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When the "Babe" Came to Rutland October 1919

This quarterly tells a story of how 24-year-old Babe Ruth made the trip from Massachusetts in 1919 to play the Rutlanders. Along with a backstory on “The Great Bambino” comes the tale of “The Curse of the Bambino” once Ruth was sold to the Yankees. During the game Babe Ruth hit a monster home run setting new limits on the longball. This event was remarkable, during this time Rutland also held parades, films, and plays on Central Street and in the Grand Theatre. October of 1919 wasn’t all filled with athletes and excitement, as important industrial decisions were made.