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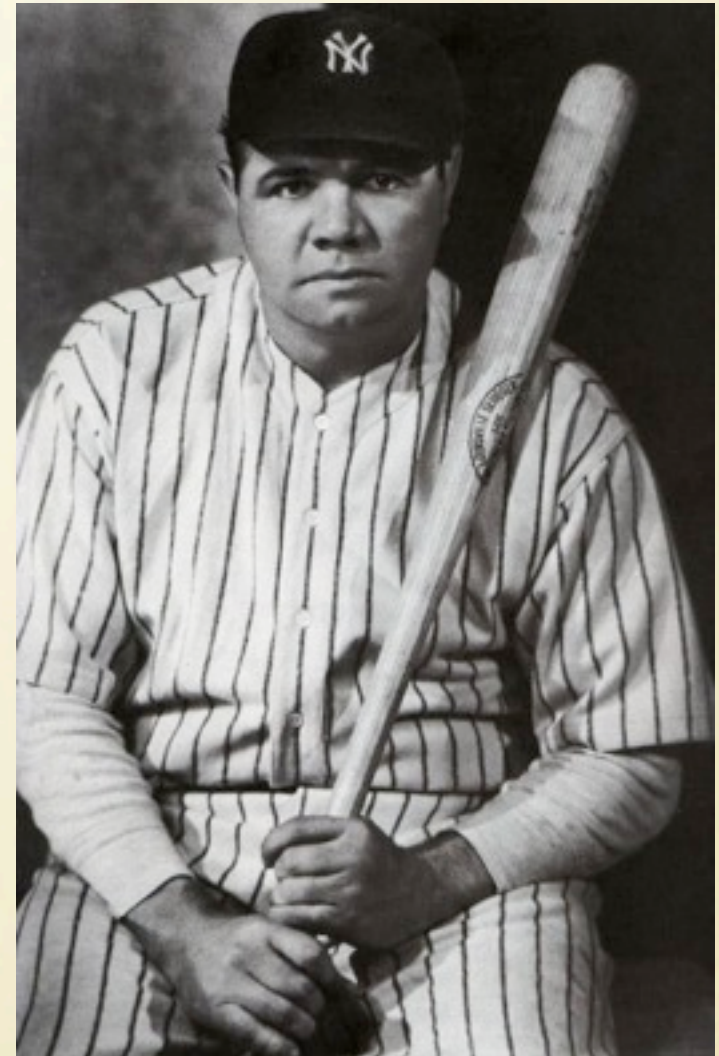
YANKEE STADIUM

- Yankee Stadium is a stadium located in The Bronx in New York City, New York. It serves as the home ballpark for the New York Yankees, replacing the previous Yankee Stadium, built in 1923.
- On February 6, 1921, the Yankees issued a press release to announce the purchase of 10 acres of property in the west Bronx. The land, purchased from the estate of William Waldorf Astor for \$675,000, sat directly across the Harlem River from the Yankees' current Manhattan home, the Polo Grounds, which they shared unhappily with the landlord Giants of the National League since 1913.



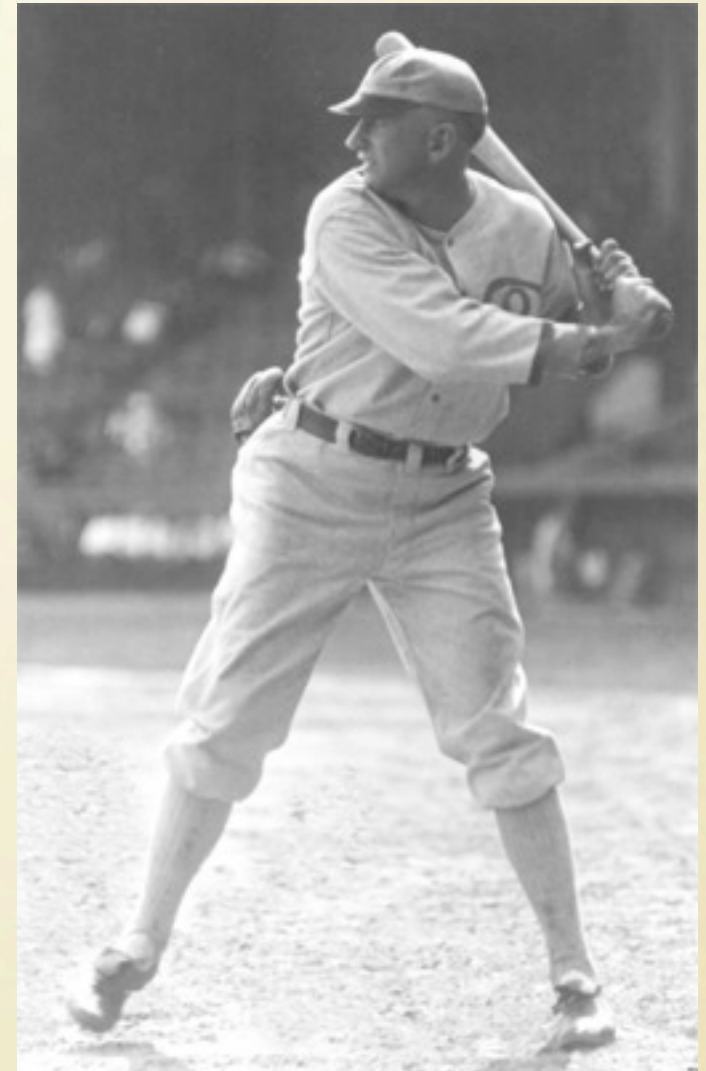
BABE RUTH

- George Herman Ruth, Jr. (February 6, 1895 – August 17, 1948), best known as "Babe" Ruth and nicknamed "the Bambino" and "the Sultan of Swat", was an American Major League baseball player from 1914–1935.
- Ruth originally broke into the major leagues with the Boston Red Sox as a starting pitcher, but after he was sold to the New York Yankees in 1919, he converted to a full-time right fielder and subsequently became one of the league's most prolific hitters.
- In 1919, as a player for the Red Sox, he hit 29 home runs. He joined the Yankees in 1920 and hit 54 home runs that year. The next year, he increased to 59. He finally broke the old record in 1927 with 60.



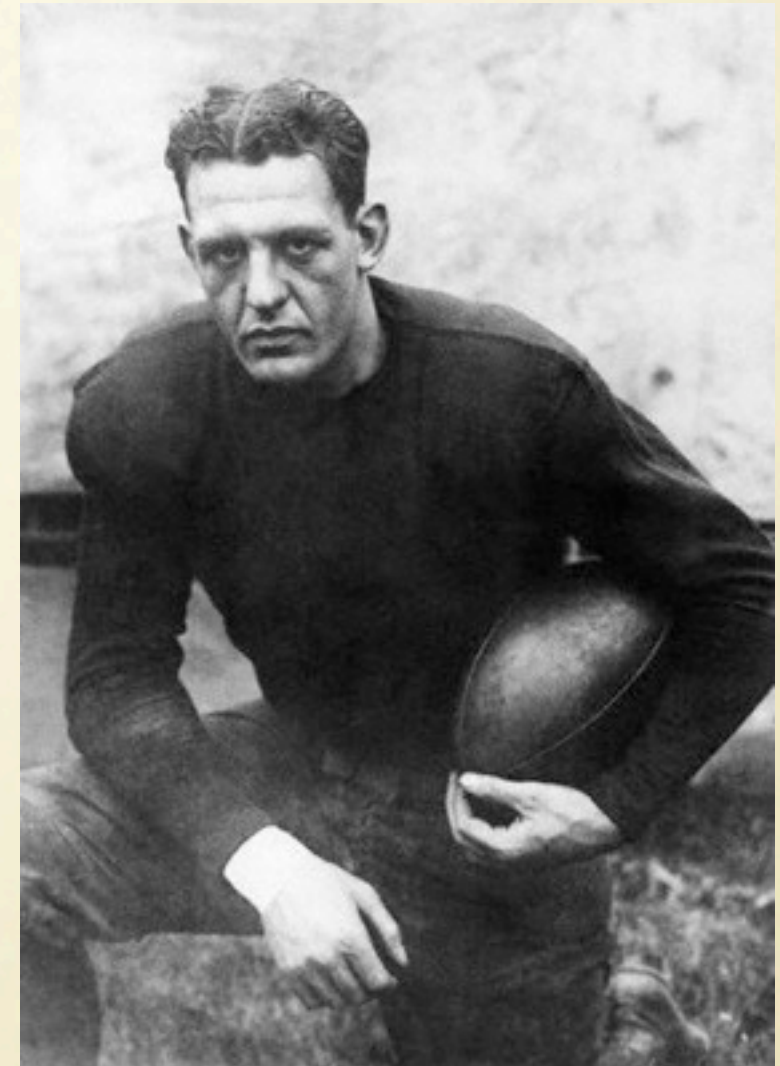
SHOELESS JOE JACKSON

- Joseph Jefferson Jackson (July 16, 1887 – December 5, 1951), nicknamed "Shoeless Joe", was an American baseball player who played Major League Baseball in the early part of the 20th century.
- He is remembered for his performance on the field and for his association with the Black Sox Scandal, in which members of the Chicago White Sox participated in a conspiracy to fix the 1919 World Series. The scandal involved 8 members of the White Sox “throwing”(intentionally losing) games, and essentially giving the Series to the Cincinnati Reds.
- As a result of Jackson's association with the scandal, Kenesaw Mountain Landis, Major League Baseball's first commissioner, banned Jackson from playing after the 1920 season.



RED GRANGE

- Harold Edward "Red" Grange, nicknamed "The Galloping Ghost", (June 13, 1903 – January 28, 1991) was a college and professional American football halfback for the University of Illinois, the Chicago Bears, and for the short-lived New York Yankees.
- His signing with the Bears helped legitimize the National Football League, which was inaugurated in 1920.
- Grange had come to national prominence as a result of his performance in the October 18, 1924, game against Michigan in the 1923 Bowl. This was the grand opening game for the new Memorial Stadium, built as a memorial to University of Illinois students and alumni who had served in World War I.



MAN O' WAR

- Man o' War, (March 29, 1917 Nursery Stud farm, Lexington, Kentucky – November 1, 1947, Faraway Farm) is considered one of the greatest Thoroughbred racehorses of all time.
- In 1920, Johnny Loftus was denied a renewal of his jockey's license by the racing commission and was replaced as Man o' War's rider by Clarence Kummer. Loftus retired and became a trainer.
- He won the Leading Sire of North America in 1926. Man o' War sired American Flag and Crusader who won successive Belmont Stakes in 1925 and 1926 respectively.



GERTRUDE EDERLE

- Gertrude Caroline Ederle (October 23, 1905 – November 30, 2003) was an American competitive swimmer. In 1926, she became the first woman to swim across the English Channel.
- At the 1924 Summer Olympics, she won a gold medal as a part of the US 400-meter freestyle relay team and bronze medals for finishing third in the 100-meter and 400-meter freestyle races. She had been favored to win a gold medal in all three events and was bitterly disappointed in the outcome.
- Her cross-channel swim began one year later at Cap Gris-Nez in France at 07:05 on the morning of August 6, 1926. She broke the record for the fastest time crossing the Channel with 14 hours, 30 minutes; the record had previously been set by a man.



JACK DEMPSEY

- William Harrison "Jack" Dempsey ("The Manassa Mauler") (June 24, 1895 – May 31, 1983) was an American boxer who held the world heavyweight title from 1919 to 1926.
- The Dempsey-Carpentier fight took place on July 2, 1921 at Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, New Jersey, generating the first million dollar gate in boxing history. It was between him and Georges Carpentier.
- On September 23, 1926, Dempsey was defeated by Gene Tunney and lost his heavyweight title. This match yielded the largest paid attendance in boxing history. Tunney and Dempsey went head to head and fist to fist again in 1927 in hopes that Dempsey would reclaim his title. Dempsey lost this rematch, which was coined "The Battle of the Long Count" because of a call by the referee that Dempsey did not return to a neutral corner after Tunney had fallen. Tunney won the match three rounds later.

