

HIGH-PRICED STARS FAIL FOR PENNANTS

Mathewson Tells How Comiskey Spends Great Sums to Try and Win Flag.

\$50,000 PAID FOR COLLINS

White Sox Owner Has Made Money and Wants to Give Chicago Fans Championship Team—Efforts Seem Without Avail.

By CHRIST MATHEWSON. NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—(Special.)—That it is almost impossible to buy a pennant winner has been demonstrated this year in the baseball league.

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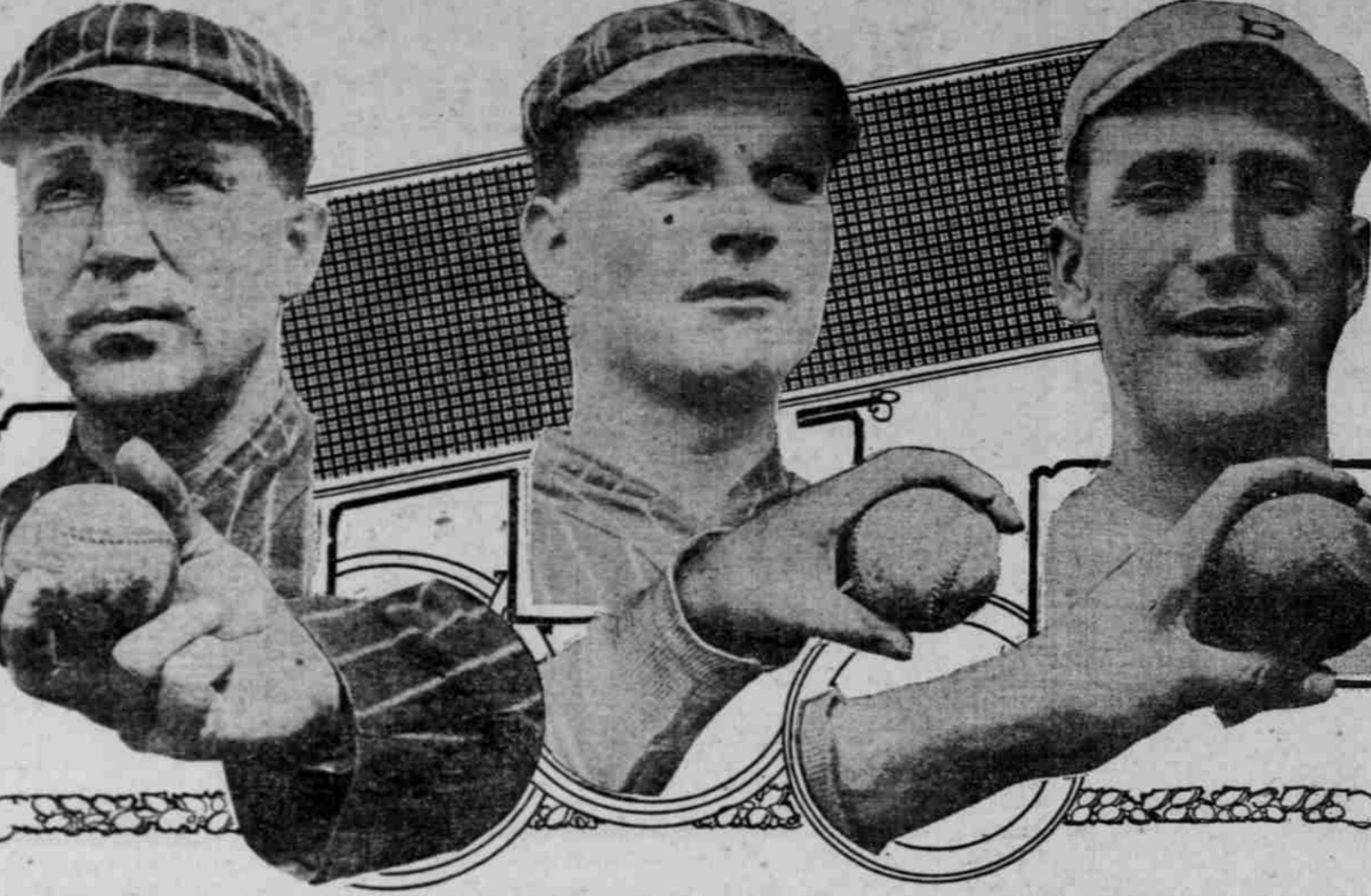
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WILLIAMS' LEAD BIG

Salt Lake Pitcher Nearing Record for Strikeouts.

TOTAL OF 211 TO CREDIT

Slim Love, of Los Angeles, High in Disposal of Walks With 95. Pruiett Has Hit Most Players and Hughes Wildest.

Lefty Williams, of Salt Lake, may not break the season's strikeout record made by Veau Gregoire of Portland, in 1910, when he fanned a total of 375 batters, but Williams will come closer to it than any other pitcher in the league has come in the last five years. For in the first 21 weeks of the season, Williams had averaged better than 10 strikeouts a week and was showing improvement in the last couple of months.

Last month Williams was 51 fanned at Clinton Prough, of Oakland, his nearest rival for strikeouts. However, the month's Fanning, of San Francisco, has crowded Prough out of the second place, but even at that Williams has increased his lead by 10 fanned batters to 87 strikeouts. Last month the six leaders in strikeouts were Williams, of Salt Lake, 157; Prough, Oakland, 156; Fanning, San Francisco, 102; Love, Los Angeles, 95; Klawitter, Oakland, 95; Hughes, Los Angeles, 94.

The following records show strikeouts, bases on balls, hit batters, wild pitches and balks on each pitcher's record sheet for the first 21 weeks of the season up to and including games of August 22:

Table with columns for Player, Club, K, B, H, W, P, Bk. Lists top performers like Williams, Prough, Fanning, etc.

AUTO RACE IS FAIR FINALE

Chehalis and Centralia Share Honor at Southwest Washington Event.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The automobile race between Centralia and Chehalis drivers featured the closing day of the Southwest Washington Fair. In the mile against time, the Centralia car won in 1:25, but in the ten-mile race Chehalis won in 15:10.

Centralia Team Ready for Shoot.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—The team that will represent Company M, Second Regiment, National Guard of Washington, at the state rifle shoot September 8, is composed of three expert riflemen and three sharpshooters, and is one of the strongest that ever represented the local company.

Fishing Good Near Ridgefield.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Aug. 28.—(Special.)—Good bass fishing is reported by many anglers who have pined the waters of Salmon Creek during the past few days. A number of good catches have been made, some of the fish weighing more than three pounds. Not only is this sport good in Salmon Creek, but also in the sloughs along the Columbia River, as well as Lake River. The varieties most caught at the present time are bass, croppies and catfish.

Pelley Floored Four Times. RAU CLAIRE, Wis., Aug. 28.—Fred Fuiton, of Rochester, Minn., was awarded a newspaper decision over Arthur Pelley in the fourth round of the fourth round, twice for the count of nine. The men are heavyweights.