

GAMES--1906

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
1/7	Olinda@Pomona		1-4	8	4	1	6	0	6			3	0		1	3		LeBra
2/11	"	Rivera	5-4	9	4		10	1	11			3	0			2		"
2/18	"	Downey	16-1	9	1		?	?	15			?			?			?
3/4	"	Rivera	3-5	9	5		11	?	?			?			?			?
3/18	"	Tufts-Ly	8-6							WJ-RF		4	1		1			Crips-P
4/1	"	LA Hamb	7-0	9	0	0	5	1	11			4	1	1	1	1		LeBra
4/8	"	Tufts-Ly	2-3							WJ-RF		4	1		4			Crips-P
10/21	Olive @SantaMon.		?	9	?		?	?	?			?			?			Meats
11/25	Olinda Pacifics		5-4	9	4		11	2	13			4	0		1	2		Burk/Mot
12/25	" @SantaAna		4-1	?	?		?	?	?			?			?			?
12/30	" Alhambra		12-2	9	2		4	2	14			5	2	2	1			Meats
12/31	" LA Pacif		4-0	9	0	0	?	?	21			?			?			?

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2/11--Rube Ellis and Fred Snodgrass in lineup for Rivera. Ellis said to have signed with L.A., Jack Burnett called "Manager Hall's (Russ Hall, Seattle-N.W.L.) new find". (Anaheim Gazette, 2/15/05)

Joe Burke--"Walt's pitching got noised abroad throughout Southern California. The games we were playing Sunday after Sunday turned the eyes of a number of scouts in our direction. I well remember one Sunday when Frank Dillon, manager of the Los Angeles Coast League team, and Rusty Hall, of the Seattle team, came down to look us over. One of my pet ambitions at that time was to get Walt into fast company. I felt sure that if he had half a chance he would develop into something great. We all liked him, he was our kind of fellow. So when we heard that Dillon and Hall had their eagle eye on us we gave the lad the best support there was in us. After the game I led a delegation of oil wells players to where Dillon had been sitting in the little grandstand directly back of the catcher."

'What did you think of the kid?', I asked Dillon.

'Well', said Dillon, 'he won't do yet. He telegraphs everything he throws'.

And the player who is the greatest pitcher in the world remained the undisputed property of the Olinda team, dividing \$18 to \$25 among nine players every Sunday afternoon. Not only had Dillon passed him up, but Hall had not even given him consideration or attention. Hall was spread out on the ground off third base during the game, and after it was over he picked Jack Burnett and Anson Mott, outfielder and infielder, and signed them up." ("How Walter Johnson Got His Start in Baseball", Joseph Burke, Phil(?) Enquirer, 9/20/13, from HOF clipping files)

Frank "Pop" Dillon is a cousin of Clark Griffith. ("Minor League Baseball Stars II", SABR, 1985, Bob Davids editor)

WJ--"I was getting by with a lot of strikeouts, but of almost equal importance was my awkwardness. It seemed as my pitching improved my awkwardness got worse. I couldn't field a bunt to save my life. At bat I could hit pretty good pitching, but once on the bases I used to get tangled up with my own feet. The chief worry to Joe Burke and my many other boosters was that everybody was getting excited about my pitching except the ones who counted most--the professional managers. I was not worried, because I had no particular hopes or plans. I was pitching and winning and was satisfied with that. I wasn't making much money, but I was home with my family and that meant much to me. Every community has its young pitching marvel. The managers naturally discounted such reports."

One Sunday afternoon two men appeared in the crowd. To the crowd they were very important. It turned out they were scouts and the news had been kept from me for fear I might be nervous. After the game I was introduced to Mr. Dillon and Mr. Hall. I didn't know who in the world they were. The next morning I learned that Hall was from Seattle in the Coast League and the tall, thin fellow with iron gray hair was Frank "Pop" Dillon. He was a former big league star and the manager of the Los Angeles club in the Pacific Coast League, and therefore a good judge of pitchers.

The news was broken to me very sadly that Dillon had passed me up. I wasn't good enough for Los Angeles, he said. He principally objected to my style of pitching, which he claimed 'telegraphed' everything I threw. I was too green, Dillon said. And I couldn't hold runners on first base. His objection to my delivery I used to hear many times. Dillon's refusal was bad enough but imagine my feelings when they told me that Hall had also passed me up and at the same time had signed two of my teammates, Anson Mott and Jack Burnett. After this incident I kept right on with Olinda, taking my share each Sunday out of what the crowd donated. The entire collection each week averaged \$25. ("My Pitching Years")

"Johnson says that when he was pitching at Anaheim and tried to get a job with the Los Angeles team, the only man who could see him was Rube Ellis. 'Frank Dillon came over to look at me', recalled Johnson, 'and he said that I wouldn't do because I couldn't hold runners on the bases. I've always remembered Rube Ellis for the kindly interest he took in me. He predicted I would be a star when no one else could see me.'" (Abe Kemp, Scrapbook X)

3/4--"Johnson had an off day, that was all, and the Riveras landed on him as never before. Russ Hall, manager of the Seattle team, and Oscar Jones were interested spectators. This was Hall's second visit here. He has his eye out for new material. He is quoted as saying that Kid Johnson is a comer." (Anaheim Gazette, 3/8/06)

3/11--"J.J. Burnett left Sunday for the north to join the Seattle ball team." (Fullerton Tribune, 3/15/05)

3/18--"LeBrandt goes to Helena, Mont., next month." (Gazette, 3/22/06)

4/1--"Johnson was in good form and had the foreigners guessing all the time...Jack Burnett and Ed Mott are making good with the Siwashes(Seattle)." (Gazette, 4/5/06)

4/8--"The Oil Wells will not play again until the 29th of April...The team will be reorganized...LeBrandt goes to Butte City, Mont...Burnett has been sent to Tacoma(by Seattle) and will play in the up-country this season...Mott is doing well at third for Seattle."(Gazette, 4/12/06)

4/19--"Walter Johnson, the crack young pitcher of the Olinda ball team, has received an offer to pitch for the Tacoma league team this season. Johnson has not decided yet whether he will enter the league this year or wait until next season."(Fullerton News Tribune, 4/19/06)

"...He probably had not played more than ten real games of ball until a friend of his, Barnett, offered him a position with the Tacoma club in the Northwest League."(Boston Globe, 9/27/12, article based on interview with WJ)

WJ--*I received an offer to play with Tacoma. I was 18 years of age and the decision was entirely up to my father and mother. My parents didn't object, but relatives and neighbors were nearly horrified. I have often heard my mother tell how many well-meaning persons rushed to her with warnings of what would be my future if I turned to baseball as a life profession. As they (parents) were willing, I sent a wire accepting. My mother insisted that I be well dressed when I met my employers, so I put down \$12, which seemed like the earnings of a lifetime, and bought a new suit. The following day I boarded a local train at Fullerton with the new suit under my arm and a cheap leather satchel full of home-made sandwiches. Outside of that, all I had was enough cash to take me from Los Angeles to Tacoma and the clothes on my back.* ("My Pitching Years")

8/2--WJ returns to Olinda. "Agitation" for reorganization of the Olinda team. Tom Young moves to L.A. (Gazette, 8/2/06)

10/21--At the "Santa Monica Polo Grounds...the Olive team played an errorless game, and proved to be heavy batters. The batteries were Johnson and Meats for the Olives."(L.A. Times, 10/22/06)

11/25--First game of Winter schedule. "In the seventh the foreigners had three men on bases, but Johnson steadied down, struck two men out and the third was an easy out at first. Johnson was in fine form, but in the absence of Meats, his regular catcher, has to ease up a bit at times. This accounts for the 11 hits against him."

Burke is manager; Team to be admitted to the Southern California League, will be called the Anaheim Oil Wells--"There was a good crowd out and collections were first-class. If this keeps up, games will be played all winter." WJ said to have had a fine record at "Wisser, Idaho", to return there next season. Other Olinda players:

Burnett--.300 BA, 32 SB, 9 HR, 26 2B, a "great record" for Tacoma; "drafted by" Montreal of Eastern League for next season.

Head--Played for "Wisser", Idaho and Parks, Utah; To play for Pueblo, Col. next year.

Mott--"Made good" at Seattle. (Anaheim Gazette, 11/29/06)

12/25--Hinrichs P for Santa Ana.

12/30--"Johnson fanned two of the foreigners in the first, three in the second, two in the third, two in the fourth and so on until the reporter couldn't count any more. The visitors were a gentlemanly lot of fellows who won 70 of 77 games last year, including their last nineteen. Who they played is not mentioned, but it must have been with the nines just over from Foo Chow.(Gazette, 1/3/07)

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2/3	Anaheim	Tufts-Ly	3-0	9	0	0	8	0	8		1	3	0		1	1	1	?
2/10	"	@San Dieg	2-1	9	1	0	1	1	10			3	1(2b)				3	Meats
2/24	"	Morans	4-1	9	1	0	2	5	6			3	0				1	3
3/3	"	@Pasadena	0-1	8	1	0	4	?	?			?					?	?
3/10	"	Hoeges	0-0	11	0	0	6	2	17		2	3	1				4	

10/27

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
	SantaAn	SealGard	9-2									(HR)						
	"	"	Hoeges	1-1	9	1	3	0	11			3	0				?	?
11/3	SanDieg	DyasClin	2-4	9	4	2	7	0	9			3	0			1	2	Meyers
11/7	"	LA (PCL)	1-0	9	0	0	3	1	16			3	0				4	"
11/10	"	"	4-3	4	0	0	1	0	3			1	0 (3 2/3 IP)				3	LeBrant
	"	"	2-9	7	7	6	11	1	5			2	0				3	"
11/17	SantaAn	Hoeges.	4-4	9	4	1	3	0	15	1		4	2(2b)	2		1	1	Meats
11/24	"	MeeksLA	4-3	9	3	0	3	2	13		1	3	2		1	1		"
12/08	"	SantaBar	0-1	9	1		7	0	12			3	1					"
12/15	"	McCormLA	1-2	9	2	0	3	0	11		2	3	0				4	1
12/22	"	MeeksLA	12-1	9	1		2	0	16		1	4	2(2b)				1	1
12/30?	"	SantaBar	1-2									3	0					WJ RF
12/29?	"	Chr/LevyLA	2-0	9	0	0	2	2	18			4	2(2b)					

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1/7--Anaheim admitted to the **Southern California league**, with Tufts-Lyons, Hamburgers, Morans, Pacifics, and Hoeges, all of L.A., and Pasadena, San Diego, San Bernadino, and Santa Barbara.--"These nines are composed of **professional players**, and we may expect to see first-class ball during the season. It is the first time Anaheim has ever ventured into **professional baseball**, but local fans bank on the Oil Wells to give a good account of themselves. the club has defeated every club outside of professional ranks, and now goes up against stronger nines."(Gazette, 1/10/07)

1/20--WJ misses games 1/20 and 1/27 due to illness; Crips P

2/3--1,000 at game.

2/10--"Hats off to the 'rubes'. Oh, what a surprise it was. There was nothing about the appearance of the visitors(Anaheim) to indicate that they were ballplayers extraordinary. Whenever you see a team whose men are wearing two or three kinds of uniforms you can bet they don't put up much of a game. It is to Johnson, their pitcher, that the big share of the honors of the day must be given. Without Johnson it is more than likely that there would be a different story to tell. **Just where Anaheim managed to pick up such a twirler is something that the San Diego fans would give a good deal to know. there are some who maintain that he is a ringer who was brought to San Diego especially for the purpose of trimming the Pickwicks. This is denied by the Anaheim boys, who say he belongs in their neck of the woods and that he is not a ringer in any sense of the word.**

From the very start of the game Johnson showed that he was going to make the Pickwick sluggers look like 'thirty cents'. He had an easy delivery and **apparently did not exert himself in the slightest in throwing the ball. but nevertheless the sphere came to the plate like a shot out of a gun. Besides this Mr. Johnson had the benders and shoots of a Mathewson, and with it all excellent control.** "San Diego hit called a **scratch hit**". **Jack Meyers, Pickwicks catcher, batting .390** and "since he joined the team the boys have improved wonderfully". (San Diego Union, 2/11/07)

2/24--Morans pitcher is Elmer Rieger, (St.L.,N.L.'10)

3/3--Anaheim 4th in league; San Bernadino 1st at 6-2, Tufts-Lyon 5-2.

3/10--"Specs" Harkness(Cleve.A.L.'10-11) and Fred Snodgrass(N.Y.N.L.'08-15) battery for Hoeges, Rube Ellis(St.L.N.L.'09-12) CF. Harkness gives up 2 hits, K's 10. WJ, Meats and Isbell to leave next month for Montana, Northwestern League.(Gazette, 3/14/07)

WJ-- "Naturally, the news about my strikeouts in Idaho caused some talk down around Los Angeles and 'Pop' Dillon again showed interest in me. In fact, he asked me to meet him and 'Hen' Berry, then owner of the Los Angeles club, at a billiard room. I was on time for the appointment and sat near the door where they would enter. They came in a little while after I arrived and immediately started playing a game of billiards. They didn't ask for me and didn't seem to be much concerned whether I had come or not. I didn't feel as though I ought to go up and interrupt such important men. And besides, I'd always remembered how Dillon had passed me up at Olinda and I didn't like to have him turn me down again. Pretty soon their billiard game was finished and they left without knowing I was present. The billiard parlor incident didn't bother me in the least. I kept on playing baseball and trying to improve."("My Pitching Years")

WJ-- "...I decided that I would like to get employment in the Coast League, as I believed that I could make good in that company. I always liked Los Angeles, and consequently went there for a position. It happened that the club had a staff of excellent pitchers, and my appeal to the manager of the club received slight attention. I did my best to show him that he was making a mistake, but couldn't make much of an impression. My bank balance was none too large, and after staying at Los Angeles for a time without making any progress, I decided that as a ballplayer I was doomed to shine at Weiser. I knew there was a position open to me, and so I went back to that town."("Some Experiences of a Speed King, or My Life Story", St. Nicholas Mag, Oct 1914)

WJ-- "A friend recommended me to the Los Angeles club, and the manager sent a man down to look me over. I won the game he witnessed, and I was asked to come up to Los Angeles for a conference. When I arrived I was directed to the pool room where the manager and president were playing, and although I waited for them to finish the game, they ignored me entirely and went away without an interview. While there I heard that manager McGraw of the Giants was in town to watch a young phenom by the name of Grants. ("Some of My Early Experiences")

WJ-- "John McGraw and the New York Giants trained in Southern California. Joe Burke and all that old crowd around the oil fields got after me again. I simply had to try out with the Giants, they said, and they would not have it any other way. But if I wasn't good enough for Dillon and Los Angeles, how in the world could I expect a chance with McGraw and the famous New York Giants? That's how I looked at the situation. The big leaguers practiced at Washington Park, which, in the old days, was called Chutes Park.

One morning I went to the ballpark alone. Naturally, no one knew me, as I took a seat in the old wooden

grandstand and watched Christy Mathewson and all the famous stars go through their practice. I made several feeble starts in McGraw's direction, but at each move it seemed some Giant player would step up for a few words with his manager. As the big league players worked out and new baseballs went sailing around the field, I turned the matter over in my mind. Continuing with Weiser was a 'sure-thing', and trying out with New York was a gamble. My salary at Weiser had been \$100 per month. My salary in the coming season at Weiser was to be \$150. The Giants might pay me even twice that much (I wasn't certain as to big league salaries). On the other hand, McGraw might let me go without as much as pitching a single game--like happened at Tacoma. Anyway, I decided to stick to Weiser, and left the Los Angeles ballpark without as much as meeting John McGraw. ("My Pitching Years")

2/25-3/20--N.Y. Giants train in L.A.

WJ-- "I told my father and mother of my ambition to become a professional baseball player, and they readily assented to my return to Weiser in the Spring of 1907. The team had wanted me back and at a fairly good salary and I was pleased to play with them once more." (Barker interview)

3/20--WJ said to be headed, along with Anson Mott, for Butte, Montana of the Northwestern League. Claire Head "who played professional ball last year", going to Pueblo, Col. of the W.A.; Meats and Elwell to the Idaho State League. (Fullerton tribune, 3/20/07)

April--WJ getting \$150 a month, Guy Meats \$100 a month to play in Weiser. (Orange County Historical Volume III, M.Y. MacArthur, 1963; Figures probably from Meats.)

6/19--Fullerton Trib article on WJ success in Weiser, says that he was taken there by Clare Head, "who is captain of that team" (?).

"...there seems to be no doubt but what his (WJ) future is assured...no one need be surprised to see Johnson climb into the national league." (Fullerton Tribune, 6/19/07)

7/10--Fullerton Trib article on Weiser record and signing by Wash:

"...Young Johnson is modest. He goes about his work on the diamond in a business-like way and is good-natured throughout, never questioning the decisions of the man with the indicator. He has the characteristic California faith in himself and with this, coupled with headwork, he has more than made good in a state league composed of fast and heady players, brought to this part of the northwest from the baseball centers in the middle west, east, and Pacific coast." (Fullerton Tribune, 7/10/07)

August--"In Olinda and Fullerton, Johnson's old amateur teammates were rendered spellbound at the swiftness with which he attained greatness in the big leagues. His progress was reported dutifully by the Fullerton Tribune, which offered the following comment in August of 1907:

'Walter Johnson of Fullerton, the wonderful pitcher, is more than making a hit with the Washington team of the American League, and eastern papers are heralding him as the greatest find in many years and filling the sporting columns with such nice things about him as have ever been said about any ballplayer.' In the same story, the writer added, 'He is not of the kind that swell up and get chesty and he will not be carried away by the many compliments he is receiving.'" ("When the Big Train ran on a rural track", L.A. Times, 6/27/07)

10/17--WJ returns to Olinda during the past week--"Johnson returns loaded with laurels from Eastern baseball centers. He wears the same sized hats, and is the same gentlemanly, unassuming ballplayer he was before he went away." (Anaheim Gazette, 10/17/07)

SANTA ANA-

Fred Snodgrass-- "At the time, the only contact I had with baseball was playing Sundays on a semipro team called the Hoegge Flags. We were sponsored by a sporting-goods house, and on our backs we had flags of all nations. We played teams all over southern California, and I still remember the one that was the toughest. It was a team down by Santa Ana, for which Walter Johnson pitched. If people think Walter was fast later on, they should have seen him then. Whew! Most of the time you couldn't even see the ball!" ("The Glory of Their Times", Ritter)

11/5--California Winter League organized: 10 teams--Anaheim and San Bernadino rejected "on account of being short of men and their grounds not being in condition for play. All teams are made up of players from the Eastern and Coast leagues. (Santa Ana Register, 11/7/07)

Ed Crolc, local billiard hall owner, appointed manager of S.A. team, called the "Stars". The other clubs from Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Pasadena, San Diego. Many big leaguers in league--Chick Gandil, Gavy Cravath, Dave Altizer, Rube Ellis, Fred Snodgrass, Chief Meyers, George Stovall and Ote Johnson. Local players

filled out the lineups. Gandil worked in Crolic's Fourth Street pool hall as a 'house man'.

'Big Bill' Hinrichs, was one of the best prospects out of Orange County--tall, rangy, with a good assortment of curves. He was taken to Washington by WJ, but his career was cut short by infantile paralysis. "Salaries demanded by professional ballplayers, upkeep of the grounds, the small price of admission and lack of attendance eventually caused the closing of Hawley Park (and the league)." (Santa Ana Register, 11/22/39)

"it was during the winters of 1907-08-09 that the brightest pages of baseball history were written as far as the local fans were concerned. A.E. Hawley, a local sporting goods merchant and a great lover of the game, owned a small farm out west of the city and it was in the late summer of 1906 that he thought the team needed a ball park. So he squared off a piece of land large enough for a regulation diamond and got his team going.

1.5 miles from O Linda; games at Hawley's Park, built Fall, 1906; players traveled by the Pacific Electric RR;--Most of the clubs had several major league players on their rosters. Some of the better local players played with the professionals. One of these was Lester Slaback, long-time Orange County court reporter, who believes he saw Johnson make the most astounding throw in all baseball history. Slaback played left field.

Johnson, a good hitter, was used in center in the second game of a double-header after he had pitched the opener. 'The other team had a man on third base with one out', Slaback told this column. 'The batter hit a line single to center. the ball hit in front of Johnson and he fielded it on the first hop. Walter threw the ball to the plate like a shot out of a gun. Guy Meats was catching and Johnson's peg bulleted into his glove, ankle high, just in time to nail the baserunner. That's the only time I ever have seen a man thrown out at home on what was a clean basehit. Walter's throwing ability was unbelievable.'" (Eddie West, S.A. Register, 8/11/57)

WJ given \$5 per game by Hawley, later raised to \$10. Other pros given \$3. ("The Early Days of Sports in Orange County", Orange Coast Magazine, July, 1990)

Oct-Bob Isbell-"What a change a few months in the big league made in his throw to the bases! When he played with us as a kid, he made a few false motions before he got the ball to a base. But when he returned at the end of the season he got his throws there faster and straighter than anyone before or since. It was suicide to try to steal a base on him." (Orange County Historical volume III, M.Y. MacArthur, 1963)

11/2--WJ arrives in San Diego to pitch for the semi-pro Pickwicks against the PCL champion Los Angeles Angels in a five-game series; Picture taken with Pickwicks in new uniforms, after which they beat the Dyas and Cline team in the first of two games to warm up for the L.A. series--" 'First time I ever knew it to happen' remarked 'Big Chief' Meyers after the game. 'Never played on a team before that was able to win the game after having its picture taken'". The Pickwicks are said to be "Champions, Southern State League; The series is billed as the "Coast Championship".

The Angels called "one of the strongest teams that has ever been on the Pacific coast":

P "Dolly" Gray--"The star pitcher of the PCL". (Wash AL, '09-11)

P "Judge" Nagle--(Pitt NL and Bost AL, '11)

P Bill Burns--(Wash AL, etc., '08-12)

1b Frank 'Pop' Dillon--(ML, '99-04) L.A. manager

2b Bernard--(Curt?, N.Y. NL '00-01)

3b Brashear--(Kitty?, St. L. NL '02)

LF Walter "Rosy" Carlisle--(Bost AL '08)

CF Ellis--(Rube?, StL AL '09-12)

RF "Gavvy" Cravath--(AL, '08-09, Phil NL '12-20, 6 NL HR titles).

"Manager Palmer fully realizes the task he has put before his men and has done everything possible to get together a bunch that will be able to make things interesting. Unfortunately, he will be without the services of both 'Dummy' Taylor (N.Y. NL '00-08) and 'Ike' Butler (Balt. AL '02), two twirlers who had been depended on to win their games. Taylor was unable to come to San Diego this winter, and Butler leaves on the afternoon train today for Michigan with the body of his wife who died last Friday afternoon.":

"Walter Johnson is so well known he requires but little mention. Six months ago he was an unknown corner-lot twirler in Anaheim. There is not a sporting writer who has seen him work who does not predict that in another year he will be the best in the business."

P Harry McIntyre (NL, '05-13)

P Roy Hitt (Cinc NL '07)

P Alex "Soldier" Carson (Chi NL '10)

P Bergeman (ex L.A.)

C Jack "Chief" Meyers (NL '09-17)

2b Tom Downey (NL '09-15)

Meyers an actual Indian Chief of the Mission Tribe which inhabited the area of Riverside, California,

before it was settled by white men.

11/3--Pickwicks make 5 errors, three by Downey--(WJ)...with any kind of support would have won easily. He had terrific 'smoke' and all kinds of benders, but it takes more than on or two men to win a game."(San Diego Union, 11/4/07)

11/7--"If ever there was surprised bunch of champions, it was this Los Angeles crowd yesterday afternoon. After the last man had gone out in the last inning it took them nearly five minutes to recover from the catastrophe. Captain Dillon was so surprised he could hardly speak, and his faithful minions did not have the heart to bring him out of his trance.

'There's the boy you turned down last season!' This was the cry that greeted Dillon when Walter Johnson stepped out on the diamond for the first time. And at regular and frequent intervals during the entire nine innings of play the cry was repeated, that Dillon might not have the opportunity to forget the chance that was once his. Just as though it was necessary to remind the Angel leader of the fact that he had erred. There is no one who realizes his mistake more than Dillon himself, and he has been well aware of his error for several months. But the crowd delighted in rubbing it in, and Dillon did not mind it in the least. But it nevertheless galled him to stand on the coaching line near first base and watch man after man, including the heaviest hitters on the nine, step to the pan, nearly wrench their vertebrae out of joint in wild and ineffectual attempts to connect with the leather as propelled by the good right arm of Johnson, and then retire with more or less bad grace to the bench."

Only two men reach second for L.A; Easterly, who was supposed to play for the Pickwicks, struck out the first two times up, to the great delight of the fans, who called him "traitor"--"When he went back to the bench for the second time, Easterly was so filled with wrath he could have bitten a ten-penny nail in two." Meyers got three of the five hits off Bill Burns and threw out two of three at second. (San Diego Union, 11/9/07)

11/8 & 11/9--Pickwicks lose both games, making 5 errors the first and 10 the second; Meyers suffers a bad finger cut 11/8 and won't play again until he pinch-hits in the final game.

11/10--Morning game--WJ relieves Karns, who left with a hand injury, with one out and the bases loaded in the sixth; double play on a bunt attempt ends the inning.

Afternoon game--L.A. gets 1 run in the first on a passed ball, 2 in the fourth, 1 in the fifth and 3 in the seventh:

"It remained for the afternoon game to be the poorest of the entire series. After four pretty exhibitions of the national sport, the Pickwicks put up a listless game, comparatively speaking, and proved a disappointment to the largest crowd that has ever passed through the gates of Athletic Park. By the time the umpire called play the crowd had spread out on either side of the field and threatened to encroach upon the playing territory.

With Johnson pitching for the Pickwicks and Dolly Gray doing the honors for the champs, it was figured that the battle would be worth going miles to see. And so it would have proved, had it not been for the fact that Johnson was handicapped with a sore arm which prevented his doing any more than lobbing the ball over the pan after the third inning. By the time the seventh rolled around it was clearly impossible for him to continue and Bergeman was substituted."(San Diego Union, 11/11/07)

11/17--"Although Johnson was not in his finest form yesterday (still suffering sore arm?), he struck out fifteen of the visiting sluggers and allowed them only three little dinky swats." 500 at game.(Santa Ana Register, 11/18/07)

12/15--"Gavvy" Cravath joins Santa Ana "to keep in training before going to the Boston Americans next season".

12/30(?)--George Coleman pitches for Santa Ana in first game of a doubleheader, WJ plays RF; Date may be 12/29.

GAMES-1908

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
1/?	SANTA ANA	Edisons	7-0	9	0	0	3	0	15			4	3(HR, 2b)	2			1	Meats
1/?	Santa Ana	Morans	13-0	9	0	0	4	0	10			5	2	1			3	Meats
1/5	"	@SanPedro	0-0	12	0	0	3	1	22			4	0				2	"
1/19	"	Hoeges	1-0	9	0	0	0	0	9		2	3	2				1	Cody

10/18	Olive LA	ColGi.	5-6	11	6		9	1	20			4	0		1	1		Collins
10/25	SantaAna	Pasaden	3-11	9	11	6	13	2	15	1	1	4	1		1	1		Meats
11/15	"	Edisons	6-2	9	2	0	2	2	20		1	3	1				2	Price
11/22	"	SaltLake	0-0	10	0	0	2	1	11			4	0				4	Meats
11/29	"	SanDiego	2-3	9	3	2	6	3	3			3	0			1	1	"
12/6	"	McCorm	0-1	9	1	1	2	0	9			3	1				7	"
12/13	"	Azusa	2-4	11	4		2	4	15		1	3	0			1	1	"
12/27	"	Pasadena	7-2	9	2	1	5	2	9			3	0			1	2	"

Notes on Games--1908

1/5--WJ strikes out 8 of first 9; one on, by error, in first 8 innings--"It was a case of walk right up to the bat, wiggle your bat three times and walk right back to the bench...Ford, the harbor city pitcher, although a cripple, is a fine pitcher. He had 15 strikeouts to his credit." (Santa Ana Register, 1/9/08)
 1/12--WJ sick, Cody P as S.A. beats Morans, 5-4; Leading the league at 7-2(.778), San Pedro second at .769.
 1/19--"Johnson, though not in the best of shape, pitched big league ball." Hoegees had men on second and third in the ninth, WJ strikes out last two to end game. Meats sick. Snodgrass HBP by WJ twice. (Santa Ana Register, 1/23/08)

WJ has been sick the past week and a half, "but he went into the box to pitch...George Cody caught Johnson as easy as rolling off a log." (Santa Ana Evening Blade, 1/20/08)

WJ leads team in batting at .472 (Fullerton Tribune, 1/22/08)

"Homerun Johnson"--"Pitching Phenom Develops Into Wicked Slugger"--"...In a letter to a friend, an attache of the senate, Johnson writes that he has had several offers to join outlaw clubs:

"I have played ball nearly every Sunday since I came home, and my arm is in fine shape. I never let it out too much, but just toss the ball over. You ought to see me bat. I bat better than any man in the league, and there are some good hitters and pitchers out here. I don't pull away like I used to back there. I hit two over the fence for home runs thus far.

I never thought of playing outlaw ball here. There's good money in it, but I intend to stick to Washington as long as I can." (WJ encloses clipping saying he is 13 for 25, .520, and has struck out 98 in seven games.) (Unknown Wash. paper, Jan.'08, from HOF clippings file)

2/1--Coleman P; WJ to pitch next day (sunday), but rained out.

2/16--Cody P; "This (next Sunday's game vs. San Pedro) will be Johnson's last game with the locals. Everybody come." (Santa Ana Register, 2/17/08)

2/23--Cody P, S.A. 3, San Pedro 0; No WJ--"Sickness prevented Johnson from pitching." (Lecil Slaback clippings, probably S.A. Blade)

Third shutout for S.A. without WJ; S.A. fielding averages have WJ in 10 games at .900--4PO, 14A, 2E. (Santa Ana Register, 2/29/08); Struck out 120 in 131 innings, .432 BA. (Fullerton Tribune, 2/26/08)

"S.A. Winter League team" BA, WJ 16 for 37(.432) in 10 G, 8 R; best of any player with at least 10 games--some players in as many as 22 games. (S.A. Blade, 4/29/08)

2/27--Mastoiditis operation; In bed 2 weeks before, condition grew worse until surgeons decided abcess had to be removed. WJ puts off operation, hoping it would get better and he could join Washington for spring training. Feeling bad most of the Winter League season, friends say. "It is thought that the abcess was the result of being hit by a pitched ball, but Johnson is too ill to confirm it and his family is noncommittal." Estimated that he will be in hospital 3 weeks to a month and another month recuperating. "Johnson's relatives are in constant attendance and are doing all in their power to permit the bed-ridden patient to pass the time as agreeably as possible. Johnson is not allowed to talk much, as the working of the jaw affects his sore ear. He is in considerable pain at times, but the administration of opiates to the wound relieves him. the pitcher is keenly disappointed over his illness as he had expected to work for a record this season. He expressed keen interest over the arrival of the White Sox in Los Angeles this morning, and says he would like to get to the city and see them play, but of course that is impossible." (L.A. Times, 3/1 & 3/5/08)

A piece of bone is removed from behind an ear, the operation performed during the night of the 27th; WJ in "critical condition...but resting well". (Santa Ana Register, 2/28/08)

"...Acute mastoiditis, about the same trouble as Thomas A. Edison is suffering from. It is now stated that he has been feeling badly all winter, and that his pitching has not been up to standard." (Unknown Wash. paper, 3/5/08, from HOF clipping file)

J.L. Perry (grandfather)--"His (WJ) life was once despaired of." Mastoid operation cost \$700. (Iola, Ks Register 1908 from scrapbook)

5/7--"Johnson leaves to join Washington team." (Fullerton Tribune, 5/7/08)

5/11--"Walter Johnson failed to show up to pitch the first ball" at S.A./Edisons game. (Lecil Slaback clippings, probably S.A. Blade)

10/11--California Winter League season to open 10/11, S.A. vs Asuza. General admission 25 cents, grandstand 10 cents extra, ladies admitted free to grandstand. New grandstand and bleachers. New S.A. uniforms are green with yellow sox. Team nickname becomes "Yellow Sox". (Santa Ana Register, 10/10/08)

10/18--Grover Collins C? Meats 1b. 6 E for Olive, 3 by Collins. 4 SB for LA. 14 K's for Hunt and Clark. WJ making "his first appearance in the South this season."

Giants called "the champion colored team." (L.A. Herald, 10/19/08)

GAMES-1909

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
1/1	SantaAna	SaltLake	3-1	9	1	0	3	2	8			3	1		1	1	1	Meats
1/16	"	Edisons	5-2	9	2	0	3	3	7			4	2			2		?
1/23	"	SaltLake	4-2	9	2	0	5	2	9			4	0			3		?
1/30	"	@SanDiego	3-7	8	7	4	10	0	5			4	2		1	3		?
2/22	"	@ "	11-0	9	0	0	2	1	7			4	1	1		3		"
2/27	"	Hoegees	2-0	9	0	0	4	0	15			3	2	1		1		"

10/27	All-Nat.	A's	3-5	9	5	2	8	1	8			3	1			4		Meyers
11/3	"	@SFSeals	5-4	9	4	4	9	7	11			4	0			3		Snodg
11/7	"	@ "	7-0	9	0	0	4	2	8			3	0			1		"
11/10	"	@LA Ang	10-5	9	5	3	6	3	6	1		4	2			1		"
11/15	"	@ "	9-1	9	7	1	7	2	3			3	1			3		"
11/18	"	A's	5-6	9	6	6	13	1	5			3	0	1		3		"
11/25	"	"	7-2	9	2	2	8	1	8	2		4	1			2		"
11/29	"	"	4-1								CF	2	0			1		"
12/5	"	"	2-1	9	1	1	8	1	7			4	1			1		?
12/12	"	"	3-4	8	4	1	9	0	8			3	0			1		"

12/26	S.A.	Salt Lake	2-0	9	0	0	0	1	15			?				?		?

; have won 34 of 35 games as of 11/1. The San Diego Winter League team sets up 4-game series with them, and the L.A. Angels (PCL) arrange a match with them. "The Giants stock was given a big boost when they won from the Orange Athletic Club (Olive), with Walter Johnson, the famous pitcher of the Washington American League club, twirling against them, but Johnson's friends contend that his defeat was due to poor support." (Herald, 11/8/08)
Giants lose to a "picked team made up mostly of players from the Angel camp in the Coast League", 14-2.

Dillon, Brashear and Dolly Gray(P) homer for the Angels against the "heretofore invincible Giants, the pride of darktown". Crowd of 5,000, half colored, at the game. (herald, 11/9/08)

10/25--WJ "not in the best of shape...in spite of not feeling well he fanned fifteen." Pasadena scores 7 runs in the sixth on three hits; 5 S.A. errors in the game. (Santa Ana Register, 10/26/08)

11/1 & 11/8--S.A. plays without WJ; ill?, playing elsewhere? (Meats also not in lineup.)

11/15--"Dummy" Price C. (MEATS?)

11/29-- 1,000 at game vs San Diego. Meyers C, George Stovall(Cleve, etc., '04-15) LF for S.D.

Notes on Games-1909

1/16--"Johnson has taken to a style of toothpick for a bat. Walter got two hits with the toothpick." (Santa Ana Register, 1/18/09)

1/23--"...At times the 'little fellow', as Meats calls him(WJ), would steam them over so fast that the boys with the salty name could not possibly see 'em." The Salt Lakes called the "Mormons" (Utah?) (Register, 1/25/09)

2/27--"The Hoeges couldn't see them, let alone securing a safe hit off the speedy delivery of the big boy Johnson." S.A. ends season 3/6 at 11-9, probably finished fourth or fifth in 10-team league; San Diego champions at 15-3, Salt Lake second at 11-4. WJ said to be in 12 games, .215 BA(9 for 42). Henline(LF/CF) top hitter at .373 in 16 G, Householder .323 in 12. Meats .278 in 16 G, Altizer .200 in 7. Team BA .245, 2HR. Robinson only man to play all 20 games. (Register, 3/17/09)

9/22--WJ says his arm is "fine" in letter to Ed Cronic, Santa Ana manager. (Fullerton Tribune, 9/22/09)

10/27--WJ joins barnstorming tour in Seattle(began in Chicago 10/19) with "All-Nationals"(Marquard, Myers, Snodgrass, Doyle, from Giants, Ellis from Cards, etc.) vs Phil A's.

11/10--"The bleachers were well packed to see players whose faces were once familiar on local diamonds again playing before Los Angeles fandom and with big league company. Walter Johnson, the mighty pitcher of the Washington Americans and the pride of the big Eastern league, went into the box for the winners." (L.A. Herald, 11/11/09)

11/15--"Sunday will be Johnson day at Chutes Park. The wonderful Washington-American twirler will be greeted not only by a large delegation of fans from Fullerton, his home town, but in all probability by every devotee of the game who remembers Walter as a busher." (Herald, 11/12/09)

Chutes Park had been the name of an amusement park, now a baseball field in L.A. It is the home field of the L.A. Angels, also the Vernon franchise(also PCL) on weekends. Said to seat about 15,000, it is also known as Washington Park(on Wash. Blvd)(Newsletter of the Pacific Coast League Historical Society, Feb 1993)

12/12--All 4 runs in the 8th, 3 unearned on E by Snodgrass(C) and Hemmel. "It will be the first contest between major league teams ever played in Los Angeles...It is expected that a strong array of Fullerton fans will occupy seats today to see their townsman, WJ, perform." Past week's games rained out; Last game for Cal players as tour heads east. WJ, Gray, Meyers, Snodgrass, Ellis, Heitmuller stay. (L.A. Herald, 12/11-13/09)

Barnstorming tour called "a dismal failure." Broke about even, says Bancroft; Players say that it would have been worse except for the capable management of Bancroft(Frank) and Mack; 25 of scheduled 50 games played, rest cancelled for rain or cold; Some played to empty stands...San Jose game netted players 30 cents each. (New Orleans Picayune, 12/20/09)

12/26--"Johnson Day" at Hawley Park--"The greatest turnout in Orange County's baseball history is expected, as every prominent man in baseball circles has been invited and also all the reporting writers of the Los Angeles papers are expected to be present. Ed Cronic, manager of the club, has had 2,000 portraits of Johnson made and every patron of the game will receive one free. (Santa Ana Evening Blade, 12/?/09) No-hitter called "the most

phenomenal feat ever to have taken place in Santa Ana...Johnson day was a grand success and the fans cheered when they heard the good news that the Olinda boy will be in the lineup all season...the high position he holds in the baseball world has not in any way affected his genial disposition." (Blade, 12/27/09)

GAMES-1910

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
1/1	SantaAna	SaltLake	3-1	9	1	0	3	2	8			3	1		1	1	1	Meats
1/9	"	McCormicks	2-0	9	0	0	1	0	12		1	3	0		1	3		"
1/23	"	Maiers	2-1	9	1		2	0	11			2	1		2			?
1/30	"	Occidental	3-0	9	0	0	2	0	15			3	1	1	1	2		?
2/6	"	CoastLg AS	2-1	9	1	1	5	0	15			2	1		2			"
2/13	"	"	3-1	9	1	1	1		10			? 1 (HR)		1		?		"
2/20	"	SantaBarb	3-0	9	0	0	4		15			?				?		"
2/27	"	McCormicks	2-1	9	1	0	3	0	11			2	2	1	1	4		"

Notes on Games-1910

1/9--Chick Gandil plays second for Santa Ana, 2 for 4; Gandil and Ellis batting 3-4. New Washington manager McAleer at game.

1/15--S.A. team arrives San Diego for two games. WJ said to be "looking bigger and more husky than ever". Manager Cronic refuses to play, apparently using wet grounds as excuse. California Winter League dissolves, with San Bernadino and Salt Lake teams disbanding, now San Diego dropping out. (San Diego Union, 1/17/10)

1/30--Occidentals called the "crack colored team of Salt Lake(Utah?)", also "the dusky boys". (Register, 1/31/10)

2/27--"Johnson played, won, and pitched his final game for the Yellow Sox." (Santa Ana Register, 2/28/10)

Feb--"Olinda Oil Fields Push development."

"Development work is being rushed day and night in all the oil fields in the Olinda district. The wells owned by the Santa Fe Co. produced 1,100,000 barrels of oil during the past year, being a heavy increase over the previous year." (L.A. Herald, 2/14/10)

"They were a grand family. His(WJ) younger brother(s) lived with his sister, and Les lived in the bunkhouse. Les was the youngest driller on the Columbia lease. It seemed strange that Les could be a driller at eighteen, because every driller had to serve time as a tool dresser, under a driller, to learn to drill and to sharpen the bits." (Merle Van Ness Hale, "Pipelines to the Past: An oral history of Olinda, California", date unknown)

2/26--Parents to move to Coffeyville, Kansas, WJ to go with them;. - **F.J. BEEN TO COFFEYVILLE ?**

3/2 --WJ will not return to California next winter;

3/9 --"Mr and Mrs. F.E. Johnson, accompanied by their son Walter, left for Coffeyville, Kansas." (Fullerton Tribune)

"He first accompanied his parents to Coffeyville on March 9, 1910. His father had purchased a farm east and south of Coffeyville only a few days before." ("A History of Kansas and Montgomery County", 1943)

"As he later explained, Johnson never became acclimated to the changeless pattern of Southern California's climate and he yearned for his old home in Kansas. So, when Johnson's father found a suitable farm near Coffeyville, Walter purchased it immediately." (Flaherty, TSN Baseball Register, 1947)

Games-1924

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
10/26	WK Soap	VernPCL	1-5	7	0	0	3	1	7			2	0					1
10/29	Devines	MailsAS	2-0	5	0	0	2	1	3	1		2	1(2B)		1			
10/31	AnaElk	RuthStars	1-12	5	8	8	8	1	6			1	1					1

Notes on Games

10/26--WJ pitching for the White King Soap Co. team, mostly L.A. Angels(PCL) players, vs. Vernon(PCL) in Los Angeles(Washington Park--Vernon moves to new Wrigley Field in '25)), 20,000 at game. White King Soap Co. pays \$1,000 plus expenses for WJ and family.(L.A. Herald, 11/1/24)

The Doheny oil lease case (Teapot Dome scandal) is postponed so E.L. Doheny could take part in the game. He comes on the field to an ovation, and WJ comes out to greet him, "recalling when his Daddy worked for Doheny at the Santa Fe leases, and his(WJ) first job was there after school and during vacations. WJ pitches a ball to Doheny, then autographs it for charity. Doheny buys it for \$500, then they both autograph one that auctions for \$100--"Johnson autographed 50 baseballs, and himself received a ball autographed by 50 moving picture stars."(Scrapbook X)

"He took it easy in the seventh when he had allowed his opponents only one hit. The local champions (Vernon-PCL champs?), with none out, got to 'Barney' for two clean hits and were feeling chesty when, true to form, Johnson tightened up and amid delighted cries of 'attaboy' and 'it's the same Walter', his speed became so great that batters swung at the sphere after it was safely in the catcher's mitt. A pop-up and two strikeouts on seven pitched balls retired the side and Johnson was taken out so that the Coast League sluggers might have a chance.

Joe Jenkins (Soaps catcher), who caught Johnson in 1912, informs the world that Big Walter had just as much stuff yesterday as he had a dozen years ago. Jenkins' swollen hand is mute testimony to the blinding speed of the great Walter. Chester Chadbourne, who has as good an eye as there is in the league, admitted that Johnson whipped a third strike over on him that he never even saw after it left the pitcher's fist. (Wash. Post, 10/27/24)

10/29--Oakland; WJ pitching for Devine's major league all-stars vs. (Walter) Mails' Coast League all-stars. Ray Kremer(Pitt NL) pitches first four innings for the Mails', giving up only WJ's double; A luncheon in his honor given by the Oakland Chamber of Commerce and the Oakland Press Club (luncheon is there) precedes game.

10/30--"The great masquerade parade of the Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Anaheim Thursday night, Oct 30, will be headed by the illustrious Walter Johnson and the team he played with in 1905. The older residents of Orange County will have the privilege and opportunity of again looking upon the boys who were the winners in the county in those years. The following boys from the old team will be here:

Walter Johnson, pitcher
 Guy Meats, catcher from Olive
 Bob Isbell, first base, Olinda
 Fay Lewis, second base, Anaheim
 Anson Mott, third base, Garden Grove
 I.W. Fuqua, field, Whittier
 Joe Wagner, Field, Placentia
 Joe Burke, Field, Los Angeles
 Johnny Tuffree, Field, Placentia
 Dutch Brown, field, Brea
 Bill Kammerer, umpire
 Clare Head, shortstop, Garden Grove

His (WJ) friends have arranged a dinner at the Elks club immediately after the parade and a pleasant evening will be spent with his old associates."(Scrapbook, paper and date unknown)

"Parade said to be "mammoth, in which thousands of friends and admirers of the big league star are expected to participate. Seventy decorated floats will be in the procession, and two bands have been engaged to furnish music."(WJ scrapbook X, 1924, source unknown)

E.L. Doheny, who "employed Frank Johnson and bought the uniforms for Fullerton H.S. when WJ pitched there" receives an invitation to the reunion "while waiting in court for the Government Lease trial (Teapot Dome scandal) to begin." " 'Guess I can't go', Doheny said, 'but I have bought two boxes for the benefit game(10/26). Johnson is going to pitch and you just bet I'll be there.'"(WJ scrapbook X, 1924, source unknown)

Douglas Fairbanks gives WJ and Babe Ruth a tour of Fairbanks' studio in Hollywood: Props from "The Thief of Bagdad" in background of pictures.(WJ scrapbook X, 1924, source unknown)

"Walter took Babe on a tour of Olinda and the nearby hills to show him his boyhood home, which was still standing, and to meet the old friends with whom he had played on the first Olinda Wells team."("Long Arm From Olinda", M.Y. MacArthur, Westways, Oct 1978)

WJ and Ruth to appear at the Hollywood American Legion boxing matches, where WJ is to receive a gold watch. (Scrapbook X)

10/31--Brea Bowl Game--"Holiday atmosphere...businesses closed at 1:30...parades and dinners...Tired from the long season and a month of exhibition pitching, Johnson fired strictly fastballs to the likes of Ruth, Ken Williams and Sam Crawford, and they responded by pounding them all over Brea. Ruth hit two homers, including one estimated to have traveled 500 feet...biggest baseball game in county history...A. 10,000(S.A. Register, 2/12/78);

"...You go to Vic Ruedy for the inside story of this historic occasion. Then a professional ballplayer but later to become parks superintendent for the city of Anaheim, and still in charge the day Anaheim Stadium was opened (1966, California Angels), Ruedy remembers well the details of Oct. 31, 1924:

'Like Johnson, the Babe was barnstorming out here on the coast', Ruedy remembers. 'Somebody at the Anaheim Elks Club got the idea that it would be a big deal if we got them down here for a post-season all-star contest for charity. Although Ruth had not pitched for several years, he was a showman at heart and it didn't require much talk to get him down here.'

It would be nice to dig up the 50 year-old story and chronicle that Johnson shaded Ruth 1-0 in a brilliant pitching battle, only this wouldn't be true. Instead Johnson was raked for 8 runs and 8 hits, four of them homers, during his 5-inning occupancy of the mound and the 'Walter Johnsons' were given a 12-1 shellacking by the 'Babe Ruths'. Ruth gives up 6 hits and had a shutout until the ninth when he "gave Yankee teammate Bob Meusel a gopher ball which Meusel slammed out of Brea".

"Those who played, and still live around these parts, say Johnson never threw a curve ball and the home run pitch he made to the Babe was 'complimentary'--right down the pipe." On the "Johnsons" were Meusel, Ken Williams and Jimmy Austin of the Browns, Carl Stevens, Donie Bush, Johnny Pendleton and "Bub" Callan behind the plate. The "Ruths" had Ernie Johnson of the Yankees, Sam Crawford of the old Detroit Tigers, Rube Ellis of the Browns, Harvey McClellan of the White Sox. ("Golden Day": Ruth, Johnson at Brea", Orange County Register, 10/30/74)

"Brea resident W.E. Griffith, 79, was a spectator at the game: *'The papers all said there were 15,000 people at the game but I think 6,500 would be more like it. I remember that the weather was fine and that there was a terrific traffic jam. I also remember Babe Ruth hit a foul ball that bounced off a car and hit a boy in the head. He started howling and Ruth walked over to him, handed him a silver dollar and said, 'Don't cry, kid--here''* ("The Day Ruth and Johnson Came to Orange County", L.A. Times, 8/4/70)

"Old-timers will long remember Oct 31, 1924. Forrest B. "Bus" Callan of Anaheim, was prevailed upon to catch Johnson on this occasion. In later years Bus recalled the game. He said:

'I used to be a pretty good catcher, but I was pretty rusty by then. Honestly, when he threw in some of those fireballs, I couldn't see them. We had a short conference at a spot between home plate and the pitcher's mound and I said, "Walter, I just can't see the ball". He replied, "Just put your mitt where you want me to throw and I'll throw into it", and he did! Since I couldn't see the fast balls coming, I couldn't jerk my mitt back as one does to ease the shock in catching them. I got a beautifully sprained wrist.'

When Babe Ruth came up to bat for the first time, Walter and Bus had another conference. Johnson whispered, *'Bus, the crowd wants to see Babe make some home runs and we don't want to disappoint them. The first two times I'll throw him couple easy ones that he can't miss. The last time I'll fan him'.* And so the enthusiastic spectators saw the Babe smack two home runs. He came up to bat the third time with his usual confidence. Johnson bore down and on the third ball thrown umpire "Beans" Reardon called him out. Babe's short temper got the better of him. He slammed down his bat and left the diamond. ("Kleinigkeiten", by Leo J. Friis, Orange County Pioneer Series #4, 1975)

Ruth has 4 K's, is 2 for 5, both homers; Strikes out once vs WJ; Crawford is 3 for 5 with a homer; every player on the "Ruths" gets a hit, 16 total. Last of 15 games on Ruth's barnstorming tour, all won by Ruth.(Anaheim Bulletin, 11/1/24)

By Judge Landis' ruling, all major league players must cease playing by Nov 1.(Scrapbook X)
11/2---Presented with luggage for his "services in charity games in Southern California."

GAMES-CALIFORNIA

BATTING ORDER

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C			
<u>1904-05 Olinda</u>																					
1/29	L	@ Rivera	4-5	11	5		9	?	8		1							Meats			
2/26		Downey	7-5															RF			
3/5	L	LA Hoegge	4-5	9	5		4	1	5			4	0	1	1	4		Meats			
4/2		"	7-6									4	0			3		RF			
4/9	L	LA Owls	2-5	9	5		9	2	11			(9)	4	1			2	Meats			
4/16		Tufts-Ly	7-6									"	4	1	1			CF			
5/14		"	7-9									(7)	4	1		10		1B			
5/28	L	LA Hoegge	2-4	9	4	0	6	2	12			3	9	3	0		5	Waters			
6/4		LA Hamb	6-6									"	3	0			8	0	2		
6/11	W	LA Hoegge	9-4	9	4		5	2	7			(9)	4	1	1		2		Waters		
6/25	W	Tufts-Ly	9-13	7	4		11		6			"	5	0			2	3	" ?		
7/9	W	@ Ventura	2-1	13	1		6	0	13				5	0			1	2	Meats		
7/16		LA Chris	12-2										4	0			1		RF		
7/23	L	@ Rivera	5-10	8	10		?	2	7										Meats		
7/30	W	Sioux Ind	9-5	9	5		9	0	10			1	(9)	3	0	(LHBP)		2	Meats		
15 G 3-5				84 43		59 1st HR		79		(12G) 47 4		26 21 2									
<u>1905 Fullerton HS</u>																					
2/18	W	Norwalk	3-7	?			8	6	7	9		12	6					12	Collin		
4/1	L	S.A. HS	0-3	9	3		9												?		
4/15	W	@ "	0-0	15	0	0	7	3	27				6	1				2	Collin		
<u>1905 Rivera</u>																					
8/13	W	Leonardt	12-4	9	4		9	1	12				4	2				3	Meats		
9/10	L	Hamburger	4-7	9	7																
9/17	W	LA Christ	7-9										5	0				2	LF		
9/24	W	Tufts-Ly.	6-3	9	3														Meats		
<u>1905-06 Olinda</u>																					
10/15	W	LA Hoegge	4-3	9	3		6	1	4				4	0				1	2	Leahy	
10/22	L	TUFTS-LYON	3-7	9	7		10	2	9				4	0				1		Meats	
10/29		Dyas-Clin	7-5										4	0				9		1B	
11/12	W	Tufts-Ly	1-0	9	0		1	3	13				3	2				1	1	LeBran	
11/19	W	LA Hamb	8-5	9	5		8	1	8				3	0				4		"	
11/22	W	Tufts-Ly	6-0	(1?)	WT P2	--@	S.A. CRIPS	P - WT	PLAY ?											"	
11/26	W	LA Examin	7-0	9	0		2	4	9				4	0				1		"	
12/3	W	LA Leonar	6-2	9	2		7	0	10				3	0						"	
12/17	W	LA Hoegge	6-2	9	2		6	3	11				2	0				1	1	2	"
12/31	W	LA Christ	5-0	9																"	
1/7	W	@ Pomona	1-4	8	4	1	6	0	6				3	0				1	3	"	
2/11	W	Rivera	5-4	9	4		10	1	11				3	0					2	"	
2/18	W	Downey	16-1	9	1				15											"	
3/4	W	Rivera	3-5	9	5		11													"	
3/18	W	Tufts-Ly	8-6										4	1				1	1	RF	
4/1	W	LA Hamb	7-0	9	0	0	5	1	11				4	1				1	1	1	LeBran
4/8		Tufts-Ly	2-3										4	1					4		RF
16 10-3				4 SHUTOUTS		116 33		72 16 107		45 5		20 17 1									
<u>1906 Olive</u>																					
10/21	W	@ SantaMon		9			11	6	10	6			13	6					13	6	Meats

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
<u>1906 Olinda</u>																		
11/25	3	LA Pacif	5-4	9	4		11	2	13			4	0		1	2		Burk/Mot
12/25	3	@ SantaAna	4-1	9	1													
12/30	3	Alhambra	12-2	9	2		4	2	14			5	2	2		1		Meats
12/31	3	LA Pacif	4-0	9	0	0			21									

<u>1907 Anaheim</u>																		
2/3	3	Tufts-Ly	3-0	9	0	0	8	0	8		1	3	0		1	1	1	
2/10	3	@ San Dieg	2-1	9	1	0	1	1	10			3	1(2b)		3			Meats
2/24	3	Morans	4-1	9	1	0	2	5	6			3	0		1	3		"
3/3	3	@ Pasadena	0-1	8	1	0	4											
3/10	1	Hoeges	0-0	11	0	0	6	2	17		2	3	1		4			

7-1-1 9G 82 10 36 12 89 3 21 4 3 14 1																		
<u>1907 San Diego</u>																		
11/3	3	DyasClin	2-4	9	4	2	7	0	9			3	0		1	2		Meyers
11/7	3	LA (PCL)	1-0	9	0	0	3	1	16			3	0		4			"
11/10	R	"	4-3	4	0	0	1	0	3			1	0 (3 2/3 IP)					LeBrant
"	L/TO	"	2-9	7	7	6	11	1	5			2	0		3			"
1-2 4G 29 11 8 22 2 33 9 0 1 9 0																		

<u>1907-08 Santa Ana</u>																		
10/27	1	SealGard	9-2										(HR)					CF
"	1	Hoeges	1-1	9	1		3	0	11			3	0					
11/17	1	"	4-4	9	4	1	3	0	15	1		4	2(2b)	2	1			Meats
11/24	3	MeeksLA	4-3	9	3	0	3	2	13		1	3	2		1	1		"
12/08	3	SantaBar	0-1	9	1		7	0	12			3	1					"
12/15	3	McCormLA	1-2	9	2	0	3	0	11		2	3	0		4	1		"
12/22	3	MeeksLA	12-1	9	1		2	0	16		1	4	2(2b)		1	1		"
12/30?	3	SantaBar	1-2									3	0					RF
12/29?	3	Chr/LevyLA	2-0	9	0	0	2	2	18			4	2(2b)					
1/?	3	Edisons	7-0	9	0	0	3	0	15			4	3(HR, 2b)	2	1			Meats
1/?	3	Morans	13-0	9	0	0	4	0	10			5	2	1	3			"
1/5	3	@ SanPedro	0-0	12	0	0	3	1	22			4	0		2			"
1/19	3	Hoeges	1-0	9	0	0	0	0	9		2	3	2		1			Cody
6-2-3 11G 102 12 33 5 152 1 6 43 16 (2HR, 4-2B) 13 2																		

<u>1908 Olive</u>																		
10/18	L	@ LA ColGi.	5-6	11	6		9	1	20			4	0		1	1		Collin

Date	Team	Vs	SCORE	IP	R	ER	H	BB	K	WP	HBP	AB	H(XBH)	R	PO	A	E	OP/C
<u>1908-09 Santa Ana</u>																		
10/25	7	Pasadena	3-11	9	11	6	13	2	15	1	1	4	1		1	1		Meats
11/15	3	Edisons	6-2	9	2	0	2	2	20		1	3	1			2		Price
11/22	1	SaltLake	0-0	10	0	0	2	1	11			4	0		4			Meats
11/29	1	SanDiego	2-3	9	3	2	6	3	3			3	0		1	1		"
12/6	1	McCorm	0-1	9	1	1	2	0	9			3	1		7			"
12/13	1	Azusa	2-4	11	4		2	4	15		1	3	0		1	1		"
12/27	3	Pasadena	7-2	9	2	1	5	2	9			3	0		1	2		"
1/1	3	SaltLake	3-1	9	1	0	3	2	8			3	1		1	1	1	"
1/16	3	Edisons	5-2	9	2	0	3	3	7			4	2		2			"
1/23	3	SaltLake	4-2	9	2	0	5	2	9			4	0		3			"
1/30	1	@ SanDiego	3-7	8	7	4	10	0	5			4	2		1	3		"
2/22	3	@ "	11-0	9	0	0	2	1	7			4	1		1	3		"
2/27	3	Hoeges	2-0	9	0	0	4	0	15			3	2		1	1		"
7-5-1			136	119	35	14	59	22	133	1	3	45	11		2	4	31	2

<u>1909 All-Nationals</u>																		
10/27	@ Seattle	A's	3-5	9	5	2	8	1	8			3	1		4			Meyers
11/3	@ SFSeals	"	5-4	9	4	4	9	7	11			4	0		3			Snodg
11/7	@ "	"	7-0	9	0	0	4	2	8			3	0		1			"
11/10	@ LA Ang	"	10-5	9	5	3	6	3	6	1		4	2		1			"
11/15	@ "	"	9-1	9	1	1	7	2	3			3	1					"
11/18	A's	"	5-6	9	6	6	13	1	5			3	0	1	3			"
11/25	@ S.F.	"	7-2	9	2	2	8	1	8	2		4	1		2			"
11/30	@ Stockton	"	4-1									2	0				1	CF
12/5	@ S.F.	"	2-1	9	1	1	8	1	7			4	1		1			"
12/12	@ L.R.	"	3-4	8	4	1	9	0	8			3	0		1			"
96			6-3	80	34	20	72	18	64	3		33	6		1	15	2	

<u>1909-10 Santa Ana</u>																		
12/26	3	Salt Lake	2-0	9	0	0	0	1	15									
1/1	3	"	3-1	9	1	0	3	2	8			3	1		1	1	1	Meats
1/9	3	McCormicks	2-0	9	0	0	1	0	12		1	3	0		1	3		"
1/23	3	Maiers	2-1	9	1		2	0	11			2	1		2			"
1/30	3	Occidental	3-0	9	0	0	2	0	15			3	1	1	1	2		"
2/6	3	CoastLg AS	2-1	9	1	1	5	0	15			2	1		2			"
2/13	3	"	3-1	9	1	1	1		10			1	(HR)	1				"
2/20	3	SantaBarb	3-0	9	0	0	4		15									"
2/27	3	McCormicks	2-1	9	1	0	3	0	11			2	2	1	1	4		"
9-0			96	81	5	21	3	11	2		1	15	6		3	6	12	1

<u>1924 Exhibitions</u>																		
10/26	WK Soap	VernPCL	1-5	7	0	0	3	1	7			2	0				1	JENKINS
10/29	Devines	MailsAS	2-0	5	0	0	2	1	3	1		2	1(2B)		1			CALLAN
10/31	AnaElk	RuthStars	1-12	5	8	8	8	1	6			1	1					

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- 10-30-1924 To pitch for Elks charity game against Babe Ruth. long.
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LOG OF OLINDA GAMES, ETC.,
AS REPORTED IN FULLERTON
TRIBUNE [AND NEWS?]

1904

The newspapers from 12/15/1904 on were checked. There was no news at all of baseball in the first few issues.

1905

1/ 1 Olinda 6, Tufts-Lyon 4. Crips & Meats the battery. This game and all others of the Olindas were at Anaheim unless stated otherwise. (There is never any mention of the exact location of the Anaheim ball park. This seems to be common knowledge.) In Santa Ana, "Clifford Cravath" played 3rd base for the Santa Ana Elks in a 25-5 win over the Riverside Elks; he had 4 doubles.

1/ 8 Olinda 5, @ Pomona 4. Crips & Meats.

1/15 Olinda 6, Owls 3. Crips & Meats. There were complaints about the paucity of the "collection".

1/22 The Olinda school team beat a "picked team 8-5 on the local diamond... The professional Olinda team is expected to play the once famous O. O. W. team that has an unprecedented record, on the local diamond Sunday. This game will depend on whether the players of the latter nine can be gotten together, and if so a warm game is promised. For particulars consult Tom Young or Joe Burke."

1/29 Olinda ⁴, @ Rivera ⁵. No details. Elsewhere:

"Walter Johnson and Grover Collins have been added to the list of professional players for the famous Olinda team."

2/ 5 No news.

2/12 No baseball news. In the 2/16 Tribune's Olinda news, "Roy Perry and his wife, who were married last week, have returned from an extensive tour of Southern California and will make their residence at the wells. Mr. Perry is an employee of the Iowa Oil Co." [Walter's uncle Leroy?]

2/18 "In a ball game here Saturday between the high school teams of Norwalk and this place the former were victorious by a score of 7 to 3. The battery for the home team was Hanson, Johnson and Collins..." No details of this game and very little coverage of subsequent FHS games. There is, however, regular and interesting coverage of Santa Ana HS' games, usually taken from the Santa Ana Blade. Today, for instance, SAHS and the SA Elks played to a 1 to 1 tie. "G. Coleman" pitched 11 innings. Cravath and Dungan, obviously the Elks' big stars, were missing from their lineup. SAHS will be playing Orange HS and Long Beach HS in coming weeks.

2/19 No mention of the Olindas, but "baseball at Anaheim next Sunday, Olinda vs Downey. Battery for Downey, Lane and Easterly."

2/25 SAHS beat Whittier 2-1 with Coleman pitching an 11-inning 4-hitter, and LBHS 8-2, also a 4-hitter by Coleman, who got several hits. SAHS was charging

25 cents admission to their games! Sometimes stories lag an issue or two behind, so it's never quite clear when a game was played. Maybe one of these games was on Washington's Birthday?

2/26 Olinda 7, Downey 5. Crips & Meats vs Phillips & Easterly. Next Sunday it will be the Hoegge Flags and Olindas at Anaheim. Battery for Olinda will be Theo. Easterly and Walter Johnson. (Quite often, the catcher is mentioned first.)

3/ 5 Olinda 4, Hoeges 5. The story, under "BASEBALL NEWS":

"The ball game Sunday was one of the best ever witnessed in the county. Although the Olindas went down to defeat by a score of 5 to 4, the Hoeges had the battle of their lives. A big enthusiastic crowd was present. Batteries: For Olinda, Johnson and Meats; for Hoeges, Simons and Ireland. Olinda: hits 13, runs 4, errors 5. Hoeges: hits 4, runs 5, errors 3." No box or line score, but Johnson is credited with 5 SO & 1 BB.

3/12 There were heavy rains so apparently no baseball activity this weekend. "The Olindas and Hoegge Flags will play a return ball game at Anaheim Sunday. Batteries for Olinda: Crips and Meats."

3/19 Again, there was much rain and no mention of baseball. One gossip column note, "J. H. Wilhite has moved his family to the oil wells." [Uncle Jesse and Aunt Fannie?]

3/25 SAHS beat Riverside 2-1, with Coleman allowing 6 hits and fanning 14. No news of any other baseball games this weekend.

4/ 2 No news.

4/ 8 SAHS lost to Occidental College 5-2. "Next Sunday [?] the local boys will play the Fullerton High School team on the local grounds."

4/ 9 There is a complete box score of the Olinda vs Owls game at Anaheim...

OWLS	2	7	3
OLINDA	5	9	2

Johnson,p (9th) 4 0 1 0 2 0 11K & 2BB

4/15 FHS 0, @ SAHS 0, 15 inn. The whole "story" follows...

"A fast game of amateur baseball was witnessed at Santa Ana Saturday when clubs from the Fullerton and Santa Ana high schools contested the second of a series of games to be played for the championship of Orange County. Brilliant work in the field and box were features of the game. Fifteen innings were played without either side scoring. Batteries: Fullerton, Johnson and Williams; Santa Ana, Coleman and Wilkinson."

4/16 Complete box and line score of Olinda vs Tufts-Lyon at Anaheim, won by the Oil Wells, 7-6...

Johnson,rf-cf (9th) 4 1 1 0 1 0 [Morrison pitched]

(Was this one of those games where he made an incredible throw from CF ???)
A crowd of 500 was on hand; there will be no game next Sunday.

4/23 No news.

4/30 No news.

5/ 7 Olinda 5, Owls of LA 14. Game was called after 7 innings due to rain. No info on whether or not WJ participated.

In the social notes of the Tribune, one Glen Johnson, of Ohio, who worked in the oil wells, married Miss Viola Kelley of Mt. Victory, OH, at the home of P. F. Johnson, on Amerige.

5/14 Olinda 7, Tufts-Lyon of LA 9. Complete box and line score.

Johnson,1b (7th) 4 0 1 10 0 0 [Crips pitched]
 WJ took part in 2 DP's.

Also on this date, the SA Stars defeated Orange, 14-4.

5/21 No mention of Olinda game. SAHS will be playing "State School", Poly High of LA, and finally LAHS on 6/3 for the state championship!

5/27 SAHS beat Poly, 1-0, with Coleman pitching a 1-hitter, fanning 15, and driving in the only run!

5/28 A long article on the Oil Wells' game under "BASEBALL NEWS"...

"At the ball game in Anaheim Sunday the Hoegge Flags defeated the Olindas by a score of 4 to 2. The feature of the game was the pitching of Kid Johnson for the home team. He should have won his game hands down but for an error and a lucky two-bagger following it which netted 3 runs for the Flags, when the side should have been retired with no score in that inning. The oil boys played in hard luck, hitting the ball either in the air or right into some waiting fielder's hands. The team, considering how it is all changed about, is playing good ball and will continue to get better as the boys get used to their new positions, which will not take long.

"The collection was very poor, and they were forced to go around the second time, which netted enough to just barely come out even for the game. The team is still several dollars in debt, but hopes for collections to pick up and be able to get on its feet again, for the nine deserves as good support as other suburban towns give their teams. The oil well team is as gentlemanly lot of boys as you will find together and they are always out to win, and have been giving the people of Anaheim as good an exhibition of the national game as any team in Southern California, which their record of games won and lost will show, and some of the games they have played on the Anaheim diamond hve been a good deal better than you would see were you to attend the average league games in Los Angeles.

"The score was as follows:"

[complete box and line score]

HOEGEE FLAGS	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	4	6	1
OIL WELLS	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	--	2	4	2

Johnson,p (9th) 3 0 0 0 5 0
 WJ struck out 12, walked 2, and hit 3.
 Meats played 2B, Waters C.

6/ 4 Olinda 6, Hamburgers 6, 8 inn. Once again, there is a complete box and line score and extensive description of this game under "BASEBALL NEWS". Among other information, "Harris, one of the Hamburger players, umpired the game and it was mainly his bum decisions at critical points that lost it for Olinda... The Oil Wells will play the Hoegee Flags next Sunday and Kid Johnson will have another crack at them..."

Johnson, 1b (9th) 3 0 0 8 0 2 [Crips, P]

Elsewhere in the 6/8 Tribune, there is a mention of a committee in Olinda, which includes a Mr. Perry [WJ's grandpa?], which is striving "to erect an undenominational church ... on a lot to be donated by the Santa Fe." Church services have been held Sunday afternoons or evenings at the school, usually conducted by the ME pastor.

6/11 Another complete box & line score of the game; the story:

"At the ball game in Anaheim Sunday the Olinda nine defeated the Hoegee Flags of Los Angeles by a score of 9 to 4. Johnson pitched his usual fine game, allowing the Hoegees only 5 hits. Meats carried off the honors at second base, accepting several hard chances, and also hitting the ball when hits meant runs. On Sunday, June 25 [no game on 6/18?], the locals will play the Tufts-Lyon team of Los Angeles at Anaheim..."

HOEGEE FLAGS	0 0 0	3 0 1	0 0 0	--	4 5 5
OIL WELLS	1 3 1	0 2 1	0 1 x	--	9 9 2

Johnson, p (9th) 4 1 1 0 2 0
He struck out 7 and walked 2.

Elsewhere in the 6/15 Tribune...

"Joe Burke has quit foolishness [earlier gossip columns dwelt on his romantic escapades] and entered upon his era of baseball enthusiasm again. His showing made Sunday was good, considering circumstances..."

"David Perry [WJ's uncle?] has assumed the position of George Johnson at the Olinda store. George is going to take in the Portland fair..."

6/18 No baseball news.

6/25 "Thomas Young has resigned his position as manager of the Olinda ball nine and the duties have devolved upon Walter Woodruff, the well known and enthusiastic scorer. Mr. Young resigns after several years of efficient management and loyalty that is commendable by the ball playing public.

"The Oil Well team is scheduled to play the Downey team at Anaheim Sunday and Rube Crandall is slated to pitch for the latter team.

"At the game in Anaheim last Sunday the Olinda Reds [first mention of this nickname; perhaps from their scarlet uniforms, as mentioned in Rivera article?] lost to the Tufts-Lyon team of Los Angeles by a score of 9 to 11 [sic]..."

TUFTS-LYON	4 5 0	0 0 2	0 0 2	--	13 19 6
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OIL WELLS 3 0 0 0 1 0 4 0 1 -- 9 8 8

Johnson, p-1b (9th) 5 0 0 2 3 0 [Crips, 1b-p]
 Hits: Crips 8, Johnson 11.
 Strikeouts: Crips 2, Johnson 6.
 Bases on Balls: not given.

Who started and who relieved? There were 8 hits in the first 2 innings. Crips had 8 PO and 2 A. The box score lists WJ as "p-1b" and Crips as "1b-p", but the pitching summary lists Crips first. The story doesn't give a clue. It is likely Crips played 1b most of the game in view of his PO total.

7/ 2 Olinda 8, Rivera 8. The missing 2nd game mentioned in the later WN article!? Morrison pitched for Olinda. "He will be used regularly in the box for the Oil Wells." WJ not in lineup. Meats C and Crips 1B. "The Oil Well team goes to Ventura next Sunday to play the Ventura team for the championship of So. Calif."

The 7/6 Tribune also contained extensive coverage of Orange County Business College's 9th anniversary celebrations in Santa Ana.

In the Olinda columns, "Frank Johnson, accompanied by his wife and two [which two?] children, left Saturday for Kansas, where he will visit his former home."

7/ 9 Another well-reported game:

"BASEBALL NEWS

Olinda Wins Thirteen Inning
 Game From Ventura Sunday
 By A Score of 2 To 1

"In the ball game between Olinda and Ventura Sunday at the latter place the oil well boys won by a score of 2 to 1 in a hotly contested game lasting 13 innings.

"The features of the game were the fine pitching of Walter Johnson and the all round good playing of the boys behind him. Meats caught a splendid game, nipping every runner that tried to steal on him. Lewis put up a fast game at short, accepting several hard chances and his throwing being perfect. Jack Burnett made one of the prettiest catches seen on any diamond, getting the ball in his bare hand after a long run to the foul line. Harris on second and Ross on third both played good ball, in fact the team work of the Olinda infield was something pretty to see, their practice before the game being snappy and clean, and earned well merited applause from the large crowd present. The Venturas should have had only three hits of Johnson, three of their six being of the kind classed as 'lucky' hits. The boys received fine treatment from the Ventura management, and the umpiring was especially good. Rivera had several hard decisions to make and he made them all impartially, so there was no kicking on either side.

"The oil well team will play the Hoeges Flags at Anaheim next Sunday. Morrison will be in the box and Elwell will probably again be seen at shortstop. The score was as follows..."

7/16 Olinda 12, LA Christophers 2. Morrison pitched.

7/23 Olinda 5, @ Rivera 10. No details other than the following...

"The Olinda ball team went to Rivera last Sunday and was defeated by that team by a score of 10 to 5, Johnson the oil well pitcher getting touched up for a number of safe hits. The team will now disband for at least several months."

An advertisement which appeared in the same newspaper:

Day and Night Baseball
A N A H E I M

Sunday, July 30
TWO GAMES
3 and 8 O'Clock P.M.

Sioux Indians
---- of South Dakota ----
vs.
Olinda Team

50 -- Arc Lamps will illuminate the Grounds for the Evening Game -- 50

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7/30 The story of this well-advertised game...

"The Olinda ball team defeated the Indian nine at Anaheim Sunday by a score of 10 to 6 [sic]. The night ball game was almost a white frost, the Indians getting 14 runs the first inning before the Olindas could get them subdued. The total attendance was about 1,000.

"The oil well team has disbanded. Johnson, Meats and Isbell will be seen in Rivera uniforms.

"The score of the afternoon game was as follows:

[complete box and line score]

SIoux	0 0 3	1 0 0	0 0 1	--	5 9 8
OIL WELLS	1 5 0	0 1 1	0 1 x	--	9 14 5

Johnson, p (9th) 3 0 0 0 2 0
 10 Ks. No info on BBs. WJ hit one batter and was hit once. The Indians stole 3 bases. No score is printed of the night game.

 From here on, with the Oil Wells having disbanded, there is little or no news of baseball. There were a few news items of interest, which I'll list under the date they appeared in the Tribune...

8/10 "Thos. Young, manager of the one time famous Olinda ball team is endeavoring to get a game for his team with one of the fast amateur teams of Los Angeles or Santa Barbara. The local team has dissolved for several months until several of the star players return from the eastern ball fields."

8/17 There was much coverage of last Saturday's all-day excursion by several hundred oil well residents to Oceanside, for which they chartered a train. Among the winners of some of the games and contests...

75 yd fat men's race -- Bill Johnson, consolation [no relation or ?]
 75 yd dash, young women -- Miss Effie Johnson, 3rd [WJ's sister?]
 50 yd dash, boys 10 to 16 -- Earl Johnson, 1st [WJ's brother?]
 Ugliest man, 18-22 years -- Joe Burke!

9/ 7 Regular ads for the Santa Ana Business College have been appearing, and in this issue the following item...

"Robert Isbell and Walter Johnson are playing ball with the Rivera team. Mott and Head, the one time amateur ball players in the Olinda team, are expected from the East next month and the Olinda team will probably blossom once more into fame."

9/28 "The Anaheim people are overly anxious for the oil well ball team to appear again but Manager Young says 'nothing doing' unless the team has a more satisfactory guarantee of expenses than at previous engagements. Amateur ball is generally played for pleasure, and enjoyed by pleasure seekers, but heretofore the contributions have been so shy and small that it has practically been relieved of its enjoyable features."

10/ 5 Leslie Johnson [WJ's brother?] received a "diploma of graduation from this school last week." The Olinda "undenominational church" was dedicated on Sunday and regular news items begin appearing about its Sunday evening worship services and other activities. It is just south of the barber shop.

10/12 "The Olinda ball team will probably be seen on the diamond again before long as Manager Young has secured more favorable concessions this year than last, and meeting the expenses seems assure.

"Frank Perry [WJ's uncle?] has moved into one of the houses on Santa Fe Avenue [the main drag in Olinda] and is nearer his work."

10/19 "The oil well team has been reorganized and played its first game last

WHICH
SCHOOL

~~NO - HAMBURGERS~~

Sunday [10/15] with the Hoégees of Los Angeles, the home team defeating the cityites by a score of 4 to 3. The Olinda's make-up is as follows: Meats, c; Johnson and Crips, p; ... Manager Young will make some of these crack amateur teams look like 30 cents when he gets his bunch of players together and gives them some team work." [No clue who pitched this one!]

Even though the Olindas are back in action, the coverage of their games in the Tribune from here on into the Spring is spotty at best. There are no more box or line scores and very few details of the games they do mention And there are several missing or mutilated issues...

11/ 9 "Owing to the big rain Sunday [11/5] the ball game between the Olindas and Hamburgers of Los Angeles was postponed until some more favorable day. The Olinda team so far this season has won two-thirds of the games played. Head will soon return from the south and when he steps in, somebody's going to get skinned playing ball."

11/16 "The Olindas defeated the Tufts-Lyon team at Anaheim Sunday [11/12] by a score of 1 to 0. Johnson, the Olinda pitcher, fanned out 16 of the visitors. Head has returned from the southern states and played left field but will go into the infield next Sunday. These same teams will play in Santa Ana on November 22."

11/30 There was much news of Santa Ana's celebration of the opening of electric railroad service with Los Angeles on Wednesday, 11/22. It was known as "El Dia De Los Carros" and there was a parade with floats, a barbeque, etc., but no news of any baseball game.

12/21 "The Olindas defeated the Hoegge Flags Sunday [12/17] by a score of 6 to 2. It was a good game; Johnson and LeBrandt acting as battery for the local team and Gamble and Ireland for the foreigners. This is the last game of the year and the boys have made a record they are proud of, having won 9 out of 10 games."

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1906

1/11 "The locals were defeated in a ball game at Pomona [1/7] by a score of 4 to 1. It was a good game but the Olindas were up against a warm bunch of professionals and will ask for another round up soon."

2/22 "Born, Mr. & Mrs. L. Perry of the Santa Fe, a son."

This was a winter that was slightly above average in rainfall:

1/14	1.20"
1/19-20	1.28
2/11-12	.29
2/15	.78
3/4	.74
3/12-13	2.18
3/16-17	1.28
3/23-26	2.90

3/15 In the Olinda column, "J. J. Burnett left Sunday for the north to join the Seattle ball team."

3/22 "Mr. Johnson, of the Santa Fe, lost a valuable horse Monday, having a buggy shaft run into its side in a runaway."

4/ 5 Sam Dungan, a Santa Ana resident, who had played for the Memphis team in 1905, announced his retirement from baseball. [He last played in the major leagues for Washington in 1901.]

4/12 "The Oil Well boys were defeated in a ten inning base ball game last Sunday [4/8] by the Tufts-Lyon team of Los Angeles, the score being 3 to 2."

4/19 Yesterday's San Francisco quake makes the front page with a very terse story due to the lack of communications. 4/15 was Easter. The 4/26 issue was missing. By this time, WJ was in the Northwest. I stopped scanning.

* RESUME MICROFILM SCAN IN AUG *
* TO SEE IF HE PLAYED W/ OLINDA *
* AFTER RETURN FROM WEISER! *

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THE NEWS SOURCE FOR ALL INFORMATION, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:

The Fullerton Tribune, published every Thursday. There is some mention of a rival newspaper, contemptuously referred to as the "Snooze", which was apparently the Fullerton News, with which the Tribune eventually merged. Baseball items were either scattered among the social/gossip columns, or under an "OLINDA" head, or under "BASEBALL NEWS".

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LOG OF RIVERA GAMES, ETC.

1904

The newspapers for the last few weeks of the year were checked for any possible Olinda - Rivera games or anything else of interest. The Rivera column is often barely legible because it is next to the fold, so some scores, players' names, etc., can't be deciphered.

11/21 Rivera 11, Owls 14.

"... next Sunday Rivera plays the Olindas. The new grand-stand is a great improvement, and the admission price, 10 cents, very reasonable."

11/28 Rivera 8, Tufts-Lyon 8.

No mention of Olinda; there was also a game on Thanksgiving day in which Rivera "waxed" T-L.

12/ 4 Rivera lost to the Owls. Snodgrass caught for Rivera.

12/11 No baseball news.

12/18 No Rivera baseball news, but in the La Habra column, there was mention of a game on 12/17 which La Habra HS lost to Fullerton HS. No details of who played for either team. Another game scheduled for 12/31. I must look in the Fullerton papers for these! [DOUBLE-CHECK THE ARTICLE! WERE THEY REALLY TALKING ABOUT BASEBALL? ABOUT THE HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS?]

12/25 Christmas day. No baseball news. A long drought was broken on 12/22 & 12/23 by a heavy rainstorm.

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1905

1/ 1 No baseball news.

1/ 8 Rivera lost to the Valencias.

1/15 Rivera 8, Woodmen 2. La Habra HS played FHS on 1/14 and lost.

1/22 Rivera 11, Tufts-Lyon 12.

1/29 Olinda 4, @ Rivera 5:

"GOOD BASEBALL

"The baseball lovers of this vicinity had a real treat Sunday afternoon in a hard fought contest of eleven innings between the Rivera nine and the so far invincible Olindas of the Oil Wells. After twenty-nine successful games, Rivera turned them down in the thirteenth [sic], five to four. It was a great game...

[The description of the 11th inning follows]

"Then with two men out for Rivera, Billy Anderson grabbed the bat and you could see he meant business. Two strikes; Billy, look out. He did, and found it for a two-bagger, which he made amid the wild cheers of the crowd. Then Ellis picked up the stick and smashed one over towards the railroad track, bringing Billy in and scoring a home run himself. This gave Rivera the game, 5 to 4...

"Johnson, the young twirler for the Olindas, was presented as a High School kid, but he is certainly a graduate in the science of delivering the ball and fanned eight of the Rivera men, but allowed nine hits..."

OLINDA	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	4
RIVERA	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	--	5

Guy Meats caught for Olinda. Andy Pallett and Settle pitched for Rivera. Johnson hit one batter.

If the final hit of the game was indeed a 2-run homer, modern scoring practice would call the final score 6-4.

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- 2/ 5 No baseball news. It rained more than 4" from 2/1 thru 2/4.
 - 2/12 No baseball news.
 - 2/19 No baseball news, but on 2/22 Rivera celebrated Washington's Birthday with a trip to Pomona for a game which they lost. "Pomona had 3 National League men." Article doesn't say who!
 - 2/26 No baseball news; there was a storm on Saturday.
 - 3/ 5 Rivera beat "Leonards". Next Sunday will play the Owls.
 - 3/12 No baseball news; it rained about 4" from 3/11 to 3/16.
 - 3/19 Rain prevented a game against Pomona.
 - 3/26 Rivera 2, Tufts-Lyon 1.
 - 4/ 2 Scheduled to play Hamburger. No story of game.
 - 4/ 9 Rivera 2, All Merchants 1.
 - 4/16 Rivera 4, Downey 3. The Rivera team now belongs to the "Southern California League". No details on who or what this league is.
 - 4/23 (Easter Sunday). No baseball news. Several issues missing. From here on, the baseball news becomes very spotty.
 - 4/30 No news.
 - 5/ 7 Game with Tufts-Lyon called due to rain after 3 inns.
 - 5/14 Rivera 12, Hamburger 6. (The latter is identified as an L. A. department store.)
 - 5/21 Scheduled to play the Hoegge Flags.

- 5/28 Rivera 1, L. A. Owls 0.
 6/ 4 Rivera 7, Tufts-Lyon 8.
 6/11 Rivera 24, All Merchants 6.
 6/18 Was either going to Ventura to play there or else staying home to play Tufts-Lyon. No word as to which happened.
 6/25 No news.
 7/ 2 Rivera 8, @ Olinda 8. [From Fullerton Tribune -- this is undoubtedly the 2nd of the 3 games between these teams mentioned in the article on the 7/23 game!]
 7/ 9 No news.
 7/16 No news.
 7/23 Olinda 5, @ Rivera 10:

"The Rivera nine confronted the Olindas last Sunday for the third time and did them up to the tune of 10 to 5. It was a very interesting game throughout. The gentlemen from the oil wells loomed up like giants in their scarlet suits, and led off in their first inning with two runs. But they got no more until the ninth, when some good stick work won them three more..."

OLINDA	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	--	5
RIVERA	0	0	2	0	0	1	5	2	x	-- 10

Johnson recorded 7 SO & 2 BB. Total hits not given. Rivera stole 9 bases! Meats caught. Phillips pitched and "Holmes" or "Hennes" caught for Rivera.

7/30 Rivera 4, C. Leonardt 3:

The opposing team came from L.A. with a large group of fans. They had "never lost a game". No mention of WJ; Rivera battery was Rieger and Barris.

8/ 6 Rivera 4, Morgan Oyster Co. 2:

Another team from L.A. Still no mention of WJ. Few details; the correspondent apologized for not having the score book. Rivera's pitchers were Phillips and "Heines".

8/13 Rivera 12, C. Leonardt 4:

"RIVERA PLAYS BALL
 Cleans up Crack Team to the Tune
 of 12 to 4"

A long article refers to the Leonardt team's desire to avenge their 7/30 loss,

when they allegedly didn't bring all their good players. This time, they came in full strength, including "Phil Knell, the celebrated league southpaw" who seems to have mouthed off a lot and is ridiculed throughout the story. There is great detail on most innings, including how runs were scored. Meats was in the Rivera lineup, probably to catch, although that is not spelled out. WJ ended up with 12 SO and 1 BB. No total of hits is given, but by adding up the hits described in inning-by-inning narratives, one comes up with at least 9 off him. He made at least 3 assists in the field and had the following batting record:

3rd: Safe on wild throw by SS; scored.
 4th: Scored again, but no info as to how he reached base.
 6th: Grounded out, 6-3.
 8th: Singled to score Meats.

C. LEONARDT	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	--	4
RIVERA	0	0	3	4	0	3	0	2	x	--	12

Johnson and Knell both went the distance for their teams. The article mentions that there will be "no game at the Los Nietos grounds for two weeks", after which baseball activities will resume. Admission will be 25 cents.

NOTE -- John E. Spalding's book, "Always on Sunday", has Philip L. Knell as a California League performer intermittently from 1887 ("22-year-old left-hander Phil Knell") through 1908, when he managed the San Francisco team. "Total Baseball" credits Phil with a 79-90 major league record between 1888 and 1895.

8/20 No mention of a game in the following Thursday's paper. In the Rivera news, it describes a game coming up 8/27 between "the married men and single men of Rivera... Manager Cate [the regular Rivera manager] will arbitrate..." Lineups are given and include a few familiar names. Admission is 10 cents!

8/27, 9/3 No baseball activity of any kind is mentioned in the following weeks' papers.

9/10 Rivera 4, Hamburger 7:

In Saturday's paper, it was mentioned that there was a game scheduled tomorrow at the Los Nietos grounds. Rivera and Hamburger were 2-2 for the year at this point. "Johnson, the Olinda man, will pitch for Rivera, and Ford of San Pedro will do the same stunt for the Hamburgers." No mention in Monday's paper, though, of Johnson. Ford allowed the Riveras only 4 hits. "Next Sunday the Hoegee Flags."

9/17 No mention of any game. HT has Rivera 7, LA Christopher 9 today.

9/24 Rivera 6, Tufts-Lyon 3:

Tufts-Lyon defeated Christopher 15-0 at 1 pm, then took on Rivera. Friday's paper states "Johnson will do the twirling for the Riveras". No details of the game appeared in Monday's paper, which says simply, "the Riveras are holding their enviable record for being the 'crack team' in amateur circles."

10/ 1 Rivera 4, Hamburger 6:

Saturday's paper said Lucero was to pitch. No mention of WJ in Monday's paper.

10/ 8 Rivera 4, @ Santa Barbara 13:

No details of this game, just that "Rivera was badly waxed". LA Pacific beat LA Christopher 9-3 at the Los Nietos grounds that day for its 9th straight.

10/15 Rivera 8, LA Electrics 4:

HT has Walter back with Olinda by this time; WN says the Rivera battery was Morrison and Meats. Summer editions of the WN didn't have much on Rivera. In the 10/19 paper they say, "Glad to note the return of 'G' to the columns of the News after a temporary absence. Rivera news is always interesting -- Ed." [The Rivera correspondent was listed as W. D. Groton in some of the earlier issues.]

10/22 Rivera 9, Morgan Oyster 1. Morrison pitched.

10/29 Rivera 5, Leonardts 9. Morrison pitched.

Few Rivera columns in Nov and after. What little sports news there was is mostly of football and basketball. It was raining on 11/5 and 11/26.

11/30 Lost to C. Leonardt. Thanksgiving Day.

12/ 3 Rivera was scheduled to play Downey, but ended up losing @ Pomona. One interesting item from a WN in December: "Daily reports of [Pacific Coast] League games in town have been doubly interesting to our local fans on account of the presence with Los Angeles' lineup of Lloyd Broadbent and George Ellis." [According to a chronology of 1905 in the 1992 Grandstand Baseball Annual, the PCL season closed today and was followed by a nine-game post-season series between L. A. and Tacoma which ran through 12/17.] There were also several mentions of Nixons as well of a Miss Lizzie Milhous, 12-year-old daughter of Richard Milhous, who fell off her horse!

12/10 "There was no ball game at Los Nietos last Sunday, so our local players and fans, including several ladies, all went in to witness the Los Angeles game, and incidentally to give George Ellis a 'send-off'." Ellis [LF] of the Riveras signed with Los Angeles "for the balance of this season and the next."

12/17 Rivera 0, Tufts-Lyon 0, 11 inn. Battery was Morrison & Meats ("as usual") vs Champion and Leahy. To play Hamburgers next Sunday. No news of that game.

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1906

1/14 Rivera was to play Tufts-Lyon. Battery to be Morrison & Snodgrass. No mention of a game. It rained 1.24" over the weekend.

1/21 Rivera 1, @ Pomona 2. Andy Broadbent pitched.

2/ 4 Rivera 7, Tufts-Lyon 7, 12 inn. Andy Broadbent pitched.

2/11 No mention of any game. According to HT, Olinda defeated Rivera, 5 to 4. It rained .45" 2/10-11.

2/25 No mention of any game in the lengthy Rivera column in 3/1 WN.

3/ 4 Rivera 5, @ Olinda 3. Morrison allowed 4H, Johnson 11H, including a 3B by Ellis. No other details. Stopped scanning microfilm here.

Resumed microfilm scan with issue of 8/1 to see if any trace of WJ's playing for or against Rivera after his return from Weiser.

7/29 Rivera 0, LA Examiners 1, @ Chutes Park. Lucero vs. Marshall.

8/ 5 Rivera to play @ Pomona, but no story found.

Almost no baseball news at all from here on. Most Rivera news, when any appears, was of a social nature. There was one mention of George Ellis playing for the Looloos [L.A.'s PCL team] and another of a boys' club game between Whittier and Los Nietos teams on a Saturday "on the Los Nietos grounds", but nothing else. From all we can see in the WN, there isn't any evidence that the Rivera team even existed during the late Summer and Fall of 1906.

Scanned through the issue of Saturday, 12/1.

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THE NEWS SOURCE FOR ALL RIVERA GAMES, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED:

The Whittier News, "published every Saturday". There was a regular column headed "The Valley", which included news items from Rivera, La Habra, etc. In March, 1905, it became the Daily News. It was then [usually] published every day except Sunday. The Rivera news items usually appeared in Thursday's editions under headings such as "Rivera Ripples". All home games were played at the "Los Nietos grounds". While there still are some gaps in coverage of the Riveras' play during 1905, it is doubtful that any of these involve games against Olinda, in light of the statement in the article on the 7/23 game that this was the third game of the year. All three of the Rivera-Olinda games are accounted for, thanks to finding the 8-8 game on 7/2 in the Fullerton Tribune.

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WALTER JOHNSON RESEARCH PROJECT

CHRONOLOGICAL LOG

DATE	SOURCE	EVENT
1887 11/ 6		Walter born near Humboldt, KA.
1900 ??/??		Walter's grandparents, John L. and Lucinda Perry, move to Olinda, CA. Most, if not all, of their children either come with them or arrive in So Cal soon afterwards.
1901 ??/??	R3	Frank & Minnie Johnson and children move to Olinda. Walter was enrolled in Olinda School, where Carbon Canyon Regional Park is today. Took up baseball.
1904 fall	HT HT	Played for Olinda [boys?] team. Enrolled in FHS as freshman.
1905 1/??	FT	"Walter Johnson and Grover Collins [catcher] have been added to the list of professional players for the famous Olinda team."
1/29	WN	Olinda 4, @ Rivera 5. 11 inns. See RIVERA.LOG for details of this and subsequent games in Rivera, and FULERTON.LOG for details of many of the Olinda Oil Wells' games.
2/18	FT	FHS 3, Norwalk 7. Relieved.
2/26	HT	Olinda 7, Downey 5. RF.
3/ 5	HT/FT	Olinda 4, Hoeges 5.
4/ 1	HT	FHS 0, SAHS 3. Was this the game he supposedly lost 21-0?
4/ 2	HT	Olinda 7, Hoeges 6.
4/ 9	HT/FT	Olinda 2, LA Owls 5.
4/15	R1	FHS 0, @ SAHS 0 in 15 inns. Walter strikes out 27. Or did he strike out 28? Opposing pitcher, George Coleman, allows 1 hit, strikes out 18. "After a successful school career as a pitcher, Walter joined the oil team that represented the town of Olinda in the northern part of the county."
	B1	This article has the game as the preceding Saturday. [?] The article doesn't mention the number of strikeouts, but says the visitors' battery was responsible for 32 of the 45 POs and that Johnson allowed 7 H & 4 BB. It has Coleman allowing 3 H.
	R2	According to Walter's memoirs (WHAT MEMOIRS?!), he was a catcher at FHS in his freshman year until their pitcher got badly beaten by SAHS.
	R3	Was put in as pitcher halfway thru a game, got beat 21-0, then the next Sat, pitched 0-0 game vs SAHS. This article has him as 16 years old at the time. "Quit after freshman year and enrolled in SA Business Coll".
4/16	HT/FT	Olinda 7, Tufts-Lyon 6. CF. [RF-CF in FT box]
5/14	HT/FT	Olinda 7, Tufts-Lyon 9. 1B.
5/28	HT/FT	Olinda 2, Hoeges 4.
6/ 4	FT/FT	Olinda 6, Hamburger 6. 8 inns; 1B.
6/11	HT/FT	Olinda 9, Hoeges 4.

6/25	FT	Olinda 9, Tufts-Lyon 13. P-1B.
7/??	FT	(Frank, Minnie & two Johnson children to Kansas for a visit.)
7/ 9	HT/FT	Olinda 2, @ Ventura 1. 13 inns.
7/16	HT	Olinda 12, LA Christopher 2. RF.
7/23	WN	Olinda 5, @ Rivera 10.
7/30	HT/FT	Olinda 9, Sioux Indians 5.
	"	Olinda disbands after this game. [The Anaheim Gazette article of 8/3 says he will be playing for Rivera henceforth.]
8/13	WN	Rivera 12, C. Leonardt 4.
9/10	WN	Rivera 4, Hamburger 7. ?
9/17	HT	Rivera 7, LA Christopher 9. LF.
9/24	HT	Rivera 6, Tufts-Lyon 3. ?
10/15	HT	Olinda 4, Tufts-Lyon 3. [FT says they beat Hoeges 4-3!]
10/22	HT	Olinda 3, Tufts-Lyon 7.
10/29	HT	Olinda 7, Dyas-Cline 5. 1B.
11/ 5	FT	Game with Hamburger was rained out.
11/12	HT	Olinda 1, Tufts-Lyon 0.
11/19	HT	Olinda 8, Hamburger 5.
11/26	HT	Olinda 7, LA Examiner 0.
12/ 3	HT	Olinda 6, LA Leonard 2.
12/17	HT/FT	Olinda 6, Hoeges 2.
12/31	HT	Olinda 5, LA Christopher 0.
1906		
1/ 7	HT	Olinda 1, @ Pomona 4.
2/11	HT	Olinda 5, Rivera 4.
2/18	HT	Olinda 16, Downey 1.
3/ 4	HT/WN	Olinda 3, Rivera 5.
3/18	HT	Olinda 8, Tufts-Lyon 6. RF.
Apr	TMJ	Tryout with PCL Angels.
4/ 1	HT	Olinda 7, Hamburger 0.
4/ 8	HT	Olinda 2, Tufts-Lyon 3. RF.
4/19	HT	"has received an offer to pitch for Tacoma", News-Tribune. [Nothing in FT around that time; check the News.]
Apr/May	TMJ	Pitches two exhibition games for Tacoma (PacNWL).
	R3	This was supposedly in 1903 and he had a 1-1 record. The tryout was arranged by Joe Burke of SA. [Actually, Joe was from Olinda!]
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WHAT, IF ANYTHING, DID WALTER DO BETWEEN TACOMA AND		
WEISER ????? WERE THESE THE GAMES HE PITCHED UNDER		
A FALSE NAME THAT HANK MENTIONED?		
(THE "FOXY GRANDPA" STORY?) INVESTIGATE !!!!!		
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5/18	TMJ	"in the May 19th Signal, a squib in the 'All Around the Town' column noted that 'Walter Johnson of Los Angeles was among city arrivals yesterday."
Summer	TMJ	Pitches for the Weiser Kids in Idaho State League.
Fall		Did Walter pitch for Olive after his return from Weiser? Investigate! Look in the Orange Daily News! Did he pitch for Rivera? Look in WN!
10/21	HT	Olive ??, Santa Monica ??.
11/25	HT	Olinda 5, LA Pacific 4.

12/25 R Olinda 4, SA Stars 1.
 12/30 HT Olinda 12, Alhambra 2.
 12/31 HT Olinda 4, LA Pacific 0.

1907

1/20, HT Missed games,
 1/27 " due to illness.
 2/ 3 HT Anaheim 3, Tufts-Lyon 0.
 2/10 HT Anaheim 2, @ SD Pickwicks 1.
 2/24 HT Anaheim 4, Morans 1.
 3/ 3 HT Anaheim 0, @ Pasadena 1.
 3/10 HT Anaheim 0, Hoeges 0.
 Apr-Ju1 TMJ Pitching for Weiser.
 7/22 TMJ Departs for Washington.
 8/ 2 R47 Major league debut.
 Summer ***** WASHINGTON SENATORS *****

NOTE -- JOE WAYMAN SAYS FRED WILLIAMS HAS LOCATED ONE MORE STRIKEOUT FOR WALTER IN 1907 AND THAT IT WILL PROBABLY GO INTO THE NEXT EDITION OF TOTAL BASEBALL! (JOHN SCHWARTZ, IN ROCHESTER, NY, HAS SIMILAR INTO.)

10/17 HT Returned to Olinda during the past week.
 10/27 HT SA Stars 9, SealGard 2. CF.
 (2nd game) SA Stars 1, Hoeges 1.
 10/28 LS "SA plays on local diamond next Sunday and WJ will be on the mound for the locals."
 11/ 3 HT SD Pickwicks 2, Dyas-Cline 4.
 11/ 7 HT SD Pickwicks 1, LA Angels 0.
 11/10 HT SD Pickwicks 4, LA Angels 3.
 (2nd game) SD Pickwicks 2, LA Angels 9.
 11/17 HT SA Stars 4, Hoeges 4.
 11/24 HT SA Stars 4, MeeksLA 3.
 12/ 8 HT SA Stars 0, Santa Barbara 1.
 12/15 HT SA Stars 1, McCormicks 2.
 12/22 HT SA Stars 12, MeeksLA 1.
 12/28? HT SA Stars 2, Chr/LevyLA 0.

1908

1/ ? HT SA Stars 7, Edisons 0.
 1/ ? HT SA Stars 13, Morans 0.
 1/ 5 HT SA Stars 0, @ San Pedro 0.
 1/12 HT Missed game due to illness.
 1/19 HT SA Stars 1, Hoeges 0.
 LS No-hitter! Went 2 for 3 as cleanup.
 Fanned 9, hit Snodgrass twice; Meats sick, Cody caught.
 "Has been sick for the past week and a half".
 2/23 LS "Sickness prevented Johnson from pitching" in game in which SA defeated San Pedro 3-0.
 2/27 HT Mastoiditis operation.
 4/29 LS Blade article lists "SA Winter League Team"'s batting avgs:

	G	AB	R	H	Ave.
WJ had:	10	37	8	16	.432

This was best of any player who had played at least ten games. Some players on team had been in as many as 22 games.
 5/11 LS "Walter Johnson failed to show up to pitch the first ball" at a SA vs. Edisons game; when did he leave for Washington?
 Summer ***** WASHINGTON SENATORS *****

B2 Winter ball in Santa Ana.
 10/18 HT Olive 5, LA Colored Giants 6.
 10/25 HT SA Stars 3, Pasadena 11.
 11/ 1) Walter and Guy Meats
 11/ 8) both missing from SA; did they play for Olive?
 11/15 HT SA Stars 6, Edisons 2.
 11/22 HT SA Stars 0, Salt Lake 0.
 11/29 HT SA Stars 2, San Diego 3.
 12/ 6 HT SA Stars 0, McCorm 1.
 12/13 HT SA Stars 2, Azusa 4.
 12/27 HT SA Stars 7, Pasadena 2.

1909

1/ 1 HT SA Stars 3, Salt Lake 1.
 1/16 HT SA Stars 5, Edisons 2.
 1/23 HT SA Stars 4, Salt Lake 2.
 1/25 R2 No-hit, no-run game vs. "the Salt Lake railroad team managed by Charlie Hall, famous Coast league pitcher."
 [Could this be the game HT lists on 12/26/09?]
 "Johnson continued to pitch Sunday winter ball out at old Hawley's Park at Santa Ana for several years. There was a Southern California Trolley League in operation (the players traveled by Pacific Electric)..." Once made an incredible throw from CF when playing there in 2nd game of twin bill.

1/30 HT SA Stars 3, San Diego 7.
 2/22 HT SA Stars 11, San Diego 0.
 2/27 HT SA Stars 2, Hoegees 0.

Summer ***** WASHINGTON SENATORS *****

10/27 HT All-Nationals 3, A's 5.
 11/ 3 HT All-Nationals 5, SF Seals 4.
 11/ 7 HT All-Nationals 7, SF Seals 0.
 11/10 HT All-Nationals 10, LA Angels 5.
 11/15 HT All-Nationals 9, LA Angels 1.
 11/18 HT All-Nationals 5, A's 6.
 11/25 HT All-Nationals 7, A's 2.
 11/29 HT All-Nationals 4, A's 1. CF.
 12/ 5 HT All-Nationals 2, A's 1.
 12/12 HT All-Nationals 3, A's 4.
 12/26 HT SA Stars 2, Salt Lake 0. No-hitter!
 LS This was Johnson Day; 2000 portraits (photos?) of WJ were given away to those in attendance.

1910

1/ 1 HT SA Stars 3, Salt Lake 1.
 1/ 9 HT SA Stars 2, McCormicks 0.
 1/23 HT SA Stars 2, Maiers 1.
 1/30 HT SA Stars 3, Occidental 0.
 LS (Opponents were a colored team from Salt Lake City. There was also a 1/29 game scheduled.)

2/ 6 HT SA Stars 2, PCL All-Stars 1.
 2/13 HT SA Stars 3, PCL All-Stars 1.
 2/20 HT SA Stars 3, Santa Barbara 0.
 2/27 HT SA Stars 2, McCormicks 1.
 3/ 9 HT Left for Coffeyville, Kansas, with parents.

1914 R3 By this time, he was ensconced in a Kansas farm, where
 "Griffith made a beeline" to rescue him from the FL.

1924

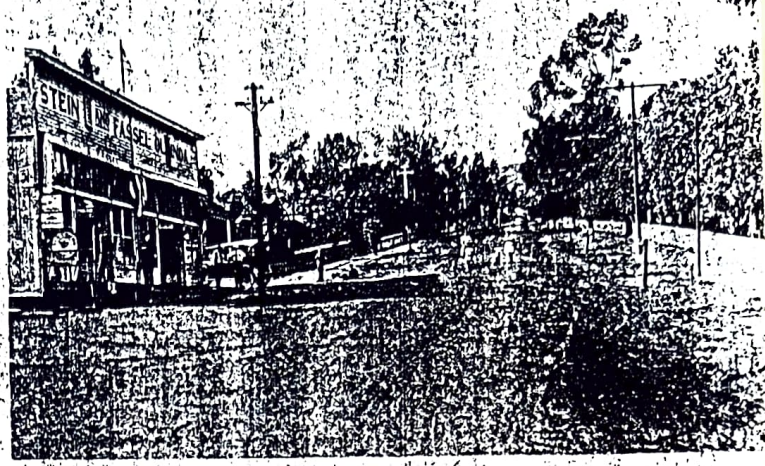
Exhibition tour:
 10/26 HT White King Soap 1, Vernon Tigers 5.
 10/29 HT Devines 2, Mails All-Stars 0.
 10/31 C1 Exhibition game in Brea vs Babe Ruth's team.
 R3 "a crowd estimated at 10,000 packed into now-defunct Brea Bowl
 to watch the biggest baseball game in county history..."
 HT Anaheim Elks 1, Ruth All-Stars 12.
 LS Lecil's clipping says 5,000 were in attendance.

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 SOURCE ABBREVIATIONS:

B1 The Daily Evening Blade, Mon 4/17/05, article:
 "A Series of Goose Eggs".
 B2 same, 9/29/08, article:
 "Johnson Will Pitch for Local Baseball Team".
 C1 California Herald (official publication of the Native
 Daughters of the Golden West), 5/62, article:
 "The Big Train", by Dr. Leo F. Friis.
 FT Fullerton Tribune articles.
 HT Hank Thomas' research papers.
 LS Lecil Slaback's clippings, mostly from Santa Ana Blade.
 R Santa Ana Daily Register, contemporary articles.
 R1 Santa Ana Daily Register, 11/22/39, article:
 "Recall Pioneer Days", by Floyd Mitchell, who was an assistant
 scorekeeper at So Cal Winter League games. He "took the
 scores to the papers and gave them the story of the game".
 R2 same, 8/11/57, article: "West Winds".
 R3 same, 2/12/78, article: "Johnson Remembered As
 Baseball's Hardest Thrower / Baseball Complex in Brea
 Dedicated to Hall-Of-Famer's Memory", by Steve Grimsley.

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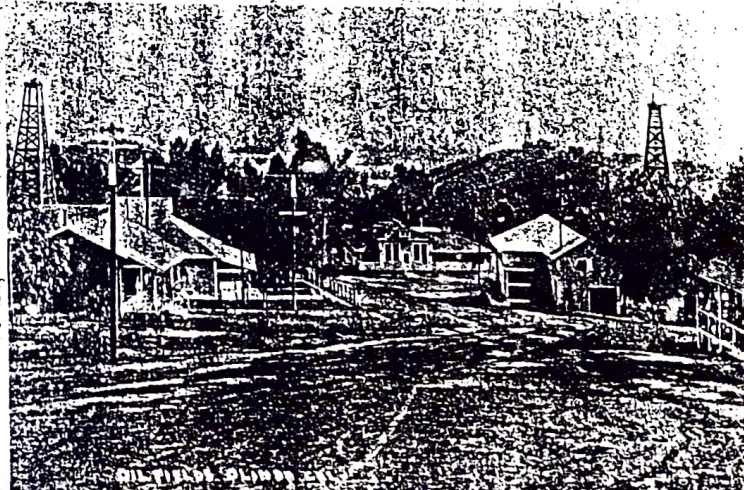
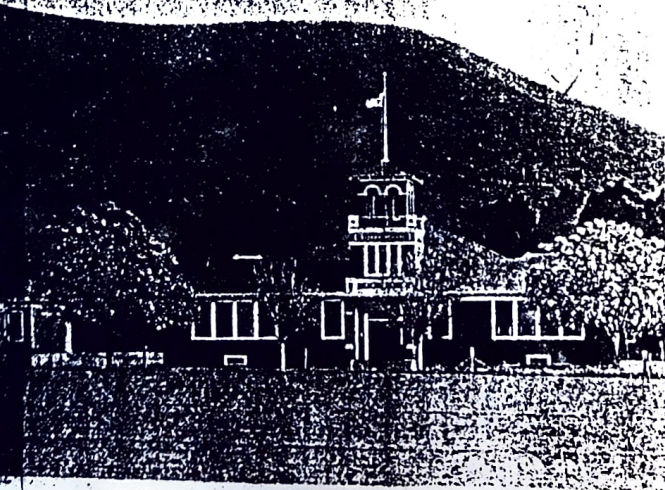
R47 1947 Baseball Register feature article by Vincent X. Flaherty.
 TMJ "Too Much Johnson" by A. D. Suehsdorf, in Winter 1987/1988
 issue of "Baseball History".
 WN The Whittier News.



PIPELINES TO THE PAST

An Oral History of
Olinda, California

Compiled by Ken Beko, et. al.



Among the interviewees represented in this book, Harold Van Patten has the distinction of being not only the youngest but also the sole one born in Olinda. His parents met in Olinda after their families had been drawn to the area by the oil business, and were married in 1920. Three years later, Harold Van Patten began his life in an Olinda Land Company Lease house. While his father worked as a pumper on that lease, Harold attended the Olinda School, from which he graduated in the same class as Jack Armstrong, who later achieved fame as an Army Air Force pilot and whose name now graces a commemorative grove of trees in Carbon Canyon Regional Park.

Of all the interviewees, it is perhaps Harold Van Patten who paints the most memorable mosaic of Olinda during the Depression years. One is granted through his words the opportunity to almost walk the corridors of Olinda School, where, says Van Patten, a child could obtain "about as good . . . an elementary education as you could get." He also sketches out in rich detail the entertainment and recreation of the townspeople, including the air shows that took place at nearby Brea Airport. Van Patten remembers, too, the democratic flavor of Olinda--"a really small town where everybody more or less had the same economic status"--and estimates that during its boom years Olinda claimed "over seven hundred houses in the area all belonging to oil companies." Finally, in succinct fashion, he explains the reason for the community's ultimate demise: "The change in the technology of the oil business from a crude cable tool to modern high speed rotary drilling equipment."

won the basketball championship in our league and we did quite well in track and baseball. Of course, there was no football for elementary age kids in those days. But Mr. Barnes was quite interested in some of our athletes. In those days one of the most famous families in athletics was the Ledbetters from Olinda. There were eight sons and they were all football players. Those eight sons over the years contributed another eight or ten sons who played on the Brea-Olinda High School football teams. So the name Ledbetter is famous in north Orange County football, both at Brea-Olinda High School and Fullerton Junior College.

Mr. Barnes was one of those who had tremendous enthusiasm but very little understanding of athletics, so his attempts at coaching and teaching athletics were somewhat comical to the parents of the kids in school. Quite often he would be the umpire and be the brunt of an awful lot of criticism. This was because his judgment was somewhat less than good because of his lack of knowledge of the sport that he was trying to judge. He was a well-known character around town. In the social life that was carried on he was always the master of ceremonies at programs, even adult programs that were held in the school. Everybody went to these because there was nothing else to do. There was no night life; they rolled up the street in town at sundown.

In my time in Olinda there was one general store, one barbershop, and maybe three churches. We used to have delivery wagons come. Ice wagons, milkmen, men who came and sold fresh fish--butcher shop on wheels--a vegetable wagon, and every so often a man would come through to sharpen knives. Every once in a while there would be a Watkins products man, like the Jewel Tea Company, and a lot of door-to-door selling. The pots and pans salesmen were always an event and the kids in the neighborhood would go from door to door and watch them, so everybody knew if anybody bought anything. In those days everybody knew everybody else and everybody's business. In the evening you strolled over to somebody's house and you didn't watch television, you conversed. It was a good life because the people seemed to contribute to each other's welfare and well-being. If one kid had a goat cart, every kid got to ride in the goat cart. Another kid would reach high school age and get an old automobile and all the kids on the block would work on it. You were never at a loss for help to keep an old jalopy running. You could hook a ride to the beach or participate in some kind of program or activities such as going on picnics.

The whole town would travel to what was known as Orange County Picnic Grounds several times a year. It was in the Irvine Park area towards the Santiago area in Cleveland National Forest. The other activity that all the men were involved in and loved was softball and semi-professional baseball.

The Olinda Field was a good baseball field and there were two or three teams who played a good quality of semi-professional ball. In fact, when my mother first lived at Stones Reservoir she used to play catch with Walter Johnson. He became one of the most famous big league baseball pitchers and I am sure you will hear his name many times in connection with the history of Olinda.

Merle Van Ness Hale

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Of the seven interviewees represented in this volume, the first one to settle in the Olinda area was Merle Van Ness Hale. Moving from Pennsylvania with her family in 1909 to the Columbia Lease, where her father was employed by the Columbia Oil Company, she entered the Olinda School in the seventh grade. Later, while riding the bus from Olinda to Fullerton High School, she met her future husband, Ray Hale, and following their marriage they continued to reside in Olinda until 1920.

In her interview, Mrs. Hale recalls the spirit of informal living and friendliness her family discovered in early Olinda, and contrasts life there with that of her native Pennsylvania. Interesting, too, is her account of the home occupied by the Van Ness family. "After the house was built," she recollects, "it had an upstairs, which was unusual for an oil region shanty." Mrs. Hale also conjures up fond memories of the Johnson family, not only of baseball immortal Walter Johnson, but also of his brother Less and how she was "smitten" with him. Memorable as well is her recounting of the excitement surrounding the arrival of a gusher at one of the well sites. Two of the biggest to come in, she informs us, were Well 13 and Well 18, the latter of which "came in with a roar and sprayed everything."

cook, Miss Walker, and they really served wonderful meals.

M: Could you talk a little more about the Johnson family?

H: Well, Walter Johnson and his family lived on the Olinda Lease--the Santa Fe Lease--and he was so famous. Then he went on to Fullerton High, and then finally ended up in Washington, D.C., and broke all sorts of records as a major league pitcher. He had such huge shoulders and long arms that people remarked about it. His brother, Less, who was the youngest driller on the Columbia Lease seemed to have the same shoulders. It seemed strange that Less could be a driller at eighteen, because every driller had to serve time as a tool dresser, under a driller, to learn to drill and to learn to sharpen the bits. If the bits weren't sharpened, they didn't drill very fast. And yet, Walter's younger brother, who was about my age, was a small, thin fellow. I don't know what he was like when he was a man, but as a teenager he was very small. They were a grand family. His younger brother lived with his sister, and Less lived in the bunkhouses. Columbia had nice bunkhouses, and then this nice boardinghouse. So the single men didn't want to leave very often.

M: Could you describe the bunkhouses?

H: They were low, like motels are now, and opened up onto the street.

M: Would a man have his own room?

H: Yes, a man had his own room. It was small. They said they were good beds. I don't know who made them, or anything like that, or changed the sheets, and so on. They didn't have the turnover that some leases have, because they took care of it and they had good men. So many had invested their money in with the bunch to start. I don't know when they started. We came in 1910, and 13 had been drilled by then. So 13 is what put them on easy street. So it was before then, and they were really worried, because they had put everything they had into that one lease, but they came out gloriously afterwards. I think 21 was the last of the wells that I saw. Each well had its own personality. We just felt toward them like family.

M: Mrs. Hale, what is a sumphole?

H: Well, it's a place where water and oil would drain in, the lowest place around. The biggest sumphole I know is north of Well 13, up here on Valencia. They had these big gushers and the oil had to go someplace. And it went down in there. There are very few things that will grow in a sumphole because of the oil. And it's still there, that's what gets me; it hasn't been absorbed, and nothing's grown over it. Usually nature will try to grow something over the scar, but it's still there.

M: Well, did they ever use them as storage basins, or was it always a natural phenomenon?

H: I don't know, but the ones that I know of were natural. There were

HISTORY

From oil field to malls, work marks Brea's birth

By Robert Chow
The Orange County Register

Does anyone remember Hall of Fame slugger Babe Ruth pitching nine innings and hitting two home runs at a ballpark in Brea?

How about Brea serving as a "Top Gun" school for World War I fighter pilots?

Or that the city was almost named Randolph, after the land baron who wanted so badly to be its namesake?

Those are among a few of the highlights recorded in Esther Ridgway Cramer's historical account of Orange County's northern-most city titled "Brea: The City of Oil, Oranges and Opportunity," published in May.

Drawing from oral history, newspaper archives and historical writings, Cramer has woven a colorful anecdote-laden account of the people and events that created and shaped the city and surrounding region. The book includes about 125 photographs.

Brea gave the award-winning historian Cramer a \$10,000 honorarium to write the book as part of its celebration of the 75th anniversary of the city's incorporation.

The book chronicles the struggle to build a railroad, provide a source of water and tap the lakes of oil lying beneath the Puente Hills.

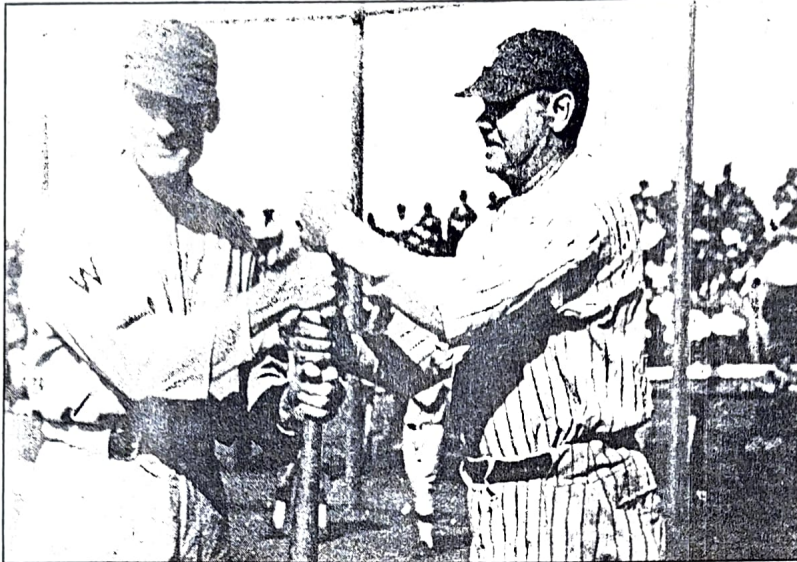
It was the latter that drew most people to the area and later gave the city its name. "Brea" was what the Spanish ranch owners called the naturally occurring chunks of asphalt, formed when dirt mixed with the oil that freely oozed out of ground even before the first well was drilled.

Brea became notorious for the "roughnecks and roustabouts" who toiled in the oil fields by day and caroused at the saloons in Fullerton and Anaheim by night.

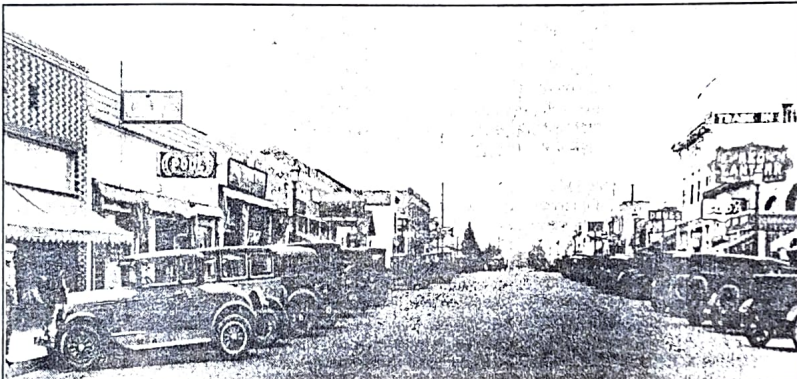
The region also once boasted as having "The Largest Citrus Grove in the World" during the heyday of the Bastanchury Ranch, which spanned about 3,000 acres in 1910.

Other noteworthy chapters include Brea's contribution to aviation in the early 1900s and the great baseball duel in 1924 between Babe Ruth and pitching great Walter Johnson, who grew up in Olinda Village.

Among the book's shortcomings as a historical work is Cramer's



Pitcher Walter Johnson, left, and slugger Babe Ruth pose before the 1924 game played at the 'Brea Bowl.'



A street scene in Brea, just north of the Birch Street-Pomona Avenue intersection in the early 1920s.

failure to recognize the significance of the construction of the Orange (57) Freeway in 1972 — an event that has shaped Brea as much as the exploration for oil and the growing of citrus.

The freeway helped transform the once-isolated north county berg into the urban mall-chic city that it is today. Except for a few indirect references to the freeway's construction, Cramer hardly touches on the thoroughfare's impact on the city.

Cramer included City Hall alongside Union Oil and Kirkhill Rubber plant in the chapter titled "Companies that made a difference."

Cramer writes: "The city's operation can be compared to that of a corporate business — the citizens and taxpayers are the stockholders, the mayor is chairman of the board and the city council members are the board of directors. The city manager, now Frank Benest, is the president of the corporation."

Echoing the quasi-public-private nature of Brea's government, a quote from Brea Councilman and former Mayor Wayne Wedin adds, "We run a large real estate operation. . . . Our profit line is industrial and commercial development. . . ."

"Brea: The City of Oil, Oranges and Opportunity" can be purchased for \$29.95 at the Brea Civic and Cultural Arts Center.

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