

1942

Named to the Canadian-American (C) League All-Star team earlier in the day, Gloversville-Johnstown left-hander Earl Jones celebrates his selection that evening by turning in one of the greatest performances in league history.

In pitching his first career no-hitter, the 23-year-old left-hander strikes out a league-record 22 batters in a 7-0 win over the visiting Rome Colonels. Ecstatic fans carry Jones off of the field and take up a collection, netting the future major leaguer \$70 for his efforts.

Jones finishes the 1942 season 17-11 with a 3.33 ERA for the second-place Glovers and leads the league with 222 strikeouts.



1923

Roy "Red" Ostergard hits two home runs leading the Galveston Sandcrabbers to an 8-4 win over third-place San Antonio in the second game of a Texas (A) League doubleheader.

Ostergard's performance against the Bears caps an amazing two week span where the ex-major leaguer pounds out 10 home runs in 13 games, including a Texas League single-season record four grand slams.

The Denmark, Wisconsin, native hits over .280 in each of his six minor league seasons, including four campaigns over .300.

In the middle of his freshman season in 1920 at Southwestern College (Georgetown, Texas) where he leads the team in hitting with a .345 average, Ostergard signs with the Chicago White Sox, but won't play with Kid Gleason's Pale Hose until "his college work is finished" a year later.

After his final game with Southwestern, Ostergard reports directly to the White Sox and makes his major league debut on June 11, 1921. He hits .364, collecting four hits in 11 pinch hit appearances for the Pale Hose before being sent out to Sioux City in August.

1922

In the second game of a South Atlantic (B) League doubleheader against the Augusta Tygers, Charleston Pal first baseman Ernie Walker collects his 16th home run of the season in the first inning when a grounder he hits goes over third base and "gets lost" in high grass near the left field fence. Walker, a former major leaguer with the St. Louis Browns from 1913 to 1915, later scores the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning giving the first-place Pals a sweep of the Sunday afternoon twinbill.

WALKER'S 4-BAGGER A FREAK AFFAIR

Circles Bases While Poole
Hunts for Sphere
in Grass