

Pinch Hits, "Jack Quinn's Large Juicy Lemon"

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On August 28, 1908, a gloomy, disagreeable afternoon, and before a loyal crowd of 2,000 at Richmond's Broad Street Park, Richmond Colts ace Jack Quinn pitches the fifth no-hitter in Virginia League history with a 4-0 win over the Norfolk Tars.

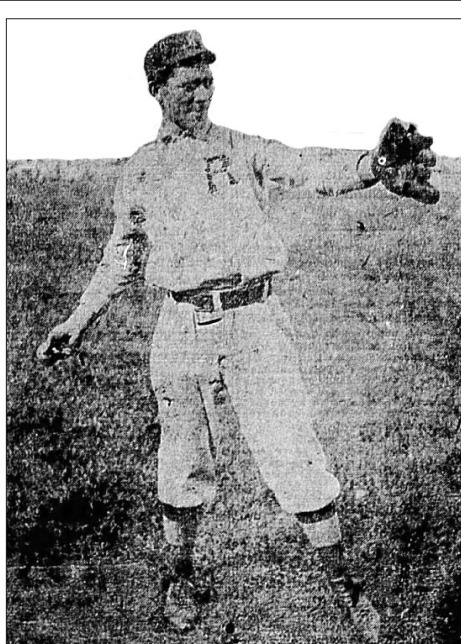
"his twisters twisted, his curves curved and his benders bent at exactly the right time." - Richmond Times Dispatch

In a game that needs but one hour and 10 minutes to play, only three Tars reach base - second baseman Jack Bonner walks, first baseman Howard Rhynder is hit by a pitch and shortstop Jake Warner reaches on a Quinn error.

Quinn strikes out six and is 1-for-2 with a run scored and a sacrifice bunt. His mound opponent, "Long" John Fox, allows only six hits and walks one, but is the victim of six Tars' errors (two by himself) making all four Colts' runs unearned.

With the win, Richmond improves to 70-37 and combined with Danville's 1-0 loss to Roanoke, increases its lead over the second-place Red Sox to 2 1/2 games. The Colts close out their season with 20 wins over their last 24 games and win the Virginia League pennant by a full 12 games over Danville.

Three days later, the two teams meet again, this time in Norfolk with Quinn continuing his season-long win streak with a 4-0 four-hit shutout.



Jack Quinn
1908 Richmond Colts

The 23-year-old Quinn will eventually turn in one of the greatest seasons in Virginia League history, finishing with a 14-0-2 mark with a 1.10 ERA and allowing only 102 hits and 20 walks in 146 2/3 innings.

On September 1, Quinn and fellow Richmond pitcher Robert "Dutch" Revelle, are drafted by the New York Americans in the annual minor league player draft. The Stefurov, Slovakia, native will go on to win 247 games in 23 major league seasons, including a career-best 26 games in 1914 with the Baltimore Terrapins of the Federal League.

JACK QUINN PRESIDES OVER A NO-HIT GAME

Hands Out Large, Juicy Lemon to the Crew--Only Thirty Batters Faced the Invincible Jack, and He Bowled Them Down in Short Order.

Richmond.						
Players.	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Lipe, 3b.....	3	2	1	0	1	0
Kanzler, 1b.....	3	0	2	12	1	0
Stinson, cf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0
Sandherr, ss.....	3	0	1	0	2	0
Titman, rf.....	4	0	0	3	0	0
Ison, 2b.....	3	1	0	3	3	0
Sleber, lf.....	3	0	0	1	0	0
Messitt, c.....	3	0	0	7	0	0
Quinn, p.....	2	1	1	1	2	1
Totals	27	2	6	27	9	1

Norfolk.						
Players.	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Seltz, lf.....	4	0	0	2	0	0
Russell, cf.....	4	0	0	4	0	0
Rhynder, 1b.....	3	0	0	9	0	0
Edwards, rf.....	3	0	0	2	0	0
Jackson, 3b.....	3	0	0	3	3	0
Bonner, 2b.....	2	0	0	2	2	1
Warner, ss.....	2	0	0	0	4	1
Boyle c.....	3	0	0	2	1	2
Fox, p.....	3	0	0	0	2	2
Totals	28	0	0	24	12	6

Score by innings:
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 Summary: Two-base hits—Sandherr.
 Sacrifice hits—Lipe, Kanzler, Sandherr,
 Quinn, Sleber. Stolen bases—Lipe,
 Kanzler (2), Titman, Ison, Bonner.
 Base on balls—off Quinn, 1; off Fox, 1.
 Hit by pitched balls—Rhynder. Struck
 out—by Quinn, 6; by Fox, 2. Time of
 game, 1:10. Umpires, Mace and Hen-
 nager. Attendance, 2,000.