

Club Owners Of Majors Seek New Commissioner; Chandler Refuses To Quit

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — (AP) — The major league club owners determined to remove baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler with becoming involved in legal entanglements, will select a new commissioner as soon as possible.

Uncertain whether they can force Chandler from office before the end of his term, the owners are hopeful that the naming of a successor soon will prompt the commissioner to "see the futility of it all" and resign. Meanwhile, Chandler remains commissioner.

An attempt to buy up Chandler's contract failed when the commissioner reiterated his determination to stick to the \$65,000-a-year job until his five-year contract expires May 1, 1952.

The owners voted yesterday to select a new commissioner to replace the former governor and U. S. senator from Kentucky. This unprecedented action was taken in a special meeting after a series of conferences involving the 16 club presidents, both league heads and a bevy of lawyers. This followed by about 20 hours the failure of the club owners to vote Chandler a new contract.

Chandler, who succeeded the late Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis in 1945, appeared in person before the owners to make a plea for his job. Emerging from the momentous session 15 minutes later, Chandler refused to comment.

Later, however, he said:

Hosted Club Officials

"I went in and told them the whole story. I did not recede from my stand earlier in the day."

Despite the drastic setback, Chandler last night continued his annual custom of playing host to the club officials at a dinner which went off without a hitch. The commissioner seemed his old self, living up to his nickname of "Happy."

The only owners among those who attended the meetings but who were missing from the banquet were Fred Saich of St. Louis and Horace Stoneham of the New York Giants. Both clubs had representatives however.

Cheered by his well-wishers with such remarks as "Don't give up, Happy," and "Keep your chin up," he replied, "I've never backed down from a fight in my life and I don't intend to retreat now."

Still Hopeful

"Something may happen yet," he added hopefully.

In the meantime club owners said committees would be named soon to consider candidates for the job. Dan Topping, president of the Yankees, said he was hopeful that some progress would be made by the time the owners meet again next February.

No one ventured to mention any possible candidates for the important position, but leading possibilities were Ford Frick, president of the National League; George Trautman, head of the minors; and Warren Giles, president of the Reds.

Convinced that Chandler intended to go through with his promise to finish out his term "to the last second" despite pressure to resign, a majority of the owners were prepared to let him "ride" until they can come up with a new leader.

There is much confused thinking on the matter for there is no clear cut rule on the subject. Some owners believe they cannot force the commissioner to resign. Others insist his position can be declared vacant if his contract is bought up. A majority are not sure.

Van Brocklin, Motley Snare Top Pro Honors

PHILADELPHIA — (AP) — Norman Van Brocklin of the Los Angeles Rams and Marion Motley of the Cleveland Browns carried off the passing and ground gaining honors in the National Football league's regular season.

The two may meet in the loop's title game, Los Angeles finished the season in a tie with the Chicago Bears for National conference honors. Cleveland was tied by the New York Giants for first spot in American conference.

Van Brocklin attempted 233 passes, completed 127 for 2061 yards and 18 touchdowns. The Ram aerial artist had an average gain per pass of 8.85 yards.

Graham Second

The big surprise in the passing department was Cleveland's Otto Graham, fifth a week ago and second in the final standings. Graham tossed 253 passes, connected with 137 good for 1943 yards and 14 touchdowns. His average gain per pass was 7.64 yards.

Motley, big Cleveland fullback, gained 810 yards in 140 tries to rack up an average gain of 5.8 yards.

Philadelphia's Frank Sgier finished second 77 yards back in the total column.

Fears Top Receiver

Los Angeles' Tom Fears — one of Van Brocklin's favorite targets — held onto top pass receiving honors and set a new league record in that department. Fears successfully accepted 84 aerials to retain the title he first won last season.

Doak Walker, the Detroit flash, won scoring honors with 128 points, second best mark in the history of the loop. Johnny Lujack of the Chicago Bears was second with 109 points.

Punting honors went to Fred Morrison of the Bears by a close margin. Morrison had an average kick of 43.3 yards.

The Yanks' Orban Sanders was the league's best pass stealer with 13. He tied the mark set by Dan Sandifer, then with Washington, in 1948.

PILOTS DOWN 'CATS

SALEM — (AP) — Warren Brown didn't score a point in the first half, but opened up with a 12-point barrage early in the second period last night to bring Portland University eagles from behind and set the stage for a 69-58 victory over Willamette.

Willamette's Smith paced the overall scoring with 20 points. Portland trailed 34-30 at half time.

Roseburg Jayvee Quintet Tumbles To Bulldogs, 47-30

The Sutherland jayvees handed the local juniors their second hoop defeat of the season last night at the Roseburg high school gym by a score of 47-30.

The Bulldogs led all the way and were never seriously threatened. At the end of the first quarter they led, 14-9. By halftime they were leading 24-18. They put on a burst in the third quarter and ended that canto with a 37-26 margin.

Sutherland's guard, Kenny Wahl was high point for the evening with nine counters. For Roseburg, forward Bob Owens was close behind with eight points.

Lineup	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.	FT	Pct.
AUTHERLIN JV						
Grimes (F)	2	1	2	1	2	50
Johnson (F)	1	1	1	1	1	50
Wahl (G)	1	1	1	1	1	50
Lindner (G)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Longmeyer (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Nichols (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Thompson (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Kymoch (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Pinnell (G)	1	1	1	1	1	50
Chapman (G)	1	1	1	1	1	50
Totals	17	12	14	47		
ROSEBURG JV						
Barker (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Owens (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Johnson (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Motley (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Kross (F)	1	1	1	1	1	50
Drake (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Stevens (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Hicks (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Griffin (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Roberts (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Devlin (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Linnell (F)	2	1	1	1	1	50
Totals	11	8	23	30		

Kentucky-Kansas Cage Clash Billed

Kentucky and Kansas moved ahead with perfect records today toward their important clash Saturday at Lexington, Ky., where the two teams will meet with former masters.

Both of these leading contenders for national college basketball honors hurdled big barriers last night, and it wasn't easy for either.

Kentucky, held to even terms for a half, had to rally to turn back Xavier of Cincinnati, 67-56, at Cincinnati. It was the second in a row for the Wildcats.

Kansas won its fourth in a row over St. John's of Brooklyn in New York's Madison Square Garden, 32-31. Clyde Lovellette, the 7-foot-6-inch center, won it with a goal in the last 15 seconds.

Now Phog Allen takes his Kansas to Lexington to play Adelphi Rupp's Wildcats in Kentucky's new \$4,000,000 coliseum. Allen taught Rupp much of the basketball he knows while the Kentucky tutor was at Kansas.

The game offers another interesting sidelight in that it matches two of the country's better centers — the seven-foot Bill Spivey of Kentucky and the six-nine Lovellette. Spivey pitched in 23 points last night against Xavier. Lovellette connected for 15 against St. John's. Their duel should be something to see.

Basketball Scores

COLLEGE BASKETBALL	By The Associated Press
Phillips Oilers 47, Gonzaga 45.	
Seattle Univ. 57, St. Martin's 45.	
Oregon College 67, Pacific Univ. 65.	
Portland 57, Weber 49.	
Portland 46, DuBois 32.	
Milwaukee 38, Camar 20.	
Willamette 38, Lewis 22.	
Labanon 51, University (Oregon) 42.	
Haley 52, Philomath 36.	
Willamette 53, Newport 38.	
North Marion 38, St. Paul 23.	
Albion 52, Marist 47.	
Portland 45, St. Mary's (The Dalles) 37.	
Etahada 40, Concordia 45.	
Nashua 37, Gaston 36.	
Ashland 34, Eagle Point 23.	
Park River 43, Rainier 35.	
Bunka 43, Rainier 46.	
Corvallis 31, Odell 35.	
Corvallis (Portland) 40, Battle Ground 35.	
Franklin (Portland) 44, Newberg 30.	
Salem 48, Jefferson (Portland) 41.	
Grant (Portland) 47, Hillsboro 41.	

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Tugard 37, Sherwood 37.

Sweet Home 39, St. Francis (Eugene) 35.

OPENING BOUT	SEMI-FINAL	MAIN EVENT
Danny O'Rourke	Cowboy Carlson	Maurice LaChappelle
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Glen Detton	Leo Wallick	Herb Parks

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SPORTS



COWBOY CARLSON, a rodeo performer from Cheyenne, Wyo., will meet rugged Leo Wallick at the armory arena Saturday night. Veteran Gus Johnson, Seattle, fell victim to Carlson's "bulldogging" hold last week.

Non-Title Encounter Will Pit Parks Against LaChappelle

The only thing in the path of a Pacific coast junior heavyweight championship match for Maurice LaChappelle is a previous commitment. Champ Herb Parks, the aggressive and well-liked Canadian, feels obligated to give the erstwhile titleholder, Leo Wallick, first crack at the crown.

LaChappelle, who defeated Buddy Knox here last week, has been signed against Parks for a non-title skirmish, according to Matchmaker Elton Owen, and the bout will headline Saturday's weekly mat show at the Roseburg armory arena.

Supporting Program

A strong supporting program will send Cowboy Carlson, the fast-improving rodeo performer from Cheyenne, Wyo., against Wallick in the semi-final feature. The opener of the three-star bill will mark the local debut of Danny O'Rourke, ex-West Pointer, against Gleg Detton, sensational young Salt Lake City star.

Indians Acquire Birdie Tebbetts From Red Sox

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — (AP) — The Cleveland Indians have purchased catcher George (Birdie) Tebbetts from the Boston Red Sox, Cleveland General Manager Hank Greenberg announced early today.

The 36-year-old Tebbetts, who came up to the big leagues in 1936 with Detroit, batted .310 in 97 games last year.

Greenberg revealed that it was a straight cash deal with no players involved. He declined to announce the sum.

Tebbetts, a noisy little receiver known for his squeaky voice, is regarded as one of the smartest backstops in the game.

Snead's 1950 Earnings Highest In Golf History

CHICAGO — (AP) — Sam Snead, who used to caddy barefooted because he couldn't afford shoes, pocketed \$35,759.83 in official golf winnings in 1950.

It was the most prize money ever grabbed by a pro in one season. The drawing Virginian also captured the Vardon trophy by averaging 69.23 strokes through 96 competitive rounds.

Lemon Takes Top Pitching Honors For 1950 Baseball

By Charles Chamberlain

CHICAGO — (AP) — The 1950 American league baseball season was one of hard - knocks for pitchers.

There were only two 20-game winners, compared to five a year ago. The best earned-run-average for moundmen in 10 or more complete games was 3.20 posted by Early Wynn, Cleveland's 30-year-old right - hander. Three hurlers were below the three - run mark in 1949.

Most of 1950's pitching honors went to Cleveland's right - handed star, Bob Lemon, A. L. official statistics showed.

Wins Most Games

Lemon booked the most wins, 23 (against 11 defeats); led in strikeouts with 170; pitched the most innings, 285; tied at 22 with St. Louis' Ned Garver for the most completed games pitched, and faced the most batters, 1,095.

Lemon also permitted the most hits, 289, and finished 10th on the ERA list with 3.84.

The only other twirler in the charmed 20 - game circle was New York's Vic Raschi with 21-8. He led in won - lost percentage with .724 and was 14th in ERA with 3.99 runs per nine-inning game.

Garver Enjoys Second

Wynn, enjoying his best season since 1943, won 18 and lost eight. Finishing second to him in ERA was Garver with 3.39. His won - lost mark was a negative 13-18. Cleveland's Bob Feller, 16-11, was third in ERA with 3.43. In all, 15 pitchers in 10 or more complete games were under the four - runs per game level.

Tommy Byrne of New York again was the wildest hurler with a total of 160 passes, 19 below his 1949 mark. Philadelphia's Alex Kellner allowed the most runs, 157, and also absorbed the most defeats, 20. Last year, Kellner was in the 20 - win group.

Mickey Harris, was Washington's southpaw fireman, appeared in the most games, 53, and won five while losing nine. Detroit's young Art Houtteman gave up the most homers, 29.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press

AKRON, O. — Lightweight Champion Ike Williams, 143, Trenton, N. J., stopped Dave Marsh, 140, Akron (9), (non - title).

OMAHA — Harold Jones, 140, Detroit, outpointed Ronnie Harper, 139½, Charleston, West Va., (10).

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y. — Jimmy Flood, 165, New York stopped Sal Bellone, 162, New York (8).

LONDON — Randolph Turpin, 163, Britain, stopped Tommy Yarnoz, 164 ¾, Pittsburgh (8).

LOS ANGELES — Art Aragon, 171½, Los Angeles and Mario Trigo, 137 ¾, Monterrey, Mex., drew (10).

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FIVE-TIME LOSERS

Weary Beavers Prepare For Highly Rated Oilers

OREGON STATE COLLEGE — Oregon State's travel - weary basketballers, losers in all five games on a barnstorming tour into the East and Midwest, returned home Sunday night and began looking ahead to the home opener in Gill coliseum Saturday night with the national AAU Champion Phillips Oilers of Bartlesville, Okla.

Despite the losses, the pre-season jaunt was not too discouraging. The Beavers faced some of the top quintets in the country, which should aid them in the forthcoming northern division hoop chase.

Best Efforts Versus Braves

The Orangemen dropped a 39-47 decision to Canisius at Buffalo before 10,246 fans. Their next stop was Madison Square Garden, where 12,000 watched them lose a 74-65 battle to New York University. In that contest, the score was tied four times in the last 12 minutes, before the Violets finally pulled it out of the fire.

Probably the best showing was made at Peoria against Bradley, the nation's second - ranking team. Oregon State outscored the Braves in field goals, 31-24, but Bradley picked up 29 free throws to insure a close 77-74 victory. The Associated Press account said it was by far the most thrilling fray

Five Sooners To Play In Senior Bowl Game

MOBILE, Ala. — (AP) — Five members of the nation's No. 1 football team, Oklahoma, agreed today to play for the north squad in the Senior bowl game here Jan. 6.

Two of the Sugar bowl bound Sooners are all - America. They are Frankie Anderson, first team defensive end, and fullback Leon Heath, second defensive team.

The other three are Norman McNabb, guard, co - captain with Hath; Harry Moore, center; and Claude Arnold, quarterback.

OILERS CONQUER

SPokane — (AP) — The veteran Phillips Oilers smothered a green Gonzaga university basketball team 67-43 last night to continue their all winning sweep of Pacific Northwest opponents.

Seven - foot Bob Kurland played only 10 minutes and even then confined his efforts to play-making rather than scoring.

The AAU national titlists held a 37-23 halftime lead.

Although Scott Foxley, Washington State halfback, is only 5-10 and weighs 160 pounds, he is a basketball star as well as one of the leading punters on the Pacific Coast.

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