

On This Date

April 20, 1939

Only two games into the 1939 season and Boston Red Sox rookie outfielder **Ted Williams** already has his caricature carried across the nation's sports pages. That afternoon, the New York Yankees behind the seven-hit pitching of Red Ruffing, shutout Williams and the visiting Red Sox 2-0.

In the only game where Williams and New York Yankees first baseman Lou Gehrig play one another, Williams collects one hit in four at bats while Gehrig

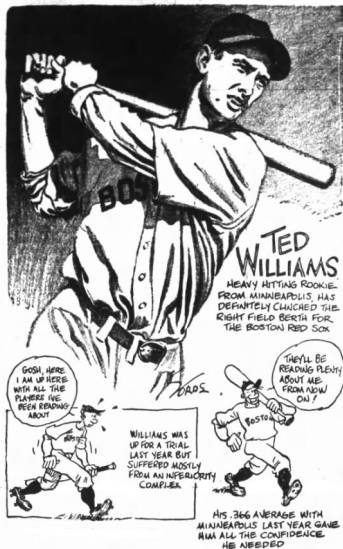
BOSTON—0					NEW YORK—2				
	AB	R	H	O A		AB	R	H	O A
Cramer cf	4	1	2	0	Crossett ss	4	0	0	0
Vosmik lf	4	2	3	0	Rolfe 3b	4	0	0	2
Foxx 1b	4	0	5	0	Powell lf	4	3	4	0
Cronin ss	4	0	2	1	DiM'glo cf	2	1	3	0
Tabor 3b	4	1	0	1	Gehrig 1b	4	0	6	0
Williams rf	4	1	3	0	Dickey c	3	2	7	0
Doerr 2b	4	1	4	3	Gal'gher rf	3	0	3	0
Desautels c	3	0	5	1	Gordon 2b	3	1	4	3
Non'ka'p	1	0	0	0	Ruffing p	3	0	0	3
Grove p	2	1	0	1					
Peacock	1	0	0	0					
Totals	35	7	24	7	Totals	30	7	27	8

aBatted for Desautels in ninth.

bBatted for Grove in ninth.

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Errors, Cronin, Foxx, Gehrig; runs halted in, Dickey, Powell; two base hits, Williams, Dickey, Tabor, Vosmik; three base hit, Powell; home run, Dickey; double plays, Doerr to Cronin to Foxx, Doerr to Foxx; left on bases, New York 6, Boston 9; base on balls, off Grove 2, Ruffing 1; struck out, by Grove 5, Ruffing 5. Umpires, Ormsby, Summers, Basil and Pipgras. Time, 1:47. Attendance, 30,278.



is 0-for-4 and makes an error before 30,278 in Yankee Stadium. Twelve days later on May 2, Gehrig benches himself ending his consecutive game streak at 2,130.