On This Date

<u>June 21,1901</u>

Hall of Famer Wee Willie Keeler is five-for-five with a double, a home run and five runs scored as Brooklyn dismantles visiting Cincinnati 21-3 before 1,900 fans in Washington Park.

Third-place Brooklyn (25-22) totals 34 bases on 26 hits off of Cincinnati's Dr. Harley "Doc" Parker - both season highs for the surging Dodgers. Making his first and only start for the seventh-place Reds (20-24) after being courted by Boston and Cleveland of the American League, Parker has been out of the majors since 1896.

Brooklyn sends 12 men to the plate in the fifth inning en route to tallying seven runs on as many hits and aided by two errors each by Cincinnati shortstop George Magoon and second baseman Harry Steinfeldt.

Despite the complete game effort (pun intended), Parker is released the following day to make room for another hopeful mound artist,

18-year-old phenom Richard Scott who is reported to have struck out 96 batters in five games for a semipro team in Bethel, Ohio.

OFFICIAL SCORE.

BROOKLYN VS. CINCINNATI

Game Played at Washington Park on Friday, June 21.

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Earned runs—Cincinnati. 1; Brooklyn, 12.
Home run—Keeler. Two base hits—Keeler. Sheckard. Dahlen (2). McGuire: First base on errors—Brooklyn, 3. Left on bases—Cincinnati, 4; Brooklyn, 7. Struck out—By Kennedy, 3.
Eases on balls—By Kennedy, 2; by Parker, 2.
Double plays—Parker, Steinfeldt and Beckley; Steinfeldt and Beckley; Daly and Farrell. Wild pitch—Parker. Time of game—I hour and 48 minutes. Umpire—Mr. Dwyer. Attendance—1, 1990.

In his brief four-year major league career, Parker is 5-8 with a 5.90 ERA and 13 complete games. Scott lasts two weeks with the Reds finishing 0-2 with a 5.14 ERA. [More on Parker at a later date]

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