

regular?

A Yes.

Q Did there come a time when Don Hoak became a regular?

A Yes, sir.

Q And this was after their contracts were assigned to other clubs?

A Miksis, not Don Hoak.

Q Yes. Hoak became a regular with the Dodgers, is that correct?

A Yes, after I left.

Q And Miksis became a regular with another club?

A The Chicago Cubs, I believe, sir.

MR. HUGHES: All right.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GOLDBERG:

Q Mr. Robinson, in your opinion, what type of modification would accommodate the needs of the clubs and the players in a reserve system?

A Well, in my opinion, sir, after a certain number of years with a ball club this individual could say to the owners, "You know, I have a chance to do such and such a thing to improve my condition." Then he should have that chance after a certain number of years. I think the owners would also have to recognize that since they have

1 all of the control, even if there was no reserve clause
2 there wouldn't be any problems, they have to give the
3 players a chance to speak up. It takes a tremendous
4 amount of courage for any individual -- and that's why I ad-
5 mire Mr. Flood so much for what he is doing -- to stand
6 up against something that is appalling to him, and I think
7 that they ought to give a player the chance to be able
8 to be a man in situations like this, and I don't believe
9 this is what has happened. Give the players the opportunity
10 to be able to say to themselves, "I have a certain value
11 and I can place it on myself."
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13 And if this particular club wants to meet
14 that value, then they ought to have a chance to do so first,
15 they should have first options, in my view. But I think
16 one of the things that happens, very frankly is, if after
17 twelve years with a ball club an arbitrary decision is
18 made, "You go where I want you to go regardless of whether
19 you like it or not," it is not my way of bringing harmony
20 in any kind of a business, and I think if they gave him
21 that chance it would help in this particular area.

22 MR. GOLDBERG: That you very much.

23 THE COURT: Mr. Kramer.

24 MR. KRAMER: No questions.

25 MR. HUGHES: No questions.

1 THE COURT: Let's be sure, if I don't make
2 mention of it, that we do not take up redirect until
3 counsel on the other side have the record distinctly reflect
4 that you are through with your cross-examination. In
5 other words, I should have insisted on Mr. Kramer going
6 first before I allowed Justice Goldberg to conduct the
7 redirect.
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9 Thank you, gentlemen.

10 No further questions of Mr. Robinson, I take it,
11 then, he is at liberty to leave the courtroom and the
12 courthouse because he will not be needed for further testi-
13 mony.

14 Mr. Robinson, you can go about your business.

15 THE WITNESS: Thank you, sir.

16 (Witness excused.)

17 THE COURT: Gentlemen, would you like to have a
18 few minutes' recess?

19 MR. GOLDBERG: Yes. May we meet with you for
20 a second?

21 THE COURT: I would be delighted to have you
22 do so. Short recess, Mr. Clerk.

23 (Recess.)
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