

SAIER IS HARD HITTER

Cub Is Getting to Be Real Formidable With His Bat.

First Baseman Has Ten Homers to His Credit and Is Ranked With Schulte-Zimmerman Class of Sluggers—Hitting Is Surprise.

Players on the Chicago Cub baseball team are taking their turn in leading the organization in the home-run department. Three years ago Frank Schulte headed the list and the National league with a total of 21, the largest number ever accumulated by a single ball player since Buck Freeman of Washington hung up his mark of 25. Schulte did so wonderfully well that season that everyone expected him to pass that mark in 1912. Instead he fell from the ranks of the home-run getters and Heinie Zimmerman took his place. The third sacker led the Cub team last summer. He also finished the year at the top of the league batters, with an average of .374. Like Schulte, he was expected to do still better this year. He is not doing it and Saier has supplanted him as first home-run getter of the team.

Saier was not expected to prove the club's longest hitter this year, but the youngster is developing so rapidly and playing such wonderful ball that anything he does from now on should not surprise a soul. Last year Jake Daubert was picked as the league's best first sacker, but he does not outclass the Cub's wonder. That is the opinion of many smart ball players in the National league. Many athletes, and also several commanders, declare that Saier is without a question the greatest first baseman who has come into the organization since Daubert was introduced.

Saier has improved in every department. He has ginkered up immensely, is showing a lot of life on the bases, and has learned the importance of aggressiveness. He is hitting so well that he has now driven home more runs than any other player on the club. Until the last eastern trip Zimmerman was the head of the list in that respect, but he has been shoved back a few



Vic Saier.

notches by Saier. The latter has driven home nearly 60 men, which is about seven more than Zimmerman is given credit for scoring.

The ten home runs Saier has made up to the time this article was written prove conclusively what he is capable of doing. To some ten four-base cracks may not seem a whole lot, but when it is figured that he has made most of his homers away from the West side lot that is quite a bunch. Cravath of the Philadelphia team has 17 home runs chalked up for him. While no effort is to be made to deprive him of due credit, it must be said his achievement is not so wonderful as that of Saier. Of Cravath's home runs 12 have been made on the Philadelphia grounds, where the right field fence is extremely close, and it is also easy to bounce drives into the left-field bleachers.

Saier has not made his homers off the weak pitchers. He has demonstrated to the National league's best that it is anything but wise policy to give him a ball inside about waist high. Not long ago Tesreau, one of the league's leading hurlers, passed Zimmerman with the intention of finding a snap in Saier. The young Cub initial sacker declined to be belittled and proceeded to do what Zimmerman might have done—smashed out a home run, scoring three men. The twirlers off of whom Saier has collected his decade of home runs are Adams, Steele, Alexander, Ames, Ragon, Hess, Tesreau, Wagner, Mayer and O'Toole.

Players' Friend.

Bonesetter Reese is the ball players' best friend. Reese lives in Youngstown, O., and hundreds of players go to him every year to have their limbs fixed. He has saved many major leaguers from a minor league berth by resetting "Charlie Horses" and other dislodged muscles. Reese has a natural touch that discerns the ailment immediately.

Mundy Looks Good.

Mundy, the Red Sox's first baseman from the Virginia league, is not a very big fellow, but seems quite active. He is a left-hander. In the first game Manager Carrigan jerked him out that he might go in himself as a batter in a pinch, which was not very encouraging to a youngster and hardly the way to test his gameness.

BOSTON BRAVES SECURE TWO NEW PLAYERS



Pitcher John Quinn.

Pitcher John Quinn and First Baseman Charles Schmidt, both of the Rochester (N. Y.) International league, have been bought by the Boston Nationals. Quinn formerly was with the New York Americans. Schmidt is the biggest man, physically, in the international league.

DON'T EAT AND SAVE MONEY \$18,000 PAID FOR A PLAYER

Many Ball Players Make Profits From Expenses Allowed for Meals—Sheekard Is Big Eater.

Four members of the Pirates, O'Toole, Adams, Robinson and Hyatt, entered a little store near Ebbets field in Brooklyn and ordered lunch. Each player consumed a piece of pie and a glass of milk—15 cents. When the Cubs were there last they stopped at a first class hotel, European plan, and most of them ate their meals at a big beanery.

These facts are cited to show how ball players manage to save money. While the teams are on the road the players have the privilege of eating at their hotel or outside. If they elect to satisfy the inner man away from the hotel they are allowed to charge \$3 a day for meals. By spending 30 cents for breakfast, 40 cents for lunch and 50 cents for dinner they are able to make money in excess of their salaries.

One of the big league teams recently rode from St. Louis to New York on a 26-hour train. Each player was allowed to put in a bill for meals on the train not to exceed \$2.50. There were three meals, yet practically all of the players sidestepped breakfast and supper, having a big feed at the noon hour. When the train reached a station with a lunch room—it might have been Poughkeepsie—several players clubbed together and hurriedly bought four sandwiches, two bananas and a bottle of milk, while the others, arriving at the Grand Central station, made a bee line for a coffee and cake room. When Jimmy Sheekard was a member of the Brooklyn team he made himself ill by eating irregular meals. He used to leap off the train while on the road at lunch towns and buy fruit, hard boiled eggs or sandwiches. He devoured those things in addition to the regular meals in the dining car because he always was hungry. But Sheekard was an exception to the general rule.

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Schang, Connie Mack's wonderful young receiver, has a batting average of .261.

Mrs. Britton says she is willing to spend \$30,000 for players who can win a pennant.

Long Larry McLean, now catching for the Giants, is developing into a fast base runner.

Hugh Jennings is trying out his new minor league rookies in an effort to strengthen the Tiger outfit.

Chance figures that Roger Peckinpaugh will develop into one of the best shortstops in the league.

Building up a ball team from nothing is not the easiest job in the world, as Frank Chance is quite willing to admit.

Mark Stewart, the young backstop purchased by the Cincinnati Reds from Norfolk, is being touted as a real find.

In their search for talent the big show scouts are looking over the semipro ranks as well as scouring the minor leagues.

Not much choice between the two St. Louis major league teams. Both the Browns and the Cardinals are putting up the same brand of baseball.

Candy LaChance, famous first baseman of days gone by, recently appeared as a substitute umpire in the Eastern association, but not because he was looking for a job, only as a favor because of a shortage of arbitrators.

Comiskey of Chicago White Sox is Latest to Pay Fabulous Price for Hard Hitting Player.

Owner Charles Comiskey, of the Chicago American league team, is the latest magnate to go into the baseball market and pay a fabulous price for a ball player. The head of the White Sox has purchased Larry Chapell from the Milwaukee club of the American association, at a price that is said to total \$18,000. This makes Chapell the second highest priced ball player that ever came up from the minors, Marty O'Toole, the \$22,500 "wonder," still holding the crown.

The price paid by Comiskey for Chapell includes the market value of two players, the actual cash consideration being \$12,000, it is said, the two players figuring at \$3,000 apiece. Outfielder John Beall was one of the men traded to Milwaukee in the deal, the other being a catcher who is to be turned over to Milwaukee next spring.

Chapell goes into the major league touted as one of the most sensational outfielders of recent years. His batting in the American association has been in the neighborhood of .370, and it was this mark that drew the attention of more than half of the big league clubs. The Chicago Cubs and Cleveland Naps were the heaviest bidders against Comiskey, Murphy even



Larry Chapell.

wiring that he would better any other offer. When Comiskey set his final price via long distance phone, Murphy was not given a chance to raise the ante.

Chapell's ascension to fame has been meteoric. In the spring of 1911, as a mere kid, he trekked out of his home town, McCloskey, Ill., to do out-of-field duty for the Eau Claire, Wis., club. He was the class of the league from the start, and Hugh Duffy, then manager at Milwaukee, picked him for a star. Duffy dispatched a representative to the Wisconsin burg and in a few days the representative was back with Chapell, for whom he paid the meager sum of \$200.

Chapell joined the club in the middle of the season and began to improve wonderfully under Duffy's tutelage. Last year he continued to pick up and finished the race with a batting average of .274. This spring he started off sensationally, and in no time had big league scouts watching him. He is a big fellow, twenty-two years of age, bats left-handed and throws right.

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Some people carry economy craze to excess. A dispatch records at a temple of a man to fit new bristles to an old toothbrush.

Pithy Postscript. A striking illustration of the saying that the pith of a lady's letter is in the postscript occurred in the case of a young lady who, having gone out to India, and writing home to her friends, concluded with the following words: "P. S.—You will see by my signature that I am married."

After the Premiere. "You're a gay kind of a friend!" said Whimpy to Wigglesworth. "Laughing like a hyena all through the first act of my tragedy!" "Tragedy? Tragedy?" echoed Wigglesworth. "Why, Whimpy, old man, I really was trying to help you! I thought all along the darned thing was a very amusing farce!"—Judge.

Plaint of a Plant. "But, your honor, my wife won't let me work." "Won't let you work?" "No; I got a job last week, and she made me quit."

"What kind of a position was it?" "At the burlesque theater, sitting in the audience where a soubrette could come down twice a day and kiss me."—Judge.

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"I really must protest," said the bishop, "at your driving about in such a manner."

"Well, my lord," said the curate, "you are driving two horses, and so am I. What is the difference?"

After a few moments' reflection Bishop Oliphant replied: "If, when you are at prayers at the cathedral, the congregation placed their hands in the same position as you have placed your horses what would become of the dignity and solemnity of the service?"—London Mail.

A Distinction. Mrs. Outertown—Isn't there a Mrs. Skinner in this village who keeps boarders? Hi Hubbel—She takes boarders, ma'am; but she don't keep 'em.—Puck.

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News item: "Grasshoppers stalled a Kansas train for 40 minutes." We suppose they bit off the driving wheels or kicked the fireman off the engine.

Something Else Again. "How's the doctor today?" Gardener—Very poorly, sir. "Has he got a locum tenens?" Gardener—No, sir. I think he has got a touch of influenza.

Quiet English Parish. The tiny parish of Clannaborough, North Devon, England, a little village, has a population of only 42, so that baptisms, marriages and burials are not very frequent. The other week the first marriage ceremony for 15 years took place, but even then the couple were not parishioners, the bride coming from St. Austell, the bridegroom, whose home is at Exmouth, being the rector's brother-in-law.

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