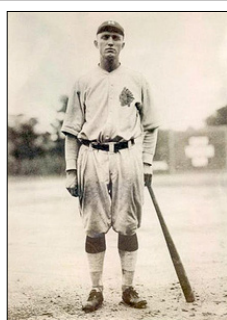


TARPONS TRIUMPH

Gulfport beats the Laurel Lumberjacks 8-5 in a Cotton States (D) League game despite being out-hit 13-to-10 ... the game is protested by Laurel player/manager Sammy Vick on the grounds that the visiting Tarpons had an excess of "class" men ... Vick collects four hits in five at bats in the losing effort ... a former major leaguer with the New York Yankees (1917-1920) and Boston Red Sox (1921), Vick is leading the Cotton States League in hitting with a .391 average when on August 16, his contract is sold to the New Orleans Pelicans where he hits .348 in 32 games.



Sammy Vick
1917 Memphis Chickasaws

RETURN OF THE HACKSHAW

Claude "Hawshaw" Inman, a native of Cowpens, South Carolina, signs with the Winston-Salem Twins of the Piedmont League ... mired in last place with a 4-8 record, Inman's signing is seen as "the first shakeup to steady the infield" by manager Cy Chisholm ... Inman, reported to be in "the best of shape" played with the Twins at the end of the 1925 campaign after being a regular at second base in 1924.



Bob "Ducky" Jones
1920 Detroit Tigers

MORNING TIE

In the morning game of a Pacific Coast League doubleheader, the Mission Bells and the Oakland Oaks battle to 2-2 tie in a game stopped after 15 innings and declared official ... in the second game, third baseman and long-time major leaguer Bob Jones has three hits, including a double, as Mission posts a 10-4 win with Eddie Bryan picking up one of his seven wins on the year with a complete game 12-hitter.

COAL BELT LEAGUE OPENS

Indiana's Coal Belt League gets underway with large crowds witnessing three games ... in Winslow, the host nine holds off a four-run eighth inning rally by Princeton to post a 7-6 win ... visiting teams post wins in the other two contests with Spurgeon beating Patoka 12-2, and Holsmer shutting out Oakland City 5-0.

MCCREARY ACCUSED

In Seattle Semipro League action, the Green Lake Lakers behind stout pitching of veteran right-hander Ed McCreary, beat the powerful Oruxman Cigar Store nine by a 3-2 count ... accused "of every kind of deception in doping the ball" McCreary allows only six hits in out-dueling "Tiny" Leonard ... in other league play, the Catholic Foresters pounded Nippon Athletic Club pitcher Maeda for 17 hits, but could not bunch them together and lose 8-5.

WAHKIAKUM WINS

Walter Johnson allows only six hits and strikes out eight as Wahkiakum High School opens the season with a 7-6 win over Clatskanie 7-6.

Walter Johnson Stars As Prep Nines Battle

Special to The Times.

LONGVIEW, Saturday, April 24.—Wahkiakum High School team defeated Clatskanie, 7 to 6. It was the first game of the season to be played by the Cathlamet team and until the final score the outcome was in doubt, as throughout the contest first one team and then the other would be in the lead. Walter Johnson for Wahkiakum High pitched a strong game, striking out eight men and allowing but six hits.