

RUBE'S CAREER IS STRANGE ROMANCE

From a "Beauty" to a "Lemon" and Then Back Again is History of Southpaw.

IS AN IN-AND-OUTER NOW

By FRANK G. MENKE.

New York, July 8.—The pitching performances of Rube Marquard form one of the strangest chapters in the history of base ball.

The port-wheeler has risen to greater heights than most pitchers and dropped to depths lower.

Marquard was a sensation with the association circuit in 1908, jumping into national prominence in the fall, when the Giants secured him for the then huge sum of \$11,000.

Much was expected of Rube as a Giant—but for nearly three years he was useless. He had great speed and wonderful curves, but he didn't have control nor did he have the "huddle."

And then in 1911 he came from under cover as Wilbert Robinson's wing and flashed his biggest year. He won twenty-four out of thirty-one games, for an average of .774, practically pitched the Giants into a pennant, and was worshipped by the fans of New York.

And then in 1912 Marquard started off at a whirlwind clip and, to the amazement of base ball, won nineteen straight games, tying the modern record for consecutive wins.

And from these dizzy heights Marquard has fallen—and the descent was fast and sheer. Jimmy Lavender of the Cubs beat him when he tried to win his twentieth straight game, and that defeat seemed to take the heart out of Rube.

Failed Miserably in 1914. In 1913 the Rube continued to pitch—a la star. He won twenty-three out of thirty-three battles, for an average of .896.

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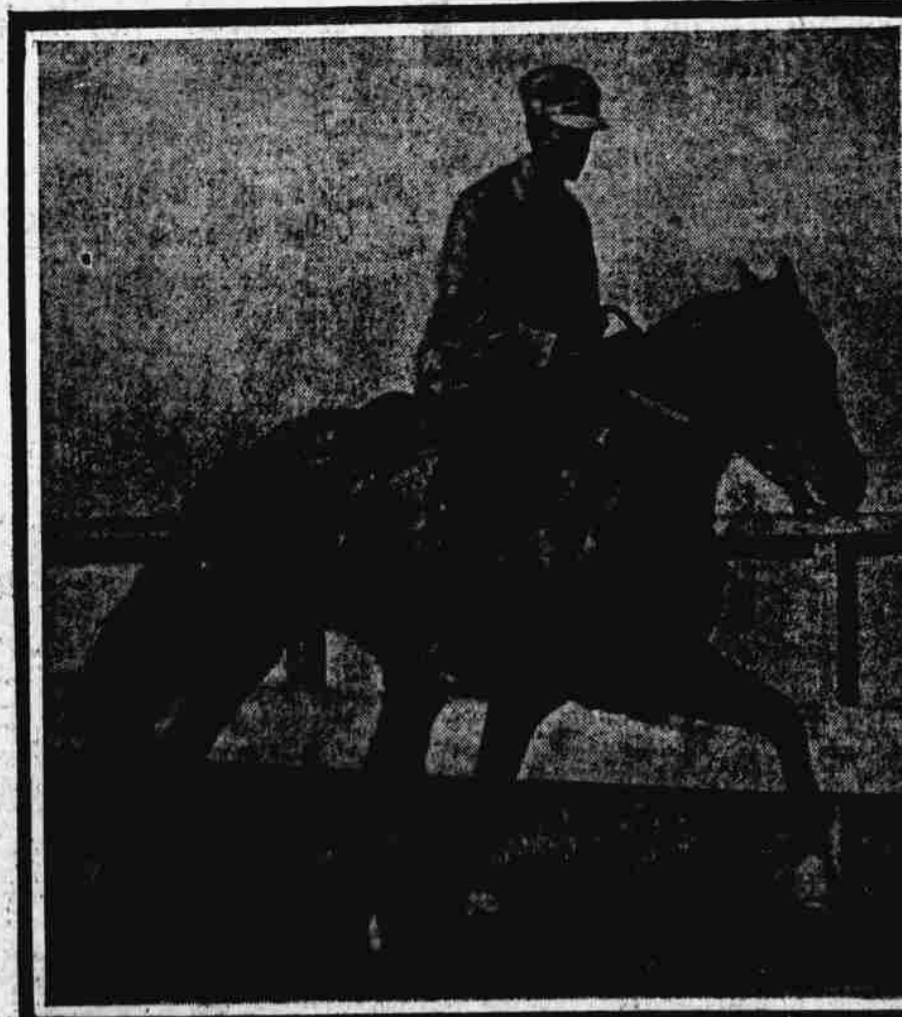
In 1915 Rube announced that he was coming back. He alibied his 1914 showing by claiming that his arm had been ailing.

But Rube as a 1915 Giant heaver looked no better than in 1914. His speed seemed gone, his curves no longer baffled.

Finally McGraw lost confidence in him and turned the \$11,000 "lemon" over to the Dodgers for something like \$1,500.

And now we are in 1916—and Rube still is moving along in his weird fashion. Early in the season some of the clubs hammered him out of the box, only to find themselves helpless before his pitching in his next

George Gano Holds Two Records



GEORGE GANO

Very few race horses have ever held two records in two distinctly different classes of racing.

Gano, owned by M. W. Savage, holds the record, together with Minor Heir, for the world's champion team pacing stallions. They made the mile

in 2:02. George Gano also holds the record for the mile pacing under the saddle. His mark in this class is 2:10.4.

Western League Averages

Table with columns: CLUB BATTING, W. L. T. AB. R. H. Per. and CLUB FIELDING, G. DP. TP. PB. PO. A. E. Per.

Denver, W. L. T. AB. R. H. Per. 27 20 0 2287 249 646 .284

Lincoln, W. L. T. AB. R. H. Per. 27 20 0 2287 249 646 .284

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National League Averages.

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Brooklyn, W. L. T. AB. R. H. Per. 127 88 0 2176 239 645 .299

Chicago, W. L. T. AB. R. H. Per. 127 88 0 2176 239 645 .299

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The Hypodermic Needle

By Fred S. Hunter

WHEN GOTCH AND STECHER COLLIDE.

Oh, somewhere in this favored land, The sun may shine quite bright, The band may play in somersetown, And there hearts may be light, And somewhere men may laugh and shout,

And somewhere children cheer, But it will not be in Omaha, Yes, bo, it won't be here.

THE SWAN SONG OF THE WRESTLER TO THE PUBLIC.

You're a prince, old boy, you're a regular guy, We'll give you a laurel crown, We like you, kid, we are fond of you, We can kick you when you are down.

Mr. Lewis will now go to New York and clean up. The only difference between Omaha and New York is that in Omaha you can do it once, while in New York you can do it every night.

And Mr. Comiskey probably is sitting in Chicago with a grin on his map having a good time all by himself by saying, "but they didn't do it in Comiskey park."

SPEAKING OF PESTS

The base ball bug's a nuisance, The golf bug is a pest, The horse race bug's annoying, They never give us rest, The wrestling fan is like a plague, The boxing bug's a mark, But of all the bugs that we detest, It is the poker shark.

Barney Dreyfus used 12,400 words in answering the National commission's report on the Siler case. Why

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be so tight, Barney, why not make it 16,400 and show this Shakespeare bird up.

Alexander couldn't possibly be of more value to the Phillies, says a critic. Oh, yes, he could, supposing he was twins?

The only kind of a poker player we like to listen to is one who is deaf and dumb.

However, 12,400 words wouldn't begin to cover what each of 9,000 fans said about the Stecher-Lewis case.

Joe Tinker says Cy Williams is a better ball player than Ty Cobb or Tris Speaker. Pretty soon Joe will be telling us that batting Nelson is a better man than Jess Willard.

Wagner's hitting like a demon, Schute's in his old time form, Hal Chase is cutting circles, Is taking Cincy town by storm, Old Nap Lajoie is running wild, And Matt's hurling great, While Coombs and old Chief Bender Have 'em swinging like a gate.

It's a grand world, ain't it Mabel? Hey, there, gangway, clear the track, Flash the news to Cain and Abel, Maybe they, too, can come back.

Tom Sharkey in an application for bankruptcy listed his debts at \$300,000 and his assets at \$20.50. Showing that Thomas is still battling 1,000 in the financial world.

Electric and Gas. Bills to the right and left of us, Of every color and shade, They swoop down upon us the first of the month, The charge of the light brigade.

Following the Doctor's Orders. "Six months ago you told me you couldn't sleep at night for worrying about the money you owed me." "So I did," answered the impetuous debtor. "But you still owe me and you are not a nervous wreck."

"True, you see, when I realized that it was impossible to pay you, I went to see a doctor about my insomnia. He advised me to quit worrying and if there is anything I pride myself on it's following the doctor's orders implicitly."—Chicago Post.

Many College Lads Break Into Ranks Of Professional Ball

New York, July 8.—An unusual number of college base ball players have entered the big leagues this summer.

How many will be prominent by the time the big league season ends? If the usual average obtains, the successful ones will be in a minority.

Yet, again, some of the neophytes have displayed ability on the university diamond, which bespeaks at least a certain amount of success.

George Smith of Columbia, for example. After he has been sweetened down there would appear to be strong likelihood of his being a valuable member of the Giant pitching squad.

And Pie Way has also gone to McGraw's team. Way is a husky youth who has speed, control, and curves.

He may develop into a big league star. Wait, the Columbia captain, has signed with Detroit, and Andy Coakley says he has no doubt that this player will make good in big company.

Watt, he says, is one of the closest students of base ball he has ever met. He is always considering how to improve his game, and will develop swiftly, Coakley thinks.

It is reported from New Haven that Mahan will sign with the Americans, but Ernest Soucy said in New London the other day that Mahan was not going to play professional base ball.

"He turned