Jurges took a toehold, Dean yelled in, "Keep diggin', boy, 'cause that's where they're gonna bury you."

Unlike most baseball icons, Diz was always quotable, constantly in motion (and hot water) off the field. Does a 150-game winner (30 in fabled '34) belong in the Hall of Fame? Dang tootin'!

Make Diz home work for the St. Louis convention. The exam question may be:

Do you agree with Mickey Owen, who said of baseball in the 1930s, "Has life been that good since?"?

Diz, Robert Gregory, Viking, 392 pages, \$22

THE PRES BOX

In this edition of the Pres Box, I want to address two issues—SABR's financial condition (better than we thought), and SABR publications (a fresh start).

On the finances...

In late 1989 and early 1990, SABR's financial accounts were kept in a haphazard manner. After gathering data and very carefully scrutinizing the accounts, the Board is satisfied that so-called "missing money" was misplaced in the accounts. For example, in 1989, 5,924 members accounted for \$143,000 in revenues, but in 1990, 5,284 members yielded \$181,000 in membership dues. Many members were listed twice and all, whether paid up or not, received the Bulletins and publications. Many late renewing members were erroneously listed as new members, thus padding the membership count. Because of bookkeeping problems, many 1989 funds were not deposited until 1990, creating the appearance of a significant shortfall in funds. Those problems are behind us now, and hopefully, will never arise again.

SABR ended 1991 with a reserve fund of \$34,000 and finally returned to the total asset level of March 31, 1989. It has been a struggle, and through the work of dedicated members, SABR appears to be headed toward financial security in the 1990s.

On the publications...

A long-standing problem in SABR has been getting publications out on time—or just getting them out! Many members have called or written, expressing various degrees of alarm and dependency over the publications. Witness Carl Lundquist, who wrote, in part,

"Considering the projected publication date of mid-July 1991 for THE NATIONAL PASTIME may I be forgiven for my audacity in asking if it is considerably PAST TIME for this fine piece of work to appear in mail boxes of our legion of members?"

Past time, indeed, Carl, and we apologize. Despite the efforts of the Publications Director John Holway and Baseball Ink, we have failed to produce as promised. What now? We have hired a new Publications Director, Mark Alvarez, whose duties include finishing *The National Pastime*, 1991 edition, as well as producing the eagerly anticipated publications of 1992. Responsibility for preparing the membership directory has returned to the office of the Executive Director.

We thank all who contributed time and effort to the publications program in 1991. For 1992, we pledge our support to Mark, our rookie phenom.

W. Lloyd Johnson

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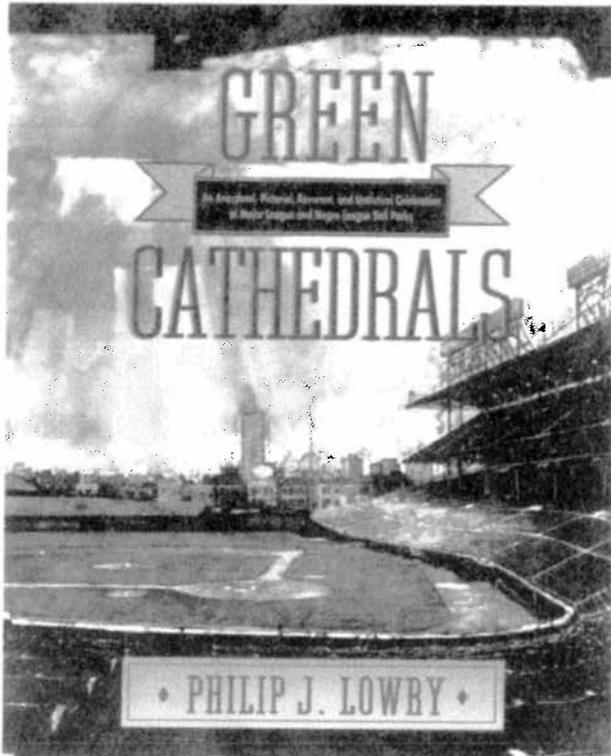
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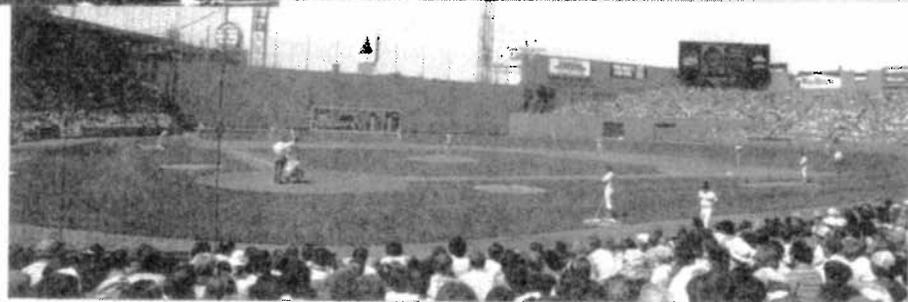


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WHEN IT COMES TO CAREER RECORDS, and the margin the leader has over the runner-up, Lou Gehrig's 2130 consecutive games played was for decades 1.63 times better than the second-place figure of Everett Scott (1307). But Cal Ripken's runner-up number is now up to 1573, and Gehrig's margin has shrunk to 1.35. Who now has the biggest bulge in career records? Nolan Ryan already has a 1.47 lead on Steve Carlton in bases on balls, as well as a 1.33 edge over Carlton in strikeouts. Both margins should increase next season. In the "exotic" category of no-hitters pitched, Ryan has a substantial lead of 7 to 4 (1.75) over Sandy Koufax, but Walter Johnson has an even bigger margin in 1-0 wins. Here are some of the unequal races in the conventional and exotic categories:

Category	Current Leader and the Runner-up	Margin
Pitcher Walks	Nolan Ryan, 2686+ - Steve Carlton, 1833	1.47
Consecutive Games	Lou Gehrig, 2130 - Cal Ripken, 1573+	1.35
Batter Strikeouts	Reggie Jackson, 2597 - W.Stargell, 1936	1.34
Pitcher Strikeouts	Nolan Ryan, 5511+ - Steve Carlton, 4136	1.33
Innings Pitched	Cy Young, 7355 - Jim Galvin, 5941	1.24
Pitcher Victories	Cy Young, 511 - Walter Johnson, 417	1.23
1-0 Victories	Walter Johnson, 38 - Gr. Alexander, 17	2.24
No-hitters Pitched	Nolan Ryan 7+ - Sandy Koufax, 4	1.75
Steals of Home	Ty Cobb, 54 - Max Carey, 33	1.64
Leadoff Homers	Rickey Henderson, 50+ - Bobby Bonds, 35	1.43
Grand Slam Homers	Lou Gehrig, 23 - Willie McCovey, 18	1.28
Cons.Game Hit Strk.	Joe DiMaggio, 56 - Keeler-Rose, 44	1.27

THERE WERE THREE PLAYERS, all from the AL, who reached double figures in all extra-base hits in 1991. They were Paul Molitor of the Brewers, with 32 doubles, 13 triples, and 17 homers; Devon White, Blue Jays, 40-10-17; and Mike Devereaux, Orioles, 27-10-19. All three were leadoff batters. What has happened to the No. 3 and 4 hitters who usually achieve the highest level of extra-base hits? We cant blame it all on the typical slow-footed designated hitter. Molitor, with 382 career thefts, was DH much of the '91 season. In fact, he was the first DH to lead or share leadership in three-baggers. The players who achieved double figures in all three extra-base hits the most seasons are carried below, with their best year at right.

9	Lou Gehrig, 1925-31; 1933; 1935	1927 - 52* 18 47
8	Jim Bottomley, 1924-29; 34; 36	1928 - 42 20* 31*
8	Goose Goslin, 1924-28; 30-31; 33	1925 - 34 20* 18
8	Earl Averill, 1929; 1931-33; 35-38	1936 - 39 15* 28
8	Joe DiMaggio, 1936-38; 41-42; 47-48; 50	1937 - 35 15 46*
8	Stan Musial, 1942-44; 1946-49; 51	1948 - 46* 18* 39
7	Joe Medwick, 1933-37; 1940-41	1934 - 40 18* 18
7	Roberto Clemente, 1961; 1965-70	1969 - 20 12* 19

JOE CARTER of the Blue Jays ended the season with 505 consecutive games played, dating back to Sep. 13, 1988. He is the 31st player to reach the 500-game milestone (Charlie Gehringer and Pete Rose did it twice). Carter has shown considerable power in these 505 games, hitting 93 home runs and knocking in 334 runs. However, his .247 batting average during the streak essentially ties Roy McMillan (585 games, 1951-55) for the lowest in the group. Carter has played the full schedule for three different teams in the last three years -- Cleveland, San Diego, and Toronto. Since 1900, Del Pratt and Rogers Hornsby have been the only other players to play the iron man role with three clubs, but not in consecutive seasons like Carter.

SWITCH HITTER KEN SINGLETON hit 246 homers in his 15-year career (1970-84) but never hit one righthanded and lefthanded in the same game. On the other hand, rookie Bret Barberie of Montreal, after only 25 at bats, switch hit his first two homers against the Phillies August 2. U.L Washington switch hit his first two for Kansas City Sep. 21, 1979, but in his third season.

BILLY AND CAL RIPKEN have played the keystone in 551 Baltimore games since 1987, by far the most for brothers playing together at second and short. However, this number is well below the estimated 1520 games Pittsburgh's Paul Waner played in rightfield while his brother Lloyd was playing center. Here are some of the brother combos who played the most games together at two specific fielding positions. Remember, these are "ballpark figures."

RF-CF	- Paul and Lloyd Waner, Pitt 1927-40; Bkn 42	Est.1520
2B-SS	- Billy and Cal Ripken, Balt 1987-91	551
C-SS	- Luke and Joe Sewell, Clev 1921-28	Est. 530
C-3B	- Luke and Joe Sewell, Clev 1928-30	Est. 215
1B-RF	- Tommie & Hank Aaron, Mil-Atl 1962-65; 68-71	Est. 180
P-C	- Wes and Rick Ferrell, Bos-Wash 1934-38	Est. 165
LF-RF	- Billy and Tony Conigliaro, Bos 1969-70	Est. 120

DAVIS is the most popular surname for home run hitters. A record seven have hit more than 100 career fourbaggers. Chili Davis took over "clan" leadership late this season with 185, passing Willie Davis, who had succeeded Tommy Davis in 1972. Two of the big guns, Eric and Glenn Davis, were injured much of the season and the grand total of those hitting 100+ stopped at 1160. This is still well behind the Williams' and Robinsons. Furthermore, a new Williams named Matt just reached the century milestone at the end of the season. Here are the up-to-date totals of the leaders.

WILLIAMS	ROBINSON	DAVIS	JOHNSON	JACKSON
Ted.. 521	Frank 586	Chili 185+	Bob.. 288	Reggie 563
Billy 426	Brooks 268	Willie 182	Deron 245	Travis 135
Cy... 251	Eddie 172	Eric.. 177+	Howard 197+	Bo.... 112+
Ken.. 196	Bill.. 166	Glenn 176+	Cliff 196	Randy <u>103</u>
Earl. 138	Jackie <u>137</u>	Alvin 160+	Davey <u>136</u>	913
Matt. <u>101+</u>	1329	Tommy 153	1062	
1633		Jody.. <u>127</u>		
		1160		

HAPPY JACK CHESBRO, who completed a record 48 of his 51 starts for New York in 1904, would not be smiling about the Yankees' pitching performance in 1991. The starters completed only three games. Yes, three out of 162. Scott Sanderson went nine innings twice, and Tim Leary did it once. As recently as 1983, Ron Guidry led the AL with 21 complete games.

ROB MURPHY, winless in 57 games with Seattle, now has not won a game in a record 129 appearances. The southpaw reliever's last victory was with the Red Sox September 22, 1989, when they defeated the Tigers 9 to 7.

RICKEY HENDERSON led the AL again in stolen bases and pushed his career mark to 994. Fellow Oakland outfielder Willie Wilson stole 20 and upped his career number to 632. That's a combined total of 1626. Is it the best ever for teammates? Not quite. Ty Cobb, with 891, and Eddie Collins, 744, closed out their careers with the Athletics in 1928 with a combined 1635.

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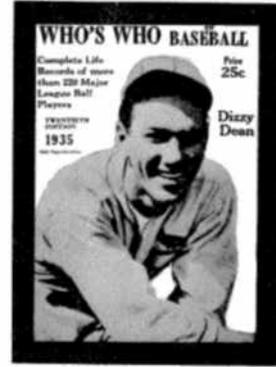
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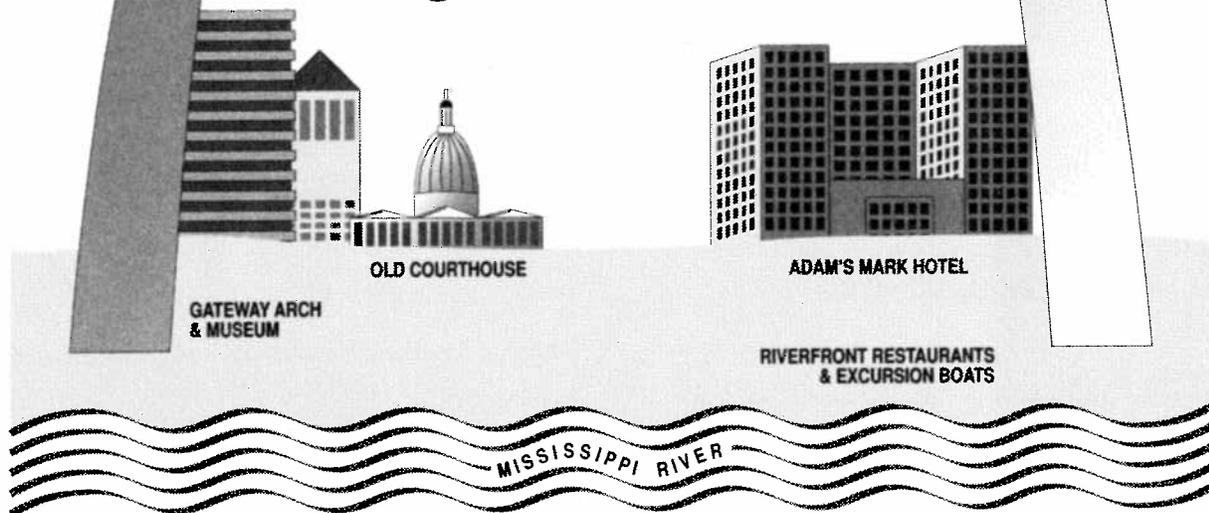
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You will find the statements from 1992 candidates for Secretary, Treasurer, and Director on pages 10-11. All active SABR members (1992 dues paid) have the opportunity to participate in the 1992 elections. Voting instructions and the election ballot are on pages 11-12. Members are encouraged to read the statements and vote responsibly. The SABR Board is responsible for all policy decisions, carrying out the wishes of the membership, and guiding the society into the future.

In the middle of this issue of *The SABR Bulletin* you will find a four-page insert of proposed changes to the SABR Constitution and By-Laws, including an explanation for the proposed changes. These changes have been unanimously recommended by the SABR Executive Board.

On the 1992 ballot for Secretary, Treasurer and Director, you will also find the question to approve or reject the proposed changes. Please take time to review the changes and cast your vote. Feel free to contact members of the Executive Board if you have any questions about the proposed changes.

CONVENTION UPDATE

ROOM RATES: Some members have cited the confusing room rate information published in the March Bulletin. Room rates are \$91.77 for up to four in a room. Indicate how many will be in the room and whether one or two beds are needed (additional rollaways are extra). If you have any questions, contact the SABR office.

PRESENTATIONS: Anyone wishing to make a presentation at SABR 22 must notify Jim Rygelski by May 1. Contact Jim at 314-868-9962.

TOURS: The tour of the St. Louis Sports Hall of Fame (Saturday, 9am) will include a tour of Busch Memorial Stadium. The Hall of Fame is now completely devoted to baseball with thousands of items, including some 1,000 related to the career of Stan Musial.

PANELS: Ted Savage and Joe Cunningham have been added to the Cardinals panel (Saturday, 4:30pm). Cunningham and Savage are Director and Manager, respectively, of the Cardinals community relations department.

PUBLICATION: Anyone wishing to contribute an article to the "Baseball in Missouri" convention publication should contact **Bob Tiemann** (314-535-4215) by April 25.

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Copies of *Minor League History Journal* remain available for \$7.50 postpaid. Order from SABR, Dept. MLHJ, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101. SABR member discounts are also provided for *Baseball Uniforms of the 20th Century* and *Baseball: America's National Game* in the 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory. (see below). Don't forget the special SABR offers from Addison-Wesley (*Green Cathedrals*), Boerum Street Press, and Baseball Quarterly Reviews found in the March issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

Opening Day is fast approaching and so are *The National Pastime #11* (1991) and the 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory. Barring (more) unforeseen complications, both should be printed and in the mail by the last major league home opener (April 14 in San Francisco). We thank all 1991 members for their understanding.

We appreciate the patience of SABR members and vendors that have supported the Society by advertising in the directory. All members are encouraged to patronize the directory advertisers, some of whom offer SABR discounts. A list of the advertisers appears on page 8.

All 1991 and 1992 SABR members will receive the 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Chuck Hershberger was interviewed by Bob Hynes, WJR-AM Detroit, on January 28. Hershberger, Assistant Editor, *Oldtime Baseball News*, discussed 19th Century baseball, 1991 obituaries and SABR...**David Pietrusza** profiled **Howard Green** in the latest OTBN and spoke to the Kingston (NY) Baseball Oldtimers Association on March 7...**Lou Fioto** recently had several humorous, tongue-in-cheek sports articles published in the *Staten Island Advance*. His sports humor has appeared regularly in the *Advance*, and occasionally in *The Sporting News* and *Inside Sports*...**Morey Berger's** article on forthcoming 1992 baseball books (Spring Baseball Lineup) appears in the February 1 issue of *Library Journal*. Many of the books listed are by SABR members and others are supported by the work of SABR researchers...**Dan Schlossberg's** 14th book, *The Baseball Book of Why*, was published March 1 by Jonathan David Publishers. The 320-page paperback is updated from the 1984 edition. Autographed copies are available from Dan at 10 Ballard Place, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410. Special SABR price is \$11 plus \$1 postage...**David Vincent** and **Bob McConnell** are interviewed in **Jerome Holtzman's** article on the Tattersall/McConnell Home Run Log in the February 5 issue of *The Chicago Tribune*. Vincent, Gary Gillette, **Pete Palmer**, **Neil Munro**, **Bill James** and **Dave Smith** are mentioned in an article on baseball research in the January 15-28 edition of *USA Today Baseball Weekly*...Osborn Engineering is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Osborn's work includes League Park, Cleveland Stadium, Yankee Stadium, Polo Grounds, Fenway Park and others...**James E Overmeyer's** article on Black Baseball was recently published in the Backtalk section of *The New York Times*.

BOOKSHELF

The Flatbush Faithful: An Encyclopedia of Baseball Memories from the "Fabulous Fifties" is a monthly newsletter focusing primarily on the three New York teams. An annual subscription (12 issues) is \$15. The address is P.O. Box 4028, East Norwalk, CT 06855-0028.

Fan Magazine, No. 7 (Fall/Winter 1991) features a variety of baseball art, poetry, fiction and non-fiction. Subscriptions (\$23 per year/four issues) are available. Write to Fan Magazine, 925 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10028. Guidelines for Contributors are available from the same address.

The Bronx Bombers and *The Boston Red Sox* by Bruce Chadwick and David Spindel highlight each team's memories and memorabilia with hundreds of photos of great players and interesting memorabilia. Includes short profiles of Yankee and Red Sox greats, all-time records, bibliography and index. See ad on page 5 for more details.

Mike Gimbel's Baseball Player & Team Ratings 1992 is a 326 page soft cover book containing player, pitcher, and team rankings, explanations of methods and essays, including a defensive comparison of Mitch Webster and Ken Griffey Jr which may surprise you. Available for SABR members at \$13.45 (\$14.95 retail) + \$3.50 shipping and handling form Boerum Street Press, 131 Boerum Street, Brooklyn, NY 11206.

San Diego Baseball Update is an eight page newsletter featuring a combination of research and opinions on the Padres. A subscription for six issues per year is \$10. Single issues are \$2 each. To order, send check payable to San Diego Baseball Update, P.O. Box 12212, La Jolla, CA 92039.

THE PRES BOX

SABR Hall of Fame Surveys

When SABR was founded in 1971, the Baseball Hall of Fame had inducted 126 members. They included 101 players, 15 pioneers, 7 managers, 2 umpires and 1 Negro Leaguer. One of SABR's first activities was to survey the Society's membership for a list of players who should be in the Hall of Fame. (Baseball fans feel that we know better than anyone else who the greatest players were.) Results of the 1971 survey are listed below with the year of induction to the Hall of Fame, if applicable.

Name	Votes	Induction	Name	Votes	Induction
S. Thompson	136	1974	A. Rusie	51	1977
C. Klein	115	1980	E. Lombardi	47	1986
R. Connor	95	1976	J. Bottomley	44	1974
M. Welch	91	1973	H. Wilson	40	1979
A. Vaughan	56	1985	C. Mays	37	—
E. Averill	55	1975	H. Stovey	29	—

Three years later, SABR conducted another survey. Members were asked to vote on Hall of Fame candidates whose major contributions to baseball were outside the playing field.

Name	Votes	Induction	Name	Votes	Induction
A. Lopez	114	1977	F. Selee	33	—
T. Yawkey	96	1980	B. Dreyfuss	29	—
L. Durocher	79	—	C. Grimm	26	—
W. Hulbert	71	—	D. Bush	21	—
N. Hanlon	64	—	B. Dineen	19	—
B. Harris	57	1975	J. Brush	17	—
B. McGowan	42	—	B. Southworth	15	—
W. Giles	37	1979	P. Wrigley	12	—
J. Dykes	34	—	B. Veeck, Jr.	6	1991

While this survey has not been as providential as the 1971 version, its suggestion that Leo Durocher, Bucky Harris, Jimmy Dykes and Charley Grimm were Hall of Fame candidates opened a new category of inductee; the multi-purpose Hall of Famer. The contributions of those like Durocher or Grimm were in many different areas, not just on the playing field.

In 1985, Bob Carroll continued the SABR tradition of selecting candidates for the Hall of Fame in "Twelve Good Men," *The National Pastime*, Winter 1985 issue. This time Carroll chose those whom he considered long shots at induction. He purposefully left out Billy Williams, Nellie Fox, and Harry Stovey. The candidates — not ranked — were as follows:

Name	Induction	Name	Induction
Richie Allen	—	Hal Newhouser	—
Bobby Doerr	1986	Ron Santo	—
Richie Ashburn	—	Bill Dahlen	—
Bill Mazerowski	—	Dickie Pierce	—
Bob Johnson	—	William Hulbert	—
Emie Lombardi	1986	Bid McPhee	—

A survey about Negro Leagues players would be interesting. By conservative standards there are five or six players who are considered shoe-ins. According to Negro League experts, 14 to 25 should be inducted.

Continuing controversy about Hall of Fame candidates is in the best interests of baseball. SABR commends, rather than envies, the Baseball Writers Association of America and the Veterans Committee for their annual debates on baseball's immortals.

W. Lloyd Johnson

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RESEARCH NEEDS

Michael Gilmartin, 288 E. Third St, Corning, NY 14830 seeks information and leads to information, beyond that given in Louis Kaufman's biography, about Moe Berg.

John Terrance Evers, 160 Holmes Dale, Albany, NY 12208 is in the middle of a book on Johnny Evers and would like information on him, including the Merkle play, Tinker, Chance, or any anecdotes involving "the Trojan".

Ray Medhurst, 8052 Winged Foot, Ft. Myers, FL 33912 seeks any information regarding the National Agreement of 1903.

David Gough, 2308 Candlewood Drive, Alexandria, VA 22308 is writing a biography of Burt Shotton. He needs anecdotes, stories and photos relating to Shotton.

Rick Johnson, 3852 Howard Ave #1, Los Alamitos, CA 90720 seeks the dates the following Dodger pitchers hurled one-hitters: Frank Allen, Johnny Babich, George Bell, Watty Clark, Jack Coombs, Carl Erskine, Burleigh Grimes, Kirby Higbe, Jim J Hughes, Harry McIntire, and Whit Wyatt.

Bruce Brody, 8029 Sky Blue Drive, Alexandria, VA 22310 is interested in any authoritative materials concerning Dave Danforth's (1890-1970) off-the-field life, his minor and major league pitching accomplishments, and his infamous "shine ball" pitch.

HALL OF FAME VETERANS SURVEY

One hundred and two SABR members cast votes for veteran players, managers, executives, umpires, and Negro Leaguers and 123 different men received votes. Nellie Fox was the highest vote-getter with 48, and Hal Newhouser was second with 26. Richie Ashburn—ineligible for the Hall because he never received 60% of the vote in any one election—tied for third with Leo Durocher; each received 25 votes. Joe Jackson, Rocky Colavito, Larry Doby and Roger Maris were among other players who were mentioned but are ineligible under current Hall rules.

Those receiving five or more votes:

Nellie Fox	48	Pete Browning	10
Hal Newhouser	26	Jim Bunning	10
Leo Durocher	25	Bob Johnson	10
Richie Ashburn	25	Joe Gordon	9
George Davis	22	Bob Caruthers	7
Bid McPhee	18	Stan Hack	7
Phil Rizzuto	17	Carl Mays	7
Bill Dahlen	16	Frank Selee	7
Harry Stovey	15	George Van Haltren	7
Vic Willis	15	Willie Wells	7
Joe Jackson	14	Biz Mackey	6
Tony Mullane	14	Jack Glasscock	5
Gil Hodges	13	Ned Hanlon	5
Smokey Joe Williams	13	Roger Maris	5
Wes Ferrell	11	Jimmy Ryan	5
William Hulbert	11	Turkey Stearnes	5
		Sherry Magee	5

More results of the Hall of Fame Survey can be found on page 12.

—compiled by Mike Sparrow

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

The following new Research Exchange items are available from **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906). Items are \$.05 per page for copying plus \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages.

He pitched baseball's first perfect game, by Jay Barry. 4 pages. (copy of article in Brown Alumni Monthly)

World Series comparisons, 1951-1990, by Bill Boyle. 1 page.

Petition for the restoration of George Daniel "Buck" Weaver to the rolls of major league baseball by Louis R. Hegeman. 28 pages.

Play-by-play of the 1884 World Series (Providence Grays vs. New York Metropolitans). 1 page.

For Enos Slaughter, playing hard was the only way to play baseball by Darrell Sifford. 2 pages. (copy of newspaper article)

Joe Cascarella remembers by John Steadman. 1 page. (copy of newspaper article)

The championship baseball season of 1884: Fall River's Charlie Buffinton vs. legendary Charley "Old Hoss" Radbourn, by Philip T. Silva. 14 pages.

Greater Fall River baseball: 25 major leaguers in 100 years, by Philip Silvia and Rev. Paul F. McCormick. 18 pages.

1952 Southern Association home run frequency by Arthur O. Schott. 2 pages.

Major League RBI leaders, 1920-1991, by Arthur O. Schott. 2 pages.

Foxx reached for Babe's mark/The 1937 Newark wonder team by Arthur O. Schott. 1 page.

Pitchers and the Quality-Quantity Factor by Richard Courtens. 29 pages (statistical).

Troy, New York, a major league city by Paul Sicard. 4 pages.

The St. Paul Unions, Minnesota's first fling in the majors, by Stew Thornley. 5 pages.

Base belles, by Stew Thornley. 5 pages. (about the Minneapolis Millerettes of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League)

The 1959 Junior World Series, by Stew Thornley. 6 pages. (Minneapolis Millers vs. Havana Sugar Kings)

Pay Days: Millers vs. Saints, by Stew Thornley. 4 pages. (Minneapolis-St. Paul rivalry)

Minneapolis: City of protests, by Stew Thornley. 11 pages. (About protests and other items of Millers baseball history)

The SABR Research Library currently contains more than 500 articles. An updated index to the Research Library is available for \$2 from Len Levin, 282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, RI 02906.

Herman Krabbenhoft, P.O. Box 9343, Schenectady NY 12309 offers a comprehensive list of all players who accumulated 1000 or more games as a leadoff batter during the "live" ball era (1920-1992)—only 28 players have achieved that milestone. The list is available from Herman for a SASE (\$.29).

The SABR Season

- April 4Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting
 April 5Northern California area meeting
 April 11Forbes Field Chapter (Pittsburgh) meeting
 Contact Ed Luteran (412-443-0231)
 Halsey Hall Chapter (Minnesota) meeting (See below)
 May 2Philadelphia area meeting (See below)
 North Carolina area meeting (See below)
 May 6Hall-Ruggles (Dallas-Ft. Worth) chapter luncheon (See below)
 May 7Brooklyn Dodgers Baseball Hall of Fame 10th anniversary
 May 16Houston area meeting
 Contact Claudia Perry (800-877-1887, ext 5842)
 May 16Jack Graney Chapter (Northeast Ohio) meeting.
 Contact Fred Schuld (216-467-5238)
 May 21St. Louis Browns Fan Club 8th annual Hall of Fame dinner
 MayFred T. Smith Chapter (Detroit)
 Contact Al Smitley (313-632-7507)
 June 15-17 ..Cooperstown Symposium
 June 25-28 ..SABR Annual Convention
 August 2Cooperstown regional; Hall of Fame inductions

REGIONALS

Arlington, Texas...The Hall-Ruggles chapter meeting on February 12 featured Toby Harrah-1992 Texas Rangers; **Larry Swindell**-Arguments for the four man rotation; **Fred Graham**-Texas Sports Hall of Fame; and **John McCormack**-Growing up in New York with the Giants, Yankees and Dodgers. The meeting took place at the Arlington Convention Center. The chapter will meet again on May 6. Contact Howard Green for details (817-370-2503).

Portland, OR.....About 25 hardy souls braved the dampness of a Portland wintry afternoon on Feb. 8th to hear jazz pianist **Dave Frishberg** play some of his elegant, sentimental baseball tunes on the finely tuned piano of Parchman Farms. They were then treated to the entertaining stories of Artie Wilson, a veteran of the PCL and Negro Leagues who lost his job to Willie Mays in 1951 after only 22 at bats. He had special memories of Paige and Gibson. **Marc Jones** won the annual HotDerby contest for best pennant race predictions for 1991 and **Steve Cummings** was elected chapter president for 1992.

North Carolina...The North Carolina Chapter will hold a meeting on May 2nd at the Western Steer Restaurant, intersection of Interstate 85 and NC 87, near the town of Graham. The meeting will begin at 11 am. For details, contact **Francis Kinlaw** at 919-294-6926.

Reading, Pennsylvania...The annual Philadelphia area meeting is scheduled for May 2nd at the Reading Holiday Inn (215-929-4741). Charge is \$13.50 for member or guest for lunch, etc. Make check payable to SABR Baseball Reunion, **Joe McGillen**, 2838 Woodbridge Road, Philadelphia, PA 19114. Notify Joe if you wish to make a presentation. Out of towners can call motel and specify SABR for special group rates (\$58 single or double, \$63 triple or quad, plus tax, daily). For further information call Joe at 215-698-0476, or **Frank Phelps** (215-265-1622) or **Kit Crissey** (215-477-9967).

Minneapolis, Minnesota....The Halsey Hall Chapter will meet on

April 11 at Beckettwood. Registration begins at 8:30 am with research presentations and trivia following. After the presentations, there will be hamburgers, and then the Twins-Rangers game at the Metrodome. Contact **Jim Wyman** (612-427-6517) for details.

REGIONAL PROFILE

Chicago, the Windy City, host of a record three SABR national conventions and site of SABR's oldest mid-western group, began regional activity on November 17, 1976. Only two active regions (Baltimore/Washington and Philadelphia) predate the Chicago group. November meetings took place annually from 1982 to 1985 and again in 1987 and 1989. On November 19, 1989 the group officially named itself the Emil Rothe Chapter. **Rothe**, a SABR member since April 14, 1973 has been frequently published in *Baseball Digest* and *Baseball Research Journal* and hosted the initial Chicago meeting. He served as SABR Vice-President in 1975-1976. Featured Chicago meeting guests have included Otto Denning, Dick Kokos, Moe Drabowsky, John Rice, Marv Rotblatt, Bob O'Farrell, Ted "Double Duty" Radcliffe, **Roland Hemond**, Billy Pierce, Rich Nye, Don Kolloway, Vedic Himsl, Cheryl Raye and Bob Will. Two early SABR conventions in Chicago (1973 & 1976) were modest compared to the then record 479 attenders that gathered at Loyola University in 1986. Recent organizers of the Emil Rothe Chapter meetings have been **Barb** and **Rich Topp**, **Jon** and **Marge Daniels**, and **Barry Evans**. The most recent meeting took place in January.

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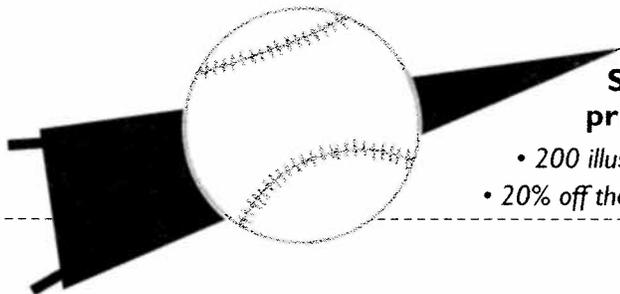
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NEGRO LEAGUES: Chair: Dick Clark
1080 Hull Ave
Ypsilanti, MI 48198-6473

The February 1992 Negro League Committee Newsletter (5 pp) mentions past and upcoming special events including the Dedication Ceremony of the Ben Taylor Memorial Marker on April 4 in Baltimore, Larry Hogan's exhibit on Black Baseball in Cooperstown, NY from May 15 - June 15, and the Cooperstown Symposium from June 15 - 17. It also features word on the Negro League book project, Negro Leagues related articles, and current and future individual projects. To order the February Negro League newsletter, send \$2 to the SABR office.

RECORDS: Chair: Lyle Spatz
18817 Rolling Acres Way
Olney, MD 20832

Coming off his AL MVP season, Cal Ripken, Jr. is now in the top five over the past ten seasons in HRs, RBIs, and hits, which "has established [him] as the greatest offensive shortstop in the post-1920 era. Only Honus Wagner has offensive statistics that are comparable, when adjustments for different eras are made."

What do Reggie Jackson, Mickey Mantle, Mike Schmidt, Babe Ruth, Harmon Killebrew, Carl Yastremski, and Darrell Evans have in common? They all have failed to hit a fair ball in at least 3000 plate appearances. The February 1992 Records Committee Newsletter features these as well as other Major League leaders in HRs, RBIs, and Hits over the past ten years, top five home run hitting teammates, and three new hitting streaks of thirty games or more. There is also a list compiled by **Pete Palmer** of pitchers who have scoreless inning streaks of at least 36 innings. To order the Records Committee newsletter (Feb), send \$2 to the SABR office.

UMPIRES & RULES: Chair: Larry Gerlach
950 N. Bonneville
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

"The press has been full recently of articles concerning the growing incidence of violence directed toward umpires at all levels of competition. "Tantrum Fever" has infected even staid Salt Lake City where a slow pitch umpire was pummelled after a game. It would be absurd to argue that umps are infallible—that they do not sometimes make incorrect calls...or use poor judgement in arguments." A discussion of this growing problem as well as reports on consecutive day deaths of umpires, various brawls, and several reports of umpires and the law are included in the SABR Umpire and Rules Committee Newsletter (vol.4:5).

Volume 5, Number 1 includes "a clipping about Al Martin of Cumberland, MD, former minor league umpire. Martin claims that while working the Kitty League in 1953 he had a seamstress sew ball bags to store extra balls instead of stuffing them into the patch pockets of his umpiring suit. He claims 'As far as I know, I was the first to use ball bags.' Anyone know about the origin of the ball bag?" Also included is a report on doubling the penalty for battery against an umpire in California, *Referee's* annual awards, and a roster of National Association games and umpires from **Bob Tiemann**.

Volume 5, #1 also includes Dennis Bingham's "By the Rules" which includes a discussion of a proposal by **Barry Mednick** to change scoring rules governing win-loss decisions for pitchers; **Total Baseball** Umpire Errors from **Pete Palmer**; and Changes in Rules Governing Balls and Strikes 1858-1903 by Tiemann.

To order these latest newsletters from the SABR office, please send \$3 for Vol 4:5 (14 pp); \$4 for Vol 5:1 (19 pp); or \$5 for both.

ORAL HISTORY: Chair: Norman Macht
3 Graham Court
Newark DE 19711-7607

The Upper Deck Heroes of Baseball Schedule through the end of June (subject to change):

April 25 - Toronto	June 13 - New York (NL)
May 1 - Atlanta	June 14 - St. Louis
May 16 - Chicago (AL)	June 20 - Texas
May 17 - San Francisco	June 21 - California
May 30 - Hou & Mil	June 28 - Cincinnati

Anyone interested in interviewing oldtimers at their hotel before the game on Saturdays or the day before for Sunday games, please contact Norm. For a complete list, send SASE to the SABR office.

The Oral History Committee needs someone who lives near the following oldtimers to check on their physical and mental condition for a possible interview. Volunteers to conduct those interviews would also be appreciated:

Elton Alexander, 906 Oakland, Plainview TX 79072
Louis Brower, 308 Sunrise Rd, Roswell NM 88201
Ray Moss, 3734 Kings Rd, Chattanooga TN 37416
George Fisher, Baracuda Ave S, Avon, MN 56310
James Lane, 5720 Herald Square, Memphis TN 38119.

BIBLIOGRAPHY: Co-Chair: Frank Phelps
253 Bernard Dr
King of Prussia, PA 19406

The February 1992 Bibliography Committee Newsletter (4 pp) seeks volunteers for the next step in the Baseball Online project and reports on updating the Index to SABR Publications. Frank comments on *For the Love of the Game, To Every Thing a Season*, and others.

Current Baseball Publications Vol. 6, No. 4 (2 pp), edited by **Rich Arppi** is also included. It contains a list of 32 books and periodicals on baseball from October - December 1991. To order, send \$2 to the SABR office.

UPDATING SABR'S RULES OF OPERATION

The executive board proposes changes to the present Constitution and Bylaws for approval by the membership of the Society. These proposals were approved unanimously by the full executive board at its January, 1992 meeting. The inadequacies of our current document to provide a resolution when the leading vote getter in the 1991 presidential election refused the office and a continuing failure to provide SABR's literature on schedule prompted a wholesale review of the rules which govern the Society. This was led by SABR member Jerry Kritz, an attorney with extensive experience in parliamentary process in national legal and teaching organizations.

First a work session with members of the executive board at its October meeting produced a comprehensive draft of revisions. These were reviewed and analyzed for appropriateness and put in final form at the January meeting by the board as a whole with the executive director, Morris Eckhouse. Input to the process was provided in advance by Len Levin, a former secretary of the Society, and Joseph Slap, a California member, participated in the final review. He is the retired president of a management consulting firm.

We are providing this material as a complete Constitution and Bylaws. Many members do not have a copy of the present document. Those portions which are being retained are included with the material. Content to be deleted and changes to present rules are shown as well as the rules they change. Proposed new rules are clearly indicated. To conform with parliamentary practice ("Riddick's Rules of Procedure"-Frederick M Riddick) the reasons for changes in the existing rules or the introduction of new rules are provided for significant proposals. Many of the proposals are simply to change language to conform with present usage in gender references and to have uniform style. The proposals which substantially impact the conduct of the Society follow:

Constitution: Article V - Officers and Committees. Rule G is only to shift present rules and to properly locate them to either the Constitution or the Bylaws.

Bylaws: Article 2 - Officers and Functions. President: Rule 3. The president shall no longer "appoint all committees and their chairman." This responsibility is now given to the executive board. Rule 6. The president (and all officers) will now be eligible to stand for re-election once only. Should a president wish to extend his commitment to the office one additional term, this has to be earned, of course, through the elective process.

Vice President, Rule 1. Together with a new bylaw describing the function and authority of the Teller's Committee, this avoids the confusion which followed the inability of the winning presidential candidate in 1991 to accept the office. Rule 2. The strong grassroots thrust within the Society to establish regional chapters will be channelled by the V.P. Rule 3. Instead of being elected at the same time as the president, the vice president will be elected in even-numbered years. The treasurer will be paired in elections with the president and the secretary with the V.P. The reasons are minor but can be important. A president unable to accept his election or complete his term in its first year would be succeeded by a V.P. with at least a year's experience on the executive board. A president's performance relates most closely to the treasurer's. Candidates for president and vice president have been more plentiful than those for treasurer and/or secretary. This new alignment eases the difficulty for the Nominating

Committee to find appropriate candidates for all offices.

E. Executive Director, Rule 5. These bylaws place responsibility for public relations with the president and for regional development with the vice president. Rule 6. This eliminates a defunct Editorial Review Board which was replaced with a Publications Committee. The Society's past failures to meet its publications obligations are, in part at least, attributable to divided authority. The executive board will henceforth serve to approve proposals of the Publications Director. When a need for special publication guidance and information is needed, the president may appoint an ad hoc committee from the Society to advise on any special situation. Rule 7 clarifies that the Executive Director does not vote on committee matters.

G. Executive Board, Rule 3 eliminates the possibility of anyone, officer or employee or independent contractor (Publications Director) committing the Society to unauthorized agreements. Rule 4 transfers the appointment of chairpersons of committees from the president to the executive board. Rule 6 also transfers a present function of the president (establishing new research committees) to the broader scope of the executive board. Rule 7 places restraint on those who would perpetuate their presence on the executive board by switching from one office to another. A maximum of eight successive years on the executive board is possible only if a director is reelected. The great democratic value of the executive board is that it is constantly replenished with three of its eight members subject to replacement every year. The intent of these proposed bylaws is to discourage entrenchment by an elitist inner circle.

Article 5 - Committees. Previously we have grouped all committees together. We now separate Standing Committees, with institutional responsibilities, from Research Committees. The most influential standing committee is the Nominating Committee. Rule 1 reduces the number from 5 to 3. Previously the president unilaterally appointed all five members with no restraint on the choices. Such authority invites stocking the committee with those who will offer only candidates who are in agreement with the views of the president. Rule 3 clarifies an ambiguity in the present bylaws and instructs the Nominating Committee to both issue a "Call for Candidates" and, on its own initiative and knowledge of the capabilities among the Society's members, also recruit candidates when necessary. By capping at three the candidates for any office on the ballot we avoid a "laundry list" of self-identified applicants and require the Nominating Committee to concentrate on identifying the three whom they regard as the best qualified. Rule 5 extends the period in which members of this critical committee are recruited (the chairman by the president and two members by the executive board) to 30 days. Presently the Nominating Committee is named at the Annual Meeting or within 10 days after it ends. There is no purpose for such hurried judgement as the committee's work does not begin until nearly six months later when it issues a "Call for Candidates."

B - Auditing Committee. The executive board, in formulating these proposals, is concerned that it names its own watchdog. However, it is permitted to transfer selecting the committee's chairperson and members to a neutral party. Such options will be addressed in the Society's policy manual. This constantly updated book is maintained by the Secretary. It describes how things are done to comply with the obligations of the Constitution and the Bylaws.

C - Tellers Committee, Rule 3 is the most meaningful. The present bylaws fail to establish when an election is official. This rule clarifies

this confused state. When the Tellers Committee determines the outcome of an election that person is elected. If for any reason the winner declines the office then the replacement process begins according to the bylaws.

D - In terms of the Society's future, the newly instituted Regional Development Committee is very significant. At the present rate of annual new membership growth, over 1000 in 1991, and given the impetus of developing local chapters to recruit more SABR members, we can reasonably expect a membership growth from a current 6,000 to 10,000 in three years or soon after.

In summary: The thrust of these proposals, in addition to simply bringing to appropriate standards gender references, language style, etc., and eliminating lapsed rules, is to avoid "imperial presidencies," inner circles, old boy networking and divided authority by using the executive board as the authorizing body for all significant matters. The executive board -the four officers and four directors-is subject to change in three positions each year. The membership exerts its authority by electing candidates who will represent its interests.

These proposals will provide a firm foundation on which to rebuild the Society's fortunes, already comfortably returned to solvency. Rather than representing the "politics" which have been alleged to motivate SABR's leadership, they discourage the use of SABR for personal gain or ego gratification. All of us should be willing to serve the Society and contribute to the stability of its condition and its future growth and improvement. Having made our contribution, we can resume the satisfaction which all members can find in our collegial organization. Please vote to approve these proposed changes.

The majority of SABR members do not participate in elections or respond when opinions are asked. In this vital matter of providing our Society with updated and viable rules, please act. The infrastructure which enables SABR to function best in your behalf needs to be strengthened. This is the way to do it.

Proposed Changes to the SABR Constitution and Bylaws

Note: Proposed changes are in **bold face**. Deletions are underscored. Unchanged text is in light face.

CONSTITUTION

Article I - Name

- A. The organization shall be known as Society for American Baseball Research, Inc., and shall hereinafter be referred to as the Society.
- B. Society for American Baseball Research, Inc. is a not for profit organization incorporated in and organized under the laws of the State of Illinois.**

Article II - Objectives

- A. To foster the study of baseball as a significant American social and athletic institution.
 - A. **To foster the study of baseball as a significant American institution.**
 - B. To establish an accurate historical account of baseball through the years.
 - C. To facilitate the dissemination of baseball research information.
 - D. To stimulate the best interest of baseball as our national pastime.
 - E. To cooperate in safeguarding proprietary interests of individual research efforts of members of the Society.

Article III - Membership

- A. Membership shall be open to those who have an interest in baseball research, statistics or history.

- B. Members shall be accorded all privileges to which membership shall normally entitle them, including bulletins, annual publications, and any other benefits the Society shall obtain or provide.
- C. Any member who fails to abide by the objectives or any other provision of the constitution shall be subject to expulsion by action of the executive board or by a majority of those voting at the annual meeting. Members shall receive thirty days advance notice of such proposed action.

Article IV - Finances

- A. Dues shall be determined at the annual meeting. Date of payment shall be stated in the by-laws. The amount of postal surcharge for non-United States members shall be set by the Executive Board.
- B. All monies received by the Society shall go directly into the Society's treasury and shall be used to defray the cost of the annual publications, bulletins, membership directory, and other expenses of the Society that are approved by the Executive Board.

Article V - Officers and Committees

- A. The officers shall include a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer.
- B. Election of officers shall be by a plurality of votes cast by mail ballot. A tie vote will be decided by a plurality of those voting at the annual meeting. Officers shall take office at the conclusion of the annual meeting.
- C. An executive director shall be appointed by the Society's executive board under such terms and for such a period of time as are mutually agreeable.
 - C. **An executive director shall be chosen by the Society's executive board and employed by the Society under such terms and for such a period of time as are mutually agreeable.**
- D. In addition to the aforementioned officers there shall be four directors to provide functional continuity for the Society on administrative policy. These four members shall serve staggered terms, and shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by mail ballot.
- E. The officers and directors shall constitute the Society's executive board which shall be responsible for handling any business which cannot be transacted at the annual meeting.
- F. Removal of officers and directors and the filling of vacancies shall be stated in the by-laws.
- G. The president shall have the power to appoint all committees deemed necessary to the operation of the Society.
 - G. **Officers and directors of the Society shall be ineligible for employment in or with the Society within one year of completion of their term of office.**

Article VI - By-Laws

- A. The Society may adopt by-laws to carry out the operations of the Society and these original by-laws shall be ratified by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of those eligible to vote. Further by-law changes may be made by a process set forth in the by-laws.

Article VII - Meetings

- A. There shall be an annual meeting, the date and site of which will be selected by the executive board. The meeting shall not be held in the same city in successive years.
- B. The membership shall receive a treasurer's report and reports from all committees, and conduct any other business which may come before it at the annual meeting.
- C. Members who are eligible to vote shall be those present at the annual meeting.

Article VIII - Amendments

- A. The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members voting by a 30-day mail ballot. Amendments may be proposed by the executive board of its own initiative, or on the petition of any 25 members addressed to the board. All such proposed amendments shall be presented by the board to the membership, with or without recommendation, at the time of election of officers and directors. Total Constitution/By-Laws revision may be presented in a special mailing. At least 100 valid ballots must be returned to constitute a valid action.

Article IX - Parliamentary Procedures

The proceedings of the Society's annual meeting and all executive board meetings shall be governed and conducted according to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

Article X- Dissolution

- A. If the Society should ever be compelled to dissolve, all obligations and liabilities shall be satisfied. The remaining assets, if any, shall be distributed in accordance

with the Society's Articles of Incorporation as amended.

BY-LAWS

Article 1 - Membership

A. One may become a member of the Society by payment of dues and by submitting a completed application form.

B. The membership year shall be from October 1, 1978 through December 31, 1979. Beginning with January 1, 1980 the membership year will correspond with the calendar year.

B. The membership year shall begin on January 1 of the calendar year.

C. A member's dues must be paid by April 1 to remain in good standing.

Article 2 - Officers and Functions

A. President

1. Shall preside over the annual meeting;
2. Shall serve as chairman of the executive board;
3. Shall appoint all committees and their chairman
3. **May establish ad hoc committees and appoint the chairperson.**
4. Shall carry out the directives of the membership and the executive board;
5. Shall work with the executive director in public relations matters;
6. Shall be elected in odd-numbered years for a term of two years, but may not stand for re-election.
6. **Shall be elected in odd-numbered years for a term of two years and may serve one additional consecutive term if re-elected.**
7. Must have been a member of the Society for two years before being eligible for election to this office.
7. **Must have been a member of the Society for the preceding four years before being eligible for election to this office.**
8. **Shall be empowered to sign contracts and letters of agreement subject to prior approval of the executive board.**

B. Vice-President

1. Shall assume all duties of the president in the absence of the president.
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2. Shall work with the executive director in regional development and prepare a report for the annual meeting.
2. **Shall serve as chairperson of the Regional Development Committee and submit a report annually.**
3. Shall be elected in odd-numbered years for a term of two years, but may not stand for re-election.
3. **Shall be elected in even numbered years for a term of two years and may serve one additional consecutive term if reelected.**
4. Must have been a member of the Society for two years before being eligible for election to this office.
4. **Must have been a member of the Society for the preceding four years before being eligible for election to this office.**

C. Secretary

1. Shall take minutes at the annual meeting and at all executive board meetings and distribute same promptly to all executive board members;
2. Shall be elected in even-numbered years for a term of two years, but may not stand for re-election
2. **Shall be elected in even-numbered years for a term of two years and may serve one additional consecutive term if reelected.**
3. Must have been a member of the Society for two years before being eligible for

election to this office.

3. **Must have been a member of the Society for the preceding two years before being eligible for election to this office.**

4. Shall maintain and record all changes in and of the policy manual.

5. **Shall be responsible for the use and maintenance of the corporate seal and the maintenance of corporate files and records either directly or by supervisory authority at the discretion of the executive board.**

D. Treasurer

1. Shall review the Society's annual and periodic financial reports and submit recommendations regarding same to the executive board.
1. **Shall monitor the preparation of the Society's annual budget and the reporting of financial status against budget and submit recommendations regarding same to the executive board.**
2. Shall prepare and submit expense reports regarding executive board meetings;
3. Shall be elected in even-numbered years for a term of two years, but may not stand for re-election.
3. **Shall be elected in odd-numbered years for a term of two years and may serve one additional consecutive term if reelected.**
4. Must have been a member of the Society for two years before being eligible for election to this office.
4. **Must have been a member of the Society for the preceding two years before being eligible for election to this office.**

E. Executive Director

1. Shall be the Society's chief administrative officer;
2. Shall carry out the directives of the membership and the executive board
2. **Shall carry out the directives and policies of the executive board.**
3. Shall supervise the Society's fiscal operations and submit quarterly and annual financial reports to the executive board;
4. Shall submit an annual budget and periodic lists of recommended projects to the executive board,
5. Shall be responsible for public relations and regional development
5. **Shall work with the president for public relations and the vice president for regional development.**
6. Shall serve as editor of such publications as may be determined by the editorial and executive board.
6. **Shall serve as editor of such publications as may be determined by the executive board.**
7. Shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and shall receive reports annually from all committees.
7. **Shall be a non-voting member of all standing committees and receive reports from all committees.**

F. Directors

1. Must have been a member of the Society for at least two years prior to election as director.
1. **Must have been a member of the Society for at least the preceding four years before being eligible for election as director.**
2. Shall serve a four year term but may not be elected to a successive four year term
2. **Shall serve a four year term.**
3. Shall serve on the executive board.

G. Executive Board

1. Shall advise the executive director and the officers.
1. **Shall advise and direct the executive director.**
2. Shall determine policies.

3. Shall appoint the chairman of the editorial board
3. Shall approve all contracts and letters of agreement prior to signing.
4. Shall appoint the chairpersons of all standing and research committees except the Nominating Committee.
5. Shall meet at the annual meeting and at least one other time between annual meetings.
6. May establish new research committees in accordance with the bylaws.
7. No member of the executive board may serve more than two successive full or partial terms in any elective position, or more than eight successive years.
8. All decisions of the executive board shall be made by majority votes except where specified otherwise in this document.

H. Eligibility for Election

1. Officers and directors of SABR shall be ineligible for a paid position in SABR at any time within one year of completion of their term of office, unless approved by a majority of votes cast via mail ballot in which no less than 100 valid ballots are returned.

H. Vacancies

1. If a vacancy occurs on the executive board for any reason other than a recall by two-thirds vote at the Annual Business Meeting, the vacancy shall be filled by two-thirds vote of the remaining members of the board until next election, at which time the members shall elect a replacement for the unexpired term. If a vacancy is created by a two-thirds vote of recall at the Annual Business Meeting, the vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote at the Annual Meeting until the next election, at which time the members shall elect a replacement for the unexpired term. The replacement officers and/or directors may serve a successive term.

I. Removal of Officers

1. An officer or director for reasons of cause (such as medical incapacity or gross improprieties) may be judged by the Executive board unsuitable for service to the Society. The Executive Board by unanimous vote (excluding the officer in dispute, who may not cast a vote) may remove an elected officer or director from service. Officers and directors also may be removed by two-thirds vote of the membership at the Annual Business Meeting. The Board shall notify the officer or director in question 30 days prior to the meeting and shall provide for a reasonable opportunity for defense. The vacancy created by the removal of an officer or director shall be filled according to section 3.I.1 of the by-laws.

Article 4 - Quorums

- A. Fifty (50) members shall constitute a quorum for an annual business meeting.
- B. A majority of the executive board membership shall constitute a quorum for an executive board meeting.

Article 5 - Committees

Standing Committees

A. Nominating Committee

1. Shall be Appointed by the president at the annual meeting or within ten days thereafter and shall serve until the start of the next annual meeting. It shall consist of five members, at least two of whom shall be members of the executive board, at least one of whom shall either be a past officer or past director, and at least one of whom shall never have been an officer or director.
2. Shall submit a slate of nominees for office
3. Members of this committee shall themselves be ineligible for nomination to any office in the Society
4. Additional nominations for office may be made by petition. The marked ballot shall provide for write in candidates.

A. Nominating Committee

1. Shall consist of three members as follows: The president shall appoint the chairperson and the executive board shall appoint two members.
2. All members must have been a member of the Society for the preceding four years before being eligible for appointment.
3. Shall solicit candidates and receive petitions for office and prepare a slate not to exceed three nominees for each office on the ballot in accordance with these bylaws.
4. While serving, members of this committee shall themselves be ineligible for nomination to any office in the Society.

5. Members shall be appointed within 30 days following the annual meeting and shall serve for a term of one year.

B. Editorial Board

1. The president and chairman of the editorial board shall appoint members of the board at the annual meeting or within ten days thereafter;
2. Shall be responsible for all of the Society's publications and, subject to approval of the executive board, may employ such persons as are found necessary to carry out this function.

C. Auditing Committee

1. Shall audit the expense reports of executive board meetings and report same to the membership at the annual meeting

B. Auditing Committee

1. The executive board or its representative shall appoint the chairperson and up to two additional members.
2. Shall audit and validate the expense reports of the executive board and report on same to the membership at the annual meeting.
3. Shall examine the annual financial report of the Society's accountant and report on same to the membership at the annual meeting.

C. Tellers Committee

1. Shall be appointed by the executive board and shall consist of a chairperson and two additional members.
2. Shall receive, validate, open, and tally all ballots cast in accordance with the policy manual.
3. The tabulation of the ballots shall constitute a certified election.

D. Other Committees

1. The president shall also appoint such additional committees, and their chairman, as are deemed significant;
2. Among such committees are biographical research, statistical analysis, minor leagues, Negro leagues, ethics, annual meeting site, and public relations;
3. Each committee shall report to the executive director annually in writing.

E. Regional Groups

1. The executive director and vice-president, working in conjunction, shall encourage regional meetings, and the editorial board shall give publicity to such meetings;
2. All activities of regional groups shall be in accordance with guidelines set forth by the executive board.

D. - Regional Development Committee

1. Shall be chaired by the vice president and shall consist of such additional members as are approved by the executive board.
2. Shall serve to foster and aid the growth of local and regional groups.
3. Shall actively seek to encourage the establishment of additional local and regional groups.

Article 6 - Research Committees

- A. Shall be established by the executive board.
- B. Shall upon establishment have a stated purpose and a set of goals in conjunction with the objectives set forth in Article II of the Constitution.
- C. All committees shall submit a written report to the executive director annually and informally upon request.
- D. The executive board shall have the power to dissolve any research committee in accordance with the policy manual.

Article 7 - Ad Hoc Committees

- A. The President may appoint and disband ad hoc committees as needed.
- B. These committees shall serve for a finite period of time and be only established to perform specific tasks for the Society.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REVISED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: Upon adoption by two-thirds of votes cast by mail ballot the new Constitution and Bylaws shall take effect at the close of the annual meeting in St. Louis, MO, June 28, 1992.

MESSAGE FROM THE PUBLICATIONS DIRECTOR

No one can be a successful SABR Publications Director without the enthusiasm and good will of the membership, and I'm grateful to the Board, my predecessors, and a number of other SABR members for making me welcome in this position and for offering me so much help and support.

My first priority as Publications Director is to make sure that the membership gets a full schedule of publications, on time, every year. My basic ideas are to publish solid SABR research — mainly in *The Baseball Research Journal*, *The National Pastime*, and committee publications — and to get into members' hands other information on the game they cannot get elsewhere.

Along with annual editions of *BRJ* and *TNP*, we've scheduled over the next few years:

- publications from the Minor League Committee, the Negro League Committee, and the Nineteenth Century Committee,
- a badly needed updated index to SABR publications,
- some delightful reprints of long uncirculated baseball books,
- a program to issue, in monograph or chapbook form, worthy research pieces too long to fit into a standard publication,
- one or more collections of articles from the old *Baseball Magazine*

Other good ideas for membership publications will come from the membership: they always do.

As Publications Director, an important part of my job is to be on the lookout for strong commercial publishing possibilities that will bring money into SABR's coffers. My predecessors opened negotiations with a publisher for a new compendium of SABR articles, and talks are moving apace. We are also proceeding with a proposal for a SABR book created especially for the mass market (more on this soon, I hope).

I am getting *Information for Author* sheets ready for contributors. They will explain generally how SABR's editorial system works, suggest the best ways to submit queries or articles, and discuss other issues of interest to potential SABR authors. If you want one, send an SASE to me at P.O. Box 736, Woodbury CT 06798. That's the address to use for

questions, comments, and complaints, too.

(*Mark Alvarez, a SABR member since 1984, was Associate Editor of Fine Homebuilding Magazine for five years, has been a contributing editor of a number of other magazines, has written dozens of magazine articles, and has authored four books.*)

SABR FINDS PITCHIN' MAN

When Satchel Paige joined the Cleveland Indians in 1948, the *Cleveland News* ran a series of articles on the life and experiences of the legendary hurler. Told by Paige and written by Hal Lebovitz, these stories were grouped into a 96 page publication, *Pitchin' Man*, in August, 1948.

SABR has made arrangements with Hal Lebovitz to offer the remaining copies of the original 1948 publication to SABR members and non-members. The book includes a forward by Bill Veeck, comments from Lou Boudreau, more than a dozen photographs, plus illustrations and significant boxscores. The book's 21 chapters each recount an aspect of Satchel's life, told in his own words. Paige talks of his age, his tryout in Cleveland, his start in professional baseball, his youth, and his travels. Chapters also feature his duels with Josh Gibson, barnstorming, and playing in Mexico. *Pitchin' Man* is a worthwhile addition to your library for both its historic and research value. It is available to SABR members for \$7.50, \$12.50 to non-members.

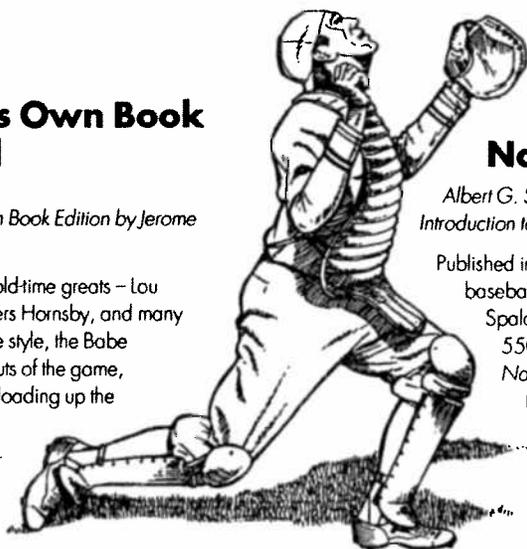
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JANUARY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

SABR's publications and governing documents were again the primary issues at the Executive Board meeting January 24-26 in San Diego. **Mark Alvarez** was hired as Publications Director and a set of proposed changes to the constitution and by-laws was recommended to the membership.

President **W. Lloyd Johnson** created an ad hoc committee on 1991 publications appointing **Bob Ruland**, **Jack Kavanagh**, and **Bill Carle** to make recommendations regarding the unfinished 1991 publications. Recommendation was made to put Alvarez in charge of producing *The National Pastime #11* (1991) and the SABR office in charge of producing the membership directory.

Reports were presented by Executive Director **Morris Eckhouse**, Treasurer Ruland and Publications Director Alvarez (see Mark's message on page 7). Ruland reiterated that SABR is not experiencing any financial crisis. (See condensed report at bottom right of this page).

After a lengthy discussion of the SABR constitution and by-laws and proposed changes, the Board voted unanimously to present proposed changes to the membership for vote (see page one and the middle insert).

Motions were passed to ensure circulation of candidate information and bulletin statements to all members of the nominating committee and to emphasize that the Bulletin will not print potentially libelous or factually unproven statements. Both motions passed unanimously.

Under new business, policy was established regarding dissolution of research committees and reimbursement requests. Efforts to trademark the SABR name, logo, acronym, and the title *Baseball Research Journal* were authorized, as was transfer of all SABR inventory to a single location. Executive Director performance evaluation factors were approved and a five-person ad hoc committee was appointed to evaluate the Executive Director's performance. Efforts to create an Education Committee were halted due to the educational nature of the research committees.

Motions crediting the Board, regional leaders, research committees and Executive Director for improved finances, and thanking Vice-President Kavanagh for his service as acting president during the presidential vacancy were passed without opposition. Results of the special presidential election were certified.

Copies of the SABR meeting minutes and the reports of the Executive Director, Treasurer, and Publications Director can be obtained from the SABR office for a SASE (\$.52). Please specify which minutes and/or reports you wish to receive. Members may also request to receive meeting minutes by standing order.

The next meeting of the SABR Executive Board is scheduled for April 24-26 in Kansas City. To place an item on the agenda or receive more information, please contact the SABR office.

SABR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY ADVERTISERS

Name/Business	Product/Service	Phone/Contact
McFarland & Company	Publisher: Baseball Books	919-246-4460
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Sterling Publishing	"Baseball Uniforms..."	call SABR
Merritt Clifton	Publisher: Minor Leagues Books	call SABR
Lew Lipset	Collectables	call SABR
Halo Books	"Baseball: America's National Game"	call SABR
Princeton University Press	"To Everything A Season..."	800-777-4726
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Mark Jordan	Autographs & Memorabilia	800-888-3784
Shoulak Graphics	Desktop Publishing	216-884-0504

SABR NET WORTH ANALYSIS - (000s) omitted (1/24/92)

	3-31-89	6-30-89	6-30-90	6-30-91
ASSETS				
Cash & Equiv.	\$ 170	\$ 149	\$ 97	\$ 91
All Other (*)	79	79	80	78
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 249	\$ 228	\$ 177	\$ 169
LIABILITIES				
	\$ 67	\$ 67	\$ 41	\$ 5
NET WORTH	\$ 182	\$ 161	\$ 136	\$ 164

(*) - reflects equalized adjustment of inventory value

	1991 BUDGET	1991 ACTUAL
TOTAL INCOME	\$214,100	\$250,060
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$214,100	\$215,969 (*)

NET GAIN -0- \$ 34,091

(*) includes anticipated expense of \$23,824 in 1992 for 1991 publications

SABR member "Double" **Joe Dwyer** holds the Southern League doubles record. Dwyer had 65 doubles, a league high 230 hits, 127 runs scored, 4 HRs, 7 triples, 117 RBIs, and a .383 BA in 600 ABs with Nashville in 1936.

CANDIDATES FOR 1992 SABR ELECTION:

NORMAN MACHT

Position: Treasurer

Occupation: President, Choptank Syndicate, Inc; author of 13 books (10 of them baseball)

SABR Experience: Member since 1984; Founding chair of Oral History Committee; Contributor to SABR Publications.

Statement: I have gotten far more out of my SABR membership than I have contributed. To give something back, I am volunteering to serve, if elected, a term as treasurer.

As creator and chair of the Oral History Committee, I appreciate that SABR's research committees are the heart of the organization, and I understand the problems confronting committee chairpersons. As one who has called upon them many times for help in my own projects, I know their value to the organization and to its individual members. As a former stockbroker and teacher at the college level of courses in corporate finance, security analysis, management and business communications, I know my way around financial statements and office procedures.

As a freelance writer of books and magazine articles, and owner of Choptank Syndicate, Inc. (which distributes writers' works, not betting information) I am familiar with what's involved in producing SABR's publications, a key element in our existence and one of our biggest problems in the past.

My priorities include getting publications out on schedule; supporting existing regionals and encouraging new ones; including a financial statement of income and expenses for the month and year-to-date vs. budgeted amounts in every SABR Bulletin; resolving questions concerning the use of SABR research material and the financial activities of the committees; nudging host committees of future conventions to explore the use of collegiate campus sites to make conventions more affordable for members and their families.

BILL SHLENSKY

Position: Treasurer

Occupation: Director of Administration and Management

SABR Experience: Member since 1972; Secretary 1974-75; Member of Box Score Committee, Nineteenth Century Committee, and Records Committee.

Statement: My long term commitment to SABR as well as my life experience makes me well qualified to bring dedicated and experienced leadership to SABR. My current experience in a non-profit educational organization spans all aspects of organizational management from human resources and public relations to fiscal planning and daily operations. I am interested in continuing the current direction of SABR which is one of receiving high visibility and positive recognition on both a national and local level. I am currently working on a research project on the evolution of the scorecard. We have talented professionals and committed members and I believe I can assist SABR with appropriate leadership so that SABR can continue to prosper and grow.

HERMAN KRABBENHOFT

Position: Director

Occupation: Industrial Research Chemist; Publisher, *Baseball Quarterly Reviews*

SABR Experience: Society member since 1981; SABR Convention Organizing Committee, 1989; Statistical Analysis Committee; 9 research presentations at National Conventions.

Statement: Although some improvement was realized during the past year, much more needs to be accomplished during the next few years in order for our Society to achieve its objectives *consistently*. Having been active in SABR for 11 years (7 Nationals; many regionals; the Research Exchange, etc.) I have an excellent perspective of our Society.

My professional experience (numerous scientific articles, patented inventions, commercialized products) and academic background (PhD, Michigan; post-doctorate, California Berkeley) provide me with outstanding qualifications to serve the membership on SABR's Executive Board. In addition, since founding *Baseball Quarterly Reviews* in 1986, I've acquired hands-on expertise in all aspects of producing top-quality baseball research publications—I can help SABR immensely in this important area.

I'm very enthusiastic about SABR—strongly motivated to help achieve its objectives. If privileged to be a Director, I pledge to energetically strive to (1) ENHANCE our financial position *without* increasing dues; (2) ENSURE 3-4 *bona fide* research publications (*BRJ*, *TNP* and 1-2 "Specials") are provided to members **annually** (and on time); (3) ENCOURAGE more "national documentation" of the baseball research presented at the various regional meetings.

The generation and dissemination of sound baseball research are the chief objectives of our Society; that's where my strengths are; I can make significant contributions to achieving those objectives. Your support—and *inputs*—are respectfully requested.

FRED IVOR-CAMPBELL

Position: Director

Occupation: Writer/Historian

SABR Experience: Member since 1981; Co-chair of Nineteenth Century Committee; Editor of *More Nineteenth Century Stars* and compiler of "Nineteenth Century Notes"; Contributor to *The National Pastime*, *The Baseball Research Journal*, *The SABR Review of Books*, and *Nineteenth Century Stars*; Member of Bibliography Committee.

Statement: Two of the brightest facets of SABR's diamond are its research committees and regional groups. Traditionally the Board has provided encouragement, publicity, and a measure of financial support to committees and regionals, with a minimum of interference—a healthy approach which allows the committees and regionals to develop their distinctive characters and insures the vitality that comes with autonomy. As a member of the Board I would encourage an increase in the number of regional groups and research committees, and encourage greater participation in their activities by members of SABR. And I would work to preserve the autonomy of the committees and regionals against the ever-present temptation of a governing Board toward centralized direction and control.

One problem the Board need to address: Why do so many of SABR's leading researchers rarely or never submit work to SABR's publications? In part I suspect it is the Society's failure to adequately safeguard its writers' rights to their work, as it is committed to do by Objective E of the SABR Constitution. SABR needs to establish a publications policy that promotes the dissemination of members' writing without infringing members' copyright rights to their work. As a Board member I would work to establish an equitable author's rights policy and see to its implementation. And I would encourage more SABR researchers and writers to share their work through such SABR forums as the general publications, the committee publications, reports to the regional meetings and national convention, and contributions to the SABR Research Exchange.

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BARRY MEDNICK**Position:** Secretary**Occupation:** Engineer

SABR Experience: Member since 1983; Chair of SF regionals for past 6 years; Head of National Nominating Committee 1988 and 1989; Contributor to *The Baseball Research Journal*; Attendee at 6 national conventions; Research Presenter; Helped plan 1985 Oakland convention; member Statistical Analysis committee.

Statement: SABR means friendships, improved understanding of baseball, and enjoyment of the sport. The SABR Board should oversee all SABR business and promote timely publications. The Board must earn the trust and respect of the members by being open and available but not intrusive.

Stronger, more formal ties between the regions and the national organization will enhance the SABR experience. Growth will improve our financial situation and promote interest in baseball history.

Working on the 1985 convention taught me much about the organization. Since 1986, I have arranged all SF regionals and authored the trivia contests.

Although published in the *BRJ* and *BRQ*, research and writing is only a hobby. I work as a customer support supervisor for Informix, a major software company. I am a facilitator and a communicator. As secretary, I would apply the skills of my profession to coordinate resources with needs and focus on solutions.

BOB RULAND**Position:** Secretary**Occupation:** Retired Insurance Executive

SABR Experience: Member since 1986; Co-founder of Fred T Smith (Michigan) Regional Chapter and President for two years; Chair, John Cox Memorial Award Committee, Long Range Planning Committee, Insurance Committee, and Executive Director Evaluation Committee; Member, Regional Development Committee; Treasurer and Executive Board Member.

Statement: Elections often pose difficult decisions. To help you I will provide two major points of consideration. One may inspire you to vote against me and the other to vote for me.

BAD NEWS: In late 1990 I enthusiastically supported and voted in favor of a drastically revised publications program. It was my belief that it would enhance the quality of our literature and expedite its delivery to you. It failed on both counts and you may therefore wish to place my judgement in question.

GOOD NEWS: During the 15 month period from 3-31-89 to 6-30-90 SABR's net worth declined from \$182,000 to \$126,000. At that rate we were rapidly heading toward financial extinction. To make matters worse, our bookkeeping procedures were, according to our Audit Committee, in such disarray that no reliance could be placed upon them by our external accountants.

It was at that critical point you chose me to serve as your Treasurer. Space prevents telling the story of how chaos was eradicated and fiscal sanity restored. Instead I will simply point proudly to the documented fact that during the first 18 months of my term in office your Society recorded a net gain of \$47,000.

There remains much work ahead. Should you grant me the opportunity to continue serving in the capacity of Secretary I plan to address my energies to those areas of administrative housekeeping which remain in need of simplification. Approval of the proposed By-law revisions would facilitate those efforts.

That's it folks. The call is now yours.

DAVID VINCENT**Position:** Secretary**Occupation:** Computer Systems Engineer, Former Teacher

SABR Experience: Member since 1985; Co-coordinator and co-programmer of Tattersall/McConnell Home Run Log computerization project; Vice-chair of Computerization Committee; Member of Biographical Committee; Co-coordinator of Washington/Baltimore Regional; Research presenter.

Statement: It is an honor to be a candidate for the position of secretary. I work on a customer support team and, if elected, will use my communication skills and strong teamworking abilities to further the goals of the membership. SABR's greatest strength is its research capabilities. Our committees are the center of this research, but there are also many fine people working independently. Unfortunately, the general membership of the Society does not know the type and extent of much of this research. I propose to make SABR's work more readily available to the membership by creating a SABR Research Database that includes (to start) the work of all committees. Linking the work of our committees in this way will help every researcher in the organization. Once this foundation is in place other research collections can be added to the database. The Tattersall/McConnell HR Log Database is the first piece of what I hope will be the world's pre-eminent collection of on-line baseball data. With your support, we can make it happen.

If you would like an additional copy of this issue of *The SABR Bulletin*, send a SASE (\$.52) to SABR, April Bulletin, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland OH 44101. Replacement Bulletins will be sent after the election deadline. The limited Bulletin supply will be available on a first come, first served basis.

OFFICIAL SABR ELECTION BALLOT**Treasurer**

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By-Laws Revision

___ Yes, I approve the By-laws revision

___ No, I do NOT approve the By-Laws Revision

Please refer to reverse side for VOTING and MAILING instructions.

Dated Material

TROY-WORCESTER GAMES TO BE RECREATED

With the help of the NENY Chapter of SABR, the cities of Troy (NY) and Worcester (MA) have made extensive plans to commemorate their baseball heritage.

The centerpiece of this commemoration is a set of 1882-vintage baseball games between teams from Troy and Worcester. The goal is to recreate baseball as it was over 110 years ago, from 1882 style uniforms to the rules as they existed then. Spectators will also be encouraged to dress in period costume, as will police and vendors.

Games are scheduled at Troy on June 6th and at Worcester on June 20th.

The NENY Chapter of SABR has extensive experience in historical recreations including "Baseball on Skates" at Lake Placid which was shown last year on ESPN's "Major League Baseball Magazine."

Each city will be publishing a commemorative program for the event. The NENY Chapter is soliciting articles pertaining to the Troy teams, including the Haymakers and the Troy National League franchise; and material concerning Troy natives who played in the major leagues, including Hall of Famers King Kelly and Johnny Evers. To submit articles (April 1 deadline) or receive more information, contact David Walsh, 60 Swaggertown Rd., Scotia, NY 12302.

Voting Instructions for 1992 SABR Elections

BALLOT PRINTED ON REVERSE

1. **Vote for only one candidate**
2. **Only votes submitted on official ballot will be counted; reproductions are not acceptable.**
3. **Ballots must be placed in an envelope and your name must appear on the mailing envelope. If you wish to preserve the confidentiality of your vote, place your ballot inside a blank envelope and both inside the mailing envelope. Only members who have paid their 1992 dues are eligible to vote.**
4. **Ballots must be received by midnight, May 20, 1992. (SABR cannot be responsible for any ballots not received as indicated)**
5. **Ballots must be sent to Teller's Committee, c/o SABR, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, OH 44101.**
6. **Make sure to affix proper postage when mailing your ballot.**

Results will be published in the July SABR Bulletin

OBITUARY

Allan Roth, 74, a SABR member since 1979, died March 3 in Los Angeles of a heart attack. Roth worked as a sports statistician for the Dodgers and for NBC and ABC Sports as well as editing for *Who's Who in Baseball* (1954-1972). He was considered a pioneer in convincing teams to use statistics for tactical purposes. On May 9, 1987, the Los Angeles SABR regional group officially became known as the Allan Roth Chapter in his honor. Our condolences go out to his family and friends.

HALL OF FAME SURVEY RESULTS

Two hundred and five SABR members participated in the SABR survey to determine their choice for members on the Hall of Fame ballot and Tom Seaver was named by 195 members, an impressive showing—but not as impressive as the BBWAA results. Rollie Fingers, who was also chosen by the writers, received 155 votes, one vote over the 3/4 figure needed for enshrinement. Bill Mazerowski, in his last year on the ballot, received 116 votes. Ron Santo was fourth with 101 votes. Bobby Grich, who did not receive enough votes from the BBWAA to continue on the ballot received 24 SABR votes—well over the 5% required. On the other hand, Vida Blue and George Foster, who will repeat on the BBWAA ballot next year, did not receive 5% of the SABR votes—although Blue was just one vote short. Although Pete Rose was not on the ballot, 19 SABR members cast write-in votes and one SABR voter indicated that Rose should not be inducted at all. Those with 10 or more votes:

(205 votes cast; 154 needed for 3/4)

Tom Seaver	195	Ken Boyer	40
Rollie Fingers	155	Luis Tiant	37
Bill Mazerowski	116	Thurman Munson	34
Ron Santo	101	Vada Pinson	30
Tony Perez	91	Bobby Bonds	25
Orlando Cepeda	90	Bobby Grich	24
Tony Oliva	83	Rusty Staub	20
Jim Kaat	74	Curt Flood	18
Maury Wills	48	Joe Torre	16
Minnie Minoso	47	Mickey Lolich	15
Richie Allen	45	Vida Blue	10

Others: George Foster (6), Toby Harrah and Steve Yeager (2), Cesar Cedeno, John Denny, Dave Kingman, and Gorman Thomas (1). Dusty Baker, Ken Forsch, Dennis Leonard, Garry Maddox, Ben Oglivie, Bill Russell and Pete Vuckovich failed to receive a vote.

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SABR 22 PRESENTATIONS

Topics ranging from art to women in baseball will be featured in research presentations at the 1992 SABR National Convention June 25-28 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis.

The schedule currently emphasizes biographical and statistical analysis presentations with six in each category. Presenters include **Norman Macht**, "More Travels with Tape Recorder" (Oral History presentation with a St. Louis twist); **David Pietrusza**, "Grace Coolidge: First Lady of Baseball;" **Paul Leslie**, "Roy Samman;" **Charles Gaharan** "Zeke Bonura;" **Dan Cattau**, "Luke Easter;" and **Fred Schuld**, "Pat Seerey: The People's Choice."

Statistical Analysis presentations include **Alan Blumkin**, "Un-Batting and Un-ERA Champions in Each League 1901-1991" (special emphasis on Rob Deer, winner of three straight un-batting championships while compiling worst average of this century); **John Gilmore**, "Baseball Manager Expert System" (Artificial intelligence provides a mechanism to combine statistical data with symbolic decision-making found in a team's manager. The presentation will describe an AI system for managing baseball games that was successfully used to predict Atlanta Braves NLCS and World Series games last fall.); **Mark Pankin**, "Best Nine Batting Order" (latest results of continuing study of how to find the highest scoring batting order with emphasis on special teams and why theoretical lineups are better than traditional ones); **Patrick Fisher**, "Objective Measurement in Baseball" (measuring the difficulty of various factors and ability of players); and **Ron Rakowski**, "The 1961 Major League Season." **Robert Boynton** will have a poster presentation entitled, "The Rise and Fall of the Mighty Power Hitters" on display Thursday through Saturday.

Specific teams or leagues will be discussed by **Joe Naiman**, "1941 Cheyenne Indians"; **J. Thomas Hetrick**, "Misfits!: The Cleveland Spiders of 1899;" **Herb Fagen**, "The 1952 Chicago Cubs;" and **John Dowling**, "The Three I League: 1901-1961."

Other presenters include **Steve Cummings**, "Baseball Book Covers;" **Mike Shannon**, "Spitball Magazine Covers;" **Bob Bluthardt**, "Farewells to Ballparks" (Comiskey Park and Memorial Stadium); **Steve Thompson**, "Basestealers Over Age 40;" **Herman Krabbenhoft**, "Browns' Leadoff Hitters" and "Musial vs. Spahn;" **Barbara Gregorich**, "Jackie and the Juniors vs. Margaret and the Bloomers" (Jackie Mitchell/Margaret Nabel); **Robert Klein**, "A Look at Retired Numbers" (comparison of players with retired numbers and different criteria used by teams); **Jack Carlson**, "Baseball Patents;" and **Gene Sunnen**, "Changes in Umpiring."



A sampling of the memorabilia on display at the new St. Louis Baseball Hall of Fame, one of the many tours available at the SABR National Convention in St. Louis, June 25-28. (photo by Bill Borst)

CONVENTION UPDATE

As of April 1, more than 100 registrations have been received for the 1992 SABR National Convention, June 25-28 in St. Louis, MO. The convention registration form can be found in the March issue of *The SABR Bulletin*. Pre-registration (\$35 members) continues until May 25. Registration fee after May 25th is \$40 (members).

If you need an additional registration form, please contact the SABR office.

Slots for research presentations remain available.

Contact **Jim Rygelski** (314-868-9962) by May 1 if you wish to make a presentation.

Space for the special bus trip to the SABR 1992 National Convention offered by Sports Tours remains available. Call 1-800-722-7701 for details.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

All SABR Research Committees meet during the annual convention. These meetings are an ideal place to learn of committee projects and plans. If you are not already a committee member, but have a keen interest in the committee topic, the convention meetings are a good place to see about getting involved. The schedule below is subject to change. For more information, contact the committee chairperson or the SABR office.

Friday 9am:	Records/Bibliography
Friday 11:30am:	Biographical/Computerization
Saturday 8am:	Negro/Oral/Ballparks
Saturday 10am:	19th Century/Minors
Sunday 8am:	Women/Latin
Sunday 9am:	Statistical/Umpires

PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

Enclosed with this bulletin is your 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory. If your listing needs any changes or corrections, please contact the office.

The last publication for 1991, *The National Pastime* (#11), will be in the mail shortly.

Four publications are scheduled for 1992: *Baseball Research Journal*, *The National Pastime*, *Minor League Baseball Stars*, Volume 3, and *Baseball: The Fans' Game* by Mickey Cochrane (reprint of the 1939 original).

PLAYER PANEL UPDATE

A Cardinals keystone combination, Hall of Famer Red Schoendienst and Marty Marion, have joined the SABR 22 player panel roster. They join Tom Poholsky, Ted Savage, and Joe Cunningham Saturday at 4:30. The Browns panel (Friday at 1 pm) includes Ned Garver, Don Lenhardt, Jim Delsing, and Ed Mickelson. More information in the next Bulletin.

BOOKSHELF

There are available a limited number of copies of *The Hundred Years of Chet Hoff*, the complete major and minor league record of baseball's oldest living major leaguer. This 30 pg, 8 1/2" x 11" book includes Hoff's many stories about his teammates and opponents who became legends. It was published especially for Chet's 100th birthday. To order send \$11 (postpaid) to **Ren Speer**, 4701 Cypress Dr., Lake Wales, FL 33853. You may reserve a copy by calling Ren at 813-439-5051.

A Jockstrap Full of Nails: A Cornucopia of St. Louis Browns History and Trivia by **Bill Borst** and **Erv Fischer** is, as stated in the preface, "an outgrowth of the unofficial St. Louis Browns Historical Calendar" containing an astrological rendition of the St. Louis Browns and pages of great stats. Order for \$9.95 from the St. Louis Browns Fan Club, P.O. Box 16271, St. Louis, MO 63105.

Baseball Quarterly Reviews Spring 1992 (Vol. 7, #1) contains articles by **Charlie Bevis** on Forgotten All-Stars; **James Smith** and **Herman Krabbenhoft** on Forbes Field Triple Plays; Smith and Ronald Kabacinski on Triple Plays at Navin Field, Briggs Stadium, and Tiger Stadium; and Krabbenhoft on Big winners vs. Big Winners. See ad on page 8 for ordering information.

The Baseball Book of Why (revised and updated) by **Dan Schlossberg** is a 327 page volume filled with the answers to hundreds of "Whys?" Autographed copies are available from Dan at 10 Ballard Place, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410.

Was Baseball Really Invented in Maine by **Will Anderson** is a 180 page, well-illustrated volume divided into sections on the history of baseball in Maine, all-time Maine all-stars, and biographies of 54 Maine natives. To order send \$19.95 postpaid to Will Anderson, 7 Bramhall Terrace, Portland, ME 04103. (See review on page 3).

Counterfeit Sports Cards (ed. **Bob Lemke**) and *Baseball Card Price Guide* (ed. **Jeff Kurowski**) are recent publications of Krause Publications. For more information contact Krause Publications, 700 E. State St, Iola, WI 54990.

The 1945 Indians by **John Phillips** is a day-by-day recap of the 1945 Cleveland Indians season. It is available for \$10.95 postpaid from John, 8105 Mac Arthur Blvd, Cabin John, MD 20818.

Champion Batsman of the 20th Century by **John Thom** contains dozens of stories, tables, and vintage photos of leading hitters. It features dramatic coverage of closest batting races, and spotlights the elite like Cobb, Jackson, Hornsby, Williams, Rose, Yaz...as well as lesser lights such as Hargrave, Myer, and Garms. One book review called it "a real gem." Only \$6.00 postage paid from John Thom, Box 83333, Los Angeles, CA 90083.

A Checklist of Books on Cincinnati Baseball by **Kevin Grace** is a 14 page listing subdivided into sections on the team and city, personnel, instructionals, ballparks, newsletters, team publications and fiction/poetry. Newspaper and magazine articles and anthology entries are not included. Copies are available for \$5 from Archives and Rare Books Department, University of Cincinnati, 8th Floor-Blegen Library, Cincinnati OH 45221-0113. Make checks payable to The University of Cincinnati.

The Flatbush Faithful: An Encyclopedia of Baseball Memories from the "Fabulous Fifties" is a monthly newsletter focusing primarily on the three New York teams. An annual subscription (12 issues) is \$15. The address is P.O. Box 4028, East Norwalk, CT 06855-0028.

THE PRES BOX

Back when major league baseball covered only the north-east quadrant of the United States, the minors already extended from coast to coast. (Some minor leagues even crossed the borders.) The real National Pastime was then minor league baseball.

All but one major league single season record—triples—has been surpassed at the minor league level, mainly because more teams and more people are involved. For example, the Rochester team in the International League turned an incredible 223 double plays in 1929; the 1910 East Carolina League pennant race was decided on the last day of the season when Fayetteville made a 9th inning triple play to thwart Rocky Mount and win the deciding contest 2-1.

The trend toward nostalgia at major league parks was preceded by minor league teams such as the Stockton Ports, who have been playing "Mudville Nine" games since the early 80s. The games commemorate Stockton as the site of Casey's famous strikeout.

This year in the hallowed footsteps of promoter extraordinaire Bill Veeck (who once had orchids flown in from Hawaii for Ladies Day and another time held a 10:00 AM game and had breakfast served by ushers in pajamas), **Walt Winkleman**, SABR member and Stockton Ports owner, will host Skills Day. Each Sunday that the club is home, baseball skills competitions will be held at Hebert Field. California League players and some amateur athletes will test their aptitude at base running, fungo hitting, pitching accuracy, catchers throw for accuracy, outfielders throw for accuracy, long-distance throwing, and home-run hitting.

The point of Skills Day competitions is to try to set new world records in these categories. SABR is the nominal sponsor of these events, which will be monitored by the Guinness Book of World Records.

Creativity for promotions and energy for new endeavors abound in the minor leagues. SABR members **David Kemp** and **Miles Wolff** are resurrecting the old Northern League as an independent minor league to begin play in 1993. Cities expected to participate are Duluth, Fargo-Moorehead, Sioux City, Sioux Falls, St. Cloud, St. Paul, Thunder Bay, Wausau, and Winnipeg. Each owner is required to file a letter of credit for \$100,000 and have a ballpark suitable for play. A recent press conference announce the formation of the league. Hosted by a St. Paul investment group, it featured Mike Veeck, owner of the Miami Miracle, An Independent Florida State League Franchise.

- W. Lloyd Johnson

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Jim Riley visited the President at the White House, as the special guest of Hall of Famer Monty Irvin, during Black American History week...Tom Kayser was elected as the new Texas League president on February 27th...*The Gospel According to Casey: Casey Stengel's Inimitable, Instructional, Historical Baseball Book* by Ira Berkow and Jim Kaplan has been published by St. Martin's Press. The book is a compendium of Stengelese, plus comments by Casey and people who knew him on a variety of subjects...Tom Singer's book, *A Fan's Guide to Baseball Fever: The Official Medical Reference* was reviewed by Richard L. Cohen MD in the Winter 1992 AACAP Newsletter (Cohen is President of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry)...*Beyond The Box Score: The Kansas City Monarchs* by Janet Bruce Campbell appears in the March/April edition of History News...Stuart Shea is a co-writer of *The 1992 Fantasy Baseball Almanac*, published by Publications International Ltd...Art Schott was profiled in the *New Orleans Times-Picayune* (10/22/91). Art, a SABR member since 1971, was officially declared "Louisiana's Official Baseball Historian" that same year by the Governor's Office...Marshall Adesman is Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee to Preserve Professional Baseball in Durham, a volunteer group trying to keep the Durham Bulls in Durham. For more information, contact Marshall at 2802 Skyline Avenue, Durham NC 27705 or call 919-684-4592 (days) or 919-382-8319 (evenings). The committee includes Lawrence "Crash" Davis, 72-year old former second baseman for the Bulls and Philadelphia Athletics (1940-42). The committee is fighting to keep the Bulls at 53-year-old Durham Athletic Park rather than a new stadium in neighboring Wake County...Charles Camp was profiled in *The Baltimore Sun's Sun Magazine* (March 1) discussing his "Diamonds Are Forever" anthropology course at Johns Hopkins University...Craig Mahovic recently won the 1992 *Lake County News Herald (OH)* Trivia Sports-Tacular...Barbara Oremland's interview of Bob Feller appeared in a recent issue of *Cleveland Magazine*...Jeff Shames' article "The Sasser Syndrome" appeared in the March 9 issue of *Newsday*...Bill Pechette won the 1992 Queens Federation of Churches Boy Scout Award for his work with Troop #1.

BASEBALL'S MAINE BOOK

by Mike Sparrow

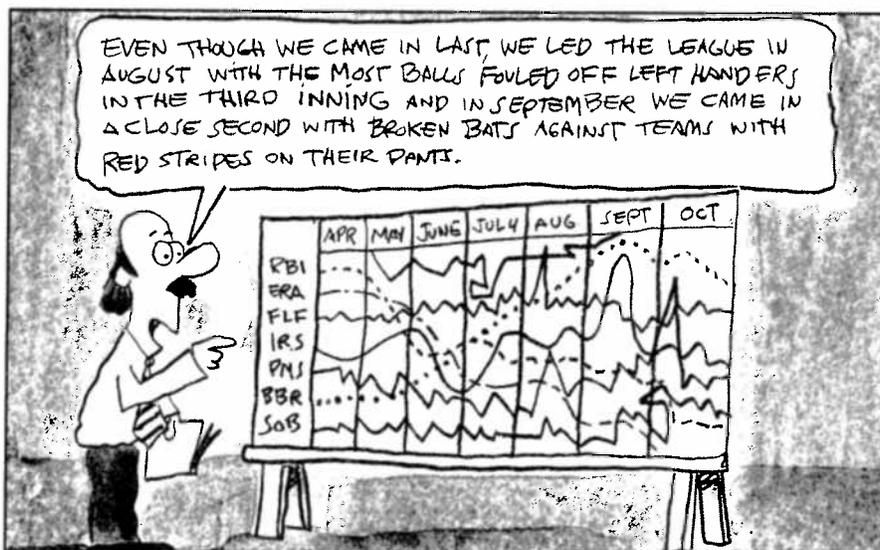
As political candidates hop from state to state in search of the presidency this year, so the baseball fan is able to tour the states by way of a recent crop of books which celebrate the pastime in various locales. In the last year, we have been treated to descriptions of the game in New Jersey (*The Jersey Game* by James DiClerico and Barry Pavelec) and in the Cornhusker State (*Nebraska Diamonds* by Jerry E Clark). Will Anderson of Portland adds to this group as he asks the question: *Was Baseball Really Invented in Maine?*

This 180 page, very well illustrated volume is divided into three sections. The first is an 80 page history of the game in Maine from 1858, when the Portland Base-Ball club played the Tri-Mountain Base-Ball Club of Boston, to 1988 when the Phillies' AAA farm club played their last game in Old Orchard Beach. Along the way, some of the game's brightest stars played for—or more often, against—Maine clubs in several minor leagues, most especially the New England League. Roy Campanella, Jackie Robinson and Cecil Fielder are three of the All-Stars who played against Maine clubs on their way up whose pictures are included. There are many pictures of players whose connection with Maine is casual at best. For example, Dazzy Vance gets a whole page because he was a teammate of Del Bissonette, a member of The Maine Dream Team.

The second section of this book profiles the Dream Team of players born in Maine. None have been inducted into the Hall of Fame but George Gore was a star of the last century, Freddy Parent played shortstop in the first 20th Century World Series, and Manager Bill Carrigan led the Red Sox to two consecutive championships. The pitchers include Bob Stanley and Irv "Little Cy" Young (who had about 450 fewer wins than "Big Cy"). The last section of the book consists of brief biographies of the other 54 Maine natives (with the Dream Team there are 68 in all) who played in the majors. Most of them played briefly, but fans of the 70s may remember Danny Coombs, Larry Gowell, and Stan Thomas.

Anderson's text is lively and the book is very well laid-out with over 190 photographs. If you are interested in New England baseball or just want to read an entertaining book with an engaging story and photographs, you may want to answer for yourself, *Was Baseball Really Invented in Maine?*

Was Baseball Really Invented in Maine?, Will Anderson, Anderson, 180 pages, \$17.95



From *A Fan's Guide to Baseball Fever: The Official Medical Reference* by Thomas Singer, M.D. and Stuart Copans, M.D.

THE SABR SEASON

- May 2Philadelphia area meeting
Contact Frank Phelps (215-265-1622)
- May 2North Carolina area meeting
Contact Francis Kinlaw (919-294-6926)
- May 2Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame Lecture
Contact Kathy Gardner (419-893-9481)
- May 6Hall-Ruggles (Dallas-Ft. Worth) Chapter luncheon
Contact Howard Green (817-370-2503)
- May 7Brooklyn Dodgers Baseball Hall of Fame
10th anniversary
- May 16Houston area meeting
Contact Claudia Perry (800-877-1887, ext 5842)
- May 16Jack Graney Chapter (NE Ohio) meeting (see below)
- May 16Washington/Baltimore (see below)
- May 16Southern New England (see below)
- May 21St. Louis Browns Fan Club 8th annual Hall of Fame
dinner
- May 31Fred T. Smith Chapter (Detroit) picnic
Contact Al Smitley (313-632-7507)
- June 15-17 ...Cooperstown Symposium
- June 25-28 ...SABR Annual Convention
- August 2Cooperstown regional; Hall of Fame inductions

REGIONALS

Chicago, IL...The Emil H. Rothe Chapter of SABR met January 19 at Niles College Seminary of Loyola University. Special guest was **Dan Evans**, Assistant General Manager of the Chicago White Sox. Presentations were made by **Steve Boren**—one hitters; **Don Coffin**—Who will make the Hall of Fame; **Herb Fagen**—Birth of the Go Go White Sox; **Patrick Fisher**—Rasch Measurement of Baseball; **Eddie Gold**—Baseball's Forgotten Pitcher; **Kevin Huigens**—8 Year Cubs; **Jerry Pritikin**—Discover America Discover the Minor Leagues; **Corey Seeman**—A Brief History of the Illinois State League 1947-1948 and Minor League Baseball Symposium.

San Diego, CA...The present officers of the Ted Williams SABR Regional Chapter are **Bob Boynton**, President; **Brigg Hewitt**, Vice President; **Anna Newton**, Secretary-Treasurer; **Joe Naiman**, SABR 23 Convention Coordinator; and **Fred Rodgers**, Regional Program Chairman. The chapter has also published a regional directory of area members. The next chapter meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 13th. Contact **Joe Naiman** (619-390-2975) for details.

Cleveland, OH...The Jack Graney Chapter of SABR met on February 8, 1992 at Cleveland State University. Research presentations included: **Brad Sullivan** on Indians-Giants Exhibition Series (1934-1991); **Bill McMahon** on Best AL players with fewer than 4000 ABs/Worst with more than 5000 ABs; **Tom Blaha** on Remembering Ken Keltner; **Gary Speidel** on his Offensive Performance Rating System; **Bob Carr** on Tris Speaker's Impact on the 1916 Indians; **Fred Schuld**, "Bagby, Beebe, Coumbe & Coveleski: An Ode to My Dad's Memory"; **James Hanson** on a Comparison of Player Performance from 1850 to the Present; and **Barbara Oremland**, "Historical Aspect of Multi-Cultural Issues in Baseball." **Evan Meyer** won the trivia contest.

The next chapter meeting is May 16 in Room 152 of the CSU Science and Research Center and includes a trip to the Indians-Twins game. Cost is \$9 per person (check or money order to Fred Schuld, 1572 Bradford Dr, Macedonia, OH 44056.). Cut-off date for reservations is May 8th.

Chapter members travel to Tiger Stadium on July 11th for a game between Detroit and California. For more information call **Fred Schuld** (216-467-5238) before April 30th.

St. Louis, MO...The Bob Broeg St. Louis Chapter of SABR held its Hot Stove League Meeting on February 16, 1992 at Joe Hannon's. The program included a panel on Sports Talk Radio featuring David Oliver, Randy Characher, and Mike Huss. Marty Hendin of the Cardinals spoke of plans to commemorate the 100th consecutive year of National League baseball in St. Louis. **Ralph Horton** presented his research on 19th Century Umpires. The 1992 officers are President, **Rick Salamon**; Vice-President/National contact, **Erv Fischer**; Secretary, **Chuck Enzwiler**; Treasurer, **Fred Heger**; Historian **Bill Miller**; and board members **Bob Broeg**, **Bob Tiemann**, **Mark Stangl**, **Harry Brunt**, **Gene Karst**, and **Jim Rygelski**.

The chapter plans a bus trip to Louisville, KY July 18-19. Highlights include trips to Churchill Downs, Kentucky Derby Museum, Butchertown, Old Victorian mansions, historic Main Street, and Louisville Redbirds game. Contact **Erv Fischer**, 1921 Riverwood Trails Dr, Florissant, MO 63031 or 314-831-4843 for information and reservations.

Toledo, OH...The Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame Lecture Program #1 takes place May 2 at Lucas County Recreation Center. Presentations will include Ohio Baseball Personalities by **Tom Blaha** and **John Husman**; Cleveland Indians-The Past 30 Years by **Yank Poleyeff**; Baseball Poetry by Scott Regan, and a trivia contest. A Toledo Mud Hens game follows (separate admission). Admission is \$2 adults, \$1.50 seniors, \$1 children 12 and under. Call **Kathy Gardner** (419-893-9481) for more information.

Baltimore, MD...The Washington/Baltimore regional group will meet on May 16 at Catonsville (MD) Community College in Baltimore County from 12:30 to 5 pm.

Providence...The Southern New England regional group will meet May 16 at St. Philip's Church, Greenville, Rhode Island. The group hopes to have former Red Sox manager Joe Morgan as speaker. **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906, 401-351-3278) is the contact.

Minneapolis, MN...The Halsey Hall Chapter is considering the following road trips: Doomed Stadium Tour (Cleveland/Detroit); Iowa (Field of Dreams/Clinton Giants); and the College World Series. Interested members should contact **George Rekela** 612-545-8891 or **Stew Thornley** 612-378-9189.

There is a complete list of regional contacts in the 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory.

CLARIFICATIONS

Croix de Cow was misspelled (Croix de Cox) in March.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In a recent letter, this inquiring mind wondered about the origin of the outfield Barrymores' use of the one handed catch. This is an unfair question. It may open a can of southpaw worms. It involves too many changes that have taken place since baseball was a game. Other inquiring minds might want to know the origin of the present use of earrings, or necklaces, or wrist bands, or batting gloves for crying out loud. Or when did they stop going to the barber shop? Or when did they decide that they did not want to show the stirrups? Then again, with the beautiful modern uniforms, they either don't care or don't know how to trim the leg on the pants. Seemingly, they would rather cavort around looking like Wee Willie Winkie in his "jammies". So, Ty, Babe, Frankie, John, Lou, Cy and the host of others, you can stop turning over and settle for "modern times."

George French, Torrance, California

While the point made about Ted Williams in the Bookshelf section of the November/December bulletin is true (no higher average hitter has more home runs and no better home run hitter has a higher average), these two statements amount to the same thing. For example, if there was a higher average hitter (say, .345) with more home runs (522) then that same person would also be a better home run hitter with a higher average. One case can't be true (or false) without the other being true (or false). What the statement boils down to is that no one player has both a higher average and more homers than Ted.

For baseball fans, what may be more interesting is that the same statement may be made of four other players. No one has both a higher average and more home runs than Hank Aaron, Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, and Rogers Hornsby. The notable thing about Ted is that despite being "only" 7th in average (using *Total Baseball* stats) and tied for 10th in home runs, he is still one of the select five. The other four accomplished this feat by being either first or second in a given category (thus eliminating all or almost all of the competition in the category they were highly ranked in). Ted did it despite the fact that nine better home run hitters and six higher average hitters had a chance to top him in the other category and didn't. One way to put it is that of the five players who have no one better than them in both home runs and batting average, Ted is the one whose highest ranking on either of the all-time lists is lower than anyone else's highest ranking.

Of course, the whole point of the original statement was to show that Ted was the best at combining batting average and home runs. In one sense this is true; his positions on the all-time lists are closer together than anyone who performed at such a high level (Gehrig's rankings are closer together at 15th in HR's and 16th in BA, but lower down). On the other hand, it is also clear that Ruth's combination of being 2nd in HRs and 10th in average is superior to Williams' combination of 7th in average and 10th in home runs. And looking ahead, Williams will probably drop farther down in home runs while Ruth will stay where he is with neither dropping much in average (they will probably both move up a notch by the time Boggs retires). In all likelihood, in the future Ruth will be the only player in the top ten in both categories.

As usual, whatever method you use it's hard to figure out a way to beat Ruth (I'd swap 2 batting average points for 193 HRs any day). Now if you are talking relative batting average with Williams 5th and Ruth 28th....

Michael Olenick, Brooklyn, New York

SABR BOOK OFFERS

In recent months, SABR has provided discounts on baseball books including an offering of the original 1948 publication of *Pitchin' Man* by Hal Lebovitz, *Green Cathedrals* by Philip Lowry, *The Sporting News Baseball Guide*, *Baseball Register*, and *The Complete Baseball Record Book*, Abbeyville Press' *The Bronx Bombers* and *The Boston Red Sox*, and Boerum Street Press' *Mike Gimbel's Player and Team Rankings 1992*.

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To order *Pitchin' Man*, see the coupon in the April issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

Also in last month's issue was an offer for a package of books from *The Sporting News*. SABR members can receive *The Sporting News Baseball Guide*, *Baseball Register*, and *The Complete Baseball Record Book* for \$29, a savings of \$9.85 off the cover price. To order call 1-800-825-8508 and mention the ad in *The SABR Bulletin* or use the coupon on page 4 of the April issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

The discount offer for *Green Cathedrals* from SABR and Addison-Wesley continues through October. If you haven't ordered your copy of this 288 page ballpark reference book, do so soon. See your March *Bulletin* for more information, or send \$19.95 (plus 7% sales tax for Ohio residents or GST for Canadian residents) to SABR, Dept. GC, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, OH 44101.

Copies of the inaugural edition of the *Minor League History Journal* remain available from the SABR office. To order your copy, send \$7.50 postpaid to SABR, Dept MLHJ, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, OH 44101.



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CONVENTION PREVIEW

The SABR season reaches its peak June 25-28 when the Bob Broeg Chapter of SABR hosts the 1992 SABR National Convention at the Adam's Mark Hotel, in the shadow of the Gateway Arch, in downtown St. Louis, Missouri. The 4-star facility features two restaurants, four lounges, and plenty of space to relax, socialize and talk baseball. Here is a brief preview (in nine innings):

1) Research Presentations

The 1992 convention will feature up to 19 hours of baseball research presentations in a two-track format. The presentation schedule features a majority of biographical and statistical analysis presentations. See the May Bulletin for a preliminary list.

2) Committee Meetings

Each SABR Research Committee meets at the annual convention. See the schedule in the May Bulletin.

3) Annual Business Meeting

Annual reports are presented and business is transacted as necessary.

4) Awards Banquet

The banquet includes presentation of the Bob Davids Award (meritorious service to SABR), SABR-Macmillan Awards (for outstanding research), and the John W. Cox Award (best research presentation at the convention). Descriptions of the awards and a list of previous winners appear in the SABR Membership Directory. Keynote speaker for the 1992 convention will be **Bing Devine**, former general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals.

5) Player Panels:

Your chance to meet, question, and reminisce with former players. The 1992 convention features two panels:

Cardinals (June 27, 4:30 pm)

Red Schoendienst: Hall of Fame switch hitting second baseman played in three World Series and managed two more. Marty Marion: Seven time all-star and 1944 NL MVP, "The Octopus" played on four pennant winners and three World Champions with the Cardinals from 1941 to 1949. Marion and Schoendienst were teammates from 1945 to 1950 Tom Poholsky: 1950 International League MVP with 18-6 record for Rochester played six major league seasons. Ted Savage: Nine year major leaguer had his best season with the 1970 Brewers (.279, 12, 50). Joe Cunningham: All-star in 1959 finished second to Hank Aaron with a .345 batting average, his best of 10 major league seasons.

Browns (June 26, 1:00 pm)

Ned Garver: Won 129 games from 1948 to 1961, including 20 with the 102 loss Browns in 1951. A better than average hitter, Garver is a member of the Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame. Don

Lenhardt: Lenhardt's five year major league career was highlighted by a 22 HR rookie season and ended by a broken leg. Jim Delsing: Pinch-runner for midget Eddie Gaedel in 1951, Delsing was an all-star in the Northern League, Pacific Coast League, and American Association. Ed Mickelson: Played briefly for both the Browns (1953) and Cardinals (1950). Babe Martin: Played briefly for both the 1944 pennant winning Browns and the farewell Browns (1953).

6) Trivia

An ultimate test of baseball knowledge. The contest features an open preliminary round which yields four semi-final teams. The two semi-final round winners compete for the ultimate victory. All registrants are eligible to compete in the trivia contest.

7) Publication

Baseball in St. Louis will feature articles on the Browns, Cardinals, and other aspects of local baseball history. Articles are contributed by SABR members. The 1992 convention publication will be edited by **Bob Tiemann**. Each convention registrant receives a copy of the publication. It is also available for sale on a limited basis after the convention.

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CONVENTION UPDATE

A silent auction will take place throughout the convention to benefit SABR. Books, guides and other items will be offered...The trivia contest is scheduled for broadcast on KASP-AM...the Records Committee meeting has been moved to Sunday morning, time to be announced...workshops on computers, regionals and baseball education may be added to the schedule. For more information on these updates, contact the SABR office.

BIOGRAPHICAL FIND

Bob Richardson of the Biographical Research Committee has identified the mysterious Mr. Nevins of the 1873 Elizabeth Resolutes as Alexander Brown Nevin, an 1874 graduate of Yale University. While the findings are not indisputable, it is highly unlikely that Mr. Nevins and Alexander Brown Nevin are different players.

The story begins on April 30, 1873, with the Elizabeth Resolutes in New Haven for an exhibition game with the Yale University nine. Pitching for Yale was one Alexander Brown Nevin. While Yale did not play again until May 7, the Resolutes traveled to Boston for a game on May 2. The game was rained out and the team returned to Elizabeth for a game on May 6. It was in this game that "Nevins" debuted for Elizabeth, playing right field. On May 7, Nevin was back in the lineup for Yale, pitching and playing the outfield until Yale completed its season on May 31.

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BOOKSHELF

The Gospel According to Casey by Ira Berkow and Jim Kaplan is a 172 page collection of "Stengelese" plus comments from many players and associates of "The Old Perfesser." The book contains 40 black-and-white photographs, chronology, selected sources, and index. Published by St. Martin's Press, 175 Fifth Ave, New York NY 10010, \$18.95 cover price.

Only The Ball Was White, "...the best overview of the subject...a watershed in the historiography of the Negro Leagues" (Jules Tygiel in *The SABR Review of Books, Vol. I*) has been reissued by Oxford University Press in paperback with a new preface by author Robert Peterson. The book is illustrated with photographs and contains League standings from 1920 to 1950, East-West All-Star Game box scores from 1933 to 1950, player register (1884-1950), and index. Order directly (\$10.95) from Oxford Paperbacks, Oxford University Press, 200 Madison Ave, New York NY 10016.

Babe Ruth's Own Book of Baseball and *America's National Game* by Albert G. Spalding have been reissued in paperback by University of Nebraska Press. The Ruth book, originally published in 1928, is biographical and instructional. The book features 31 photographs and an introduction by Jerome Holtzman. The second reissue of *America's National Game* (Halo Books published an edited version in 1991) is reprinted from the 1911 original, adding an index and an introduction by Benjamin G Rader. (A review of *America's National Game* appears in *The SABR Review of Books, Volume III*). To order *Babe Ruth's Own Book of Baseball* (\$9.95 paper, \$35 cloth) and/or *America's National Game* (\$19.95 paper, \$45 cloth) call 1-800-755-1105 or write University of Nebraska Press, 901 N. 17th St, Lincoln NE 68588-0520.

Diamonds Are Forever: The Business of Baseball, edited by Paul M. Sommers, examines the major trouble spots that have clouded baseball in recent years—the growing commercialization of the game, the club owner's collusive response to free agents, the aftermath of the reserve clause and free agent controversies, the salary arbitration process, and the impact of fan loyalty on everything from season ticket sales to bubble gum cards. The 208 page hard cover book is published by The Brookings Institution for \$19.95. To order, write to 1775 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington DC 20036-2188 or call 202-797-6258.

The Day Satchel Paige and the Pittsburgh Crawfords Came to Hertford, N.C. by Mike Shannon is a collection of seven baseball short stories and 65 poems. The 128 page soft cover book, illustrated with drawings, is available from McFarland & Company for \$18.95 postpaid. Write to Box 611, Jefferson NC 28640 or call 919-246-4460 to order.

Tribe Memories III by Russell Schneider combines an engagement book (April 1992 to April 1993) with 52 essays about memorable players, games, and events in Cleveland Indians history. Limited copies of *Tribe Memories* and *Tribe Memories II* are also available. Orders from *The SABR Bulletin* benefit the society. See coupon on page 6 for ordering information.

THE PRES BOX

Having just read 900 questionnaires about SABR that were filled out in November and December 1991, let me assure you that SABR is a baseball research organization—emphasis on research. When information isn't publicly available, SABR is the last resort for many writers, researchers, advertisers, and even Major League Baseball and the Hall of Fame.

SABR member Dave Kemp discovered that Walter Malmquist's .477 season was a figment of the league secretary's imagination. Pete Palmer and Cliff Kachline unraveled the mystery of the 1910 batting race (Ty Cobb's extra hits and Larry Lajoie's missing at-bat). When Sammy Vick died in August 1986, he was touted as the only man who ever pinch hit for Babe Ruth. But *The SABR Bulletin* for that August had already been published, and showed a box score in which Bobby Veach stood in for the Bambino. SABR founder Bob Davids subsequently wrote a letter to *The Sporting News* where he detailed eight other occasions when other players pinch hit for the Babe.

Bob Feller once called to see if SABR could find his missing strikeout. He claimed that in his very first Major League appearance, in a mop up role as a 17 year old phenom, the official scorer stepped out of the press box and missed the first of 2,500-plus whiffs. Davids and another charter SABR member, Joe Simenic, found the play-by-play in *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Ol' Rapid Robert was right. His first K never made it into the official record.

Bob Tiemann has practically rewritten the history of the National Association with his finds of two 42 hit games and of Levi Meyerle, the leading batter of 1871, who batted eighth in the lineup. Tiemann found that Levi fielded only .654, 158 points higher than his batting average - a reason to be placed so low in the order.

Bill Carle and Rich Topp discovered that Lou Proctor was actually a telegraph operator who had put his name in the lineup when transmitting the boxscore. Armed with the false Proctor information, MacMillan removed him from *The Baseball Encyclopedia*.

SABR's purpose is to do baseball research and disseminate it. SABR publications are not the only means of dissemination. The Board of Directors recently discussed the possibility of selling the SABR Home Run Log and Biographical Database on floppy disks or in paper copy. We would like to hear from you for suggestions of a suitable pricing and usage policy.

At the Annual Business Meeting in June, we will have a Town Meeting style discussion on Research Committee Ethics and Regional Development. See you there.

W. Lloyd Johnson

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RESEARCH NEEDS

The Historical Museum of South Florida is planning an exhibition for April 1993 celebrating the long history of baseball in the area, including local teams, minor leagues, Cuban baseball, Black baseball, collegiate baseball, and much, much more. The exhibition will coincide with the arrival of major league baseball, courtesy of the undefeated Florida Marlins. The museum seeks important artifacts, memorabilia, equipment, photographs, and other materials central to the history of baseball in South Florida. Individuals possessing and willing to loan these items for exhibition purposes should contact **William E. Brown, Jr.**, Head, Archives and Special Collections Department, P.O. Box 248214, University of Miami, Coral Gables FL 33124 or call 305-284-3247.

Jeff Fails, 3925 Crow #42, Beaumont TX 77706, invites anyone interested in the Boston Red Sox to help him compile old boxscores, stories, and statistics for a Boston Red Sox encyclopedia.

Kazuo Sayama, 147 Kamiyashiki, Tanabe, Japan 646, seeks information and leads to information, beyond that given in *Blackball Stars* by John Holway, about Biz Mackey, especially his influence on Japanese baseball.

Paul Savary, 7744 Shootingstar Drive, Springfield VA 22152, seeks details from the first major league game he ever saw. The game was played in June, July, or August between 1964 and 1969 (probably 1966 or 1967). The Dodgers beat the Cubs 3-2 at Wrigley Field. Willie Davis or Paul Popovich may have tripled. Paul would appreciate any help in locating the box score, newspaper accounts, and any other game information.

Joel Hawkins, 2119 Ash, Des Plaines IL 60018, requests any information about the House of David baseball team. He is trying to develop a schedule and won-loss record to determine how good the team actually was. Joel has approximately 150 team, individual, and action photos he is willing to share with other members.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

Two brochures, "This is the United States Baseball Federation" and "Olympic Baseball: Here's The Pitch..." are available free of charge from the United States Baseball Federation by writing to Bob Bensch, Communications Director, USBF, 2160 Greenwood Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08609. The former describes USBF activities, the latter gives a brief history of baseball in the Olympics, rosters of the 1984 and 1988 U.S. Olympic Baseball Teams, and some preliminary facts about the 1992 team.

The Third Annual *Game Score Report*, which tracks the performances of 130 starting pitchers in an offbeat manner, is now available. For a copy, send \$2.00 to **Murray Browne**, 645 Midway, Holland MI 49423.

Madison McEntire offers a list (1 page) of players with the most career RBI who never had a 100 RBI season. Send a SASE to Madison at 501 Napa Valley Drive, Apartment 917, Little Rock AR 72211.

Here are the latest additions to the SABR Research Paper Collection, available from **Len Levin**, 282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906. Items are \$.05 per page for copying plus \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages.

Colleges That Have Had the Most Major League Alumni (1 page) by Cappy Gagnon.

Hoosier Hurler (4 pages) by Chris Cauley (Copy of newspaper article on Carl Erskine).

Number of Players Born by State/Country (3 pages) by Bill Carle.

1991 American League Rookie Report (6 pages) by Evan Meyer.

Struggling Sophomore Seasons: John Burkett and Chris Nabholz (4 pages) by Evan Meyer.

The Other Side of a Big Trade: 1991 Season of Fred McGriff and Tony Fernandez (5 pages) by Evan Meyer.

Award Voting Analysis, 1991 (3 pages) by Dan Rappoport.

Leon Day: A Great Career in Negro Leagues (1 page) by John Steadman (Copy of newspaper article).

Ernie Banks at 61 (1 page) by Thomas Bonk (Copy of newspaper article).

Jimmy Qualls' Most Memorable Hit Broke Up Seaver's Perfect Game (1 page) by Jerome Holtzman (Copy of newspaper article).

Baseball in Connecticut (10 pages) by Pete Zanardi (Interviews with old-time ballplayers living in Connecticut).

The Red Sox Syndrome: Why Fans Love a Loser (1 page) by Abigail Trafford (Copy of newspaper article).

The '38 Pirates: Death in the Afternoon (1 page) by Les Biederman (Copy of newspaper article).

Why Baseball is Better Than Football (1 page) by Martin Mull and Jim Bouton (Copy of magazine article).

Mud Man: Why the Baseball Season Won't Start Without Burns Binliff (1 page) by James Day (Copy of magazine article about Lena Blackburne's successor).

The Day Casey Struck Out the Senate (2 pages) by Thomas R. Jolly (Copy of newspaper article about Stengel's appearance before Senate subcommittee on antitrust and monopoly).

Transcript of hearing by Senate subcommittee on antitrust and monopoly (24 pages).

A Social History of the Providence Grays (3 pages) by Richard Waldbauer.

Major League Baseball's First Post-Season Champions: The Providence Grays (11 pages) by Tom Carson.

Drug-related suspensions, 1980-1992 (1 page).

Ned Hanlon Deserves to be in the Hall (1 page) by John Steadman (Copy of newspaper article).

Death of Jim Vaughan Recalls Double No-Hit/Babe Ruth's Best Year was 1921 (1 page) by Arthur O. Schott.

Scholar, Lawyer, Catcher, Spy (10 pages) by Nicholas Dawidoff (Copy of Sports Illustrated article about Moe Berg).

A Historical Review of Litigation in Baseball (18 pages) by Richard L. Irwin (From Marquette Sports Law Journal).

The SABR Research Library currently contains almost 500 articles. An updated index to the Research Library is available for \$2 from Len Levin, 282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, RI 02906.

COMMITTEES

RECORDS: The following is a list of 20th century pitchers who have thrown an opening day one hitter, and the opposing player who got the hit.

4/12/06	Irv Young	BOS	at BKL (N) 2-0	Harry Lumley
4/14/09	George Mullin	DET	vs CHI (A) 2-0	Gavvy Cravath
4/14/10	Frank Smith	CHI	vs STL (A) 3-0	Ray Demmitt
4/14/10	Walter Johnson	WAS	vs PHI (A) 3-0	Frank Baker
4/14/15	Herb Pennock	PHI	vs BOS (A) 2-0	Harry Hooper
4/16/18	Pete Schneider	CIN	vs PIT (N) 2-0	Casey Stengel
4/13/26	Jesse Petty	BKN	at NY (N) 3-0	Frankie Frisch
4/17/34	Lon Warneke	CHI	at CIN (N) 6-0	Adam Comorosky
4/14/53	Bob Lemon	CLE	vs CHI (A) 6-0	Minnie Minoso
4/13/64	Ken McBride & Julio Navarro (2.2 inn)			
		LA	at WAS (A) 4-0	Claude Osteen
4/08/91	Dennis Martinez, Barry Jones (1 inn), Scott Ruskin (1 inn)			
		MON	at PIT (N) 7-0	Barry Bonds

Bob Groom and John Nabors have generally been recognized as the co-record holders for longest major league losing streak (19 games). But according to research by **Pete Palmer**, corroborated by **Bill Deane** and **Frank Williams**, Groom's losing streak in 1909 was only 15 games. After four consecutive losses, Groom entered a game against Boston on July 5, 1909, with Washington trailing 5-3. Groom pitched the final seven innings and Washington won, 7-6, but records kept at the time gave Groom no decision. He subsequently lost fifteen consecutive games (This finding was originally published in the *1991 Grandstand Baseball Annual*, **Joe Wayman**, ed.).

The following list, submitted by Bill Deane, ranks those players who had hit the most home runs (major league) before reaching their thirtieth birthday.

Jimmie Foxx	379	Lou Gehrig	282
Mickey Mantle	374	Darryl Strawberry	280
Eddie Mathews	370	Duke Snider	272
Mel Ott	342	Ernie Banks	269
Hank Aaron	342	Orlando Cepeda	268
Frank Robinson	314	Rocky Colavito	264
Harmon Killebrew	311	Eddie Murray	258
Ralph Kiner	294	Reggie Jackson	256
Johnny Bench	287	Boog Powell	253
Willie Mays	285	Ron Santo	253
Babe Ruth	284		

Evolution of a Record: Last year, **Joe Dittmar** found the supposed record for most runs, start of game, before the first out (10, Giants vs Cardinals at the Polo Grounds on May 13, 1911) was inaccurate. The record was then believed to be eight (Cleveland vs Baltimore on July 6, 1954 and New York vs Baltimore on April 24, 1960). Now, **Jim Smith** has uncovered a game where nine runs scored before the first out was made. It was done by the Philadelphia Phillies, against the Giants, August 13, 1948.

BIBLIOGRAPHY: *Current Baseball Publications*, Volume 6, Number 5 (25 pages), a list of baseball books published January-December 1991, by **Rich Arpi**, is available from **Frank Phelps**, 253 Bernard Drive, King of Prussia PA 19406-1756 for \$2 in cash,

stamps, or check. *CBP* Volume 5, Number 5, covering January-December 1990 is also available for the same price.

NINETEENTH CENTURY: Here is an example of some of the research being done by committee members. **Dan Ginsburg** is researching gambling scandals and fixes. **Ralph Horton** has been compiling game-by-game umpire rosters—National League and American Association, 1884—for SABR's Umpires and Rules Committee. **Fred Ivor-Campbell** is writing a book of brief histories of the eighty-plus defunct major league clubs. **Bill McMahon** is compiling pitcher vs. team records from the first decade of the American League to gain information about players who came over from the National League of the previous decade. He has also recently researched Chicago game accounts for the late 1870s. **Dean Sullivan** is searching for whatever connection there may be between the 1887 Boston Resolutes (National Colored Base Ball League) and Boston's black Resolutes of 1870. (The 1870 team played Boston's white Resolutes in a game to determine which club would keep its name. The black Resolutes won.)

NEGRO LEAGUES: Four more Negro Leaguers have passed on recently: Julian Bell on December 7th, Lonnie Blair on January 27th, George Giles on March 3rd, and Alan Bryant on March 22nd. The upcoming *Journal of Sport History* will have **Leslie Heaphy's** review of *Josh and Satch*. **Joe Lee** visited the Harriet Tubman Museum in Macon, GA, and found a copy of the screenplay and newspaper clippings regarding the movie *The Bingo Long Traveling All-Stars and Motor Kings*. Joe also noted that the Macon African-American Heritage Collection has several Negro Leagues related books prominently displayed. **Jim Overmyer** noted that Newark (NJ) Public Library is the repository for the Newark Eagles team files. An article on Jimmie Crutchfield is to appear in *Modern Maturity* magazine.

WOMEN IN BASEBALL: SABR President **Lloyd Johnson** has appointed **John Kovach** to fill the vacant chair for the Women in Baseball Committee. Committee members and prospective committee members are encouraged to contact John at 119 Laporte Ave, South Bend IN 46616.

BIOGRAPHICAL FIND *continued from page 1*

On June 17, "Nevins" rejoined Elizabeth to fill in at third base for the injured Jim Clinton. He played 12 games, departing after the July 23 contest in plenty of time to rejoin Yale in the fall. In 1874, Nevin was Yale's regular third baseman, generally batting fifth or sixth in the order, the same position that "Nevins" regularly hit for the Resolutes.

(ED NOTE: To see how Nevin/Nevins is currently recognized, check page 2563 in *The Baseball Encyclopedia-eighth edition*, and/or page 1159 in *Total Baseball-second edition*. The new information found by Bob Richardson includes the full name, birth date (October 3, 1850 in Allegheny City, Pennsylvania), and death date (October 10, 1921 in Pensacola, Florida). The information above first appeared in the Biographical Research Committee Monthly Report-March 1992.)

THE SABR SEASON

- June 13 Ted Williams (San Diego) Chapter meeting
Contact **Joe Naiman** (619-390-2975)
- June 15-17 .. Cooperstown Symposium
- June 19 Hall-Ruggles (Arlington, TX) Chapter luncheon (see below)
- June 22-25 .. Sports Tours, Inc. Bus Trip to SABR Convention
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- June 25-28 .. SABR Annual Convention
- July 11 Jack Graney Chapter (Cleveland) bus trip to Tiger Stadium
- July 18 Kansas City Regional Meeting
Contact **Pat Rock** (913-342-4945)
- July 18-19 ... Bob Broeg Chapter (St. Louis) bus trip to Louisville, KY
- August 2 Cooperstown regional, Hall of Fame inductions

REGIONALS

Palo Alto, California...Fifty-two members of the Lefty O'Doul (Northern California) SABR chapter met at Stanford University on April 5, 1992, to hear **Dick Dobbins** discuss the history of scouting in the Bay Area. Physicist **John White** presented his theory of batting, **Dave Blick** read his poem about Babe Ruth, and **Dave** and **Sherri Nichols** explained why righthanders get more infield hits and how walks correlate well from year to year but hits do not. **John Spalding** discussed his upcoming book *Always on Sunday*, **Bill French** talked about the relative value of different statistics, and **Ed Oswalt** showed an electronic baseball encyclopedia. **Eric Naftaly** won the trivia contest. The chapter tabbed the White Sox as the most likely World Series winner and saw the University of California hammer Stanford 11-6.

Los Angeles, California...The Allan Roth Chapter of SABR held its annual spring meeting in Los Angeles April 4. The chapter noted the passing of its namesake, the first team baseball statistician. **Al Parnis** made a presentation on baseball poetry and songs while **John Pastier** reviewed books about ballparks, including the new edition of *Green Cathedrals*. **Joe Slap** threw out some ideas, including a proposal to stratify admission to the Hall of Fame, from do everything superstars to role players with impact, such as Maury Wills. Two trivia quizzes were held. **Mark Mahler** stumped everyone with a ballparks quiz and **Rick Smith** won his second consecutive general contest with questions prepared by **Ted Rouman**. **Ed Goldstein** and **Andy McCue** led a discussion of whether George Steinbrenner should be reinstated, while **Andy** and **Dick Beverage** reviewed this year's crop of baseball books. The highlight of the meeting was the appearance of Dick Neal, Fred Peltz, and Ray Viers who played and managed in the Sunset League, a Class C league which operated mostly in Southern California from 1947 through 1950. Beverage, McCue, and Pastier were elected chapter officers for the upcoming year. The chapter's next meeting will be in the fall, probably late October or early November.

Arlington, Texas...Instead of May 6th as originally planned, the Burt Hawkins testimonial luncheon will be held in conjunction with the annual old-timers game. The luncheon is set for noon on June 19th at the Sheraton Centre Park, and is jointly sponsored by the Flem Hall-Bill Ruggles Chapter of SABR and the Texas

Rangers. Tickets are \$20. Contact **Howard Green** at 817-535-0058 for further information.

The third annual Base Ball Day Weekend, organized and sponsored by The American Baseball Heritage, Inc., takes place June 19-21 in Hoboken, New Jersey, on the campus of the Stevens Institute of Technology. The principal event will be authentic recreations of four different 19th century ball games; Cricket Matches, Rounders, Town Ball, and Civil War era base ball. For more information, contact **Stephen Speiser** at 201-792-4878.

Before You Can Say Jackie Robinson: Black Baseball in New York and America in the Era of the Color Line, 1885-1950 is an exhibition at the Cooperstown Art Association Gallery, 22 Main Street in Cooperstown through June 18. The exhibit is open Monday-Saturday 11 am to 4 pm and Sunday 1 pm to 4 pm. Rob Ruck will give a public lecture June 15 at 7:30 pm. For further information, call 607-547-9777.

TROY-WORCESTER UPDATE

Decked out in vintage 1882 uniforms, authentic re-creation teams representing Worcester (MA) and Troy (NY) battle June 6 in Troy and June 20 at Fiton Field, Holy Cross College in Worcester. Tentative plans also call for a match prior to the Hall of Fame induction ceremonies in Cooperstown, New York, this summer. The Worcester re-creation team will feature Mark "The Bird" Fidrych, 1976 American League Rookie of the Year. A plaque is being commissioned in honor of John Lee Richmond, the Brown Stockings southpaw who tossed the major league's first-ever perfect game on June 12, 1880. Plans call for the plaque to be dedicated at the site of the original home field of the Worcesters. Richmond's great grandson, **John Richmond Husman**, will be on hand at the Worcester re-creation game to throw out the first ball. The Troy-Worcester series is tied at 18 wins and 18 losses.

1992 SUMMER OLYMPIAD BASEBALL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

On July 26, 1992, at the L'Hospitalet Baseball Stadium in Barcelona, Spain, baseball will make its official debut as an official Olympic sport on the 80th anniversary of the first Olympic baseball competition. Baseball debuted as part of the 1912 Olympic Games on July 15 when a team from the United States downed the Swedish Vesteras Club 13-3.

The 1992 Summer Olympics features baseball competition between eight teams. Cuba, winner of 46 of 53 games against the seven teams participating in the Olympics in world-level tournaments, looms as the favorite. Here is how the Olympic participants have fared against each other in the past ten years:

Cuba 46-7	Chinese Taipei 25-34
Japan 33-25	Italy 7-25
United States 27-30	Dominican Republic 1-6
Puerto Rico 14-16	Spain 0-10

The US team engages in a 31-game national tour from June 11 to July 21. For a copy of the full schedule (tour and Olympics), send a SASE (\$.29) to the SABR office. If you want additional information about the games, contact the International Baseball Association, 317-237-5757.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Luis Mayoral was recently hired as assistant public relations director for the Texas Rangers...**C. Philip Frances** writes "Chatter from the Dugout" for *West Martin Weekly Newspaper* in Sherburn, MN... SABR and members **Bob McConnell**, **Bob Davids**, **Tom Heitz**, **Gabriel Schecter**, **Mark Okkonen**, and **Bill Deane** are mentioned in an article by Todd Brewster, "Baseball's Mother Lode," about the National Baseball Library in the April edition of *Gamesmanship* magazine...**David Pietrusza** was a guest on Dan Reinhardt's "Sports Talk" on WKNY (Kingston, NY) on March 30. David has an article on the Scotia (NY) All-Star American Legion Team's tour of Australia in the April 10 issue of *Baseball America* and an article on baseball after Pearl Harbor in the April 7 issue of *USA Today Baseball Weekly*...**Bill Borst's Still Last in the American League: The St. Louis Browns Revisited** has been published by A & M Publishing Company. Call 1-800-472-3485 (9 am to 5 pm Monday-Friday) for more information...**Tyler Kepner** was profiled in the January 3 issue of *USA Today Baseball Weekly* and his article on players as role models appeared in the March 11 issue. Tyler is the 17-year old founder, editor, publisher, and chief writer of *KP Baseball Monthly*...Two new lithographs by **Bill Goff, Inc.**, are "Last Memorial Pitch" (Memorial Stadium) by Bill Purdom and "Cleveland Stadium Matinee" by Robert Wiefierich. For more information, call 1-800-321-GOFF... **Charles C. Alexander's** article, "Triple Play," about Cleveland baseball stars Cy Young, Nap Lajoie and Tris Speaker appears in the April-May issue of *Timeline* magazine. SABR, **Tom Eakin**, and **Kathy Gardner** are acknowledged for help in providing illustrations for the article...**Paul Haas** and his Sports Books, Etc., bookstore are mentioned in the April 20 issue of *Sports Illustrated*.

CONVENTION PREVIEW *continued from page 1*

8) Baseball Game

Each SABR convention includes a trip to a local game. The group will attend the Cardinals-Mets game on Friday night, June 26.

9) Displays

Space is provided for the display and sale of baseball related publications, products, and services.

Anyone interested in baseball is welcome to attend the SABR annual convention. Registration fees are \$35-member, \$40-non member until May 25, \$40-member, \$45-non member after May 25.

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SABR-1991-CASH FLOW SUMMARY

Prepared by Robert E. Ruland, SABR - Treasurer (1/24/92)

INCOME

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Dues	\$164,100	\$181,675
Publication Sales	21,000	22,989
Advertising	8,000	6,404
Convention	5,000	6,500
Mailing Lists	5,000	4,890
Investments	4,000	5,013
Royalties/Donations	1,500	683
Research	3,000	4,842
Lending Library	250	832
Miscellaneous	<u>2,250</u>	<u>16,232</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$214,100	\$250,060

EXPENSES

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Exec. Dir.-Salary	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Exec. Dir.-Benefits	3,500	3,391
Adm. Assistant-Salary	10,000	7,535
Payroll Taxes	4,500	8,221
Exec. Dir.-Travel	1,500	2,410
Rent/Utilities	4,000	3,537
Postage	4,000	8,859
Accounting Services	4,000	1,625
Insurance	3,000	2,614
Telephone	2,500	3,123
Supplies	2,000	1,827
Equipment/Furnishings	2,000	2,014
Executive Board	10,000	10,857
Promotions	7,500	5,384
Research Committees	6,000	5,015
Regional Chapters	5,000	551
Presidential Committees	1,000	0
Awards	1,000	942
Lending Library	250	32
Miscellaneous	<u>2,350</u>	<u>7,918</u>
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$104,100	\$105,855
PUBLICATIONS		
Bulletins	\$ 25,000	\$ 26,614
All other publication	<u>85,000</u>	<u>83,500</u>
TOTAL PUBLICATIONS	\$110,000	\$110,114
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$214,100	\$215,969 (*)
NET GAIN	\$ 0	\$ 34,091

(*) includes anticipated expense of \$23,824 in 1992 for 1991 publications

SUMMARY OF APRIL BOARD MEETING

The SABR Executive Board met April 24-26 in Kansas City. Attending the meeting were President **Lloyd Johnson**, Vice President **Jack Kavanagh**, Treasurer **Bob Ruland**, and Directors **Bill Carle**, **Larry Gerlach**, and **Richard Puff**. Executive Director **Morris Eckhouse** and Publications Director **Mark Alvarez** also attended. Director **Mark Rucker** and Secretary **Claudia Perry** were absent with excuse.

On Friday, April 24, Eckhouse reported on membership, currently exceeding 5,000 and on target to surpass the budgeted goal of 5,600 for 1992. His report described promotional and advertising plans, production of the Bulletin and Membership Directory, schedule for inventory of SABR publications moved from Manhattan, KS to Cleveland, OH on March 31, grant funding progress, membership survey, regional groups, trademarking of the SABR logo and publica-

tion titles, and the status of the 1992 SABR convention.

President Johnson appointed an ad hoc committee to discuss the content of the proposed Negro League publication and was directed to send a letter of clarification to the George Gund Foundation regarding the precise financial and publication obligations of SABR in implementing a \$7,500 grant received from the foundation.

Publications Director Mark Alvarez reported that the 1991 edition of *The National Pastime* was in page-proofs and should be completed shortly, that the 1992 *TNP* was in galleys, that *Minor League Stars III* is on schedule for Fall distribution; and that 1992 publications will include a reprint of *Baseball: The Fan's Game* by Mickey Cochrane. Alvarez also presented three documents to aid potential contributors—"Information For Authors" (style sheet), "Tips for SABR Authors" (guidelines), and a "Letter of Agreement" (copyright protection). The Board unanimously endorsed all three documents.

In response to continuing interest in the discontinued *SABR Review of Books*, the Board authorized Alvarez to discuss a possible licensing agreement with **Paul Adomites** to publish such a volume.

Ruland reported on SABR's financial status through the first quarter of the 1992 fiscal year. Membership income stood at 89% of the total needed to sustain the 1992 budget, and non-dues revenue stood at 43% of the annual objective.

On Saturday, after lengthy discussion of the Executive Director evaluation, the Board unanimously directed President Johnson to consolidate the individual evaluations into a single evaluation report to be presented to the Executive Director. By 6-0 vote, the Board authorized the President to begin negotiations with the Executive Director regarding a new contract for 1993.

Kavanagh presented a report on the status of regional and local chapters as well as preliminary suggestions to increase the number of chapters and to provide closer communication among chapters and with the Board. A further report will be made prior to the next Board meeting.

The Board discussed ethical concerns relative to committee research, publications, and fundraising as well as utilization of SABR-owned materials such as the Tattersall Home Run Log. The following motion passed 6-0:

"It shall be an ethics violation knowingly to use in any form unpublished research without prior approval of the author(s), creator(s), or owner(s)."

On Sunday, a proposed schedule for the 1993 SABR Convention was discussed and the Arlington, TX, area was chosen as host site for the 1994 convention. Kavanagh's motion that Board members receive \$25 per diem to help defray the cost of food while attending Executive Board meetings was tabled. Gerlach's motion (Johnson second) that Board members be reimbursed for travel and lodging expenses incurred while attending all Executive Board meetings passed 5-1 (Carle voting no). No action was taken on a proposal from Trans National Financial Services to offer an affinity credit card to SABR members. A motion that the Publications Director enter into a contract with Taylor Publishing to publish an anthology of SABR articles passed 6-0. A motion that a cash flow statement identifying income and expenditures for a given fiscal year be published in the Bulletin no later than the second quarter of the succeeding fiscal year passed 6-0.

(This report summarizes the unapproved minutes of the April 24-26 SABR Executive Board meeting. A copy of the unapproved minutes and reports from the Executive Director, Publications Director and Treasurer are available from the SABR office. Please send one SASE (\$.52) for the Executive Director report and one SASE (\$.29) for the Publications Director and/or Treasurer reports.)

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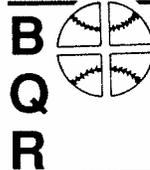
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CENTENNIAL SURVEY

Since 1976, SABR members have looked back to recognize the outstanding players born 100 years ago. After three successive years (1973-75) with little doubt about the outstanding candidate (John McGraw, 1873; Honus Wagner, 1874; Nap Lajoie, 1875), lack of a clear cut victor prompted the first survey in 1976. Mordecai Brown edged Rube Waddell by 58 points. The race for 1982 was even closer as Ed Reulbach topped Jack Coombs by 42 points. With Ty Cobb an obvious choice for 1986, the survey slipped from the annual schedule of SABR activities until last year when Dazzy Vance edged Rabbit Maranville by 10 points.

Please consult the list below (write-in candidates are also acceptable) and rank your top three candidates in order of preference (first to third). Each candidate will be awarded five points as first selection, three points for second, and one point for third. Vote on a separate sheet of paper or post card, and mail to

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no later than August 1. Results will be announced in the September issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

The 1992 candidates for centennial celebrity include seven pitchers, two catchers (one a National League batting champion), an "ironman" shortstop, a first baseman, and an outfielder.

Jesse Barnes, pitcher
Joe Bush, pitcher
Hal Carlson, pitcher
Wilbur Cöoper, pitcher
Jack Fournier, first baseman
Bubbles Hargrave, catcher
Sam P. Jones, pitcher
Hubert "Dutch" Leonard, pitcher
Art Nehf, pitcher
Ray Schalk, catcher
Everett Scott, shortstop
Jack Tobin, outfielder

GETTING INVOLVED

The SABR membership directory, research committees, and regional groups are all designed to facilitate membership research efforts. Not every SABR member is interested in doing research, but for those who are, SABR is designed to help. Throughout this and forthcoming issues of the Bulletin, tips for researchers will be included. For those of you who have been members but are just starting a research project, for new members who want to get involved right away, and for those who just want to learn the various options available for your research, take advantage of the SABR office, research committee chairs, regional leaders, board members, and membership directory listings to get going. Whether your project is large or small, you might find some valuable help within the SABR membership.

USING THE SABR BULLETIN

Let the Bulletin work for you. If you have questions to ask, research to share, accomplishments to announce, or activities to organize, we can help. Send your information to *The SABR Bulletin*, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101. The deadline for each Bulletin is the 20th of the month prior to publication (*ie* July 20th for the September Bulletin).

The Bulletin is primarily designed to facilitate and report the on-going activities of SABR and its members. On-going features of the Bulletin include:

Bookshelf...SABR offers members the chance to publicize publications they have written and/or published, as well as publicizing other new baseball publications. (See page 2)

Names in the News...If you have recently published research, given a talk, appeared on a program, received an award, or otherwise been recognized, this section lets other members know of your accomplishments. Also, if you are aware of a member's accomplishments, let us know. (See page 9).

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1992 SABR ELECTION RESULTS

For Treasurer	For Director	For Secretary	By-Laws Revision
218 Norman Macht	170 Frederick Ivor-Campbell	181 Bob Ruland	282 Yes
79 Bill Shlensky	134 Herman Krabbenhoft	74 David Vincent	15 No
2 Bob Ruland	7 Did not vote	50 Barry Mednick	14 Did not vote
12 Did not vote		1 Norman Macht	
		5 Did not vote	

BOOKSHELF

Index To The Sporting News, 1975-1990 provides a subject index to this newspaper for a period of 16 years. The index will allow individuals not only to trace the careers of important sports figures, but also to follow the business side of professional sports for the period covered. Complete indexing may also be found for college athletics, minor sports, and international sports personalities. The index has cross references from popular names of sport teams to names under which teams are entered. Approximately 97 percent of all obituaries are indexed. All major editorial material is indexed. *Index To The Sporting News* is compiled and edited by Ned Kehde, and is available from John Gordon Burke Publishers, Inc., P.O. Box 1492, Evanston IL 60202 (708-866-8625). Price is \$40 cloth and \$24.95 paper.

Can You Name That Team? by David B. Biesel includes team "nicknames" for past and present franchises of 13 professional baseball leagues. The book is cross-referenced by team names (by cities), and professional leagues (by franchises), and has an index of nicknames. The team names section contains narrative origins of team names of one or more paragraphs. The book also includes team names for professional basketball, football, hockey and soccer. SABR members receive a 20 percent discount off the \$37.50 cover price. To order, send \$32.50 (postpaid) to Scarecrow Press, attn: SABR Offer, P.O. Box 4167, Metuchen NJ 08840.

The following books are available from McFarland and Company, Box 611, Jefferson NC 28640 (919-246-4460):

Blackguards and Red Stockings by William J. Ryczek chronicles the history of the National Association, baseball's first professional league. Ryczek's ten years of research included use of SABR's Microfilm Lending Library and Michael Stagno Collection, and help from SABR's Nineteenth Century Committee and various SABR members. The first in-depth history of the Association includes selected statistics, individual team rosters, notations, bibliography, and index. Price is \$37.00 postpaid (cloth).

The Evolution of Baseball: A History of the Major Leagues in Graphs, 1903-1989 by Russell O. Wright is divided into five parts (leagues, leaders, teams, stadiums, the next nine decades) and chronicles the game using per game data analyses applied to runs, ERA, home runs, hits, batting average, extra base hits, errors, walks, strikeouts, double plays, and stolen bases. Wright's graphs (approximately 50 percent of the 389 page book) and text chronicle trends for the American and National Leagues and individual teams. Price is \$41.95 postpaid (paper).

The Case For: Those Overlooked by the Baseball Hall of Fame by Brent Kelley offers arguments for 39 players whose credentials deserve Hall of Fame consideration. The book is categorized by pitchers, catchers, infielders, outfielders, managers/coaches, and umpires. The book is illustrated with photos and includes a bibliography, index, Hall of Fame roster, and voting rules. Price is \$27.95 postpaid (paper).

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THE PRES BOX

The masthead of the SABR Records Committee Newsletter features a quote from Albert Einstein: "Not everything that counts can be counted; not everything that is counted is worth counting."

It is a good time to think about that philosophy in regard to baseball, especially in light of a recent article about SABR ("SABR Rattling: The Revising of Baseball" by Allen Barra, *LA Weekly*, April 3 - April 9, 1992, p. 24; reprinted as "Drowning in Numbers" by Allen Barra, *Washington City Paper*, May 8, 1992, p. 17).

Barra quotes a baseball beat writer for a New York daily paper who said SABR members are "ruining everything real fans like about their game," that SABR members "nitpick, rewrite history to suit their own views, and in general seem bent on burying baseball under a mountain of unintelligible and largely irrelevant statistics."

We try to set the record straight. If that's nitpicking, then so be it.

Just to complicate the nit that we pick, there really is no single recognized official record for organized baseball. The Sporting News keeps records. The Elias Sports Bureau publishes a "Record Book" of outstanding performances in various categories. The Commissioner's Office uses MacMillan's *The Baseball Encyclopedia* as its standard. *Total Baseball* relies on the Pete Palmer database that closely resembles the Information Concepts Incorporated database which was used for the 1969 edition of the MacMillan encyclopedia. The Baseball Hall of Fame has the "day-by-day" sheets that some refer to as the Official Records.

In that case how can SABR hope to contribute to cleaning up baseball records? When Bart Giamatti was National League President, I met with him to discuss the role SABR might play within Organized Baseball. His suggestion was that SABR accumulate playing record changes and issue a "White Paper" at the end of each year describing the changes. Once a significant amount of new information had been gathered—perhaps after three to five years—Giamatti suggested that he present the proposed changes to an official committee of the Commissioner's Office.

That committee was formed, but it has not yet received data on playing record changes from SABR. Now is the time to report discrepancies and errors in baseball records. If you have identified a change that should be made, contact Lyle Spatz, chair of the SABR Records Committee, 18817 Rolling Acres Way, Olney MD 20832 (301-924-5206).

W. Lloyd Johnson

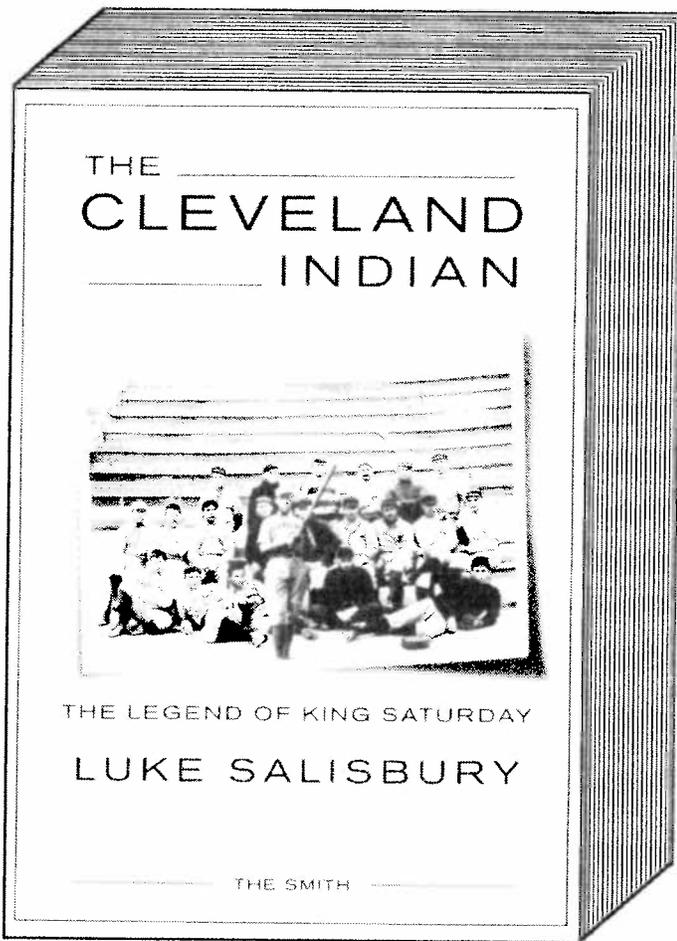
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NEWSLETTERS: Committee newsletters are produced on a completely volunteer basis by committee chairs and committee members. These newsletters depend on contributions from committee members and other SABR members. Each committee member receives a copy of the committee newsletter. Non-committee members can receive a copy of the committee newsletters through the SABR office.

All committee newsletters report the activities of the committee and committee members. Some committee newsletters feature articles, while others emphasize a potpourri of items related to the committee.

If you are interested in joining a committee, contact the chair. Addresses for committee chairs can be found on pages 6-7 in the 1991-1992 SABR membership directory.

Ballparks: Anyone researching or just interested in ballparks would be well advised to invest a call or letter to committee chairman **Bob Bluthardt**. Through vertical files and the bi-monthly newsletter, the committee keeps track of many happenings in the world of baseball stadia. Each newsletter features a list of new committee members and their ballpark interests, followed by notes on ballpark related articles and events. The latest committee newsletter (March-April) has 40 different listings including research requests, possible projects, and related books and articles. To order, send \$2 to the SABR office.

Baseball Records: Chairman **Lyle Spatz** is producing a bi-monthly newsletter featuring lists, discussion of record keeping, and records discoveries. Recent newsletters have reported corrections to the records for most consecutive losses by a pitcher and most runs scored before the first out of a game. Members who have short articles on their records research are invited to submit them to Lyle for possible publication.

Bibliography: The quarterly committee newsletter, edited by **Skip McAfee**, features comments about books (past and present) and sources. Updates on the Baseball On-Line project (a comprehensive bibliographic baseball database) also appear. A companion to the newsletter is *Current Baseball Publications*, edited by **Rich Arpi**, a listing of new (and reissued) baseball releases.

News from the SABR Bibliography Committee Newsletter (April 1992):

"The Pres Box" in *The SABR Bulletin* (February 1992) suggested reporting sources of primary baseball research to the Bibliography Committee. **Heidi Ziemer** just did so, listing locations of 13 sources in western New York. Some pertain to personal records of Hugh Bedient, Bill Bernhard, Howard Ehmke, Howard Krist, and the Schang brothers; others pertain to local amateur, semipro, and pro ball in certain western New York counties and towns and the cities of Buffalo and Jamestown. (The list is available from **Frank Phelps**, 253 Bernard Drive, King of Prussia PA 19406-1756 or Heidi Ziemer 5555 Kraus Road, Clarence NY 14031).

The latest edition of *Current Baseball Publications* contains 108 entries of new baseball books confirmed available

by March 31, 1992. Of the 50 anthologies, biographies, autobiographies, personal accounts, histories, and general works, 24 are reprints (some paperback issues of hardbacks originally published last year, others reprinted from as far back as 1911). The reprints include four specifically related to Babe Ruth. To order, send \$2 to the SABR office.

Biographical: The monthly committee report edited by committee chairman **Bill Carle** includes news and notes, "Find of the Month" (best new biographical data received), "Mystery of the Month" (a challenge to find one specific piece of missing biographical information), The Scoreboard (a running total of the biographical data accumulated for every major league player), and newly received data. Beginners can learn some of the tricks of the trade by reading how the "Find of the Month" was discovered. A new feature is a monthly biographical sketch.

Computerization: **Jim Johnston's** newsletter networks committee members and notes current committee projects such as the computerization of the Tattersall-McConnell Home Run Log (a database of every home run ever hit in major league baseball), the Baseball On-Line project (see *Bibliography* above), and the Cleveland Indians Day-by-Day Database.

Minor Leagues: Edited by **Jim Sumner**, the newsletter spotlights activities of committee members, interesting tidbits and statistics, requests for records verification, and new findings. A special feature is sometimes included.

Negro Leagues: The bi-monthly publication edited by **Dick Clark** denotes special events, committee announcements, related articles, current and future individual projects, and "The Marketplace" (a list of Negro League merchandise available).

Nineteenth Century: *Nineteenth Century Notes*, compiled by **Frederick Ivor-Campbell**, includes recurring features, lists, and stories related to the topic, plus accounts of member projects. Help Wanted and Research Exchange sections specific to the committee are also included.

Oral History: Additions to the committee archives and requests for interviews are the primary concerns of this committee newsletter, edited by **Norman Macht**.

Statistical Analysis: *By the Numbers*, edited by **Donald Coffin**, provides a forum for SABRmetrics. Each issue contains a variety of articles by committee members. Committee news is also included. To order, send \$3 to the SABR office.

News from *By the Numbers* (April 1992):

Seventeen members voted in the committee's Hall of Fame balloting. Like the Baseball Writers, they would have inducted only Tom Seaver (17 votes) and Rollie Fingers (13) (using the 75 percent requirement). The next strongest candidates, according to the committee vote, would be Ron Santo (10), Bobby Grich (9), Orlando Cepeda (8), Bill Mazerowski (8), and Tony Perez (8).

Umpires and Rules: Edited by committee chairman **Larry**

Gerlach, the newsletter updates specific projects (annual rosters, bibliography, biographical data, minor leagues) and contains a wide variety of news and notes about umpires and umpiring, past and present. *Playing By The Rules* by **Dennis Bingham** focuses on the other half of the committee mission.

News from the SABR Umpires and Rules Committee Newsletter (April 1992):

"Bill McGowan has finally been elected to the Hall of Fame by the Veterans Committee. It is an honor so well deserved and so long overdue—he truly deserved the nickname "No. 1" bestowed upon him by players, managers, and sportswriters alike. McGowan's enshrinement is more than the recognition of a genuinely great umpire; it also represents recognition of outstanding achievement by umpires. A few weeks before the Veterans Committee election, **Fred Schuld** sent a column written in 1944 by Gordon Cobbledick of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Referring to a quote by Billy Evans that "Bill McGowan was the best umpire in all the world," Cobbledick wrote: "This was not an original observation with Mr. Evans. A like opinion is held by nearly everyone sufficiently close to the baseball business and entitled to speak on the subject." And after the election, **Bob Broeg**, member of the Veterans' Committee and Hall-of-Fame sportswriter, commented in reference to the testimonial accolades accorded McGowan: "Yeah, call the roll at random. Clark Griffith and Mickey Cochrane then, Ted Williams now. Bill McGowan was the best: No. 1!"

Honors for the biographical "find" of the Hot Stove Season go to **John Schwartz** for identifying the umpire previously known only as "Sherman" who worked in the American Association in 1890. John discovered that on May 24, 1890, in Rochester, regular ump Frank O'Brien didn't show and the Toledo team chose "Shang" Sherman to officiate. Following up on the song the crowd sang when Sherman walked the field—"I am a dandy copper on the Broadway squad"—(a parody on the famous Gilbert and Sullivan lines "I am the captain of the Pinafore" or "I am the ruler of the Queen's navy"?), John learned that the only Sherman listed as a policeman in the Rochester city directory for 1890 was Sharon L. Sherman. Four years later a local newspaper article referred to the promotion of Lieutenant "Shang," so John had his man. A lifelong resident of Rochester, (born 2-18-1857 and died 7-2-1921), Sherman briefly played first base for the London (Ontario) Tecumsehs in 1878.

Note: Newsletters for the Women in Baseball and Latin America committees are currently on hiatus due to changes in committee leadership. To order, send \$2 to the SABR office.

DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know that the two oldest players listed on the 1992 forty man roster of the Seattle Mariners have the same birth date and are catchers? Scott Bradley and Matt Sinatro were both born on March 22, 1960.

From **Michael Friedman**, Smallwood NY

SOLO SHOTS

Mark McGwire's early season string of solo home runs prompted questions about bases empty blasts. The following information was culled from the Tattersall-McConnell Home Run Log. (NOTE: Work is still in progress verifying data entry for the Tattersall-McConnell Home Run Log. Requests for information from the log should be directed to the SABR office.)

Top Five in Percentage of Solo Home Runs (30+ season)

Name	Year	Solo HRs	Total HRs	Pct.
Brook Jacoby	1987	27	32	.844
Joe Gordon	1940	24	30	.800
Gary Carter	1977	24	31	.774
Frank Thomas	1962	26	34	.765
Orlando Cepeda	1963	26	34	.765

Most Consecutive Solo Home Runs (single season)

Name	Team	Year	Number
Del Crandall	Braves	1960	16
Kal Daniels	Reds	1987	16
Babe Dalghren	Braves/Cubs	1941	15
Andre Dawson	Expos	1981	15
Carlton Fisk	White Sox	1990	14
Felipe Alou	Braves	1966	13
Dwayne Murphy	A's	1984	13

PUBLICATIONS REPORT

The National Pastime #11 was mailed bulk rate on June 8 from Birmingham, Alabama. *TNP #11* will go to all 1991 members. New members and non-members can purchase *TNP #11* for \$9.50 postpaid. Make check payable to SABR, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland OH 44101.

SABR's 1992 publications will be released as follows:

- Baseball: The Fans' Game* by Mickey Cochrane (reprint of 1939 original)
- The National Pastime #12* (international baseball)
- Minor League Baseball Stars Volume III*
- Baseball Research Journal #21*

BOOKSHELF, continued from page 2

The Complete Year-By-Year New York Mets Fan's Almanac by Duncan Bock and John Jordan includes highlights from selected dates in club history (1962-1991), plus dates of other significant events in popular culture. Team and player highlights are included for each year, plus opening day line ups and minor league standouts. Illustrated with photos, the book also includes season-by-season statistics, a bibliography, and a chronology of ticket and vending prices. The 271 page book is published by Crown Publishers Inc., \$13.00 cover price (paper).

THE SABR SEASON

- July 11 Jack Graney Chapter (Cleveland) bus trip to Tiger Stadium
- July 18 Kansas City Regional Meeting
Contact **Pat Rock** (913-342-4945)
- July 18-19 .. Bob Broeg Chapter (St. Louis) bus trip to Louisville KY
Contact **Erv Fischer** (314-831-4843)
- July 25 North Carolina regional in Winston-Salem
(See *Greensboro* below)
- July 30 Hall-Ruggles Chapter (Dallas/Ft. Worth) Meeting
(See *Arlington* below)
- August 2 .. Cooperstown regional, Hall of Fame inductions (See *Cooperstown* page 7)
- Sept. 12 Bob Davids Chapter (Baltimore/Washington) meeting at Camden Yards
(See *Catonsville* page 7)

REGIONALS

If talking about baseball, sharing research, and meeting fellow members and baseball personalities sounds like fun, you should be attending SABR regional meetings. *The SABR Bulletin* recaps regional events to give members an idea of what goes on at the meetings, to spark new ideas for other groups, and to encourage increased participation. The meetings provide an excellent opportunity to share backgrounds, interests, stories, and enthusiasms, to make new friends, and to stimulate a deeper interest in baseball and SABR itself.

If you live in an area currently without regional activity, the SABR office and board, and regional and committee leaders, will gladly assist your efforts to start a local group with guidelines and mailing lists. SABR will fund an initial mailing and reimburse up to a maximum of \$2 per member attending a regional meeting.

A list of regional group contacts appears on page five of the 1991-1992 SABR membership directory. If you need any further information, contact the SABR office.

Greensboro, North Carolina...The North Carolina Chapter held a very successful meeting near the town of Graham on May 2, 1992. **Marshall Adesman** spoke on the drive to keep the Durham Bulls of the Carolina League in the historic Durham Athletic Park, and **Len Fuqua** spoke on the life of 19th-century star Charles Wesley Jones. A trivia quiz allowed everyone present to "take a few swings" at baseball history.

The chapter held a "ballpark gathering" in Charlotte on June 20th in conjunction with a game between the Charlotte Knights and the Carolina Mudcats, and will meet again on July 25th in Winston-Salem prior to a Winston-Salem Spirits game in Ernie Shore Stadium. A third get-together may be arranged in the month of August. Contact **Francis Kinlaw** (919-294-6926) for more information about these meetings.

Reading, Pennsylvania...Seventy-nine people, including five ex-ballplayers, attended the Philadelphia regional meeting at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, May 2, 1992. Research presen-

tations included: **George Kochanowicz**—The 1992 Phillies; **David Smith**—Quality Starts; **Clem Comly**—RBIs, Heredity (Talent) or Environment; **Jimmy Lindberg**—Tom Oliver Remembered; **Joe Dittmar**—The Tragic Death of Doc Powers; **David Jordan**—Philadelphia Baseball Goes to War; **Ralph Graber**—Two Men Out: The Bribery Scandal of 1924; **Jerrold Casway**—Camac's Wood in Philadelphia, The First Enclosed Ballpark in America; **David Voigt**—Glory Denied: The Case of Denny Lyons; **Tom Knight**—My Friend Babe Pinelli: 3400 Consecutive Games; **Ed "Dutch" Doyle**—On-Base Percentage. After the ten-minute talks in the morning, everyone enjoyed a buffet meal. During the meal, ex-major leaguer **Kelly Heath** (1982 Kansas City Royals), now a Reading Phillies' coach, and **Todd Parnell**, Reading Phillies' Director of Sales and Promotions, talked about the club. In the afternoon, **Kit Crissey** moderated a two-hour discussion of the 1942 National League pennant race (Cardinals-Dodgers) and the 1942 World Series (Cardinals-Yankees) in honor of the 100th anniversary of the St. Louis Cardinals and the 50th anniversary of the Cardinals' upset of the Yankees in the Series. **Whitey Kurowski**, Cardinals' third baseman in 1942 and one of the stars of the series, was on hand to talk about that season, along with **Knight**, who discussed aspects of the 1942 Dodgers and Game Three of the Series which he attended; **Bill Ellis**, who attended Game Four, and **Doyle**, who was present at the finale (Game Five). Only at a SABR gathering could one spontaneously have three members in attendance who attended a different game of a World Series played 50 years ago! At the end of the afternoon, ex-Negro Leaguer **Larry Kimbrough** and black barnstormer **Wilmer Reid** answered questions from the audience. **Bill Peterman**, 1942 Phillies' catcher, was also present for part of the meeting. The Binghamton Mets defeated the Reading Phillies that evening.

Cleveland, Ohio...Thirty-two members and guests attended the Jack Graney Chapter meeting on May 16 at Cleveland State University. Presentations included: **Jim Holl**—Walter "Smoke" Justis: Four No-Hitters in 1908; **Dick McBane**—Em Ketchum's Exhibition No-Hitter vs. World Champion Pittsburgh Pirates, 1926; **Allen Pfenninger**—Leftovers; **Brad Sullivan**—The Indians' 1932 Season; **Barbara Oremland**—Baltimore Memorial Stadium: An Ode to Politics and Change. **Bob Carr** won the trivia contest, prepared by **Fred Schuld**. Afterward, members attended the Indians-Twins game at Cleveland Stadium.

Arlington, Texas...The Hall-Ruggles chapter meeting on May 11, 1992, featured **Orlando Gomez** and **Paul Greenwell**. **Judge Tom J. Vandergriff**, former Arlington mayor, was chosen as the individual who has meant the most to North Texas baseball away from the playing field.

On May 28, the Hall-Ruggles Chapter honored **Scott Malone** as the outstanding collegiate player in the Metroplex. Malone was drafted in the ninth round by the Rangers and has reported to Butte of the Pioneer League. The chapter and the *Dallas Morning News* presented artwork depicting the all-time Texas team to the Rangers to hang in the Stadium club.

The next chapter meeting is scheduled for July 30, with

Greg Lucas (the Rangers' play-by-play announcer for HSE) as the main speaker. Jeff Guinn will be on hand to discuss his biography of Bobby Bragan, "You Can't Hit the Ball With the Bat on Your Shoulder," and Larry Swindell will review it. Autographed copies will be available. Contact **Howard Green** for details (817-370-2503).

Minneapolis, Minnesota...Thirty-five members and guests attended the Halsey Hall Chapter's annual Spring regional meeting in April. Presentations were made by **Bob Tholkes**—The Search for Joe Visner (repeated from the Fall regional) and **Lee Temanson**—Baseball Card Collecting. **Judge Bruce Stone** talked of his ongoing research of major league games decided by unearned runs. Last year, the Padres had the best such record (16-6), and the Indians the worst (5-14). The Twins were 8-4 in such games, according to the Judge. **Alden Mead** talked about the 1942 Cardinals and recreated the 1942 World Series. A panel of Paul Giel (former University of Minnesota football star and major league pitcher), Don Dix (former public address announcer for the St. Paul Saints), Leo Wells (White Sox infielder in the 1940s), and **Tom Mee** (former Public Relations Director for the Twins and Saints) spoke and answered questions. Tholkes also talked about the work of the SABR Biographical Committee. Tholkes, **Alan Holst**, and **John Gregory** were elected to the chapter board of directors, replacing outgoing members **Howard Luloff**, **Joe O'Connell**, and **Jim Rogge**.

Catonsville, Maryland...The Baltimore/Washington Chapter of SABR met on May 16, 1992, at Catonsville Community College. **Larry Amman** recited a baseball poem. **Bruce Dudley** discussed his book-in-progress on the 1954 Indians. **Mark Kozaki** spoke about the Discovery Channel's program for The Learning Channel, "So You Want to Be in Baseball?" discussing in detail how it was put together and possibilities for a continuing series. **Dave Smith** made a presentation on Jim Bottomley. **Bob Davids** moderated an informal trivia quiz. The featured guest was former pitcher Lou Sleater, who talked about his seven years in the majors. A 45-minute social/refreshment break in middle of the meeting was very popular. The members in attendance voted to adopt by acclamation a chapter name: the "Bob Davids Chapter." The next meeting will be at Camden Yards on September 12. Contact **David Vincent** (703-491-3440) for details.

Cooperstown, New York...North East New York SABR will host the annual Cooperstown Regional on Sunday, August 2, at Tillapaugh's Funeral Parlor, 28 Pioneer Street. Contact **David Pietrusza**, 611 Sanders Avenue, Scotia NY 12302 (518-374-8894) if you wish to make a research presentation or for any further information.

Pacific Northwest...NWSABR is considering dates in late July (25-26) and early August (8-9) for a regional meeting. For more information, contact **Steve Cummings** at 206-328-1422 on weekends around noon or weekdays after 11PM, or write 2001 26th Avenue East, Seattle WA 98112.

NEWSLETTERS

The SABR office receives a variety of baseball newsletters. As a service to members, information regarding these newsletters, including subscription information, will be provided periodically.

The Schureck Report features analysis of major league baseball, statistical correlations, league leaders and trailers, charts and graphics. Subscriptions are \$40 for 32 issues, \$25 for 16 issues, or \$15 for eight issues. To order, call 1-800-441-1638.

The May-June edition of *The SportsBook File* is devoted to baseball with 20 reviews of new and revised books. SBF is published six times per year. A subscription is \$15. Write to 1069 Alexander Drive, Rotterdam Jct. NY 12150.

The Flatbush Faithful: An Encyclopedia of Baseball Memories from the "Fabulous Fifties" is a newsletter focusing on 1950s New York baseball. An annual subscription (12 issues) is \$15. The address is P.O. Box 4028, East Norwalk CT 06855-0028.

San Diego Baseball Update is a newsletter featuring a combination of research and opinions on the Padres. A subscription (six issues) is \$10. Single issues are \$2 each. Write to P.O. Box 12212, La Jolla CA 92039.

Milestones and Memories is an informal forum to facilitate the dissemination of baseball research information such as unique lists, facts, and figures. For more details, contact editor **Jim Fredlund**, P.O. Box 679, Jessup MD 20794 (410-761-7191).

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RESEARCH NEEDS

Stephen Cantar, 419 N Larchmont Blvd, Suite 63, Los Angeles CA 90004 (213-965-8147), is continuing his ongoing research of Johnny Mostil (center fielder) and Red Faber (Hall of Fame pitcher) of the Chicago White Sox teams of the 1920s and needs pertinent information on their personal lives, as he has garnered a great deal of data and statistics surrounding the players.

Jean Ardell, 554 Hazel Drive, Corona del Mar, CA 92625-2535 (714-760-6076) is at work on a book about women and baseball and seeks information on women as fans, players, umpires, club owners or other management, sports writers, groupies, wives, daughters or mothers of ballplayers, and in fiction. Nineteenth Century, Negro League, and minor league women are also of interest.

K.C. Priest, 921 Upton Drive, South Charleston WV 25309 would like a copy of photos and original articles featuring Will White, who wore glasses as a player in the 1870s and 1880s, and bespectacled minor league umpires Bob O'Regan and John Mullin.

Kirk Symmes, 77 Forest Road, Asheville NC 28803 is seeking a team picture of the 1937 New York Giants.

Stew Thornley, 982 15th Avenue SE, Minneapolis MN 55414 requests information on Ken Griffey, Jr. and Deion Sanders such as feature articles/profiles from local newspapers (especially Seattle and Atlanta, of course) and non-major publications.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

Here are more additions to the SABR Research Paper Collection, available from **Len Levin**, 282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906. Items are \$.05 per page for copying plus \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages.

Fairground Days: When Worcester Was a National League City (12 pages) by Charles Brian Goslow (copy of article in Historical Journal of Massachusetts).

Worcester's Major League Team (7 pages) by Charles Brian Goslow (copy of newspaper articles).

All-Time Leaders in Runs Created Through 1991 (7 pages) by Mike Sparrow.

Jimmy Reese recollections (2 pages) by Bob Verdi and David Cunningham (copy of newspaper article).

A look at a school for umpires (4 pages) by Bob Rubin (copy of newspaper article).

An informal history of expansion baseball (3 pages) by Rick Folstad (copy of newspaper article).

Earl Battey: A cerebral catcher (1 page) by Rick Folstad (copy of newspaper article).

Baltimore's new ballpark (4 pages) by Mark Bowen (copy of newspaper article).

Orioles' new ballpark comes with some built-in memories (6 pages) (copies of newspaper articles).

The Al Campanis incident (2 pages) by Bill Plaschke (copy of newspaper article).

Nolan Ryan's 1992 Rangers' Media Guide entry (12 pages). See article below.

The SABR Research Library currently contains almost 500 articles. An updated index to the Research Library is available for \$2 from Len Levin, 282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906.

HALL OF FAMERS STRUCK OUT BY NOLAN RYAN

In 24 years in the majors, Nolan Ryan has faced many great players. The following is a list of Hall of Famers struck out by Ryan in his major league career.

Hank Aaron	Harmon Killebrew
Luis Aparicio	Juan Marichal
Ernie Banks	Eddie Mathews
Johnny Bench	Willie McCovey
Lou Brock	Joe Morgan
Rod Carew	Jim Palmer
Roberto Clemente	Brooks Robinson
Don Drysdale	Willie Stargell
Bob Gibson	Billy Williams
Al Kaline	Carl Yastrzemski

This list and others, including lists of career 10-strikeout games, all-time (player-by-player) strikeouts, and victories by day of the week, are found in the 1992 Texas Rangers Media Guide. A copy of Ryan's entry is available from the SABR Research Paper Collection (see above).

JULY 4 HOME RUN FACTS

Last year's sluggers hit 110 homers in 96 Major and Minor League games. Odds are they will do better this year, with more games on the schedule. So far this year (as of June 3), Major Leaguers have averaged 1.5 homers per game, while the Minor League average stands at 1.09.

The biggest single July 4 game for home runs in the Majors occurred 96 years ago, when the Cubs and Reds combined for 10 homers in the second game of a doubleheader. The team record for home runs in a July 4 contest was set by the Boston Red Sox when, in 1977, they belted eight round-trippers against Toronto at Fenway Park.

In modern Major League history, just three players have hit three home runs in a game on July 4. Jim Tabor of the 1939 Red Sox hit three home runs, including two grand slams in the second game of a doubleheader to go with his one homer in game one. Hank Leiber of the 1939 Cubs and Manny Jimenez of the 1964 A's are the only other members of this exclusive club.

For the second consecutive year, "Coca-Cola - Homers for America" will donate \$5,000 for every home run hit in the Major Leagues and Minor Leagues on July 4 to build and renovate baseball diamonds for America's youth.

During last year's "Coca-Cola — Homers for America," major leaguers Mark Grace of the Chicago Cubs and Seattle's Jay Buhner both hit two homers. Rickey Ward of the Clinton (Iowa) Giants topped all minor leaguers with three homers.

Information provided by Coca-Cola USA and Major League baseball; selected statistics courtesy Elias Sports Bureau and Howe Sportsdata International.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Barbara Gregorich was scheduled to speak during "Women in Baseball" clinics at Comiskey Park sponsored by the White Sox. Gregorich wrote *She's On First* and is currently working on a second book about females in baseball. The White Sox also displayed a tribute to women in baseball in the club's Hall of Fame on the Comiskey Park main concourse in June...**Ralph Horton** was the featured speaker for the Bixby Book Club, The St. Louis Mercantile Library's Society for Book Lovers, in April. His topic was The Books of Baseball and the Lore of Collecting Them...**Jay Gauthreaux** was a guest on Joe Rodriguez's "Joe's Jambalya Show" on WTIX-AM May 1. Jay discussed baseball trivia and the possibility of building a minor league park in Jefferson Parish...Yankee Stadium, Connie Mack Stadium, and Tiger Stadium are the ballparks featured in the newest lithographs offered by **Bill Goff, Inc.** For more information, call 1-800-321-GOFF...**Herman Krabbenhoft's** research on George Bush's collegiate baseball career was presented on WMAR-TV in Baltimore in conjunction with the President's participation in the opening of Camden Yards...Five artists, including **Mike Schacht**, had baseball art on display at Giraffics Gallery in Newtown Lane in East Hampton, New York.

LATE ADDITION

The Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame Inductions are to be held Thursday, August 13, at Ned Skeldon Stadium. For further information, contact **Kathleen Gardner**, Curator, Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame, 2901 Key Street, Maumee OH 43537 (419-893-9481).

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Committee activity...This section lets you see the work of SABR committees and committee members. As a SABR member, you can join one or more research committees. The only prerequisite is that you become an active committee member. For more information, contact the committee(s) you are interested in. (See page 4)

Research Exchange...In addition to SABR publications and meetings, this service allows you to share research with other members. Items are primarily short (lists, analysis, articles), but some are many pages in length. (See page 8)

Research Needs...SABR membership allows you to ask questions and, generally, expect an answer. With over 5,000 members, there is usually someone who can help provide any information you might be seeking. (See page 8)

Regionals...Notice of upcoming events and recaps of events appear here. Regional meetings offer yet another vehicle for sharing in the pleasures of baseball. (See page 6)

Also, the Bulletin does accept advertising to promote baseball related publications and materials. Contact the SABR office for details.

OBITUARY

Clara Overfield, wife of longtime SABR member **Joseph Overfield**, died May 6, 1992. She had suffered from multiple sclerosis since the late 1940s. Her charcoal sketches of old-time Buffalo Bisons' players are on display in the Hall of Fame room at the Broderick Park Inn in Buffalo. Our condolences go to Joe and family.



Ed Oiseth provided the Dunsmuir News with this photo, seeking to obtain further information. John Kennedy of Mount Shasta identified the photo, taken in 1925. The photo was taken at the Dunsmuir ballpark in 1925 and the women are members of the Mount Shasta softball team.

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In recognition of the 1992 Hall of Fame inductions, SABR offers a special package of four past *Baseball Research Journals* (1977-1980) which include some related articles on relief pitching and umpires. As a bonus the first fifty orders will include *Award Voting* by **Bill Deane** which shows how Hal Newhouser, Tom Seaver, and Rollie Fingers fared in annual MVP, Rookie of the Year, and Cy Young award voting (note: *Award Voting* was published in 1988 and contains year by year votes for the three major awards through 1987). A copy of **Larry Amman's** article about Newhouser and Dizzy Trout from *BRJ 1983*, currently out of print, will also be included. The four *BRJ* set plus *Award Voting* (\$7 retail), regularly priced at \$30.50 postpaid, is available for \$20 postpaid.

BRJ 1977 features an article by **Bill James** on Relief Pitcher ERA Advantage. *BRJ 1978* has two articles on relief pitchers, one by SABR founder **L. Robert "Bob" Davids** on great games by relief pitchers and one by **Tom Hufford** on relief appearances by non-pitchers such as Ted Williams and Rocky Colavito. *BRJ 1979* includes **Larry Gerlach's** article "Umpire Honor Rolls" listing long service umpires, All-Star Game Umpires, and World Series umpires. Gerlach's article "Unrecognized Heroes: No Hit Umpires" in *BRJ 1980* features a list of the top 20 umpires by number of no-hitters they called.

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1992 SABR NATIONAL CONVENTION IS THIRD LARGEST

The 1992 national convention of the Society for American Baseball Research was held June 25-28 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis was the third largest in SABR history with 485 registrants in attendance.

Hall of Famer **Stan Musial** was a surprise guest, joining Hall of Famer **Red Schoendienst**, **Marty Marion**, **Ted Savage**, **Joe Cunningham**, and **Tom Poholsky** on a panel of former Cardinals. Hall of Fame sportswriter **Bob Broeg** moderated. Former St. Louis Browns **Ned Garver**, **Don Lenhardt**, **Jim Delsing**, **Ed Mickelson**, and **Babe Martin** comprised another panel moderated by **Bob Burnes**, former sports editor and columnist for the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*.

Annual SABR awards were presented as follows (a history of the awards and past winners appears in the SABR membership directory):

BOB DAVIDS AWARD: **Bob Tiemann** of St. Louis, Missouri, won SABR's highest honor for his longtime contribution to the society. Bob has been chairman of SABR's Nineteenth Century research committee, editor of *The National Pastime*, *St. Louis's Favorite Sport* (the special publication for the 1992 SABR convention), and co-editor of *Nineteenth Century Stars*. He is the author of *Cardinal Classics* and *Dodger Classics*. His research on home and away games appears in *The Baseball Encyclopedia*. Bob is a past winner of the SABR-Macmillan Award, and one of the foremost experts on nineteenth century baseball and baseball in St. Louis. He also prepared the trivia quiz for the 1992 convention.

SABR-MACMILLAN BASEBALL RESEARCH AWARDS: The 1991 winners of the SABR-Macmillan Research Awards are **Mark Stang** of Smyrna, Georgia for *Rosters*, a team-by-team, year-by-year listing of all uniform numbers in major league history; **Herman Krabbenhoft** of Schenectady, New York, for his research on lead-off batters, grand slams, and his publication *Baseball Quarterly Reviews*; and **Robert Gregory** of Tulsa, Oklahoma, for *Diz: The Story of Dizzy Dean and Baseball During the Great Depression*.

JOHN W. COX AWARD: **Jack Carlson** of Fairborn, Ohio won for his presentation "Baseball Patents," a look both humorous and serious at baseball's numerous inventors from ballparks to baseballs to board games. Carlson's talk was chosen from more than 50 research presentations given during the weekend.

BASEBALL TRIVIA CONTEST: The team of **Eric Peselow** (Brooklyn, New York), **Ron Liebman** (Flushing, New York),

Bob Bailey (Louisville, Kentucky), and **Jim Wyman** (Anoka, Minnesota) outscored the team of **Don Zminda** (Evanston, Illinois), **Dick Cramer** (St. Louis, Missouri), **Neil Munro** (North Bay, Ontario, Canada), and **Rob Neyer** (Lawrence, Kansas).

The 1993 SABR National Convention will take place in San Diego, California next summer.

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Last year's convention publication, *Baseball in New York* (\$5), and the 1990 convention publication, *Baseball in Cleveland* (\$7.50), also remain available. To order *St. Louis's Favorite Sport*, send a \$9 (postpaid) check payable to SABR to: SABR Convention Publication, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland OH 44101. If you order either/both of the previous convention publications, please add the cover price plus \$1 for postage.

Also, don't forget SABR's special Hall of Fame package of *Baseball Research Journals*. The 1977-80 *Baseball Research Journals* (plus *Award Voting* for the first 50 orders) are available for \$20 postpaid.

ZIFFREN CENTER IS RESEARCH RESOURCE

SABR members residing near, or visiting, the Los Angeles area should be aware of the Amateur Athletic Foundation's (AAF) Paul Ziffren Sports Resource Center. The library resources include microfilm of *Sporting Life*, *The Sporting News*, *New York Clipper*, *Baseball Digest*, guides, registers, record books, world series annuals, media guides, and programs. The center also features a photograph collection, sports sections from the *Los Angeles Times* dating back to 1930, and more than 4000 videos. The Ziffren Center also offers reference assistance, online database searches, video viewing rooms, and microform reader/printers. The center will also order interlibrary loan microfilm.

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BOOKSHELF

A Legend for the Legendary: The Origin of the Baseball Hall of Fame by James Vlasich is based on the papers of Alexander Clelend, who originated the idea for the Hall of Fame and served as its first executive secretary during the 1930s. The book deals with how the idea started, selecting the first members of the Hall, gathering memorabilia for the museum, promoting the Hall, celebrating its opening day, and how the question of baseball's origins (in Cooperstown or elsewhere) affects the Hall. The book is available from The Popular Press, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH 43403 (419-372-7865). The price is \$20.95 (paper) or \$41.95 (cloth).

July 2, 1903: The Mysterious Death of Hall-of-Famer Big Ed Delahanty by Mike Sowell is told against the back drop of the early rivalry between the new American League and the established National League. Delahanty was the best-known and most feared slugger of his day. Sowell's book reconstructs the events surrounding Delahanty's death and recreates an era when baseball was coming of age. The 326 page book, illustrated with photos, is published by Macmillan. The cover price is \$20.

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Baseball Nicknames: A Dictionary of Origins and Meanings by James K. Skipper, Jr. includes monikers for over 3,600 baseball personalities. Each entry provides given name, nickname, and origin of the nickname. The comprehensive book provides position and years played for players. A separate section (compiled by Brenda S. Wilson) covers the All American Girls Baseball League. The 384 page book includes an extensive name index, appendices, and bibliography. The price is \$47 postpaid (cloth).

Baseball in the Movies by Hal Erickson is a detailed look at the 81 baseball films released from 1915 through 1991.

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THE PRES BOX

At the last two meetings of SABR's Board of Directors several perplexing problems were discussed. Ownership and dissemination of research committee data, and standardization of regional or chapter operations were topics. The Board agreed that common sense and economic reality should be guiding factors in dealing with these issues, always keeping in mind that SABR is an organization for the benefit of its members.

Committees:

SABR committees are groups of individual members who come together due to their interest in similar aspects of baseball research. When members work on personal projects, utilizing the services of fellow committee members, the resulting body of research is owned by the individual who organized the project. The SABR Board may commission and fund special projects to be carried out by the research committees. Committee chairs are encouraged to submit proposals for projects to the Board of Directors for Society funding. In those cases, data collected as a result of SABR-funded projects belong to the Society. For example, the Tattersall-McConnell Home Run Log and the National Association Box Score Collection are SABR projects, and the data is owned by SABR.

Regions:

Since we are an international organization with members widely dispersed, regional groups or chapters play an important role in SABR. Programs and projects carried out at the regional level are the only chance for involvement for many members. The regional groups also represent SABR's best opportunity for growth. (Over the years, regional growth has followed closely the baseball standings. For example, the New York and Minneapolis groups experienced growth spurts in 1986 and 1987.)

The activities of SABR regional groups reflect the personalities of the individuals involved in each area, and illustrate the Society's strength through diversity. Some regions concentrate on programs featuring celebrity guests, some produce a succession of papers, others plan events, some are intensely organized with periodic meetings, boards of directors and their own committees. The SABR Board decided that regional groups or chapters are permitted to raise money for their needs, if they do so within SABR policy.

Ethics:

The Board voted to add a fifth clause to the Guidelines for SABR Members. "It shall be an ethics violation to use unpublished research from another person, in any format, without the permission of the individual." It should be noted that permission to use unpublished research should be acknowledged, as should sources of research other than the author's.

W. Lloyd Johnson

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Irv Stein, author of the recently published biography of Buck Weaver, *The Ginger Kid*, was profiled by Mike Isaacs in April in the *Pioneer Press*, a chain of Chicago suburban weeklies, the May 20 issue of the *Bradenton (Florida) Herald* by Marty Frank, and the June 3 issue of the *Chicago Sun-Times* by Bob Herguth in his Chicago Profile column. Irv was interviewed by Rick Wallace on KASP radio (St. Louis) on June 2, and on June 10 he was interviewed by Tim Neverett on the Sports and Entertainment Radio Network (Las Vegas) which serves more than fifty stations across the country... **Jim Riley** and **Todd Bolton** attended the Negro League Baseball Players reunion at the Meadowlands in New Jersey May 29-31 and conducted interviews with a number of players. Jim was interviewed by NBC as a baseball historian specializing in the Negro Leagues... *In the Shadows of the Diamond* by **James Costello** and **Michael Santa Maria** has been published by Brown and Benchmark. Order toll free by calling 800-338-5578 (\$19.95 plus shipping and handling)...**Jim Sumner** is now the Curator of Sports, Recreation, and Leisure for the North Carolina Museum of History, which is part of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History. Jim is interested in corresponding with SABR members who have experience curating sports exhibits. His work address is North Carolina Museum of History, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh NC 27601-2807...**Tom Knight** was emcee for Street & Smith Magazine's Special Salute to Baseball and the tenth anniversary of the Brooklyn Dodgers Baseball Hall of Fame on May 7 at the Downtown Athletic Club in New York. Honorees in attendance were Howard Cosell, Andy Pafko, Robin Roberts, Tom Lasorda, Don Drysdale, Joe Pignatano and Sandy Amoros. Drysdale and **Peter O'Malley** were given the "Street & Smith Champions Award" (Lasorda accepted for O'Malley). Cosell, Pafko, Pignatano and Amoros are the newest members of the Dodger Hall of Fame in Brooklyn, and Roberts was inducted as an "outstanding opponent." Hall of Fame president **Marty Adler** presented plaques to the new members...baseball lithographs of Crosley Field and Camden Yards by Bill Purdom are the newest offerings from **Bill Goff Inc.** For details, call 1-800-321-GOFF...**Herman Krabbenhoft's** articles on Rickey Henderson's leadoff prowess and his becoming the all-time AL leader in leadoff games appeared in *USA Today Baseball Weekly* (May 20)... **Andy Zimbalist's** book, *Baseball and Billions: A Probing Look Inside the Big Business of Our National Pastime*, has a September publication date from Basic Books...**David Walsh**, **Joe Vellano**, and **Richard Puff** were given plaques in gratitude for their efforts on behalf of the Troy-Worcester game June 6 in Troy. Puff edited a commemorative program featuring articles by Puff, Walsh, **David Pietrusza**, **Jim Overmyer**, **John Evers**, and **Frank Keetz**. **Pete Palmer** provided statistical data. **John Thorn** umpired the contest, **Tom Heitz** provided play-by-play, and **Pietrusza** was the official scorer. **Pietrusza** and **Lloyd Johnson** gave slide shows at a banquet following the game and North East New York SABR participated in a townball demonstration prior to the game. The event was reported in *USA Today*

Baseball Weekly and *Sports Illustrated*...**Pietrusza** spoke on "Old Time Baseball in the Capital District" on May 27 at the Rotterdam (New York) Public Library. His article on **Chuck Hershberger** appears in *Elysian Fields Quarterly*. **Barry Mandell** spoke at the Schenectady (New York) Public Library June 1 on baseball books of 1992...**Louis Hegeman** created the concept, storyline, and text for *The Trial of Buck Weaver and Shoeless Joe Jackson*, a trial by jury to determine whether the banned duo should be restored to the eligible roster of baseball, presented by the Chicago Lincoln American Inn of Court and the Chicago American Inn of Court which took place June 18 in the ceremonial courtroom of the United States District Court, Chicago, Illinois. The program depicted a hypothetical judicial summation and final argument taking place in the Federal Court in June of 1922.

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Each entry includes full cast and production credits, year of release, production company, a synopsis, and a critique of the movie. The book contains photos, bibliography, and index. The price is \$41.95 postpaid (cloth).

The Cleveland Indian by **Luke Salisbury** is a fictionalized story based on Louis Sockalexis and baseball in the late 1890s. The book mixes fact and fiction to depict the character of 19th century baseball. The book is available from The Smith for \$24.95 (see the advertisement on page 3 of the July Bulletin).

The Ultimate Kansas City Baseball Trivia Quiz Book by **Phil Dixon** contains over 1,000 questions covering significant events, teams, and players in the Kansas City area from the 1880s to present. Separate chapters chronicle the Blues, the Monarchs, the Athletics, and the Royals. The book contains photos, index, and an introduction by Frank White. The book is published by Bon A Tirer, P.O. Box 3480, Shawnee Mission KS (913-236-4828). The price is \$10.95 (softcover).

Baseball Vacations by Daniel P. George devotes one chapter to each current team, including a brief team history and the town's baseball heritage (ball clubs from the past and a key player from each franchise is spotlighted), ballpark diagrams, ticket ordering information, tourist attractions, and contacts. A four-page 1992 update is included. The book is available from Bon A Tirer for \$15.20 postpaid (see above).

70 Years with the Pelicans by **Arthur Schott** has been updated and expanded by 12 pages. SABR members who purchased the original book can obtain an update for \$3. The new book is \$8 postpaid. Order from Art Schott, 459 Jewel Street, New Orleans LA 70124.

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COMMITTEES

Biographical: News from the committee's newsletter (April 1992): A group of committee members, led by **Dick Thompson**, cleared up another mystery among the Biographical Committee's Top 20 Most Wanted List by confirming the birth and death dates of Benjamin Franklin Hunt. Ben's baseball career began with a stint in Salt Lake City in 1908. He pitched two games before journeying to Tacoma for one game to finish out the season. In 1909 he ventured back east to Salt Lake City, Hutchinson (Kansas), and Wichita. In September, Hunt jumped the Wichita club and disappeared. In 1910, he spent essentially a full season in Sacramento until traveling cross country to join the Red Sox in August. He pitched for Sacramento in 1911, caught pneumonia, and nearly died in June. In the spring of 1912, he went to spring training with the Phillies in Hot Springs, Arkansas, but returned to Tacoma for the season. He opened the 1913 season with the St. Louis Cardinals, only to be sent to Chattanooga after two games. Quite the traveler, Hunt was married in July in Juneau, Alaska. He played in Vancouver in 1914 and 1915, split the 1916 season between Tulsa and Wichita, and pitched for Butte in 1917 before joining the Army and serving in World War I. He was back in professional baseball in 1920, twirling for Dallas of the Texas League before jumping the club in midseason. Hunt settled in Wyoming and was a star on several local teams. He died on September 27, 1927, in Greybull, Wyoming.

The committee newsletter contains finds, anecdotes, nonagenarian birthdays, the scoreboard, a biographical sketch, and new monthly data received. Copies of the newsletter are available from the SABR office for \$2 postpaid.

Minor Leagues: From the Minor League committee newsletter (Spring 1992): **Bob Hoie** writes about the 1991 Appalachian League and its unbalanced schedule. He reminds us that SABR's minor league criteria has been used to classify non-organized baseball leagues, not those leagues which have been signatories to the National Agreement or members of the National Association. Bob continues, however, that "the 1991 Appy wasn't a league with a championship season in any traditional sense. The potential damage to the integrity of a minor league season caused by the emphasis on player development has been recognized since the Landis era but the Appy schedule may be the first time that a league has officially stated that the league championship is irrelevant."

In response to the committee query about most steals in a minor league game, **Dick Thompson** reported that Frederick "Fritz" Werber (brother of Bill Werber) stole seven bases for Augusta on June 11, 1927, in a South Atlantic League game against Columbia. **Lloyd Johnson** located two additional seven-steal games. Earl Silverthorn stole seven bases for Idaho Falls on September 4, 1947 (winning the Pioneer League stolen base crown with 60, beating George Leyrer of Twin Falls by one). Also, Don Jameson of Riverside (Sunset League) stole seven bases against Tijuana on May 18, 1950.

The newsletter also contains committee news and an account of Class E baseball by **Bill Weiss** supplementing the article by **John O. Herbold II** in *Minor League History Journal*. Copies of the Minor League Committee newsletter are available from the SABR office for \$2 postpaid.

Negro Leagues: The committee's June 1992 newsletter contains remarks from the chairman and updates on the committee publication, plus listings of taped and printed interviews with Negro Leaguers, Special Events, Committee Announcements, Negro Leagues Related Articles, Current and Future Individual Projects, and The Marketplace. Copies of the newsletter are available from the SABR office (\$2 postpaid).

Records Committee: From the June 1992 committee newsletter:

The following pitchers won 20 games despite having an ERA greater than 4.00:

Bobo Newsom	1938	STL	AL	20-16	5.08
Vern Kennedy	1936	CHI	AL	21-9	4.63
George Earnshaw	1930	PHI	AL	22-13	4.44
Lefty Gomez	1932	NY	AL	24-7	4.21
Wes Ferrell	1936	BOS	AL	20-15	4.19
Jim Merritt	1970	CIN	NL	20-12	4.08
Monte Weaver	1932	WAS	AL	22-10	4.08
Lew Burdette	1959	MIL	NL	21-15	4.07
George Uhle	1922	CLE	AL	22-16	4.07
Billy Hoeft	1956	DET	AL	20-14	4.06

The following pitchers have defeated all 26 major league teams: Nolan Ryan, Rick Sutcliffe, Goose Gossage, Rick Wise, Doyle Alexander, Mike Torrez, Gaylord Perry, and Don Sutton.

Earlier this season, Montreal pitcher Doug Simons was sent to the minors with a 216.00 ERA. According to **Jerry Kahn**, if Simons does not lower that mark, he will set a new record for the highest one-season finite ERA. The current record is 189.00 held by Joe Cleary of the 1945 Washington Senators and John Scheible of the 1894 Philadelphia Phillies.

The major league record for most starts without a shutout belongs to Roy Mahaffey (128 starts between 1926 and 1936 for the Pirates, Browns, and Athletics). Bill Krueger and Todd Stottlemire were both threats to Mahaffey's record until notching shutouts in starts 116 and 105, respectively. The active leader, as of May 22, is Greg Harris of Boston (96).

The Baseball Encyclopedia (Macmillan, eighth edition, page 2776) lists 37 players who lost home runs hit to win a game with a runner, or runners, on base in the last of the ninth or an extra inning. The rule, in effect prior to 1920, counted such home runs for only the number of bases necessary to drive in the winning run. **Jim Troisi** has found an addition to the list. On April 30, 1908, Frank Bowerman of Boston (NL) hit a game-winning "home run" in the last of the ninth inning off Doc Crandall of New York. He was credited only with a double, driving home Bill Sweeney from second base.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

Arthur Schott offers two items: "Top 25 Strikeout Leaders" and "Babe Ruth (1927) vs. Roger Maris (1961): An Offensive Comparison." Both are available from Art, 459 Jewel Street, New Orleans LA 70124 for a SASE (\$.29).

Jay Gauthreaux offers a brief summary of Tommy Henrich's first major league home run, including the game box score. Send a SASE (\$.29) to Jay at 1945 Concord Road, Gretna LA 70056.

The following new Research Exchange items are available from **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906). Items are \$.05 per page for copying plus \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages. The SABR Research Library currently contains more than 500 articles. An updated index is available from Len for \$2.

Two men out: the bribery scandal of 1924 (7 pages) by **Ralph Graber**.

Coover's *The Universal Baseball Association*: Pennant winner of the baseball fiction league (14 pages) by **Ralph Graber**.

Why baseball fiction leads the sport fiction league (10 pages) by **Ralph Graber**.

Stan the Man looks back (1 page) by Dennis Maffezzoli (copy of newspaper interview with Stan Musial).

Baseball suffering a lack strong arms (2 pages) by Chris Dufresne (copy of newspaper article).

The extraordinary career of Ross Youngs (3 pages) by **Sam Blair** (copy of newspaper article).

Hollywood does a hatchet job on baseball (3 pages) by Steve Aschburner (copy of newspaper article, includes list of best and worst baseball movies).

The big bang: A big bust? (7 pages) by **David W. Smith** (study of games in which the winning team scores more runs in a single inning than the losing team scores in the entire game).

Minor league pitcher relives showdown with Babe Ruth (2 pages) by Jeff Gunn (copy of newspaper interview with Vincent Devaney).

Alphabetical list of most games managed (1 page) by **Gerald Beirne** (most games managed by managers from A to Z, excluding X).

Home run leaders by state of birth, by letter of alphabet; leading brother combinations (1 page) by **Gerald Beirne**

As players gain long-term security, managers become more expendable (3 pages) by Ross Newhan (copy of newspaper article).

A critique of "To Everything a Season" (17 pages) by **Ed "Dutch" Doyle** (the book deals with Shibe Park and baseball in Philadelphia).

1932 Pittsburgh Crawford individual statistics (1 page).

Hoss Radbourn, 1884 (4 pages) by **Joseph M. Wayman** (includes game-by-game breakdown).

Misfortune follows the Angels (1 page) by David Cunningham (copy of newspaper article listing Angels' accidents, deaths, injuries, etc.).

How "Lucky" Lohrke's life was spared (1 page) by **John**

Steadman (copy of newspaper article).

Baseball survived WWII, but it wasn't easy (1 page) by Jim Donaghy (copy of newspaper article).

Players who have hit 40 or more home runs for five seasons in a row and maybe why (2 pages) by **Don Skuce**.

Philadelphia baseball goes to war (4 pages) by **David M. Jordan** (preparations by the A's and Phillies for the 1942 season).

Comparison of the 1926-28 Yankees with the 1929-31 Athletics (17 pages) by **Ed "Dutch" Doyle**.

The Babe was a bowler (1 page) by **Pat McDonough** (copy of magazine article on Babe Ruth's bowling prowess).

Top 30 and worst 30 baseball teams (2 pages) by **Harry H. Hollingsworth** (copy of newspaper articles summarizing results of computer analysis).

Roger Maris and the season of '61 (2 pages) by **Jack Etkin** (copy of newspaper article).

Will Clark has an impressive record for first three years in the majors (2 pages) by **Arthur Schott**.

How Hall of Fame batters fared as pinch hitters (3 pages) by **Al Gray**.

RESEARCH NEEDS

David Giles, 201 Sylvan Drive, Noblesville IN 46060, seeks information (box scores, newspaper accounts, pictures) of games between the Yankees and White Sox on June 12-13, 1957.

Michael Fedo, 12179 Lily Street, Coon Rapids, MN 55433 wishes to contact anyone who might share anecdotes, stories, or clippings about Burleigh Grimes for a biography he is writing with Charles Clark. He especially seeks hearing from people who saw Grimes play.

Jerry Lansche, 6136 Columbia Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63139 (314-644-2946), is doing preliminary research for a biography of Honus Wagner and is looking for any and all information on the former Pittsburgh shortstop. Articles, documents, photographs, or any other material on Wagner's professional career (including his years in the minor leagues) would be especially helpful. Recommendations or advice as to where relevant information can be obtained would be welcome.

Michael Rutstein, editor and publisher of *Baseball Underground!*, 115 Freeman Street Suite 1A, Brookline MA 02146 (617-277-0208) is looking for fellow SABR members with an interest in the Red Sox and Braves to submit articles for publication. Articles can be about current, recent, or even ancient events relating to baseball in Boston.

Jim Sargent, 5202 Fordwick Drive, Roanoke VA 24018, is researching the career of Charley Maxwell, outfielder for the Detroit Tigers from 1955 to 1962. If anyone has information or knows of sources of information regarding Maxwell, particularly for his years with Detroit, please contact Jim.

Dan Ginsburg, 121 East Bonefish Circle, Jupiter FL 33477 is looking for information on minor league gambling scandals prior to 1915.

THE SABR SEASON

- August 2 Cooperstown regional, Hall of Fame inductions (Contact **David Pietrusza** 518-374-8894)
- August 8 NWSABR meeting
(Contact Steve Cummings 206-328-1422)
- August 22 Atlanta area regional meeting (see below)
- September 12 Bob Davids Chapter (Baltimore/Washington) meeting at Camden Yards
(Contact **David Vincent** 703-491-3440)
- September 19 Boston Braves chapter meeting (tentative— contact **Mike Keough** 413-238-5862)
- November 14 Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting (see below)
- November 28 Nap Lajoie Chapter (Southern New England) meeting (Contact **Len Levin** 401-351-3278)

REGIONALS

Schenectady, New York...North-East New York SABR met on May 26. Research presentations were given by **Joe Vellano** (Australian Baseball), **David Pietrusza** (New Ballparks at Binghamton and Baltimore), **Steve Goldleaf** (Players Whose Careers Have Been With Just One Team), **Herm Krabbenhoft** (Nolan Ryan), and **David Walsh** (Troy Baseball). Walsh was elected chapter president, Pietrusza vice-president, and Krabbenhoft secretary.

Los Angeles, California...The fall meeting of the Allan Roth Chapter will be held Saturday, November 14 at the AAF library, 2141 West Adams. The meeting will run from 10 am to 4 pm. For further information, contact chapter president **Dick Beverage** at 714-524-0939.

Atlanta, Georgia...The Atlanta regional group will hold a meeting from 10 am to 4 pm on August 22 at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium. The schedule includes member presentations from 10 am until noon, lunch in the Stadium Club, baseball videos (courtesy of **Doak Ewing**) from 1 pm -2 pm, Braves broadcaster Pete Van Wieren, and Braves Assistant General Manager Dean Taylor conducting a mock arbitration hearing from 3 pm-4 pm. At 7:05 pm the Braves take on the Cardinals. The cost is \$28 for the game and the luncheon, \$18 for the luncheon only, and \$10 for the game only. Free parking is available for the meeting. Send checks, payable to the Atlanta Braves, to **Mark Stang**, 2001 Crestlane Drive, Smyrna GA 30080 or call Mark at 404-859-0075 days, or 404-435-3326, nights/weekends.

Colorado...A meeting is being planned for late August/early September in the Denver area. Contact **Chip Atkinson** (303-840-9652, work) for details.

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OBITUARIES

Dallas Barnett passed away in May after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer. Dallas was an avid Cubs fan who always said "This is the year for the Cubs." He was also a Civil War history buff and very interested in genealogy.

Russ Euper died on June 13 in Lansing, Michigan. In 1988, Euper donated his large collection (over 60 boxes and 10 scrapbooks) of clippings and magazine articles to SABR. A retired mail carrier, Russ started his collection in the 1930s by clipping baseball articles and obituaries from *The Sporting News*, *Detroit Free Press*, *Detroit Times*, *Collier's*, and many other periodicals. The clippings date from the teens to the mid-1980s and are organized by year and topic. Euper also made donations to the Detroit Tigers and to the athletic department at Michigan State University.

Virgil D. Penn, Jr., a long time member and father of member **Burt Penn III**, passed away in his sleep on June 2. He was 83 years old. Virgil was a fan of the now defunct Philadelphia Athletics since moving to Philadelphia in 1915 from his birthplace in Medford, New Jersey. He was one of the first baseball umpires in the Police Athletic League in Philadelphia where he was employed as a Sergeant of

Detectives. He continued to officiate sandlot baseball until he was about 70 years old. Upon his retirement, Virgil received letters of congratulations from luminaries of baseball including Bowie Kuhn, Chub Feeny, **Lee MacPhail**, Ernie Banks, Joe Cronin, Bill Veeck, Ted Williams, Bill DeWitt, Rich Garcia, Dick Butler, Emmett Ashford, Charlie Grimm, and Bucky Walters. Virgil's area of research was clergymen of all faiths who had played pro ball. When he joined SABR, he remarked to his son that of all the organizations he belonged to (which were many) SABR was the best sports organization by far.

Henry Kaiser, 64, passed away on January 14. A professor at UC-Berkeley, he worked on devising more advantageous ways of measuring a batter's ability.

Our condolences go out to the families of all SABR members that have suffered recent losses.

Ziffren Sports Resource Center, Continued from page 1
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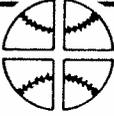
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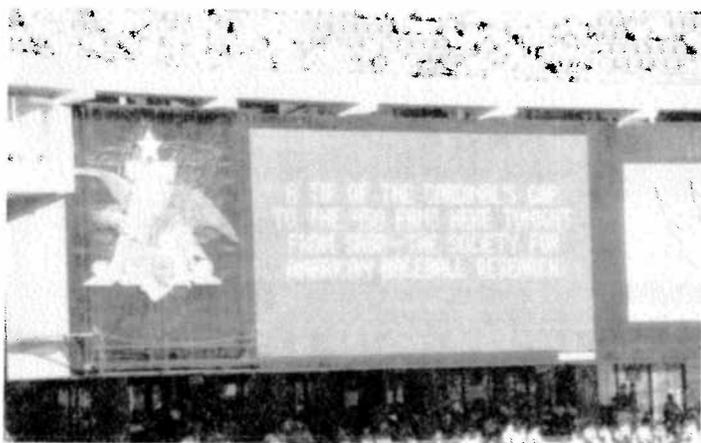

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DR. EUGENE MURDOCK, FORMER SABR PRESIDENT, DIES

Dr. Eugene Murdock, 71, president of SABR from 1976 to 1978, died of cancer July 23 at his home in Williamstown, West Virginia. His place of work was across the river in Ohio, where he taught at Marietta College for 30 years. He served as chairman of the history department there from 1972 until his retirement in 1986. An Army veteran of World War II, he received his MA and PhD at Columbia University. He was a student of Pulitzer Prize winning biographer Allan Nevins, from whom he learned the importance of oral history. From 1973 to 1987, Gene interviewed 76 former baseball players on tape. Some of these interviews became articles in SABR publications. Topics included Glenn Wright, Paddy Livingston, Leroy Parmalee, Joe Hauser, and Roger Peckinpaugh. Others were included in a book, *Baseball Players and Their Times: Oral Histories of the Game, 1920-40* published by Meckler. In 1982, his book *Ban Johnson, The Czar of Baseball* was published by Greenwood Press. In the *SABR Review of Books, Volume I*, A.D. Suehsdorf called it "an essential study of one of baseball's prime movers." It was included in "The Essential Baseball Library" (*SABR Review of Books, Volume II*). Just before his death, arrangements were made for Dr. Murdock's research materials to be obtained by Cleveland Public Library so that researchers would have access to them. Gene joined SABR as member number 38 on September 10, 1971. For his research and administrative achievements he received the SABR Salute in 1991 (the Salute appears on pages 8-9 of the 1991-1992 SABR Membership Directory).



SABR was well recognized at the June 26 game between the Cardinals and Mets at Busch Stadium. (photo courtesy of Dixie Tourangeau)

CENTENNIAL SURVEY RESULTS

Hall of Fame catcher Ray Schalk pulled away from hurler Wilbur Cooper to win the SABR Centennial Survey of the best players born in 1892. Schalk, Cooper, and third place finisher Jack Fournier were each named on more than half of the 66 ballots cast by members.

Schalk caught in the majors from 1912-1929; the first seventeen seasons were with the Chicago White Sox. With the Pale Hose, Schalk caught four no-hit games, a major league record. Schalk won acclaim as one of the "Clean Sox," those members of the 1919 Chicago team who did not succumb to gamblers. Schalk was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1955, the only man born in 1892 to be so honored.

Complete results are as follows:

NAME	1st	2nd	3rd	TOTAL
Ray Schalk	21	10	4	139
Wilbur Cooper	19	8	9	128
Jack Fournier	8	15	11	96
Jack Tobin	7	5	6	56
Dutch Leonard	4	5	4	39
Art Nehf	3	5	7	37
Everett Scott	1	5	9	29
Joe Bush	0	5	5	20
Sam Jones	2	2	4	20
Bubbles Hargrave	1	2	4	15
Jesse Barnes	0	1	0	3
None	0	3	3	

— compiled by Mike Sparrow

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Missouri 140	Kentucky 29	Alaska 4
Florida 134	Maine 26	Wyoming 4
Minnesota 114	Vermont 25	North Dakota 3
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Troy's Baseball Heritage, edited by **Richard Puff**, with contributions by Thomas Blair, **John T. Evers**, **Frank Keetz**, **Pete Palmer**, **David Pietrusza**, **Jim Overmyer**, and **Dave Walsh**, is the 48 page game program for the Troy-Worcester recreation game at Troy. It contains photographs and the playing records of sixty-five Troy Haymakers (1871-72) and Trojans (1879-82). To order, send \$7.50 to the SABR Office, Dept. TBH, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland OH 44101.

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Baseball Quarterly Reviews (Volume 7, #2, Summer

1992) includes "Do or Die on the Diamond-Ultimate Clutch Hitters (1910-1919)" and "Twenty-three in '49" by **Herman Krabbenhoft**; "Braves Field Triple Plays" by **Dixie Tourangeau** and **James Smith** and "Triple Plays at Griffith Stadium" by Smith and Krabbenhoft. See the ad on page eight.

NEWSLETTERS

The SportsBook File (July-August 1992) is the second issue to deal exclusively with baseball books. Over fifteen baseball books are reviewed in this 12 page newsletter. Written and published by **Barry Mandell**, *The SportsBook File* is available for a yearly subscription (6 issues) for \$15. For more information, send to *SBF*, 1069 Alexander Drive, Rotterdam Junction NY 12150.

The Flatbush Faithful (Vol. 2, No. 2, July 1992) includes an interview with Elwin "Preacher" Roe and a tribute to Ed Lopat. A subscription to *The Flatbush Faithful* (12 issues) is available for \$17.95. For more information, write to *The Flatbush Faithful*, c/o **Norman Kurland**, 47 Gaby Court, Richmond Hill, Ontario Canada L4C 8X1.

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THE PRES BOX

The Pres is on the road. His itinerary included a stop at the Hall of Fame inductions in Cooperstown.

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BOARD MEETINGS SUMMARY

Three SABR Executive Board meetings, including the annual business meeting, took place in St. Louis at the Adam's Mark Hotel, June 25-28. The meeting on June 25 included reports from the Executive Director, Treasurer, Convention Committee, and Publications Director. The membership report showed 5279 active SABR members as of June 10. The Treasurer's report cited overages in postage and board expenses. Plans to monitor these expense areas were prepared. Publications Director **Mark Alvarez** reported that 1992 publications are on schedule. Publications for 1993 were also discussed. Executive Director **Morris Eckhouse** reported on membership, convention, promotions/advertising, lending library, correspondence, inventory, *The SABR Bulletin*, and other areas.

Board actions during the June 25 meeting included passage of motions to commend **Rick Salamon** and the 1992 SABR National Convention organizing committee for their efforts (by 8-0 vote); to offer Executive Director **Morris Eckhouse** a contract for \$40,000 for 1993 and \$42,000 for 1994 (by 8-0 vote); to table until the next board meeting a proposal that *USA Today Baseball Weekly* assume sponsorship of the John W. Cox Award (by 5-2 vote, **Bill Carle** and **Bob Ruland** voting against, **Larry Gerlach** abstaining); and to accept the Teller's Committee report (by 8-0 vote).

At the annual meeting on June 28, President **Lloyd Johnson** appointed **Steve Nadel** chairperson of the Nominating Committee and **Genevieve Duffin** chairperson of the Audit Committee. Reports were given by Executive Director **Eckhouse**, Treasurer **Ruland**, Regional Development Committee chairperson **Jack Kavanagh**, Publications Director **Alvarez**, and Research Paper Collection coordinator **Len Levin**. A quorum was present.

In the meeting of the new board following the annual meeting, **John Kovach** was appointed chairperson of the Women in Baseball Committee and **Frederick Ivor-Campbell** chairperson of the Nineteenth Century Committee. Reactivation of the Collegiate Committee was deferred to a future Board meeting. **Carlos Bauer** and **Barry Mednick** were appointed to the nominating committee. Treasurer **Norman Macht** was directed to propose guidelines and create related forms pertaining to expense reimbursements for Board consideration at the next meeting. A motion to require future host convention committees to secure academic facility site and cost comparisons failed (**Macht**, **Kavanagh**, **Johnson** in favor; **Ruland**, **Richard Puff**, **Rucker**, **Gerlach**, **Ivor-Campbell** opposed). A motion to permit the Publications Director to execute letters of agreement with authors for SABR publications without prior Board approval passed 8-0. The board directed **Rucker** to draft appropriate disclaimer verbiage for committees and report results at the next meeting.

Minutes from these meetings are available from the SABR office for a SASE (\$.29).

RESEARCH NEEDS

W. Harrison Daniel, University of Richmond, Richmond VA 23173, (804-289-8337) is involved in a research project which focuses on the life and times of **Jimmie Foxx** and would like to acquire or obtain photocopies of *How I Bat* (1933) by **Jimmie Foxx** and edited by **Bill Cunningham**, **George C. Carens**, **Austen R. Lake**, and **A.L. Fowler**, and *Real Life Comics #41* — "The Story of **Jimmy Foxx**."

Terrance Wilson, 3917 Fletcher Court, Ames IA 50010, seeks information and leads to information on **Elmer Gedeon** (1939 Washington Senators, killed in France during World War II) and **Harry O'Neill** (1939 Philadelphia A's, killed on **Iwo Jima** during World War II).

Andrew Reid, 2300 San Jose Ave, Alameda CA 94501, is looking for schedules of the Pacific Coast League (1946-61; 1971-88), American Association (1902-20; 1931-61; 1969-88), and the International League (1901-20; 1946-61; 1969-88).

Dr. Reba Adler, 108 West 69th Street #5, New York NY 10023, seeks information on the appearances of ballplayers in theatrical entertainments (vaudeville and melodramas) during the early 20th century. Professional data and anecdotes would be appreciated.

Kevin Seymour, 106 Olympic Drive, Cary NC 27513, plans a special statistical project on the last full season of professional baseball at **Durham Athletic Park** and seeks advice on approaches and methods to use.

Scott Mackey, 1320 Normandy Lane, Sacramento CA 95822, seeks information about the Pacific Coast League in the 1920s. Photographs are especially needed and will be returned.

Gene Carney, 2802 Ferndale Place, Utica NY 13501 is looking for information, particularly from **Cleveland** or **Toledo**, on the July 24, 1911, "All-Star" game played in honor of **Addie Joss**. Any details of the game (beyond the box score) or of the "megaphone antics" of **Germany Schaefer**, would be appreciated. And does anyone know of any other similar benefit games on the professional level?

Scott Flatow, 1701 West 3rd, Brooklyn NY 11223 (718-375-5380) is looking for help in going through the **Swale's Collection** at the New York Public Library.

Jerry Smolin, 23 Arnold Road, Pelham, MA 01002 (413-253-9630), a graduate student at Yale University, is gathering sources for a dissertation on the production and collection of tobacco cards — particularly of baseball players — between 1887 and 1912. The interdisciplinary project will address the common and conflicting interests of the baseball and tobacco industries during this period, as well as the special appreciation of nineteenth and early twentieth century collectors for their cards. **Smolin** asks anyone with leads to primary or obscure secondary sources on card collecting during this era to contact him.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

A comprehensive list of **Stan Musial's** batting performance against **Warren Spahn** is available from **Herman Krabbenhoft**, P.O. Box 9343, Schenectady NY 12309.

THE SABR SEASON

- September 12 Family Day for the Halsey Hall Chapter (Minneapolis - see below)
- September 12 Bob Davids Chapter (Baltimore/Washington) meeting at Camden Yards (Contact **David Vincent** 703-491-3440)
- September 12 Denver area meeting (see below)
- September 16 Houston Regional Meeting (see below)
- September 24 St. Louis Mercantile Library tribute to "Cool Papa" Bell (see below)
- October 4 Braves Chapter meeting (tentative-contact **Mike Keough** 413-238-5862)
- October 24 Halsey Hall Fall Regional (site TBA)
- October 24 Jack Graney Fall Regional (tentative-contact **Fred Schuld** 216-467-5268)
- November 14 Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting (Contact **Dick Beverage** 714-524-0939)
- November 28 Nap Lajoie Chapter (Southern New England) meeting (Contact **Len Levin** 401-351-3278)
- December 5 Forbes Field Chapter (Pittsburgh) meeting (see below)

REGIONALS

Minneapolis, Minnesota...At the June 18th meeting of the Halsey Hall board, **Jim Wyman** was elected president; **Nancy Jo Leachman**, vice-president; and **Ted Hathaway**, secretary/treasurer. On September 12, the chapter will have a family day with a Twins game at 11 am followed by impromptu Mother/Father—Daughter/Son baseball at a nearby park. Contact Nancy Jo Leachman, P.O. Box 422, Rochester MN 55903; (507-281-1938, home; 507-285-8018 work) for details.

New York, New York...Eighty-one fans attended the 1992 NYC Casey Stengel Chapter regional meeting. **Tom Knight** emceed the ninth annual event. Presentations were made by **Steve Krevisky** - "They Came Through in '62;" **Al Blumkin** - "The Unbatting and Unpitching Champions/Rob Deer;" **Eric Peselow** - "the Effect of a Mid-Season Managerial Change on Team Performance;" **Mike McDonough** - "The Jersey City Indians;" **Michael Schacht** - "Fan Magazine;" **Steve Nadel** led an exciting discussion on re-voting the Hall of Fame. On deck was the guest speaker, Minnesota Twins scout Herb Stein, who captivated the crowd with his stories, including the signing of Rod Carew and the thrill of helping put together a championship team. Also in the lineup was a trivia contest (won by Al Blumkin) and a book raffle. The Casey Stengel Meritorious Award, the chapter's highest honor, was presented to Steve Nadel.

Houston, Texas...The Houston Regional Chapter of SABR met in May, with 14 people braving a torrential downpour to attend. They were entertained by Norm Miller, Director of Advertising Sales/Promotions and former Astros outfielder.

A gathering is planned for September 16, 1992, featuring the Astros-Giants game. Contact **Bill Gilbert** (713-424-1168) for details.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania...The Forbes Field Chapter met at the Pirate offices in Three Rivers Stadium on July 18. Mike Gordon, Pirates Director of In-Game Entertainment, provided an enlightening overview of the workings of the Three Rivers scoreboard. He discussed the popular John Belushi "Let's Do It!" rally video and the animated Bucco train, as well as the processes for providing out-of-town highlights, scores, and stats. **Corey Seeman**, Coordinator of Library and Archives for the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania (HSWP), talked about the HSWP's desire to expand its sports archives and proposed an ongoing research partnership between the HSWP and the Forbes Field Chapter. **Dan Bonk** presented the evolution of the design for Three Rivers Stadium and tantalized all present with drawings of what might have been. The chapter was treated to a visit with Bill Virdon, Pirate coach. He delighted the audience by candidly answering questions and relating stories from his days as a player, manager, and now coach. Following the meeting, the group attended the Pirates game, rooting the Bucs on to a 4-0 victory over the Cubs.

The next Forbes Field Chapter meeting is scheduled for December 5 at the Pirate offices. Topics and activities planned for the meeting include an update from Dan Bonk on his research about the evolution of ballparks, **Jack Carlson's** presentation on baseball patents (winner of the John W. Cox Award at the 1992 SABR National Convention), **A.J. Pantoni's** comparison of the seventh games of the 1925 and 1960 World Series, **Dennis and Jeanne DeValeria's** oral biography of Tot Pressnell, and **Neil Traven's** mock expansion draft. Call **Ed Luteran** for more information at 412-443-0231.

Denver, Colorado...The Denver area will have a regional meeting on September 12, 1992, from 6:30 till 9:30 at Maxfield's Restaurant in Denver. Contact **Chip Atkison** (303-840-9652 work) or **Steve Bennett** (303-237-1653) if you are interested in making a presentation or for further information.

Chicago, Illinois...The **Emil Rothe** Chapter of SABR is planning a meeting at Niles College in Niles, Illinois on either September 26, 1992, or October 3, 1992. Contact **Marge Daniels** (312-266-7239) for details.

St. Louis, Missouri...The St. Louis Mercantile Library will present a memorial tribute to James "Cool Papa" Bell on Thursday, September 24. The program includes talks by Janet Bruce Campbell and Dr. Jeffrey Smith and is free and open to the public. Reservations (314-621-0670) are required if you want a box lunch for \$7.

PUBLICATIONS REPORT

Baseball: The Fans' Game was mailed on June 15, 1992, from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The "Inter" National Pastime was mailed on July 24, 1992, from Birmingham, Alabama.

If you have not yet received these publications, please notify the SABR Office.

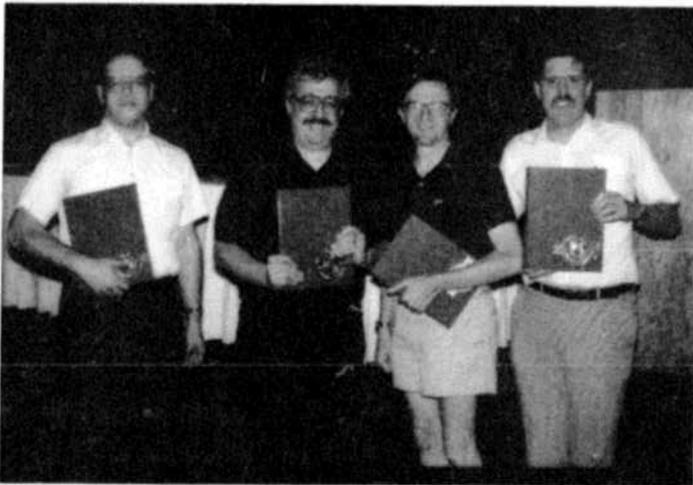
Remaining 1992 publications are *Minor League Baseball Stars, Volume III* and *Baseball Research Journal* (#21).



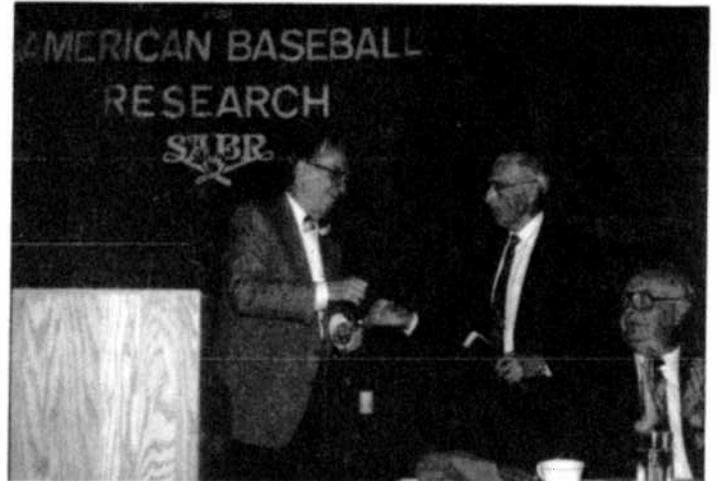
Baseball legend **Stan Musial**, a surprise guest at the 1992 SABR convention, signs autographs following the Cardinals' player panel. (photo courtesy of **Dixie Tourangeau**)



Bob Davids Award winner **Bob Tiemann** (second from left) stands with (from left to right) **Frank Phelps**, **Joe Simenic**, **Bob McConnell**, **John Pardon**, and **Bob Davids**. Phelps, Simenic and McConnell are past winners of the Davids Award. Simenic, McConnell, Pardon and Davids are four of SABR's original 16 members. (photo courtesy of **Dixie Tourangeau**)



Winners of the 1992 SABR convention trivia contest, **Ron Liebman**, **Eric Peselow**, **Bob Bailey**, and **Jim Wyman** (left to right) display their prize, the 100th anniversary edition of **Bob Broeg's** book on the Cardinals. (photo courtesy of **Dixie Tourangeau**)



Hall of Fame sportswriter **Bob Broeg**, namesake of the St. Louis SABR chapter, introduces **Bing Devine**, keynote speaker at the 1992 SABR National Convention. (photo courtesy of **Dixie Tourangeau**)

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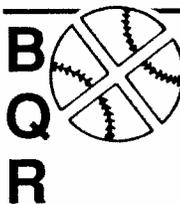
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LATE ADDITION

The Fall SABR Executive Board Meeting is scheduled to take place the weekend of September 25 in Providence, Rhode Island. Contact the SABR Office for any further information.

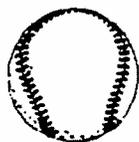


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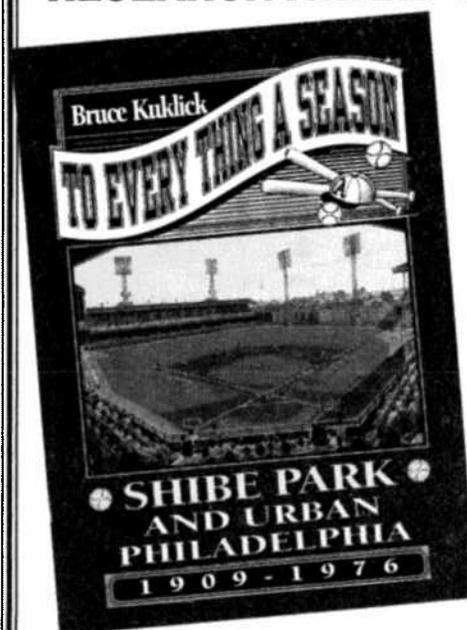
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COMMISSIONERS AND SABR

The successor to Fay Vincent will be the fifth commissioner of baseball since SABR was formed on August 10, 1971. At that time, Bowie Kuhn, the fifth commissioner, had been on the job about two and a half years (since February 4, 1969). Kuhn's successor, Peter V. Ueberroth, was accorded a complementary SABR membership for 1985 soon after he took office on October 1, 1984. A. Bartlett Giamatti, promoted from National League President to Commissioner of Baseball on April 1, 1989, had been a SABR member from April 1, 1980 to March 31, 1982, at which time he was president of Yale University. His stated interests were the Boston Red Sox and ballparks.

Baseball's first eight commissioners have included a judge (Landis), politician (Chandler), sportswriter (Frick), general (Eckert), two lawyers (Kuhn and Vincent), a businessman (Ueberroth), and a scholar (Giamatti). Books have been written by, or about, six of the first seven. These are *Judge Landis and 25 Years of Baseball* by J.G. Taylor Spink (Thomas Y. Crowell, New York, 1947. 306 pages.); *Heroes, Plain Folks, and Skunks: The Life and Times of Happy Chandler* by Happy Chandler with Vance Trimble (Bonus Books, Chicago, 1989. 317 pages.); *Games, Asterisks, and People: Memoirs of a Lucky Fan* by Ford C. Frick (Crown, New York, 1973. 244 pages.); *Hardball: The Education of a Baseball Commissioner* by Bowie Kuhn (Editorial Assistant Martin Appel) (Times Books, New York, 1987. 453 pages.); *Made in America* by Peter Ueberroth with Richard Levin and Amy Quinn (William Morrow, New York, 1989. 401 pages.); *Take Time For Paradise* by A. Bartlett Giamatti (Summit Books, New York, 1989. 113 pages.); and *Bart: A Life of A. Bartlett Giamatti* by Anthony Valerio (Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, San Diego. 123 pages.)

A review of *Hardball*, by Merritt Clifton, appears in Volume II of *The SABR Review of Books* and a review of *Heroes*, by Michael Hauptert, appears in *SRB* Volume IV. An overview of the books by Spink, Frick, Kuhn and Chandler, written by Kevin Grace, was published in *Spitball* magazine #30 (Summer 1989), Mike Shannon editor, Cincinnati, Ohio. The book about Landis is included in *The Essential Baseball Library (SRB Volume II)*. SABR research over the years, as published in *Baseball Research Journal* and *The National Pastime*, has dealt little with the historical impact of the various commissioners. As the search for the ninth commissioner takes place, perhaps some research into the topic is appropriate. If you have any ideas on the subject, please contact the SABR office.

CALIFORNIA, HERE WE COME!

The 1993 SABR National Convention will take place in San Diego, California, at the Town and Country Hotel. Three weekends remain in the running for the 1993 convention; June 25-27, July 16-18, July 23-25 (from most likely to least likely). The convention dates will be published in the next issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

The SABR convention will be returning to the Golden State, home of more SABR members than any state except New York, for the first time since 1985 when 300 members and guests met in Oakland. SABR's only other national gathering on the west coast was the 1980 meeting in Los Angeles.

Over the next several months, watch *The SABR Bulletin* for details about the convention, suggestions for things to do and see while visiting the home of the Padres, and details about the convention site. Convention registration forms will be published in the March 1993 issue of the *Bulletin*. In the meantime, please feel free to contact the SABR office (216-575-0500) or convention coordinator Joe Naiman (619-390-2975) for any immediate information you might need.

FIRST CALL FOR SABR 23 PRESENTATIONS

If you think you may wish to make a presentation at the 1993 SABR National Convention in San Diego, send a SASE for instructions to:

Bob Boynton
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Papers from several of the research presentations made at the 1992 SABR National Convention are now available from the SABR Research Paper Collection. See page 5 for more information.

RENEWAL DRIVE BEGINS

Start watching your mail for SABR renewal notices for 1993. While the 1992 season is coming to a dramatic conclusion, get a head start on your 1993 baseball enjoyment by renewing promptly. Dues will remain unchanged in 1993 (\$35 US, \$45 Canada & Mexico, \$50 overseas). Also consider a SABR membership as a holiday gift. The baseball fan on your shopping list will get year-round enjoyment from SABR publications and benefits. To purchase a gift membership, or to ask any questions about your current membership, just contact the SABR office by phone or mail.

BOOKSHELF

Shoeless Joe and Ragtime Baseball by Harvey Frommer is an overview of Jackson's life and times with chapters devoted to his days in Greenville, Philadelphia, Cleveland and Chicago. Greatest detail is then given to the years 1919, 1920, 1921, and Jackson's life after banishment from major league baseball. The 225-page book, illustrated with photographs, includes Jackson's complete grand jury testimony of September 28, 1920, and a bibliography. The book is published by Taylor Publishing Company, 1550 West Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas 75235 with a \$19.95 cover price.

Still Last in the American League by Bill Borst is an informal look at the history of the St. Louis Browns, considered by many the worst team in the history of baseball. The 136-page 6" x 9" book is illustrated with 20 b&w photos and is available from A & M Publishing, 6346 Orchard Lake Road, Suite #201, West Bloomfield MI 48322 (800-472-3485) for \$13.95 (paper) or \$29.95 (cloth).

Baseball: The Writers' Game by Mike Shannon features interviews with the writers of baseball's classic books, including Charles Alexander, Jim Brosnan, Robert Creamer, Charles Einstein, Peter Golenbock, John Holway, Don Honig, Bill James, Pat Jordan, Roger Kahn, W.P. Kinsella, Daniel Okrent, Lawrence Ritter, John Thorn, and Lonnie Wheeler. The 6" x 9" hardcover book is available from Diamond Communications, P.O. Box 88, South Bend IN 46624 (219-299-9278) for \$22.95.

Nine: A Journal of Baseball History and Social Policy Perspectives edited by Bill Kirwin. Volume one, number one features articles, book reviews and oral history. The first edition includes "The Ballparks are Like Cathedrals: Stadia in American Culture by Peter Carino; Baseball Performance and the Relative Age Effect by Gus Thompson, Roger H. Barnsley, George Stebelsky; An Inquiry into the Decline of Baseball in Black America by Don E. Albrecht; Drawing the Line: The Trials of African-American Baseball Players in the International League by Mark Savoie; and In Search of a Canadian Cooperstown: The Future of the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame by Robert Knight Barney. Books reviewed include *Tales of the Diamond*, *The Kansas City Monarchs*, *Little League Confidential*, *The 26th Man*, *Baseball Uniforms of the 20th Century*, *A Legend for the Legendary*, *The Case For...*, *Josh and Satch*, and *Prophet of the Sandlots*. For further details, see the advertisement on page 8.

The 3rd annual edition of *Absolutely Baseball* by Paul Siebel features statistics (such as contribution to team offense using the Bill James Runs Created methods) and commentary about teams and individual players directed to fantasy league players and general baseball fans. The 115-page, spiral-bound publication has a \$10.95 cover price. For more details, write to *Absolutely Baseball*, P.O. Box 1158, Norton OH 44203.

THE PRES BOX

"Baseball must be a great game to survive the fools who run it."
(anonymous)

During the 1990 stalemate in negotiations between baseball team owners and players, Commissioner Fay Vincent entered the discussions and attempted to mediate the dispute to ensure that we would have a baseball season. Whether the Commissioner's power to force an end to the stalemate was real or imagined, the two sides did reach an agreement, the one that is in effect through December 31, 1993.

Now it is time to negotiate a new players' agreement and, the owners don't want the Commissioner or anyone else interfering with their union negotiations. They asked for Vincent's resignation and, eventually, they got it.

Both owners and players are steeped in arrogance and greed. The owners took one on the chin with arbitration. Who ever thought that non-baseball people would be involved with deciding salaries? And who would expect those owners to cheerfully lose 5-7 million dollars a year—especially those whose teams finish in fourth place or worse?

Ball players' needs must also be addressed, their abilities respected. Playing baseball requires so much more mental and physical skill than are needed for basketball or football that comparisons are out of bounds. Contemporary owners have forgotten that the moguls of 19th century baseball compared the National Game with Broadway shows when setting ticket prices. Today, they tend to think of the star players as unskilled labor rather than gifted entertainers.

Baseball—like any other business—is subject to the politics of money and power. It always has been. In 1919, when Ed Barrow told a kid who wanted more money that he would have to play every day in the outfield to draw big dough, George Herman Ruth reluctantly left the pitcher's mound. Can the current owners and the players come to a mutually acceptable position in today's game?

W. Lloyd Johnson

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

SABR members **Dick Dobbins**, **Lew Lipset**, **Doug McWilliams**, **Rick Strobino**, and **Bill Weiss** were mentioned as contributors to **John Spalding's** *Always on Sunday* in an article published by *Baseball Hobby News* (September 1992)...**Ron Gabriel** commemorated Jackie Robinson at a Black History Program held at Fort Belvoir's Mosby Reserve Center...**Ed Crosby** discussed the creation of the American Association in 1882 and the opportunity it created for Hudson Valley ballplayers on Christopher Scott's Coaches Corner and Sports Show on WKNY in July ...The art of **Vincent Scilla** was exhibited in Cooperstown at Gallery 53 Artworks beginning induction weekend...**Jim Riley** was invited to the Missouri Scholars Academy at the University of Missouri where he was a guest speaker on the Negro Leagues..."Classic Chavez Clout" is the latest lithograph available from **Bill Goff**, Inc (800-321-GOFF)...**Tom Blaha** was profiled in the *Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune* (July 25)...**Paul Siebel** is publishing *The FANtasy obSERVER*, a newsletter for fantasy baseball players. For more information, contact Paul at Baseball, P.O. Box 1158, Norton OH 44203...**John L. Taylor** was one of 100 fans nationwide chosen to provide all-star game picks for USA Today Baseball Weekly...**Richard Obrand** and his research were profiled in an article by Joel Rippel in the July 30 issue of *The Orange County Register*. Obrand has verified the high schools of about 9,000 former major-league players, including those of his alma mater, Washington High School, in Los Angeles. Rick's article about

Orange County (CA) high school players reaching the major leagues will appear in the *Grandstand Baseball Annual 1992*. According to Rick's research, Fullerton High School is the top school in the area with eight: Steve Busby, Jim Campanis, Del Crandall, Willard Hershberger, Walter Johnson, Bob Ross, Arky Vaughan, and Mike Warren...**John P. Dillon** was named Bronx (New York) Teacher of the Year by the Bronx Historical Society...**Evan Meyer's** research on the Astros' 26-game, 28-day road trip appeared in *The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer* on September 6 in the Inside Baseball by Paul Hoynes column. Evan's finding included: 73 hours and 51 minutes in total playing time, 749,209 total attendance, average game-time temperature was 72 degrees, Craig Biggio led the team with a .326 batting average and Doug Jones went 1-1 with eight saves and a 1.83 ERA. A fan following the Astros on the trip would have spent almost \$9,000 (\$3,200 in airfare, \$4,472 in hotels (if he or she stayed in the same hotel as the Astros), \$759 for rental cars and \$306.75 on box seat tickets). Evan's research on Sunday night games at Cleveland Stadium has been used by *The News Herald* (Willoughby, OH) and *The Lorain Journal*...**Lee MacPhail** and **George Will** were among several names published as possible successors to Fay Vincent as Commissioner of Baseball.

CORRECTION

Hank Nuwer's name is misspelled in the SABR 1991-1992 Membership Directory. Please note the correct spelling. If you know of any additional corrections, please report them to the SABR office.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM SABR RESEARCH COMMITTEES NEWSLETTERS

Biographical Research

Here's a list of the top 20 oldest living big-leaguers as of August 1, 1992:

Rank	Player	Age
1	Chet Hoff	101
2	Robert Wright.....	100
3	Milt Gaston.....	96
4	Edward Gill	96
5	Sam Hamby	95
6	Lucas Turk.....	94
7	Tim McNamara	93
8	John Kerr	93
9	Joe Hauser	93
10	George Fisher	93
11	Charles Rowland	93
12	Elton Langford	92
13	Walter Shaner	92
14	Lou Brower	92
15	Rudy Miller	92
16	Hunter Lane	92
17	James Uchrinscko	91
18	James Marquis.....	91
19	Bernie DeViveiros	91
20	Lou Polli	91

Records

Ted DiTullio's list of leading lifetime home run sibling leaders (updated to the 1992 All-Star Game break):

1.	768	Aaron	Hank (755), Tommie (13)
2.	573	DiMaggio	Joe (361), Vince (125), Dom (87)
3.	444	Boyer	Ken (282), Clete (162), Cloyd (0)
3.	444	May	Lee (354), Carlos (90)
5.	411	Murray	Eddie (407), Rich (4)
6.	406	Nettles	Graig (390), Jim (16)
7.	358	Allen	Dick (351), Hank (6), Ron (1)
8.	346	Johnson	Bob (288), Roy (58)
9.	305	Brett	George (295), Ken (10)
10.	293	Sauer	Hank (288), Ed (5)
11.	281	Ripken	Cal (269), Bill (12)
12.	269	Alou	Felipe (206), Jesus (32), Matty (31)
12.	269	Bando	Sal (242), Chris (27)
14.	265	Torre	Joe (252), Frank (13)
15.	262	Meusel	Bob (156), Irish (106)
16.	250	Yount	Robin (250), Larry (0)
17.	227	Canseco	Jose (227), Ozzie (0)
18.	206	Conigliaro	Tony (166), Billy (40)
18.	206	Dickey	Bill (202), George (4)
20.	204	Cruz	Jose (165), Hector (39), Tommy (0)

Committee Chairman **Lyle Spatz** followed up with a list of the leading brother combinations in runs scored:

1.	2927	DiMaggio	Joe, Dom, Vince
2.	2828	Waner	Lloyd, Paul
3.	2309	Delahanty	Ed, Frank, Jim, Joe, Tom
4.	2276	Aaron	Hank, Tommie
5.	2213	Alou	Felipe, Matty, Jesus
6.	1956	Johnson	Bob, Roy

Here is a rather obscure statistic from *Sports Illustrated*. On June 23, Rob Dibble recorded his 500th major league strike out. The 368.1 innings it took him to reach that mark are the fewest any pitcher ever needed. The previous best had been Tom Henke's 431.1. Dick Radatz did it in 432.2 innings. Bob Feller, Sandy Koufax, and Nolan Ryan all needed more than 500 innings to strike out 500 batters.

One more note on the subject of corrected records. **Jim Smith** reminds us that in the Reach and Spalding guides for 1906, and in subsequent editions, Nap Lajoie was listed as the American League batting champion with a batting average of .329. This, despite appearing in only 65 games. *The Sporting News Record Book* (1921-1929) also carried Lajoie as the 1905 batting king. However, in the 1930 edition of TSN they listed as the 1905 AL leader Elmer Flick, Lajoie's Cleveland teammate, who batted .306 in 131 games. Flick has been carried as the leader ever since, although his average has been corrected and is now listed as .308.

For the Records Committee, the best news to come out of the (SABR National) convention was the approval from President **Lloyd Johnson** and the SABR executive board for a committee publication. What was agreed upon was a series of Records Committee "White Papers" to be issued annually, beginning in December 1992. Each issue would contain approximately 25-50 additions or corrections to baseball's "historic record."

A correction: The list of 20-game winners from 1922-1970 with 4.00+ ERAs, published in the August Bulletin, should have also included Ray Kremer (Pirates, 1930, 20-12, 5.02 ERA) and Murry Dickson (Pirates, 1951, 20-16, 4.02 ERA). Thanks to **Lee E. Fischer** for the information.

Negro Leagues

Recaps of Negro Leagues history-related activities at the fourth annual Cooperstown Symposium on Baseball and the American Culture and at the SABR National Convention were featured in the committee's August newsletter, along with committee announcements, a list of 19 recently published Negro Leagues related articles, a listing of committee member projects and new Negro Leagues related merchandise.

Computerization

More than 28 members attended the committee meeting at the SABR National Convention. Work continues on the data verification of the Tattersall/McConnell Home Run Log. A new membership tracking system, developed by committee member **David Vincent**, is being used in the SABR office. **Harry Nicholos** of the committee is working with **Andy McCue** and **Ted Hathaway** of the Bibliography Committee on computer aspects of the Baseball OnLine project and Committee chairman **Jim Johnston** is working with Umpire and Rules Committee chairman **Larry Gerlach** on a data base for umpire data.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

Bill Bike offers a study featuring projections as to what the National League final standings would have been, as well as each team's annual overall record and record vs each opponent, for the years 1969-91 had the Chicago Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals been in the West Division and the Atlanta Braves and Cincinnati Reds been in the East Division. Write to Bill Bike, 3530 N. Damen Avenue, Chicago IL 60618.

The following papers, corresponding with presentations made at the 1992 SABR national convention, are available from **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence RI 02906). Items are \$.05 per page for copying plus \$.30 postage for every five pages or portions of five pages.

Pat Seerey: "The People's Choice" (15 pages) by Fred Schuld. Jackie (Mitchell) and the Juniors vs. Margaret and the Bloomers (9 pages) by Barbara Gregorich. (About the woman who played minor league ball.)

Un-batting and un-ERA leaders revisited (with emphasis on Rob Deer) (14 pages) by Alan Blumkin. Updated edition of Research Library item.

The big fix: The 1919 World Series and the Black Sox (17 pages) by Louis Hegeman. (Includes outline of a mock trial.)

Optimizing batting orders: tests and examples (12 pages) by Mark D. Pankin.

The quality start is a useful statistic (11 pages) by David W. Smith.

Baseball patents (24 pages) by Jack Carlson. Many illustrations. Playing every day and September performance (4 pages) by Harold Brooks. Statistical Analysis.

Life begins at forty: superannuated base thieves (7 pages) by Stephen I. Thompson. Elderly base stealers.

Principal leadoff batters of the St. Louis Browns 1920-1953 (6 pages) by Herman Krabbenhoft.

Stan Musial vs. Warren Spahn: The irresistible force vs. the immovable object (9 pages) by Herman Krabbenhoft.

Winners and losers (13 pages) by Barry Mednick. A proposal for improving scoring rules on wins and losses for pitchers based on the shared responsibility for runs.

The original fantasy baseball player (8 pages) by George Land. A reminiscence of tabletop baseball.

The New York Times reports the loss of the Dodgers' 10-game lead, 1942 (23 pages) by George T. Wiley. Reproductions of newspaper articles.

Everything you always wanted to know about pinch hitting but were afraid to ask (2 pages) by Clem Comley.

Major league retired numbers: Are there any uniform criteria? (12 pages) by Bob Klein.

Misfits! The Cleveland Spiders in 1899 (6 pages) by J. Thomas Hetrick.

A statistical analysis of the 1961 baseball season (8 pages) by Ron Rakowski.

The 1952 Chicago Cubs (10 pages) by Herb Fagen.

A model of the Hall of Fame selection process (9 pages) by Donald A. Coffin. Statistical Analysis.

New classic ballparks: Return to the past, Disneyland simulacra or economic reality? (9 pages) by Peter Carino.

The effect of a mid-season managerial switch on team performance (4 pages) by Eric D. Peselow. Statistical analysis.

Forbes Field: Restoration of original design drawings (6 pages) by Dan Bonk.

Research realities (3 pages) by Mark Kanter. Suggested guidelines for research.

The baseball manager expert system (14 pages) by John Gilmore. Describes an artificial intelligence system that was used to predict Atlanta NLCS and World Series games in 1991.

Ducky was "duddy" in 1937 (2 pages) by Steve Krevisky. The last National Leaguer (Ducky Medwick) to win the triple crown.

Other papers/articles now available:

Torrid trios (or more) of teammates (3 pages) by Steve Krevisky. They came through in '62 (2 pages) by Steve Krevisky. Some highlights of the 1962 season.

Walter "Smoke" Justis: Four no-hitters in one season (4 pages) by James P Holl. (In the Ohio State League in 1908.)

Frank Ernaga's auspicious debut (2 pages) by Arthur O. Schott. Gehrig's real "last game" (1 page) by Arthur O. Schott. (June 12, 1939, exhibition against the Kansas City Blues.)

"Little General" ranks high among Cardinals managers (2 pages) by Mike Eisenbath. (Copy of newspaper article about Billy Southworth.)

All-time home runs leaders through 1991 (19 pages) by Steve Nadel.

All-time hits leaders through 1991 (27 pages) by Steve Nadel.

All-time RBI leaders through 1991 (6 pages) by Steve Nadel.

All-time pitching victory leaders through 1991 (19 pages) by Steve Nadel.

All-time strikeout leaders (pitchers) through 1991 (9 pages) by Steve Nadel.

All-time loss leaders (pitchers) through 1991 (14 pages) by Steven Nadel.

Forgotten fields of dreams (3 newspaper pages; charge as for 6) by Ben Smith et al. (Copy of newspaper history of professional baseball in Fort Wayne, Indiana.)

Bill Sisler: A baseball man (17 pages) by Ed Brooks. (Expanded version of BRJ article.)

The 1941 season (5 pages) by Ed "Dutch" Doyle.

The Cobb-Lajoie controversy of 1910 (6 pages) by Ed "Dutch" Doyle.

Remembering Uncle Robbie (1 page) by Jerome Holtzman. (Copy of newspaper article.)

Sy Sutcliffe (1 page) by Court Michelson. (Copy of newspaper article on a 19th-century player.)

Texas Rangers lead majors in Latin talent (3 pages) by Fernando Gonzalez. (Copy of newspaper article.)

Major League Baseball vs. Players Association (20 pages). Copy of 1976 U.S. Court of Appeals ruling upholding arbitrator's ruling in Messersmith-McNally case.

Baltimore Federal League Club vs. National League (5 pages). Copy of 1922 U.S. Court of Appeals ruling in antitrust suit.

In '30s, women got in the game (2 pages) by Barbara Gregorich (copy of article in USA Today Baseball Weekly)

Chet Hoff: The 101-year-old "Boy of Summer." (1 page) by Joanne A. Kash. Copy of newspaper article about the oldest living ex-major leaguer.

All-American Girls Professional Baseball League: Some veterans of the league reminisce (2 pages) by Marc Topkin. (Copy of newspaper article.)

Baseball and the presidents (1 page) by Maryann Hudson. (Copy of newspaper article.)

Sunny Jim Bottomley's big day (6 pages) by David W. Smith.

The SABR Research Library currently contains over 500 articles. An updated index to the Research Library is available for \$2 from **Len Levin** (282 Doyle Avenue, Providence, RI 02906).

RESEARCH NEEDS

Paul Ryberg, 45 Raintree Island #6, Tonawanda NY 14150, is researching the invention of the catcher's mask. If anyone has information or knows of sources regarding the origin of the mask, please contact Paul. Related subjects include 1880's Harvard players Fred Thayer, Harold Ernst, and Jim Tyng.

Daniel Price, 334-22nd Street, Brooklyn NY 11215, is looking for newspaper and magazine articles or any other stories relating to the 1933 triple crown race of Philadelphia—Jimmie Foxx of the A's and Chuck Klein of the Phillies. Any stories concerning this rare baseball happening would be welcome.

Joseph Stone, 30 West 60th Street, New York NY 10023 (212-757-5412) seeks information concerning the baseball career of Adam Stanhope, who played on the Albany team of the International League in the 1880s.

Victor Debs, 175 Lewiston Street, Staten Island NY 10314 (718-761-5701) seeks any and all information regarding the following records: Walter Johnson's 15 K's as a reliever on July 25, 1913; Grover Alexander's four low hitters in 1915; Roger Hornsby's .424 season of 1924; Hack Wilson's 190 RBI season of 1930. Advice as to where to locate information will also be appreciated.

Joseph Gusky, 1036 Naval Avenue, Portsmouth VA 23704, seeks information on the Norfolk Tars of the Piedmont League (Class B) from 1934-1955.

Ed Johnson, 1806 North Calvert Street, Arlington VA 22201, is doing preliminary research for a history of the Washington Senators franchises and post-1971 efforts to return major league baseball to Washington. He would like to determine the status of other Senators' histories in the works and would be interested in collaboration. Articles, documents, photographs, or any other information on the Senators would be welcome.

SABR MONTHLY CASH FLOW STATEMENT - August 1992			
INCOME	August	YTD	Budget
Dues	\$3,860.35	\$86,586.46	\$196,000
SABR Publications	\$2,525.96	\$14,799.88	\$21,000
Non-SABR Publications	\$818.46	\$15,729.35	
Committee Publications	\$155.50	\$5,528.91	
Advertisement	\$430.00	\$5,631.63	\$8,000
Label Lists (net)		\$3,411.97	\$5,000
Research	\$37.00	\$13,856.65	\$11,000
Lending Library	\$40.40	\$650.20	\$1,000
Convention (net)		\$9357.82 *	\$7,500
Donations	\$3.00	\$17,523.00	\$20,000
Interest Earned (net)		\$2,159.68	\$3,500
Miscellaneous	\$43.30	\$605.50	\$3,300
Royalties/Refunds/Postage	\$41.48	\$51.43	
Sales Tax	\$1.82	\$64.07	
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,913.97	\$175,841.05	\$276,300.00
DISBURSEMENTS			
Administrative			
Exec. Dir. Salary	\$2,750.00	\$22,000.00	\$33,000
Administrative Help	\$1,538.46	\$13,076.91	\$20,000
Benefits/Taxes	\$1,089.90	\$5,525.75	\$10,000
(Includes FICA & Workers Comp)			
990 T (Unrelated Income)		\$330.00	
Sales Tax	\$59.73	\$72.81	
Rent	\$308.32	\$2,466.70	\$4,800
Travel/other		\$2775.82 **	\$3,000
Postage	\$970.41	\$6,602.00	\$6,300
Accounting Services		\$1,150.00	\$4,500
Insurance	\$2,764.00	\$2,764.00	\$5,500
Telephone	\$373.68	\$1,764.15	\$4,000
Supplies	\$6.92	\$2,023.23	\$2,000
Equipment	\$221.35	\$674.09	\$5,000
Data Input			\$2,000
Miscellaneous	\$83.95	\$2473.67***	\$2,000
Executive			
Exec. Board	\$2,464.91	\$10,507.31	\$12,000
1991 Exec Board Expenses		\$514.73	
Promotions	\$480.00	\$5,134.55	\$11,500
Research Committees	\$438.21	\$3,760.34	\$7,500
Regional Groups	\$31.39	\$606.74	\$5,000
Presidential Committee	\$374.53	\$1,015.38	\$2,000
Awards (net)		\$633.80	\$1,000
Lending Library		\$120.53	\$600
Miscellaneous			\$2,000
Publications			
Bulletins	\$4,486.46	\$25,526.35	\$32,000
1992 Publications	\$2,786.35	\$36,178.28	\$96,600
1991 Publications	\$12,062.52	\$38,580.22	
Committee Publications		\$5,194.39	
Non-SABR Publications	\$361.40	\$8,529.40	
Reserve Fund			\$4,000
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$33,652.49	\$199,671.15	\$276,300
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$25,738.52)	(\$23,830.10)	\$0.00
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TOTAL CHECKBOOK BALANCE		Rate of Return	
Society National Bank (Checking Acct)	\$11,647.36		
3 month CD - NBD (exp 10/21/92)	\$37,847.40	3.11%	
12 month CD - NBD (exp 01/16/93)	\$25,000.00	3.79%	
PaineWebber-Money Market	\$60,408.55	3.23%	
Petty Cash	\$0.50		
Checks Outstanding	(\$341.15)		
	\$134,562.66		

LATE ADDITIONS

Articles are needed for the 1993 issue of *The National Pastime*. Submissions and/or ideas for articles should be sent to Publications Director **Mark Alvarez**, Box 736, Woodbury, CT 06798.

A Toledo (Ohio) area SABR regional group began activity with an organizational meeting on May 9. Another meeting is tentatively scheduled for October. For more information, contact **Kathy Gardner**, Ohio Baseball Hall of Fame, Lucas County Recreational Center, 2901 Key Street, Maumee, OH 43537.

THE SABR SEASON

- October 4 Boston Braves Chapter meeting
(contact **Mike Keough** 413-238-5862)
- October 4 Wisconsin area organizing meeting
(contact **Cary Kendall** 608-257-2920)
- October 24 Halsey Hall Chapter Fall Regional
(see Minneapolis below)
- October 24 Jack Graney Chapter Fall Regional
(tentative-contact Fred Schuld, 216-467-5268,
or Allen Pfenninger, 216-351-1599)
- November 14 Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting
(Contact **Dick Beverage** 714-524-0939)
- November 28 Nap Lajoie Chapter (Southern New
England) meeting (Contact **Len Levin** 401-
351-3278)

REGIONALS

Minneapolis, Minnesota...The Halsey Hall Chapter Fall Regional meeting will take place Saturday, October 24, 1992, at Mangini's Restaurante, 1177 Clarence Street, Saint Paul. Research presentations will be held, a semi-annual chapter meeting during lunch, and a player panel and baseball lore quiz in the afternoon. Cost of the meeting is \$12.50 and includes lunch. For more information, contact **John Gregory** (612-456-0429) or **Stew Thornley** (612-378-9189).

Nineteen members and friends of the Halsey Hall Chapter took part in the Second Annual Iowa Minor League Road Trip the weekend of August 8th. On Saturday night, the group watched the Kane County Cougars beat the Clinton Giants 6-4 at Riverview Stadium in Clinton. Before the game, the Clinton management treated the members to a tour of the historic ballpark, a WPA project built in the 1930s. George Kampling also gave the group a write up in the *Clinton Herald*. In addition, **Brenda Himrich** won the nightly trivia contest by correctly identifying Bob Feller as the pitcher who struck out 15 batters in his first major league start.

On Sunday, the caravan pulled into Dyersville where they visited the Field of Dreams and took the opportunity to hit some fungoes in the outfield.

Next year the group is planning on going to Davenport to see the Quad City team at O'Donnell Stadium.

Greenville, Rhode Island...Seventy people attended the Southern New England spring regional meeting on May 16, 1992, at St. Philip's Church Hall, Greenville. Featured speakers were author Bill Reynolds on the 1967 Boston Red Sox, and regional historian Ken Reynolds on the Blackstone Valley League. Presentations included: **Steve Krevisky**—Who Won the Seventh Game of the World Series? A Home-Road Breakdown; **Ray Murphy**—Bill Rohr: One-Game Wonder; **Don Skuce**—40 Home Runs Five Years in a Row; **Dick Thompson**—Benjamin Franklin Hunt: The Most Mysterious Player in Red Sox History. **Tom Zocco** won the trivia contest. After the meeting, a number of members attended the game between the Pawtucket Red Sox and the Scranton-Wilkes Barre Red Barons at McCoy Stadium. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, November 28.

POST SEASON BOOK SPECIAL

Major League Baseball's first international World Series is again a real possibility in 1992, thanks to the Blue Jays and Expos. SABR has already celebrated international baseball this year with *The International Pastime*. More great reading material about baseball outside the USA can be found in a special selection of six past SABR publications. *Baseball Research Journal 1977* features "Baseball Latin Style" by Robert Obojski; *BRJ 1978* includes "A Century of Canadian Contributions" by **Jean-Guy Laberge** and **Richard Carletti**; *BRJ 1981* has "Cuba's Black Diamond" (Jose Mendez) by **John Holway**; *Baseball Historical Review* includes "Cristobal Torriente—One Man Team" by **John Holway**. "Dominican Real Fan, Talent Hotbed" by **Rob Ruck** and the "1888-89 World Tour" by **Peter Levine** appear in *BRJ 1984*, and "Chicos and Gringos of Beisbol Venezolana" by **Rob Ruck** is in *BRJ 1986*.

This special package, regularly priced \$37 postpaid, is \$25 postpaid until December 31, 1992. Order from SABR, Post Season Special, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

Copies of *The International Pastime* remain available for \$7.95 plus \$1.50 for shipping and handling (plus \$.50 for each additional book). Members are also encouraged to ask their local book retailers to order copies so that non SABR members can find out what SABR has to offer.

OTHER BOOK OFFERS

SABR members have been offered several baseball publications at special prices this year. The special offer for *Green Cathedrals* (The SABR Bulletin, March 1992, page 3) expires on October 31. Still available are *The Bronx Bombers* and *The Boston Red Sox* from Abbeville Press (The SABR Bulletin, April 1992, page 5), and *Baseball Memories 1900-1909* (The SABR Bulletin, August 1992, page 7).

Available directly from the SABR office:

Minor League History Journal	\$7.50 postpaid
Volume 1, Number 1	
St. Louis' Favorite Sport	\$9.00 postpaid
Pitchin Man (Satchel Paige)	\$9.00 postpaid
House of Magic (Memorial Stadium)	\$11.50 postpaid
The Home Team (Baltimore Orioles)	\$9.00 postpaid

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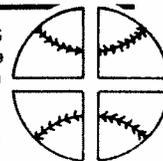
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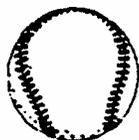
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BASEBALL RESEARCH AWARD HONORS DOCTOR HAROLD SEYMOUR

The Executive Board of the Society for American Baseball Research approved in principle a proposal to create a baseball research award in honor of Dr. Harold Seymour. The proposal was made by Tom Heitz, librarian, National Baseball Library & Archive, at SABR's Fall board meeting on September 26 in Providence, Rhode Island.

The award will recognize outstanding scholarship by historians who contribute original research and writing about the National Pastime. The purpose of the honor is to encourage baseball historians, both professional and amateur, to attain the standards exemplified by the published works of Dr. Seymour.

On November 29, 1971, Seymour was the 76th member to join SABR. His article "Books Before Baseball: A Personal History" was published in the premier edition of *The National Pastime* (1982) and "Baseball's Biographer: Dr. Harold Seymour" by Michael Burke was republished in *The National Pastime* (Number 10, 1990). Dr. Seymour was a winner of the SABR-Macmillan Baseball Research Award for the third volume of his baseball history, *Baseball: The People's Game*.

Seymour's doctoral thesis at Cornell University, accepted in 1956, "The Rise of Major League Baseball to 1890" is available on microfilm from the SABR Lending Library. The thesis was the basis for his first book, *Baseball: The Early Years* (1960). A second volume, *Baseball: The Golden Years* (1971), covers the period 1903 to 1930. The third volume departs from chronological history to examine baseball outside the professional leagues. Seymour was working on a fourth volume and a consultant to the upcoming Ken Burns' film about baseball.

Seymour had close ties to Cleveland, home of SABR's national headquarters. He taught at Fenn College (now Cleveland State University) as assistant professor of history from 1947 to 1950. There he met his wife, Dorothy, who was also his assistant on all three books. From 1951 to 1955 he was assistant vice president of the Cleveland Better Business Bureau.

Seymour's pioneering efforts in the modern study of baseball history epitomized SABR's goals before its formation in 1971, during his 20 years as a SABR member, and will continue to inspire fulfillment of those goals. Seymour passed away September 26 at McKerley Health Care Center, a nursing home in Keene, New Hampshire. He was 82. No services were held, and Mrs. Dorothy Seymour requests contributions to the Alzheimer's Disease Division of Monadnock Family Services of Keene, 331 Main Street, Keene, NH 03431.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR, SABR 23 DATES SET!

The final weekend in June 1993 has been chosen as the dates for the 23rd annual SABR National Convention. The convention will take place at the Town and Country Hotel in San Diego, California. Room rates will be \$70.85 (tax included) per night, up to four individuals per room, and free parking. Watch *The SABR Bulletin* for details.

SECOND CALL FOR SABR 23 PRESENTATIONS

If you wish to make a research presentation at the 1993 SABR National Convention in San Diego, send a SASE for instructions to:

Bob Boynton
376 Bellaire Street
Del Mar CA 92014

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL STARS, VOLUME III TEAMED WITH RENEWAL NOTICE

Minor League Baseball Stars, Volume III was ready for mailing from Birmingham, Alabama, at press time. This is the third publication as part of 1992 SABR membership. The final 1992 publication will be *Baseball Research Journal* #21.

Inside *Minor League Baseball Stars, Volume III*, will be your 1993 SABR membership renewal form. We promise no increases in dues and a full year of baseball enjoyment—but only if you renew.

SABR advocates three-year terms and family values with two new membership categories. See your renewal form for details.

CRUISE THE CARIBBEAN, BENEFIT SABR

In a sample survey of 100 SABR members, 35% showed interest in a March 1993 Caribbean cruise. As a membership benefit, SABR and Cruise and Tour have made this vacation available to all SABR members and their family and friends.

You will receive a mailing announcing a 1993 SABR Cruise. It's being offered as a fundraiser for SABR at no financial risk to the society. This fundraiser can be an enjoyable family vacation and additional financial support for SABR's objectives.

If you have any questions about this fundraiser or have suggestions for other fundraisers, please call the SABR office.

SABR BOARD MEETS IN PROVIDENCE

The SABR Executive Board met September 25-27, 1992 in Providence, Rhode Island. Among the business carried out was the approval of the 1993 SABR budget (see page nine) and several proposals, including a SABR cruise, a second volume of *Minor League History Journal* (see page 8) and a new award honoring Dr. Harold Seymour. A summary of the meeting will appear in the next issue of *The SABR Bulletin*.

BOOKSHELF

SPORTS IN CLEVELAND: An Illustrated History by John J. Grabowski is a pictorial overview of all sports in Cleveland from 1796 to present. It includes more than 50 baseball photos, some never before published. Professional and amateur baseball is covered as part of the overall local sports history in sections covering 1796-1865, 1860-1920, 1920-1945, and 1946-1990. The 176-page book includes 153 black & white photos and an index. It is available for \$14.95 paper, \$29.95 cloth and can be ordered by credit card from Indiana University Press, 1-800-842-6796.

The Field of Dreams Official Souvenir Magazine, published by Low and Inside, includes articles on Moonlight Graham, W.P. Kinsella, and "The Field" at Dyersville, Iowa. See the classified ad on page twelve.

BASEBALL QUARTERLY REVIEWS VOLUME 7, NUMBER 3 is now available. Articles include "Ty Cobb vs. Walter Johnson" by **Steven H. Heath**, "Big Winners vs. Big Winners" by **Herman Krabbenhoft**, "Triple Plays at Crosley/Redland Field" by **Thomas R. Davis** and **James Smith**, and "Shibe Park Triple Plays" by Smith and Krabbenhoft. See the ad on page 10 for more details.

The Left Field Baseball Book edited by **Steve Krevisky** with assistance from Steve Holtje and **Lary Bump** features 156 pages of team previews, predictions, poetry, the 1991 Hubie Awards, and articles on topics from **Ernie Harwell** to the best would-have-beens of all time. To order, send \$10 to The Left Field Baseball Book, 1189 Washington Street, Apt E15W, Middletown CT 06457.

NEWSLETTERS

As a service to members, *The SABR Bulletin* will occasionally note various newsletters. If you are publishing a newsletter or if you know of one that would interest SABR members, please forward a copy to the SABR office.

Baseball's Active Leaders edited by **Dan Heisman** lists the active hitting and pitching leaders, all-time leaders, and leaders since 1960, 1970, and 1980. For details write to Dan Heisman, 1263 Paso Fino Drive, Warrington PA 18976.

The Baseball Forecaster is published monthly by Shandler Enterprises Co., P.O. Box 1001, Merrimack NH 03054, (603-424-1669). See the ad on page 10.

The FANTasy obSERVER will return for the 1993 season with 17 issues for \$27.95. Write to Baseball, P.O. Box 1158, Norton OH 44203.

Milestones and Memories edited by **Jim Fredlund** is an informal forum to facilitate the dissemination of baseball research information such as unique lists, facts, and figures. For more details, write to P.O. Box 679, Jessup MD 20794.

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THE PRES BOX

When Harold Seymour died on September 26, he left us a rich legacy. Dr. Seymour was the first to combine academic history credentials with baseball research, clearing the path for other baseball historians. His dissertation, "The Rise of Major League Baseball to 1890," was the first study of baseball to be accepted as doctoral work when it was approved at Cornell University. Dr. Seymour received the PhD in history from Cornell in 1956.

The dissertation was the basis of Dr. Seymour's well known and respected triptych – *Baseball: The Early Years*, *Baseball: The Golden Years*, and *Baseball: The People's Game*. He and his wife, Dorothy Z. Seymour, a writer and editor who worked with him on his books, were preparing a fourth volume as the time of Dr. Seymour's death.

Dr. Seymour was a SABR member, and he participated in the network of baseball researchers that the Society makes possible. At the most recent board meeting we discussed this and other services for members. SABR spends 66% of revenues derived from membership dues on direct member services, bulletins, publications, regionals, and research committees. The 66% does not include salaries or office operating expenses, indicating that members get a lot for their money.

What services are provided to SABR members? In addition to publications and the monthly bulletin, members are eligible to participate in committees which research specialized aspects of the National Pastime. Some of the committees (Ball Parks, Bibliography, Biographical, Minor Leagues, Negro Leagues, Nineteenth Century, Records, Statistical Analysis, Umpire and Rules) produce their own interesting and useful newsletters.

The Lending Library, managed by Mike Sparrow in Cleveland, and the Research Papers Collection, managed by Len Levin in Providence, are sources for little-known, hard-to-find, and unpublished baseball research. Research Papers are made available for a small fee. (Harold Seymour used to send his stamped, self-addressed envelope to the office to receive a copy of a paper, just as Harold Dellinger does).

Other services include the annual convention and support for regional meetings, occasional special book prices, promotions, excursions, membership lapel pins, and more. SABR wants to use your money for your benefit. Contact Morris at the SABR office and let your wishes be known.

W. Lloyd Johnson

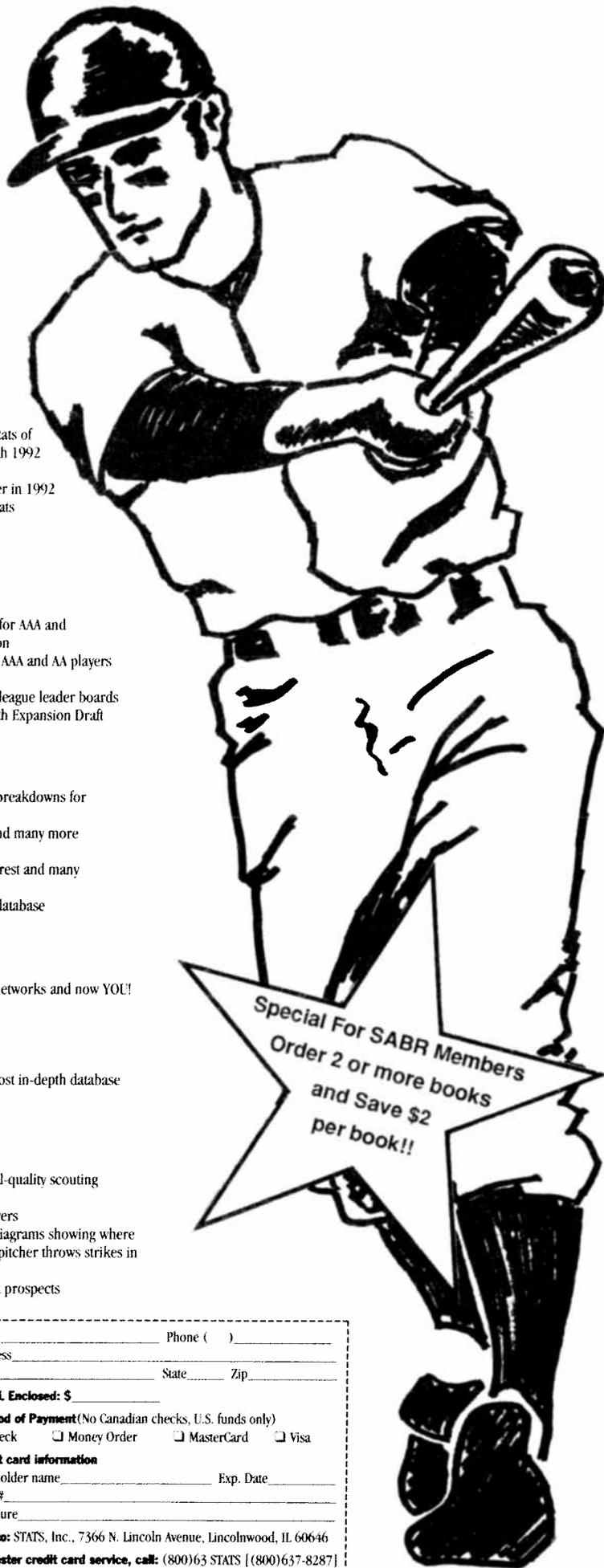
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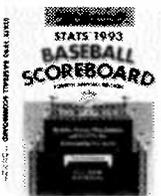
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PENNANTS AND POLITICS

The Yankees, Dodgers and Cardinals all have long and exciting histories in the World Series. Unfortunately, this year they'll be seeing the Series from the comfort of their living rooms. But maybe they can get a jump on the rest of the country by preparing for the other fall classic: November's presidential election.

Like the rest of us, major league players consider a number of factors when choosing a presidential candidate. Some may vote for the candidate who will best protect the investments they hope to live on during their retirements. Others might look for a candidate who will help improve their local communities. Players with a lot of time on the disabled list might even pick a candidate based on his health care plan. But big league players have one reason to pick a candidate that most other people never think of: the party that wins the White House could have a big impact on their chances of winning the World Series.

An analysis of the World Series records of those teams with the most appearances shows that for most of them, there is a big difference in Series success depending on whether the President was a Democrat or Republican.

Let's start with the Bronx Bombers. The Yankees have been in the most Series (33) and, of those teams with at least nine series appearances, they have had the most success (22 wins, 11 losses, 67% winning percentage). Yet, if you break that total down by which party occupied the White House at the time, you find out the real reason why New York is a Democratic city. The Yanks have an incredible 15-3 record during Democratic administrations (an 83% winning percentage), while actually recording a losing record under Republicans (7 wins, 8 losses, 47%). In fact, their 12 more wins than losses under Democrats accounts for most of the difference between the series records of the two major leagues (AL=51 wins, NL=37 wins).

Over in the National League, the Cardinals have a similar circumstance. St. Louis has more Series wins than any other NL team (nine). But, like the Yankees, most of the Cards' World Series success has come under Democratic Presidents (6-2, 75%), while they have suffered a losing percentage under Republicans (3-4, 43%).

On the other hand, two franchises that have played Series in more than one city have both had more success under Republican presidents. In the National League, the Brooklyn/Los Angeles Dodgers have an overall losing record in series play (6-12, 33%). They have a winning record under Republicans (4-3, 57%), but it is overshadowed by their lack of success under Democrats (2-9, 18%). In the American League, the Philadelphia/Oakland Athletics have an overall winning record in fall classic play (9-5, 64%), most of which came under Republican presidents (8-4, 67%).

At least the A's have managed a .500 mark (1-1) under Democrats. Of those teams with at least nine series appearances, the team with the worst record under one party is the Cubs. If Wrigley fans don't like to remember the team's 2-4 series record under Republicans, imagine how they deal with a 0-4 record under Democrats. (Maybe that's why SABR member and Cubs fan George Will tends to prefer the GOP.)

You may not get to see Brett Butler, Ozzie Smith, and Danny Tartabull taking cuts at opposing pitchers in mid-October, but you may see them "pinch hitting" for the presidential candidates at campaign rallies. Who knows? Some guys will do anything to improve their chances of winning it all!

submitted by **Jim Sweetman**, Arlington VA

MAJOR LEAGUE PLAYERS WITH PRESIDENTIAL NAMES

1.	Washington	6
2/6.	Adams	24
3.	Jefferson	3
4.	Madison	3
5.	Monroe	5
7.	Jackson	26
8.	Van Buren	1
9/23.	Harrison	6
10.	Tyler	3
11.	Polk	0
12.	Taylor	24
13.	Filmore	0
14.	Pierce	6
15.	Buchanan	2
16.	Lincoln	1
17/36.	Johnson	79
18.	Grant	7
19.	Hayes	9
20.	Garfield	1
21.	Arthur	0
22/24.	Cleveland	2
25.	McKinley	0
26/32.	Roosevelt	0
27.	Taft	0
28.	Wilson	53
29.	Harding	2
30.	Coolidge	0
31.	Hoover	5
33.	Truman	0
34.	Eisenhower	0
35.	Kennedy	17
37.	Nixon	5
38.	Ford	12
39.	Carter	11
40.	Reagan	0
41.	Bush	4

submitted by **Brad Sullivan**, Cleveland OH

sources: *Total Baseball*, *USA Today Baseball Weekly*,
The Sporting News Baseball Guide 1992

LATE ADDITIONS

SABR members will gather with the Colorado Rockies for an expansion draft party November 17, at Currigan Hall in Denver. For information call **Chip Atkison** at 303-797-8095 (home).

Former Red Sox manager Joe Morgan and former All American Girls Professional Baseball League player Wilma Briggs will be featured guests at the Nap Lajoie Chapter (Southern New England) meeting on November 28. Contact **Len Levin** for more information.

The North East New York Chapter is planning a regional in Albany for mid-November. Contact **David Pietruzsa** (518-374-8894) for details.

RESEARCH EXCHANGE

The "Marquee Matchups of Nolan Ryan — His Head-to-Head Diamond Confrontations With Hall of Fame Hurlers and 300-Game Winners" is available from **Herman Krabbenhoft** for a SASE.

Ed Nixon offers his services to all interested SABR members who seek help with their research needs. Contact Ed at 1-800-422-5596 or 820 E. Cady Road, Unit 304, Everett WA 98203.

NINE: A Journal of Baseball History and Social Policy Perspectives, Volume 1, Number 1 can be borrowed from the SABR Lending Library. Regular lending rates apply. Contact **Mike Sparrow**, SABR Lending Library, P.O. Box 93183, Cleveland OH 44101.

RESEARCH NEEDS

New member **Leon Battista** is writing his dissertation in economics on salaries and unionization in Major League Baseball. He seeks copies of the Basic Agreement between Clubs and Unions covering 1985 to 1989 and copies of any pension plans covering the period 1957-1990. Contact Leon at P.O. Box 8175, Bridgeport CT 06605 (203-368-4727).

Peter Greenhill, 12760 NE 10th Place, #F-102, Bellevue, WA 98005 (206-455-4039) seeks photos of action from the 1968 World Series or portrait-type photos of players involved in that Series.

Charles Brereton, P.O. Box 307, Concord NH 03302 (603-225-6307) is looking for the 1984, 1985, and 1986 Great Minor League Baseball Parks calendars.

Herve Lapeyre, 44 Rue du Franc Palais, 37300 Joue les Tours, FRANCE (telephone 47534816) is working on a history of baseball in Europe. He seeks articles, documents, and photographs on baseball in France and Europe during and after the two World Wars.

Stanley Grosshandler M.D., 4905 Richland Drive, Raleigh NC 27612, notes that the 1991-1992 issue of the Directory lists 107 physician members of SABR. He would be interested to know if any have published articles on both baseball and medicine in national publications as he and **Steve Boren** have.

Fredric M. London, 3716 South Country Club Way, Tempe AZ 85282, requests any biographical information on players in the Western League (1894-1899) and its successor, the American League (1900).

Charlie Sacheli, c/o Card Collectors Closet, 1365 Main Street, Springfield MA 01103 (413-732-1200), requests lefty/righty batting and pitching records for the 1899 Cleveland Spiders and 1885 Chicago White Stockings.

Robert W. Shoemaker, III 28 Paddock Way, Sudbury MA 01776, requests information on a special "Cy Young Day" exhibition game played in Dover, Ohio, on September 28, 1933

between the Cleveland Indians and the Tuscarawas County All-Stars in which both Young and Walter Johnson pitched. Local newspaper reports and box scores have already been obtained, but big city newspaper reports, photographs, or eye-witness accounts would be greatly appreciated.

Mike San Clemente, 47 Walker St., Somerville MA 02144 (617-628-5752) seeks information on women's leagues such as the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. He specifically seeks individual player statistics and league leaders.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Research Needs Section of the bulletin is a service designed to allow members to tap into the research expertise of the membership. To best allow other members to help, please define the research project when submitting your research need.

OVERPAYMENT OF 1992 DUES

The members indicated below by membership number have paid their 1992 dues twice. If one of the numbers below corresponds with your ID number, printed on the mailing label of this bulletin, please contact the SABR office and indicate one of the following preferences:

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- 3) Credit toward gift membership.
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CORRECTIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Cappy Gagnon's correct address is 3321 41st Way SE, Olympia WA 98501-6222

THE SABR SEASON

- November 14Allan Roth Chapter (Los Angeles) meeting
(Contact **Dick Beverage** 714-524-0939)
- November 14Jack Graney Chapter (Northeast Ohio)
meeting (See below)
- November 19Hall-Ruggles Chapter (Dallas-Ft Worth)
meeting (See below)
- November 28Nap Lajoie Chapter (Southern New England)
meeting (Contact **Len Levin** 401-351-3278)
- December 5Forbes Field (Pittsburgh) Chapter Meeting
(Contact **Ed Luteran** 412-443-0231)
- December 5Kentucky area regional meeting (See below)
- January 23, 1993 ...Ted Williams Chapter (San Diego) Meeting
contact **Bob Boynton** (619-481-0263) or **Joe Naiman** (619-390-2975)

REGIONALS

Denver, Colorado...Twenty members attended the meeting on September 12. They were treated to Byron Johnson's tales of his days with the Kansas City Monarchs and Satchel Paige's All-Stars. Johnson, who was accompanied by his wife Christine, graciously answered questions for more than an hour. **Marshall Fogel** presented research on bats. He is writing a book on the subject. **Stan Tyler** edged **Leo Hirsch** in the trivia finals. A committee was formed to plan the next meeting and to create a regional structure. Tyler heads the committee, which also has **Chip Atkison**, **Bill Hirsch**, **Kurt Ohlen**, and **Mark Rucker**.

Baltimore, Maryland....68 members and 20 non members attended the Bob Davids Chapter regional meeting on September 12 at Camden Yards. The group took a tour of the ballpark, including the press box and scoreboard control room. Speakers at the meeting included *USA Today Baseball Weekly* editor Paul White, **Hank Thomas** (grandson of Walter Johnson), **Jim Fredlund**, **Roger Godin**, **Dean Sullivan**, **Norman Macht**, **Ron Menchine**, and SABR founder **Bob Davids**. **Greg Schwalenberg**, curator of the Babe Ruth Museum, displayed a photograph of Ruth and Johnson during a 1942 exhibition at Yankee Stadium. All attendees were presented discount coupons to the Museum. Also in attendance was **Jeannette Smoot**, daughter of major leaguer Homer Smoot.

Minneapolis, Minnesota...A spirited softball game matching **Stew Thornley's** Highlanders against **Jim Wyman's** Pilgrims capped the first annual Halsey Hall SABR Chapter's "Family Day" September 12 at Van Cleave Park, Minneapolis.

Wyman's warriors, led by **Alan "The Horse" Holst**, **John "Stretch" Gregory**, and **Nancy "Long Ball" Leachman** edged Thornley's terrors, 14-13, despite lusty hitting from "**Larrupin Lou**" **Luloff** and **Brenda "The Basher" Himrich**.

Plans are to make Family Day an annual Halsey Hall Chapter event.

Arlington, Texas...Rangers President Tom Schieffer addressed 110 Hall-Ruggles Chapter members at the Arlington Stadium Club on the subject of the new ballpark under construction on September 21. Other guests included Bobby Bragan, author, player, manager, executive; and John "Red" Murff, player, scout.

The all-time Rangers team chosen by the Hall-Ruggles chapter includes: first baseman: Mike Hargrove/Rafael Palmeiro (tie); second baseman Julio Franco; shortstop Toby Harrah; third baseman Buddy Bell; infielder Steve Buechele; outfielders Ruben Sierra, Jeff Burroughs, Mickey Rivers, Al Oliver; designated hitter Larry Parrish; catcher Jim Sundberg; starting pitchers **Ferguson Jenkins**, Charlie Hough, Nolan Ryan, Gaylord Perry; relief pitcher Jim Kern; manager Bobby Valentine.

The Hall-Ruggles Chapter will meet on November 19 at the Arlington Stadium Stadium Club at 7 pm. The subject: Ramifications of the Expansion Draft. Contact **Howard Green** (817-535-0058) for details.

Seattle, Washington...The NWSABR chapter met in August and listened to **Jerry Cohen** speak on the fun and frustration of uniform authentication. **Paul Andresen** demonstrated that some of the smaller baseball markets draw fans in disproportionately greater numbers than many of the larger coastal markets. Afterward the group saw the Rangers defeat the Mariners at the Kingdome.

Arizona...Seven area members attended a planning meeting on September 27. Tentative plans call for a "Cactus League SABR" meeting in the next two months, probably in Scottsdale. For more information, contact **Bill Suphan** (602-996-7605).

Greensboro, North Carolina...A regional meeting in the area is being planned. Please contact **Francis Kinlaw**, 603 Shawnee Road, Greensboro NC 27403 (919-294-6926) for details.

Louisville, Kentucky...A Kentucky area regional will take place at the Faculty Club at the University of Louisville. **Gene Baker**, coach at University of Louisville, is a featured guest. Contact **Bob Bailey** at 502-228-5269, evenings and weekends or at 502-580-1816 weekdays, or **Barbara Oremland** at 502-426-5619.

Cleveland, Ohio...The Jack Graney (Northeast Ohio) Chapter of SABR will conduct its version of the 1992 National League expansion draft, three days before the real thing, on Saturday, November 14 at Cleveland State University, Main Classroom #436, from 11 am to 5:30 pm. The meeting will also feature research presentations, a trivia quiz and book raffle, and, time permitting, viewing of "When It Was A Game II." To register for the meeting, call Commissioner (and Jack Graney Chapter President) **Allen Pfenninger** at 216-351-1599 or **Fred Schuld** at 216-467-5238. All registration will be done by phone. A \$5 registration fee will be collected at the door. Refreshments will include pizza, soda and snacks. Please register no later than Wednesday, November 11.

For late regional information, see page 4.

MILE HIGH ATTENDANCE

With Denver becoming a major league city in 1993, the all-time minor league, single game attendance mark should be safe until Buffalo expands its stadium.

Top 10 Single Game Attendance in Minor League History

Attendance	Date	City
1. 65,666	July 3, 1982	Denver
2. 59,961	July 2, 1981	Denver
3. 59,781	July 2, 1983	Denver
4. 58,980	July 2, 1980	Denver
5. 57,713	August 7, 1956	Columbus at Miami in Orange Bowl (Satchel Paige started the game.)
6. 56,391	April 17, 1941 (Opening Day)	Jersey City
7. 53,578	April 11, 1950 (Cotton Bowl)	Tulsa at Dallas
8. 53,213	August 10, 1991	Omaha at Denver
9. 52,880	October 9, 1944 (Little World Series Game)	Louisville at Baltimore
10. 52,645	July 4, 1985	Denver

submitted by **Wayne McCombs**, Claremore OK

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Bob Tiemann, Jim Riley, Herm Krabbenhoft, Bob Klein, Rick Salamon, Erv Fischer, Ralph Horton, and Bob Broeg were noted in a review of the 1992 SABR convention written by **Rick Hines** which appeared in *Sports Collectors Digest* July 31...**John Spalding's** book *Always on Sunday* was reviewed in the August 15 edition of the *San Francisco Examiner*...California League Statistician **Bill Weiss** has announced that Bakersfield's **Al Bonowitz** is the California League's 1992 Official Scorer of the Year. Weiss says "His work is superlative and his game reports are the most accurate in the league." (Editor's note: Al was an intern in the SABR office in 1991. We taught him everything he knows)...**Frank Williams** was credited in the August 19-25 edition of *USA Today Baseball Weekly* for research indicating Tom Glavine's 12-game winning streak set, not tied, a Braves franchise record...the latest offerings from **Bill Goff Inc.** are a 1993 Ballpark Calendar and "Classic Chavez Clout," an offset lithograph by Bill Purdom. For details, call 1-800-321-GOFF...SABR was cited in the September edition of *Major League Baseball Newsletter* and the August 26 issue of *Baseball News*, the former noting **Bob Tiemann's** research on the longest road trips ever and the later recognizing publication of *Minor League History Journal, Volume 1, Number 1*

NEWSLETTERS, continued from page 2

The Flatbush Faithful: An Encyclopedia of Baseball Memories from the Fabulous Fifties edited by **Norman Kurland** is a monthly newsletter focusing on the three New York teams. An annual subscriptions are \$17.95 per year. The address is The Flatbush Faithful, c/o N.E. Kurland, 47 Gaby Court, Richmond Hill, Ont L4C 8X1.

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UNUSUAL SCORES

This year in the American League two games ended with unusual scores. On August 4 the White Sox beat the Twins 19-11. There hadn't been a game of that score in the major leagues since August 15, 1922, and it was only the third 19-11 game in this century. On August 28 the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Toronto Blue Jays by a score of 22-2. That score has been reached four times in this century, and this was the first time since June 1, 1957.

- submitted by **Larry Epke** from the research of **Enrico Federighi**. Larry notes that Enrico's database of high scoring games (10 or more runs by one team) goes back to the National Association and is a terrific resource.

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A second volume of *Minor League History Journal* is in production. Contents will feature the Cheyenne Indians of 1941, pictorials of the old Southern Association and players from the California Baseball League (1880s to 1915), biographical sketches of Bill Kennedy and Tony Freitas, unsuccessful minor leagues, and highlights of the 1992 minor league season.

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Sports Daily, *Bill Mazerowski's Baseball Annual*, *Street and Smith's Baseball Annual*, *The Sporting News Baseball Annual*, *Baseball Weekly*, *Baseball America*, *Sport*, *Elysian Fields Quarterly* (formerly *Minneapolis Review of Baseball*), *Sports Collectors Digest*. If you would like to help, contact **Ted Hathaway**, 5645 South Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis MN 55419 (612-869-1420 home, 612-372-6642 work). Note: A definite time commitment for this project is required, so please volunteer only if you are willing and able to make such a commitment.

NINETEENTH CENTURY

The latest issue of Nineteenth Century Notes (July 1992), compiled by committee chairman **Frederick Ivor-Campbell** contains articles on the Troy-Worcester recreation games, the National Association Box Score Project, and a list of recent articles related to the committee topic. Special features include an extensive bibliography entitled "The Nineteenth Century Baseball Researcher's Library," a review of *Blackguards and Red Stockings: A History of Baseball's National Association, 1871-1875* and part two (1885-1900) of "Major Leaguers Who Attended College," compiled by **Cappy Gagnon**.

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BIOGRAPHICAL

From the committee's September 1992 newsletter, edited by **Bill Carle**: Did you ever see something in the encyclopedia that just bothered you for some reason? I have always felt that way about Charles F. Householder and Charles W. Householder. Both were born in 1856 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. We list Charles W. with a death date of December 26, 1908, in Harrisburg. We do not list a death for Charles F.

In *Sporting Life* of January 2, 1909, Charles C. Householder is given an obituary, in which it is mentioned that he died in Harrisburg December 26 at the age of 52 and that he pitched in Chicago, Springfield, and Providence. However, Charles F. Householder is the one that played in Chicago. Lee Allen listed Charles F. Householder as dying October 10, 1884, when he fell off a roof (I guess he didn't hold on to the house very well). Somewhere along the way, this death disappeared from the books and I don't know why. Can anybody sort out who's who and which Charles Householder did what and died when? Meanwhile, we'll all hope and pray that Charles C. Householder is not a third player.

The six page newsletter also includes a bio on Bertram Elmer "Bert" Daniels by **Cappy Gagnon** and is available from the SABR office for \$2.

COLLEGIATE

The Collegiate Committee was reestablished by the SABR Executive Board September 27. **John Mocek**, baseball coach at the University of Texas-Arlington, has been named as chair. The committee will deal with all aspects of intercollegiate baseball and plans include a quarterly newsletter. A publication celebrating the 50th anniversary of the College World Series (1996) is proposed. Contact John at 3509 Cotillion Court, Arlington TX 76017.

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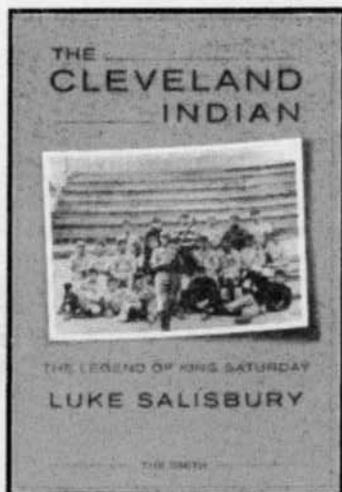
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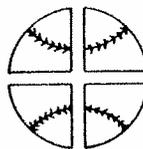
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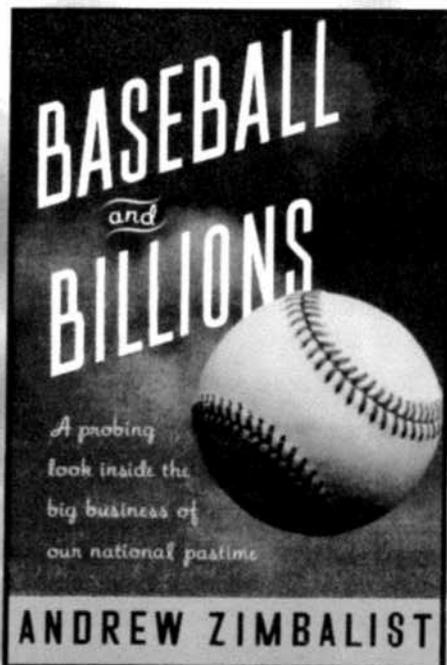
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BOSTON BRAVES CHAPTER WINS OPENER

SABR's new concept in research focus, the Boston Braves Chapter, met on October 4, literally on the site vacated by the Braves when the franchise was shifted to Milwaukee in 1953. Approximately 150 enthusiasts, most of whom had memories of Braves Field and its team, packed a large lecture hall on the campus of Boston University. From the windows the football stadium of the B.U. Terriers could be seen. Where fans once sat on splintered wooden seats in the renowned "Jury Box", today rows of shining steel seats are filled only for a handful of Saturday afternoon football games.

Mike Keough was the moving force who brought the Chapter and its inaugural event to present day reality. Overheard remarks by visitors to the Baseball Hall of Fame tipped Mike that the Boston Braves had lapsed from the memory of fans and generations were growing up identifying Boston only with "the other team."

With assistance from **Mort Bloomberg**, who opened the meeting and then wisely let momentum carry it from there, Ted Ayres, **Rick Benner** and **Bill Nicholson**, the Chapter brought back nine past Braves players. The starting lineup for Opening Day included: Sibby Sisti, Sam Jethroe, Ralph McLeod, Chet Nichols, Johnny Logan, Ed Wright, Elbie Fletcher and Art Johnson. Joe Morgan, excused by fate from having to manage Boston's "Other Team" this past mournful season, had been a Braves farmhand and broke into the majors with the Braves in Milwaukee.

The player's panel was augmented by **Roland Hemond**, GM of the Baltimore Orioles, who started his career in baseball administration with the Braves; former batboys Tommy Ferguson, now a California scout for the Phillies and Charlie Chronopoulos; and former publicist Billy Sullivan (also former owner of the New England Patriots). In the audience were the widow of Braves outfielder Gene Moore, and Bob Fuchs, the son of former Braves owner Judge Emil Fuchs.

Presentations were made by Saul Wisnia whose book, *From Yawkey To Milwaukee*, will review the demise of Boston as a two-team major league city from 1933-1952, and **Phil Bergen** who provided a rueful reminiscence of the 1935 Braves. Not even the mists of nostalgia can conceal the ineptness of a team that finished 38-115, not only 61.5 games out of first place but 26 games behind the seventh place club. **Bob Bluthardt**, chairman of SABR's Ballparks Committee, delivered a slide presentation of Braves Field and earlier parks Boston's National League teams had played.

The player's panel was mostly self-conducted as former players alternated at the podium. They were urged by old teammates to tell anecdotes from the past. Former roommates Logan and Sisti renewed a bantering exchange. Logan's objections to Sisti's fondness for Italian stogies still smoldered forty years later. Dozens of baseball stories were swapped and thousands remain untold. They only wait for the occasion of the next meeting of the Boston Braves Chapter. Although the Boston Braves Chapter's supporters will largely be SABR members living in the Boston area, all SABR members and fans of the former franchise are welcome. The Chapter promises newsletters and special publications. Contact Mike Keough, P.O. Box 526, Worthington MA 01098. (Submitted by **Jack Kavanagh**)

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LONDON TO HOLD REGIONAL MEETING

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(submitted by **Bob Carr**)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

The next meeting of the SABR Executive Board will take place in the Arlington, Texas area in January 1993. For more details, please contact the SABR office.

Pre-registration for the 1993 SABR Cruise ended on November 25, but you can still register for the trip to the Caribbean at regular rates. Call Cruise and Tour at 1-800-383-3131 to make arrangements.

THE PRES BOX

The off season. Winter meetings, instructional leagues, hot stove leagues. A time to rebuild and prepare, reorganize, take care of contract negotiations.

Contemporary baseball team owners, player agents and contract negotiators seem to have overlooked the admonitions of Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis against incentive clauses. Judge Landis thought such clauses would lead to abuse by both players and management. Those thoughts were echoed by Frank White when he said, "Why would a player lay down a sacrifice bunt when he is paid by the base hit?" Not counting some questionable year-end antics, there has not yet been a blatant contract fraud situation among the players and owners of today. However, that was not always the case.

When Judge Landis stepped into the Comissionership in 1920, one of the first problems he had to deal with was the charge from journalists that White Sox pitcher Eddie Cicotte has been cheated by owner Charles Comiskey. Cicotte's 1919 contract had an incentive clause for 30 wins. Comiskey sat him down to "rest" during the 1919 pennant drive, making the race much closer than it should have been. Cicotte finished with 29 wins. Comiskey saved a thousand bucks. Was it a savvy managerial move? Or genuine concern about the pitcher's physical condition? Would he still have done it if the pennant had been at stake?

More serious was the propensity of teams in the pennant race to reward second division squads for "bearing down" against their rivals. Harry Coveleski - not Fred Merkle - was the reason John McGraw lost the 1908 pennant. Coveleski and the Phillies beat the Giants three times in the last two weeks of the season. The moniker "Harry the Giant Killer" was bestowed upon the elder of the famed Coveleski brothers. Suits of new clothes and diamond stick pins were customary rewards given for winning or losing, as required. The whole idea of incentives implies that the player has control over his success or failure. We fans know that to be untrue.

W. Lloyd Johnson

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

John Evers, a relative of Johnny Evers, was featured in a Schenectady (NY) Gazette article recently regarding his possession of the "Merkle ball"...art work by **Mike Schacht** and others will be displayed at Maxwell Davidson Gallery November 24-December 23. "Eternal Spring: America's Love Affair With Baseball" will also feature uniforms, bats, gloves and other memorabilia carefully selected for content and emotional appeal. Call 212-925-5300 for more details...**Gerry Beirne's** list of "How World Series Have Ended, 1903-1991" appeared in various newspapers, including *The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer*. Gerry listed these endings: 35 fly outs, 31 ground outs, 13 strikeouts, 6 hits, 1 wild pitch, 1 sacrifice fly, and 1 caught stealing...**Dan Schlossberg** will host a Baseball Legends Cruise featuring Bob Feller, Enos Slaughter, and Roy McMillan from St. Louis to Cincinnati beginning August 26. SABR members will receive a \$50 discount from the package price which begins at \$1376 per person. Contact Organizers, Etc. at 800-283-2754 for more details...**Marty Adler**, Director, Brooklyn Dodger Hall of Fame, announces that a portion of sales from The Ebbets Field Medallion, created by The Reserve Mint, will benefit the Hall of Fame. For additional information, contact The Reserve Mint, 955 Dairy Ashford, Suite 212, Houston, Texas 77079...**O.K. Davis**, sports editor of *The Ruston (Louisiana) Daily Leader* wrote numerous articles on pitcher Atley Donald, including his recent obituary for Associated Press. Davis writes that Donald, who set a major league record in 1939 for most consecutive wins by a rookie (12) and spent eight years with the Yankees (1939-46) was nicknamed "Swampy" because he was from "the swamp country"...**David Pietrusza** umpired an 1892 style Baseball game at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York on September 16. Uniforms, equipment and rules of the era were used to commemorate the centennial of Ithaca College. **Neil Massa** of the Ithaca College faculty was a member of the event's planning committee. The game was covered by the *Ithaca Journal* and by campus media. Pietrusza's article on the Boston Braves ran in the September 29, 1992 issue of *Baseball Weekly*.

OBITUARIES

Robert Dews, 77, of Edison, Georgia, died September 23, 1992, of Alzheimer's disease. A SABR member since 1978, Dews wrote two books on baseball, *Extra Innings: The Georgia-Florida League 1935-1958* and *Southeast Organized Baseball*. He played minor league baseball for the Atlanta Crackers and other minor league clubs, finishing with a lifetime .291 average. His many survivors include his wife, Margery Phillips Dews and son Robert W. "Bobby" Dews.

Harry G Shepherd, Jr., 68, of Los Angeles, California, died August 2, 1992. A SABR member since 1985, Shepherd was also a member of the Pacific Coast League Historical Society and the Browns Fan Club. He kept the scorecards from every game he scored, including Dodger games for the Jackson Research, old PCL games, and Armed Forces Radio games. He is survived by his sons, **Robert Shepherd** and **Jon Shepard**.

Allan H. Eber, 76, of San Francisco, California, passed away in late summer. A SABR member since 1985, Eber was interested in ballparks and the minor leagues.

Every SABR member most likely has one or more special memories of Red Barber. The Hall of Fame play-by-play announcer, who died on October 22, was a SABR member in 1983.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Just a quick note to point out the error in Peter Bjarkman's fascinating article on pre-Robinson Cuban Blacks in TNP #12: the first Afro-American to play for the Reds was Charles Byron "Chuck" Harmon in 1954, not "Tom Harmon" in "1960, a full decade and a half" after the events of the mid-'40s. The '60 Reds, of course, featured Frank Robinson, Pinson, and about 10 other Blacks. Since I've never done any research of my own and I assume it's fairly easy to make a slip, I was all set to be annoyed at the Editor rather than Mr. Bjarkman until I noticed that he was the Editor too.

I must point out that there does seem to be a bit of a slippage lately in terms of accuracy, going back to the picture caption problems in TNP #9 that other members wrote to you about. Would it break the bank to have more fact-checkers? Why not FedEx a set of final proofs to a few members before printing (I volunteer); we could Fax back any obvious errors. Maybe you guys are too close to the forest to see the trees, as they say.

Please view this as constructive criticism. I've enjoyed all the SABR publications for many years. But I think we could do better.

Dave Ryba, Philadelphia, PA

I am a SABR member, and enjoy your publication-and hope to attend next year's convention. I enjoyed your recent "(Inter)national Pastime" edition. I was dismayed to find just passing mention of one nation, in which professional baseball is growing-and that is Australia! I am a minority owner in the Sydney "Blues" of the Australian Baseball League.

While I am not involved in the operations side of things, I have taken an active interest in our club. It is an exciting venture-reminding me of the 1890's and the growth of US ball, in many ways. It is different. There is a heavy reliance on corporate support. In fact, for promotional purposes, the league is the "Pepsi Australian Baseball League" (very similar to what Safeway wanted to do in the Arizona Fall League...). Whether this represents the future of baseball-more "Mazda Gator bowls" and such, who knows. Certainly as MLB runs out of money-this may be the next step. Our league has "outlawed" the use of corporate names as far as replacing "city" names, though they might be used in promotional team literature (we were officially the Sydney "Toohey's" Blues (a major beer company) last year, though the press usually just called us the "Blues"). We are still looking for a major "naming rights" sponsor, for the coming season-as Toohey's has withdrawn from a lot of its sporting promotions...The "Clipsail Giants" are now once again the "Adelaide Giants". The "Daikyo" (as in Daikyo, LTD.) Dolphins will be renamed, probably after "Gold Coast", where they play. By the way, young Dave Nilsson of the Brewers is supposed to be rejoining this club for the upcoming season.

While each club is limited to four "imports"-usually US players from the parent club-no higher than A or AA level, there is no ceiling on Australian players-or what level they play at in the States. This is how we hope to raise the overall level of play on the professional level-and give our own lads incentive. Youth baseball is growing, and the amateur associations are as strong as ever.

So Australia is becoming more than just an amateur player in the world of baseball. While the major "summer sport" remains cricket...we have made quite a few new fans, and baseball has evolved far beyond the "cult" sport stage. While we may never supplant cricket as number one, in a sports crazy nation like Australia, being the number two

summer sport isn't bad. And who knows...if history does repeat itself, even cricket might have to take a back seat!

Dr. J.R. Smith, MD Redmond, WA

Ever since the resignation of Commissioner Fay Vincent, there has been much discussion in newspapers and the broadcast media about possible "reorganization" of Major League Baseball. I, as a fan and "consumer" of the game, am quite concerned about some of the proposals that I have been reading and hearing about. I would like to spell out some of these ideas, and give my reason for opposing them.

I. Inter-league Play

We now have two distinct leagues. With the exception of Spring Training, they only face each other in the All-Star Game and the World Series. This makes baseball unique among professional sports. It's always fascinating to wonder how Kirby Puckett will do against Atlanta's pitchers, because, for the most part, he hasn't faced them. In the NBA, however, we already know how the Lakers and the Celtics match up because we've seen it several times that season. In football, chances are that the Super Bowl participants have also seen each other in the regular season. Furthermore, league batting, pitching, and fielding titles and records would be tainted by statistics achieved against the other league.

II. Reassigning Teams Between the Two Leagues

I've always enjoyed the fact that there is an "American League Style" and a "National League Style" of play. This proposal would destroy that facet of the game forever.

III. More Divisions and "Wild Card" Teams

This is the most dangerous proposal of all. Baseball is the only sport that has pennant races. You must finish first to make the playoffs. We all know our favorite team's magic number, and what they must do to win their division. In the other pro sports, it's impossible to tell who's going to make it without a computer printout. Football has an especially pernicious formula for determining playoff teams which even involves the amount of points scored in a game.

Hal Bodley, in *USA Today*, recently stated that the strong finish by the Milwaukee Brewers proves that more teams deserve to advance. I disagree. Great second place teams have been a tradition for a hundred years. If baseball had adopted the wild card plan, who would have cared about the Yankees and the Red Sox in 1978? They both make the playoffs, so what's the big deal? Why have a one game playoff, since the Yankees had 13 more "net runs" than the Red Sox, in head-to-head competition?

I would appreciate hearing from other SABR members, whether you agree or disagree with my views.

Andrew M. Weiss, Sherman Oaks CA

I am responding to a question posed in your September issue. It asked, "Where has the Big Train Gone?" Actually, The Big Train never went to Minnesota at all. The granite monument and bronze plaque (it was never a statue) dedicated by Harry S. Truman on June

21, 1947, was given in 1961 by the Griffith family to the staff and students at Walter Johnson High School; the school had opened in 1956 and was the first named for a baseball player (there are more than a dozen others now).

For your information, a second monument was carved/cast in 1954 and was given to the citizens of Coffeyville, Kansas, off-season home of The Big Train 1910-1922. It was dedicated June 24, 1954, and sits in Walter Johnson Park in front of "The Stadium" once used for baseball and now used for rodeos and fairs.

Charles H. Rideout, Bethesda MD

There are few times in life when we hear or read something genuinely hilarious. That's why I'm grateful to Merritt Clifton for his letter to the editor in the September *SABR Bulletin*, criticizing my article "A Year to Forget for Yankee Fans" from *The National Pastime* #11.

Mr. Clifton chastises me for throwing "considerable blame on Tom Tresh" for the Yankees downfall in '66. In fact, only two sentences are devoted to Tresh (labeling him a disappointment), which hardly qualifies as considerable blame. Mr. Clifton suggests that Tresh had a good year in '66, since *Total Baseball* "indicates Tresh was probably the second most valuable player in the American League." (probably?) With players like Tony Oliva, Boog Powell,

Harmon Killebrew, Norm Cash, Al Kaline, Frank Howard, and others having good years, perhaps *Total Baseball* should reevaluate its measuring system when it puts Tresh (if Mr. Clifton's statement is accurate) second to Frank Robinson as the MVP of '66. As mentioned in my article, Tommy batted only .233 that year, and, despite Mr. Clifton's distaste for the term "clutch," left runners in scoring position frequently.

Mr. Clifton criticizes my lack of any real research, suggesting I used memories of the '66 season as a major source for my article. How he arrived at those conclusions is beyond my comprehension. Indeed, the numerous statistics and quotes used would suggest to readers quite the opposite. Perhaps he gives me credit for having too good a memory, especially when I'm constantly in the doghouse with my wife for forgetting important dates (she's not speaking to me now for letting her birthday pass unnoticed).

Merritt Clifton calls for more research and less opinion in SABR publications. However, his criticism of the nineteen page section of *The National Pastime* dealing with the '66 season is based on a two-sentence paragraph, which he deems inaccurate, taken from one of eleven articles. His letter contains invalid statements and poorly supported arguments. The only merit to be found in it is his name.

I'm still laughing.

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Todd Wetzler, 19 Brooklane Drive, Harrison City PA 15636 (412-744-7621) is seeking a booklet of anecdotes written by Tigers broadcaster **Harry Heilmann**. The name of the publication is not known, but the material may be useful for the book Todd has researched and started writing. Anyone with photos or personal recollections of Heilmann is also encouraged to contact Todd.

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Josh Joseph, 4011 Pine Street, Philadelphia PA 19104 (215-222-1012) is a student at Penn University at Philadelphia. He seeks any information on baseball in Japan in the 1930s-1950s and its effect on Japanese/American relations for his thesis.

Ted Ryan, 6346 Vernon Woods Drive, Atlanta GA 30328 (404-256-2929, evenings), a graduate student at Georgia State University, is gathering sources for a M.A. thesis on the contraction of the minor leagues from 1949-1963. Thirty-eight leagues and 317 teams went under during this time period. He is looking for articles in local papers commenting on the demise of their local leagues and teams during this period. Photocopied articles are welcomed (and will be reimbursed) as are references with paper and date listed.

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