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BRONCHOS CLOSE SEASON TIED WITH TOTS FOR FIFTH

SEVENTH SEASON OF CENTAAL OVER

WHEELING WINS PENNANT AND DAYTON BRINGS UP REAR.

CHANGES NEXT YEAR

Lugas Again Prominent in Drafting Period, Seventeen Players Going up to Prove Caliber of Fast Organization.

The seventh Central league season was completed Thursday with Wheeling the winner of the pennant after clinching the prize Friday, Sept. 15, six days before. The race furnished fine baseball with the leaders neither a final cent of a little above.600 and the cellar-dwellers never quite above .400. This is good baseball and compares favorably with Pittsburg's .717 and Boston's .700 in the National league, and Detroit's .642 and Washington's .561 in the American.

The finances of the league have not been successful at any time during the season and all the magnates with the exception of the owners of the Wheeling club, claim losses. The poll tax has been a burdensome one, but not the natural reason that, for it did not support the game. The game had an off-year, a public in the Central league, and will come back stronger than ever next season. Several changes in the composition of the league are expected when the season opens next spring. Orator Brotherton has been elected from Grand Rapids and Bert Annis is the owner of both the South Bend and Grand Rapids clubs. Dayton is one of those mentioned as the successor to Canton, O., which was a member of the league in 1907. Bert has not announced which of his two franchises he will dispose of.

Prominent in Drafting.

The Central has been prominent again in the drafting season. Johnny Kling, Wheeling's manager, has drafted three first basemen. Bill Orth, 2d, second baseman, and Harold McKechnie, keeper of the third corner. All members of the Wheeling champions, all go to the Pittsburg club in the National league. Pittsburg probably will have a pennant winner and the players will have the pleasant distinction of having played on two pennant winners in the same season.

Hunt Walsh, the young, hard-hitting, sensational Rochester boy, goes to the South Bend team, gone to Wheeling and with experienced trainers, is sure to make good. Butcher, of Evansville, DeHaven, of Terre Haute, and Wurtz of Zanesville, go to Connie Mack's training camp. All three of these men are high class outfielders for teams. Connie Mack has had his eye on the three men for weeks.

Barney Schriever, southpaw pitcher of the Terre Haute team, who was signed by the Detroit Tigers, will go with the Detroit team to the eight American league pennant. He went with the team to Philadelphia, where the Tigers and the Athletics meet in battle royal. Hugh Jennings is in need of a southpaw pitcher and Schriever is one of the greatest. If Barney thinks that he has the goods.

Yingling Was Game.

Bert Humphries and Leon Welch, from Grand Rapids, both pitchers, go up for tryouts. Humphries will have a chance with the Quakers and Welch with the Pirates. Osborne, of Wheeling, and Yingling, of Dayton, Kerr, of Zanesville, Tincup, of the Potters, has already joined Toledo in the American association, pitched his first game, and made good.

Bennie Jewell, of the Stogies, goes to the St. Louis Cardinals. Davy Lloyd, of the Potters, will have a try-out with the Naps. Channell, of Fort Wayne, was drafted by the New York Americans, but is claimed by the Chicago Cubs. In all 17 players have been pulled up into faster company to test their mettle in the caliber of the Central league.

Charles Pickney, star second baseman of the Dayton club, was made the head by a pitcher's ball, and Dayton Tuesday had to forfeit Wednesday. On account of this unfortunate game a memorial to death the Central league season in Dayton was dedicated at an end. The young man's father was in the stands at the time of his untimely death, having journeyed from Cincinnati to see his son play. The player's death cast a shadow over the ending of the season.

The Business Men's Protective association, of Wheeling, will banquet the victorious team of the city in honor of their achievement to-night. All the committees and officials have been invited to attend. Wheeling has given the club excellent support all season and the fans deserve their good fortune.

One of the all-important directors' meetings has not been held. Postponed games, protested games, finances, franchises, umpires, and dozens of other essential matters will be given attention. The meeting will be glad to get rid of them and hear the different conditions that will be proposed for consideration. South Bend's membership in the league will be one of the important propositions, in the meantime the present season is over and the rag has gone to Wheeling.

SLUGGERS SWING HARD.

Pennant Winners Take Last Game of Season From Potters.

The Tribune's Special Wire.

ZANESVILLE, O., Sept. 17.—Closing the season with a victory, the pennant winning Wheeling team defeated the Potters here today. The Sluggers swung hard at the ball in an endeavor to end the season with batting records. McKechnie led off with a sharp single, beat with a double, later with a triple, and then Wheeling's Kling, Tarleton got two three baggers, Hilliard got a triple and a single. The belief in this city is that the circuit will remain practically intact and under the leadership of Dr. Carson, of South Bend. The score:

Zanesville	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	Wheeling	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Brown, 2b	0	1	1	3	0	McKechnie, 2b	1	1	3	3	0
Kerr, rf	0	1	1	0	0	Kling, ss	1	2	1	2	0
Warren, ss	0	1	1	2	0	Tarleton, rf	1	2	2	0	0
Tincup, lf	0	1	2	0	0	Hilliard, 1b	1	1	1	0	0
Hoffman, 1b	0	1	1	0	0	Kellogg, lf	1	1	1	0	0
Hoffer, 3b	0	1	1	1	0	Schaefer, 3b	1	1	1	1	0
Bell, c	0	1	1	0	0	Bell, c	1	1	1	0	0
Hoffman, c	0	1	1	0	0	Hoffman, c	1	1	1	0	0
Hoffman, p	0	1	1	0	0	Hoffman, p	1	1	1	0	0
Total	0	8	12	6	0	Total	7	10	12	6	0

Zanesville ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Wheeling ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Two-base hits—Tincup, Hoffman, Hoffer, Bell, Hoffman, Kling, Tarleton, Hilliard, Schaefer. Three-base hits—Tarleton, Hilliard. Sacrifice hits—Warren, Hoffman. Stolen bases—Brown, Kerr, Warren, Hoffman, Hoffer, Bell, Hoffman, Kling, Tarleton, Hilliard, Kellogg, Schaefer, Bell, Hoffman. Bases on balls—Off Hoffman, 1. Struck out—By Hoffman, 1. Left on bases—Zanesville, 7; Wheeling, 6. Time—1:40. Umpire—Hoffman.

STANDING OF LEAGUES.

Central League.

	W.	L.	P.C.
Wheeling	81	54	.600
South Bend	77	57	.575
Grand Rapids	69	65	.515
Dayton	67	67	.500
Evansville	64	70	.478
Zanesville	54	81	.400

National League.

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Pittsburg	98	37	.717	Cincinnati	73	79	.480
New York	91	46	.664	Brooklyn	61	91	.401
Chicago	86	51	.628	Boston	58	94	.382
St. Louis	81	56	.591	Philadelphia	45	107	.296
Philadelphia	78	59	.569	St. Louis	43	108	.285
Boston	75	62	.547	Cincinnati	43	110	.281

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

Central League.

Fort Wayne, 7; South Bend, 3 (11 innings, Mayer, Kerr).
Evansville, 1; Terre Haute, 0.
Dayton, 0; Zanesville, 0.
Grand Rapids, Rain called off.

National League.

Chicago, 2; Pittsburg, 0.
Cincinnati, 1; Pittsburg, 3.

American League.

Boston, 3; Chicago, 1.
Philadelphia, 3; Detroit, 1.
Cleveland, 2; New York, 0-4.
New York, 2; Cleveland, 0.

American Association.

Toledo, 3; Kansas City, 0.
Minneapolis, 4; Indianapolis, 5.
Louisville, 2; Milwaukee, 4.
St. Paul, 4; Columbus, 1.

GAMES FOR TO-MORROW.

National League.

Brooklyn at Pittsburg.
New York at Boston.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.
Chicago at Cincinnati.

American League.

Detroit at Philadelphia.
Cleveland at New York.
Chicago at Boston.
Washington at St. Louis.

TOTS TIE FOR FIFTH.

Wheeler and DeHaven Lead in Assault on Doty.

The Tribune's Special Wire.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 17.—Battling like fools, the Terre Haute Tots won the last game of the season from Evansville, and managed to tie Dayton for fifth place. Wheeler led the assault with two two-bag hits and a triple and DeHaven hit safely four times. The Tots scored seven times and the Braves sent five runners over the pan. score:

Terre Haute	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	Evansville	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Gerhardt, rf	0	1	1	0	0	Schwenker, rf	1	1	2	0	0
Kauff, lf	0	1	1	0	0	Kilgore, ss	1	1	1	2	0
Bauer, 1b	0	1	1	0	0	Schlitzer, lf	1	1	1	0	0
Wolter, ss	0	1	1	2	0	Bell, 1b	1	1	1	0	0
Wheeler, 2b	1	2	1	0	0	Hoffman, 2b	1	1	1	1	0
Trabue, 3b	0	1	1	1	0	Hoffner, rf	1	1	1	0	0
Carr, c	0	1	1	0	0	Bell, 3b	1	1	1	1	0
Carr, p	0	1	1	0	0	Bell, c	1	1	1	0	0
Cassidy, p	0	1	1	0	0	Hoffman, p	1	1	1	0	0
Cassidy, c	0	1	1	0	0	Hoffman, c	1	1	1	0	0
Total	1	12	12	3	0	Total	7	10	12	4	0

Terre Haute ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1
Evansville ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Two-base hits—Wheeler, Trabue, Bell, Hoffman, Hoffner, Bell, Hoffman. Three-base hits—Wheeler, Trabue. Sacrifice hits—Wolter, Wheeler, Trabue, Kilgore, Hoffman, Hoffner, Bell, Hoffman. Stolen bases—Gerhardt, Kilgore, Hoffman, Hoffner, Bell, Hoffman. Bases on balls—Off Carr, 1; Cassidy, 1; off Hoffman, 1. Struck out—By Carr, 1; Cassidy, 1; Hoffman, 1. Left on bases—Terre Haute, 7; Evansville, 6. Time—1:45. Umpires—Hoffman and Hoffman.

HOOSIER BOYS GO TO MAJORS

JOHNSON, OF FRANKFORT, IS LATEST ADDITION.

DeHaven, of Covington, Fisher, of of Noblesville, and Pearce, of Lebanon, Get Try-outs.

Another Hoosier boy, who learned the national game in northern Indiana semi-professional circles has gone to the major leagues to uphold the state's reputation as a seat for ball tossers. Elmer Johnson, known among the old time players as "Hickory," who played with Frankfort, Kokomo, Noblesville, Anderson, and Huntington, a few years ago, is to be given a try-out with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Johnson earned his nickname of "Hickory" when he banged out long hits on northern Indiana lots. He was a fixture in the Indiana and Ohio state leagues and has been playing with the Springfield team. "Hickory" is a catcher, but is best known for his slugging ability. A slugging catcher is a find and Hugo Bezdek has sent word that he will give Johnson a thorough try-out. Johnson's mates on the Louis team there will be two ex-Frankfort players under Bresnahan, Shaw, center fielder, being a Cardinal.

Johnson is batting .311, and leads the league in home run hits with eight. He is a quick, accurate thrower, and Bezdek believes he will develop into a reliable man. He has been playing the game for several years, but is only 21 years old.

Other Hoosier boys, who go up this week are Fisher, of Terre Haute, whose home is Lafayette, Indiana, and Pearce, of Lebanon, Indiana, both of Noblesville; Pearce, of Lebanon, and Corridon, of Logansport.

NEWS FROM LATE DRAFTS

Class A Teams Too Late to Get Many League Stars.

Class A teams were too late to get the men they wanted. The majors in most instances cropped in and drafted the stars. Connie Mack got DeHaven, of Terre Haute, and drafts that have been just published show that the fast outfielder was wanted by Montreal, Birmingham, and Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlanta, Montreal, Indianapolis and Louisville want him.

Recent drafts issued, state that O'Brien, of Evansville, was wanted by Birmingham, Columbus got Kirby, Vernon, Cal., long-hitting of Fort Wayne, Mallory, who was formerly with Wheeling went to Montgomery, Osborne, of the Stogies, goes to Columbus, Louisville wanted Johnson, catcher for Springfield, but the St. Louis Cardinals got him.

Ex-Central Pitcher Marries.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 17.—Walter Pollard, of the University of Chicago, who formerly pitched in several games for the Evansville team, married Miss Jessie Schwartz, of this city, was married yesterday.

EX-CENTRALS' BOX.

Player and club.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Bush, ss, Detroit	[illegible]				
Crawford, rf, Detroit	[illegible]				
Cobb, cf, Detroit	[illegible]				
Crawford, 1b, Detroit	[illegible]				
Jones, 2b, Washington	[illegible]				
Milan, cf, Washington	[illegible]				
Ainsmith, c, Washington	[illegible]				
Ainsmith, c, Indianapolis	[illegible]				
Ainsmith, c, Detroit	[illegible]				
Ainsmith, c, Washington	[illegible]				
Berg, ss, Washington	[illegible]				
Berg, ss, Detroit