

# Connie Mack Scouts Stretch Goedde

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The Lima News carried a story under the column of Sports Editor Bill Snypp regarding the future of Sylvester “Stretch” Goedde, the former Vaughnsville standout, who has been going places on the mound this summer.

The lanky southpaw artist has had lucrative offers from the St. Louis Cardinals and the Philadelphia Athletics which have included cash and stipulations for a college education.

At Cleveland Connie Mack, Sr. and Jr. watched Goedde warm up Wednesday night of last week.

Pitching in street shoes because he failed to bring his 13's with him, Goedde tossed all of his stuff for 25 minutes. The 80-year-old manager of the A's stood behind Goedde, who pitched to Hal Wagner, the A's catcher. Earle Brucker then watched from behind the A's catcher.

The tall southpaw made a decided hit with the Philadelphia family, so emphatic, in fact, that Connie told Stretch he could start his pro career with the A's and move right in to the American League.

Goedde has prepared to enter Georgetown University on September 30, but Connie Mack's interest might possibly alter the plans.

Other clubs seem to be on his trail as well.