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A venturous 1995 to all SABR members, full of achievements in your respective commitments as well as in your personal lives. Please note my new telephone number and change of address from Apt 816 to Apt 516 in the same condominium.

After an intense research in relation to the Minor and Negro League players who participated in the Latin American professional baseball leagues as well as those who played in barnstorming teams that came to Cuba, Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Panama, Nicaragua, Mexico and Puerto Rico. I am able to provide you with their names, starting with those who came to Puerto Rico. The first US team that played here under the name of ALL AMERICANS had major and minor league players among which were Leon Cadore, Henry Zimmerman, Jim Eschen and Ed Donnelly, major leaguers. That was in 1913 and according to an information I have, there was a FEMALE PITCHER-Currie Kilburn. That data I hope, the members of the Women in Baseball Committee can check. The other players which I don't have their first names and the teams they played in the minor leagues were: Ey(i)bell, Los Angeles (Pacific Coast) Craig, 2B, Johnston, IF TriState; Bercon, Jersey City (International) 3B; Spexar, C- Ottawa (Canadian) and Smith, P (Intersate League). On 1914 Cadore, Zimmerman, Donnelly, O'Rourke and Eibel returned along with Malay, CF; Mauver, 2B; Clinch, 3B; Reisigil, RF; and Schneider, C. The teams and the leagues they played in 1912, 1913 or previously are missing.

In 1927 the Crisfield Crabbers came to Puerto Rico managed by Tony Pasquella leading the way to other clubs who barnstormed to this island as well as to Venezuela and the Dominican Republic. Among those were York, Richmond, Norfolk, Newark, Akron, Camden and Ashville. Several of them led by June Green, Ted Norbert and Jimmy Jordan among other managers, basically made of minor leaguers that ranked from AA to class A. Eventually, many of them went up to the major leagues, like Johnny Mize, Paul Richards, George Mc Quinn, Jimmy Jordan, Joe Beggs and Wally Moses to mention a few.

Those teams came to the Caribbean between the months of October to March, their off seasons and faced not only local teams with excellent players, but also Cuban, Dominican, Mexican as well as Negro League clubs who had top figures like Satchell Paige, Joshue Gibson, Ray Dandridge, Buck Leonard, Dick Seay, Ray Dandridge, Leon Day, Ed Stone, Impo Barnhill, Showboat Thomas, Dick Lundy among others.

Cuban teams were also great attractions. In their line-ups they carried stars like Martin Dihigo, Rodolfo and Jose María Fernández, Alejandro Oms, Manuel (Cocaína) García, Javier and Pepin Pérez, Pedro Arango, Isidro Fabre, Lazaro Salazar and Julio Rojo. On the Dominican and Venezuelan teams were Juan (Tetelo) Vargas, Horacio (Rabbit) Martínez, Pedro Alejandro Sam and Sijo Gomez all with at least top AAA ability who could have played in the major leagues as well the colored players.

The Brooklyn Royal Giants, champions of 1916 Negro League was the first of many teams from that circuit who played in Puerto Rico. They were followed by the Lincoln Giants, New York Black Yankees, Brooklyn Giants, Brooklyn Eagles and Estrellas de Ramirez.

The proximity to the United States made of Cuba an excellent place to have not only top minor and negro players but also major league clubs like the New York Giants who visited this other Caribbean country who not only had magnificent players but also thousand of fans that flooded their ball parks and stadium.

On future Latin America Committee bulletins I shall provide more information about the teams and players who presented excellent baseball and at the same time I welcome any contributions to it from fellow SABR members, specially those from the Negro and Minor league committees,

Below please find players who came to Puerto Rico between 1917 to 1937

MINOR LEAGUES

Ray Adamski 36	Mike McAllister 27	Al Brooks 36	John E. Jackson 33
Charles Ahern 33	Gerry McClung 33	Larry Brown 36	Slim Jones 33
Steve Barath 35	Danny McGee 34	Raymond Brown 35*	Rufus Lewis 35
Harry Barney Tracy 27	Jerry McQuaig 36	Red Bundell 25	Dick Lundy 35
Joe Beggs 36	Geo McQuinn 31	Ralph Burgin 33*	Arthur Maddox 36
Ray Berres 33	Ralph Minitree 33	Frank Burnett 33	Charlie Mason 26
Jiggs Black 31	Johnny Mize 33	Bill Cannady 36	Terry Mc Duffie 35
Eddie Boland 34	Ted Norbert 32*	Harold Capers 33	Henry Mc Henry 36*
Stan Bolton 36	Manuel Onis 36	George carr 33	Lee Miller 17
Harold Boss 36	Chick Outen 31	Joe Carrington 26	Leroy Morney 33
Sigmund Broskie 35	Mark Packard 33	John Carson 26	Ted Page 33
Calvin Chapman 31	Joe Peplosky 33	Arthur Chambers 26	Satchell Paige 35*
Dick Cheer 34	Bill Powell 34	Robert Clarke 36*	Johnny Pugh 17
Charlie Clements 35	Neil Rabe 27	Jim Crutchfield 36*	Cornelius Rector 2
John Commings 35	Bill Regan 36	Ray Dandridge 35*	Dick Redding 17
Howard Earp 34	George Rensa 27	Rosey Davis 36	Tom Richardson 33
George Edmonson 27	Paul Richards 27	Leon Day 35*	Lemuel Roach 33
Russ "Red" Evans 35	Roland Robins 34	Paul Dixon 35*	Bill Sadler 35
Keoley Farrel 36	Cecil Rose 27	Rap Dixon 33	Harry Salmon 33
Art Galde 36	Ernie "Pete" Sabo 31	Thomas Dixon 33	Louis Santop 17
Charlie Gilbert 33	Paul Schessler 31	Frank Duncan 35	George Scales 25*
Bill Givary 34	Nat Shirley 34	Joe Dunn 35	Dick Seay 33*
Sid Graves 33	Hal Simpson 36	Frank Earle 17	Herbert Smith 33
Buck Greene 32	Si Slaalen 33	Rich Gee 25	Joe Smith 25
Van Groski 32	Gus Snyder 33	Joshua Gibson 33*	Clyde Spearman 33
Henry Grump 34	Alex Sparra 36	George Giles 25	J. Stanley 36
Gerry Hannah 33	Milton Stoner 33	William Handy 17	Otis Starks 33
Jerry Hickey 32	Johny Tyler 35	Vic Harris 35*	Paul Stevens 26
George Hockette 32	Ted Veach 35	Frank Harvey 17	Ed Stone 35
Herm Holhauser 33	Al Vincent 32	Johnny Hayes 33*	David Thomas 33
Elky HoMan 33	Rob Walsh 35	Chas. Henderson 36	Miller Webster 17
Ollie Jones 27	Almond Williams 36	Joe Hewitt 17	Andrew Williams 17
Jim Jordan 31	Harry Winston 34	Bill Holland 34	Harry Williams 33*
Tom Kern 31	Pep Young 34	Brthum Hunter 34*	Jesse Williams 33
Elmer Klumpp 34	NEGRO LEAGUES	Lincoln Jackson 33	Jim Williams 33
Soe Labate 35	Marvin Baker 36*		Jud Wilson 36
Al Leitz 34	Sam Bankhead 36*		Berdel Young 25
Ed Lowell 32	Frances Blake 33		
James Lyon 27			

Those marked(*)later played in the present Puerto Rico Professional League

During the 37th Caribbean Baseball Series to be held at San Juan, Puerto Rico during next February 4th to the 9th it is expected the top players if the Venezuelan, Mexican Pacific Coast, Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico leagues including major leaguers Carlos Baerga, Roberto and Sandy Alomar Jr., Edgar Martinez, Ricky Bones, Ivan Rodriguez, Juan Gonzalez, Wilson Alvarez, Carlos Garcia, Jose Rijo, Luis Polonia, Tony Peña, Pedro Martinez among others. Also the creation of a Caribbean Baseball Hall of Fame.

Questions and comments are welcomed. Hasta la vista....