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# GRANT'S MEN VICTORS

SOUTH BEND GIVES GRAND RAPIDS SURPRISE PARTY.

FERRIAS PITCHES IN FORM

Gansslaids Find Other Players in the Central League and are Forced to Suffer 8 to 2 Defeat on Own Grounds.

SEASON OPENS THURSDAY.

The Central league season will open in South Bend Thursday of this week with South Bend meeting Terre Haute.

The Tribune's Special Service.

Grand Rapids, Mich., April 22.—Angus Grant's collection of high grade ball tossers, clad in their nobby, new shirts of bluish gray, sent Grand Rapids' galaxy of Central league pennant chasers to a swift defeat Saturday in an exhibition game. The score was South Bend, 8; Grand Rapids, 2.

Bingles and bangles marked the work of the men from the Hoosier state. In their club swinging exhibition they had Grand Rapids whipped at every stage of the game. They were also superior to the locals in bunting, making five dunky-head outcoms in Grand Rapids' couple, but their fielles were not as expensive as were those of Gansld's men.

The contest was not much of a tonic, designed to sharpen the appetites of local baseball fans. It was an long-drawn out as a half-starved Dagobund in a Kansas cyclone. Umpire Connolly judge Brief person in a Louisiana swamp.

Billy Graham occupied the slab in the center of the diamond for the first Grand Rapids team, but Ferrias succeeded twirling duty for the last three. The boy, who is embossed in gold at St. Joseph in remembrance of his pitching there last year, pitched consistently and his mates gave him good support in the sixth, when South Bend tallied a trio of runs and practically won the game.

It was not all Graham's fault that Grand Rapids lost, however, for the service of the central, however, hated my Havel was partly responsible for those with his wild throw to first base.

**Warner Had Bad Inning.**

Warner pitched two innings for Grand Rapids and in the second gave a brace of runs in the eighth with three safeties and a sacrifice.

Fike Ferrias, the old reliable, handed the aborends to the locals and he pitched a good game. Grand Rapids touched the South Bender for six hits, all singles, but they were scattered fast so run-getters they proved almost worthless. In fact, only the Grand Rapids got to the infielding of South Bend's infield in the first, half of the inning and Grand Rapids followed suit. "Lefty" Geyer singled in the local's half of that division, but Cassidy failed to advance the runner.

It was one, two, three with South Bend in the second section, but Grand Rapids tallied one run. After Backof and Havel had been retired, Thomas singled and Graham followed with a fine hit to Johnson and the shortstop booted. Hawkins started for the middle bassock on the first ball that Ferrias turned loose and Richardson hit to Johnson and was retired. Thomas strolled in from third.

**South Bend Ties.**

South Bend tied the score in a few minutes afterward. In the third inning, with two men out, Mr. Ferrias connected with a straight-one and the ball was hit to Graham, who muffed it in its way, somewhere out in the left center. The hit bore a tag, "Good for three, bases." Fleming, who plays left field for Grant's aggregation, stationed himself in the center field and threw also hit safely, but before any more runs were scored Fleming was put out at third when Richardson hit to Havel.

Ferrias ran smoothly until the fifth inning, in which frame Grand Rapids's three stepped into the lead. Graham started things with a single and then stole second. Richardson popped out to Johnson and Graham was left on first, but Geyer, again, when Cupid advanced, and again, when Cupid allied to travel on if the next slugging phase. Groenhoff was presented with a quartette of wild ones and then Cassidy hit to Johnson and Geyer was forced out at second, but the ball was fielded home from to catch Collins at the plate. Two men were on bases and Cassidy crack out Backof walked and then Havel singled, letting Groenhoff. Thomas hit to Ferrias and was retired at first, ending the inning.

**Visitors Take Lead.**

It was in the opening half of the sixth that South Bend gained the lead which was the game. Fleming struck out but Anderson was passed. Richardson flied out to Thomas. Clancy singled and Anderson was forced out at third on Johnson's fielder's choice. Ferrias hit to Graham