



AMERICAN GIANT PLAYERS SOON TO REPORT

Time is drawing near for Chicago fans to get a peep at the boys that will represent this city this season. Many players are now ready to report—the lineup is complete, and on April 4th all men will appear at Chicago. The ground hog has come and gone. Thousands of fans wait for the magic word, play ball.

AMERICAN GIANTS TO OPEN SEASON APRIL 11TH.

The opening date has been set at April 11th. All we wish for is for the day to be anything but zero. The new players that will don the uniforms of the Giants will be given a welcome that will go with them as long as they are connected with baseball. Chicago is known to lead in all things. There is but one CHICAGO.

CONTRACT JUMPING BONE OF CON- TENTION.

Players had got to the place where they had no respect for contracts. The owners encouraged this. Their utter folly was wrecking baseball. It was their only salvation to come to an agreement. This was done and we regret that such clubs as Hildale and Bacharach's were not included. Both clubs have built up clubs with players taken from other clubs. Their one hobby was to wreck a club. Any club that appeared there with good men, they immediately proceeded to start dissension with the men and make them dissatisfied. They will reap their reward in the big controversy with Foster, as he said modestly, stolen success is only temporarily. They don't know baseball. Their works have shown their business qualities. We will do the rest.

HILDALE AND BACHARACH'S CLUBS UNFAIR.

False rumors have been appearing in some papers from the east saying that

American Giants and Bacharach would play all western clubs. Such rumors are misleading, as we were at the meeting at Kansas City and know these clubs will not meet. Bolden and Connors were offered an invitation to come to the meeting. After they had refused to allow the western men to come there, to try and protect contracts between the clubs, allowing them to keep what men they had, to pay any salary they could, they turned down such an offer and was outlawed by the League.

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