

# RUTH WALLOPS OUT HIS 28TH HOME RUN

## Terrific Crash Over the Polo Grounds Sets New World's Record.

### YANKS SPLIT WITH RED SOX

Lose the First by 4 to 0, but Take the Second Game, 2 to 1, After 13 Innings.

A new world's batting record was made up at the Polo Grounds yesterday, when Babe Ruth, Boston's superlative slugger, boosted his twenty-eighth home run of the season high over the right field grand stand into Manhattan Field, which adjoins the Brush Stadium. This smashes the thirty-five-year-old record made by Ed Williamson of Chicago, who was credited with twenty-seven homers in 1884.

Ruth's glorious smash yesterday was the longest drive ever made at the Polo Grounds. It came in the ninth inning of the second game of a double-header with the Yankees and tied the score at 1 to 1. Bob Shawkey was doing the pitching and he heaved over a slow curve, hoping to fool Ruth as he has done before.

Ruth stood firmly on his sturdy legs like the Colossus of Rhodes, and, taking a mighty swing at the second ball pitched to him, catapulted the pill for a new altitude and distance record. Several seasons ago Joe Jackson hit a home run over the top of the right field stand but the ball landed on the roof. Ruth's bang yesterday cleared the stand by many yards and went over into the weeds in the next lot.

The Boston mauler not long ago made his twenty-sixth home run at the Polo Grounds, smashing the modern home run record made by Buck Freeman. Then it was discovered in the dusty archives of the game that Williamson had made twenty-seven in one season. Ruth's mark now surpasses all home run achievements, ancient or modern. Ruth got a great reception from the crowd of 5,000 or more fans, and throughout the afternoon he was hailed with cheers every time he came up to bat.

#### Yanks Need Thirteen Innings to Win.

Ruth's homer tied the score, and it wasn't until the thirteenth inning of this second game that the Yanks finally won out by 2 to 1. In the thirteenth, with two out, Wallie Pipp pasted a triple against the front of the bleachers in right field and trotted home with the winning run when Del Pratt boomed a high sacrifice fly out to Ruth in left field.

This belated victory gave the Yanks an even break on the day's pastime, for Boston shut out Huggins's men in the first game by a score of 4 to 0. Waite Hoyt, the Brooklyn schoolboy, pitched for the Red Sox in the second and Bob Shawkey officiated for the Yanks. Hoyt gave a remarkable performance of his pitching skill, and from the fourth inning to the thirteenth he did not allow a hit and not a Yankee runner reached first base. In these nine hitless innings the youngster was at the top of his form and pitched with the coolness and skill of a veteran.

Shawkey came through the seething fray with flying colors after one of the hardest battles he ever entered. There were times when the Red Sox had victory within their grasp, only to be baffled at the last moment by Shawkey's wonderful generalship. The menace of Ruth's mighty bat was always a shadow in Shawkey's path. In the sixth inning Ruth shot a mighty blow to right centre field for three bases. It looked like a home run, but Ruth in his anxiety to break the record cut second base by a few feet and was declared out by the watchful umpire Tommy Connolly.

Again in the twelfth inning, Ruth brought the crowd to its feet by thumping a tremendous slam to deep right centre which for a moment looked as if it were going to clear the centre field bleachers. Young Chick Fewster then covered himself with glory by romping back at top speed to snare the ball just as it was getting away.

#### Stuffy McInnis to the Fore.

This second game bristled with brilliant fielding, the star of the defensive work being Stuffy McInnis, the Boston first baseman. There were times yesterday when he covered the territory around first base with all the brilliancy of Hal Chase in his hey-day. There was one play which fans will not soon forget. It came in the tenth inning when Duffy Lewis slammed a red hot grounder to short. Scott speared it with his usual skill and made a low, wide throw to first. McInnis reached out as if he were made of India rubber and pinched the ball between his thumb and index finger. There the ball stuck and Lewis was out. The crowd gave McInnis a howling reception when he walked to the bench after that inning.

The Yankees played a listless game in the first affair, and although Sam Jones was so wild that he gave nine bases on balls, the Yanks couldn't harvest a single run. Twice—in the third and in the fourth—they had the bases full and failed to produce a tally. No less than fourteen of the Yanks were left stranded and opportunities to score came so fast that they couldn't keep track of them.

Jack Quinn was also inclined to be wild, and his few passes were costly. Bases on balls figured in both innings in which the Red Sox got their runs. Joe Wilhoit, who used to be with the Giants and before that with the Boston Braves, played in right field in place of Harry Hooper. Wilhoit set the Western League afire in Wichita by batting over .300 and he has come back to the majors to try his hand again. He nailed the first ball that Quinn pitched to left for a Texas Leaguer, but didn't do much after that.

#### Jack Quinn Tames Ruth in First.

All eyes were on Babe Ruth in this first game but he failed to do anything. Quinn walked him purposely in the first inning and when the home-run king came to bat in the third inning, Quinn struck him out. There was much commotion in the fifth when Babe fanned again. On his fourth trip to the plate Ruth skied to Fewster.

Joe Wilhoit welcomed Quinn in the first inning of the opening game with a Texas Leaguer to left. He sailed along on Vitt's sacrifice and Bill Lamar hoisted one to Fewster. Quinn walked Ruth intentionally and Schang got a pass, filling the bases. McInnis

streaked a single to the right field wall, and Wilhoit and Ruth scrambled over the plate. McInnis and Schang then tried to launch a double steal and Schang died in the attempt.

Pipp and Lewis got aboard on singles in the second inning with one out but Fewster and Ruel both died at the hands of Scott. Scotty made a great catch of Ruel's foul over near the boxes back of third. In the third Jones' was as wild as a Fiji but the Yanks couldn't take advantage of it. With one out, Vick ambled and went to second on a wild pitch. Peck also got a pass and Baker skied to Wilhoit. Pipp got a pass and the bases were loaded up with dead head passengers. It was up to Del Pratt to clean the corners, but the very nicest that Del could produce was a foul fly to Vitt.

The Red Sox grabbed another brace of tallies in the fourth. McInnis walked and Shannon was safe on Peck's fumble, while Scotty pushed them along with a sacrifice. After Jones fanned, Wilhoit cracked a single to right centre and encouraged McInnis and Shannon over the platter.

#### Yanks Crowd Bases, Then Quit.

In the Yankees' half of this same inning Jones was still wild, and again the three corners were profusely decorated with New York citizens. Peckinpaugh had a chance to do something for his country, but fell down on the job. With two out in this stanza, Ruel singled and Quinn got a pass. Vick also got a free ticket, and there they were, three of them all ready and willing to race home. Peckinpaugh lofted a foul or two into the stand and then struck out, to the mournful chorus of 5,000 moans.

Peckinpaugh opened the ninth with a single to left and Baker soaked a liner to Shannon, who made a great catch. Shannon tried to double Peck off first and threw the ball into the grand stand. Peck, instead of coming back to touch first, went right on to third but the ball was out of play and Peck had to come back to first. Pipp rocketed to Wilhoit and Jones tossed Pratt out at first and the lifeless affair was ended.

The Yanks showed a little more gump-tion early in the second game and culled a run in the second inning off Hoyt. Pipp beat out an infield tap between first and second and raced to third on Pratt's single to left, Del going to second on the throw to catch Pipp. Duff Lewis knocked a single to centre, scoring Pipp, while Pratt scooted to third. Fewster was thrown out by Vitt and Ruel hammered a hot liner to McInnis, who tossed to Vitt, and Pratt was doubled before he could get back to third.

The Red Sox nicked Shawkey for three hits in the fifth, but could not get a run. After Peck tossed McNally out at first, McNeil singled to right. Scott singled to left, McNeil halting at second. Hoyt banged a single to centre and filled the bases. Gilhooley cracked a hot grounder to Pipp, who soaked the ball home, forcing McNeil. Oscar Vitt skied to Vick and Shawkey was saved from an embarrassing situation.

#### The scores:

BOSTON, (A.)		NEW YORK, (A.)	
Ab	RHPoA	Ab	RHPoA
Wilhoit,rf	5 1 2 4 0	Vick,rf	3 0 1 1 0
Vitt,3b	4 0 1 3	Peck,p'gh,ss	4 0 1 3 3
Lamar,cf	4 0 1 0 0	Baker,3b	5 0 0 0 2
Ruth,lf	3 1 0 0 0	Pipp,1b	3 0 1 1 3
Schang,c	3 0 1 3 0	Lewis,lf	4 0 1 2 0
McInnis,1b	3 1 1 3 0	Pratt,2b	5 0 1 3 0
Shannon,2b	4 1 0 3 4	Fewster,cf	3 0 0 3 3
Scott,ss	3 0 0 2 1	Ruel,c	3 0 1 6 2
Jones,p	3 0 1 1 5	Quinn,p	2 0 0 0 4
		Thormahlen,p	0 0 0 0 0
		Gilhooley	0 0 0 0 0
Total....	32 4 6 27 31	Total....	32 0 5 27 14

Errors—McInnis, Shannon, Peckinpaugh, Pratt.  
 a Batted for Quinn in eighth.  
 Boston.....2 6 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—4  
 New York.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0  
 Stolen base—Fewster, Schang. Sacrifice hit—Scott. Left on bases—New York, 11; Boston, 6.  
 First base on errors—New York, 0; Boston, 2.  
 Bases on balls—Off Quinn, 4; Jones, 9. Hits—Off Quinn, 6 in 8 innings; Thormahlen, 4 in 1. Struck out—By Quinn, 3; Thormahlen, 1; Jones, 3. Wild pitch—Jones. Losing pitcher—Quinn.

#### SECOND GAME.

NEW YORK, (A.)		BOSTON, (A.)	
Ab	RHPoA	Ab	RHPoA
Vick,rf	5 0 0 3 0	Gilhooley,rf	6 0 2 3 0
Peck,p'gh,ss	5 0 1 2 7	Vitt,3b	6 0 1 2 3
Baker,3b	5 0 0 2 1	Lamar,cf	6 0 2 1 0
Pipp,1b	5 2 2 14 2	Ruth,lf	4 1 2 2 0
Pratt,2b	5 0 1 4 5	McInnis,1b	5 0 0 19 2
Lewis,lf	4 0 1 2 0	McNally,2b	5 0 1 1 3
Fewster,cf	4 0 0 5 2	McNeill,c	4 0 2 5 1
Ruel,c	4 0 0 6 2	Scott,ss	5 0 1 2 5
Shawkey,p	4 0 0 1 1	Hoyt,p	5 0 1 1 4
		Schang,c	3 0 1 1 0
Total....	41 2 5 39 20	Total....	49 1 13 37 18

a Batted for McNeil in eleventh.  
 \*Winning run scored with one out.  
 Error—Fewster.  
 New York.....0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—2  
 Boston.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1  
 Two-base hit—Pratt. Three-base hit—Schang. Home run—Ruth. Stolen bases—Gilhooley, Ruth, Scott. Sacrifice fly—Pratt. Double play—McInnis and Vitt. Left on bases—New York, 2; Boston, 13. Bases on balls—Off Shawkey, 4; Hoyt, 6. Struck out—By Shawkey, 4; Hoyt, 3. Wild pitch—Shawkey.