

## WHITE SOX NEW INFIELDER



SECOND BASEMAN M'CONNELL.

When President Comiskey recently traded Frank Smith and Billy Purcell to the Boston Americans for Lord and McConnell, the latter, it is understood, was thrown in to "sugar" the deal. Up to the present time, however, McConnell has been showing up remarkably well. His batting has been good and he fields his position cleverly. It is not saying too much to state that McConnell has proven to be equally as good a player so far as Lord and that the White Sox did not lose anything on the deal.

## RETURN OF FARMED PLAYERS

National Commission Gives Out Long List of Sanctioned "Options" on Minor Leaguers.

The national commission has announced that the following list of options on minor league players had been exercised by major league clubs and approved:

American league—By Washington—From Minneapolis, Warren Gill; from Scranton, Miller; from Peoria, Mercer. By Detroit—From Williamsport, John Ness and George Harding; from Wilkesbarre, Delos Drake; from Scranton, J. Kirke; from Rock Island, Cavitt; from Fort Wayne, Gaisner; from Toronto, Renfer. By Boston—From Chattanooga, Yerkes; from Worcester, C. A. Thompson; from Lynn, J. W. Burck; from Brockton, Dulin. By Chicago—From Birmingham, Messenger; from Wichita, Koerner; from Des Moines, Owen; from Quincy, Burg. By Cleveland—From Roanoke, Doane; from New Haven, R. Peckenpaugh; from Portland, S. A. Long and Gus Fisher. By Philadelphia—From Scranton, Charles Staley and Charles Friene (now with Danville). By New York—From San Antonio, Abeles; from Jersey City, Walsh and Johnson. By St. Louis—From Monmouth, Williams; from Springfield, Ill., Earl Hamilton; from Omaha, Corridor; from Newark, Waddell; from Toledo, Gilligan; from Montreal, Kritchell. National league—By Brooklyn—From Sioux City, H. H. Meyers; from Milwaukee, W. Schardt; from Chattanooga, Miller. By Cincinnati—From Fort Wayne, D. D. Young; from Buffalo, Carmichael; from Denver, Alvin Dolan; from Birmingham, Harry Covelick; from Buffalo, Mike Konnick; from Wheeling, Joseph Burns. By Chicago—From Danville, Fisher; from Spokane, Ray Keener; from Lincoln, Clyde Giest. By New York—From Rochester, C. Spencer; from Troy, H. L. Buck; from Memphis, Klavitter; from Lynn, F. Metz; from Newark, Kiebler. By Philadelphia—From Scranton, Edward McDonough, Bert Humphries, George Chalmers; from Albany, Ralph McBride; from Grand Rapids, Harry Welchone. By St. Louis—From Omaha, Meltzer; from Memphis, Johnson; from Louisville, Magee.

## PAID \$12,000 FOR RUSSELL?

Connie Mack Thought to Have Been Asleep if He Ever Paid That Sum for Pitcher.

They say Connie Mack paid \$12,000 for Pitcher Russell of the Baltimore club. Acquaintances of the astute manager of the Athletics are from Missouri, however. If Connie Mack ever paid \$12,000 for any player, he must be addicted to sleep walking, or has changed his system most radically, says Chicago Sunday Sporting Telegram.

Heretofore Connie has been content to get his players very cheaply and develop them himself. Plank, Bender, Coombs, Collins, Barry and Krause did not cost him a cent. He got Morgan in trade for Schlitzer. Harry Davis came to him with the franchise, as did "Topsy" Hartsel. Danny Murphy may have cost him a few hundred, and Baker, Oldring, Atkins, Dygert and Helmuller cost him a few thousand apiece, but it is doubtful if all the men on the Philadelphia payroll cost Mack much over \$13,000 at the outset.

## Old Team Retains Tennis Title.

Harold H. Hackett and Fred H. Alexander of New York, the veteran doubles pair, won the national tennis championship in doubles for the fourth successive time the other day by defeating T. C. Bundy and Trowbridge Hendrick of California in straight sets. scores were 6-1, 8-6, 6-3. The young westerners, who had defeated the champions of the east, south and middle west at Chicago earlier in the summer, were no match for the two men who have played together for so long.

## JUMP STARTED "ART" HOFMAN

Started in Baseball to Reach Some Other Profitable Business—George Huff Found Him.

By ARTHUR HOFMAN. I always played ball for the pleasure of it until I saw that there was a chance for me to get into fast company and make a better salary than I could as a bank clerk. Also I decided early in my career that baseball was the best means for me to reach some other profitable business.

I started playing ball with my brothers and the neighbor boys around St. Louis and joined a semi-professional team before I was sixteen. That led me to a job in a bank, which maintained a baseball team. I noticed that I received more attention and was more thought of because I was a good ball player and decided to become a better one. I had no idea of devoting all my time to the game. I played Saturdays, Sundays and holidays and worked in the bank the rest of the time.

I got into the Trolley league and played good ball, but never had an idea of becoming a big leaguer.

I was getting \$10 a game for playing, with a proviso that, if weather did not permit the game to be played, I got nothing. One day we were playing in East St. Louis and the river rose suddenly and swamped the ground. I wanted the \$10 and claimed the weather did not prevent the game because the sun was shining. The management kicked and I jumped. It was that jump which made me in baseball. I went to Alton and there was discovered. Pittsburgh got me, but they put me on the bench and I never



"Art" Hofman.

was a good bench player. Pittsburgh never gave me a chance but sent me back to the minors and finally George Huff found me and brought me to Chicago. There I had a lot of trouble until Seale left the team. That shows how lucky a player may be. If Seale had stayed with the team I probably never would have been heard from. He did not think I could play ball and wanted to let me go. Chance, however, had confidence in me and I think Chance's confidence did more to make me a ball player than anything else. I felt that he was risking his own reputation on me and wanted to make good for him as well as for myself. It is that confidence, one in another, that has helped make the Cubs a great ball club. A young player just starting in the business should think first whether he fits into a team and is in sympathy with it, and seek a berth with some club he likes and feels will like him.

## AROUND THE BASES

Frank Sparks, the old time Phillie pitcher, is making good as a Southern league pitcher.

"Texas" Covington of the Evansville baseball team, of the Central league has been sold to the Detroit Tigers for \$1,500.

Jimmie Doyle of the Louisville team has been purchased by the Cubs. He will not report until the end of the American association season.

President Comiskey does not think Meloan will lose his batting eye as the result of being rapped on the nose by that "bean" ball the other day. Down at Arcola, Ill., Ernest McDowell pitched a perfect game against Lovington, allowing no hits, no runs, and no base on balls. Arcola won over Lovington, 3 to 0.

Arrangements have practically been completed for a post season series between the two New York clubs at the end of the regular baseball season. There is a lot of rivalry between the clubs.

Happy Smith, who jumped the Brooklyn team recently, has been located in the outlaw Pacific Coast league. He quit the Superbas because he was in love with a girl in the far west. It is rumored.

The San Francisco and Oakland teams are fighting it out for the pennant in the Pacific Coast league. It is the first time Oakland has been in the running for years and Harry Wolverton is getting all kinds of praise from the fans across the bay.

Manager Jennings predicts that the Athletics are sure to have a slump. "Every team has its slumps. We have had ours and the Philadelphia men are bound to have theirs. Our men are rounding to form and will be going right in a few days, for they are hitting the ball hard again. I am satisfied with my men as they are."

Mike Kelly, manager of the St. Paul team of the American association, was in Chicago the other day. Mike says he is going to try to have some law passed to stop the big league castoffs from "coming back" hereafter. The Minneapolis team, which is made up of big league castoffs, is so far ahead of the other teams in the American association that the race is a joke. All of Joe Cantillon's veterans "came back" with a vengeance at the same time.

Mickey Conneran of the Buffalo Bisons has slumped in his batting since he has been signed by the Reds. He is missing a chance to connect with base hits every day now.

## For the Hostess

Chat on Interesting Topics of Many Kinds, by a Recognized Authority

### A New Game of Characters.

The hostess told us that the answers to the questions on our papers were all well-known personages in history, politics, literature and art; ancient and modern. The initial letters begin words that give a clue to identity. A certain time is allotted for discovering and putting down the full names. A prize is awarded for the best list. Have the slips type-written with spaces left below each question.

America's Liberator (Abraham Lincoln). His Union's Guardian (Hiram Ulysses Grant). A Cunning Detective (A. Conan Doyle). Won Santiago's Sign (Winfred Scott Schley). Was Martyred (William McKinley). Governed Cautiously (Grover Cleveland). The Roughrider (Theodore Roosevelt). Overcame Bonaparte (Otto Bismarck). Was Ever Great (William Ewart Gladstone). Eccentric And Poetic (Edgar Allan Poe). Oh What Humor (Oliver Wendell Holmes). Renowned With Essays (Ralph Waldo Emerson). Merry Tramp (Mark Twain). Jolly Keen Joker (Jerome K. Jerome). A Cunning Detective (A. Conan Doyle). Wizard Story-teller (Walter Scott). Suffrage Before All (Susan B. Anthony). For Every Woman (Frances E. Willard). The Astonishing Electrician (Thomas A. Edison).

Amiable Croesus (Andrew Carnegie). Inimitable Pianist (Ignace Paderewski). Mighty Artist (Michael Angelo). Wonderful Sapience (Wm. Shakespeare). Admirable Poet (Alex. Pope). Rustic Bard (Robert Burns). Terrible Complainer (Thos. Carlyle). Clever Delineator (Charles Dickens). Famous Darky (Fred'k Douglas). Original, Witty, Humorous (O. W. Holmes). Rabid Iconoclast (Robert Ingersoll). Voluminous Humanist (Victor Hugo). Tactful, Humorous, Delightful (Richard Harding Davis). Readable Wise Essays (R. W. Emerson). Readable Lasting Stories (R. L. Stevenson).

World Conceptor (Wilkie Collins). Creation Revealing Development (C. R. Darwin). Beguiling Traveler (Harriet Taylor). Jubilant War Hymn (Julia Ward Howe). Arthurian Troubadour (Alfred Tennyson). Helpless Kids (Rudyard Kipling). He Made Search (H. M. Stanley). His Words Lingere (H. W. Longfellow). Wittily Delineating Humanity (W. D. Howells).

Few More Captious (F. M. Crawford). Little Maids' Author (J. M. Alcott). English Critic Scholar (E. C. Steadman). England's Bright Bard (E. B. Browning). Brilliantly Non-sensical (Bill Nye). Preached Beautifully (Phillips Brooks).

### An Experience Party.

The invitations for this novel affair were given over the telephone, without which how did we ever live, move and have our being? The hostess asked each of her twelve guests to come prepared to tell in five minutes some incident of their summer. Most of them had been on various vacation trips. In this way an hour's entertainment was delightfully furnished. Then there was a reading that lasted 20 minutes given by a friend who was good enough to share some of her unpublished stories. The place cards laid on the tables spread on the porch were all foreign scenes collected by the hostess. Delicious sandwich rolls were served,iced coffee, olives, salted nuts and bonbons.

### A Magazine Game.

Some time ago the request came for a repetition of a certain magazine guessing contest. This one was sent by a Chicago reader and I hope will be what is needed.

1. One hundred years (Century). 2. Santa Claus (St. Nicholas). 3. An ancient minstrel (Harpers). 4. A public place in Rome (Forum). 5. An early New England settler (the Puritan). 6. Veracity (Truth). 7. One who sketches (the Delineator). 8. A noted fairy (Puck). 9. A large body of water (Atlantic). 10. The sailor's hoodoo (The Black Cat). 11. A dispenser of justice (Judge). 12. A prospect (The Outlook). 13. What we all cling to (Life). 14. A planet (The World). 15. A citizen of the world (Cosmopolitan). 16. A show ground (Arena). 17. A boy's jackknife (Youth's Companion). 18. Part of a rope (The Strand). 19. A child at night (Wide Awake). 20. Hash (Review of Reviews). MADAME MERRILL.

### Leather and Plush.

A pretty carriage seen recently was of brown oarze leather, with a design cut out so as to show the burnt orange plush lining. This would be equally pretty with velvet instead of plush, and is a welcome relief from the everlasting silver.

## Dresses for Girls



THE dress at the left is for a girl of fourteen to sixteen years, and is made up in butcher blue linen; the skirt is close-fitting and is trimmed at the lower edge by two bands of darker-colored linen, or striped linen would be smart.

The blouse is one of the ever-favorite one-piece styles, with Claudine cuffs and collar of platted lawn. Material required: 5 yards 48 inches wide.

The second costume is for a girl from sixteen to eighteen years, and might be carried out in Shantung, casement cloth or linen; a wide panel is taken down the front of the dress, joined to the sides by a wrapped seam, where it is trimmed with oval

buttons and loops of braid; the sides and back of skirt are tucked five times at the foot; the hem gives the appearance of a sixth tuck.

Lawn or soft silk is used for the under-slip, which has the sleeves set to deep embroidery cuffs; a Peter Pan collar is also made of this, and the collar is of tacked lawn.

Hat of fine straw lined with black and trimmed with a rose. Materials required: 7 yards 48 inches wide, 1 1/2 yard cord, 1 1/2 dozen buttons, 3/4 yard embroidery, 1 yard lawn 42 inches wide.

An exquisite Chantilly scarf for evening wear has some of the designs outlined with gold thread.

Hand Run Lace. Net laces run by hand are in good style, and they may be copied even without a definite lace pattern by using some imply designed lace and darning in the cotton, linen or silk floss upon the net, as nearly like the original as possible.

Also there is a way to make your own lace patterns. Any old piece of lace spread out upon a sheet of manilla paper may be successfully traced by the aid of pencil or tracing wheel, or by laying between the two a sheet of carbon paper and then carefully defining the carbon tracing with a hard pencil.

Over this paper pattern the net or wide footing is basted and the design worked out in whatever floss is chosen. "Silver threads among the gold"—both of these metallic strands upon black or white produce excellent results.

Hook-and-Eye Hints. When sewing the hooks and eyes on the placket of a skirt, sew one pair at the very bottom, fasten them and

## ONLOOKER

UNCONVENTIONAL FISH TALE

By WILBUR D. NESEBIT



Jones has rods that are steel-banded. Reels that run by hidden springs. Lines of linen many-stranded. Gaffs and floats and other things. He has flies—they come in booklets—And I smile when we go out To work over pools and brooklets After trout.

Jones has every known appliance To entice the fish to bite. He can talk about the science Of the sport from morn to night; He wears weird and wondrous garments And a hat with flapping brim. Is a noisier place by far When compared to all the stillness Where we are!

Oh, I pooh-pooh his notions. I could fish with a bent pin, And his cautious words and motions Simply make me wick and grim. Still, I'm sorry the line go whirring Fifty yards away and more, I sit with my pipe a-purring On the shore.

Jones has all that costly tackle—Special coat and boots and hat; Never slave had bond and shackles More completely forged than that. Still, I'm sorry the fish story Can't be ended as you'd wish. Jones, despite his costume-glory, Catches fish!

IN PLAIN ENGLISH. "Excelsior" is a poem about a young man who walked one winter evening through a village in the Alps. The hotelkeeper stood in his door and told him the rooms were all taken, but anyhow the young man knew he didn't have enough money for tips. So he went on. He carried a banner reading "Excelsior." One theory is that he was a drummer for an upholstery house and the other is that he was a demented breakfast food vendor. He was found next morning near the top of the mountain, and his relatives were notified.

"Maud Muller" is a poem about a young woman of that name who had never heard of suffrage. She was out raking hay one morning when a judge came along on a horse and asked for a drink of water. They flirted a little bit while she waited on him and then he rode on to the next town, where he was to hear a case involving a stolen hog. Maud went back to the field and finished raking the hay. The report that either she or the judge ever wished they had married is unfounded. Maud married a man owning 600 acres of land. Her husband afterward became sheriff of the county. After the judge's term expired he went to congress.

Mary had a lamb that she spoiled by overfeeding and cuddling. She took it to school with her one day and the lamb bothered the spelling class, so the teacher kicked out of the front door. Not having any sense of direction it blatted around the school yard until finally the teacher sent Mary home with it and told her if she ever brought it again there would be trouble. Next spring Mary's father sold the lamb on the rising market.

Mental Growth. "I've read Shakespeare's works through five times this year," declares the individual with the puffy eyes and the contented smile. "Much good it does you," comment the listener. You can't quote anything from his works. You don't remember anything you read.

"Oh, yes, I can. But I've broadened intellectually, so that while I remember a great part of what I read I also remember what an aggravation it is to others to hear one quoting selections all the time."

Health Hint. "Sir," says the lady with the long nettle to the gruff old doctor. "I do not appreciate the way in which you speak to me, as if I were one of the common herd. And you have kept me waiting for an hour. I wish you to know that I have blue blood in my veins."

"Humph! I'm going to fix that," growls the doctor. "You'll have to quit eating so much trash, and take some iron and quinine."

At Colon. "But my goodness! I don't see why they want to cut a canal through Panama. I don't see why anybody on earth should want to go from one side to the other of this place."

"Yes! But, you see, there will be a certain advantage in being able to come from the other side to this quick-ly when one grows disgusted with having gone from this side to the other."

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pig's. "There's a Reason." Never read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are amusing, true, and full of honest interest.

On an average 44.76 inches of rain falls every year in New York.

## CHEERFUL WORDS FOR SUFFERING WOMEN

No woman can be healthy with sick kidneys. They are often the true cause of bearing-down pains, headaches, dizziness, nervousness, languor, etc. Keep the kidneys well and health is easily maintained. Doan's Kidney Pills make strong, healthy kidneys.

Mrs. Della E. Chapman, 5 Winthrop St., Hartford, Conn., says: "I was a wreck from kidney

trouble. I spent over \$700.00 doctoring but to no avail. I was in despair when I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills but soon felt better. For seven years I have been free from kidney trouble."

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

But it doesn't rain very hard on the unjust if he is roosting under a stolen umbrella.

FOR COLDS AND GRIP. EICK'S CAPSINE is the best remedy—relieves the aching and feverishness—cures the cold and restores normal conditions. It's liquid—effects immediately. 10c, 25c, and 50c. At drug stores.

There are two kinds of unhappy people in the world—those who are sad because they are not known, and those who are miserable because they are

Didn't Want His Chewed. Bill—Don't you like to see a dog chewing a bone? Jill—Yes, if it's not one of my own.—Yonkers Statesman.

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM. Take the Standard GLOBE'S FAPILLER GLOBE PILL. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle. It's GLOBE'S GLOBE and from it is a little less form. It's plain, drives out the malarial heat from the system. Sold by all dealers for 30 days. Price 50 cents.

A Summer Resort. Noah disembarked. "A combination of the mountains and seashore!" he cried. Herewith he resolved to advertise the tour.

Got Stung, All Right. Bill—This paper says that bees were unknown to the Indians. Jill—Yes, I believe it was the traders who used to sting them.—Yonkers Statesman.

Then It Happened. "What made you think he would propose to me?" "Why, when I refused him he said he didn't care what became of him; but perhaps he wasn't serious."—Houston Post.

Active Possession. Guinevere, aged four, was going out to walk with a young lady, of whom she was very fond. As they opened the street door they were met by a swirling cloud of dust, blown up from the thoroughfare.

"Keep your lips tightly closed, Gwen, or you'll get your lungs full of microbes," warned the young lady. Guinevere pondered a moment and then, looking up, demanded: "What are your robes?"—National Monthly.

A Liking for "Hamlet." "Do you like Hamlet?" asked the hostess of her unlettered, if gushing, guest. "Indeed I do," was the reply. "I am excessively fond of it, but I always prefer a savory to a sweet one."

There was a momentary confusion, and then the hostess realized that the admiration of the guest was of a culinary, not literary, character. "I gave her ham with an omelette for breakfast next morning," said the hostess, when telling the story.—Scraps.

When the Fish Exploded. Somebody discovered that fish are fond of gasoline, and this led to the idea of soaking worms in gasoline in order to make them more alluring when used for bait.

Mark the result. Two of those gasoline-tempted fish exploded in the frying pan, and broke the kitchen window, and blew the cook's face full of mashed potato, and hurled the teakettle into the four barrel, and painted the kitchen ceiling with stewed tomatoes.

Call it a lying word and let it go at that.

"NO FRILLS" Just Sensible Food Cured Him. Sometimes a good, healthy commercial traveler suffers from poorly selected food and is lucky if he learns that Grape-Nuts food will put him right.

A Cincinnati traveler says: "About a year ago my stomach got in a bad way. I had a headache most of the time and suffered misery. For several months I ran down until I lost about 10 pounds in weight and finally had to give up a good position and go home. Any food that I might use seemed to nauseate me."

"My wife, hardly knowing what to do, one day brought home a package of Grape-Nuts food and coaxed me to try it. I told her it was no use but finally to humor her I tried a little, and they just struck my taste. It was the first food I had eaten in nearly a year that did not cause any suffering."

"Well, to make a long story short, I began to improve and stuck to Grape-Nuts. I went up from 135 pounds in December to 194 pounds the following October."

"My brain is clear, blood all right and appetite too much for any man's pocketbook. In fact, I am thoroughly made over, and owe it all to Grape-Nuts. I talk so much about what Grape-Nuts will do that some of the men on the road have nicknamed me 'Grape-Nuts,' but I stand today a healthy, non-checked man—a pretty good example of what the right kind of food will do."

"You can publish this if you want to. It is a true statement without any frills."

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