

THREE NEW MEN FOR THE RED SOX

Pitchers Ruth and Shore, Catcher Egan From Baltimore.

Players Are to Report Tomorrow--- More Than \$25,000 Paid.

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Pres Lannin says he will let no expense stand in the way of putting the Red Sox in the American League race and keeping them there, and yesterday, in earnest of this statement, paid more than \$25,000 for three players—two pitchers and a catcher.

The new men were secured from the Baltimore club of the International League. The pitchers are Ruth and Shore and the catcher is Egan.

These players were much sought after by other major league clubs, especially Ruth, and that is the reason Boston had to pay so much money for them.

When the Red Sox were in Washington Pres Lannin offered Jack Dunn of the Orioles \$25,000 for Ruth, Derrick and another player, but the offer was spurned, Dunn claiming that he could get \$15,000 from another club for Ruth alone.

Derrick and Twombly were sold to Cincinnati, so that deal broke up the combination Mr Lannin was after. He was particularly anxious to get Ruth, who is said to be a great pitcher, and so, including him in another combination, he got the man he was after and

two other good players, but he had to pay more than \$25,000 for the trio. He did not announce what he paid for them, except to say that it was above the figures mentioned.

The new men are to report to the club Saturday. Boston has been so badly handicapped through injuries that it has not been able to get where the president of the Red Sox feels a Boston club should be in the race, and he intends to fortify it in every way within his power.

The Red Sox have been unfortunate in the way of sickness and injuries. First of all there was the illness of Joe Wood, causing the loss of his services until recently; then came the loss of Charley Wagner. Gainer was secured at considerable expense and met with an accident shortly after coming to the club; Bedient has not been going as well as formerly; Foster, who was doing great work, injured his knee; Hooper and Lewis are out of the game with injuries, and Speaker is badly bunged up, although he is sticking it out.

Joe Wood has had a sore arm and

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that is the reason he has not been used in the White Sox series up to the present, so take it, all in all, the club has had more than its share of ill luck.

Nevertheless, Pres Lannin does not purpose to let his club "slip" if anything he can do will prevent it. The season is only half over, and he realizes that there is a great race on, and says he wants the Red Sox in the race to the finish, thereby giving the Boston fans some satisfaction as well as himself.

ANOTHER WADDELL.

**Ruth Has Beaten Big Leaguers
Pitching for Baltimore—Shore and
Egan Clever Players.**

BALTIMORE, July 9 — In George (Babe) Ruth, who, with catcher Ben Egan and pitcher Eddie Shore, caused the owners of the Red Sox to separate themselves from \$30,000 for their services, Manager Bill Carrigan has got one of the most sensational moundsmen who ever toed a slab in the International League.

Since Ruth amazed the Barrow circuit by winning nine straight victories before the season was barely two months old, seven big league clubs have made overtures for him, but until today Manager Jack Dunn of the Orioles persistently refused to dispose of him.

Though this is his first year in professional baseball, those who claim to know a player when they see one have stamped Ruth as a second Rube Waddell. Ruth is a strapping big fellow and has just rounded out his 20th year. He has an inexhaustible supply of stamina, can wield a bat like an outfielder, and as a pinch hitter was one of the best the Baltimore fans ever saw. His chief stock in trade is speed, but he also has a sharp-breaking curve and a tantalizing slow ball.

A year ago Ruth was in St. Mary's Industrial School, where he started his meteoric career. A no-hit game, in which the youngster struck out 18 batsmen, caught Manager Dunn's attention last fall and he immediately investigated. Ruth was taken South this spring and from the start made good.

In exhibition games he conquered the Phillies twice, the Athletics once and the Brooklyn and Boston Nationals, which was a marvelous achievement for a youngster on his first year out. As Ruth has not reached the age of 21, Jack Dunn was appointed his guardian when he began a career on the diamond.

Eddie Shore is a right-hander, slightly more than six feet tall. He, too, is a hurler who buzzes the pellet over the platter with above the average velocity. He joined the Orioles two weeks after the season opened and since that time has hung up a record of seven victories against three defeats. In 1912 he caught on with the Giants, but failed to impress and was allowed to go his own way.

He entered Guilford College at Fayetteville, N. C., and attracted so much attention that Dunn heard of his ability. When Dunn attempted to sign the pitcher he was informed that Shore was still the property of the National League champions, but McGraw was glad to realize a small sum for his services. Shore is a youngster, improving with every start and with the Red Sox should be more than valuable to Bill Carrigan in keeping his team up in the American League chase.

Ben Egan, though not what could be termed a veteran, has had his share of experience in professional baseball. Ben twice was tried and found wanting by Connie Mack, but has shown such great form lately that the wise ones figure he is about ready to go up to the big show to stay awhile. He is finely built for a backstop and throws like a rifle shot.

ST PAUL FORFEITS.

**James Put Out of Indianapolis Game
by Umpire and Team Has No
Other Catcher.**

INDIANAPOLIS, July 9 — Umpire Johnstone forfeited today's American Association game to Indianapolis in the sixth inning when, after he put catcher James out of the game, the St. Paul club had no other catcher with whom to continue playing.

James was ordered out of the game by the umpire because he questioned decisions on balls and strikes. Substitute catcher Glenn was allowed to go home today because of illness and Manager Friel claimed no one else could play the position.