

Pat Moran Will Find Many Admirers at Polo Grounds When Cincinnati Clashes With Giants To-morrow

GIANT-RED SERIES BIGGEST OF YEAR

Fans Ready for Treat When National League Leaders Clash To-morrow.

VISITORS A CURIOUS CREW Nary a Moran Regular Started Major Career on Team With Which He Now Is Starring.

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July 21 is a date the Giant fans have been keeping in mind for some time. The Cincinnati Reds are scheduled to open their second series of the year on the Polo Grounds to-morrow, and the star should fly when these two bands of diamond gladiators go to the mat.

It will be the big treat of the year for Giant fans, and the series will mean a lot to both clubs. A loss of the entire three games may give either club a knockdown from which it may find it difficult to recover. A victory for Cincinnati on the road would be especially encouraging to Moran's marvels.

Cincinnati got quite a reception when it played on the Polo Grounds in the spring. The Reds were well up in the race then, but few New York fans took the Red rampage seriously at that time. It looked like the usual Cincinnati flurry of the gentle springtime. The Cubs then were considered New York's most dangerous rival in the National League, and when the Giants licked them four in a row it looked as though that menace had been done away with.

But when the Reds continued bounding along on the heels of the Giants the New York fans started to get hep to the fact that Cincinnati was a real peril. "A new miracle wrought by Pat Moran," was the word sent along the baseball rail. When the Reds actually passed the Giants for a few days local fans began to pull their schedule out and ascertain the date when Cincinnati was next booked for Harlem.

Reds Well Liked by Fans.

Cincinnati has become a strong favorite around the National League. Everywhere you hear the same thing: "If our home club can't win I hope it will be the Reds." This is a true in New York as anywhere else. The local fans, of course, want to see McGraw win another pennant, but if the Giants lose the fans would rather see them lose to Cincinnati than any other club in the league.

The reason for this is the inherent love of fair play in the makeup of the average American, and his native sympathy with the under dog. The raw deal that Moran got at the hands of the Philadelphia club last winter only won Pittsburgh fans added popularity. Moran was let out by William Baker after he proved the most successful manager in the long history of the Philadelphia club. In four years he won the only National League pennant ever won by a Quaker City pilot, and twice led the club under the wire in second place after spirited races.

As a result of the only interest the Philadelphia public retains in baseball to-day is the pursuit of Cincinnati box scores. No fans in Redland are pulling harder for Moran than his former editors in Philadelphia, and in a less degree this sentiment is prevalent all over the circuit.

Then Cincinnati has been a National League punching bag so long that few baseball partisans begrudge the Reds a few swats at this distant date. In its long National League history the Reds never have had a pennant winner, while most of its clubs have finished in the second division.

The Cincinnati fans frequently have been referred to as the "Amey Chorus," but what body of rooters would be different if they had had their hopes shattered for over thirty years? Redland fans actually have been gluttons for punishment.

A Team of Castoffs.

One interesting thing about the present Reds is that it is a team of castoffs. But in that the Reds do not differ from other National League clubs that recently have won pennants. Ever since the Giant championship combination of 1911, 1912 and 1913 was broken up the various National League champions have been teams recruited from experienced players.

There is no real talent on the Reds, however, but it took a capable manager to bring it out. The club has some real stars in Roush, Groh, Daubert and Wingo, and these are the only players who have had a permanent position in the club. The Reds, however, have been badly in need of utility material, and since the injury to Left Fielder Sherwood Magee, Ruben Bruesler, a pitcher, has been playing in the outfield.

To show how the Reds have been picked up from all points of the big league compass it is only necessary to call attention to the fact that not a single regular on the Cincinnati team started his major league career with the Reds.

There are delegates on the Reds from every other National League club, while almost all of the American League clubs also are represented on the Cincinnati team by former players.

Moran Started With Braves.

Beginning with Pat Moran, he started his career with the Braves, shifted to the Cubs in the days of Chance's great machine and later to Philadelphia. His first and only National League flag. The Red pitching staff is a motley crowd. Salles came to Cincinnati by way of St. Louis and the Giants. Walter Reuther started in with the Cubs, while Hod Eller once was turned down by the White Sox. Ray Fisher is a former Yankee. Jimmy Hing also made a couple of training trips with the Yankees, and also had a tryout with Brooklyn. Luque, the Cuban, was up once with the Braves, and Roy Mitchell is a former veteran of the Louisville Browns. Bruesler looked like one of the coming stars of baseball when Mack dismantled his great machine in 1915. Bill Hardien formerly played with the Braves and Giants, while Wingo came to Cincinnati after he had won renown with the Cardinals.

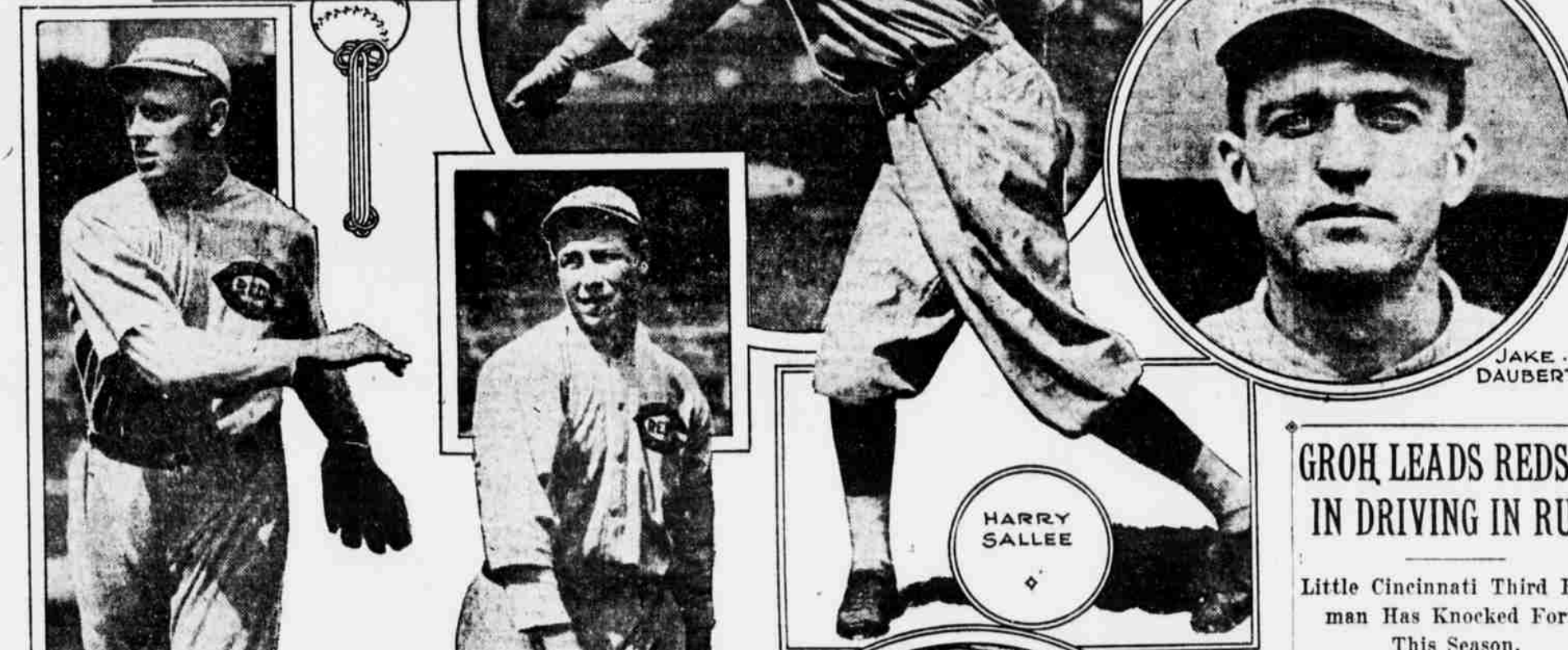
The Red infielders also have appeared in many makeups. Jake Daubert was captain of the Brooklyn for years, and in his younger days he was turned down by Cleveland. Morris Rattis, second base, has been all around the American League. He started in with the Athletics in 1909, was traded to Cleveland in 1910 and later played several seasons with the White Sox. Bill Kopf played short for the Athletics for a season and played one year for Cleveland under the name of Brady. Strange enough, three members of this infield have been with Cleveland. Heinie Groh, third baseman, started in with the Giants and went to Cincinnati with Bruesler in the Promme trade.

Then Jimmy Smith, utility infielder, has played with the Pirates, Giants,

Miracle Man of Reds and Players Whose Work Has Put the Cincinnati Team on the Baseball Map



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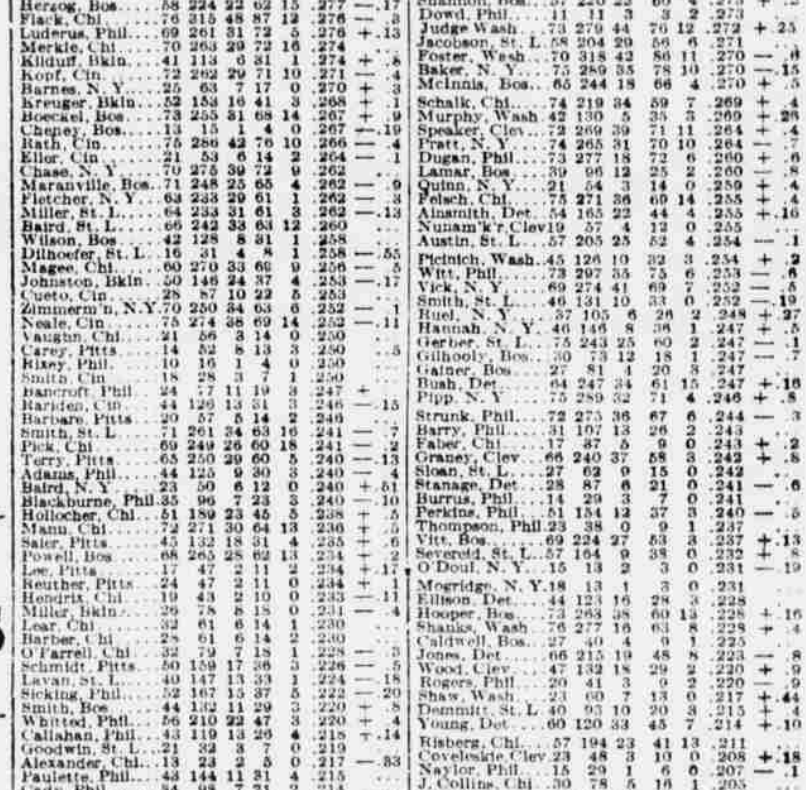
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