Ed Harmon, greatest of all pitchers as he himself sees himself, finally gets efarted on the road after trying to maich his bank account against the occounts of an extravagant wife, and in sthe following instalment H. C. Witwer dives the experience of the self-admitted phenom while away from home, with his spouse seeing some of the games from the grandstand. There will be another instalment tomorrow, Don't miss a single chapter of Harmon's brilliant bia-league career:

hey. Joe? I will tell you how come I will be a when a wowlin' around with the Reds, when the last reliably information you got I was garb in the nobby uneyform of New York. It happened like water off a duck's back. Joe, and I was gave nothin' in the way of a piklin' as to what was gonna befail unto me till Mac nails me in the hotel at Pittsburgh. mails me in the notel at Pittsburgh.

"If I had your boob luck," he says,
"I would take a chance and run for
umpire in the League of Nations!"

What has came to pass now?" I
says. "Is the owners thinkin of makin
me a present of somethin."

"Yeh," he says with a malictously
strin. "The gate!"

"Well, Mac. no doubt I may be made to see my way clear to joinin' the Reds so's to bolster them up, but first of all of let me go. Gimme half what they I demand half of my purchase price. I know the sum l'at Moran laid down for me must sound like it was the population of China. or you guys would never paid for me in cash, and—"

Mac looked at me for a minute and then he bust out into some more idiotical laughter.

"Fair enough; he says, what Moran is willin' to pay to git you what Moran is willin' to pay to git you

what Moran is willin' to pay to git you in a Cincinnati uncyform, so's the fans will have somethin' to laugh at durin' the world's series."

With that he reaches in his pocket and hands me a thin dime!

"I been doin' nothin' but dickerin' with Moran for weeks," he says, "to try and tack him up to a quarter, but they was nothin' stirrin'. However, you got half your purchase price in money now, and we are gettin' two outfielders for you likewise. One of 'ems called Deering, which comes some wherea from the coast. I will give you him if you want, and you can use him for a watch charm or the like. Then you won't have no moan eamin, because you will have got half of everything we got for you!"

comin, because you will have got half of everything we got for you!"

Joe, I flang the dime on the floor and was on the brinks of bustin' him in the lose when just like a flash it come to me that I am learnin' the aris of bein' a senilemen now in order to delight my delictously wife, Jeanne, and one of the first rules is that you cannot clout deliciously wife, Jeanne, and one of the first rules is that you cannot clout nobody in public, and, besides, Mao is far from a clown with his fists. So I drawed myself up with the greatest of dignity and gazed upon Mao like deanne's French maid gazes upon each and all of my friends. That is, I. e., and viz. like they was mere buzzards under her feet.

er her feet. I don't wish to bring about no bloodd." I says, "so I won't argy with you
further. You'll get what's comin' to
to anyways, when you get back to
york. Wait till them fans hears
you have sold me to some other
—it'll no doubt seem to you like it
rainin' nothin' but bottles and
hims the first day you walk on the "Ill take a chance!" says Mac with

All take a chance: says blac with sarcastical grin. "Anyways, I'll have empany. The day the Cincinnati fans finds out Moran has wished you on the fields, he'll be pagin' the national guard to escort him home from the ball bark." ou see, Joe, we parted on the

his real feelin's over me it must of been a terrible blow, and I understand the New York newspapers we over page after page to panning for letting me go, and the attendance at the Folo Grounds fell away to such a extent that the crowd could all of come out to the park on the same

e out to the park on the same Well, Joe, I went around sayin' good. by to the rest of the club, which could hardly believe their eyes when they heard I was leavin', and was all broke

Fietcher and Burns had all they could de to keep from bustin' right out cryin', and says they will noise me like a jockey walld miss blancher. lways bein the life of the party and

Benny Kauff claims they ought start a mutiny and refuse to play no ball at the like the Athletics prob-ly decided at the beginnin' of the season; and even simmerman says it's a outrage for Mac litterman says it's a outrage for Mac let me go now, when he could of done

I months ago.

They says they will all be at the world's series to see me pitch my first tame; and if the White Sox gets eleven has off me in the first innin', not to set it get my goat and etc.

Then Young sneaks the says ago.

playin' semi-pro ball than join the Reds!
D'ye know—"
"Wait a minute!" I butts in, "What's all this got to do with me bein' a hop-head if I go with 'em, hey?"
."Ah, ha!" hollers Rube, like a villain from the movies. "It's got everything to do with it! What d'ye suppose has made them Cincinnati Reds go crazy this year and win the pennant, when for over forty years they thought the world's series died out with Lincoln?"

"Dope!"
"Dope?" I says, gettin' dizzy. "What—what?——"

Joe for the moment I am too wild to even think of speakin. Can you imagine me gettin the raspberry from anywheres?

Whilst you are standin there grinnin like a hysterically ape. I says in a coldy and deadly voice, "I am hereby to wit, servin notice that a few of my lawyers will call on the president of the club tonorrow and will undoubtlessly begin suit before nightfall. See if you can get a laugh outa that!"

Wait. says Mac. "Wait till I tell you where you headed for from here. Tou're goin' to the Reds, you big stiff. I tell you, if Columbus had only the breaks you're gettin', he'd or discovered threago and boston the first day out!"

Well, Joe, that was all different, hey? Climbin' aboard the Reds when they sin't no more chance of them losin' the pennant than they is of Hades facin' a blizzard, is sweet, I'll shriek to old mother's earth!

Still and all, it ain't no more than I am entitled after the way I have worked to make baseball popular with the most since I first laid hands on a bat. However, Joe, I managed to keep my head as cool as January 10 in Alaska, and is system.

no doubt about that?

"Are you sure you ain't got it balled up?" I says, after a minute of the most deadly silence. "It looks to me that instead of Cincinnati bein' doped, somebody has gone to work and gave sleepin powders to the other seven clubs. When you was in there yesterday you give me the idea that you had eat a dish of veronal for lunch, especially them two times you was caught off first by over four miles and—"Kid about it if you like!" says Rube.

There's No Base Like Home

By H. C. WITVER

If Merson, precisis of all pitches were the investigation of the state of the property of the state of the property of the propert

since I been wed. If you had cake, would you crave bread? No! And there's that!

"Well, what I got chased this time for was because Jeanne says how many times has she told me I gotta dress for dinner when I am at chow with her, and nobody but a laber wouldst walk right into his dinner without groomin' himself up, whatever that is, but I think it's got somethin' to do with a horse. Joe, as I know a groom in New York personally and he does the majority of his groomin' in a livery stable. Well, to make a paragraph outa a novel, I went upstairs and climbed into my banquet overails and etc., and come down again, and this time Jeanne is all smiles. When Jeanne is all smiles. When Jeanne is all smiles worry!" and mean it! I seen people lookin' over at our table in openly admiration, because I am a knockout in evenin's dress, Joe, and Jeanne would make Venus take carbolic, and! guess they was all sayin': "There's the world's famous Ed Harmon, the ball player, and his wife, the notoriously movie star!" The head waiter takes my



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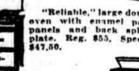
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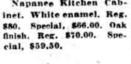




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