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## S-O-M Football Has New Look


#### Abstract

The clock didn't strike midnight and Review co-editor Del Newell then transformed into a pumpkin--but it was close. The new Strat-ロ-Matic Football cards arrived around 8 p.m. on July 9 , just hours before the next issue of the Review was to be put in the hands of the printer

So, only a cursory look at the new cards was all time allowed. But, even with a quick glance, it was obvious that many changes had been made. The cards still look about the same [there are extra columns on the defense cards]. But there are five new offensive formations and six on defense, plus the ability of special teams will come into play more as there are three dice rolls [7, 8 and 12 ] in which the defense will be checked on punt and kickoff returns.

Pittsburg, as expected, is super tough on defense, with five bs [including up-front members of the "Steel Curtain"] and only two $4 s$, both in the secondary. Terry Bradshaw and Joe Gilliam both had cards, but Terry Hanratty secondar. did not-but Bert Jones and Marty Domres of Baltimore look exceptionally good, but Michigan fans of the Detroit Lions are going to suffer as the defense, exce econdary, looks porous and the rushing game almost non-existent. More next month on the new cards. Hopefully some reader comment also, from More next month on the new cards. Hopefully some reader comment also, from those who received their cards early.  REMEMBER THE STRAT-D-MATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION, AUGUST 1-3, AT CHAMPAIGNURBANA IN ILLINDIS. TOURNAMENTS, ACTIVITIES, AND FUN GALDRE ARE PLANNED!


## Bonds, Bench Readers' MVP Picks <br> Yanks, A's, Bucs, Dodgers Are Division Choices

Bobby Bonds in the American League and Johnny Bench in the National were runaway choices to win Most Valuable Player awards when the 1975 major league season fades into history. At least that's the opinion of those who responded to the Strat-ロ-Matic Review's annual Most Valuable Player contest.

Bonds, traded over the winter from San Francisco to the New York Yankees, was figured to step right in and handle A.L. pitching without a hitch as evidenced by his drawing 59 votes as the MVP. Bench, meanwhile, had 30 more votes than his nearest challenger in the N.L., polling 81 votes to Joe Morgan's 51. Rod Carew, Minnesota's spray-hitting second baseman, was runnerup to Bonds with 39 votes in the A.L.

Since voters also had to pick how the pennant races would come out, a vote for Bonds-Bench doesn't mean a winning ticket just yet. If more than one subscriber should pick the MVPs correctly, then the one who picked how the pennant races would end up the closest would win the contest and a set of the new Strat-0-Matic Baseball cards.

According to Review readers, it'll be the Yankees and Dakland clashing for the A.L. penmant, with Pittsburgh and Los Angeles meeting in the N.L. Surprisingly, not one of the division races even resembles the word. It's almost I'ike Willie McCovey challenging Houston McTear to a sprint duel.

New York, with the addition of Bonds and Catfish Hunter, was picked to New York, with the addition of Bonds and Catfish Hunter, was picked to champion A's had a whopping 165-vote bulge over Texas in the West. Pittsburgh had a 129-72 advantage over Philadelphia in the N.L. East balloting, with L.A. the choice over Cincinnati in the West, 186-104.

As of this writing [Friday, June 27], the choice of Bench was definitely in the ballpark, while Bonds, after a horrendous start, was coming on strong despite injury woes. The pennant picks didn't shppe up too badly, either. New York had a slim [ $1 / 2$-game] lead over Boston, with Baltimore nine games off the pace in the A.L. East, and Dakland was $4 \frac{1}{2}$ out in front of Kanses City in the West. Pittsburgh and Philadelphia were fighting it out in the N.L. East, with the Bucs $1 \frac{1}{2}$ games in front. But in the N.L. West a different story was being written. The normally slow-starting Reds were away quickest this time and had a $41 / 2$-game bulge over the Dodgers.

June's sparklers may flicker out by the end of September, however, so everyone, officially, is still in the running for contest laurels.

Here is the way the voting went:
MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

| American League | Votes | National League | $\underline{\text { Votes }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bobby Bonds | 59 | Johnny Bench | 81 |
| Rod Carew | 39 | Joe Morgan | 51 |
| Reggie Jackson | 33 | Steve Garvey | 31 |
| Thurman Munson | 24 | Jim Wynn | 17 |
| Jeff Burroughs | 20 | Greg Luzinski | 13 |
| Nolan Ryan | 20 | Ron Cey | 12 |
| Lee May | 13 | Dave Winfield | 10 |
| Vida Blue | 12 | Willie Stargell- | 9 |
| Joe Rudi | 12 | Bob Watson | 9 |
| Willie Horton | 10 | Reggie Smith | 8 |

Also, there were two players with six votes, one with five, five with three votes, four with two and 11 with one apiece in the American League. In the National League there was one player with six votes, three with five, one with four, four with three, three with two and 10 with one vote apiece.
[Turn to the next page for the division winners]

## DIVISION WINNERS

[First place votes]

| American | League East | American League West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New York | - [135] | Dakland - [219] |
| Baltimore | - [89] | Texas - [51] |
| Boston | - [59] | Kansas City - [18] |
| Milwaukee | - [5] | Minnesota - (7) |
| Detroit | - [4] | California - [2] |
| Cleveland | - [2] |  |
| National | League East | National League West |
| Pittsburgh | - [129] | Los Angeles - [186]? |
| Philadelphi | - [72] | Cincinnati - [104] |
| St. Louis | - [37] | Atlanta - [3] |
| New York | - [32] | S.Francisco - [2] |
| Chicago | - [25] |  |



## Questions \& Answers

Editor's note: Questions regarding individual and team ratings will not be Edion unless a mistake has been made. The game company cannot, for reasons of security, disclose its card-making formula, which would be necessary in some instances to answer such questions. If your questions regarding ratings do not appear in the Review within three months after being sent, you ratings do not appear in the Revi
QUESTION: Why doesn't Norm Miller [1972 Houston Astros] have a hit-and-run rating?

ANSWER: It should be a "C".

QUESTION: Why wasn't Greg Gossen included with the 1969 Seattle Pilots? He was
ANSWER: Strat-0-Matic felt Walton's statistics were more indicative of his ability than the "Golden Goose's."
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QUESTION: On Don Chaney's 1973-74 Boston Celtics basketball card, on the advanced version, what is his rebound rating [the card says "24"]?

ANSWER: A rebounding rating of "24" is correct.
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QUESTION: Why does Augie Galan have two groundball A's on his card [1935 Cubs]? He didn't hit into a double play the entire season. Would it be advisable to change them to groundball $B$ ?
ANSWER: Yes, the game company says for most realistic results that the groundball A situations should be changed to groundball B. All of those earlier card sets had at least a couple of groundball A readings on them. They were, of course, manually done.
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QUESTION: How many at-bats and innings pitched does a batter/pitcher have to have to qualify for the batting title or earned run average title?

ANSWER: To qualify for the individual batting title a batter must have 3.1 plate appearances for every scheduled game [502 for a 162 -game schedule] and must appear in at least one inning for every scheduled game [162] if a pitcher.

## Organization Is Key To Luverne Baseball League's Growth, Sucesss <br> He who is well-organized is usually successful in whatever endeavors he

So it's not surprising that the Luverne Strat-0-Matic Baseball League out of Luverne, MN , has been one of the best in Strat-0-Dom the last With Grege, Gropel as commissioner, the face-to-face league [all of its members With oregg Gropel as 28 years old] has been a model of consistency. An easy-to-follow, yet comprehensive schedule, keeps the league flowing along smoothly. yet comprehensive schedule, kin the finishing touches on its 1973

The eight-member league 1974 cards.] and sent the Review a all-star-team baseball copy of what transpired--a 28 -page booklet lammed Some of the highlights

The league season took 35 weeks to complo. record [428], Pat Dobson throwing included Nolan Ryan setting a league strikeou run average record [2.46], Don a no-hitter, Tom Seaver setting a new earned an all-time Sutton setting a record for most wins [31], Bill North for high 120 bases and Willie Stargell cracking the record for doubles L47.

The all-star teams format was used for the first time by 1974 and concluded with playoffs league, which began its season in Dctober
and a World Series in late March of
Gropel's work of art--the league's record book--would serve its results any league that
over the years.

LUVERNE RECDRD BOOK CONTAINS...
A summary of the league's recent season leads off the booklet. Standings in the four-team North and South Divisions follow. Then there are team tatistics in both batting and pitching--and all categories, including even stathe are included. A won-and-lost chart for each team against the sachifice hits, are Individual champs in batting, home runs, ERA, etc. are others is next. Individual champs in batting, home runs, ERA, etc All-Star listed next and then comes a Special Recogn Year [Sparky Lyle] and MVP team, Cy Young [Dilie Stargell] voting is listed.

Individual batting and pitching leaders were compiled in all categories
Individual batting and pitching lead in each category for each of the five and there's even a page with the leaders 102 plate appearances) and pitching years. Qualifiers for batting [based on 502 plate appearances) andime team [minimum of 162 innings] are listed in order, plus there are all-time team and individual leaders [Ton

Previos division winners and their records are listed and there's a Previous division winners and tote section devoted to the playoffs, World Series [including game-by-game complete section devoted seven-page schedule.

The schedule, we've mentioned above, could well serve as a model for other such leagues. It says a lot--and in a minimum amount of space.

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Series range from two games to as many as six, with three games the average. Off days are included on schedule, which finds each team playing the others 23 times and one team 24 times. Doubleheaders are, of course, part of the schedule which covers a total of 31 series and lasts, by actual date, until the schedule which covers ing in Luverne on March 9 and were completed on March Mar

A quick glance at the schedule and you can see a lot of ground has bean covered in a short amount of space. A complete schedule such as this if or minographed and given to each league member (whether it be a confusionemost of play-by-mail leaguel woul

TIGERS, YANKEES DIVISION CHAMPS
eorge MoDonald's Tigers [91-71] and Gregg Gropel's Yankees [110-52] won
George Mcond the North and South Division titles, respectively, In the South, the Giants ousted qualified for Rols, three games to two and the Yankees did likewise to the Giants. the Royals, three games to two and orioles to the sidelines The Twins surprised in the Non Finishing off the Tigers, 3-1.
in three straight games, then finishing of no better than 80-82 and a second
The Twins, managed by Konrad Eidahl and morplace finisher in the North during the regul
ore for the Yankees in the World in the opener as the Twins won, 5-2. In the
Nolan Ryan struck out 12 Yanks in the opener as 0 lead, the Yankees fought second game, after the Twins had grabbed an 's ninth inning double. Game three back to pull it out, E-5, on Willie Stargell's ninth inning double. four RBI, was no contest as the Twins, led by Reggie Jackson's two homers and four RBI, romped 11-3. Then the Twins came within a game of wrapping the series up wh they scored four unearned runs in the seventh in thank home runs for a $5-4$ triumph in game No. 4.

The Yanks rebounded in game No. 5, however, winning 6-5 as sub Andy
The Yanks [filling in for injured Johnny Bench] knocked in the winning tally Etchebarren [filling in for injurd strikeout total to 25 despite the loss, while in the ninth for the Yanks. Next a three-run homer Stargell clouted his the Twins, 4-1, setting by Sal Bando and Jon Matlack
a he homered in the 10th inningra Bob Bailey was the hero of the showderne title to the Twins, 5-4. The pinch-hit wallop no less--to hand the
Yanks did outhit the victors, $12-8$, but to no avail.
Final Luverne standings and individual leaders:


Stolen Bases: North [Cards] 120; Bonds [Yanks] 76.
Doubles: Stargell [Yanks] 47; Allen [Yanks] 40; Scott [Twins] 40
Triples: Zisk [Tigers] 14; Carew [Drioles] 13
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| ERA |  |  |  | Strikeouts | Won-Lost \% |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Seaver [Yanks] | 2.46 | Sutton [Yanks] | $31-4.886$ | Ryan [Twins] | 296 |  |
| Sutton [Yanks] | 2.77 | Giusti [Yanks] | $14-3.823$ | Seaver [Yanks] | 268 |  |
| Ryan [Twins] | 2.78 | Seaver [Yanks] | $23-13.639$ | Sutton [Yanks] | 266 |  |
| Gibson [Royals] | 2.98 | Matlack [Yanks] | $15-9.625$ | Messersmith [GI] 264 |  |  |
| Matlack [Yanks] | 2.98 | Twitahell [Tigers] | $15-9.625$ | Blyleven [Oriales]262 |  |  |
| Blyleven [Orioles] | 3.04 | Rooker [Giants] | $11-7.611$ |  |  |  |
| Renko [Twins] | 3.07 | Singer [Braves] | $14-9.607$ |  |  |  |
| Wise [Cards] | 3.20 | Blyleven [Yanks] | $21-14.600$ |  |  |  |

Complete Games: Sutton [Yanks] 27; Seaver [Yanks] 25; Renko [Twins] 25; Ryan [Twins] 25.
Innings Pitched: Ryan [Twins] 362; Sutton [Yanks] 351; Seaver [Yanks] 351. Shutouts: Blyleven [Orioles] 7; Seaver [Yanks] 6
Saves: Hrabosky [Oriales] 17; Lyle [Tigers] 15.


## Best Of Braves Too Much For Berwick Area S-O-M Opposition <br> Mix the power of the 1973 Atlanta Braves with the pitching of the 1974

 Atlanta Braves and what do you get?The answer is the regular-season champion in the five-team, 162-game Berwick Area Strat-0-Matic League, a face-to-face setup with five managers using their favorite teams mixed with players from the 1970-1974 seasons. Players had to have a card for that team during that time span to be on the 25-player roster, however.
(the league played only the National League teams] and guided it to a 96-66 record. The power was supplied by Darrell Evans [ 44 home runs, 101 RBI, 100 runs], Dave Johnson [ 37 homers], Hank Aaron [35], Earl Williams [27] and Rico Carty [24], while Ralph Garr led the league in hitting [.324], hits [220], runs scored [106] and triples [16].

The old bugaboo that kept the Braves off the title warpath in real-life-pit-ching--was remedied by the performances of Phil Niekro [24-15 and with a no-hitter], Buzz Capra [Cy Young Award winner, 22-10, 2.34 ERA], and Carl Morton [19-8].

Vince Trivelpiece guided the New York Mets to second [91-71], despite not having a player that hit. 300 , more than 22 homers, or won 20 games. Tom Seaver was second in the league in strikeouts [325], but yielded 38 "gopher" balls--tops in the league. The pitching staff did record 15 shutouts and Tug MoGraw was voted "Fireman of the Year" after a 17-11 record and 24 saves.

Pittsburgh, guided by Sandy D'ambrosio, $79-83$, was third. The Bucs had the hitting and power but pitching woes plagued the Pirates. Only Ken Brett, 17-12, was over. 500 among the moundmen. Willie Stargell was super on the attack, though, blasting 55 homers, knocking in 126 runs, unloading 41 doubles and hitting .297. Roberto Clemente [.302] and Manny Sanguillen [.301] were third and fourth in batting, respectively.

Philadelphia, 76-86 under Mark Sadock, had Steve Carlton but little else. Carlton rang up six shutouts and a $24-15$ record and Larry Bowa stole 32 bases, inoluding five in the final game. Mike Schmidt was a big disappointment, slipping to. 254 and 21 homers. Los Angeles Finished a surprising last as John MoDanel, 63-99, ran into enough injury problems to turn a young manager grey. The collapse of the Dodgers was a team effort, as only Andy Messersmith [17-15] was over. 500 and Tommy John [6-15] and Don Sutton [13-18] had horrendous seasons. The hitting wasn't much better as. Steve Garvey was only
.287 and Jimmy Wynn found the home run range only 18 times.

The Berwick S-0-M League did conduct a playoff and World Series, with Pittsburgh facing and defeating Atlanta over the final seven-game route. The Bucs won the showdown game, $5-4$, as Bob Robertson won Series MVP honors by clouting four homers and producing five RBI.

Hitting did suffer in the league, obviously. The wealth of pitching talent matched against similar-type hitters found only four swingers managing to orack .300 --proof of the domination by the hurlers.

Here are the leaders in the Berwick Area S-D-M League:

| ¢g | Home Runs |  | RBI |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Garr [ 744 ] 324 | Stargell ['71] | 55 | Stargell ['71] | 126 |
| Carty ['70] .314 | D. Evans ['73] | 44 | D. Evans ['73] | 101 |
| Clemente ['71] .302 | D. Johinson ['73] | 37 | D. Johnson ['73] | 100 |
| Sanguillen ['71] . 301 | Aaron ['73] | 35 | Clendenon ['70] | 92 |

Doubles: Stargell ['71] 41; Triples: Garr ['74] 16;
Hits: Garr ['74] 220; Runs: Garr ['74] 106;
Stolen Bases: Lopes ['74] 51;

| Won-Lost \% |  |  | ERA [106 Inn.] |  | Strikeouts |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Morton ['74] | 19-8 | . 704 | R. Hernandez ['73] | 1.26 | Carlton ['72] | 357 |
| McAndrew ['72] | 14-6 | . 700 | McGraw ['72] | 1.80 | Seaver ['>1] | 325 |
| Capra ['74] | 22-10 | . 688 | McAndrew ['72] | 2.01 | Sutton ['73] | 272 |
| Carlton ['72] | 24-15 | . 615 | Carlton ['72] | 2.02 | P.Niekro ['74] | 225 |
| McGraw ['72] | 17-11 | . 607 |  |  |  |  |
| P.Niekro ['74] | 23-16 | . 590 |  |  |  |  |
| Seaver ['>1] | 19-15 | . 559 |  |  |  |  |

## Strat-O-Matic Spotlight

## RATING THE OLD-TIMERS

Evaluating a hitter's worth is oftentimes like putting a puzzle together; many players appear to be good but don't fit the hitting mold you think they should fall in. As every student of the intricacies of S-0-M Baseball card makeup are well aware, hits alone don't a good batter make. Walks are a big factor, too.

In other words, a player's on-base chances are a better measuring gauge of hitter's worth. Take a player with a. 270 average and 105 walks and you have someone in the dynamite class, especially if he has power to go with it. A .290 hitter, conversely, may be of less value to a team if he only draws 30 to 40 walks--in other words, is not on base as often.

Richard Zaborsky of Youngstown, $O H$, once canducted an experiment with ten selected Hall-of-Fame players' best-year cards as a special project for a computer sciene class. He rated the players for on-base percentage, then for
total-base percentage. In the first case he gave equal oredit for each hit or total-base percentage. In the first case he gave equal oredit or a walk. For the second category, each hit divided by 108 and expressed as percentages.

Here's the way on-base and total base percentages came out:

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1941 Ted Williams
1924 Rogers Hornsby
1927 Babe Ruth
1911 Ty Cobb
1897 Wee Willie Keeler
1922 George Sisler
1901 Nap Lajoie
1934 Lou Gehrig
1 9 3 0 \text { Bill Terry}
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| On-Base | Total Base\% |
| :---: | :---: |
| 74.35 | 107.91 |
| 66.66 | 100.46 |
| 65.74 | 114.25 |
| 63.42 | 90.23 |
| 61.11 | 75.00 |
| 59.81 | 81.80 |
| 58.88 | 90.55 |
| 57.87 | 101.99 |
| 55.55 | 81.80 |

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Thomas Mueller is a typical S-O-M gamer. He plays all three games... and is very busy guy. A junior-to-be in high school, he admits that the orush of school activities limits his S-0-M playing. He likes to see final resulta, school activities approach has been to take one team [in baseball] and replay hond its entire season. If time permits he goes on to another team...another... and another.

In the last year he completed five such replays, all from the if he had and that the projects have been most enjoya tried to replay a number of teams at once. Kick in September, compiled the best

Pittsburgh, behind a strong finishing kick in, knooked in 129 runs, scored record $[96-59]$. Willie Stargell hit 42 home 30 pinch-hitting. Cincinnati was 98 and batted. 300 for the Bucs, who hit. 330 kept the Reds from reaching 100 next $[94-50]$ as only a .500 month of September kept the 6 , although Johnmy victories. John Billingham was a hurling standout at $16-6$, althoun a victories. foremendous disappointment, hitting 27 homers but with hly Bench was a tremendac hat hat of 20 -game winners in Catfish Hunter and average. Dakland Ken Holtzman and had the longest winne, with 36 doubles, 45 homers and 133 the Chicago Cubs $[88-67]$, batting 94 ,
runs-batted-in. Baltimore was only
SHORT SHAKES
SHORT SHAKES
.. Bob Hess of Wood River, IL, wanted to see how the best home run sluggers m 1973 would fare against the stingy slants of pitcher Don Sutton from the 500 pitches to each and sat back and watched the results. Willie Stargell led the homer parade, cracking 54, watched the was second with 52, Andy Kosco surprised somewhat by knocking out Hank Aaron was second Dick Allen had 34 each and Dave Johnson $33 . .$. If they ever decide to make Rich Boettge's pitching duel between Bert Blyleven and ever decide to make Rich inde, it should be titled, the "Revenge of Gene Tenace. Catfish Hunter into a movie, 15 innings and going into that frame the score was tied, $2-2$. The game lasted 15 innings and going into Tenance was an unlikely hero at that point, in the 15 th it was Tenace's turn for as Blyleven fanned 23 in 14 innings. revenge as he slammed a solo home run that broke games of a National League Salloum of Saskatoon, Sask., found that after 1 baseball replay that "4" hitting pitchers compil Abdul-Jabbar, to no one"s surthat "3" was good for only a . 176 mark...Kar 5 " prise, has been the dominant figure in the S-0-M Bask plays all three games but Vinz, Arlyn Schwartz and Lonney Whitehead. The trio plays all Jabbar has
finz, Arlyn basketball the most enjoyable. In three short replays, Jabbar has Finds basketball the most averaged 45 points and once net' Wilt Chamberlain, once upon a time a pretty by Nate Archibald. Los Angeles once but missed his last shot and a ohance at a Fair point-producer, netted adjourned, math teacher Richard Zaborsky [menti new record... Before school adjourned, fof brozman, engaged in an S-0-M abovel and one of his algebra students, Jabs. Zaborsky's A.L. squad finally Baseball team using the new Hall-of-Famers. 13 home runs were walloped. The prevailed in a slugfest, $19-10$, dur tagging three. Willie Mays hit two for the A.L. hit out eight, with Jimmy Foxx tagging stayed with Three-Finger Brown all N.L., which led at one point,
the way and the N.L. hurler served up all

How To Figure Righty-Lefty Batting

BY THOMAS MUELLER<br>Park Ridge, IL

Quite a while ago someone had a system for figuring lefty-righty batting號 was quite wrong but there is a way. It averages of S-O-M players. His systemed]
[continued
is simply a matter of freshman algebra. Of course, first the user of this system must be able to find out the batting average off the card. This has been explained before in the Review but I will explain it again. I am sure that many mathematical-minded players have figured this system out but $I$ think that it should be printed for all to see and use.

First you must figure the player's batting average against lefties and righties. If you haven't done this before, use the following chart and instructions.
[1] Add up the "non-official" at-bat readings and subtract from 2,160. [2] Add up the hit readings and divide the total hits by the number found in step one.
Reading on the card have the following value:
Reading on the card have the follow

| Number |
| :---: |
| 2,12 |


| Points | Single-Split |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3,11 | 40 |

4,10

Now that you have the lefty-righty batting averages off the cards, you put them in this equation and solve for " $X$ ".
$x[L][Y]+X[R][Z]=T$

- the lefty batting average off the card.
$R$ - the righty batting average off the card.
Y - the \% of at-bats against lefties.
$z$ - the \% of at-bats against righties.
T - the player's actual batting average.
Once the equation has been solved, it is a simple job to get the aotual lefty-righty batting averages. Multiply the "X" from the equation, times the lefty batting average off the card, then do the same for the righty card average. These final fiqures are your lefty-righty batting averages. This isn't nearly as hard as it sounds, as with the use of a calculator it can be done in a matter of minutes.

Let me give you an example. I will do the 1972 Al Kaline card. He batted 313 in' 72 . He batted 44 per cent of the time against lefties, 56 per cent against righties

1. Find the averages against lefties and righties. First subtract the 2,160. Kaline has walks on 1-4, 3-7, 3-9 and a HBP on 3-11. [年 [120] 3-9 [80] and 3-11 [40] for a total These are worth: 1-4 [60 points], 30 equals 1, 860 . Kaline's hit are on: of 300 points. Thus $2,1-7[120], 1-8[100], 1-9[80], 1-10[50], 2-6[100], 3-5$ $1-5[80], 1-6[100], 1-7$ [120], 1-8 [100], Then divide 1,860 into your
[80], 3-6 [100] and $3-10$ [27, 1-9 split]. Then divide 1,860 into your lefties.
2. Do the same for the righty-side of his card. That comes to . 314. These are not average.
$X[L][Y]+X[R][Z]=T$
$X[.455][.44]+X[.314][.56]=.313$
$X[.200]+X[.176]=.313$
$x[.200]+x[.13$
$x[.376]=.313$
$x=.313$ divided by .376 $x=.832$
multiply "X" times the righty batting average from the card and do the same for the lefty and you have Al Kaline's averages: [remember " X " is . 832 ]
versus left-handed pitching - . 379
versus right-handed pitching - . 261
Again I want to mention this isn't really as hard as it looks. I urge you to try it.

## Readers Roll ${ }^{\text {© }}$ Em

PITCHER'S HITTING, FIELDING?
I think Strat-a-Matic should do something about fielding and hitting for pitchers. I have a ew suggestions:

First of all I think pitchers should have fielding ratings. Every year Jim Kaat and Bob Gibson win Golden Glove Awards for pitchers yet are rated only 2 .

Instead of giving pitcher's ratings, I think where it says "atings, "groundball pitcher should be a triple split reading should be a triple split read such as: "1-base error, 1-4;
Single 5-8; Dut-3, 9-20." This way it would be easy.

Also, I would like to see one through 10 ratings for pitcher' hitting cards rather than just four cards as is now done.

> Jim Mitzelfeld
> 19107 Chelton Dr. Birmingham, MI

Editor's note: Although agreeing that more than one Fielding rating for pitchers would be an improvement, we question whether your suggestion [triple split reading] would be any more realistic than the method currently in use. A pitcher's ability dis not being judged by this method, rather it would be just the "luck of the draw."

## PLACING PLAYERS

I enjoy the Review very much I can purchase the old Strat-DMatic cards and read about the coomplishments of others ChopeFully my own someday when friends and I can begin a real league]

I plan to attend the 1975 Convention and am really looking forward to it.

I do have a complaint about the new baseball cards. Why were Ron Hunt and Claude Dsteen were Ron Hunt and put on the Cardinals? With hunt on St. Louis, its plate appearan ces number 5,747. Without Hunt the total is 5,263 . Montreal's plate appearances are 4,740 with out Hunt, 5,224 with, or a difference of only 3o whim.

The same thing is true with Dsteen and innings pitched.for St. Louis and Houston. Take Osteen and Hunt away from St. Louis and it has only 22 players, however.

I have an idea which is very feasible-add a fifth extra player for each team. It would provide more manueverability and versatility. There were a lot of key personinel left out of this year's cards, such as Don Demola [Expos, 25 games, 58 IP, 3.10 ERA]; George Stone [Mets, 13 starts, 77 IP, 9 decisions]; Tom Dettore [Cubs, 16 games, 9 starts, 65 IP, 8 decisions), etc. In the N.L. alone there were 14 pitchers that appeared in 16 or more games not included..

Among the hitters were: Paul Cassanova [Atlanta, 42 games $104 \mathrm{AB}, .202$ Avg.]; Gene Locklear [S.D., 39 games, 74 AB , . 270 Avg.]; Tom Heintzelmann [St. Louis, 38 games, $74 \mathrm{AB}, .230 \mathrm{Avg]}$. ; Rob Sperring [Cubs, 42 games]; Pepe Mangual [Montreal, . 304 Avg.J, etc.

What do you say fellow gamesters? Do we want and can we use a 25th man?

> Randall Witt
> Rt. \#5 Moores Lane Franklin, TN

Editor's note: Regarding the placement of players on teams, Strat-0-Matic's policy has been to put the player on the team he finished the season with. In some instances, player cards have not included a team name [For instance this year's card set], thus leaving the choice of which team they will be put on up to of which tegarding "fifth" extra player. you. Regarding a "fifth extra player S-0-M has mentioned on many occas
that finding four representative players for each team is often difficult Many times such fringe players carry a high average with few at-bats, and the stats are not representative of the tean extra players who are representative is oftentimes not an easy task.

INCREASE REVIEW PAGES
I must say that $I$ agree with Jim Powell 100 per cent on his comments in a recent Review that the Review should have an increase in pages. The last page increase was back in early 1973. This was an increase of four pages with the Review going from $35 \$$ to $40 \$$. Since then?
the price of the Review has gone up five cents and there hasn't been an increase in pages [I can understand that the latest price increase was for printing, etc.J.

Even if you increase the price of the Review another five cents with at least a four-page increase, most S-0-M fans would go along with this. Maybe you would like with this. Maybe you would like to take a poll on the above suggestion. Remember, a four-pag
inorease is only one $9^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}$ increase is only one $9^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}$ piece of paper per magazine.
One other note, what happened
the "S-0-M League Scene" that was Featured in the May, 1975 issue of the Review. Is this section only going to be in the Review every other issue? I think it is one of the better sections of the magazine. Keep up the good work.

## Steve Parewski

Norridge, IL
Editor's note: An increase in printing cost was the reason for the price increase before, that you are correct about. An increase of four more pages, we found out, is not so. easily done. Biggest problem is not increased printing costs [which there certainly would be], Wut rather mailing costs would spiral because of the increased spiral ourrentweight of the publication. Currently the Review is at maximum wei
for its mailing classification. for its mailing classification. An inorease in pages would put
over and force an inorease in price to cover such mailing costs. The "League Scene" section we think is a welcome addition to the Review, too. We plan on running this section every month. THIEF VICTIM OF THIEVERY I was looking through some of my old Reviews and came upon an article in the Dotober, 1974 edition that really struck me. On page 5 where it says a thief stol hundreds of Lou Brock cards; I think that is very ironic as Lou is such a great stealer himself. In years to come, I feel, the Ultimate for any S-D-M fanatic would be to make a pilgrimage to the $5-0-M$ Company in Glen Head, NY She ultimate would be to donate a summer or
or two, in exchange for a few bucks, while actually working for the company itself.

Let the Moslems make their pilgrimage Meca, while we S-0-M gamesters go to Glen Head Mohammed's counterpart is Glen Head. Harold Richman.

Another thing, I feel that the $5-0-M$ games should be "banned" and made "illegal" because, for the simple reason, "illegal" because, For sut seriously, I'm they're addictive. But seriously, I'm "addict" who is happy.
Gary Fell

Arvida, Quebec
ZEROING IN ON PITCHERS
I'd like to comment on some of the issues "Flaming across" the pages of the Review.

First, pitchers' hitting cards: Too expensive and not enough data. A " 5 " and " 6 " card would be nice, thou And also I think pitchers should be given individual ratings on: Fielding, bunting, speed, etc. If the data can't be found, give the pitcher and arbitrary rating, which is what they're doing now anyway

Second, random hit placement: The computer knows more than the people know, and those people [who say a player with hits in one column is not good] are mathematically unsound.

Finally, as a player of all three mes, $\ddagger$ think $5-0-M$ is the best game on the market and I thank the genius, the market and for oreating the games Harold Richman, for oreating the game

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& \text { Brad Cummings } \\
& \text { Kirkland, WA }
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HIT PLACEMENT REVISITED
I would like to clear up an argument concerning whether or not to put two batters with hits in the same column back-to-back. I have read a few arti saying that it doesn't matter if two hit hitters with hits in the same column hit back-to-back because the probability of them getting a roll in "their" column he same. This definitely is wrong. 3 math course that involves probability. And from what I have learned the proabilAty of a hitter getting a roll in his ity of ar a three-colhit column, for example say a the probability umn, is one-sixth. But the probability
the same column is $1 / 36$. Qbviousthe probability that a roll will involve the same column two times in a row is lower than what it is for one roll and this proves my point.

Incidentally, the probability of getting the same roll three times in a row is $1 / 216$. But did not need a math course to tell me that the probability of arting in the same column getting a roll in the same column rolls is low It is really common sense and anyone who says that the probability is the same doesn't
what they are talking about

Doug Cochrane
685 Dshawa Blvd.
Dshawa, Ontario

## CLEARINGHOUSE UNNECESSARY

I must agree with Mike Rennick that the Review is becoming too organized. Such organizations as unions and clearinghouses are unnecessary and going a bit too far. Although I can see your point with the clearinghouse, you be sure of the reliabilcan you be sure of the reliability of those who have written then
opinions? opinions?

Also, regarding the big men versus little men controversy, hasn't anybody realized that the reason the so-called "big men" get their articles printed is that their's are the most complete and most interesting? I would rather read what Rick Shapiro has to say than some John Doe from Lower Shlabovia who just wants tower get his name in print.
get his name in print.
Finally, I don't understand the Review's point in listing "dirty dealers." Instead of taking the risk of erroneously listing an honest persan, why not inform the accused that until they satisfactorily reply, nothing more of their's will be accepted.

Dan Markind
Editor's note: Before a name is listed in the "Dirty Dealers" section, the accused is contacted by the Review and asked to respond to charges of their wrong-doing. If the accused makes no attempt to explain the situation [usually six weeks],
then the name is listed as one which ould be avoided when buying or selling n-M products. If a name was not listed, a "dirty dealer" could feasibly "rip-off" a large number of people without any warning ever being given.

## SPLIT THE PLAYING TIME

I believe that I have the solution to the problem of what team should a player the prigned to when he plays for more than one team. Why not let the player than one team. Why note in real-life? play for both teams like in real-1ife? When the cards are printed his stats could be broken down for each team an for the entire year.

For example, John Hadl played six games with the Los Angeles Rams and eight for the Green Bay Packers. So, in order to have the most realistic season possible it would only be right if Hadl played for both teams.

Or the game company could make a list owing dates when a player is traded, howing or the number of eleased, or injured and for each games that the player played for each team. I strongly believe this would clear up any and all cont
hy should play for whom. I think you have an exce
and keep up the good work.
Just one more thing, please stop rinting all those stupid letters about ig guys versus little guys. With the extre space from these letters you ould print more good replays that many ould pook forward to each month.
people David L. Eilering 37 Belleview Dr. Collinsville, IL
'GODD STDRIES... NOT GOOD NEWS'
You misunderstood my letter which appeared in the Readers Roll 'Em section of your June issue. Your sarcastic comments which appeared at the end of the editor's note proved this. I didn't mean "good" news, I meant good staries, not the kind like random hit placement and $5-0-M$ unions. Most people spoke out gainst many of these articles, thus showing a great throng of disappreciation. And also the S-0-M Clearinghouse means well, although they are trying to unionwell, alto sou say that no one will ever have to join say that no one will ever have it's not their choice. the Clearinghouse? It's not their choice. consult the Clearinghouse. The guy who wants to join has no say whatsoever. It

## It's Houston's Super-Strat Arena

## Eighth 'Wonder Of World'

Steve Schumacher, that super Strat-ロ-Matic stadium builder from Houston, TX, reports that his newest oreation is "alive" and functioning well. The newest marvel of the Greater Houston S-D-M League [GHSML] opened back on May 24 and has been working to perfection ever since.

The first pitch in the Superstrat Arena was thrown out on that date as Keith Winkelman [a friend of Schumacher's who played in a league with him at the University of Oklahomal and his wife Ann and baby daughter Erin visited him from their home in Austin, TX. That historic first game pitted Steve's 1927 New York Yankees against


HOUSTON'S SUPERSTRAT ARENA; NOTICE LIGHTS IN LEFT AND RIGHT-CENTER AND CONTROL BOX IN LOWER RIGHT-HAND CORNER


DAN, CHRIS BLADE POSE WITH STEVE SLHUMACHER AND SUPERSTRAT ARENA, HOUSTON'S SECOND
SND SUPERSTRAT ARENA,

Keith's 1934 St. Louis Cardinals, with the 'Bombers' winning, 10-0.

The trio, including $A n \pi$, also took in a real-life baseball game at that "other" stadium in Houston--the Astrodome. And before the weekend was over, even Ann got the weekend was over,

The stadium itself [reported in the May Review] is a work of art, coupled with a touch of mechanical genius.

Steve describes it as follows: "The field is a green velvet simulation of Astro-Turf. The dirt areas are made of gold tape and the lines with ribbons of white tape. The scoreboard, with white tape. The scoreboard, electronic displays, indicates each team's score, the inning number. Lights indicate top or bottom of inning and the men-onbase situation with special lights coming on if defense is holding or has infield in.
"The right side of the board contains the random number generators. The split number generator eliminates the need for split cards or dice charts by giving a ran at number at the push fandom split number at the push of a button, and displaying the number on the scorbboard. The dice generator eliminates the nee
for dice by giving three random dice numbers, again by pushing buttons, and displaying them on the scoreboad by lighting up lights in the same dot-patterns found on dice.

Any S-D-M gamester who visits the Houston area is welcome to visit Schumacher's Superstrat Arena Just give him a call beforehand. Just give him oall ber show the he's more workings of his oreation to $5-0-M$ buffs.

## S-O-M Football Is 'Battlefield' For Viet Nam War Veterans <br> Five Viet Nam veterans are fighting their "battles" on a different field

 now, thanks to Strat-0-Matic Football. The Five, all members of the American Legion in Rockaway Beach, NY, have formed what might be the first $5-0-M$ league of its Kind.Their first season took 40 weeks--meeting every Tuesday night at the Legion hall--to complete, with the regular-season taking up 35 of those weeks.

Each of the league members selected two teams and embarked on a le-game schedule. Dallas, coached by Charlie Rogers, won 10 straight and captured the A Division, won out in the B Division.

On Man [aklad [B], John Gaines; Cincinnati [A] and Atlanta [B], Richie Metzger; Pittsburgh [A] and Kansas City [B], Neil Harrigan; and Washington [A] and Buffalo [B], Joe Bartolotta.

Dallas whacked Buffalo, $73-10$, and blanked Miami, 19-0, on the way Dakland's straight triumphs. The Cowboys were Finally beaten in game No. 11 when Dak Ken Stabler connected with Clarence Davis on a nine-yard touchdown pass on the game's final play for a 17-14 win. Then Dallas was des nine field goal City in the finale,
tries successfully.
.J. Simpson led 3 also hustled up 267 yards 1,864 yards in 294 carries for a 6.3 average. he also league record.
in 33 carries against Atlar "
Dallas' "Doomsday Defense" sacked opposing quarterbacks the mos 31 enemy passes and Atlanta was 49 for 418 yards--while Pitt

> PLAYOFFS PROVIDE SURPRISES

The top four teams in each division qualified for the playoffs, keeping most of the coaches happy. Dallas, after finishing second in total offense most of the $[6-6]$. But the Bengals had other ideas as Ken Anderson completed 13 of 20 [6-6]. But the Bengals hartis for 133 yards--and romped $23-6$ in a shocker. passes--six

The Pittsburgh-Miami contest out of the quarterbacks as both Terry bradshaw and Morrall came off the bench and sparked game in the opening three on seven of 11 passes for over 100 yards and two TDs. Miami, however, hitting on seven of 11 passes for over 100 yards and Supplemented with a 195-yard ground offensive, Miami breezed past Pittsburgh, 36-14.

In the other semifinal division playoff games, Dakland smothered Atlanta, 26-3, and the Rams nipped Buffalo, 23-20, as the Bills' placekicker missed field goals from the zero-range of two and eight yards.

The division champs turned out to be Miami and Los Angeles, with Miami clobbering Cincinnati, 38-7, and L.A. outlasting Dakland, 37-20.

## MIAMI SUPER BOWL KING

Miami's Fleet halfback Mercury Morris set the tone for what was to come in the Super Bowl as he galloped 78 yards for a touchdown on the third play of the L.A. punts were Morris ended up with period the Dolphins had shot away to a 21-3 lead. Morris ended did pile up 117 208 yards in 22 carries and scored twice. Lawrence Mceutcheon dive passes for 148 yards yards in 19 carries and Harold Jackson latohed onto get pask into the game. Final standings and individual leaders:
Division A
Dalla

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| 93 | $\qquad$ $\frac{\text { Division B }}{\text { Los Angeles }}$

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| Pittsburgh | 3 | 9 |  | Atlanta | 4 | 8 |  |  |
| Washington | 3 | 9 |  | Kansas City | 2 | 10 |  |  |
| Passing | Att-Comp | Pct. | Yds. | TD-Int. |  |  |  |  |
| Staubach | 272-158 | 58.1 | 2338 | 24-19 |  |  |  |  |
| Griese | 266-146 | 54.9 | 1946 | 20-16 |  |  |  |  |
| Stabler | 319-195 | 51.1 | 2008 | 18-20 |  |  |  |  |
| Hadl | 290-148 | 51.0 | 2171 | 18-15 |  |  |  |  |
| Jurgensen | 288-142 | 49.3 | 1899 | 4-9 |  |  |  |  |
| Anderson | 280-143 | 51.1 | 1708 | 6-14 |  |  |  |  |
| Rushing | Att-Yds. | Avg. | TD | Receiving | No. | Yds. | Avg. | TD |
| Simpson | 294-1864 | 6.3 | 11 | Moore | 85 | 575 |  |  |
| MoCutcheon | 277-1395 | 5.0 | 13 | Warfield | 68 | 1168 | 17.2 | 14 |
| Morris | 215-1273 | 5.9 | 8 | Shanklin | 60 | 973 | 16.2 | 3 |
| Bertelsan | 256-1074 | 4.2 | 10 | Siani | 58 | 831 | 14.3 | 8 |
| Hill | 258-987 | 3.8 | 7 | Curtis | 52 | 891 | 17.1 | 4 |
| Johnson[CIN] | 170-948 | 5.6 | 5 | Stroud | 49 | 473 | 9.6 | 2 |
| Davis | 162-899 | 5.5 | 4 | Smith [WAS] | 49 | 471 | 9.6 | 2 |
| Csonka | 171-881 | 5.2 | 2 | Mandich | 48 | 416 | 8.7 | 1 |
| Harris | 115-581 | 5.1 | 3 | Jackson | 47 | 1066 | 22.7 | 8 |

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## Oakland Wins Canadian S-O-M Grid

## Raiders Rule 26-Member, Face-To-Face League

The Kingsway Motor Inn in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, was the Super Bowl showdown site for the Canadian Strat-0-Matic Football League when it wrapped up its fifth season. In case you don't remember, the Edmonton-based league is a 26-member, head-to-head setup--perhaps the largest face-to-face league in allan Ropchan, the entertainer, as its commissioner and founding father

Ropchan, you may also recall, is a great fan of the Kansas City Chiefs, having guided them twice into the Super Bowl and once [1970] even winning it having guided them twice into thes have changed for the Chiefs, but Ropchan has been unwavering in his efforts to stem the slide and bring about a return to the glory days of old.

The most recent playoffs got under way at high noon at the motor inn and Ropchan, although his beloved Chiefs didn't qualify for the playoffs, was on hand and before much time had passed he was pressed into service as the "designated coach" of the Atlanta Falcons. It seems regular mentor John Parrott was bitten by the flu bug and put out of action.

The first playoff game pitted coach Howie Riddel's Pittsburgh Steelers 11-2-1] ill (he fourth quarter was the difference in a 16-13 outcome.

A titanic defensive struggle took place in the other AFC semifinal, with John Murphy's Dakland Raiders pinning down Rich Winn's Miami Dolphins, 12-3. Defense also prevailed in the AFC championship game, with Dakland scoring touchdown and adding two field goals to offset two three-point boots by Gerala for a 13-6 triumph.

Dver in the NFC, Bernie Taschuk's surging Dallas Cowboys simply overwhelmed Green Bay and frustrated coach Bob Fletcher, 49-0, while Ropchan engineered an upset of Paddy Smith's Minnesota Vikings with Atlanta, 16-10. Pat Sullivan was pressed into duty as Atlanta's quarterback when Bob Lee got hurt and did a commendable job in what at first appeared to be a lost cause.

Then in the semifinals, to everyone's amazement, particularly Bernie Taschuk, Atlanta ambushed another favored team when it tripped Dallas, 20-17.

Taschuk, last year's winner of the Hard Luck Award, thus qualified again for the honor. He was notified of his selection--after being revived.

Next it was the "Strat-0-Bowl," the CSFL's final game. Could Ropohan pull off another upset special? For a half anything was possible. But then Dakland's might began to tell and in the third quarter the Raiders began to pillage the Atlanta defense. In the end it was Dakland winning it all, 34-17, as John Murphy ruled supreme with his Raiders who had scored a whopping 390 points during the regular season.

Here are the CFL's final standings: [based on 1973 NFL season]
AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE


NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

| West | Wor-Lost |  | Tied | Central | Won | Lost | Tied | East | Won-Lost |  | TI |
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| $\overline{\text { Atlanta }}$ | 10 | 3 | 1 | Green Bay | 10 | 4 | 0 | Dallas | 11 | 3 | 0 |
| Los Angeles | 9 | 5 | $\square$ | Minnesota | 9 | 4 | 1 | Washington | 9 | 5 | 0 |
| New Orleans | 4 | 10 | 0 | Chicago | 4 | 10 | 0 | St. Louis | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| S.Francisco | 3 | 11 | 0 | Detroit | 3 | 11 | 0 | NY Giants | 5 | 9 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Philadelphia | 4 | 9 | 1 |



## Advertisements

Rates per issue will be as follows: First 30 words--50中; 31-50 words--70中; $51-70$ words-- $\$ 1.00 ; 71-100$ words-- $\$ 1.50 ; 101-120$ words-- $\$ 1.80 ; 121-150$ words--\$2.00; 151-175 words--\$2.50; 176-200 words--\$3.00. When you send in ads, specify either WANTED, FOR SALE, or LEAGUE FORMING, and name card sets by the year upon which they were based. Note also that only advertisements regarding Strat-0-Matic products, related merchandise and leagues will be No other brand names may be mentioned or advertised. Also, no advertisements concerning photo-copied Strat-0-Matic cards or related products will be accepted. Be sure to notify either the Strat-D-Matic Game Co. or the will be accepted. Be sure to notify either the Strat-0-Matic Game Co. or the Review if, when responding to ads, you find photo-copied cards being offered. Ads, to be included in the next issue of the Review, must be in by the third of the month. Money for ads will hot be refunded, rather oredited to your subsoription if you do not wish the ad to appear. Be sure and give all sections of the country ample time to respond to ads. In some areas the mail is notoriously slow.

## Wanted

WANTED: 1968 Tigers, 1969 Mets, 1969 Baltimore, all with extra players. Immediate need due to formation of league. Will pay top price for cards in good condition. Send price and condition to: Steve Cuddeback, 313 NW 42nd St., Boca Raton, FL 33432, or call 305-392-0489 after 7:00 p.m. Time element vital! Will reimburse seller for phone call if offer is accepted.
WANTED: 1968 Tigers. I will pay
your price up to $\$ 3.00$ or I will trade the 1973 American League extra players. Please write to: Pete Lucas, 4111 Azeele, Tampa, FL 33609
WANTED: Complete baseball sets from 1965 to 1973, 1968 Cards, Tigers, 1969 Mets; football: 1968 Jets, Colts, 69 Chiefs, Vikings, ' 70 Chiefs, Raiders. Will pay reasonable price. All letters answered. Send bids to: Vince Trivelpiece, 1042 Sunset Drive, Berwich, PA 18603

WANTED: Desperately needed to start new leagues--1968 baseball Cardinals, 1968 football Jets, 1969 football Chiefs. Have baseball, football, basketball teams to trade. Pay top dollar. Write: Mike Custer, 500 5th Ave.,
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
WANTED: 1970 baseball set with extra players if possible, but not manditory. Send all reasonable bids; lowest accepted. But at least one will be accepted before three weeks after this is printed. Send to: Tim Faust, 1119 Hunt Road, Lakewood, NY 14750

WANTED: Interested in purchasing 1969 National League teams. Must be in good condition. If interested in selling, send copy of roster of 1969 New York Mets and 1969 Chicago Cubs and your price. Send to: Ken Kostik, 180 Hawthorनe Ave., Apt. 7A, Yonkers, NY 10705

WANTED: Philadelphia Phillies 1962, 1963 and 1964. Will accept lowest bid, individually or together. Send condition and price to: Dan Markind, 16 North Hurd Circle, Auburn, NY 13021
WANTED: 1971 Pirates, Cards, Giants and Dodgers and ' 72 Reds. I am offering $\$ 1.00$-plus for each team. Send condition and offer to: Alex Saltta, 6-Third Ave. Farmingdale, NY 11735

WANTED: 1972 and/or 1973 additional 96 players plus all 24 teams of 1969, with or without 96 extras. Send all offers to: Ed Volpe, 171 Sherman Ave., Hawthorne, NY 10532

WANTED: 1961-1970 Pittsburgh Pirates. Alșo, 1970 Reds, Cubs, Orioles. Will pay your price if reasonable. Send teams or offer to: John E. Mansfield, 254
Academy Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15228

## For Sale

FOR SALE: Attention grid. Fans! This may be your last chance to customize your Strat-D-Matic Football Game. Because of a trip, I will no longer sell S-0-M "Kits" after those remaining in stock are sold. This same ad will run until that time. The
"Kit" is a collection of over 40 rules and variations to S-O-M Football, which, when added to your game, make it much more fun and realistic. Not only does this "Kit" have the game company's approval, but it has also been sold to about 80 pleased customers. Included in this 25-page "Kit" are such things as: penalties, fumble recoveries, option plays, tackles and more. Plus numerous plays, tackles and more. Plus numerous player ratings. Every rule explained in player ratings. Every rule explained in detail. Remember, this may be your last chance to buy, so send \$3.00 for your "Kit" today. Send to: Jamie Potter, RD-1, Coventry Rd., Greene, NY
13778 13778
FOR SALE: 1973 National and American League teams, all inclusive, with all extra players [unused]. 1974 American League also available, with extra players. Will be sold as complete sets [not individual teams]. I will give adequate time for all bids to be received! Send bids to: Mark McGonigle, 30 Indian Queen Lane, Maple Shade, NJ 08052
FeR SALE: Analytical charts for 1974 baseball teams [regular teams or draft teams]. Figures will be expressed in either raw numbers or percentages against right and left-handers for both pitohers and hitters. Eight different categories of analysis. Basic version, 50t; advanced version, 754 . Send name of team or teams; or if draft team send roster to: teams; or if draft team send roster to Larry Gillespie, 1036 John St. \#56, Salinas, CA 93901

FOR SALE: Complete baseball team sets with extras, $69-75$; complete Hall-ofFame and Old-Timer sets; Reviews
April ' 71 -March' 75 . Bidding on th
bove items closes July 30th. Tom
Tucker, 1309 Denlyn St., Novtao, CA 94947. Editor's note: Bidding period may be extended, as ad did not arrive at Review in time to make July issue, as Tom had planned.
FOR SALE: A complete set of 1973 base ball teams. Also the new 1974 National League cards and 15, 69 teams. All teams in good to mint condition, and I will take any price for any set. Write: Dave Girrard, 2303 Century Dr.,
La Grande, OR 97850. Individual teams will be sold, also.
OR SALE: Baseball--1971 Orioles, White Sox, A's, Braves, Dodgers, Pirates, Cardinals, 50\$ each. Basketball--1972-73 Celtics, Bulls, Lakers, Bucks, $50 \$$ each.

Football--1971 Bengals, 1972 Steelers, 60¢ each. Write: Tim Tucker, Rt. 8, Mayfield, KY 42066
FOR SALE: Attention all S-D-M buffs. We have just developed an accurate guide for buying and selling $5-0-M$ teams and sets called, "The official 1975 Price Guide." We have sold an unbelievable 119 of these guides in a matter of a few weeks, and by a matter of a few weeks, we are the time you read this, we are expecting over 200 to be sold.
It covers every football and baseball team put out by $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{D}-\mathrm{M}$. This guide greatly helps when you are unsure of the price you should bid. Remember, don't get gyped by a guy who wants Fort Knox for his teams. All the data, consisting mainly of For Sale and Want ads from the Review, were fed into an IBM computer. The computer gave us some surprising results. This "Price Guide" is destined to become a classic. The guide consists of one page of all football teams, 1967-73, two pages of baseball teams, 1960-74, and both have the prices for each in five categories: mint, excellent, good, fair and poor. There is also a grading sheet to help you tell what condition your teams are in. We have had many inquiries sent to have had many inquiries sent to
us, asking if we would sell the us, asking if we would sell the
guide in parts. We said sure. The prices are as follows: The prices are as follows:
baseball guide-- $\$ 1.00$; football guide--75\$; grading sheet--25中, or all together for $\$ 1.50$ plus 10\$ in stamp or 25\$ in coin. The price guide is guaranteed to save you money. Dver 100 people can't be wrong. Send check, cash, or money order to: Price Guide, 10550 Woodale Ave., Mission Hills, CA 91340. There is also a 1971 cA 91340. There is also a 1971 baseball set in excellent condi
tion up for bid; extra players tion up for
included.

FOR SALE: A bonanza of $S-0-M$ teams. Bid on individual leagues only. Minimum bid on each league \$5.00. Football--1970 NFC Except New Orleans; AFC complete. 1971-NFC and AFC complete, bid by conference only. Baseball--1968 A.L. except Chicago; 1969 A.L. except Chicago; 1970 A.L. and N.L. comp-
lete; 1971 A.L. and N.L. complete; 1972 A.L. and N.L. complete; 1973 A.L. and N.L. complete. From 1970 on contain most [ 95 per cent] of the extra players. First 28 Old-Timer teams of '20-30-40-50-60's. Will split minimum bid $50 \mathbb{4}$. S-0-M Review, Nov., 1971 to Jan., 1973, inclusive. All teams in excellent condition. Some only used once. Lawrence MauskapF, 18836 May, Homewood, IL 60430

FDR SALE: Complete set of 1973 baseball cards in good condition. Selling to First to respand, for $\$ 8.00$. Extra players included. Write to: Brian Utt, 109 Elm, Windsor, MD 65360

FOR SALE: If anyone wants these teams, send a letter with the prescribed amount of money, or a baseball team with backs and team[s] you want listed, to: Bruce Tilley, 201 S. Hamlin, Park Ridge, IL 50068. Baseball teams--40 $\$$ each; football--55中 each. Baseball teams available--1905 Giants, 1905 Cubs, 1909 Pirates and Tigers, 1911 A's, 1940 Reds, 1941 Dodgers, 1946 Red Sox, 1946 Cards, 1948 Indians; 1970 Cubs, Giants, A's, Dodgers, Reds, Tigers, Orioles, Twins. Football--1968 Cincinnati, San Diego, San Francisco; 1969-Denver, San Diego, Cincinnati; 1970-Denver, Buffalo; 1972--Miami, Kansas City, Minnesota, Atlanta, Washington, N. Y. Giants, N. Y. Jets, Raiders; 1973--Philadelphia, Dakland, Minnesota, Miami, Los Angeles, Cincinnati.
FOR SALE: Dver 1,000 assorted $S-0-M$ Baseball cards from 1970-1973; in good condition. S-D-M Football teams--1972 Packers, Bengals, Cowboys; 1973 Jets, Giants, Lions, Chargers, Browns, Falcons. Send bids to: Wesley Sass Jr., 917 Orderdonk Ave., Ridgewood, Queens, NY 11227
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stamp!
FOR SALE: 1967, 1968 NFL, AFL teams; 1970, 1971, 1972 NFL teams; 1969 NFL, AFL except Colts, Falcons, Bears, Saints, Cardinals, Bills, Bengals; 1965, 1967, 1968, 1969 and 1971 through 1974 AL , NL teams; 1970 baseball except Padres, Expos, Phillies, Brewers, Royals, Senators, Chisox. All extra players included. Also, selling Dld-Timer teams. Almost all teams in fairly good to excellent condition [depending on year]. Bid on teams. Dnly highest bidder will be notified, unless stamp enclosed. Bidding ends 30 days after Review comes out. Buyer pays postage. Send bids to: John Ladd, 15 Ross St., San Rafael, CA 94901
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FOR SALE: Baseball--1970 Cubs, 1971 Orioles, Giants, Dodgers, Tigers, Indians. Football--1971 Cowboys, Lions, Colts, Vikings, Dolphins, Rams, 49ers, Chiefs, Raiders; 1973 Dolphins, Rams, Cowboys, Vikings, Redskins. Basketball--1972-73 Bucks, Knicks, Bulls, Lakers, Celtics, Warriors; 1973-74 Bulls, knicks, Bucks. All teams in good to excellent condition. Send bids to: Robert Prodanovic, 3907 N. Hills Drive, Austin, TX 78731
FOR SALE: A friend of mine just gave me his entire S-D-M collection. I have kept what I want am selling the rest. The items are sold only as grouped below. Sets will not be broken. Send one bid for each group or groups but not for a part of a group. To be fair I will accept bid thru the 25th of the month of this issue. Send bids in a self-addressed stamped envelope. Everybody gets one chance. Ties will be broken by who is buying the most [which saves me money] or by chance methods. Deadline is Final. Follow instructions to the letter if you want a reply.
Card condition appears after each grouping. Be aware. I deal on a pay first basis. I am paid, then merchandise is sent. I have always dealt this way without complaint. If this is unacceptable, then do not bid. List bids by item, not by number. All are baseball. item, not by number. All are baseball. P. Gonzalez, Bruton, B. Robinson, Burgess, Gonder]; fair. 2. 1968 set; average. 3. 1969 set, no extras; average. 4. 1970 set, extras, missing Jim Nash; good. 5. 1971 set plus extras; good. 6. 1972 set, no extras; good. 7. 1973 set plus extras; good. B. 1969 Mets plus extras; average. 9. 1969 Mets, Braves, Drioles, Twins, no extras. 10. Old-Timer sets [minus newest additions and' 67 Red Sox and Cardinals]; good. 11. 1968 Cubs; average. 12. 1966 Yankees; average. 13. 1966 Twins; average. 14. 1962 Yanks; average. 15. 1962 Braves; average. 16. 1962 Reds; average. 17. 1962 Cards; average. 18. 1962 Dodgers; average. 19 1962 Giants; average [original]. 20. S-D-M Reviews, Vol. 1 to date; very good. A.F. Mazeika, 9665 E. Baker St., Tucson, AZ 85710
FOR SALE: Baseball--1968 Braves, Yankees, Angels, Red Sox, Orioles; 1969 Pilots, Tigers, White Sox; 1970-71 all; most Old-Timers; all Hall-of-Famers. Football-1971 Cowboys, Highest bidders win. Tom Robertson, 1145 NW 20th St., Seattle, WA 98877

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## League Forming

LEAGUE FDRMING：Play－by－mail base－ ball league，using the new cards． Entry fee \＄2．00．Eight teams，two divisions．Prizes will be awarded． This is not a draft league！We＇ll use basic version．I plan on keeping this league going as long as possible．Please，only reliable managers．160－game schedule； 80 at home， 80 away．Pick your first 24 teams in order and send to：Dan Woys，Box 17，Pinconning，MI 48650

EAGUE FORMING：A limited number of managers are needed for fran－ chises in a new and highly－soph－ isticated play－by－mail football league．This will be a draft league and has plans for going on year after year．If interest－ ed，write to：Bruce MacNabb， 82 Main St．，Hopkinton，MA 01748

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LEAGUE FORMING：Northeastern League，an established league in its second year；needs back－ up managers to insure success． Write：Peter Ernst， 66 Penfield Crescent，Rochester，NY 14625， or call［1－716－586－5460］．A
backup spot this year means a resenved spot next year．

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## Looking For Back Issues Of Review？ <br> The following back issues of the

 Strat－ロ－Matic Review may still be pur－ chased．Send to the Strat－D－Matic Review，P．D．Box 27，Otsego，MI $4907 日$. In some cases the supply is limited，so please include a second choice in case the first is not available．Last month＇s listing of back issues of the Review that had been returned by the post office resulted in an instant ＂wipeout＂of those stocks．So，we＇re back to the limited months listed below． Many people sent in asking to be sent five and six back issues，plus many wanted all back issues remaining．It took less than three weeks，and those back issues were depleted．

Here are the back issues still available：

1975 －Jan．，Feb．，March，April，May， June，July， $45 \oplus$ per issue．

1974 －Dec．，Nov．，45 中 per issue；
Dct．，Jan．，40 $\mathbb{C}$ per issue．
1973 －Aug．，July，40\＄per issue．
1972 －Dec．，Nov．，Aug．， 40 中 per
issue．

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## Coming Next Month．．．

．．．The Review takes a look at the newest Strat－ロ－Matic Football cards．．． Don Frankfort，avid football gamer from Hot Springs，SD，shares his individual－ ized interception return charts with you ized interception return charts with ．．there＇ll be a pictorial spread and
story featuring the $5-0-M$ editors and story featuring the S－D－M editors and
their wives．If you＇ve ever wondered their wives．If you＇ve ever wondered grounds are，how long they＇ve been playing S－D－M，the September Review will tell all． ．．the GKSML［Greater－Kalamazoo Strat－ロ－ Matic League］American League season， recently completed，is explored．Find out how the league expanded from eight to ten teams and the results．Also find out who the new champion crowned was．．． a large Question \＆Answer section returns． a large Question \＆Answer section retur ．．．plus there＇ 11 be the League Scen playing tips．．．all coming your way in the September Strat－0－Matic Review．

## S-O-M League, Replay Scene

* DEAD BALL LEAGUE -- A six-team league of the great pre-1900 baseball teams... How can that be, you say, since Strat-0-Matic doesn't have such teams? Well, Bruce Hesselbach, assisted his his wife Carol, oreated such teams. Dipping into his huge S-0-M collection [going back to 1964], Hesselbach was able to find a prototype for almost any conceivable player....he admits results were not nearly as mathematically perfect as with $S-0-M$ 's teams, but is hopeful that his endeavors will stir interest in this hard-hitting age... Hesselbach that his endeavors widt stir interest in 1894 Boston Beaneaters....Beaneaters managed five of the teams, his wife the 1894 Boston with 14-6 records, with the Nats producing a quartet of . 400 hitters.

Standings and leaders:

| 1894 | Boston Beaneaters | $14-6$ |
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| 1894 Philadelphia Nats | $14-6$ |  |
| 1895 Cleveland Spiders | $13-7$ |  |
| 1905 Boston B's | $8-12$ |  |
| 1887 Indianapolis Browns | $7-13$ |  |
| 1898 Louisville Grays | $4-16$ |  |
| Home Runs: Jimmy Bannon, Bos. | 5. |  |
| RBI: Sam Thompson, Phil. 38 |  |  |
| Doubles: Hugh Duffy, Bos. | 10. |  |

Average

| Jimmy Bannon, Bos. | .484 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Jesse Burkett, Clev. | .479 |
| Hugh Duffy, Bos. | .477 |
| Herman Long, Bos. | .447 |
| Billy Hamilton, Phil. | .441 |
| Jack Clements, Phil. | .435 |

Stolen bases: Billy Hamilton, Phil. 15. Pitching leaders: Irving Young, $B$ 's 1.17; Brewery Jack Taylor, Phil. 1.75 [6-1]; Cy Young, Clev. $2.23[9-1]$.
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* MID-SOUTH STRAT-D-MATIC LEAGUE -- Semi-solitaire, semi-face-to-face draft位 and Richard Mayhan [American League] of Little Rock, AR...four teams comprised and Richard Mayhan [American league, with expansion to six planned for 1975... Royals won the A.L. with $71-37$ record, six games ahead of Orioles. Cardinals won N.L., 66-42, with Braves two games back... Bobby Murcer sparked Royals with. 339 average. Team had four Golden Glove winners on it--Murcer, Cesar Cedeno, Bobby Bonds and Doug Rader--plus Cy Young Award winner Nolan Ryan [18 wins, 1.36 ERA and 247 strikeouts...Royals finished with 17 straight wins....John Grubb, . 342, was a key belter for the Cardinals in the N.L...Thurman Munson, Pete Rose and Dave Concepcion, plus Andy Messersmith, did nothing to hurt Card chances, either.
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* GREATER MIDWEST STRAT-0-MATIC FOOTBALL LEAGUE -- Solitaire, eight-team setup run by Marvin Lorenz of Greentown, IN....Miami, 11-3 during regular setup run by Marvin Lorenz of Greentown, IN....Miami, 11-3 during regular season, won it all, winning the 1973 Super Bowl by edging Green Bay, 13-9... season, won it all, winning the 1973 Super Bowl by edging Green Bay, 13-9... Dolphins punished Green Bay defense in Finale, with Larry Csonka churning for 132 yards, Mercury Morris $72 . .$. earlier playoff games were won by Miami, over was leading rusher with 1118 yards and a 4.2 average; John Brockington of Pack was second with 1053 yards and 3.8 average.
Final standings:

|  | Won-Lost-Tied | NFC | Won-Lost-Tied |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miami | 11-3-0 | Green Bay | 12-2-0 |
| Pittsburgh | 10-4-0 | Washington | 7-6-1 |
| Cincinnati | 5-8-1 | New Orleans | 3-10-1 |
| San Diego | 3-8-3 | Chicago | 1-11-2 |

## Directory Addition

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## Ted Williams Versus Nolan Ryan, Too Computer Guideline For S-O-M Baseball

Since computers are [and have been for years] what spews out the S-D-M Baseball cards, it's only natural that same gamester would consult a computer as to "advice" on how to play the game. John Feola Jr. of Utica, NY, did just that a few years ago and came up with some guidelines that he believes will help your team's run production.
[1] First take the players and evaluate offensive ability by taking total [1] First take the players and evaluate plate appearances [including hits, walks, hit-by-pitch and dividing it ing of times reaching base [again include walks, HBP]. This gives total offensive productivity for a player, which is most important.
[2] In fielding, use any player from $1-3$ rating but no 4 s if possible.
(3) Arrange the eight most productive players in decreasing order for batting after setting your defensive lineup. The computer has figured that the first hitter will appear at the plate 146 times more than the ninth hitter. In descending order, the first hitter will get up 17 more times than the second-place hitter, etc.
(4] You should platoon the pitchers to the end that they be removed from the game before forced withdrawal occurs, and to allow the insertion of threefour pinch-hitters per game. Platooning pitchers in a game, according to the computer, will give you 113 more runs in a 154-game season.
[5] Overall, arranging your lineup in order of productivity and pinchhitting for the pitcher often will result in 200 more runs over 154 games.
[6] Baseball percentage for scoring in an inning is 58 per cent. If the lead batter gets on the chance of scoring rises to 72 per cent. Unless you have a super-swift stealer, trying a theft would only be a chance. Stealing would be to your advantage, however, if there were two outs and a runner on first. Then the chance of scoring is only 54 per cent--or below the average. Stealing then would help the chance of scoring, but the runner should have at least a 50 per cent chance of success otherwise you would only beat yourself. Summary: You should steal with two outs only if yau have a 50 per cent or better chance of success; stealing any other time is like playing the lottery.

A especially since they're oriented toward the offense all the way. The frequent use of pinch-hitters for the pitchers may well help run production, but shuttling hurlers is bound to have an averse effect on the pitching but shuttling hurlers is bound to have an averse erfor of of course, if the mound staff has a lot of depth, a quick yank at the first sign of trouble, and use of a pinch-hitter, could be an effective weapon.

Also, many people may not want to set their lineup according to offensive productivity. Some like to put a swift leadoff man in front of a good bunter or someone who excells at the hit-and-run. Dthers like to alternate the righty and lefty batters, making it more difficult to pitch around the hitters, or for a manager to bring in a reliever to pitch to "spots" in the order. or for a manarger

A good example of setting the lineup according to the type of player have has occurred in the GKSML [Greater-Kalamazoo Strat-0-Matio League]
National League replay currently in progress. Ron Ellinger, from Dtsego, MI, leads off with Lou Brock [AAA], sends him on a theft mission almost every time he reaches first base, then sacrifices him to third and in scoring position with Ron Hunt ["A" bunter]. Rennie Stennett [.291] bats third and Rick Monday cleanup and usually, if Brock reaches first, Ron's got a solid chance to get on the scoreboard.

TED WILLIAMS VS. NOLAN RYAN
Steve Arata of Vienna, VA, a senior-to-be at Dakton High School, used his chool's computer for a different reason than Feola. He wanted to oreate a duel between Ted Williams [1941, the year he batted 406], who was an idal to Arata when he managed the Senators, and Nolan Ryan, the young fireballer who contrasted sharply to Williams. Williams averaged two hits for every five official at-bats; 73 Nolan Ryan gave up only 238 hits in 326 innings, or roughly one hit for every $4 \frac{1}{2}-5$ at-bats. Ryan, of course had a lot of strike-

## Quiet Continues On ©Dirty Dealer’ Front

The "Dirty Dealers" Front continues to be, for the most part, quiet. The list of names of those accused of fradulent dealings by mail involving Strat-D-Matic products or leagues, continues to be small.

A number of cases, as many of you are aware, have been successfully leared up in months past.

But there are some disturbing happenings that hint that the quiet is about to be broken. Three people have been accused of wrong-doing--nothing to a large degree, however--and we are currently awaiting word offering an explanation from the accused.

Also, the name Steve Street has surfaced again. Street, not long ago, was the accused in a $\$ 27$ dealing involving Richard York of Detroit, never sending $S-\square-M$ cards as promised. York eventually received his money, though. This time Al Hartley of Beverly Hills, CA, is the accuser, charging that Street failed to send him '67-68 football cards after an outlay of $\$ 50$ in September of 1974.

All efforts to contact Street have failed, reports Hartley, who just recently notified the Review of the incident. Postal inspectors have been contacted and results are awaited.

Some readers have written, suggesting the Review may be pointing the finger of guilt at people too quickly. Again, we wish to point out, when the Review is contacted about a possible "dirty dealing," the accused is notified of the accusation and given ample time to respond. If no word from the accused, then the name is listed in the "Dirty Dealers" section.

Here are the names of four people who have been accused of wrong-dealing and made no attempt to clear their names. These people should be avoided in any future S-D-M dealings.

STEVE STREET, 1215 James Place, Danville, IL 61832--Accused of receiving \$50 From Al Hartley, 205 S. Doheny Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90211, for 1967-68 football cards and never sending cards or returning money.

RICK ARROYO, 1812 Dayton Ave., San Leandro, CA 94579--Acoused of making highest bid for cards and then never honoring bid.

CLYDE MATSUSAKA, 1459 Punch Bowl St., Honolulu, HI 96813--Accused of receiving league entry fees and never being heard from again.

DANIEL WHITMARSH, 1095 Pleasant St., Norwood, MA 02062--Accused of accepting player cards and never sending money for them.

## Readers Roll ${ }^{\text {© }} \mathbf{E m}$ <br> [cantinued]

is very hard to join a league when these circumstances exist
Still, another of my opinions is that the commissioner of a league is getting too much recognition. True, they're the founders and have a big job and lots of responsibility, but there plight is too exaggerated. The manager is the heart and backbone of the league. It is he who is the "blood and guts." Take for instance the commissioner who never starts the league. Dr the guy who panics and folds the league if a few guys drop out. The managers are left holding the bag after they pay their entrance fee.

At the end of your comment, you make the comments about the guys who take their teddy bears to bed or wear white socks with tuxedos. These are the guys who are S-D-M! They are the ones who are being pushed away by the guys who don't have anything else to do except form clearinghouses.

> Mike Rennick
> 18 W. 785 Avenue LaTours
> Dakbrook, IL 60521

Editor's note: People who take teddy bears to bed with them and wear white socks with tuxedos, still don't sound as promising $5-0-M$ players, in our opinion.

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## Ted Williams Versus Nolan Ryan

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outs while Williams only struck out 27 times in 456 at-bats.
Arata fed the cards of both into the computer [which generated random numbers o match the roll of three die] and pitted the two against each other 10 times. Each "year" took only one and one-half minutes to complete via the computer. Here are the results:

| 1941 statistics | ] [456] | [33] | [3] | [37] | [185] | [27] | [145] | [.406] |
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| 1 | 460 | 20 | 1 | 30 | 160 | 109 | 136 | . 348 |
| 2 | 459 | 18 | 1 | 27 | 158 | 112 | 137 | . 344 |
| 3 | 487 | 19 | 4 | 28 | 150 | 99 | 117 | . 308 |
| 4 | 464 | 31 | 3 | 28 | 167 | 105 | 119 | . 360 |
| 5 | 474 | 18 | 3 | 39 | 165 | 105 | 121 | . 348 |
| 6 | 489 | 27 | 2 | 26 | 158 | 103 | 121 | . 323 |
| 7 | 472 | 17 | 1 | 37 | 165 | 110 | 134 | . 350 |
| 8 | 463 | 18 | 2 | 26 | 133 | 87 | 125 | . 287 |
| 9 | 461 | 29 | 2 | 27 | 158 | $100$ | $121$ | $.343$ |
| 10 | 461 | 20 | 1 | 29 | 159 | 109 | 134 | . 345 |


[^0]:    * Dave Palfenier, 137 Indiana St
    for one year; member of NGL

