



What Salary Will Lou Gehrig Get?

Der Louie Sure to be Given Fat Contract by Owner of Yankees



Yankees Prepare for Future By Paying Record Price for Oakland Infield Luminaries

NEW YORK, Jan. 6. (AP)—The New York Yankees are looking to the future when some of the eggs in the machine that ran rough shod over the rest of the American league last summer become a bit rusty.

Replacements were added yesterday when announcement was made of the purchase for \$125,000 of the crack, Keystone combination of Lynn Lary and Jimmy Reese of the Oakland Pacific coast league club.

Unofficially it was understood these two youngsters will cost the Yankees \$150,000 in cash and players. That sum would represent a record outlay by the Yankees for any one deal. The \$125,000 they handed the Boston Red Sox for Babe Ruth was the previous high water mark.

Just how the two coast league stars were to fit into the lineup, was puzzling Yankee baseball followers, however. Shortstop Mark Koenig and Second Baseman Tony Lazzeri now do what is to be done around the keystone sack just about as well as any pair in the big leagues. In addition both are young and should show no signs of slowing down for some years.

Joe Dugan, who grows no younger, is the one doubtful member of the Yankees' infield and another year may see Miller

Huggins confronted with problem of filling a hole at third base. Reese or Lary, or both, may break into the lineup if such a situation develops.

Reese, who is 22, set a new coast league fielding record for second baseman last year when he accepted 1,273 of the chances that came his way. Lary, the shortstop who has just reached his majority, also is strong infield and both are hard, timely hitters although neither rates among the 300 batsmen.

The Yankees-Oakland arrangement adds another to the growing list of "big money" deals between the major and minor leagues. Recently the Chicago White Sox gave \$122,000 in cash and players for Chalmers Cisseil, Portland, Ore., infielder. Connie Mack dug down for \$101,000 before Baltimore gave him "Lefty" Grove. For a thousand dollars less the White Sox got Willie Kamm, third sacker, and the Pittsburgh Pirates, Paul Waner and Hal Rhyne, from the San Francisco club. When Paul Strand came to the Athletics, Connie Mack handed the Salt Lake City club \$75,000 and the New York Giants made a similar outlay for Jimmy O'Donnell, San Francisco outfielder. Baltimore demanded and got \$65,000 from the Giants for southpaw Jack Bentley.

BATTLING LEO AND QUICK TOM CLASH TONIGHT

Title Holder Rates Eight to Five Favorite, Fifteen Round Affair

NEW YORK, Jan. 6. (AP)—Called upon in the defense of his newly acquired world's light heavyweight championship in Madison Square Garden tonight, Tommy Loughran of Philadelphia will be forced to exercise his highly rated ring generalship to the utmost against the crushing and battering style of Leo Lomski, his Pacific coast challenger.

The bout, 15 rounds, will be the first title affair of the new year. It will start at 10 o'clock eastern time.

Loughran rates an eight to five favorite. He is expected to be bound to 174½ pounds, half a pound under the division limit while Lomski probably will scale 171.

Loughran is 25, Lomski 24. The coast boy has been a scrapper from school days. In his home town in Aberdeen, Wash., Lomski frequently was called upon to battle for a younger brother and thus developed the art of fistcluffs.

SEALS PUT OUT PLENTY FOR ONE YOUNG CATCHER

By NEA Service
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6. When one minor league club pays \$15,000 and three players to another minor league club for one player—well, that young man is worth keeping an eye on.

That is what the San Francisco Seals paid Des Moines in the Western League for Joe Spruz, a young catcher.

Seal owners of Spruz hope to cash in on their investment by selling him to a major league club for plenty, plenty dough in the next year or two.

DRIBBLING OF BASKETBALL IS SLOWING GAME

URBANA, Ill., Jan. 6. (AP)—Elimination of the dribble in favor of a single bounce in basketball is advocated by Coach Craig Ruby of the University of Illinois.

He favors the change for the general welfare of the game. "My belief in the necessity of a change is based on the situation in Illinois basketball, where the stalling attack is carried to an excess," he said. "On small high school floors the five man defense proves so strong that it causes stalling."

A little fresh liver added to left-over meat in making hash adds decidedly to the dish.

The ladies might go in for cross-country stuff, too, and ask Santa to put a few long runs in their stockings.

If the battle gets too hot, some friend of the firemen can slip out and turn in a fire alarm.

MATCH BETWEEN LOUGHRAN AND TUNNEY BOOMED

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 6. (A. P.)—Now it's Tommy Loughran who is to be matched with Gene Tunney in a heavyweight championship battle this summer, provided of course, Loughran retains his own light heavyweight title in his bout with Leo Lomski tonight in New York.

The Philadelphia Inquirer today says negotiations are being made for a bout with the champion at the Squirt-Centennial stadium here.

SPRINTER HAS CHANCE TO GET OVER SICKNESS

DECATUR, Ill., Jan. 6. (AP)—Loren Murchison, the sprinter, who has been quarantined in St. Mary's hospital suffering from cerebro spinal meningitis, has a very good chance for recovery. It was announced today by his physician.

Murchison will remain in the hospital for at least two weeks longer, his doctor said.

YOU WILL NEED THESE RULES FOR WINNING SQUAD

By NEA Service
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 6.—The recipe for a successful basketball team is the same old recipe needed for a success in any sport—condition, teamwork and spirit.

That is the opinion of Edward Wachter, basketball coach at Harvard.

"These three attributes are needed for a winning team," Wachter says, "and they must be found together. If any two of them are disconnected, the chain will not be complete—and success will be found wanting."

winning the American League pennant and the world series.

Without the slightest warbling, another sweat descended upon the good colonel. He knew he had a roly-poly German playing first base by the name of Lou Gehrig, but Gehrig was just one of the fellows on the payroll. He didn't cost the Yanks anything when they got him from Columbia University and his \$7999 a year was just an item on the payroll.

But suddenly Der Gehrig became the talk of the year. He started smacking home runs, triples, doubles and singles all over the American League map and he set out in a spirited battle with the Babe for home-run honors. He also did himself well picking up grounders and catching balls at first base.

The duel between Ruth and Gehrig was the outstanding feature of the 1927 season and it put ideas into the head of Der Louie about dough. The Babe went so far as to tell him, like an old fraternity brother, that he was in the big dough and to put the arm heavily on Der Colonel.

It so happens—more sweat descended the weather and the prospect of beer coming bak and walked out with a contract that called for \$210,000 for three years' work.

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the earlier days, the prospect of getting the Babe's nifty signature on a contract was a rather simple process. The Babe always needed dough and any sum that looked big enough to keep the sheriff and the bookies off his heels was all right by him. Also, in those merry days, the Babe handled his own business affairs and it is a matter of record that he was a poor business man and a terrible hand at the cards.

Then the Babe took unto himself a manager, a hustling young man who had made out of the Baltimore orphan boy one of the ranking giants of sport literature—Christy Walsh.

The Babe's manager gave the idea of how much money the colonel had, how valuable he was to the Yanks and to the American League and pointed for him the value of getting while the getting is good.

The result was that the Babe walked into Ruppert's office, discussed the weather and the prospect of beer coming bak and walked out with a contract that called for \$210,000 for three years' work.

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paper that certainly will call for more dough.

The Babe and Walsh will give him ammunition and it may go heavy on the colonel's dough bag.

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W. Killifer's Unique Batting Day Produced Five Sacrifices in Row

By BILLY EVANS
Batting offers the opportunity for more unusual situations than perhaps any other feature of baseball.

In a previous article, I described how Roger Peckinpaugh, recently appointed manager of the Cleveland Indians, received five bases on balls in one game. Getting five bases on balls in one game is decidedly unusual, but the manner in which Peckinpaugh registered was even more so. Not once did he offer at a single ball. He never once took his bat off his shoulder. Each time the count was three balls and two strikes before he finally walked.

Possibly it would have been better had Peckinpaugh's performance been heralded as a non-batting feat. In keeping with Peck's peculiar day at bat, that of reaching first base five successive times without being charged with a time at bat and making an effort to hit the ball, was a day which Wade Killifer experienced back in 1910.

In five consecutive trips to the plate, Killifer failed to reach first base in a single instance, wasn't charged with a time at bat, yet in each case accomplished the thing he set out to do, move a runner or runners up.

The situations that come up in a ball game seldom call for the same player to sacrifice in his first five times at bat. Yet that is just what happened to Killifer.

I might add that he stretched his unusual performance over part of two games. As I recall it, four sacrifices is the record for one game. Killifer merely tied this mark, probably because he was up only four times in the game and therefore really had no chance to break it.

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Just another example of the fact that baseball is filled with uncertainties, that it is dangerous to take anything for granted.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 6. (A. P.)—Al Karasick bested Tom Alley in a rough and tumble wrestling contest here last night. Al took the first fall in two minutes 30 seconds with an airplane spin, Karasick the second with reverse headlocks in 15 minutes, 20 seconds. After additional time Alley was in no condition to continue the match.

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An actual hand-to-hand (the stage hundreds of feet in the air over the rushing waters gushing from a huge dam waiting to claim the loser of the battle forms one of the most thrilling scenes in "Desert Dust," starring Ted Wells which is at the Orpheus Theatre today. Cross country horse racing, too, has a share of thrilling incidents. The star is supported by a carefully selected cast including such well known players as Bruce Gordon, Lotus Thompson, Jimmie Phillips, Bob McKenzie and others. William Wyler directed the picture.

Dan Johnson's sight is much improved, says a dispatch. Bu the O'Goody doubts if it will be good enough to see Judge Landis.

The cops' eleven was to be made up mostly of traffic bulls, was said, because they are the best blockers.

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