



The Champions of the Midnight Sun Baseball League. Rear Row, Left to Right: E. Wickman, Erickson. Middle Row: L. Wickman, O. Wickman, Kannalley, Mattison, Walsh (Captain). Bottom Row: Harris, George Monroe, Manager; Boyle, Douroches, and Zacarelli (Mascot)

Pennant Winning in The Arctic

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Dear Sirs: I am sending you a picture of the Bear Creek team of the Midnight Sun Baseball League. Pennant winners in their league in 1915 and 1916.

The Midnight Sun League a semi-professional organization, dates from the spring of 1914. Mr. Jack Gibson is president, M. Maltby, secretary-treasurer. This league claims the distinction of being the farthest north of any league in the world. The regular games are called at 7:30, while it is possible to play at 12, midnight during the month of June.

Owing to limited territory the league is composed of three teams only, playing two games a week, Tuesday and Saturday. The season opens May 15, and closes Aug. 17, which is Discovery Day and a holiday in the Klondyke.

The teams are the Royals, managed by Murray S. Edes of Dawson; the Dawson Athletic Association, managed by Frank Nogizila and the Bears from the mining camp of Bear Creek, managed by Geo. Monroe.

Following are some of the feats of the pennant winning Bears: Dourochers leads the league in batting, Erikson heads the league in fielding. P. Wickman heads in pitching, according to the number of games won and lost, while Hait of the Royals pitched the best ball, with a slower team behind him.

O. Wickman also leads in stolen bases with 21, which is some stunt considering how seldom he got on.

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