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# GEOSTS OF BRIBE SCANDAL FAIL

#### EXPERIENCE PROVES BIG ASSET FO M'GRAW

Senators' Visibly Under Nervous Strain, Make Costly Errors; Bribe Expose Has Not Hurt Attendance.



pers of the Giants are

on, by the narrow margin of one run. but were challenging until the very last Much has oven written, and the scandal mongers have been working far into the

night since O'Connell and Dolan were disinisted from the ranks of Organized Basehall, and it may be that there is still a great deal to come of an interesting nature out of the case. The latest is that | Commissioner Landis has promised to give Loden another interview. The former ceach of the Giants has maintained that | he is innocent of the hatching of the conoplings by which an attempt was made with O'Connell as the agent to get Philadenotes to "lot up" in the game of Sepcanabar 17 in order that the Giants might ! Charged by Sand.

die, acting with President Heydler of the be in charge. National League, sifted the charges made by Shortstop Sand of the Phile here the A. Comiskey, owner of the White Sox; counts after all. right of October 1. O'Connell made & J. Louis Comiskey and Mrs. Comiskey, Sand was to have received \$500 for not Association player. "bearing down" too hard and then named | them and they proved to the satisfaction and taking care of other foreign details. o' both Heyeler and Landis that they had arithing to do with it.

The usual much raking followed with Ban Johnson, of the American League, the ball. The injury was regarded as light. thing is certain-had Johnson been pres- Lake. His wife died last year. est. Landis and Heydler would have avoided inneh of the embarrassment which | has grown out of the inferences and velled conress that the bottom of the mess manager of the 1924 Fort Smith team of nals will book a pitcher and another playhad not been reached by the probers: Federal Investigation May Follow.

substituted for New York in the Series, per and Branch Rickey. The plan under Harry Williams' loop, having got first ball seriously. Many tales are being told had hit safely in 31 successive contests. or the games called off, said that he would which Marr is working is to sell each of demand that a federal investigation be the 200 prospective stockholders a \$100 try during the late summer. made of the case. He immediately dis- block of stock. Harper, who is pesident patched his attorney to Washington to of the club, announced some tme age that that Lester Bell, leading hitter of the youngsters a good example, instead of guson was the most successful pitcher see what could be done. Pollowing on it would be sold. It is not known what the heels of the American League execu- price is asked. tive's remarks, came a statement from-Congressman Bloom of this city, who declared that the game should be regulated by federal act. He said: convinces me that the time has come a supervisory interest in baseball. Baseball is n matter of interstate commerce. The two major leagues and most of the minor leagues, all larger minor leagues, are interstate affairs. Congress has power to regulate the interstate operation of railroads and the interstate nual draft meeting of the major leagues the cancer was discovered with the argu-"If Congress can do this, it can regulate meeting was scheduled for October 2, but interstate baseball. The sport is a ma- was costponed because of the absence of tional pastime and it has taken such a several club representatives who were unhold on our people that the government able to get there. should provide some port of regulation for the good of the sport itself, as well as the protection of the public. Baseball magnates recognized the demand for some sort of superregulation when Judga Landis was chosen as char, but the game is too big for one man to control. When Congress reconvenes I shall introduce a regulatory bill, and I believe it will be

O'Gonnell Still In New York, O'Connell has delayed his departure for his home in California because of the publication of an anonymous letter in a New York newspaper which was supposed to Series. have been written by a Broaday gamwagered \$100,000 that New York would win the National Longue fing by two games and that \$5,000 had been paid over about those two games." undoubtedly reonly the "goat." cast out. entd by the missive is not clear. three games that have been played. In the opening same in Washington the Sen-

enacted into a law."

WHITE SOX RETAIN CHICAGO CITY TITLE

Victory Makes Ninth Time American League Team Has Won Honors, Compared to Three for Nationals.

HICAGO, Ill., Oct. 7.—The White Sox are the champions of Chicago for the second straight year, defeating the Cubs in the deciding same of the series yesterday, 5 to 3. It was the sixth game of the series, the Cubs having captured the first and ofth combats solely on the pitching of Grever Alexander. In all the other contests the Sox pitching and attack were superior. The victory made the ninth time the American Leaguers have were the title compared to these been hevering over their beads since the expulsion of Coach Cosy Delan and Substitute Outfielder Jimmy O'Connell, it has not reflected in the playing of the pitching of Grever Alexander. In all the other contests the Sox pitching and attack were superior. The victory made the ainth time the American Leaguers have wen the tule, compared to three for the National League team.

Hollis Thurston and Ted Lyons hurled the Sox to victory. Thurston, swept aside in the terrid Cub attack in the seventh incident. the team in the three World's Series games of the following of the first decided. It is a matter of common behaviored that the Glants have played the score, and Lyons came on to wind the first decided and in short World's Series will. The attendance has come up to all club could not catch the Sox after they club could not catch the Sox after they When they went into the fourth game with the Senators they held a two same to his advantage, having beaten the American League team in the first and third games. They dropped the second third games. They dropped the second encounter, which was played in Washinggot away to a four-run lead in the first

Number of Players From Other Teams Will Join European Tourists. CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 7.-The players who will make the European tour with the O'Neill, who is looking after the details. The Soy, line-up will include Mostil, Falk, Kamm. Morehart, Clancy, Faber, Robertson, Lyons, Foreman, Ed Walsh, all of the regular Chicago tenm, Ruel and Rice of Washington, and Pirinich of Boston. Johnny Evers will have charge of the squad. The members of the Giants' party will

make ture of their fourth straight pen- | be Groh, Jackson, Frisch, Young, Mousel, Bentley, Jonnard, Nehf, Gowdy, Jennings, away leagues, were given specific instrucall of the regular New York team, and tions to concentrate on pitching talent late Glants and Robins engaged in during the Both O'Conneil and Dolan were sum- McInnis and Stengel of Boston, and Hen- in the season, and these able bush beat- last half of the season, experience counts. carrily expelled when Commissioner Lan- line of Philadelphia. John McGraw will era unquestionably have a lot of "leads." Others in the party will include Charles

clean breast of the thing, implicated Do- Harry Grabiner, wife and child, and W. an a the instigntor of the plot by which D. White, former Louisville American out to reach early in 1924-that of build- the outfit would have gotten nowhere. .Announcement, of the personnel of the Frieds, Kally and Young as being familiar tour came as refutation to the reports that Fried, Kally and Young as being familiar tour came as refutation to the reports that thusiasm and spirit in their work. He the Gtants and the Robins with the details of the bribe plan. It is had sained circulation that the unterprise and accumulated applications pitcher build sained circulation that the unterprise and accumulated applications pitcher build sained circulation that the unterprise and accumulated applications pitcher build sained circulation that the unterprise and accumulated applications of the bribe plan. row history that the Commissioner ac- would not be undertaken. Dick Einsella, cuitied the latter three of complicity scout for the Giants, has been in Europe when there was no direct evidence against some time arranging for exhibition dates

Young Oakland Outfleider Dies. OAKLAND, Cat. Oct. 6 .- Osborne (Os-"road hints that McGraw's influence had slc) Johnson, young outfielder of the lorevailed once again and that all of the cal Coast League team, is dead of blood assignments, next season. After pitching placed will depend entirely upon circumroots in the scardul had not been disclos- poisoning. In a series with Portland in a victory against Philadelphia in the final stances. ed to the public. The fact that President May, the player was struck by a batted series of the last road trip somebody asked . Carson Bighee had a very poor year. third member of the Advisory Council, but finally forced him to go to a hospital, quiry came after he had whiffed four of cal condition than he was in this year, niong with Landis and Hoydler, was not He was able to rejoin the team in Au- the Philage apprised of the meeting, or of the charges gust, but returning home September 16, shout to be siged, naturally set many to complained of illness. He was again thinking. Johnson had been snubbed by taken to a hospital where it was found Landle before, but it seemed that he blood poisoning had been diffused throughshould have had a voice in a meeting out out his system. His condition gradually f which such grave charges grew. One grew worse. Jonhson's home was in Sait

Fans May Buy Fort Smith Club. FOR SMITH, Ark., Oct. 7 .- Runt Marr. charges, that Brooklyn should have been chase the local franchise from Blake Har-

Landle to Inteview Dolan Again, NEW YORK, Oct. 7 .- Commissioner Landis yesterday announced that he would the spring he could hit, but he was un- or two along this line this year, and has sentative of the players, by the President "The nation-wide interest in the World's grant Cozy Dolan, scout for the New Series now in progress, combined with Tork Giants until he was barred in the his heaves would land. the national chagrin that one of the par- bribery, episode, another interview conticipating teams is involved in a scandal, cerning his ouster. Dolan has maintained that he is innocent of the charge made season, is a fine fielder, and Rickey may when the l'ederal Government should take sgainst him by Jimmy O'Connell, who was find a place for him in 1925. expelled with him. O'Connell incidentally has delayed his departure for his home in teams, naturally was shocked by the scan- may be, it is always better to take string- club their heartiest congratulations on

> Major Draft Meeting Delayed. WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7 .- The an-

fielded almost flawlessly, and have appeared stronger at bat. So, in the long run, the experience gained in winning the National League pennant four times, and participating in a like number of World's Series, may prove him scrift. Cozy was known as his own too much for the first-time Washington champions. One thing is certain, however, the Senators are never licked. Whoever are the 1925 major league champions and whether there is a base-

ball scandal a year from now, an unusual

An umpire's strike is set, according to that Organized Baseball is clean and will lire of their boss. The letter said that a certain group had been in the wind for a year-since Comwagered \$100,000 that New York would missioner Landis bluntly told the four umon the game as a whole, except that it derive ball this season, but he has inseveral leaders, for next October. It has not tolerate such tactics. pires assigned to the 1923. Series they were will strengthen the public's confidence in curred the displeasure of his employer, not as important to the Series as the low- the men who are responsible for the fu- and it would not be a great surprise if by the club. to a Giant player in the bribe effort. The lin't substitutes, and that he would have ture of the sport. They are determined he and Barney were to have a roal tilt crippling of the team late in the season, men stationed conveniently to take charge to keep the game free from taint." the letter said, "worried the gamblers if the regulars threw him down. Though his tirale then was due to his misconstrucferring to the last two contests of the tion of the purpose of the delegation that season with the Phillies at the Polo visited him, the four umpires later made Grounds. It concluded that O'Connell was known their dissatisfaction with an \$8,000 dividend between them from a million-dol-O'Connell seemed heartened by the let- lar gate. They had called for the purpose the third member of the Advisory Counters' insistence that he was only the of reaching an understanding with Landis cil of the major leagues, with Landis and feels that he is not appreciated here. A crowd. "No." said the ticket holder, "I'll "gost," he he has maintained since being as to special ground rules on the first call. President Heydler, of the National League, certain telegraphic message, sent by the give you \$20 for them," said the other;

Before the opening game Umpires Connolly, Klem. Dincen and Quigley are said alors suffered from stage fright, and in to have shaken hands on a vow never the third game played at the Polo Grounds again to handle a World's Series for less White Sox was cleaned up of its fifthy lie has played good bell this summer, in were selling to the brokers, on the sound they seemed over-anxious and errors re- than a fourth of the total of two winning mess by Mr. Johnson, after the skeletons spite of the fact that he was out of it that it was illegal for them to sell withteam players' shares and two losing team had been hidden in the closet, there to be with injuries for a considerable stretch, out a broker's license. The Gients, on the other hand, have players' shares, GOTHAM. | forgotten.

## SISLER TO MANAGE BROWNS NEXT YEAR

PITCHING ABOUT ONLY THING HE'LL DREYFUSS SAYS HE'S SATISFIED WITH RUEL, FOR INSTANCE, IS TEN POUNDS NEED FOR A WINNER.

Rickey Appears to Be Sittin' Pretty With Several Changes Likely, Grimm, Cooper Youngsters; Bribe Incident Proves Game Cannot Be Manipulated.



George Steler will be manager of the St. Louis Browns again next year—that is if he wants the job. Phil Ball, president of the club, has unbounded faith in George, tikes him personally and takes the slant of the fans. Who figure that Sisler did, and the considering the way the pitching safe sanybody could have done with the team, considering the way the pitching as to what will be done to regenerate the hurling corps, but of course there is a close, hard-fought race. They have been also asking whether all of the boys who fought under McKechnie this direction.

There are a number of reusons why the stall, and some popular pennant winners ever known, because they came clean, only the most popular pennant winners ever known, because they came clean, and then, too, if Sister makes it strong direction.

There are a number of reusons why the stall reading manager, and

himself gray with all of the useless flippers who were carried in 1924. well with Tulsa where he was loaned under option, will be back. He has always be at the helm hext apring. Naturally, he ever saw. That is a good statement been a winner in the Western League. Bill wants another chance. He has been of the case, and it is also true that this Chicago White Sox and New York Giants but seems to shrink when he faces the in the midst of a rebuilding process, is a battle between the two most couragebig leaguers, this in view of the fact that the Western is what is known as a "hitters' league"-a loop where the old-timers and youngsters alike thrive on whaling the apple. It is possible, though, that made up largely of young material, which firmness and brilliance of tried veterans. his stay with Tulsa gave him that some will be benefited by their experiences in American League.

Bloodhounds Have Been Busy. representatives of the team in the far- come through this season: Getting them naturally is something else fluence is halpful. Both NoGraw and again, for it's the coin of the realm that Robinson had more older players than had Branch Rickey no doubt has made pleas-

Rhem, the chap from Fort Smith. Gonzales: "What has he got?" This in- Unless he shows up in better physi-

time and that he mixes this with a knuckle his place. catch, let alone hit. Interested in Coast Players.

Branch also has something in the fire 1924. with at least one Coast League club, and there is reason to believe that the Cardithe Western Associaton, has launched a er. Scout Charley Barrett has been in drive toward forming a stock company the Coast region for a long time and is Ean Johnson, who felt, in view of the of fans here, with 200 members, to pur- doing a lot of trailing. Rickey, himself, on the twirler himself. He is of a carehas a pretty good line on the players in less nature, and does not take his basehand information on a tour of that coun- of his escapades, as well as those of a

American, Association for 1924, will also violating all rules of discipline, as they against them. In six starts Aleck beat be back with the Cardinals. The young did. infielder played a splendid game at short A stern disciplinarian is apparently, one for Milwaukee all season, as well as to top of the Pirates' greatest needs. Perhaps the batters. When Rickey had him in Manager McKechnie has learned a thing presented to Stanley Harris, as the reprecertain affold and never was sure where come to the conclusion that he will have of the Board of Commissioners of the Dis-Thevenow, whom the Cardinals played achieve success.

St. Louis, with its two major league dal in the ranks of the Giants. The aver- out measures with him right away. age fan, however, puts a broad constructempt and points to the speed with which able leeway, but he sets the limit, and of the people of Washington to have a tion on what happened in the bribery atball and get away with it. That seems arm of the managerial anger.

will out," sc will crookedness. The incident reached closely to many fans because Cozy Dolan was a member ates. One ridiculous yarn had it that of the Cardinals for several seasons when Barney Dreyfuss was contemplating A Miller Huggins had the team. They recalled that Huggins was tickled pink when the entire team would be missing next ton have no doubt will be accomplished; the club decided to settle with Cozy while spring. his contract had a year to go and cut enemy while here; having little standing with his fellow players because they could not measure his friendship with full sin-

Game Bigger Than Cheaters. interest will attach to the next World's Branch Rickey, resurding the scandal, make some demands, when contract sign-"and we all feel it deeply, yet it shows ing time arrives, which may arouse the Some American League partisans here believe that it would have been to the take the first sack berth, if Grimm va- including some who had made application definite in the way of announcements to has declared he is not ready to quit baseadvantage of the game had President Ban cates it. However, let it be said that the a month or so ago, In one case, a man spring. So far as known now there will ball just yet. Still he may dispose of his Johnson of the American League been fans are likely to how! loud and long if filed an early request for two box seats, be no representatives of the majors at club before spring comes. A Bridgeport present when the action was taken against anything happens to Grimm, one of the and, when he was given two in a pavillen Dolan and O'Connell. They feel that as best fielding first sackers in the business. Instead, he expressed his disappointment. he should have participated in the hear- president of the club to the manager in and he did. Just why O'Connell should feel heart- plon among the arbiters of the majors, and ing. Certainly Mr. Johnson's presence the East on the first or second trip. unless the commission and the club own- would have had the effect of eliminating sroused Cooper's anger, and he has not Getting back to the Series, the Giants or get together this winter and meet the much of the mystery and doubt as to the forgotten the incident. Cooper had a ets from holders for \$21.50, and selling carried out with the usual spectacular dis- | be back. play by the Commissioner. oughness with which the house of the for him to give his best efforts here. them by arresting the ticket holders who

## M'KECHNIE HEARS SHOUTING OF MOB

BILL'S WORK, HOWEVER.

and Schmidt Having Axes to Grind With Owner.



There are a number of reasons why the There are several likely looking pros- Buccaneers of 1924 didn't win. Some fans

things, and has let it be known that the went through. managerial position for 1925 is McKechnie's Bill Bayne, the left-hander, who did so if he wants it. This is tantamount to as great a one as some former ones that saying that Wilkinsburg Bill will again could be named, but it is the gamest one which is far from completed. Well Fixed for Future.

thing which he needed for success in the the campaign just closed. As a matter of have opposed, and the locals are glad of the general lack of poise was largely re- in the field, win or lose. Scouts Monahan and Cahill, as well as sponsible for the failure of the outfit to In a close race, such as the Pirates, Age, carrying with it its standying in-

the local club. This is not detracting from the worth ing strides toward the ends which he set of Pittsburg's youngsters. Without them. ing up from the ground with a bunch of Right now, Pittsburg is better off, so far live-wire young fellows who will put en- as the future is concerned, then either the Giants, if that is any sign of what thurs and spirit in their work. He the Giants and the Holling will happen. Some of the players lost a who should make the grade. He is Flint ing along as Catchers Knox, Pitchers Kremer. Yde. Stone, Songer and others.

Rhem, while not being a real busky, is Infelders Wright, Barnes, Traynor and big fellow and in some respects gives a Moore, and a bunch of outfielders like hint of Dazzy Vance. He has a dazzling Cuyler. Moore can be used either in the fast ball and with a little more brushing infield and outfield. It is going to be a off, plus control, it is difficult to reason difficult job to keep him out of a regular how he will be kept away from regular berth next year, but where he will be

and unless he makes an impressive start Gonzales said that Rhem has one of the next spring, there is little doubt that he best "zip" balls he find seen in a long will pass as a regular. Moore may get his ball which resembles a fade-away. The The Pirates would have done better against them in the first inning of the latter, Gonzales said, is most difficult to this year, also, had one of the veterin pitchers done what was expected of him. Johnny Morrison was the prize "bust" of

is His Own Enemy. After his sensational record of 1923. McKechnie had every right to expect great things of him, but he failed to come through; and the fans blame his downfall few other members of the club, notably high, but they were the most successful We must not overlook the fact either, older men, who should have set the

to-rule with an iron hand, if he hopes to trict of Columbia, who also issued the folat short during the last month of the Allowing any player to feut up is tablishing a dangerous precedent, and is nearly always injurious to club morals, and the citizens thereof, the commission-No matter how valuable the rule violator lers extend to the Washington baseball That is one secret of John McGraw's loan League.

will be held tomorrow. Originally the ment that cheaters cannot cheat in base, the boundary is certain to feel the strong our occasions we have copie near this appears to be plenty of business for the to be a logical conclusion, for as "murder | There have been a number of silly storles published here recently as to what is youthful and intrepid manager. Stanley going to happen this winter to the Pirwholesale clean-up, and that practically other feat which the citizens of Washing-

> May Be Some Holdouts. While there is no desire on the part of the club to part with any asset, it is Washington beginning October 4. The city probably true that there will be some of Washington feels much honored that it trouble in signing up some of the men. | will be the scene of the first game of the Waiter Schmidt, Charley, Grimm, and Wil- | Series, and every inhabitant is confident bur Cooper are never easy to sign, and that its team will capture the world's "It is a very regrettable incident," said there are rumors that they are going to championship."

during the next few months.

RALPH S. DAVIS.

## SENATOR PLAYERS FALL OFF IN WEIGHT

UNDER NORMAL FIGURE.

Hard Campaign, Plus World's Series, Has Had Its Effect on Men; Capital Proud of Griff's Fighters.



versally admired fighting manager, and

There are several likely looking prospects in the cluster of young men recalled from the minors, but in the main it does not look like any of them are Wingards. There is also a possibility that two or more of the deadweight heavers, who hung around all sesson, will be crammed together in one package and traded for one dependable Class AA heaver. It is almost certain that Sisler will not worry attacked with the way McKechnie has run after such strengous campaigns as they after such strenuous campaigns as they

President Griffith says his team is not ous and indomitable teams there are. The Washingtons have the fire and inspiration He ought to have a much better club next of comparative youth and a belief that year than this season, for the Pirates are nothing can stop them, and the Glants the They are the bardest team the Griffs could fact, the greenness of the material and it and hope they can put their full strength Eaton Qualifles as Seer.

> It was stated in this column two weeks ago that, if the three straight pennant limit was ever surpassed. McGraw would do it, and now was his time, aided by his usual resourcefulnes and some soft games. As it turned out, he did even better, as he won with a crippled team in his toughest sories.

The Griffs had a hard road to travel to get into this World's Series scrap, and lot of weight during the fine pertrained ry than those who were in the thick of the fight, complained very bitterly that he had spent several years cultivating a bay window, only to lose it all on the last eventful trip. Muddy Ruel. whose normal playing weight is only 145 pounds, lost more than ten pounds of it by continuous work behind the bat, catching the fast pitching of Johnson and Marberry, but is feeling fit to do all the Series work if

The first game in the last series in Boston, when Alex Ferguson beat them and cut their lead to one game, was one of the worst blows to the Griffs, and when the Red Sox started by scoring four runs next day's game, it was a case of "Life's Darkest Moment." and "When a Feller Needs a Friend," but they bucked up and beat the Fohlies to it, and then turned in and cinched the pennant in the third con-

Ferguson Breaks Two Streaks. When Ferguson beat the Griffmen he broke Walter Johnson's string of victories. after he had won 18 straight games, and The Red Sox may not have finished very team in winning from Johnson, and Ferthem four time, tied once and lost once. The triumph of the team was made a public event, and the key of the city was lowing proclamation:

winning the baseball pennant in the Amer-

goal. But it remained for this year for the present Washington team. led by its Harris, and the veteran, Clark Griffith, to bring home the coveted flag "This feat is but a forerunner of anthat is, for the Washington team to van-

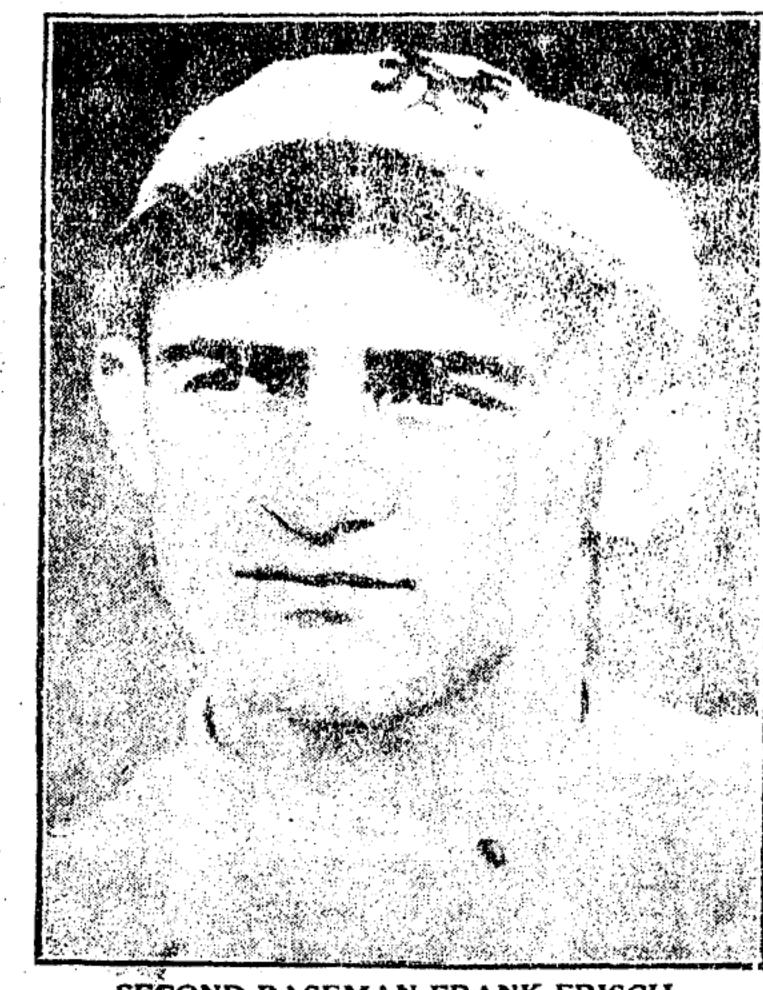
quish its rival, the New York Glants, in the World's Sories which will be held in Rush for Tickets Unparalleled.

The rush to obtain tickets for the Series was like a civil war. According to some estimates, as many as 15,000 people were clamoring for them at one time. although they could only be obtained by those holding cards which had been mailed to them over 200,000, applicants for tickets, of l

the government as tax, under a law

Ticket speculators did considerable buil-

#### REGULAR BUSINESS WITH HIM



SECOND BASEMAN FRANK FRISCH Records of the first three games of the World's Series show that the Giants have

outfielded their Antirican League rivals, but if one is permitted to become a triffe facetious, and still remain within reasonable bounds of truthfulness, it can be said that Captain Frankle Frisch has outfielded the Senators. Anybody who saw the third game of the Series will admit that the second baseman was just about everywhere an ordinary human could be. He scooped them up tothe left of him, dashed to the right of him, and no less than three times scooted far into the outfield to catch drooping flies just out of reach of the outfielders. Singlehanded he choked off the Senators whenever they became dangerous. The Series has been slow in producing outstanding individual performers, but the laurel wreath rests with Frisch for the time being at least. Frisch has been playing in World's Series in all but two years of six he has been

with the Giants, and is an experienced big money player. He became a fixture on McGraw's team in 1919, the year he joined the team, going directly from Fordham college, where he starred in footbell as well as baseball. His general play throughout the 1924 season was a big factor in keeping the Giants on topin the first three games of the current Series Frisch accepted 21 chances without a miss, and got five hits in 12 times at bat, for an average of .440. In the series of 1921 he had a batting mark of .300, while in '22 it was .471, and in '23, .400.

#### ECONOMY WILL BE STRESSED AT ANNUAL CONFAB OF MINORS

Operating Expenses Are Running Too High and Retrenchment Must Come, According to Views Expressed by Number of Club Owners.



that all leagues and clubs will be urged tween clubs and players.

will be made to get the delegates to contrate on baseball problems. is the lesson that they must take themselves and their game, more seriously. League meetings as well as National As- the International League for a "resular sociation sessions are likely to be devoted more to the business at hand and there the respective pennant winners every fall.

consider. Draft to Get Attention. The draft, the optional agreement play- | years all games with the International er, the player and salary limits, the re- League champions have been played in lations between the minors, and the ma- Eastern League territory. The Plastern jors and all such topics, will be on the League will urge that this be a real se-Hartford program. Those favoring the ries the next time, with the permant draft are stronger than ever for it, though cities splitting the number of carnes. The they are opposed to the wholesale pick - Eastern League is chesty proudly to deing of of sandlot players by the majors, clare that "there is no difference between-They want the majors to let up on the the grade of ball between the leadurs" practice of scouring the open lots, arguing that the developing of the new player series it will even offer to play al! games is strictly the province of the minor in an International League city. league. They also want the majors to use the draft more than they have been accustomed to do the rest few years. It among the AA leagues has weakened lieved Worcester will withdraw but that greatly and that the Infernational League all the other members will stick. Port-

the best rolley. it is rianning to make the convention one city can be warmed up a trille. very much concerned whether or not they as far as negotiations have traveled.

ization" of the minor leagues, but that followers if L'mpires Brown and Suzamers seems too much to look for. He thinks were said to higher leagues this winter. all leagues are running wild in the mat-

will of the minors.

PRINCEPIELD, Mass., Oct. 5 .-- | ter of salaries to players and he would given the closest of considera- ties for the violations of them. The new tion at the annual meeting of limits and the new penalties are likely the National Association of to be voted upon, but not the complete re-Minor Beseball Leagues at organization. On the Saturday before the Hartford Conn. the first week | Hartford get-together the National Poard of December. It is contended of Arbitration will nicett in New York to in influential quarters, that the associa- size up the situation and the following tion will be requested to vote on lower weeks it will have cally sessions at Hartsalary limits for the various leagues and ford to handle the routine equabbles beto pay stricter attention to their operat- Several of the leagues will hold their

ing expenses. Retremement is not new annual meetings in the convention city hy any means, but it will be urged with and many of them will have special meetpiore emphasis than own hefore at Hart- lings between now and December to get a league contiment on the marters likely Delegates to the convention this year to be taken up at Hartford. The Eastern are to be impressed with the fact that League has already called a meeting of the association wants the convention to the directors to find out the attitude on be a real business meeting and not a re- certain matters. Its annual meeting will union. Social features are to be eliminat- be held at Waterbury, the ronnant city. "A Proclamation: On behalf of the ed as far as possible and every attempt probably after the Hartford convention. the Eastern League have disposed of The past reason taught the minors sev- the champions of the International League eral lessons and not the least important in sets of games three years running, the Eastern League will vote at its annual meeting to formally issue a challenge to

series" of four in seven games between .Waterbury recently beat Rallimore three leagues individually and as a whole to straight; adding to the giories won by Hartford last year and by New Haven in 1922 over the Orioles. The most three and if the International turns down the

Worcester May Drop Out. There has been much discussion regarding possible changes in the Eastern. a contended that opposition to the draft League circuit for next season. It is heis about ready to accept conscription as land. Me., Providence and Troy, have already been auggested to replace Wornester The Eastern League feels flattered in with the chances favoring Providence if peing given the national convention and sentiment for Eastern League ball in that With only 37,000 seats to distribute to of the best ever. The league has started It has also been reported that the preparing for the reception of the base- Pridgeport Club may change hands, but Everett Barnes has been groomed to course many had to be disappointed, even ball more something Owner Timothy J. Sullivan of Springfield, Hartford, and after the experience at Chin man has offered him what is considered caso last season the small fellows; are not by some a "good price," but that is about

get a visit from the big leagues. They Peter J. McLaughlin, of the Fartern feel they were snubhed at Chicago, and League umpire staff, was tried out by the will not ment in a big league city again National League in Boston the last week for some time. Commissioner Landis, may of the season. He did so well he may be take in the sessions. Though the minors with the big show next season. Mehave played better. World's Series ball umpires' demends, difficulties next fall are extent of the investigation which was great year, and the fans hope that he will them for \$50, half of their profit going to year he did not show up at any of the League for two years, passing up the long discussions and so there is no particular to umpire twilight games, and college As for Schmidt, personald enmity be- which prevented their being penalized, reason to look for him at Hartford other games in Esstern New England. He lize The fans have not forgotten the thor- tween him and Dreyfuss makes it hard The authorities soon found a way to check than that he may want to keep the good been on the league's suspended list l'ut." was recently restored to good standing. One man wants a "complete reorgan- It would be no surprise to Eastern Lyague." COLLINS