 GUIDE to the  
JAMES C. GILRUTH SCOREBOOKS

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Collection Number
    BA MSS 230
    BL-2010.77 – BL-2031.77

Title
    James C. Gilruth Scorebooks

Inclusive Dates
    1900 - 1909

Extent
    .91 linear feet (1 archival box)

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Abstract
    A collection of 22 scorebooks covering Major League games from 1900 to 1909.

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Access
    By appointment during regular business hours, email research@baseballhall.org.

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Provenance
    This collection was donated by Gilruth’s son, James A. Gilruth.

Biography
    James C. Gilruth was a Chicago sports writer. He was the city editor of the Chicago Daily News from 1908 to 1919. The June 1900 census, list his profession as a newspaper reporter. Gilruth went on to work with the Chicago Automobile Trade Association until 1968.
    Source: Chicago Tribune obituary, Dec 7, 1973

Scope and Content
    These scorebooks cover home and away games of the Chicago White Sox and the Chicago Cubs. Also included are some World Series games, Chicago City Series games, and some amateur games.
Controlled Access Terms
These records are indexed under the following terms in the National Baseball Hall of Fame’s Library catalog.

Corporate Names
American League of Professional Baseball Clubs
National League of Professional Baseball Clubs
Chicago White Sox
Chicago Cubs
Chicago Daily News (Newspaper)

Personal Names
Gilruth, James C. 1876 – 1973

Subject Headings
Scorebooks
World Series
Spring training
Baseball – Illinois – Chicago
Statistics
Sportswriters

Content List

Box 1
Volume 1  BL-2010.77
July 16-Aug 2, 1900  Chicago Cubs
Aug 4-Aug 14, 1900  Chicago White Sox

Volume 2  BL-2011.77  Last page has AL teams’ wins/loses/percentages
Aug 18-Sept 22, 1900  Chicago White Sox
Apr 17-20, 1901  Spring training

Volume 3  BL-2012.77
Apr 24-Jul 20, 1901  Chicago White Sox
May 2, 1901  Detroit vs. Chicago
Forfeit to Detroit, 9-0, Tom Connolly, umpire

Volume 4  BL-2013.77  spine damaged
Written on inside page: “James C. Gilruth, Chicago Daily News”
Jul 22-Sept 7, 1901  Chicago White Sox

Volume 5  BL-2014.77  spine damaged
Written on inside page: “James C. Gilruth, Chicago Daily News”
Sept 9-Sept 27, 1901  Chicago White Sox
Apr 5-Apr 18, 1902  Spring training
Aug 1, 1903  Sheriff’s Office vs. Assessors’ Office
May 7, 1922  Winfield vs. Glen Ellyn
Not dated  West Chicago vs. Glen Ellyn
Not dated  South Shore vs. Glen Ellyn
Not dated  Addison vs. Glen Ellyn
Jun 18, 1922  Shamrocks vs. Glen Ellyn

Volume 6  BL-2015.77 spine damaged; on cover in gold “J.C. Gilruth”
Apr 23-Jun 17, 1902  Chicago White Sox

Volume 7  BL-2016.77 written on inside page:
Jun 19-Sept 28, 1902  Chicago White Sox
Mar 26-Apr 17, 1903  Spring training

Volume 8  BL-2017.77
Apr 22-Aug 14, 1903  Chicago White Sox

Volume 9  BL-2018.77 spine damaged; scored by James and his wife Elsie
May 2-Aug 24, 1903  Chicago White Sox

May 9, 1906  St. Louis Browns vs. White Sox

May 22-Aug 28, 1921  Glen Ellyn Post 3 - 8 games
Sept 11, 1921  Wheaton vs. Glen Ellyn
Wheaton page missing

Volume 10  BL-2019.77 spine damaged
Aug 15-Sept 28, 1903  Chicago White Sox
Sept 15, 1903  Chicago vs. Corning, NY – exhibition
Oct 1-Oct 3, 1903  White Sox vs. Cubs – Chicago City Series

May 6-May 13, 1904  Spring training
May 14-Jul 21, 1904  Chicago White Sox

Volume 11  BL-2020.77 spine damaged
Jul 22-Oct 8, 1904  Chicago White Sox
Aug 26, 1904  Chicago vs. Boston
‘Notation that ‘police interfere’

Volume 12  BL-2021.77 spine damaged
Apr 14-Aug 11, 1905  Chicago White Sox
Jun 9, 1905  Chicago vs. Philadelphia – 14 innings

Volume 13  BL-2022.77 spine damaged
Aug 14-Oct 8, 1905  Chicago White Sox
Oct 11-13, 1905  White Sox vs. Cubs – Chicago City Series

Volume 14  BL-2023.77  spine damaged
Apr 17-Jul 23, 1906  Chicago White Sox
Jun 18, 1905  Boston vs. Chicago – 15 innings

Volume 15  BL-2024.77  spine broken; glued to inside front cover, reads:
“Sports Extras, copy deadline times for 1st and 2nd editions
Jul 24-Sept 27, 1906  Chicago White Sox
Oct 9-14, 1906  White Sox vs. Cubs – World Series

Apr 11-Apr 23, 1907  Chicago Cubs

Volume 16  BL-2025.77  spine damaged
Apr 11-Jul 23, 1907  Chicago Cubs
Games of Apr 11-23, copied from volume 15

Volume 17  BL-2026.77  spine damaged
Jul 25-Oct 6, 1907  Chicago Cubs
Oct 5, 1907  Cubs vs. Cardinals – game 1 of a DH
Game forfeited to the Cardinals; Umpire Rigler claimed Cubs did not have
9 men on field; Gilruth notes that this is not true

Oct 8-12, 1907  Detroit vs. Cubs – World Series

Volume 18  BL-2027.77  spine and back cover missing
Mar 15-Apr 13, 1908  Cubs – spring training
Apr 14-Jul 1, 1908  Cubs
Jun 4, 1908  Chicago vs. Boston – 17 innings

Volume 19  BL-2028.77
Jul 2-Sept 25, 1908  Chicago Cubs
Aug 22, 1908  Boston vs. Chicago – 15 innings

Volume 20  BL-2029.77
Sept 26-Oct 4, 1908  Chicago Cubs
Oct 8, 1908  Chicago vs. New York – playoff game
Oct 10-14, 1908  Detroit vs. Cubs – World Series

Mar 17-Apr 11, 1909  Cubs – spring training

Volume 21  BL-2030.77
Apr 14-Aug 5, 1909  Chicago Cubs
Jun 29, 1909  Last game at Exposition Park, Pittsburgh
Volume 22  BL-2031.77  Chicago Cubs
Aug 7-Oct 6, 1909  Cubs vs. White Sox – World Series
Oct 8-15, 1909