

# On This Date **January 11, 1901**

**George Francis McNamara** is born on January 11, 1901, in Chicago, Illinois. An outstanding semipro player in the Windy City, McNamara gets into three games with the Washington Senators over a two-day span in September 1922.

McNamara makes his Senators' debut in Philadelphia's Shibe Park on September 28, in the second game of a doubleheader with the homestanding Athletics. Starting in right field and batting fifth in the lineup behind clean-up hitter Goose Goslin, the husky McNamara (6-0, 175-pound) is 0-for-2 against 24-year-old righthander Slim Harriss, with a walk and a run scored in a 12-5 loss in a game shortened to six innings on account of darkness.

The following afternoon, McNamara collects three hits in nine at bats in a doubleheader loss to the Athletics. In his three-game trial, McNamara collects three hits in 11 at bats (.273) with one RBI.

The following year, Senator manager Donnie Bush sends McNamara to the Western (C) League's Fort Smith Twins where he will hit .309 with 29 doubles, eight triples and four home runs.

Over the next couple of seasons, McNamara will play for the London Tecumsehs (1923), Syracuse Stars (1924), Fort Smith Twins (1925), Independence Producers (1925), Quincy Red Birds (1925), Waco Cubs (1926) and the Lincoln Links (1927).

McNamara dies on June 12, 1990, at the age of 89, in Hinsdale, Illinois.

