

RECORDS SCARCE IN BIG LEAGUES

Brilliant Ball Played Among Top
Notch Clubs But Old Marker
Remain Unbroken.

While there were many sensational games and numerous brilliant plays made by teams in both major leagues in the season just ended, it is nevertheless a fact that in only one or two instances were records, which had been established in previous years, equalled. Great pitching, terrific batting and fine base running features throughout the season in both the National and American leagues, but when it came to record standing the players in most cases fell short by a small margin.

A glance over the work of the pitchers in both organizations shows that not one of them pitched a no-hit game. In paid leagues there were always one or two such contests played in either one league or the other, but the best one could do this year was to let an opposing team down with one safety in the ninth where it was 11 and 1. Of these there were 17 in the American, Of the 11 times that the feat was accomplished in the older organization, three were by Pirates

Ames of New York did not allow

The record for leading bases on ball is held by Eddie Karger, the former Cincinnati pitcher, who is now with the Boston Red Sox. Karger walked 11 men in 1907, and he has walked more than enough the Reds won out. Since then several pitchers have given 11 free passes in the National.

Nobody is able to equal the record made by Chick Player in 1900, that of getting six hits in 4 single game, although five hits were made by six players, Eddie Grant of the Philadelphia Nationals turning the trick twice. Chick Player accomplished the feat in the National.

The longest game played during the season was that between Detroit and Washington in the American league when they battled for 18 innings to a

to score. Detroit, in the National league New York and Boston were seventeen innings to a 3-2 tie, dark forcing an end to proceedings.

The longest game in the history of the league was with Brooklyn at Forbe held on August 5, 14 innings being required before Pittsburg was returned to color.

The longest bases made in a single game by one player the record is held by Heblitzel, the former W. U. P. athlete, who got a total of ten four hits out New York pitcher Ty Cobb in the American league record holder in one player the record, made of Washington mounds men.

The following is a short chronology of the records that were made during the campaign of 1909 in the major leagues.

Largest number of strike-outs in

Brooklyn, American league, Tom Hughes, formerly of Washington, 12 made against Cleveland on July 5.

Games of 9 balls, nine-inning game, 7 runs. Barker, formerly of St. Cloud, Minn., hit a home run.

Players who have made five hits in one game—Grant of Philadelphia, Nationals, April 28, against Brooklyn; Wagner, Pittsburgh, May 3, against Chicago; and Grube, Philadelphia, June 11, against Brooklyn; Brannan of Philadelphia Nationals, June 13, against St. Louis; Grant, Philadelphia Nationals Oct. 2, against New York; Hurtzell, St. Paul, Aug. 15, against Philadelphia; Egan, New York Americans, Sept. 4, against Boston.

Large number of runs scored in one inning—St. Louis, 11, made it

Triple play, unassisted—Neal Bai of Cleveland, against Boston, July 19

Highest number of runs in nine-inning game—National league, New York 19, against St. Louis, Aug. 11 American league, Boston 21, against New York, June 25.

Longest games of season—National league, New York vs. Boston, July 28 17 innings, score 2 to 3, American league, Detroit vs. Washington, 15 in

Total bases made in single game by players—Hohltitzell, Cincinnati, 1 against New York, Aug. 23. American league. T's Cold, Detroit, 3, against

Washington, July 15.—Players who have made names in the football game in the East, Miller, Grant, Abbot, Wilson, Miller, Tinker, Gibson, Clark and Morley, Mitchell, Miller, Wagner, Tinker and Hall, will soon be known to the ball over the fence.

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