Class D, Blue Ridge League

Monday, September 3, 1917

Hanover Raiders vs. Martinsburg Mountaineers

at Rosemont Park, Martinsburg, West Virginia

Tripleheader

Game 1 - 3:00 pm Game Time

Cumberland	AB	R	Н	RBI	PO	\mathbf{A}	Martinsburg	AB	R	Н	RBI	PO	\mathbf{A}
A. Smith ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	J. Thompson 2b	3	0	0	0	3	1
R. Allen cf	4	0	1	0	1	0	S. Long 3b	3	0	1	0	3	3
B. Crist 1f	3	0	1	0	0	0	J. Bates ss	4	0	2	0	0	4
P. Cobb c	4	0	1	0	6	0	G. Rawlings 1f	3	0	0	0	0	0
R. Keener rf	4	0	1	0	2	0	L. Blue 1b	3	1	2	0	8	1
R. Walters 3b	4	0	0	0	2	3	L. Percy rf	2	1	1	2	2	0
I. Bigler 2b	4	1	1	0	1	5	W. Morris cf	3	1	1	0	2	1
T. Greenough 1b	3	0	0	0	12	2	G. Stroh c	3	0	0	0	4	1
Bonsack p	3	0	1	0	0	2	Keib p	3	0	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	27	3	7	2	27	11	TOTALS	27	3	7	2	27	11

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Errors - Thompson, Bates, Cobb LOB - Cumberland, Martinsburg

DP - Cumberland 1 (Walters to Greenough to Cobb).

Doubles - Long, Blue.

Triples - none. Home Runs - Percy (7th, one on, off Bonsack)

Sacrifice Hits - Sacrifice Flies - none.

Stolen Bases - Morris.

Bases on Balls - Crist. Strikeouts - unavailable.

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 Bonsack L
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 "Lefty" Keib W
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 HBP - none.
 Balk-PB

 WP - .
 PB
 Time:
 Time:

Notes - From The Gettysburg Timess, "IN FINAL STRUGGLE...Mountaineers by Taking Two Games Draw Close." Martinsburg made one last desperate effort to get within striking distance of the pennant leader, Hagerstown, by defeating visiting Cumberland in both games of a doubleheader Saturday at Rosemont Park.

A Lee Percy two-run home run in the seventh inning broke a scoreless tie in the 7th inning, and "Lefty" Kieb held the Colts to only one score on six hits to give the Mountaineers the victory.

William "Country" Morris followed Percy's home run with a base hit, stole second, and scored on an error by Colts catcher Paul Cobb, who overthrew second on the steal attempt to allow Morris to race around the bases to score an insurance run for the home

Cumberland's lone tally came in the 8th inning, when Ivan "Pete" Bigler singled, moved to second on Tom Greenough's ground out, and scored when 3rd baseman Johnny Bates misplayed pitcher Bonsack's ground ball.

Bonsack took the hard luck loss for the Colts, allowing only four hits on no runs outside the fateful 8th inning.

Kieb, a schoolteacher during the off-season, will begin teaching at Martinsburg High School after the season ends.

Other BRL games - Hagerstown 3, Gettysburg 2.

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Game 2 – est. 5:30 pm Game Time (7 innings)

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Cumberland	AB	R	H	RBI	PO	\mathbf{A}	Martinsburg	AB	R	H	RBI	PO	\mathbf{A}
A. Smith ss	3	0	0	0	1	1	J. Thompson 2b	3	0	1	0	0	3
R. Allen cf	3	0	0	0	4	1	S. Long 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1
B. Crist 1f	3	0	1	0	0	0	J. Bates ss	2	1	1	1	1	5
P. Cobb c	3	0	1	0	4	2	G. Rawlings 1f	3	1	0	0	2	0
R. Keener rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	L. Blue 1b	3	2	2	1	12	0
R. Walters 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1	L. Percy rf	3	2	2	3	1	0
I. Bigler 2b	2	0	1	0	2	1	W. Morris cf	1	0	0	0	2	0
T. Greenough 1b	2	0	0	0	7	0	G. Stroh c	1	0	0	1	2	0
J. Klingenhoefer p	2	0	0	0	0	0	Keib p	2	0	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	24	0	4	0	18	6	TOTALS	21	6	6	6	21	9

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Errors - Smith. LOB - Cumberland, Martinsburg

DP - Martinsburg (Bates to Blue).

Doubles – Percy. Triples - none.

Home Runs - Percy (2nd, two on, off Klingenhoefer), Bates (6th, solo, off Klingenhoefer)..

Sacrifice Hits – Bates. Sacrifice Flies - Stroh.

Stolen Bases – Morris.

Bases on Balls - Morris.

Strikeout s - unavailable.

 Pitching
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 "Lefty" Keib W
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 HBP - none.
 Balk-WP - .
 PB

 Umpire - Monte Cross.
 Attendance - .
 Time:

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Lee Percy belted his second home run of the doubleheader, and Johnny Bates added another round-tripper, as "Lefty" Keib won both ends of the doubleheader against the Colts, 6 to 0 in seven innings.

An error started off Martinsburg's run scoring in the second inning. "Reggie" Rawlings reached second when Colts shortstop "Shorty" Smith overthrew the ball out of the reach of first baseman Tom Greenough outstretched glove. Lu Blue signed, to put runners in scoring position, and Percy belted his second home run of the afternoon over the fence to give Martinsburg a 3 to 0 lead.

In the fourth, Percy doubled, and scored on Blue's base hit. Blue took second on the throw to the plate. "Country" Morris walked, and stole second to put runners in scoring position. Catcher George Stroh lofted along fly to centerfield, and Blue tagged up to score on the sacrifice fly.

Martinsburg added their sixth run in the 6th inning when Johnny Bates hit a solo home run over the fence off Klingnhoefer. The Colts mustered only four well-scattered hits, and were never in the contest, and managed only one unearned run in the doubleheader.

Notes – Interesting, Keib and Klingenhoefer are the only pitchers in the early years of the Blue Ridge League to hit grand slam home runs. Klingenhoefer hit is only home run of the season, a grand slam, off Keib on July 17.

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Game 3 – est. 5:30 pm Game Time – This game called after 5 innings due to darkness)

Hanover	AB	R	Η	RBI	PO	A	Martinsburg	AB	R	Н	RBI	PO	A
W. Ralinger ss	3	0	2	0	0	1	L. Percy c	4	0	3	0	5	0
Sheehan c	4	1	3	0	7	0	F. Colley p	4	1	3	0	1	5
B. Elliott cf	3	1	3	0	1	1	L. Megalis 1b	4	0	2	0	9	1
E. Bitting p	3	0	2	1	0	0	S. Long 2b	3	0	2	0	0	1
V. St. Martin 3b	3	0	3	1	0	1	A. Hasson 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1
R. Clunk 2b	3	0	2	0	0	1	G. Stroh ss	3	0	2	1	0	0
P. Kunkle If	3	0	2	0	0	0	Keib lf	3	0	2	0	0	0
Morrison rf	3	0	2	0	0	0	Creque rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
L. Hiner 1b	3	0	2	0	7	1	L. Blue rf	3	0	3	0	0	0
TOTALS	28	2	21	2	15	5	TOTALS	30	1	18	1	15	8

Hanover 2 0 0 0 0 - 2 21 0 Martinsburg 1 0 0 0 0 - 1 18 0

Errors - none LOB - Hanover 12, Martinsburg

DP - none.

Doubles - Blue.

Triples - none. Home Runs - none.

Sacrifice Hits - none. Sacrifice Flies -

Stolen Bases - none. Caught Stealing - Percy, Keib,

Bases on Balls - none.

Strikeouts - Creque 2, Hasson 2, Megalis.

 Pitching
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 Frank Colley L
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 HBP - none.
 WP - .
 Balk - PB

 Umpire - Bill McGowan
 Attendance - .
 Time:

Notes - From The Gettysburg Timess, "MOUNTAINEERS WOULD CONTEST...Say Hagerstown Broke Rules and is Not Entitled to League Pennant...THREE GAMES ON MONDAY...Futile Effort to Overcome Terriers Sunstancial Lead. Gettysburg Dropped Final Pair."

In the third game of the rare tripleheader, with Martinsburg's pennant hopes washed away, the two clubs mixed up their line-ups in a loosely played contest that ended after five innings in favor of Hanover, 2 to 1 at Rosemont Park.

A record 39 hits were accounted for, only one of extra base variety: a double by Martinsburg's Lu Blue.

Hanover started regular 3^{rl} baseman Earl Bitting on the mound, and he came away with the victory, fanning five batters, as both clubs closed their 1917 seasons.

The Raiders scored both their runs in the first inning when Sheehan and "Buck" Elliott singled, and scored on hits by Bitting and Victor St. Martin, which would be all the runs they would need.

Martinsburg tallied their only run in their first at bat. Lee Percy, but was tagged out trying to steal second base. Pitcher Frank Colley singled, Louis Megalis followed with a base hit, and after Short Long reached on an infield hit, and Al Hasson fanned, Colley scored on George's Stroh' base hit with two out. Megalis was tagged out at the plate trying to score from second to end the inning.

Notes – In a farce of a contest, Martinsburg and Hanover played in the only tripleheader contest in Blue Ridge League history to end the season. With Martinsburg trailing for the league pennant by two games against Hagerstown, they scheduled an extra make-up game with the Raiders, resulting in three games played. Martinsburg's attempt came short when they lost the second game to Hanover, 6-5, thus eliminating them from any chance of taking the pennant away from the Terriers. A record 39 hits were credited in only five innings of play, as batters tried to hit on the first pitch thrown to them.

Other BRL games - Hagerstown 2, Gettysburg 0; Cumberland 10, Frederick 5 (g1); Cumberland 4, Frederick 0 (g2).