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## Fourteen City Amateurs Sign to Play League Ball

Youngsters Pulled From Amateur Association Buses—Flint Gets Five.

OTHERS HAVE OFFERS George Orme Gets Chance to Break Into Association With Milwaukee.

BY CHARLIE LOGAN. It is a mighty good thing for the Indianapolis Amateur Baseball association that the Indianapolis amateurs develop fast, otherwise this city would be hard pushed for starlight sand-lotters during the coming season. The last season was such a success in Indianapolis, and so many clever youngsters transmuted the diamond that the bush league bosses gave the Indianapolis amateur world a lot of attention when they started rounding up their 1920 squads, and as a result a whole raft of lads from here are going to take their first steps to the front in professional baseball during the next few weeks.

At the present time, fourteen players who battled in amateur circles last season have signed contracts to play with bush league teams, particularly the clubs in the Michigan-Ontario loop. Several other deals are hanging fire and it is believed that more than thirty players will be signed to the amateur cause. Some of the boys are even trying to be holdouts before they get started.

## MILWAUKEE YANTS

"NEW" ORME

George Orme is the local player who has the best chance to go up and go up in a hurry at this stage of the game. Orme, one of the highest-hitting and surest fielding garden players that has been turned out in this city for several years, probably will cash his option with the Milwaukee Brewers before the season opens. He played with the Flint team of the Michigan-Ontario circuit last season and according to reports received from that city during the few days he has been sold to the Milwaukee Brewers. However, Orme stated yesterday that he has not yet come to terms with Milwaukee, and he does not know at this time whether he will play amateur or semi-pro ball throughout the year. For several years, this is not the first chance he has had to cop a berth in the American association. Money troubles kept him out of professional baseball. When the season opened he was dragging in plenty of shekels and the A. A. bosses couldn't reach his price. He did not join the Flint team until late in the season, but went great for the few weeks he was with the outfit.

## FIVE LOCALS ON BAY CITY

They got a taste of Indianapolis talent in the Michigan-Ontario loop last year, and they are coming back for a double dose this season. Bay City has signed five locals, Tom McElroy, Schott, Bill Whaley, Bab Mattern and Johnny Noonan, and the fans at that city believe they have a championship team. And why not? They have the best chance to find a better battery in the league than Noonan and Mattern will make. "Bab" is about as clever as they come, behind the bat, and twins McElroy and Whaley should go great against the batters in the loop. McElroy covers either short or third base and Whaley and Schott are both for the field.

Pittsburgh's Red and Ollie Treffy are signed to report at Flint, Mich., next week. Red tore things up in the Michigan-Ontario circuit last season and the Flint team will welcome him back this year with open arms. Treffy plays around the second sack. He is a fast fielder and for some time has held his place among the heaviest hitters in the state. Reagan Naney and George Braughton

## Going Up!

"Newly" Orme, Milwaukee, American Association.

John Noonan, Bay City, Michigan-Ontario league.

"Bab" Mattern, Bay City, Michigan-Ontario league.

Joe McElroy, Bay City, Michigan-Ontario league.

Bill Whaley, Bay City, Michigan-Ontario league.

Ray Schott, Bay City, Michigan-Ontario league.

"Red" Hayes, Flint, Michigan-Ontario league.

Ollie Treffy, Flint, Michigan-Ontario league.

Reagan Naney, Charleston, South Atlantic league.

George Braughton, Charleston, South Atlantic league.

Ernie Burke, Charleston, South Atlantic league.

Walter Reno, Flint, Michigan-Ontario league.

Bob McElroy, Grand Rapids, Central league.

are probably the youngest players that will leave here, but they play the game as a gang of veterans. Tom McElroy, youth loop Indianapolis, will be next Tuesday to join the Charleston (S. C.) team of the South Atlantic association. Naney is one of the garden positions. If Naney can wish his club this year like he has in the past he is going to be some big guy down the line. Braughton is a solid, handy man with the stick and an excellent base runner.

George Orme is also signed with the Charleston club. George is one of the best catchers in the loop and was one of the best catchers in the local Manufacturers' loop last season. Ernie Burke, a local boy, makes the Charleston team. He took over the top of the loop last year and after the pennant this season.

McELVAIN IN CENTRAL LOOP.

McElvain, a former member of the old Belmont nine, just returned from the navy, will act as guardian of the second base position. Bill Whaley, a member of the Central league, McElvain played on a naval team with "Rabbit" Morris, for several years a member of the Belmont team. He is a good player and the efforts of the famous shortstop that he was given his chances in the Central circuit.

Ernie Burke was with the Flint club last year and he is signed to return this season, but the Terre Haute club of the Three-I League has made a bid for his services and it is believed that the Flint club will let him go.

Clemens, a former member of the Indianapolis Merits, will play with the Crawfordsville team this season.

MEETING ON JACK LIST.

Charlie Schaefer, one of the classiest shortstops that ever trod a diamond in amateur harness, has been offered that position with the Flint team, but he undoubtedly will go to the Central for apprentices only a short time ago and he will not be ready for action for some time.

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Youngsters Due to Break Into Majors When Season Opens

University Star May Fill Zimmerman's Place With Givens—Huggins Has Fewster.

BY JACK VELOCK. I. N. S. Sports Editor.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Among the many young players who are fighting grimly today to win major league berths as the third week of the training season comes to a close are several of unusual promise.

Bill Givens, from Saskatoon, Canada, has practically won an outfield berth with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Givens is, perhaps, the most brilliant young outfielder of the year.

McMahan Huggins will inject Wilson Fewster into the lineup next year.

Fewster was with the Yanks last season, but was played mostly in the outer field. Fewster has been much as a distance runner and he sends some long drives to left center and over the short left field fence. Givens also is there with the long punch.

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