

# Accurate Runs-Scored Records for Players of the Deadball Era: The Players on the 1912, 1914, and 1915 Detroit Tigers

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**APPENDIX — Text descriptions from newspaper accounts for each of the runs scored in games with run-scored errors in official records. Also provided are the run-scored numbers from the box scores given in the newspaper accounts as well as from the box scores on the Retrosheet website (accessed on January 21, 2017).**

## 1912

There are seven games in which the official DBD originally-recorded records are compromised with inaccurate runs-scored numbers:

### May 9, 1912 — Detroit at Boston — Detroit scored 4 runs

#### First Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*Detroit Free Press (DFP)* — “First, Engle fumbled Bush’s easy grounder and he was safe. Vitt’s hard drive to left sent Bush to third and Vitt made second on the throw. Cobb smashed a hard grounder at Wagner and was safe when Wagner’s knee instead of his hands blocked the ball. Bush scored on this play and Vitt took third. Crawford grounded to Engle for an out at first and Cobb, trying to make third on the play, was doubled [Vitt scoring on the play]. Delahanty rolled one to Wagner, who picked the ball up cleanly and then measured his length in the mud when he tried to throw. Gardner threw out Moriarty.”

*Detroit Journal (DJ)* — “Bush gained the initial sack when Engle fumbled his grounder. Vitt singled to left, sending Bush to third and he made second on the throw to third. Cobb hit to Wagner, scoring Bush and sending Vitt to third. Crawford grounded to Engle, Vitt scoring, and Cobb was out trying to reach third on the infield out.”

*Detroit News (DN)* — “Bush got on when Engle fumbled his grounder. Vitt sent Bush to third with a single to left and Vitt took second on the throw. Wagner let Cobb’s grounder get away, Bush scoring and Vitt taking third. Vitt scored when Crawford grounded out.”

*Detroit Times (DT)* — “Bush was safe on Engle’s fumble. Vitt singled to left, sending Bush to third, Vitt taking second on the throw in. Cobb’s grounder was too hot for Wagner. Bush scored and Vitt took third. Crawford grounded to Engle, scoring Vitt. Cobb tried to take third on the play and Bradley’s throw beat him by ten feet. Wagner booted Delahanty’s grounder. Moriarty was thrown out by Gardner.”

#### Fifth Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — “Bush was first up in this [fifth] inning and an easy out. Vitt singled sharply to center field and was fretting around first when Cobb came up. Cobb allowed two bad balls to be called and then gave the hit and run sign to Vitt, figuring the next one sure to be over. Taking a nice firm hold, Cobb smashed Hall’s carefully aimed fast one into the midst of the cash customers in the right field pavilion and the Tigers were ahead [4-3].”

*DJ* — “Cobb gained considerable prestige and some glory by slamming the ball into the right field pavilion for a home run. It was the longest hit in the history of the Boston park, and as Vitt was on base at the time, two runs counted and the Tigers went ahead [4-3].”

*DN* — “The other two Tiger tallies were scored in the fifth when, after Vitt had singled, Cobb drove a home run over the right field fence, Vitt scoring ahead of Cobb.”

*DT* — “Bush popped to Carrigan. Vitt singled center. Cobb hit a home run over the right bleacher fence, scoring Vitt ahead of him. Crawford walked. Delahanty flied to Lewis. Crawford went out stealing, Carrigan to Wagner.”

#### SUMMARY of the 4 runs scored by the Tigers:

1 (First Inning) — Bush scored (from third base) on a 0-out 1-RBI grounder by Cobb, who was safe on a fielding error (fumbled grounder) by the shortstop Wagner.

2 (First Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI groundout by Crawford.

3 (Fifth Inning) — Vitt scored on a 2-RBI home run by Cobb.

4 (Fifth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 2-RBI home run by Cobb.

RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1; other players (Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Baumann, Stanage, Burns, Works, Perry) 0.

*DJ* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1; other players (Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Baumann, Stanage, Burns, Works, Perry) 0.

*DN* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1; other players (Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Baumann, Stanage, Burns, Works, Perry) 0.

*DT* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1; other players (Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Baumann, Stanage, Burns, Works, Perry) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1; other players (Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Baumann, Stanage, Burns, Works, Perry) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Baumann 0, Burns 0, Bush 1, 0, Crawford 0, Delahanty 0, Moriarty 0, Perry 0, Stanage 0, Vitt 2, Works "0."

NOTE (1): Works not shown as playing (i.e., having a plate appearance) in the May 09 game according to his official batting record; he is shown as playing (i.e., pitching) in the May 09 game according to his official pitching record.

NOTE (2): The sum of the runs scored in the official batting records of the players who participated in the May 09 game is three runs. Cobb's official batting line is 4 at bats, 0 runs, 3 hits, 1 double, 1 home run, and 7 total bases.

NOTE (3): Page 1 of Cobb's official DBD record [April 11 - May 29] shows a sum of 26 runs scored — one run less than the 27 runs he actually scored (i.e., including the run he scored in the May 09 game).

**May 29, 1912 — Detroit at St. Louis — Detroit score 7 runs**

Second Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — "Gainer's double and Moriarty's single in the second let in the first Tiger tally."

*DJ* — "Gainer doubled and Moriarty singled."

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — "Crawford rolled to Stovall unassisted. Delahanty raised to Wallace. Gainer doubled to center. Moriarty singled to right, scoring Gainer, but Moriarty was caught trying to stretch it into a double, Laporte to Pratt."

Fourth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — "The [Detroit runs-scored] total was increased in the fourth when Jones singled and LaPorte dropped a long drive from Delahanty's bat. The error let Jones scamper all the way around from first."

*DJ* — "In the fourth Jones singled and LaPorte dropped Delahanty's drive, permitting Jones to score all the way from first."

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — "Jones singled to center. Cobb lifted to Shotton. Hogan ran back for Crawford's drive. LaPorte allowed Delahanty's long drive to slip through his hands, and Delahanty made second, while Jones scored. Gainer popped to Wallace."

Eighth Inning — Detroit scored 3 runs

*DFP* — "Stanage got hit for a starter and then retired to let Baumann run for him. Dubuc went up for Summers and forced Baumann. Louden's effort was a lift to Hogan, but Jones coaxed four wide ones. Cobb's scratch single through Stovall filled the sacks for Crawford, who also slammed one through Stovall, letting in Dubuc. Delahanty got the third successive hit of the round, also a bounder that didn't leave the infield, and not only Jones but Cobb chased over."

*DJ* — "... but in the eighth Detroit scored three runs."

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — "Stanage was hit by a pitched ball. Baumann ran for Stanage. Dubuc batted for Summers. Dubuc forced Baumann, Wallace to Pratt. Louden lined to Hogan. Jones walked. Cobb singled, filling the bases. Crawford singled, scoring Dubuc. Delahanty singled through Austin, scoring Jones and Cobb. Gainer forced Delahanty."

#### Fourteenth Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — "... but the fourteenth, when Onslow, who had succeeded Stanage, opened with a single. Works attempted a sacrifice, but instead popped to Stovall. Then Louden pulled the unexpected. He bunted and caught Austin flat-footed. He not only owned a single, but Austin made a foolish high peg to first and when the ball sailed over Stovall's head, Onslow scored while Louden chased around to third. This rattled C. Brown and he let loose a wild pitch on which Louden came over. Jones followed with a double, but Cobb and Crawford expired on infield rollers."

*DJ* — "Onslow, who had succeeded Stanage, opened with a single and Louden caught Austin flat-footed with a bunt, after Works had popped to Stovall. Austin was not only caught sleeping, but he also threw over Stovall's head on Louden's bunt, and Onslow raced around, Louden going to third. Brown let loose with a wild pitch, and Louden scored. Jones doubled, but Cobb and Crawford went out on infield grounders."

*DN* — "Onslow singled and, after Works popped out in an attempt to sacrifice, Louden bunted safely. Austin threw the ball to the stands, Onslow scoring and Louden taking third. Louden scored a moment later on a wild pitch."

*DT* — "Detroit scored two runs."

#### SUMMARY of the 7 runs scored by the Tigers:

1 (Second Inning) — Gainer scored on a 1-RBI single by Moriarty.

2 (Fourth Inning) — Jones scored (from first base) on a 2-out flyball by Delahanty, who was safe on a fielding error (dropped flyball) by the right fielder LaPorte.

3 (Eighth Inning) — Dubuc scored on a 1-RBI single by Crawford.

4 (Eighth Inning) — Jones scored on a 2-RBI single by Delahanty.

5 (Eighth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 2-RBI single by Delahanty.

6 (Fourteenth Inning) — Onslow scored (from first base) on a 1-out bunt single by Louden, coupled with a fielding error (wild throw to first) by the third baseman Austin.

7 (Fourteenth Inning) — Louden scored on a wild pitch.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Gainer 1, Jones 2, Dubuc 1, Cobb 1, Onslow 1, Louden 1.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Louden 1, Jones 2, Cobb 1, Gainer 1, Onslow 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Baumann, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Summers, Works) 0.

*DJ* — Louden 1, Jones 2, Cobb 1, Gainer 1, Onslow 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Baumann, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Summers, Works) 0.

*DN* — Louden 1, Jones 2, Cobb 1, Gainer 1, Onslow 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Baumann, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Summers, Works) 0.

*DT* — Louden 1, Jones 2, Cobb 1, Gainer 1, Onslow 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Baumann, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Summers, Works) 0.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Louden 1, Jones 2, Cobb 1, Gainer 1, Onslow 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Baumann, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Summers, Works) 0.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Baumann "0," Cobb 1, Crawford 0, Delahanty 0, Dubuc "0," Gainer 1, Jones 2, Louden 1, Moriarty 0, J. Onslow 1, Stanage 0, Summers 0, Works 0.

NOTE (1): Baumann is not shown as playing [i.e., being a pinch runner (for Stanage)] in the May 29 game according to his official batting record.

NOTE (2): Dubuc is not shown as playing [i.e., being a pinch hitter (for Summers) in the May 29 game; as documented in the descriptions and box scores given in the DFP, DJ, DN, and DT accounts, Dubuc batted for Summers and was safe on a fielder's-choice-force-out (of Baumann) and subsequently scored on a single by Crawford.

NOTE (3): The sum of the runs scored in the official batting records of the players who participated in the May 29 game is six runs, which is one run less than the seven runs the Tigers actually scored.

### **July 2, 1912 — Detroit vs. Cleveland — Detroit scored 8 runs**

#### Third Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “Dubuc tripled to the right field bleachers with one out in the third and scored on Vitt’s long fly to Graney. Bush walked on five pitched balls. Cobb doubled to left, Bush taking third. Crawford fanned.”

*DN* — “Dubuc scored the first Tiger tally on his triple and Vitt’s sacrifice fly.”

*DT* — “Dubuc’s triple to the bleachers in the third was a hard hit grounder that bounded all the way to the seats.” [NOTE: No other information was given about the run scored in the third inning.]

#### Seventh Inning — Detroit scored 4 runs

*DFP* — “Louden started Detroit’s seventh with a hit and took second on Dubuc’s smash to center, after Stanage had flied. Vitt flied to left and Graney, after muffing the ball, threw badly to third, Louden scoring, Dubuc making third and Vitt second. Bush popped to Olson, the runners standing fast. Cobb got a hit to short and two runs scored. Olson threw over Gregg’s head in an attempt to get Cobb and he made second. Crawford singled to right, scoring Cobb, and took second on the throw to the plate. Delahanty walked and then Moriarty lifted to Birmingham.”

*DN* — “Louden singled and Stanage flied. Dubuc singled. Vitt lined to left. Graney muffed the ball, recovered it and threw wild to third, Louden scoring, Dubuc going to third, and Vitt to second. After Bush popped to Olson, Cobb sent a grounder to Olson. Cobb had the ball beaten but Olson heaved to the grand stand, Dubuc and Vitt scoring, Cobb taking second. Cobb came home on Crawford’s single.”

*DT* — “Graney can be laid a large share of the responsibility for Cleveland’s defeat. Louden had singled, Stanage had flied out, and Dubuc had singled when Vitt lined to Graney. It was one of those liners that the fielder comes in on and lets it slip from his hands. That let Louden score and then Graney threw the ball high over Turner’s head at third. Krapp, backing up the hot corner, retrieved the ball. While he was retrieving the ball Dubuc had gone to third and Vitt to second.” [NOTE: No other information was provided for the other runs scored in the seventh inning.]

#### Ninth Inning — Detroit scored 3 runs

*DFP* — “Vitt started the [ninth] inning with a hot single to left and took third when Bush poked a hit between Jackson and Birmingham. Still Krapp was left in. Cobb got a pass, although Krapp appeared to be pitching to him. This filled the bases with nobody gone. Crawford hit a bounder almost over second and Lajoie by a great stop got the ball and stepped on the bag, forcing Cobb. Lajoie tried for a double play, but was late. Vitt scored during this maneuver. The Cleveland infield played back for a double killing and Delahanty let four bad ones go by, filling the sacks for the second time in the inning. Baskette, who had been warming up in the right field corner, came in to save the day. He pitched just one ball, which Moriarty slammed to left field for a clean single. Graney tried to throw Crawford out at the plate, but was a little late and the game was won by the Tigers, Bush, of course, having preceded Crawford over the rubber.”

*DN* — “In the ninth Vitt and Bush singled and Cobb walked. Lajoie made a great play on Crawford’s grounder, digging the ball out of the dirt and getting Cobb unassisted. Vitt scored on the play. Delahanty walked, again filling the bases. Baskette replaced Krapp and Moriarty singled on the first ball pitched. Bush and Crawford scored, Crawford just beating Graney’s fast throw.”

*DT* — “While the contest yesterday wasn’t officially won until Crawford had scored on Moriarty’s single in the ninth. ... Baskette was sent in with two men on, one out, and only one run needed to tie. ... Moriarty came up in the ninth with two on and two runs needed to win. Moriarty again proved himself by banging out a single that won the game.” [NOTE: No other information was provided for the other runs scored in the ninth inning.]

#### SUMMARY of the 8 runs scored by the Tigers:

1 (Third Inning) — Dubuc scored on a 1-RBI sacrifice fly by Vitt.

2 (Seventh Inning) — Louden scored (from second base) on a 1-out flyball by Vitt, who was safe on a fielding error (muffed flyball) by the center fielder Graney.

3 (Seventh Inning) — Dubuc scored (from third base) on a 2-out 1-RBI infield single by Cobb.

4 (Seventh Inning) — Vitt scored (from second base) on a 2-out infield single by Cobb coupled with a fielding error (wild throw to first) by the shortstop Olson.

5 (Seventh Inning) — Cobb scored on a 1-RBI single by Crawford.

6 (Ninth Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI fielder's-choice-force-out by Cobb.

7 (Ninth Inning) — Bush scored on a 2-RBI single by Moriarty.

8 (Ninth Inning) — Crawford scored on a 2-RBI single by Moriarty.

RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Dubuc 2, Louden 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Bush 1, Crawford 1.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Vitt 2, Bush 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 1, Moriarty 1, Dubuc 2; other players (Delahanty, Louden, Stanage, Lake) 0.

*DN* — Vitt 2, Bush 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 1, Moriarty 1, Dubuc 2; other players (Delahanty, Louden, Stanage, Lake) 0.

*DT* — Vitt 2, Bush 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 1, Moriarty 1, Dubuc 2; other players (Delahanty, Louden, Stanage, Lake) 0.

NOTE: There is a discrepancy between the newspaper text descriptions and the newspaper box scores for the runs scored by Louden and Moriarty — the text descriptions clearly state Louden, who was the first batter in the seventh inning, scored the first seventh-inning run and that Moriarty, who was the last batter in the seventh inning, flied out to end the seventh inning and, thus, did not score. As documented in the text descriptions for the runs scored in the third and ninth innings, neither Louden nor Moriarty scored in either of those innings. Therefore, the runs-scored information given in the newspaper box scores is not correct — Louden actually scored one run (not zero runs) and Moriarty actually scored zero runs (not one run).

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Vitt 2, Bush 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 1, Louden 1, Dubuc 2; other players (Delahanty, Moriarty, Stanage, Lake) 0.

NOTE: The runs-scored numbers given in the Retrosheet box score (and derived player daily files) are in complete agreement with the runs-scored numbers ascertained from the newspaper text descriptions, particularly for Louden (one run) and Moriarty (zero runs).

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Bush 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 1, Delahanty 0, Dubuc 2, Lake 0, Louden 0, Moriarty 1, Stanage 0, Vitt 2.

NOTE: There is a discrepancy between the newspaper text descriptions and the official DBD for the runs scored by Louden and Moriarty — the text descriptions clearly state Louden, who was the first batter in the seventh inning, scored the first seventh-inning run and that Moriarty, who was the last batter in the seventh inning, flied out to end the seventh inning and, thus, did not score. As documented in the text descriptions for the runs scored in the third and ninth innings, neither Louden nor Moriarty scored in either of those innings. Therefore, the runs-scored information given in the official DBD records for Louden and Moriarty are not correct — Louden actually scored one run (not zero runs) and Moriarty actually scored zero runs (not one run).

**July 9, 1912 — Detroit at New York — Detroit scored 6 runs**

First Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — "Vitt opened the game by walking and Bush sacrificed him to second. While Cobb was being thrown out on the infield Vitt dashed to third, whence he scored when Crawford bounced a single off McConnell's bare hand. Jones singled and Crawford took third, registering the Tigers' second run when Dowd dropped the throw to catch Jones stealing. Moriarty ended the inning with a fly to Daniels."

*DJ* — "Vitt walked and Crawford scored him after Bush and Cobb had been killed off. Crawford scored when Dowd dropped the throw to catch Jones stealing."

*DN* — “Vitt walked. Bush sacrificed. Vitt took third on Cobb’s out and scored on Crawford’s single. Crawford went to third on Jones’ single and scored when Dodd dropped Sweeney’s throw to get Jones stealing.”

*DT* — “Vitt drew a pass. Bush sacrificed, McConnell to Simmons. Cobb went out, Hartzell to Sterrett, Vitt taking third. Crawford scratched a hit off McConnell’s bare hand, scoring Vitt. Crawford raced to third on Jones’ single to center. Dowd dropped Sweeney’s throw as Jones stole second, and Crawford tallied on the error. Moriarty flied out to Daniels.”

#### Second Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “In the second Stanage drew a pass with one out and scored when Mullin tripled to the right field fence. McConnell threw out Vitt, holding Mullin at third and then fanned Bush.”

*DJ* — “In the second Mullin tripled, scoring Stanage, who was passed to first.”

*DN* — “Stanage walked and scored on Mullin’s triple.”

*DT* — “Louden was easy, Simmons to Sterrett. Stanage drew a pass and scored on Mullin’s long triple to the right field fence. McConnell threw out Vitt, holding Mullin at third. Bush struck out.”

#### Fourth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “Louden opened this [fourth inning] with a single and took second on Stanage’s out. Louden stole third cleanly and tallied when Mullin got his second hit, a nice line single to center. The heat had got too big for Mullin by this time and Kocher was put in to run for him. A passed ball put Kocher on second and he took third on Vitt’s out. Bush hoisted to Daniels.”

*DJ* — “Mullin was responsible for another tally in the fourth inning when his single brought Louden home.”

*DN* — “Louden singled, advanced on Stanage’s out, stole third, and scored on Mullin’s single.”

*DT* — “Louden smashed a single to left. McConnell threw Stanage out, Louden going to second. Louden made a clean steal of third. Mullin lined a single over second, scoring Louden. Kocher ran for Mullin and went to second on a wild pitch. Dowd threw Vitt out at first, Kocher going to third. Bush flied out to Daniels.”

#### Fifth Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — “Cobb started this [fifth] inning by making a double of a short hit to left field. Crawford also doubled to left, but Cobb, who had expected a catch, only made third. Jones’s sacrifice fly scored Cobb. Moriarty was thrown out at first on a pretty play by Dowd and Louden drew a pass, following which a double steal scored Crawford and put Louden on second. Dowd threw out Stanage.”

*DJ* — “Cobb and Crawford doubled in the fifth, Cobb scoring on Jones’s sacrifice fly. Louden drew a pass and worked the double steal with Crawford for another tally.”

*DN* — “Cobb singled and took third on Crawford’s double. Cobb scored on Jones’ sacrifice fly. Crawford took third on Moriarty’s out. Louden walked. Louden and Crawford worked a double steal.”

*DT* — “By fast sprinting Cobb made two bases on a hit to left field. Crawford also doubled to left, Cobb only going to third, thinking the ball would be caught. Jones’ sacrifice fly to Maloney scored Cobb. Dowd made a pretty stop and nailed Moriarty at first, Crawford taking third. Louden drew a pass. Crawford and Louden worked a pretty double steal, Crawford scoring. Stanage was out, Dowd to Sterrett.”

#### SUMMARY of the 8 runs scored by the Tigers:

1 (First Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Crawford.

2 (First Inning) — Crawford scored (from third base) on a 2-out fielding error (muffed catch) by Dowd during steal of second by Louden.

3 (Second Inning) — Stanage scored on a 1-RBI triple by Mullin.

4 (Fourth Inning) — Louden scored on a 1-RBI single by Mullin..

5 (Fifth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 1-RBI sacrifice fly by Jones.

6 (Fifth Inning) — Crawford scored on his steal of home.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Vitt 1, Crawford 2, Stanage 1, Louden 1, Cobb 1.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Vitt 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Louden 1, Stanage 1; other players (Bush, Jones, Moriarty, Mullin, Works Kocher) 0.

*DJ* — Vitt 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Louden 1, Stanage 1; other players (Bush, Jones, Moriarty, Mullin, Works Kocher) 0.

*DN* — Vitt 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Louden 1, Stanage 1; other players (Bush, Jones, Moriarty, Mullin, Works Kocher) 0.

*DT* — Vitt 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Louden 1, Stanage 1; other players (Bush, Jones, Moriarty, Mullin, Works Kocher) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Vitt 1, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Louden 1, Stanage 1; other players (Bush, Jones, Moriarty, Mullin, Works Kocher) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Bush 0, Cobb 1, Crawford 2, Jones 1, Kocher "0," Louden 1, Moriarty 0, Mullin 0, Stanage 1, Vitt 1, Works 0.

NOTE (1): Kocher is not shown as playing [i.e., being a pinch runner (for Mullin)] in the May July 9 game according to his official batting record.

NOTE (2): The sum of the runs scored by the players who participated in the July 09 game is, according to the official DBD records, is 7 — i.e., one run more than the 6 runs the team actually scored. According to the newspaper box scores and the newspaper text descriptions, Jones scored zero runs (not one run) in the July 9 game. Thus, the official DBD record for Jones is not accurate.

**July 12, 1912 (first game) — Detroit at Boston — Detroit scored 1 run**

Ninth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — "Cobb was passed in the ninth and scored on Crawford's fine drive to right center for two bases. The next three men then went down on easy chances."

*DJ* — "The lone Tiger tally came in ninth inning when Cobb walked and scored on Crawford's double."

*DN* — "Detroit put a run over in the ninth when Cobb walked and scored on Crawford's double."

*DT* — "Cobb walked. Crawford doubled to center, scoring Cobb. Delahanty grounded out to Stahl, Crawford taking third. Moriarty popped to Wagner. Gardner tossed out Louden."

SUMMARY of the 1 run scored by the Tigers:

1 (Ninth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 1-RBI double by Crawford.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Cobb 1; other players (Vitt, Bush, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Lake, Moran) 0.

*DJ* — Cobb 1; other players (Vitt, Bush, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Lake, Moran) 0.

*DN* — Cobb 1; other players (Vitt, Bush, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Lake, Moran) 0.

*DT* — Cobb 1; other players (Vitt, Bush, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Lake, Moran) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Cobb 1; other players (Vitt, Bush, Crawford, Delahanty, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Lake, Moran) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Bush 0, Cobb 0, Crawford 0, Delahanty 0, Lake 0, Louden 0, Moran 0, Moriarty 0, Stanage 0, Vitt 0.

NOTE: According to the official DBD records, none of the players who took part in the first game on July 12 scored a run. According to the newspaper text descriptions and the box scores, Cobb scored the sole run tallied by the Tigers in the game. Thus, it is concluded that the official DBD record for Cobb is not correct — he actually scored 1 run, not 0 runs, in the first game of the July 12 double header.

**July 19, 1912 (second game) — Detroit at Philadelphia — Detroit scored 6 runs**

**Fourth Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs**

*DFP* — “Bush singled to left and Cobb tripled, scoring Bush. Cobb scored when Barry threw out Crawford.”

*DJ* — Nothing at all.

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — “Bush singled to left. Cobb’s seventh consecutive hit was a terrific triple to right, scoring Bush. Barry threw out Crawford, Cobb scoring. Deal fanned. Moriarty fouled to Baker.”

**Eighth Inning — Detroit scored 4 runs**

*DFP* — “Jones singled to center. Bush and Cobb walked. Jones scored on Crawford’s sacrifice. Deal’s single scored Bush and Cobb. Deal went to second on the throw-in and to third on Thomas’ wild throw to Collins. Deal scored on Moriarty’s single.”

*DJ* — Nothing at all.

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — “Jones singled to center. Bush walked. Cobb walked. Crawford flied to Strunk, Jones scoring. Deal singled, scoring Bush and Cobb. Moriarty singled, scoring Deal.”

**SUMMARY of the 6 runs scored by the Tigers:**

1 (Fourth Inning) — Bush scored on a 1-RBI triple by Cobb.

2 (Fourth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 1-RBI groundout by Crawford.

3 (Eighth Inning) — Jones scored on a 1-RBI sacrifice fly by Crawford.

4 (Eighth Inning) — Bush scored on a 2-RBI single by Deal.

5 (Eighth Inning) — Cobb scored on a 2-RBI single by Deal.

6 (Eighth Inning) — Deal scored on a 1-RBI single by Moriarty.

**RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:**

Bush 2, Cobb 2, Jones 1, Deal 1.

**RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:**

*DFP* — Jones 1, Bush 2, Cobb 2, Deal 1; other players (Crawford, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Onslow, Works, Moran, Donovan) 0.

*DJ* — Jones 1, Bush 2, Cobb 2, Deal 1; other players (Crawford, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Onslow, Works, Moran, Donovan) 0.

*DN* — Jones 1, Bush 2, Cobb 2, Deal 1; other players (Crawford, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Onslow, Works, Moran, Donovan) 0.

*DT* — Jones 1, Bush 2, Cobb 2, Deal 1; other players (Crawford, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Onslow, Works, Moran, Donovan) 0.

**RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:**

Jones 1, Bush 2, Cobb 2, Deal 1; other players (Crawford, Moriarty, Louden, Stanage, Onslow, Works, Moran, Donovan) 0.

**RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:**

Bush 2, Cobb 3, Crawford 0, Deal 1, Donovan 0, Jones 1, Louden 0, Moran 0, Moriarty 0, Onslow 0, Stanage 0, Works 0.

NOTE: According to the official DBD records, the sum of the runs scored by the players who participated in the second game on July 19 is 7 — i.e., 1 run more than the 6 runs Detroit actually scored. According to the newspaper text descriptions and box scores, Cobb actually scored 2 runs (not 3 runs). Therefore, the official DBD records for Cobb are wrong.

### August 31, 1912 — Detroit vs. St. Louis — Detroit scored 1 run

#### First Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “After Pratt had thrown out Jones, Corridon strolled and was forced by Crawford. In hastening to make a double play, Pratt threw the ball over Kutina’s head and Crawford advanced to second. Cobb tripled to the left center field corner, scoring Crawford, and was left when Smoyer tossed out Moriarty.”

*DJ* — “Cobb made good in his first appearance as a ‘clean-up man’ by walloping out a triple, scoring Crawford.”

*DN* — “Corridon had walked and had been forced by Crawford, Smoyer to Pratt. In an effort to double Crawford, Pratt heaved into the dugout and Crawford took second. Cobb tripled to the far corner of the left field, and Crawford loafed home. Moriarty made the third out, Smoyer to Kutina.”

*DT* — “Cobb did blot Allison’s record as much as he could after he was walked in the fourth, the first time a Tiger reached first. When Pratt let Crawford’s grounder through him Cobb went to third and then slid home while they were trying to get Crawford at second. [NOTE: This *DT* description, which has Cobb scoring as a consequence of Crawford’s plate appearance, is not in alignment with the descriptions given in the *DFP*, *DJ*, and *DN* accounts, which have Crawford scoring as a consequence of Cobb’s plate appearance. The *DT* box score is in error — According to the descriptions and box scores given in the other accounts, Cobb batted in the clean-up slot while Crawford batted in the 3-spot. Therefore, Cobb could not have scored as a consequence of Crawford’s plate appearance.]

#### SUMMARY of the 1 run scored by the Tigers:

1 (First Inning) — Crawford scored on a 1-RBI triple by Cobb.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Crawford 1.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Crawford 1; other players (Jones, Corridon, Cobb, Moriarty, Stanage, Vitt, Bush, Mullin) 0.

*DJ* — Crawford 1; other players (Jones, Corridon, Cobb, Moriarty, Stanage, Vitt, Bush, Mullin) 0.

*DN* — Crawford 1; other players (Jones, Corridon, Cobb, Moriarty, Stanage, Vitt, Bush, Mullin) 0.

*DT* — Cobb 1; other players (Jones, Corridon, Crawford, Moriarty, Stanage, Vitt, Bush, Mullin) 0.

NOTE: As stated in the note in the *DT* description, the *DT* box score is erroneous — Cobb batted after Crawford.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Crawford 1; other players (Jones, Corridon, Cobb, Moriarty, Stanage, Vitt, Bush, Mullin) 0.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Bush 0, Cobb 1, Corridon 0, Crawford 1, Jones 0, Moriarty 0, Mullin 0, Stanage 0, Vitt 0.

NOTE: According to the official DBD records, the sum of the runs scored by the Detroit players in the August 31 game was 2 even though in actuality the Tigers team scored 1 run. According to the text descriptions and box scores given in the *DFP*, *DJ*, and *DN* accounts (but not in the *DT* account), the solitary Tigers run was scored by Crawford (not by Cobb). Thus, the official DBD record for Cobb is not accurate — Cobb actually scored zero runs (not one run).

## 1914

There is one game in which the originally-recorded official DBD records are compromised with inaccurate runs-scored numbers:

### October 3, 1914 — Detroit vs. Cleveland — Detroit scored 6 runs

#### Third Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — “Detroit was the first to score, pushing two runners over the plate in the third inning, which Bush started with a base on balls, took second on Vitt's infield hit, but died when Cobb forced him [i.e., Bush] at third. Hits by Crawford and Veach, however, put Vitt and Cobb over.”

*DJ* — Nothing at all.

*DN* — “Detroit made two [runs] in the third on a pass, three singles, and some weak outfielding by [right fielder] Bassler.”

\* *DT* — “Bush walked. Vitt singled to center. Cobb grounded to Steen, who got Bush at third. Crawford singled to right, scoring Vitt. Veach also singled to right, scoring Cobb. Kavanagh lifted to [catcher] Egan. Moriarty flied to [left fielder] Graney.”

*Cleveland Plain Dealer (CLPD)* — Nothing at all.

#### Fifth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “In the meantime the Tigers put one [run] across in the fifth. ... in the fifth [Detroit] jumped in front with a run on Veach's single and Kavanagh's two-ply wallop.”

*DJ* — Nothing at all.

*DN* — “Detroit went ahead in the fifth, on a single by Veach and a long double by Kavanagh.”

\* *DT* — “Crawford lined to Graney. Veach singled to right. Kavanagh doubled to left, scoring Veach. Kavanagh died stealing, Egan to Steen. Steen threw out Moriarty.”

*CLPD* — Nothing at all.

#### Ninth Inning — Detroit scored 3 runs

*DFP* — “Dubuc, who had replaced Coveleski on the hill, started the [ninth] round with a base on balls. Bush duplicated Dubuc's performance. [Third baseman] Steen then butted into the fray, and, gumming Vitt's attempted sacrifice, allowed the bases to be filled. Cobb's little roller also was booted by [pitcher] Dillinger, Dubuc scoring. With the bases still filled, Dillinger elected to make a wild pitch and succeeded admirably, Bush counting and the other runners moving up a base each. Nobody was out at this stage, and with runners on both second and third, the stage was set for Crawford. Crawford caught one he liked, flattened it out near the score board and Vitt lugged the winning run home.”

*DJ* — “Dubuc started this [ninth] period by walking and Bush followed suit. Vitt was safe when Steen made a poor play on his attempted sacrifice. Cobb tapped to Dillinger, the youngster fumbled and kicked the ball around and Dubuc scored, leaving the bases occupied. Dillinger shot off a wild pitch, Bush scoring and the other runners moving up. Crawford then singled, scoring Vitt with the winning run.”

*DN* — “Starting the ninth, Dillinger walked Dubuc and Bush on nine pitched balls. Vitt sacrificed and the sacks were filled when Steen threw badly. Cobb hit to Dillinger, who kicked the ball until Dubuc was home and Cobb was on first. Bush scored on a wild pitch and Vitt took third. Crawford singled through [first baseman] Johnston and Vitt scored the run that won [the game].”

\* *DT* — “Dubuc walked. Bush walked. Vitt [was] safe on Johnston's error. Cobb hit to Dillinger and Dubuc scored on his error. Bush scored on a wild pitch. Crawford singled, scoring Vitt.”

*CLPD* — “Starting the ninth, Dillinger walked Dubuc and Bush on nine pitched balls. Vitt sacrificed and the sacks were filled when Steen threw badly. Cobb hit to Dillinger, who kicked the ball until Dubuc was home and Cobb was on first. Bush scored on a wild pitch and Vitt took third. Crawford singled through [first baseman] Johnston and Vitt scored the run that won [the game].” [NOTE: The CLPD account is identical to the DN account.]

#### SUMMARY of the 6 runs scored by the Tigers

1 (Third Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Crawford.  
2 (Third Inning) — Cobb scored on a 1-RBI single by Veach.

3 (Fifth Inning) — Veach scored on a 1-RBI double by Kavanagh.

4 (Ninth Inning) — Dubuc scored (from third base) on a 0-out fielding error (muffed grounder) by the pitcher Dillinger; the batter, Cobb, was safe on the fielding error.

5 (Ninth Inning) — Bush scored on a wild pitch.

6 (Ninth Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Crawford.

RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Vitt 2, Cobb 2, Veach 1, Dubuc 1, Bush 1.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

*DJ* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

*DN* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

*DT* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

*CLPD* — Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Bush 1, Vitt 2, Cobb 1, Veach 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Crawford, Kavanagh, Moriarty, Stanage, Burns, Baker, Coveleski) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Baker 0, Burns "0," Bush 2, Cobb 1, Coveleski 0, Crawford 0, Dubuc 1, Kavanagh 0, Moriarty 0, Stanage 0, Veach 1, Vitt 1.

NOTE (1): Burns is not shown as playing [i.e., being a pinch hitter (for Stanage)] in the October 3 game according to his official batting record.

NOTE (2): The newspaper texts clearly show that Vitt scored two runs in the October 03 game — one run in the third inning and one run in the ninth inning. The newspaper box scores are in agreement with the text descriptions. Therefore, the official DBD records for Vitt are not accurate — Vitt actually scored two runs (not one run) in the October 3 game.

NOTE (3): The newspaper texts also clearly show that Bush scored one run — and only one run. The newspaper box scores are in complete agreement with the text descriptions. Therefore, the official DBD records for Bush are incorrect — Bush actually scored one run (not two runs) in the October 3 game.

## 1915

There are two games in which the originally-recorded official DBD records are compromised with inaccurate runs-scored numbers:

**May 29, 1915 (second game) — Detroit at St. Louis — Detroit scored 3 runs**

Second Inning — Detroit scored 3 runs

*DFP* — "The Tigers made only one hit but scored three runs after two were out in the second inning of game No. 2. After Burns lifted to Williams and Young fouled to Lavan, Lowdermilk walked McKee and Coveleski. Austin then fumbled Bush's roller and the bases were filled. Catching Lowdermilk and Austin flat-footed the squeeze play was put on. Vitt bunted the ball and McKee scored. Lowdermilk fielded Vitt's bunt but did not make the throw. With the bases still filled Cobb rolled to Lavan, who heaved the ball over Leary's head, Coveleski and Bush scoring, while Vitt went to third and Cobb to second on the error. Crawford cut a swift grounder to Leary who beat him to the bag."

*DJ* — "After Burns and Young had gone out in this [second] period, Lowdermilk passed McKee and Coveleski. Austin fumbled Bush's grounder, filling the bases. The squeeze play was called in, Vitt bunting safely and scoring McKee. Cobb hit to Lavan and the latter threw over Leary's head, Coveleski and Bush crossing the plate. Crawford grounded out."

*DN* — "Lowdermilk went wild, in the second inning, after he had two men out. He walked McKee and Coveleski. Bush hit to Austin, who fumbled, and missed a chance to retire the side. Vitt then pulled a bunt down the third

base line, and caught Austin so far back that he could not make a play. McKee scored and Vitt was safe at first. Cobb hit to Lavan, who made a wild throw to first, allowing Coveleski and Bush to score. Crawford grounded out."

*DT* — Nothing at all.

*St. Louis Globe-Democrat (SLGD)* — "With two down in the second, Lowdermilk lost the weak hitters, McKee and Coveleski, on balls. Bush beat out a nasty bouncer to Austin. Vitt swung at one and tapped a roller towards third that was utterly impossible to field. McKee scored. Cobb rolled a slow one to Lavan. He threw the ball into the stands back of first base. That let in Coveleski and Bush."

*St. Louis Post-Dispatch (SLPD)* — "Two were out when the trouble began. McKee walked. So did Coveleski. Bush beat out a dinky hit to Austin. Vitt scratched a hit through Lowdermilk, scoring McKee. Cobb beat out a roller to Lavan and on his wild throw Bush scored behind Coveleski."

*St. Louis Republic (SLREP)* — "With two down in the second inning of the second game, Lowdermilk walked McKee and Coveleski. Bush got an infield single, filling the sacks. Vitt bunted and beat it out on a semi-squeeze, which scored McKee. Cobb thereupon hit a slow ball to Lavan and while he no doubt would have beaten it out without any assistance whatsoever, Lavan heaved to the stands, Coveleski and Bush scoring."

#### SUMMARY of the 3 runs scored by the Tigers

- 1 (Second Inning) — McKee scored on a 1-RBI single by Vitt.
- 2 (Second Inning) — Coveleski scored (from third base) on a 1-RBI infield single by Cobb.
- 3 (Second Inning) — Bush scored (from second base) on an infield single by Cobb coupled with a fielding error (wild throw to first) by the shortstop Lavan.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*DJ* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*DN* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*DT* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*SLGD* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*SLPD* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

*SLREP* — Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Bush 1, McKee 1, Coveleski 1; other players (Vitt, Cobb, Crawford, Veach, Burns, Young, Jacobson, Baker) 0.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Baker 1, Burns 0 (blank), Bush 1, Cobb 0 (blank), Coveleski 0 (blank), Crawford 0 (blank), Jacobson 0 (blank), McKee 1, Veach 0 (blank), Vitt 0 (blank), Young 0 (blank).

NOTE (1): It is clear from the newspaper text descriptions that Coveleski — not Baker — scored Detroit's second run. The newspaper box scores are in complete agreement with the newspaper text descriptions. Baker was a bottom-of-the-ninth replacement for McKee (for whom Jacobson pinch hit in the top of the ninth inning). The Tigers scored all of their runs in the second inning. Therefore, the official DBD record for Coveleski is wrong — Coveleski actually scored one run (not zero runs) in the second game of the double header on May 29.

NOTE (2): Therefore, the official DBD record for Baker is wrong — Baker actually scored zero runs (not one run) in the second game of the double header on May 29.

#### July 13, 1915 (second game) — Detroit vs. New York — Detroit scored 8 runs

## First Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — “Detroit made two [runs] on a pass to Vitt, singles by Kavanagh and Cobb, Cole’s wild throw to second, and an out.”

*DJ* — Nothing at all.

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — Nothing at all.

*New York Evening World (NYEWLD)* — Nothing at all.

*New York Herald (NYHLD)* — “The Tigers scored twice on two hits and an error.

*New York Press (NYPRS)* — Nothing at all.

*New York Sun (NYSUN)* — Nothing at all.

*New York Times (NYT)* — Nothing at all.

*New York Tribune (NYTRB)* — Nothing at all.

COMMENT: Based on the descriptions given in various accounts for the runs scored by the Tigers in the third, sixth, and ninth innings, it can be deduced with 100% confidence that the two runs scored by the Tigers in the first inning were scored by Vitt and Kavanagh. However, who specifically batted in Vitt and Kavanagh is not determinable. It is important to point out that New York’s starting pitcher, Cole, gave up five runs, two runs in the first inning and three runs in the second inning. Furthermore, three of the runs Cole gave up were unearned runs. From the descriptions given in the various accounts for the second inning runs, it is irrefutable that each of the three third-inning runs was unearned — each scored with two outs after the third out would have been made had not a fielding error been committed. Therefore, the two first-inning runs must have been earned. However, the statements given in the *DFP* description — “Cole’s wild throw to second” — and *NYTRB* description — “and an error” — are in accord with the official Day-By-Day records which show that Cole was charged with one (1) error. Thus, while the error may have been a contributor, it did not cause either of the two first-inning runs to be scored as unearned. It is also very important to note that the first batter of the second inning was Burns, who occupied the sixth slot in the batting order. This requires that the two first-inning runs were scored by one of the following pairs of players — (a) Vitt and Kavanagh; (b) Vitt and Cobb; (c) Vitt and Crawford; (d) Kavanagh and Cobb; (e) Kavanagh and Crawford; (f) Cobb and Crawford. According to the official Day-By-Day records, Cobb did not score any runs in the game and Crawford scored one (1) run in the game. Thus, because Cobb didn’t score any runs in the game, the pairs (b), (d), and (f) are eliminated. And, from the descriptions given for the ninth-inning runs, we know that Crawford scored in the ninth inning. Therefore, because Crawford scored his only run in the ninth inning, he did not score a run in the first inning, and, thus, the pairs (c), (e), and (f) are eliminated. That leaves only pair (a) — Vitt and Kavanagh — having scored the two first-inning runs — and the players in the third, fourth, and fifth batting positions (Cobb, Crawford, and Veach) having been ultimately been retired in the first inning. From the various text descriptions for the first inning we know for certain that Vitt walked, Kavanagh singled, and Cobb singled. So, from the above information and considerations, one can formulate a rather limited number of possible scenarios for the two runs scored in the first inning. Here are four hypothetical scenarios:

- (1) Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Cobb. Kavanagh scored on a 1-RBI out by Crawford (i.e., either the first or second out). Veach was retired (for the second or third out). Cobb was retired on the basepath at some point (for the first or second or third out).
- (2) Vitt scored on a 1-RBI out by Crawford (i.e., the first out). Kavanagh scored on a 1-RBI out by Veach (i.e., the second out). Cobb was retired on the basepath for the third out.
- (3) Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Cobb. Crawford was retired (i.e., for the first out). Kavanagh scored on 1-RBI out by Veach (i.e., the second out). Cobb was retired on the basepath for the third out.
- (4) Vitt scored on a 2-RBI single by Cobb. Kavanagh scored on a 2-RBI single by Cobb. Cobb was retired on the basepath (for the first or second, or third out). Crawford was retired (i.e., for the first or second out). Veach was retired (i.e., for the second or third out).

It is seen that each of these scenarios has each run associated with a run batted in. There are other ways — non-RBI ways — in which earned runs can be scored without being associated with a run batted: steal of home, balk, passed ball, wild pitch. Along this line, it is pointed out that, according to the official Day-By-Day records, neither Vitt nor Kavanagh was credited with a stolen base, Cole was not charged with a balk or a wild pitch, and the New York catcher, Sweeney, was not charged with a passed ball. Thus, it appears that each of the first-inning runs was batted in. The various RBI possibilities described in the above four scenarios afford the following:

Vitt was batted in by Cobb or Crawford.

Kavanagh was batted in by Cobb or Crawford or Veach.

Second Inning — Detroit scored 3 runs

*DFP* — “Burns singled for a starter and Dubuc walked after two men had gone out. Vitt bunted and was safe on Maisel’s fumble, filling the bases. Young walked and forced in a run. Cobb hit to deep short with the count three and two, scoring two tallies. Boone made a nice stop and got Young between bases.”

*DJ* — “With the bases jammed, one man in, two men out, and one called ball on Cobb, Shawkey was motioned to the rescue of Cole. Cobb singled to Boone, scoring two runners, but Young was caught between second and third bases and was out.”

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — Nothing at all.

*NYEWLD* — Nothing at all.

*NYHLD* — “... after two were out. With the bases filled, Cole walked Young, forcing in the tying run. With the bags still jammed, Cole pitched one ball to Cobb and was yanked, Shawkey relieving him. Cobb’s single scored two Tigers.”

*NYPRS* — “... and with one run in, the bases full, and Cobb at bat, Cole was shelved in favor of Shawkey. Cobb sent in the two runs, after which Shawkey did fairly well.”

*NYSUN* — “[Manager] Donovan called Cole to the bench in the second with two out and the bases filled, Shawkey taking his place. Two runs came through the legacy of filled bases which Cole left. Cobb grounded to Boone, who fielded the ball cleanly, though it had to go down as an infield hit for Cobb, so two runs came in before Young was nailed between the bases on Boone’s throw to Maisel.”

*NYT* — Nothing at all.

*NYTRB* — “Cole was taken out after he had forced a runner home in the second. Cobb sent two of the runners on base across the plate by finding Shawkey for a single.”

**COMMENT:** At first pass of the various descriptions it seems pretty straightforward that the three second-inning runs were scored by Burns (who got on base via his leadoff single), Dubuc (who got on base via his two-out walk), and Vitt (who got on base via a fielding error). And, it seems pretty straightforward that Burns scored when Young walked with the bases loaded. And, it seems pretty straightforward that Dubuc and Vitt scored on Cobb’s single. However, none of the various descriptions actually state who scored each of the three second-inning runs. Thus, what we know for certain is that each of the runs was scored with two outs. And, none of the various text descriptions actually state who made each of the first two outs; several descriptions state that Young was retired for the third out. So, here’s the situation — there are three possibilities for who scored the three second-inning runs, as indicated in the following three scenarios that are consistent with all of the information presented in the various descriptions:

- (1) Burns singled. Bush was retired. Baker was retired. Dubuc walked. Vitt was safe on a fielding error, filling the bases. Young walked, forcing in Burns with the first run. Cobb singled, scoring Dubuc and Vitt with the second and third runs, respectively, Young being retired on the basepath.
- (2) Burns singled. Bush forced Burns out at second base. Baker was retired. Dubuc walked. Vitt was safe on a fielding error, filling the bases. Young walked, forcing in Bush with the first run. Cobb singled, scoring Dubuc and Vitt with the second and third runs, respectively, Young being retired on the basepath.
- (3) Burns singled. Bush was retired. Baker forced Burns out at second base. Dubuc walked. Vitt was safe on a fielding error, filling the bases. Young walked, forcing in Baker with the first run. Cobb singled, scoring Dubuc and Vitt with the second and third runs, respectively, Young being retired on the basepath.

None of the various descriptions clearly states which of the above scenarios actually transpired. For the time being, we’ll simply accept Scenario (1). It is emphasized that regardless of which scenario actually occurred, the RBI numbers are unchanged — Young earned RBI credit for the first second-inning run and Cobb earned RBI credit for the second and third second-inning runs. The “either-or” runs-scored situation is dealt with below.

Sixth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

*DFP* — “Burns doubled in the Tigers’ half [of the sixth] and so did Stange, which tied the score [6-6].”

*DJ* — “... but in the sixth Burns and Stange shoved in doubles, Burns scoring.”

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — Nothing at all.

*NYEWLD* — Nothing at all.

*NYHLD* — Nothing at all.

*NYPRS* — Nothing at all.

*NYSUN* — Nothing at all.

*NYT* — Nothing at all.

*NYTRB* — Nothing at all.

#### Ninth Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

*DFP* — “Crawford hit for two bases, with two out in the ninth, and stole third. He scored when Hartzell muffed Veach’s easy fly after a long run. Burns hit to left for two sacks, scoring Veach, but Bush ended it with a pop-up to Maisel.”

*DJ* — “The Tigers, after Young and Cobb had gone out int he ninth, scored two [runs] and there were visions of a tied count when Bush flied out to Maisel to end the contest.”

*DN* — Nothing at all.

*DT* — “Young flied out to Boone and Cobb watched three strikes go over without a whimper or a wave. Then Crawford doubled. Hartzell dropped Veach’s fly, and Burns singled, giving the Tigers two runs. Stanage [should be ‘Bush’] fouled to Maisel and it was all over.”

*NYEWLD* — Nothing at all.

*NYHLD* — Nothing at all.

*NYPRS* — Nothing at all.

*NYSUN* — Nothing at all.

*NYT* — Nothing at all.

*NYTRB* — Nothing at all.

#### SUMMARY of the 8 runs scored by the Tigers

1 (First Inning) — Vitt scored on a 1-RBI single by Cobb ... OR ... on a 2-RBI single by Cobb ... OR ... on a 1-RBI out by Crawford.

2 (First Inning) — Kavanagh scored on a 2-RBI single by Cobb ... OR ... on a 1-RBI out by Crawford ... OR ... on a 1-RBI out by Veach.

3 (Second Inning) — Burns (or Bush or Baker) scored on a 1-RBI bases-loaded walk to Young.

4 (Second Inning) — Dubuc scored on a 2-RBI single by Cobb.

5 (Second Inning) — Vitt scored on a 2-RBI single by Cobb.

6 (Sixth Inning) — Burns scored on a 1-RBI double by Stanage.

7 (Ninth Inning) — Crawford scored on a 1-RBI double by Veach.

8 (Ninth Inning) — Veach scored on a 1-RBI double by Burns.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers according to newspaper text descriptions:

Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Burns 2 (or 1), Bush (0 or 1), Baker (0 or 1), Dubuc 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1.

#### RUNS-SCORED numbers in newspaper box scores:

*DFP* — Vitt 1, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*DJ* — Vitt 1, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*DN* — No runs-scored numbers provided for individual players.

*DT* — Vitt 1, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*NYHLD* — Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 0, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*NYPRS* — Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 0, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*NYSUN* — Vitt 1, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 1, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*NYT* — Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 0, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

*NYTRB* — Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 0, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

NOTE: Some box scores show Vitt with 1 run and Bush with 1 run (*DFP, DJ, DT, NYSUN*), while some newspaper box scores show Vitt with 2 runs and Bush with 0 runs (*NYHLD, NUPRS, NYT, NYTRB*); all of the newspaper box scores show Baker with 0 runs.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Retrosheet box score:

Vitt 2, Kavanagh 1, Crawford 1, Veach 1, Burns 2, Bush 0, Baker 0, Dubuc 1; other players (Young, Cobb, Stanage, Oldham, McKee, Dauss, Steen) 0.

RUNS-SCORED numbers in Official DBD records:

Baker 0 (blank), Boehler 0 (blank), Burns 2 , Bush 1, Cobb 0 (blank), Crawford 1, Dauss 0 (blank), Dubuc 1, Kavanagh 1, McKee 0 (blank), Moriarty 0 (blank), Oldham 0 (blank), Stanage 0 (blank), Steen 0 (blank), Veach 1, Vitt 1, Young 0 (blank).

NOTE (1): There is no doubt, according to the newspaper text descriptions that Vitt scored two runs in the game — one run in the first inning and one run in the second inning. Therefore, the official DBD record for Vitt is not correct — Vitt actually scored two runs (not one run) in the second game of the double header on July 13, 1915.

NOTE (2): For the three runs scored in the second inning, while there are not unreasonable scenarios that can be conjectured for who scored the first run (i.e., either Burns, or Bush, or Baker), none of the text descriptions give any indication that Burns was forced out by either Bush or Baker. Therefore, since the official DBD records show that Burns scored two runs, the path of least resistance is to have Burns score the first second-inning run, which, with the run he scored in the sixth inning, gives him two runs scored in the game.

NOTE (3): Therefore, the official DBD record for Bush is not correct — Bush actually scored zero runs (not one run) in the second game of the double header on July 13, 1915.