

A Schott From The Bleachers

It Happened Once In Baseball

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Frank O'Conner appeared in three games as a pitcher in 1893 with the old Philadelphia Phillies in the National League and made two hits in as many times at-bat for a 1.000 batting average. One of the hits was a home run, so he ended his career with a record of one home run per two times at-bat – a .500 home run percentage.

In 1909, 27-year old pitcher John Kull (b. Shenandoah, PA) joined Connie Mack's Philadelphia Athletics and appeared in one major league ball game as a relief pitcher. He received credit for the victory. He went to bat once and obtained a base hit. He had one fielding chance and handled it flawlessly. Kull never played in another major league game, so he posted the following major league record:

Pitching	Won	Lost	Percentage
	1	0	1.000
Batting	AB	H	Batting Average
	1	1	1.000
Fielding	PO	A	Fielding Average
	1	1	1.000

Pitching three innings in this game, Kull allowed one earned run, so he compiled a 3.00 ERA. He died in Schuylkill, PA on March 30, 1936.

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