

Stretch Lead

Champs Edge By White Sox, 5-4

By JACK HAND
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Thanks to Joe Collins' timely home run, the New York Yankees take a half game lead into Fenway park today for their dog-eat-dog series with the Boston Red Sox.

Cleveland, idle yesterday, gets its big chance to storm into first place while the Yankees and Red Sox wrestle. The Indians play three games with Detroit, a team they have beaten 16 out of 17 times this season.

Collins' blow off Chicago's Saul Rogovin with two on base in the eighth inning saved the Yankees from dropping out of the lead. Instead they opened up a half game edge on the Indians by a 5-4 victory over the White Sox.

This is the same Collins, a 27-year-oldster from Scranton, Pa., who used to play only the eighth and ninth inning for defensive purposes. Now he has practically retired Johnny Mize to pinch hitting chores.

The part-time first baseman also saved the game with a dazzling backhand grab of Eddie Robinson's smash in the ninth inning.

Rogovin had the Yankees eating out of his hand through the middle innings, retiring 12 straight batters between the second to seventh innings. He took a 4-2 edge into the eighth.

Phil Rizuto opened the eighth with a single. Mize fled out. Mickey Mantle walked and Collins' blast into the lower right field seats cost Rogovin his eighth loss.

Johnny Sain, the \$50,000 waiver buy from the Boston Braves, failed to survive the first inning. The Yankees had to use five pitchers with Bobby Hogue, another ex-Brave, getting the win.

Manager Casey Stengel has his pitching in good shape for Boston with Allie Reynolds, Eddie Lopat and Vic Raschi ready for the three games. They'll face three southpaws — Leo Kiley, Mel Parnell and Chuck Stobbs.

The Yanks haven't won a game at Fenway all season in eight starts. Against the Red Sox they trail 10-4 on the season series. Eight of their nine remaining games are with Boston.

Cleveland, with six to play including five with Detroit, will shoot Bobby Feller at the Tigers' lefty Ted Gray in the opener of their three-game series at Briggs stadium.

Dodgers Take Cards

While the American league threatens to grind down to the final day, the National has loosened up a bit. Brooklyn widened its lead to 4½ games by shading St. Louis, 4-3, while the second-place New York Giants lost to Cincinnati, 3-1.

Carl Erskine snapped Cliff Chambers' personal six-game win streak with an eight-hitter for his 16th victory. Gil Hodges' 39th homer helped him home.

When the final standings are tallied, Brooklyn's feat of taking

18 of 22 from St. Louis probably will be remembered.

The Giants suffered a staggering blow to their faint hopes when Cincy routed Jim Hearn in a three-run eighth inning. The defeat left the Giants six games behind Brooklyn in the loss column.

Kenny Raffensberger, lifted for a pinch hitter in the eighth, chalked up his 15th win at Hearn's expense. The Reds had 12 hits to four for New York and left 15 on base. Ewell Blackwell finished up for Raffensberger. It was Cincy's fifth win in 22 games with New York.

Satchel Paige struck out five in a three-inning relief chore to give the St. Louis Browns a 4-3 edge over Washington in the only night game. He fanned the last four men in the game. Cliff Mages' homer in the first was one of the 13 Brownie hits off Don Johnson and Tom Ferrick.

With only four games scheduled, half the major league teams were idle yesterday.

Frick Signs Long Contract As Official

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN
CHICAGO — (AP) — Ford Frick with dramatic assist of sportsmanship from Warren Giles, today is baseball's new commissioner.

Giles late last night threw his full support behind the National league president to break a deadlock of club owners and wing sports' biggest job to the gray, lean, 56-year-old Frick.

Frick was given a seven-year contract at an annual salary of \$65,000, about \$25,000 more than he received as head of the senior circuit.

Frick is baseball's third commissioner. He succeeds A. B. (Happy) Chandler, who resigned last July 15 after the club owners had refused to vote him a new contract.

Until Giles, the courtly, white-haired president of the Cincinnati Reds made his unparalleled gesture, the 16 major league magnates had wrangled almost 11 hours in a vain attempt to get the required majority of 12 votes.

List Trimmed

In the first hour of their session, they had trimmed the list to Giles and Frick. But from then on they were stymied, and probably still would be today if Giles had not made his surprise move.

Like a hung jury, the owners cast ballot after ballot — approximately 20 in all — but never did either candidate collect more than 10 votes.

After Giles appeared before the owners and withdrew his name, the following vote was 14 - 2 for Frick. Then the Cincinnati executive made a motion that a final ballot be taken and that it be unanimous.

That is how Frick — climaxing a varied career running from newspaperman, assistant English professor and radio commentator to the National league presidency in 1934 — obtained the full 16 votes.

Giles said he did what he thought best for the interest of baseball — "the closest thing to my heart."

Chandler in 1945 succeeded the late Judge Konesaw mountain Landis who had served as baseball's first commissioner since 1921 following the Black Sox scandal.

Upon the death of Landis, there was a movement toward Frick as his successor. At that time, Giles was reported ready to become president of the National league.

Although this maneuver was decried by the selection of Chandler, the way may now be cleared for it.

Indians Leave For Game

Pels Outweigh Roseburg Squad, Have Slight Edge

The Roseburg Indians polished off a week of heavy defensive practices with light drills Thursday afternoon and departed for Klamath Falls at 8 o'clock this morning.

The 29-man traveling squad was the same as last week with the exception of two new linemen, Ronald Sandstrom and Dave Geddes. Sandstrom is the new 217-pound tackle who turned out this week.

Desbiens Will Start

The starting offensive lineup remained the same except for the left halfback spot. For the first time this season speedy John Desbiens, who picked up 132 yards against Springfield, was given the starting nod. According to Coach Bill Reeder, another change was possible at fullback, Jim McKinney, the regular starter, hurt his ankle in the Springfield game and still carries a slight limp. If unable to start, he will be replaced by Don Wright, a senior transfer from The Dalles.

As usual, the weight will definitely be on the other side of the scrimmage line. The Pelican line averages in at 351 and the backfield 172-pounds per man. Roseburg's line is down to 368 and the backfield weighs in at a watch-charm 149 pounds per man. This gives the Pels a 14-pound-per-man advantage in the line and a 21 pound difference per man in the backfield.

Will Test Defense

The Indians will get a real chance to test the success of the passing defense patterns which took most of this week's practices. Although the Pelicans weren't too ment against Grant last weekend, successful in the passing department, Bill Pickett attempted 77 in the game and completed five for 59 yards. He has some big targets in ends Bert Burns and Jack Horton. Burns is six-two and Horton is six-four.

Red Hurd, sports editor of the Klamath Falls Herald and News, describes the Pels as "Somewhat light on talent but heavy on spirit. Look for some upsets." The Indians are this week's target for that prognostication.

The game will be carried over station KRXL at 7:45 tonight.



LOOKING FOR NO. 2—Coach Bill Reeder departed for Klamath Falls today with his Roseburg Indian charges and hopes of scuttling the bulky Pelicans for the second win of the 1951 season. Reeder's enthusiasm has instilled such spirit into the squad that even a 182-pound line doesn't scare them. (Staff picture)

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Top Coast Football Squads Ready For Action Saturday

By RUSS NEWLAND
SAN FRANCISCO — (AP) — College football, headlined by tonight's intersectional clash between the Texas Aggies and the UCLA Bruins, springs into action in force throughout the far west this weekend.

The part Henry "Red" Sanders University of California at Los Angeles club may play in the 1951 chase should be determined to some extent. The seasoned Aggies are big, tough and powered by one of the best fullbacks in the country, Bob Smith. They'll outweigh the Bruins some ten pounds per man.

A pair of conference encounters top Saturday's slate. Southern California's Trojans, with fresh manpower at hand and a new coach — Jess Hill — at the helm, entertain the hard knocking Washington State Cougars at Los Angeles. The Trojans may have to go all out to take this one.

Stanford, boasting considerable experienced talent and an All-America end candidate in Bill McColl, travels to Portland to take on an Oregon team of undetermined quality.

Washington opens without the services of its All America quarterback, Don Heinrich, one of the finest passers in college football.

Prior to Deadeye Don's shoulder injury, Washington's title chances had been counted on a par with California's. Some observers put the Huskies on top in pre-season selections.

In The Majors

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	91	54	.527	—
Cleveland	82	56	.522	1/2
Boston	86	57	.501	4
Chicago	77	70	.524	15
Detroit	68	78	.466	23 1/2
Philadelphia	63	82	.442	29 1/2
Pittsburgh	57	88	.393	34
Washington	47	98	.324	44

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

New York 5, Chicago 4
St. Louis 4, Washington 3
(Only games scheduled)

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Brooklyn	82	52	.559	—
New York	79	58	.505	4 1/2
St. Louis	76	70	.521	17
Boston	70	72	.503	19 1/2
Philadelphia	70	76	.479	23
Cincinnati	63	84	.429	30 1/2
Pittsburgh	61	86	.415	32 1/2
Chicago	60	86	.411	33

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Brooklyn 4, St. Louis 3
Cincinnati 3, New York 1
(Only games scheduled)

Chicago Grappler Meets Glen Knox In Semi-Final Title

Glen "Baldy" Knox will appear in the Roseburg armory Saturday night to tangle with Carl Engstrom in the semi-final wrestling bout.

Engstrom, the former Chicago dancer, applied his airplane spin to Frenchy Roy last week and left the Pacific Coast light heavyweight champion in a daze he couldn't shake off. But most fans believe he will meet his match this week.

Knox, a tough grappler from West Virginia, is slightly larger than Engstrom and employs a "backbreaker" hold that leaves his opponents in a knot. However, Engstrom isn't worried. He says he has met a lot of big boys while in Chicago and usually came out victorious.

In the main event, Danno McDonald, still spoiling for revenge, meets Jack O'Reilly for the third week. Two weeks ago the Aussie was given a decision over the little Scotsman even though he was unable to return for the final fall.

Protests Decision

McDonald protested to the Roseburg Wrestling commission and wanted the verdict reversed, but no action was taken. Last week the commission interfered and gave McDonald and Gordon Hessel a decision over O'Reilly and Jack Carter after the boys from down under had played rough. The referee didn't see the dirty work and rendered an unfair decision.

Matchmaker Elton Owen predicts that this will be one of the roughest matches seen in Roseburg. McDonald will be trying to score with his punishing drop kicks, and O'Reilly will be relying on hammerlocks and leg splits.

Con Bruno, the Greek who has been a crowd pleaser on the coast for a long time, will meet Kenny Mayne after a match with Champion Frank Stojack, and he will be out for another win.

His opponent is a stylist from Utah who knows what to do when he enters the ring.

Tickets are on sale at Powells.

Yoncalla Bowlers Now In Top Spot

The third week of Commercial league competition saw the Yoncalla Lions bowlers move into a shaky one-point lead by sweeping games and points from Nyberg Lumber Co.

Last week's leaders, Jacklin's Newsboys, were pushed into third place when they dropped all three games to Chrystallite Tile. Co. D 186 edged into the runnerup spot behind Yoncalla by snagging two games and three points from Ford and Houck hatchery.

Slam Cornutt of Co. D cornered all the individual honors by rolling a 226 game and a 543 series.

Team	W	L	Pts.
Yoncalla	8	1	11
Co. D	7	2	10
Jacklin's	6	3	8
Habg. Book	5	4	7
Chrystallite	4	5	6
Ford and Houck	4	5	6
K and J	4	5	6
Lockwood	3	6	5
Swartz	4	5	4
Todd const.	3	6	4
Nyberg	2	7	3
Wayne's	1	8	2

Major League Leaders

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Player	Team	Games	Runs	Home Runs
Batting	Mistal, St. Louis	360	111	22
Fielding	Williams, Boston	348	111	22
Pitching	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Errors	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Double Plays	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Stolen Bases	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Caught Stealing	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Left Field	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Right Field	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Center Field	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
First Base	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Second Base	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Third Base	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Shortstop	Williams, Boston	342	111	22
Pitcher	Williams, Boston	342	111	22

Grid District Changed In Willamette Vicinity

The Willamette district, formerly designated district 6-A-1 under the 1951 redistricting program, has been renumbered.

Containing Roseburg, Cottage Grove, Marshfield, North Bend, Springfield and Eugene, it was changed to district 5-A-2, according to the newest report from the Oregon School Activities association.

No other leagues in which Douglas county teams participate were mentioned for redesignation.

Giants' Outfielder Plans To Start Political Career

NEWARK, N. J. — (AP) — Monte Irvin, the New York Giants hard-hitting outfielder, will run for the New Jersey assembly on the Democratic ticket in November, the Newark Star-Ledger said today.

The newspaper said it had learned that Irvin, 30-year-old Negro athlete who lives in East Orange with his wife and two children, "enthusiastically" agreed to the proposal at a meeting last Sunday in Pittsburgh.

4 Klamath Falls Players Kicked Off Football Team

KLAMATH FALLS — (AP) — Four first-stringers were kicked off the Klamath Union high school football squad today for what the boys admitted was a breach of training rules.

The four are tackle Charley Bennett, guard Bill Fullwell, end Bert Burns and fullback Rodger Bliss, all seniors. Coach Bob Hendershott confirmed the expulsions.

The Pelicans, defeated 27-7 by Grant high last Saturday, play Roseburg here tonight.

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