

CRACK NEGRO TEAMS TO PLAY

**GENERAL BARNUM IS INVITED
TO PITCH FIRST BALL IN
TOMORROW'S GAME.**

Brigadier General Malvern Hill Barnum, commander of the 183d infantry brigade, probably will pitch the first ball in the game tomorrow afternoon at Kishwaukee Park between the 183d brigade team and the American Giants of Chicago. Rube Foster, manager of the American Giants, has written Camp Grant athletic authorities asking that General Barnum pitch the first ball.

There will be a big down-town parade before the game, which will be called at 2:30. The parade will leave Five Points at the camp at 11:15.

The American Giants are one of the best negro ball teams in the country. The negro soldiers team of the 183d brigade is also a splendid organization. The brigade line-up: Fields, short-stop; Johnson or Simpson, pitcher; Bruce, left field; Lewis, catcher; Allen, center field; Powell or Carter, first base; Johnson, third base; Smith second base; Harrang or Johnson, right field.

The American Giants have traveled farther in one baseball season than any other team in the world. It's record last season was 21,000 miles. They won eighty-five per cent of the games they played last summer. The American Giants have twice won the California Winter League championship. They played against teams composed of National-American, Federal league and class AA ball players.

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