ING BODIE USED ARM AS WELL AS HIS BAT AND LED THE LEAGUE IN ASSISTS WITH THIRTY-FOUR

CATTERED STARS OF MACK'S \$100,000 INFIELD STILL KINGS IN RESPECTIVE STATIONS

Official Averages Find the Famous Stonewall Defense Leading in Fielding, and Combined They Average .978

CLASS will assert itself regardless of the conditions under which it must appear. Connie Mack's \$100,000 infield of the day when the Athletics were crashing through the American League pennant races without oppo-lition, then crushing the best that the National League had to offer, now widely scattered. The breaking up of this great combination did not to lessen its efficiency and effectiveness in the field. After glancing at the official American League fielding averages, just released, it is easy to iderstand why Connie was all smiles during the heyday of this wonderful ohine. Whether playing with pennant winners, pennant contenders or tall-enders, it made no difference in their work. They stood out at all times and their fielding played a prominent part in the games won by their respective teams. No two members of this great quartet now are on the same team. Their ability, only too well established when laboring under the colors of the Athletics, has suffered no loss in prestige since the shattering of the Mack machine.

Stuffy McInnis, playing with a hopeless tail-ender for three seasons, was the class of the first basemen. More chances came his way than went to any other guardian of the initial sack. He successfully repelled the attack of would-be base hits, and it now is easy to see that a less competent first baseman than Stuffy would have found the Mackmen deeper in the cellar than they finished. Jack Barry and Eddie Collins, at one time considered invincible around the keystone sack, have retained their brilliancy and steadiness. Barry has moved from shortstop to second base, and the honors for the leading second baseman rest between this pair. Barry is slightly in the lead according to the averages, but Collins accepted one-half again as many chances as his one-time playing mate and must be placed on even terms with the present manager of the Red Sox.

Now we come to J. Franklin Baker, the Trappe. Md., headliner. He was the class of the circuit at the third base station. He accepted more chances than any other third baseman in the leavue and he took care of them without effort. His work this year was a great improvement over that shown when with the Mackmen, and even then he was rated with the best. J. Franklin was the only erratic member of the great quarter.

Most Chances Handled by "Big Four" Combination

THE famous four handled more chances combined than any other quartet. of infielders in the league. McInnis, Collins and Baker were the leaders In their respective positions, snaring everything that came their way, and they never wanted for exercise. Barry took part in only '16 games, but during his stay on the firing line enough chances came his way to make the dissolved "Big Four" supreme. Mcfnnis was the busiest man in the league affeld. He saw service in 150 games, had 1658 putouts, 95 assists and made 12 errors, having a rating of .993 for his 1765 total chances. Collins was a busy individual and during the campaign, in which he didn't miss a game, taking part in 156 engagements, he had 353 putouts, 288 assists and 24 errors, a total of 741 chances for a 969 average. Then follows J. Franklin Baker. The home-run king was in 146 games, took care of 202 putouts. had 317 assists and 28 errors, giving him an average of .949 for his 547 chances. Barry saw action in 116 games, having 196 pittouts, 339 assists and 14 errors. His 535 total chances and 14 misplays give him a rating of .973, just four points higher than the mark credited to Eddie Collins.

The "Big Four" had some combined record. They worked in 668 nes, had 2409 putouts, 1139 assists and 78 errors. Their lotal chances were 3548 and their fielding average was .278. They accepted more than one-half as many chances as the Cleveland team, and the Indians had the most chances sent their way. The "Big Four" had 3548 chances against 6418 for Cleveland, and their average was .978 against the team mark of .964 for the Indians. Again it must be remembered that the average of infielders is much lower than that of pitchers, outfielders and catchers. Their ,978 rating is the best evidence of their effectiveness, steadiness and value to any ball club. After digesting these figures it is no wonder that the Mackmen were invincible.

CHICK GANDIL. of the Senators, is a few points in front of Melnnis, but the crown goes to the Mackman, the ione survivor of the great machine. Gedeon and Turner are a few notches ahead of Barry and Collins, but are forgotten the moment it is learned the service they saw. Magee and Turner head Baker, but the two combined didn't see half as much action as the Trappe mauler.

Scott, of the Red Sox, Tops Shortstops

Now that we have the "Great Four" kings in the three positions which they held down during the last season, there is only one station in the infield with its leader unnamed. Scott, of the Red Sox, is the unsurestioned headliner among the short fielder. The flashy Bostonian played in every one of the 157 games on the Red Cox schedule and he played in more games than any man in the American League. Eddle Collins and Ray Chapman were in one fewer. Scott had 215 putouts, 483 assists and 39 errors, for an average of .953. Chapman was the next man, with 360 purouts, 528 assists and 59 errors, for a rating of .938. Scott was the steadlest man in the league and the Scott-Barry combination around the keystone sack gave the Red Sox a stonewall defense around the hub. Risberg was the one weak spot in the White Sox infield. Gandil, Collins and Weaver stand out promisnently, but Risberg is near the bottom. Among the third basemen Weaver was second to Baker. Among the shortstops Hisberg is thirteenth, playing in 146 games, having 291 putouts, 252 assists and 61 errors, for a mark of .913.

Ray Schalk, of the White Sox, is the king of the catchers. Hehry, the Senators, and Thomas, formerly of the Red Sox but now a member of the Athletics, are one-two in the averages, but the real honors go to the maskman on the payroll of the world champions. Schalk caught in 139 games, had 624 putouts, 148 assists and 15 errors, for a rating of .981. Steve O'Neill, of the Indians, was next with 986. Thomas, the new Mack backstop, looks good. He engaged in 77 games and had an average of .386. Wally Schang and Bill Meyer, of the Macks, were not among the leaders. Meyer was in 55 games, had 235 putouts, 66 assists and 12 errors, for an average of .962. Schang caught 80 contests, having 267 putouts, 102 assists and 17 errors, for a mark of .956.

SCHALK was the busiest catcher in the league. Kille'er held the same distinction in the National. He was tied with Severeid for the number of games, but led in putouts and assists. Ainsmith, of the Senators, was next to Schalk in putouts, with 589, and this was due to catching the slants of Walter Johnson, strike-out king. Severeid, of the Browns, was the leader in assists, with 156. Ain-

Strunk, Jacobson and Felsch Leading Outfielders

STRUNK, who labored in an Athletic uniform during the season just closed, was second to Jacobson, of the Browns, among the outfielders. Strunk missed only five chances out of a total of 364. Jacobson failed on only five out of 431 chances. Felsch, of the champion White Sox, was an active athlete, leading in putouts with 440, having 24 assists and 7 errors, for a mark of .985. Joe Jackson, of the White Sox, was next with a mark of ,384. Tris Speaker was close to the top with his .979. Cobb was a few ghts below Tris with his average of .973, Ty booting eleven chances during the season. When it comes to making assists the crown goes to the doughty Fing Bodie, of the Athletics. Ping had a very good year both at but and ufield and he had the distinction of making as many errors as Cobb. He opped the circuit in assists with 32, which is five better than the number dited to Cobb, his nearest opponent in this department.

Walter Johnson is the class of the pitchers in the field. He went ough 48 games, had 58 chances and didn't make an error. His average perfect. Rixey, of the Phillies, topped the National League among the ing pitchers. Alexander was charged with only one error out of 123 Here we have the two most effective pitchers in the big leagues ach is almost invincible in the field. This is another way of saying hat to be a success on the mound it is necessary to be able to field your on. Rube Schauer, of the Mackmen, fielded well, not making an error 8 78 chances. Mays, of the Red Sox, had the most chances with 130. He

Rival Managers Willing to Relieve Stallings of Gowdy

cannot accuse some big league owners of not having the nerve. ight now a number of magnates are seeking the services of Hank star backstop of the Brayes, and are reported to have made George very attractive offers for the sorrel-top maskman. At present in France, a sergenut in the Ohio National Guard. There was litional about the Gowdy offer. It was a clean proposition, sy clause which would abrogate the transaction in the event is to join the new owners. It was a g mble, but the other to take the chance. When Gowdy returns he is certain then before, and as a result of his increased popularity AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



in the big tobacco fund boxing show at the clympia tonight, having made the trip from eleveland to assist the boys at the bat. Floundering, awkward-lookin any was he possibly can.

U. S. Should Allow Bout

A championship battle between Jess A championship battle between Jess Willard and Fred Fullou will be a wonderful spectacle," said Hinkel, 'and as it will benefit the Red Cross, an enor-mous sum of money should be realized. The United States Government should get behind the match and allow it to be held in any town which might be se-

personally will underwrite it for \$1,000,000, providing it can be held in New Vorte, Philadelphia or Cleveland, that it is allowed to go the least twenty-five rounds and the Government will raise the ban on the showing of moving pic-tures in the United States. This offer is sincere and I am making it to show the Red Cross and the United States Government just how important the bout is and give them an idea of the amount of money which could be taken in.

Guarantees \$1,000,000

"If the Red Cross believes that \$1,000 .eoo cannot be t deen in for their glorious cause. I will guarantee that amount, take all of the chances and stage the bout myself under the conditions I have

I figure that there are at least 100 Ti figure that there are at least 100 men in the country who would pay \$1000 a seat to see the battle. Also there are 200 who would pay \$200 and thousands who would pay \$200 and thousands who would pay from \$50 to \$100. For a cause like the Red Cross and the importance of the lengthere is no calling portance of the bout, there is no telling how much money would be taken in

"For example, take the Jeffries-John son fight at Reno. That town is virtualson fight at Reno. That fown is virtually out in the wilds, but more than \$20,000 was paid by the fans to see it. The Willard-Moran bout drew more than \$100,000 in New York. Can't you see what would happen if Willard and Fulton ever got together? Then take the moving pictures. How much money will ne from them? You can't begin to

Would Benefit Red Cross

"My offer is not made to exploit my-self, but to help the Red Cross in this great war. Money is needed to carry on the work and the boxing sport wants to do its share. There might be some people who cannot realize what a gigantic thing this proposed match is, and to show them what can be expected, I am making this offer of \$1,000.000." Hinkel is known from coast to coast as the foremost boxing promoter. He staged the Kilbane-Chancy fight in Cedar Point a year ago and promoter other importfat battles. He is one of the few men who is in the game for the sport of it and not profit. He can put on the battle and carry it through, provided his offer is accented. offer is necepted.

HANNES KOLEHMAINEN MOVES TO THIS CITY

Hannes Kolehmainen, the Finn chim pion runner, who has made New York his home since coming to this country in 1912, will hereafter live in this city. He made application to the registration committee of the Metropolitan Associa-tion of the A. U. yesterday for a change of registration to the Middle At-

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ing, bow-legged, with his vast hands daugling at his side, no one would ever have taken him for any action snap-But when it came to killing base hits



MATT HINKEL Cleveland boxing promoter, who offers \$1,000,000 to Red Cross for privilege of staging Willard-Fulton championship bout.

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Three World's Cham- | What You Want to Know pions to Appear in Bouts for Benefit of Tobacco Fund

By BILL BELL

"AN looking over the news pages I's of the dear old paper can note that many boys at Meade. Dix and other places won't be home for Christmas. Where will you be Christman? Suppose of were sitting on a chair-ten or a thousand miles from home, it makes no difference-with your fives covering your features and a-wondering what the folks at home were doing. Would a good smoke help you in your little predicament 7

That's the answer for the big boxing benefit at the Olympia tonight. Boxers from all sections have contributed their services, paid all their traveling expenses, three world's champions can be seen in the same ring, there will be a whole flock of interesting contests and at the same time you will be doing a lifle something for the boys in the great-

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Willie Miller vs. Jork Russo.
Willie Jarkson vs. Boiby Reynolds.
Johnny Tillman vs. Borle Fleming.
178th Patsy Chie vs. Joe Welsh.
Joe Jeannette vs. George Christian.
Pric Herman vs. Beins Valger.
Wilke O'Dowd vs. Young Jack O'Beien.
Benny Leonard vs. Freddy Kelly.



Ten Bouts Will Be Held, and Theatrical Stars Have Promised

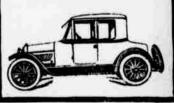
to Do Their Bit

logical third man should Willard and Fulton get together for the Red Cross. Freddy Welsh, former lightweight champion, will referee one of the bouts and that makes at least five champions in the one ring of the same night. Irish Patsy Cline isn't a champion, Johnny Tillman never has possessed a title. Joe Jeannette never followed Johnson, Wilhe Jackson hasn't tumbled Leonard, Bobby Reynolds didn't stop Kilbane. Young Jack O'Brien was sent along too fast to annex a title, but the boys mentioned and every boxer on the card are a wind, up aftraction in any arems and the fans up attraction in any arena and the fam

get all this and more and the soldiers and sailors get the smokes. Music Mixes With Sports

Some persons like music with their amusement. Johnny Willetts, Teddy Maloney and other scrappers of yesterday were wont to bring a band with them, but tonight there will be a regular concert. The Police Band will render some popular airs and when the gang joins in oit the song 'Over There,' the boys over there will know that the gang over here is with them always and







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