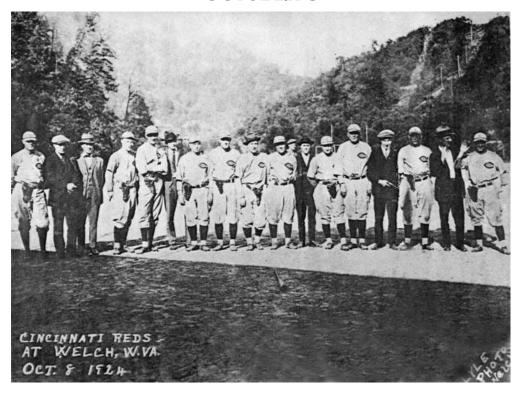


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ON THIS DAY IN WEST VIRGINIA HISTORY OCTOBER 8



Cincinnati Reds baseball team at Welch, 8 October 1924

On October 8, 1924, the Cincinnati Reds played the second of two games at Welch against the McDowell County All-Stars.

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<u>Investigate the Document:</u> (Fayette Tribune, October 9, 1913, "Cincinnati Reds at Glen Jean" MN-17-55)

- 1. The Cincinnati Reds traveled to Glen Jean, West Virginia for an exhibition against the Glen Jean team, the pride of the _____ County League.
- 2. How much was the price of admission for women who sat in the grandstand?

<u>Think Critically:</u> Coalfield baseball leagues were lively during the early 20th century, with miners often making more money than professional baseball players at the time. Almost every rural town had a company-backed team, which resulted in rivalries and fierce competitiveness.

What kind of incentive do you think was given to miners who were ballplayers? Why do you think the coalfield baseball leagues were extremely popular in these rural, isolated communities? What led to the demise of the league?

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CINCINNATI REDS

AT

GLEN JEAN, W. VA.

Thursday,

OCTOBER 16TH, 1913.

Game Called at 3:30 p.m.

The management of the Glen Jean Base Ball Club has secured a date with the Cincinnati Reds for the above day, and will match against them the Glen Jean team, which is the pride of the Fayette County League. The Glen Jean team has lost but two games this season. Interest in the game will be heightened by the novel arrangement had with the Reds for this game. The Glen Jean battery, Malone and Klase Williams will occupy the points for the Cincinnati Reds, while the Reds will furnish one of its best batteries for the Glen Jean team. This will add spice to the game and uncertainty as to the outcome.

THE LINE UP.

FOR CINCINNATI.

Packard, Blackburn, Rowan, (Indian) Johnson

Hoblitzell, Groh, Dodge, Bescher, Bates. FOR GLEN JEAN.

Malone, Williams, W. Ferrell, E. Spradlin, Jno. Penman, G. Spradlin, C. Hogg,
J. Williams,
G. Kennedy

Let everybody attend and witness this exhibition which will close the season

Admission 50c.

Grand Stand 25c.

Ladie's Free to the Grand Stand

DON'T MISS THIS BIG GAME