### John Berkel

Positions: Shortstop, Second Baseman and Third Baseman

Bats: Right · Throws: Right 5-9, 160lb (175cm, 72kg)

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Born: March 27, 1886 in Norwood, OH

Died: December 21, 1975 (Aged 89-269d) in Spokane, WA

Full Name: John Henry Berkel View Player Info from the B-R Bullpen

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He Halls 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 shortstop. He hurt his hand and was out 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 auburnhaired 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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Chattanooga Daily Times



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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 down in the South Atlantic. years under an "alias but had decided to use his "real name" in the Southern and would be known as Berkel henecforth, 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 substory behind it.



# Detroit Recruit is Hurt in a Collision With Spectators' Car

Special to The Free Presental 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 white 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.

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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.

# FORMER TIGER IS SIGNED BY COMMIES

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

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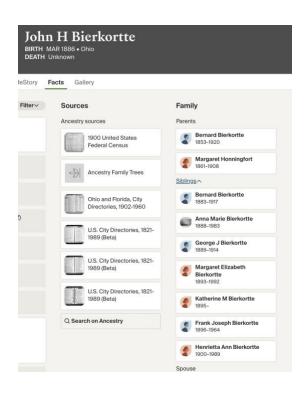
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John Berkel, former infielder on the Detroit Americans, Province club of the International league and of the Atlanta team of the Southern league arrived in Decatur from Ft. Worth, Texas Thursday afternoon and will be given a tryout for a berth of the 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.



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

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	Gender	Male
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	Birth Date	abt 1886
	Residence Place	Spokane City, Washington, USA
	Death Date	21 Dec 1975
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