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OBITUARY:

John Richard Seitz, a baseball fanatic who turned his passion into board games that thousands enjoy today, died Saturday morning. He was 77.

Seitz, founder of the APBA Game Co., died unexpectedly at St. Joseph Hospital in Lancaster. Doctors said he apparently suffered a massive heart attack.

Seitz devised his first baseball board game in high school and formed the American Professional Baseball Club in 1931 with eight classmates. After World War II, he formed APBA Game Co., working out of his living room.

He later expanded to the other professional sports and added computer versions. BUILT TO LAST: The Mets' Eddie Murray has played in at least 150 games for the 14th season; only Pete Rose (17 seasons), Brooks Robinson (14) and Hank Aaron (14) have played as many 150-game seasons. @Slug: C06ARO

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