# Pinch Hits, "From Manhattan to Hoxie to Sioux City"

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## **MAY 29, 1935**

Making his professional baseball debut against the Rock Island Islanders, Sioux City Cowboy pitcher **Alva Freeman** absorbs the loss in a 4-3 10-inning setback.

Before a Ladies Day crowd of 1,500, the former Kansas State University three-sport star (football, basketball, baseball) relieves Cowboy starter and former major leaguer Biggs Wehde at the beginning of the ninth inning, allowing an unearned run on two hits while striking out three.

A high school physical education teacher and coach at Hoxie High School in his hometown of Hoxie, Kansas,, the 6-foot-5, 225-pound right-hander originally signs with the Cowboys back on April 2, but is unable to make his way to Sioux City until his classes are finished. The previous summer, the 27-year-old is 31-3 pitching in "independent circles" with each of the three losses being a one-run decision.

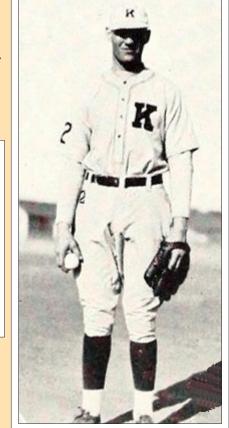
Freeman makew one more appearance for the first-place Cowboys before manager Hack Wilson

announces his release on June 6 to make room for 22-year-old southpaw pitcher Leo Henderson who has been on the bench with a sprained ankle. In his two games, Free-

man allows four earned runs on eight hits, one walk and four strike-outs while Henderson will finish the year 0-2 in 11 innings pitched.

# ALVA FREEMAN SIGNS TO HURL FOR SIOUX CITY

Former Kansas State Ace Shows Ability.



Alva "Hoxie" Freeman 1929 Kansas State Wildcats

Rock Island 4, Sioux City 3 (10 innings) May 29, 1935 Stockyards Park, Sioux City, Iowa

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# ABERDEEN, WASHINGTON

Players, umpires and spectators at the Aberdeen-Elma high school baseball game are forced to "flee for cover" when a large swarm of bees take over the Elma baseball field. The game is disrupted for 30 minutes until the swarm departs.

### **GUYANA, SOUTH AMERICA**

**Paul Redfern**, an American musician and pilot, given up for dead for nearly eight years, is reported to be seen alive in Guyana, South America in a dispatch to the State Department.

In the summer of 1927, three weeks after Charles Lindberg's famous transatlantic flight to Paris, Redfern attempts to fly 4,600 miles from Brunswick, Georgia, to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. If successful, Redfern's flight would have been the longest in aviation history.

Despite the report, Redfern is never seen alive again and his remains are never recovered despite numerous attempts to find the plane's wreckage.

