

After retiring as a player four years earlier following a five-year minor league career, [Whiskers Weir](#), the game's home plate umpire, decides to make one last appearance as a player when he pinch hits for Spartanburg centerfielder [Doc Bass](#) in the ninth inning of a 10-2 loss to the Augusta Dollies.



After collecting an infield single, Weir, who played for Spartanburg in 1912, is picked off first by Augusta pitcher [Mickey Shader](#).

Over a four-year minor league career between 1912 and 1915, the nomadic Whiskers is traded or released 13 times, including a career-high four times in his final pro season in 1915. The Columbia, South Carolina, native hit a career-high .278 for the Spartanburg Red Sox in 1912.

It's the final game of the season for both Augusta and Spartanburg with the Dollies finishing in fifth place with a 45-52 record and 12 games ahead of the last-place Pioneers (33-64).

Lemuel Sam Weir passes away on June 28, 1951, at the Oteen Hospital in Asheville, North Carolina, at the age of 61.

"WHISKERS" WEIR BATS FOR BATTER

Umpire Exchanges Places With
Bass in Ninth Inning of Game
at Augusta.

Spartanburg	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Klein, lf.	5	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, 1b.	4	0	1	2	1	1
Bass, cf.	3	0	0	1	1	0
Wofford, rf.	4	1	2	2	0	0
Achinger, ss.	4	0	0	2	2	0
Lee, 3b.	2	1	2	1	1	1
Untz, 2b.	4	0	2	2	2	1
Wells, c.	4	0	0	5	5	1
Niles, p.	4	0	0	1	2	0
x-Weir	1	0	1	0	0	0

Totals 36 2 8 24 15 4

x-Batted for Bass in ninth.

Augusta	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Murphy, 1b.	5	1	2	1	0	0
Norris, 2b.	3	1	1	3	3	1
Ammons, lf.	3	2	2	1	0	0
Walker, cf.	3	2	0	1	0	0
Cox, 1b.	4	1	3	12	0	0
Meyers, c.	2	2	2	5	1	0
Johannsen, ss.	4	1	2	3	2	0
Thwaitt, rf.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Shader, p.	4	0	0	1	2	1

Totals 33 10 14 27 8 2

Score by Innings: R

Spartanburg 000 000 020—2

Augusta 605 211 002—10

Summary—Stolen bases: Klein, Murphy. Sacrifice hits: Norris, Meyers. Two-base hits: Wofford, Meyers. Three-base hits: Lee, Ammons, Johannsen. Home run: Ammons. Triple play: Bass to Achinger to Lee. Struck out: by Niles 2; by Shader 6. Base on balls: off Niles 2; off Shader 3. Left on bases: Spartanburg 10; Augusta 2. Time of game: 1:50. Umpire: Weir.