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AFTER THE STOGIES

SOUTH BEND IS ONLY 10 POINTS BEHIND LEADERS.

TRIBUNE BOARD IS POPULAR

Fans at Springbrook Park Watch Results of Out-of-town Games With Much Interest—Jack Hendricks in the Clip.

South Bend is threatening Wheeling for the first position in the Central league race, the result of yesterday's game leaving only a margin of 10 points between the two clubs. South Bend and Evansville defeat the Stogies to-day and South Bend add another victory at the expense of Fort Wayne, the local team would lead the West Virginians by 17 points.

The interest which South Bend fans are taking in the Wheeling-Evansville series, because of the first for place was shown yesterday afternoon at Springbrook park, when the ninth inning of the game was posted on The Tribune bulletin board. The result showing Evansville to be a winner by a score of 13 to 5, was received with applause and cheers. The Tribune bulletin board is attracting much attention and not only the spectators at the ball games but people on the streets are watching the posting of each inning with interest. Visiting players state that The Tribune has the only like sign on the circuit and that South Bend people are interested in the city the country which receives baseball scores of other games at the baseball park at the end of each inning.

Salsinger on the Umpire.

"The umpire has his troubles," says H. G. Salsinger, of the Dayton Herald. "Trying to hold down Bridwell and Ely is a job. I believe Bridwell will be back in Washington every afternoon with people whose sole business in life seems to be to create trouble. The umpire is the only man who is courteous and unpolited protection to the Central league. I believe that so far this year to be not the subject a man could wish for.

"Wood is to-day the best judge of play in the Central league. Wood has seen more and made a better impression in the league cities than any other umpire that the president of the baseball organization has given the teams composing it. But Wood has also his troubles. I saw a little incident occurrence which happened not so long ago. It was up to Grand Rapids in a close game when things began to look blue. The visiting club sets a run on the board and Wood called a balk on the pitcher which called the visiting club out, the manager of the team came running up to Wood. Wood merely began the manager as he came dashing in and said, 'Hello, Jack, I'm glad to see you. You were a square kind of a fellow, but I want to tell you right here what I think of you now.' Wood merely smiled.

"All right," replied the autocrat of the field, 'this is a free country. You can take several minutes to tell me the hardest feelings you have against me. Tell me all you please, and after you have finished I will tell you what I think about you.' Over. The manager clinched his fist, gritted his teeth, and played the remainder of the game in silence.

"Another incident occurred with Dade Myers, of Fort Wayne, as the chief trouble baker, and Dade can grind out about as much trouble as the next man in knickerbockers.

"Myers was in a close contest with another club the last month. There were two men out, three Warrender men on bases, and a heavy hitter at the plate. He got a strike and a ball on him, and then he swung a wide, and he struck at it making two spikes. The next ball shot right at the batter, who swung with all his might, throwing himself in front of the plate and knocking the ball over the fence. 'Foul!' yelled Wood. Dade Myers was next to the judge of play in an instant. 'That's the worst ever,' said Dade. 'Why, yes,' replied Wood, 'I have a little feeling against you myself. I'm sorry I did the same thing I would have thrashed him thoroughly?' Dade saw the point and shuffled out of the way."

Hendricks Comes to Town.

Jack Hendricks, manager of the Springfield team, came to South Bend yesterday to see the Springbrook park people. President Carson, manager Mauntner, to the Springfield team, and with Mauntner, of Fort Wayne, for the exchange of Dick Cooley for one of the men. Mauntner has been having trouble with having the last two weeks. He wanted Hendricks to give him a give out any information yesterday, if it knows that Hendricks wanted to give Fort Wayne Cooley for either Heidos or Hopke, but Mauntner would not listen to the proposition.

Hendricks is determined to strengthen the infield aggregation and within a few days Ed. McKean, the old Cleveland player who joined the team yesterday, will be transferred to second base, second bag, will be found on the infield stack. Frisk, not being able to hold up his own in Central league company. His arm is bad and his leg is in such shape that he cannot show the speed enough, certainly to make him of value to the team. He will be returned to

HOPKE AND OSTDIEK, TWO CLEVER PLAYERS WITH THE FORT WAYNE CHAMPIONS.

WILLIAM HOPKE.

HARRY OSTDIEK.

Two players who have been with Fort Wayne from the organization of the Central league and who have helped to make the team what it is, are two of the hardest and cleverest players in the circuit, Ostdiek, as a catcher ranks high and is looked upon as having the making of a big leaguer. Hopke, the second sacker, has attracted the attention of the Cleveland management, of the American league and it is announced that

Connection. As soon as Hendricks finds a man to take Ostdiek's place he will go to field and Vlasic and W. Donahue will have to fight for the left garden. Hendricks returned to Grand Rapids this morning.

Pitchers Are Fast.

President F. H. Carson, of the Central league, to-day announced the official averages of the pitchers and the figures show that the turbines are playing their position in good form. Up to the time the averages were compiled 17 pitchers had faced in 1,000 batters and had 12 were above the 800 mark.

Although Smith, of Terre Haute, is placed at the head of the list because he has played in more games, Willis, of Dayton, has a better record, having played in nine games and having accepted 47 chances without an error. Smith has been in 14 games and his errorless records credit him with 44 chances.

Hilts holds the third place of honor by virtue of his record of accepting 57 out of 58 chances, which gives him an average of .978. He also has the honor of having played in more games than any other twirler in the league. The averages are as follows:

Player. Club.	G.	P.O.	A.	E.	Pct.
Smith, Terre Haute	14	11	33	0	1.000
Willis, Dayton	9	17	30	0	1.000
Dixon, Wheeling	3	4	6	0	1.000
Smith, Dayton	3	2	10	0	1.000
Hilts, Dayton	9	57	1	1	.978
Ford, Springfield	7	6	17	0	1.000
Ostdiek, Fort Wayne	10	8	17	0	1.000
Schreiber, Springfield	7	5	17	0	1.000
Wise, Dayton	4	12	3	0	1.000
Moorhead, Evansville	4	10	3	0	1.000
Frick, Evansville	4	3	7	0	1.000
Kennedy, Dayton	4	3	7	0	1.000
Kenney, Terre Haute	4	3	7	0	1.000
Swingle, Springfield	3	3	4	0	1.000
Hopke, Fort Wayne	3	3	4	0	1.000
Miller, Grand Rapids	3	3	4	0	1.000
Carrigan, Zanesville	4	2	10	1	.929

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STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

CENTRAL LEAGUE.	W.	L.	Pct.
Wheeling	22	12	.647
South Bend	22	12	.647
Evansville	22	12	.647
Dayton	19	12	.613
Grand Rapids	17	12	.586
Fort Wayne	16	12	.571
Terre Haute	12	17	.414
Springfield	11	19	.367
NATIONAL LEAGUE.			
New York	30	12	.714
Pittsburg	27	12	.692
Philadelphia	24	12	.667
Chicago	23	14	.622
Cincinnati	19	19	.500
St. Louis	13	23	.361
Boston	12	25	.324
Brooklyn	11	26	.297
AMERICAN LEAGUE.			
Cleveland	27	12	.692
Philadelphia	23	12	.657
Detroit	23	13	.639
Washington	22	13	.629
Chicago	19	16	.543
St. Louis	13	22	.371
New York	10	22	.313

Tuesday's Results.

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

South Bend 11, Fort Wayne, 5.
Dayton, 3, Wheeling, 2.
Terre Haute, 3, Grand Rapids-Springfield, rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

St. Louis, 2; Cincinnati, 1.
Pittsburg, 4; Brooklyn, 1.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Philadelphia, 4; Chicago, 1.
Washington, 7; Detroit, 1.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Minneapolis, 1; St. Paul, 0.
Louisville, 1; Toledo, 0.
Kansas City, 1; Minneapolis, 2.

Games For To-Day.

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Fort Wayne at South Bend.
Springfield at Grand Rapids.
Evansville at Wheeling.
Dayton at Terre Haute.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

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

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

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

"CHAMPS" LOSE AGAIN

SOUTH BEND WINS CLOSE GAME FROM FORT WAYNE.

LETCHER MAKES HOME RUN

Local Batters Touch up Pitcher Willis For Eight Hits With Total of 17 Bases—Schafer in Form.

A home run by Tom Letcher, followed by Anderson's single, a sacrifice by Sager and Tierney's two bases hit, in the first inning of yesterday's game with Fort Wayne won the contest for South Bend and gave the locals their second victory over the Champions. The final result of the game was a score of 4 to 3.

While the contest lacked the sensational flicks of Monday, it was not less interesting as Dade Myers and his unfortunates continued to deceive the fans that they were full of fight and that they could force matters at a furious pace throughout the full nine innings. Then there were plays, the brilliancy of which, have never been surpassed in the league. Grossecher's work, especially, deserving the cards of the reports. These times the best of Myers's men were unable to get away at first by successive holding of sharp drives in the vicinity of second base and just as often, prevented Fort Wayne from sending scores over the plate. Myers's men made a little more hit to deep left was another feature of the afternoon, which had its effect on the scoring, or rather lack of scoring on the part of the visitors. Ostdiek's work behind the bat was good and the drives had all the earmarks of a home run for had it fallen safe it would have either be the average centuries.

The most remarkable feature about the game was the have hitting of the batters. Although the number of hits are counted in single figures, six of South Bend's swats were tagged with two bases and one with three, a total of 17 bases. Fort Wayne made seven hits count for 10 bases.

After the first inning Willis kept his hits well scattered the only other inning in which the visitors succeeded in being the 6th in which Schafer had off with a two bagger. In an attempt to steal it into a triple, the throw thrown out through the fast fielding of Osborn and Lidkey, immediately followed by Letcher's hit for a single, but the return of the ball to the plate, caught Schafer. The ball bounded over Myers's head, Letcher went on to second and received credit for two bases. South Bend had one more chance in second, Connors hit to left and Letcher hit to left. He failed to pass that station, however, as the next three men went out on strike hits to the infield.

Schafer had Fort Wayne guessing in the second inning when he hit to deep left. Dupke led off with a single, stole second and said scored on Myers hit to left. Fort Wayne's other run was due to Myers' three bagger in the sixth and Schafer's single, Dupke's hit, the ball got away from him on the return. The score:

South Bend.	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Letcher, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Anderson, rf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Sager, lb	4	0	0	9	0	0
Connors, 2b	4	0	0	1	3	0
Tierney, 3b	4	1	2	1	1	0
Fox, ss	4	0	0	1	3	0
Grossecher, c	4	0	0	11	1	0
Schafer, p	4	1	1	0	3	0
Total	32	3	6	27	12	0

Fort Wayne.	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Bolden, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Osborn, 2b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Lidkey, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Myers, 1b	4	1	1	9	0	0
Mayer, ss	4	0	0	1	2	0
Ostdiek, c	4	0	0	8	1	0
Dupke, lf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Willis, p	4	0	0	0	2	0
Total	32	2	2	24	8	1

South Bend	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Fort Wayne	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2

Summary: Two base hits—Tierney, Schafer, Letcher, Grossecher, Bolden. Sacrifice hits—Sager, Fox, Mayer. Stolen bases—Bolden, Myers 2, Mayer. Left on bases—Fort Wayne, 8; South Bend, 7. Bases on balls—off Willis, 1; off Schafer, 1. Struck out—by Schafer, 1; by Willis, 1. Hit by pitcher—Anderson