

On This Date

May 7, 1892

The first professional baseball game played in the state of North Carolina takes place in Charlotte when the homestanding Hornets beat the Winston-Salem Blue Sluggers 9-6, before 1,000 fans in a recently-completed baseball park in the Dilworth neighborhood, Charlotte's first streetcar suburb

Charlotte's [Pen "John" Warmlesley](#) allows only four hits and strikes out four in a route-going effort.

Hornets' centerfielder Stratton shatters his arm when he is hit by a pitch and a carriage is "procured" to take him into the city to have the injury attended to. Within days he returns to the field - as an umpire, until his arm heals.

Blue Sluggers' shortstop [Ambrose McGann](#) becomes the first pro player to hit a home run in the Tar Heel State when he clears the left field fence in the fifth inning.

Charlotte and Winston-Salem are in the newly-formed four-team South Atlantic League along with the Charleston Sea Gulls and the Columbia Senators.

CHARLOTTE.	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E.
Thompson, rf.....	5	1	2	2	0	0
Stratton, cf.....	2	0	0	2	0	0
Chapman, ss.....	5	1	1	0	2	2
Kurtz, 2b.....	4	1	2	5	1	2
Foster, lf.....	5	2	2	2	1	2
Hoy, 3b.....	5	2	4	0	1	1
Frank, 1b.....	5	1	1	10	0	0
Warmlesley, p.....	5	1	1	0	2	1
Gantz, c.....	5	0	2	4	4	0
Osborne, cf.....	2	0	0	2	0	1

Total.....43 9 15 27 11 9

WINSTON.	AB.	R.	BH.	PO.	A.	E.
Kane, lf.....	5	0	0	0	1	0
A. McGann, cf.....	4	0	0	0	0	0
Tate, 1b.....	4	1	0	8	1	0
G. McGann, ss.....	4	2	1	3	1	3
Farrell, 2b.....	3	1	2	1	3	1
Sands, rf.....	3	1	1	0	0	1
Knorr, 3b.....	4	0	0	2	2	0
Keifer, c.....	4	0	0	12	0	0
Hill, p.....	4	1	0	1	1	0
Keely, rf.....	1	0	0	0	0	0

Total.....36 6 4 27 09 5

Earned runs—Charlotte 2, Winston 1.
Base on balls—Charlotte 2, Winston 1.
Struck out—By Warmlesley 4, by Hill 9.
Stolen bases—Thompson 2, Osborne 1, Hoy 1, Hill 1.
Home runs—G. McGann.
Two base hits—Thompson (2), Foster, Sands.
Double play—Knorr, Farrell and Tate; Knorr and Tate.
Umpire—Gifford.