

# Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

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CEDAR RAPIDS--Five men will be inducted into the Hall of Fame by the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association at its two-day clinic in Cedar Rapids March 13 and 14.

Harold Primrose, President of the Association, said the five will be cited at the Friday night meeting at Washington High School. They will be the second group admitted to the Hall of Fame. The first ones admitted last year were: "Mon" Whitford, Northern Iowa; Otto Vogel, University of Iowa; Hamlet Peterson, Luther College; Emil Klumpar, Cedar Rapids, and Ken Blackman, Davenport.

The new Hall of Fame Members will be:

Fred "Zebe" Larson, Waterloo West. Coach Larson has been at West High School since 1943. His team won-lost record shows 345 wins and 137 losses. Coach Larson has won 13 Sectionals, 9 Districts, 6 Substates, and has been runner-up in the State finals three times. Coach Larson has won five Big Six Championships, 14 city championships, and one Mississippi Valley Conference championship. He also won two state titles in Legion ball.

Vince Meyer, St. John's of Bancroft. Coach Meyer graduated from Loras College in 1933. He started coaching in 1935. During the years his teams have won 879 games and lost 148. This does not include American Legion Ball. His Legion teams have won four state championships. His high school teams have participated in 21 state high school tournaments and won six, four in the fall and two in the spring. The spring championships were won in 1958 and 1964. They play spring, summer, and fall baseball in Bancroft.

Harold Schmickley, Assistant Executive Secretary of Iowa High School Athletic Association. Harold Schmickley has coached for 10 years and had 21 years in school administration. He has officiated for 25 years in baseball and basketball. In 1951 he became the Asst. Exec. Secy of the IHSAA which he has served 19 years. He has served as a member of the Baseball Rules Committee since 1951 and was appointed chairman in 1968. He is currently serving as one of the two National Federation representatives on the U.S. Baseball Federation and Olympic Games Committee.

Elmer Starr, Mason City. Coach Starr began coaching in 1928. He graduated from Des Moines University. He spent a number of years in smaller schools before going to Mason City. This will be his 24th year at Mason City. At Mason City Coach Starr has been the basketball and baseball coach. Coach Starr has played 990 games since going to Mason City. His record (Legion and high school) indicates he has won 723 and lost 267 games. His tournament record is 23 sectionals, 16 districts, 6 sub-states and he won the state tournament in 1954. He has been runner-up two times.

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Cap Timm, Iowa State University. Cap Timm is in his 36th year at Iowa State. He holds several positions in national organizations, some of which are: Chairman of the NCAA Rules Committee, Chairman of College World Series Games Committee and Past President of American Association of Baseball Coaches. His most recent venture as coach of the United States team in 1967 Pan American Games brought the first gold medal in Pan Am baseball to this country. He was also named Big 8 Opposing Coaches Choice for Coach of the Year in 1957. His 1958 club won the Big 8 title and third place in NCAA College World Series finish. A number of his players have played major league ball.

The baseball coaches association will hold its second annual clinic Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14. Among the speakers will be Cap Timm, Iowa State; Hal Trosky, Jr., former White Sox pitcher; Dick Schulz, Iowa baseball coach; Joe Dolan, Ph.D., Head of Division of Health and Physical Education of Northeast Missouri State College at Kirksville; Bob Oldis, Iowa City, Scout for Montreal Expos; Ken Blackman, White Sox Scout; Hal Trosky, former Cleveland Indian star, and the past year's high school state championship coaches-- Bernie Hutchison, Ed McNeil, Bill Freese.