

**DAFFYNITIONS:**

Fungo bat—A handy instrument in case of a free-for-all.

Night games—Occupational hazards.

Umpires—A necessary evil.

Coaches—The guys who always catch you coming home late.

Front office—The place from which you emerge without ever winning an argument.

Double-header—A money-making device for the club.

Baseballs—Those things you give the garageman in return for parking your car.

New York Yankees—The team on which everybody receives five figure salaries.

Bullpen—A place you catch up on lost slumber.

Exhibition games — where "four for four" makes no impression.

Baseball fans—People who

never give you a break.

Autograph hounds—People who never give you a rest.

Taxicabs—Conveyances that you never travel in, unless the club is paying.

Rainy day—An act of Providence.

Baseball shoes—Something you have to pay for yourself.

College—The place to go for a football education.

Batting practice—A manager's excuse to have you chase fly balls.

Minor leagues—Where nobody makes any money.

All-Star game—Three consecutive days off if you fail to make the team.

The farm—A place you threaten to stay if the club doesn't come through with more money.

Girl friend—The person who always urges you to go to the traveling secretary for a few

extra passes.

Ground balls—things that are bound to take a crazy hop when you go to field them.

Tightwads—Guys who expect you to take turns at paying the tabs.

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Jimmy Greer tells the story about the ball player who fancied himself a slugger but always came up with an alibi of some sort when he struck out or hit a soft one to the infield.

One day, after striking out in his first three trips to the plate, he took a vicious swing at a pitch, and the ball dribbled out about three feet in front of the catcher, and the latter threw him out by ten feet.

He came back to the bench muttering, but before he could say anything, a teammate beat him to the punch:

"We know. The catcher was playing you deep on that one."

Last season about this time, the Ecusta diamondmen were launching a stretch drive to get out of the basement regions, and this season let's hope they launch one to overtake Enka for the top position. Front row, left to right, are Rick Orr, Fritz Merrell, Ray Byrd, Jack Alexander and David Sams; back row, Grover Suttles, Pete Dockens, "Footsie" Case, Roy Head, "Rusty" Carland and Charlie Clayton.

