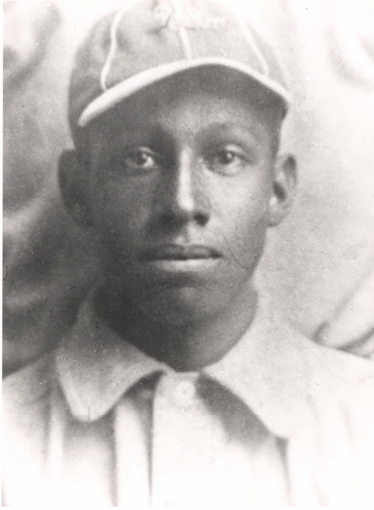


Donaldson Network Submission Form

Thank you for your interest in the Donaldson Network. We are committed to discovering and uncovering the baseball games played by John Wesley Donaldson.

John Wesley Donaldson was the most dominating black pitcher in the second decade of the 20th



Century. As the United States legitimized itself as a world power, Donaldson proved himself as the “World's Greatest Negro Pitcher” within the confines of segregated baseball. The color line prevented Donaldson from reaching the national stage and the structure of black baseball in that decade gave only limited opportunities for a highly-talented pitcher to thrive. But Donaldson's tremendous talent and pitching skills prompted Hall of Fame manager John McGraw of the New York Giants to say, “I think he is the greatest I ever have seen and I would give \$50,000 for him if it weren't for the color line in baseball.” The color line forced Donaldson to pitch in hundreds of towns across the country, always living up to the expectations of greatness thrust upon him by his team and by his promoters. Town after town along the nation's railway system witnessed first hand the pitcher and the man who, nearly a century later, deserves to be recognized for his numerous contributions to baseball.

Upon the establishment of a Donaldson “need” we will ask that you follow some simple methods of research to streamline the process of submission to the Donaldson Network. All potential Donaldson games submitted **must** follow these guidelines.

Newspaper or source of information must be labeled with town name, newspaper title, date, page and column number.

Name of researcher

Origin of information (i.e. Library name or historical society name)

Materials searched (i.e. May 1, 1911 to September 30, 1911)

Again, thank you for your interest in John Wesley Donaldson. More information is available at johndonaldson.bravehost.com. We are constantly looking to refine the webpage so continually check back for updates on the effort to reestablish John Donaldson to his rightful place in baseball history.

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