BANCROFT SECOND TO 300 NBBO WINS

FRONTIER PITCHER MAKES HISTORY TWO WEEKS AFTER RAINER VAN DER HOUT

ALBANY, N.Y. (Aug. 13, 1874) – Two weeks ago Rainer van der Hout became the first pitcher with 300 Wins in the NBBO. This afternoon he was joined by Frontier's Carl Bancroft thanks to a 10-4 victory at Minuteman.

Bancroft, a 6x All-Star (1859, 60, 62, 67, 69, 73) and 9x 20-game winner, has been one of the most dependable pitchers in the sport going all the way back to when he was Utica's #1 as a 22-year-old during the NBBO's inaugural season. Over eighteen seasons Bancroft has finished with a Won-Loss mark under .500 just three times even though he's pitched for six different teams between the NBBO & APBL.

Bancroft's career record:

- 1857 (Utica, NBBO): 17-14, 3,41 ERA, 31 K, 3,1 WAR
- 1858 (Utica, NBBO): 13-19, 4.24 ERA, 27 K, 1.3 WAR
- 1859 (Utica, NBBO): 21-10, 3.14 ERA, 37 K, 5.2 WAR
- 1860 (Utica, NBBO): 20-11, 2.54 ERA, 37 K, 6.0 WAR
- 1861 (Utica, NBBO): 22-12, 2.78 ERA, 46 K, 5.8 WAR
- 1862 (Utica, NBBO): 20-13, 3.06 ERA, 43 K, 4.8 WAR
- 1863 (Empire, NBBO): 14-19, 3.88 ERA, 38 K, 4.7 WAR
- 1864 (Empire, NBBO): 17-16, 3.43 ERA, 28 K, 3.2 WAR
- 1865 (Empire, NBBO): 21-11, 3.29 ERA, 40 K, 3.7 WAR
- 1866 (Empire, NBBO): 12-20, 4.52 ERA, 32 K, 3.2 WAR
- 1867 (Syracuse, NBBO): 21-13, 3.15 ERA, 55 K, 5.8 WAR
- 1868 (Gotham, NBBO): 24-14, 4.21 ERA, 44 K, 4.2 WAR
- 1869 (Gotham, NBBO): 24-13, 3.55 ERA, 39 K, 4.5 WAR
- 1870 (Gotham, NBBO): 17-15, 3.67 ERA, 31 K, 4.2 WAR
- 1871 (Gotham, APBL): 19-18, 4.20 ERA, 29 K, 4.3 WAR

- 1872 (Knick, APBL): 17-13, 3.74 ERA, 17 K, 2.5 WAR
- 1873 (Frontier, NBBO): 21-17, 2.96 ERA, 30 K, 4.9 WAR
- 1874 (Frontier, NBBO): 16-9, 3.03 ERA, 21 K, 2.5 WAR
- NBBO TOTAL: 300-224, 3.48 ERA, 579 K, 67.1 WAR
- APBL TOTAL: 36-31, 3.99 ERA, 46 K, 6.9 WAR
- CAREER TOTAL: 336-255, 3.49 ERA, 625 K, 74.0 WAR

If this ends up being the final season of Bancroft's career, he can retire knowing that he has been one of the greatest pitchers in the young history of the sport of baseball.