

Accurate Runs-Scored Records for Players of the Deadball Era: The Players on the 1905 Detroit Tigers

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APPENDIX

Appendix 1: RESEARCH PROCEDURE

For each of the 512 runs scored by the Tigers in 1905 I sought to obtain three critical components: (a) the identity of the player who scored the run; (b) the details of the run-scoring event [e.g., a 2-RBI double, a balk, a 1-RBI grounder (batter safe on a fielding error), a 0-RBI grounder (batter safe on a fielding error), a 1-RBI bases-loaded walk, etc.]; and (c) the identity of the player who completed his plate appearance during the run-scoring event (i.e., the player who could be credited with batting in the run). And, because runs batted in were not recorded officially until 1920, and were not even defined officially until 1931, I followed the 1931 official scoring rules [Rule 70, Section 13] to credit or to not credit a player with an RBI — *“Runs Batted In are runs scored on safe hits (including home runs), sacrifice hits, outfield put-outs, infield put-outs, and when the run is forced over by reason of the batsman becoming a base-runner. With less than two outs, if an error is made on a play on which a runner from third would ordinarily score, credit the batsman with a Run Batted In.”* I then provided the complete documentation that I assembled to Retrosheet’s Tom Ruane and Dave Smith for their independent review, upon which we achieved 100% agreement and Retrosheet incorporated all of the runs-scored numbers in its Box Score file (and derived Player Daily files).

Appendix 2: NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS of SELECTED GAMES

1. August 25, 1905 — Detroit vs. Philadelphia — Detroit scored 3 runs

Second Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

DFP — “Cooley scored Detroit’s first run, in the second [inning], opening with a double to center and coming home on Lowe’s single past M. Cross.”

DN — Nothing at all.

PINQ — “Cooley scored Detroit’s first run, in the second [inning], opening with a double to center and coming home on Lowe’s single past M. Cross.”

PNA — “... in the second. Cooley led with a double, and Coughlin went out, short to first. Lowe’s single scored Cooley. Warner skied and Mullin forced Lowe.”

PPRS — “Cooley doubled in the second and scored on Lowe’s single, after Coughlin had gone out.”

PREC — “The Tigers scored in the second on Cooley’s two-bagger, a sacrifice, and Lowe’s single.”

Third Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

DFP — “In the next [third] inning doings were promised, but were interrupted. Coakley passed the first two batters, McIntyre and Lindsay. But Schaefer fanned and Crawford forced Lindsay, and only one run scored, McIntyre galloping home on a wild throw past Davis by M. Cross, in an attempt to complete a double play.”

DN — Nothing at all.

PINQ — “In the next [third] inning doings were promised, but were interrupted. Coakley passed the first two batters, McIntyre and Lindsay. But Schaefer fanned and Crawford forced Lindsay, and only one run scored, McIntyre galloping home on a wild throw past Davis by M. Cross, in an attempt to complete a double play.”

PNA — “In the third, Coakley walked McIntyre and Lindsay and whiffed Schaefer. Crawford forced Lindsay and M. Cross made a bad throw to Davis for the double [play]. McIntyre scored. Cooley hit to the pitcher.”

PPRS — “In the third Coakley had his one wild streak, passing McIntyre and Lindsay. Schaefer fanned. Crawford hit to Murphy, forcing Lindsay. M. Cross threw wild to first for a double play and McIntyre went home on the error.”

PREC — “The Tigers added another [run] in the third on Mullin’s single, passes to McIntyre and Lindsay, and a life to Crawford. [NOTE: This PREC text description, which states that the inning commenced with “Mullin’s single,” is not in complete alignment with the text descriptions given in the DFP, PINQ, and PNA game accounts which state that the inning began with the passes to “the first two batters, McIntyre and Lindsay.” Moreover, the

PNA text description for the second inning states that “Mullin forced Lowe” for the third out, thereby making McIntyre the leadoff batter in the third inning. Furthermore, the official DBD records and the newspaper box scores all show that Mullin was not credited with any hits in the game. Therefore, I contend that the “Mullin’s single” is a spurious (typesetting?) error in the PREC text description. Thus, deleting the “Mullin’s single” gives “The Tigers added another in the third on passes to McIntyre and Lindsay, and a life to Crawford” — which is in perfect alignment with the DFP, PINQ, and PNA text descriptions.]

Sixth Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

DFP — “In the sixth both Schaefer and Crawford hit with no one out. Cooley forced Crawford, and Coughlin forced Cooley, and out of this Detroit got the single tally that Schaefer put over the plate on the second force-out.”

DN — Nothing at all.

PINQ — “In the sixth both Schaefer and Crawford hit with no one out. Cooley forced Crawford, and Coughlin forced Cooley, and out of this Detroit got the single tally that Schaefer put over the plate on the second force-out.”

PNA — “Detroit got one [run] in the sixth. Schaefer and Crawford made safeties. Cooley forced Crawford, and Coughlin did the same for Cooley. The out tallied Schaefer, and Lowe skied.”

PPRS — “... until the sixth when Schaefer and Crawford each singled, and two successive force-outs brought home the first issued [i.e., Schaefer].”

PREC — “In the sixth the Tigers scored their last run on singles by Schaefer and Crawford, Cooley’s sacrifice, and Coughlin’s out.”

SUMMARY of the 3 runs scored by the Tigers (newspaper text descriptions)

1 (Second Inning) — Cooley scored on a 1-RBI single by Lowe

2 (Third Inning) — McIntyre scored (from second base) on a 1-out fielder’s-choice-force-out coupled with a fielding error (wild throw to first) by the shortstop M. Cross; the batter, Crawford, was safe on the fielding error.

3 (Sixth Inning) — Schaefer scored on a 1-RBI fielder’s-choice-force-out by Coughlin.

UNOFFICIAL Runs Scored (This Work): Cooley 1, McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1.

UNOFFICIAL Runs Scored (Newspaper Box Scores)

DFP — McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1, Cooley 1.

DN — McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1, Cooley 1.

PINQ — McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1, Cooley 1.

PNA — McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1, Cooley 1.

PREC — McIntyre 1, Schaefer 1, Cooley 1.

OFFICIAL Runs Scored: McIntyre 1, Crawford 1, Cooley 1.

Conclusions —

- **Schaefer had 1 Run Scored (not 0 Runs Scored).**
- **Crawford had 0 Runs Scored (not 1 Run Scored).**

2. August 30, 1905 — Detroit vs. New York — Detroit scored 5 runs

First Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

DFP — “... Round 1 proceedings. McIntyre had opened with a drive past Yeager, on which he sprinted to second base. Lindsay followed with a smash at Conroy that went through him, scoring McIntyre. Schaefer sacrificed Lindsay to second. Crawford’s grounder trickled to the pitcher for two out. This brought up Cobb and, with two strikes on him, he lifted one into center that Hahn couldn’t get out to, scoring the run.. Cobb died at second, awaiting the hit that didn’t come.”

DJ — “McIntyre opened the game with a double, scoring on Lindsay’s single, who in turn scored when Cobb rapped out a two-decker to the center field fence.”

DT — “McIntyre had opened the first by a drive down the foul line for two bases and had scored on Lindsay’s whack to right. Lindsay had moved up a peg on Schaefer’s sacrifice. He took third while Crawford was enrolling himself as the second out. Cobb landed the ball way over the head of Hahn in center [scoring Lindsay] and Cobb sailed round to second like an express train.”

NYEWLD — “McIntyre hit for two bases to left field and Lindsay smashed a single through Conroy, scoring McIntyre. Schaefer sacrificed, Conroy to Williams. Chesbro handled Crawford’s bounce and Cobb, the minor leaguer, broke into fast company by hitting Chesbro for a two-bagger, scoring Lindsay. Williams retire Coughlin.”

NYSUN — “McIntyre doubled to left center in the first and scored on Lindsay’s poke to right for a single. Schaefer sacrificed Lindsay to second, and Crawford was an easy out from Chesbro to Conroy. Cobb’s lucky two-bagger, which Hahn misjudged by reason of the high wind, scored Lindsay.”

NYTRB — Nothing at all.

Third Inning — Detroit scored 1 run

DFP — “In the third Detroit got another [run] after two were gone, Schaefer getting a pass, and making third when McGuire fumbled Crawford’s little bunt. A double steal went through, Conroy’s return throw to the plate being high. Crawford went to third on the error. Then Cobb walked, but he was nipped going to second, trying to draw a throw that would get Crawford home.”

DJ — “Another run came in the third when Schaefer was passed. He got around as far as third on McGuire’s error and scored on a double steal, Conroy throwing high to the plate.”

DT — Nothing at all.

NYEWLD — Chesbro fielded a hot bounce from McIntyre. Delahanty made a remarkable catch off Lindsay, running about half a block and holding the drive as he fell on his stomach. Schaefer walked. McGuire’s fumble game Crawford first and advanced Schaefer to third. Schaefer scored on McGuire’s throw to Williams to catch Crawford stealing. Conroy made a wild throw to the plate which let Schaefer in and sent Crawford to third. Cobb walked. Cobb was caught stealing second, McGuire to Elberfeld.”

NYSUN — “With two out in the third, Schaefer walked and went from first to third because McGuire first booted Crawford’s bunt and then let it go away from him. In the mixup Conroy tried to catch Crawford off first and in returning the ball threw so high that Schaefer scored.”

NYTRB — Nothing at all.

Seventh Inning — Detroit scored 2 runs

DFP — “... in the seventh. Drill led with a single, and Mullin put him at third with a hit to right. McIntyre forced Mullin, and Frill scored on the play. Lindsay died on the infield, but Schaefer doubled to right, scoring McIntyre.”

DJ — “Drill and Mullin singled and Schaefer’s two-bagger cinched the game.”

DT — Nothing at all.

NYEWLD — Nothing at all — went to press after the top of the seventh inning.

NYSUN — “The fourth run came on sharp singles by Drill and Mullin, Mullin’s force out [by McIntyre], Williams’s fumble of Lindsay’s bounder, and Schaefer’ two-sack drive.”

NYTRB — Nothing at all.

SUMMARY of the 5 runs scored by the Tigers (newspaper text descriptions)

1 (First Inning) — McIntyre scored on a 1-RBI single by Lindsay.

2 (First Inning) — Lindsay scored on a 1-RBI double by Cobb.

3 (Third Inning) — Schaefer scored on his steal of home.

4 (Seventh Inning) — Drill scored on a 1-RBI fielder’s-choice-force-out by McIntyre.

5 (Seventh Inning) — McIntyre scored on a 1-RBI double by Schaefer.

UNOFFICIAL Runs scored (This Work): McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

UNOFFICIAL Runs Scored (Newspaper Box Scores):

DFP — McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

DJ — McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

DT — McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

NYSUN — McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

NYTRB — McIntyre 2, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1.

OFFICIAL Runs Scored: Drill 1, Lindsay 1, McIntyre 1, Mullin 1, Schaefer 1.

UNOFFICIAL Runs Scored (Retrosheet Box Score): McIntyre 1, Lindsay 1, Schaefer 1, Drill 1, Mullin 1.

Conclusions —

- **McIntyre had 2 Runs Scored (not 1 Run Scored).**
- **Mullin had 0 Runs Scored (not 1 Run Scored).**