

John Berkel

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JOHN BERKEL.

He Hails from South Atlantic League and
is Said to be a Hummer.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 6.—Baseball fans will see some changes in the Atlanta team which opens in Memphis Sunday, some changes that have made the team much stronger than when it appeared there before.

Paul Sentell is no longer playing short-stop. He hurt his hand and was out of the game for so long a time that he was turned back to Brooklyn and his successor found.

This man is Berkel, who played with the Augusta and Jacksonville teams in the South Atlantic league under the name of Bierkotte, and he appears to be one of the most promising young players that has broken into the league in many a day. He stands up to the plate well and hits them hard. He is cool under fire in his position and throws like a shot to first base. His strong fort, however, is speed on the paths, having led the Sally league for the past two seasons. In stolen bases, and he has gone right after it again in the Southern league.

The other change is that Tom Fisher is playing the initial sack and the uburn-haired one has been hitting the pill at at .280 clip since he has been playing the bag. He has been pounding them hard and timely and unless Manager Jordan can locate a good first sacker, Fisher will be kept on the bag for the rest of the season. He has pulled his average for the season up 65 points since taking a position at first.

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New Story as to Bierkotte's Attempt to Change His Name

. The Associated Press carried a story out of Atlanta last night to the effect that Bierkotte, who joined the Crackers from Augusta yesterday, had played for years under an "alias but had decided to use his "real name" in the Southern and would be known as Berkel henceforth, and that he tried to get the Sally League scorers to call him Berkel, but couldn't.

Several people in Chattanooga who know Bierkotte's family, tell a different story. They say that Johnny is the son of a drink merchant in Norwood, a sub-

urb of Cincinnati, and that the son's real name is Johnny Bierkorrtte. He has been playing under that name (his right one), minus the second "r," for several years, down in the South Atlantic.

The Sally league scorers, who know Johnny of old, refuse to admit the change of name. It remains to be seen whether the Southern league will allow Johnny to shake off the odium of the distasteful family surname.

Just why Johnny wants his name changed is unknown. Perhaps there's a story behind it.



Detroit Recruit is Hurt in a Collision With Spectators' Car

Special to The Free Press.
Los Angeles, Cal., February 6.—John

Berkel, who has been signed to try out for third base with the Detroit Americans, met with a bad accident at Oxnard yesterday. Berkel was running for a foul fly when he collided with an automobile and was carried off the field while in an unconscious condition.

Berkel has had more than his share of hard luck lately. Recently he sprained an ankle while playing with Oxnard. Umpire Knowlton had a run in with the Oxnard crowd who crowded around the prostrate Berkel. The player was painfully injured yesterday and will not be about for a week or 10 days.



signed San Jose contracts.

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John Berkel, last season with Fresno and known as "Rough-house Johnnie," has signed a San Antonio contract.

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John Berkel, Decatur shortstop will not be in the present road series. A telegram arrived in Decatur Thursday evening telling of the death of his brother, George Berkel in Norwood at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Berkel went to Peoria with the team Thursday evening and it is expected that he will leave Peoria this morning for the home of his brother.

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FORMER TIGER IS SIGNED BY COMMIES

**John Berkel, Shortstop With
Great Record, Will be Given
Tryout by Locals.**

John Berkel, former infielder on the Detroit Americans, Province club of the International league and of the Atlanta team of the Southern league arrived in Decatur from Ft. Worth, Texas Thursday afternoon and will be given a tryout for a berth of the Decatur team. Berkel is a shortstop and he will be given a show at this position at once as he comes in the best of condition and ready to get in the game. If Berkel succeeds in landing a place, it is possible that Harry Donica will be given a chance at an outfield berth if he can manage to keep up in his hitting.

Plays With Atlanta.

John H Bierkorte

BIRTH MAR 1886 • Ohio

DEATH Unknown

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Ancestry sources

1900 United States Federal Census

Ancestry Family Trees

Ohio and Florida, City Directories, 1902-1960

U.S. City Directories, 1821-1989 (Beta)

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Family

Parents

Bernard Bierkorte

1853-1920

Margaret Honningfort

1861-1908

Siblings

Bernard Bierkorte

1853-1917

Anna Marie Bierkorte

1888-1983

George J Bierkorte

1889-1914

Margaret Elizabeth Bierkorte

1893-1992

Katherine M Bierkorte

1895-

Frank Joseph Bierkorte

1896-1964

Henrietta Ann Bierkorte

1900-1989

Spouse

Name	John Bierkotte
Residence Year	1905
Street Address	1773 Lincoln Av
Residence Place	Hamilton, Ohio, USA
Occupation	Ball Player
Publication Title	Hamilton, Ohio, City Directory, 1905

REGISTRATION CARD

SERIAL NUMBER 2381 ORDER NUMBER 5404

1 John Henry Berkel

2 PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS:
Gen. Delivery Boise Cochrane Ariz

Age in Years 33 Date of Birth March 27 1886

RACE
White X Negro Oriental Indian
Caucasian Hawaiian

U. S. CITIZEN ALIEN
Native Born Naturalized Citizen by Father's Naturalization
Declarant Non-declarant
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15 Is not a citizen of the U. S., of what nation are you a citizen or subject?

PRESENT OCCUPATION EMPLOYER'S NAME
16 Machinist 17 B. & A.

18 PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS:
Machinist Shop Small Cochrane Ariz

NEAREST RELATIVE
Name (Wife) Edna Lyle Berkel
Address Gen. Delivery Boise Cochrane Ariz

I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE
P. M. G. O. John Henry Berkel
Form No. 1 (Rev. 1) (Signature) (Mark) (OVER)

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 1618	1. NAME (Print) JOHN HENRY BERKEL (First) (Middle) (Last)		ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 3304- N-W-BLVD. SPOKANE SPOKANE WASH (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)			
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)			
4. TELEPHONE B 4469-W (Exchange) (Number)	5. AGE IN YEARS 56 DATE OF BIRTH March 27 1886 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Norwood Ohio (Town or county) (State or country)	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Mrs M. E. Chapman, 3301-E- Gordon.			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS Selfemployed			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS 831- Main. ave. Spokane Spokane Wash. (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)	(over)	16-21630-2	<i>John H Berkel</i> (Registrant's signature)

Name	John H Berkel
Gender	Male
Age	89
Birth Date	abt 1886
Residence Place	Spokane City, Washington, USA
Death Date	21 Dec 1975
Death Place	Spokane, Washington, USA
Certificate Number	030066