

Yankees Down Redbirds, 4-2 In "Obstreperous" Starter

68,676 See Chandler Best Lanier, Gordon Smash Homer in Wild and Wooly Played Classic Opener

By JUDSON BAILEY

YANKEE STADIUM, New York, Oct. 5-(AP)—In one of the oddest, most obstreperous games in the history of the world series the New York Yankees conquered the St. Louis Cardinals, 4 to 2, today before 68,676 fans who packed the stadium for the opening contest of the 1943 diamond classic.

It was a triumph for the pitching prowess of Spurgeon "Spud" Chandler, the 34-year-old Georgia righthander, and a spectacular comeback for Second Baseman Joe Gordon, the goat of last year's series, but mostly it was a befuddled exhibition of baseball.

Chandler, who had lost two world series games and never pitched a complete one in his previous chances with the Yankees, lived up to his reputation as the outstanding hurler of the present major league season by holding the Cardinals to seven hits and bearing down in the clutches.

Gordon hit a ringing home run in the fourth inning and gave a miraculous defensive performance during which he made eight assists to tie a world series record for second basemen and handled 12 fielding chances, just one short of the record for total chances.

Their double-barreled heroics gave the fans something good to remember, but the recollections most spectators probably carried from the big ball park were of the incredible miscues which went into their record books as four errors and the one which didn't but which lost the ball game for the Cardinals.

For five innings Max Lanier, the chunky southpaw, ably matched Chandler's curving efforts, but in the sixth he made a wild pitch that allowed Frank Crosetti to score all the way from second and put Bill Johnson on third base with what proved to be New York's final run.

Lanier and Crosetti and a confusing jumble of bad plays also had been involved in the Yankees' first run in the fourth frame. Crosetti, leading off, hit a grounder which Lou Klein fielded well and threw to Lanier for what should have been a putout. However, Lanier stopped on first base with the ball and Crosetti crashed into him at full speed, causing the pitcher to drop the ball for an error.

On the next pitch Crosetti stole second with the help of a high, wild throw by Walker Cooper which sailed into center field. He moved to third when Johnson beat out a bunt down the first base line and scored as Charley Keller hit into a double play.

Gordon followed with his homer, picking out the "cripple," an easy pitch by Lanier with the count three balls and one strike. The sixth inning opened with Crosetti again reaching first on a close play. Third Baseman George Kuroski of the Cards had jumped high in the air to knock down his line drive, but was off balance on the throw which came to Ray Sanders on a bounce just as Crosetti crossed the bag. Johnson put him on second with a single to center and Keller flied out.

Lanier worked carefully on Gordon this time, getting two strikes past him, but then the left-hander uncorked a wild pitch that caromed past Cooper. The ball rolled toward the St. Louis dugout and the catcher went hunting in the direction of the Yankees' bench.

While this hysterical act was in progress, and Lanier came racing in from the mound to retrieve the ball, Crosetti scampered home (Continued on Page 9)

Called "local boy makes good," or "Migawd, it isn't possible," but get a load of the headline and yarn we plucked from a San Francisco sheet yesterday. The headline: "Helms' Foundation Selects Petersen Hero of Playoffs." The yarn: "Charlie Petersen, San Francisco infielder, who operated with clock like precision in the recently completed Coast league president's cup series, yesterday was chosen player of the series by the Helms' Athletic Foundation.

"Petersen participated in all of the 12 contests in which the Seals engaged in the series. He went to bat 40 times, belted 17 hits, for an average of .425. He had three doubles, four sacrifices, handled 19 putouts, 27 assists, batted in five runs, and made only three errors. He participated in four double plays and batted safely in all 12 games.

It was his squeeze play built in the eighth inning of the final game against Seattle that decided the hotly contested series.

Former Helms' Foundation players of the playoff series were: 1936—Nino Bongiovanni, Portland; 1937—Rupert Thompson, San Diego; 1938—Tony Freitas, Sacramento; 1939—Edwin "Bus" Adams, Sacramento; 1940—Dick Barnett, Seattle; 1941—Dick Barrett, Seattle; 1942—Jo Jo White, Seattle.

Just what would you (and we) have said a year ago is someone predicted such a fate for Pete? Probably "booby hatch end of Center street brother—git!"

Almost as hard to believe as the season performance of Hal Sueme, the ex-Vancouver backstop who, as same for Seattle this year was given credit by Suds Skipper Bill Skiff as the major reason why the club became the hottest nine in the league the last half of the chase.

Sueme started out with the Los Angeles club, cost it plenty with his shifting here and there and finally got a look-see by the parent Chicago Cubs. Came the descent—back to Los Angeles, then down to Yakima in '40, back to Los Angeles only to be farmed to Vancouver last year and then this spring finally back to Los Angeles again.

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BILL SKIFF

Irish Favored Over Michigan

Suspicion Ramblers Have Yet to Explode

By DAVE HOFF

CHICAGO, Oct. 5-(AP)—A 50-yard line view of Notre Dame trampling Georgia Tech last weekend, and then a ringside peek at pictures of the Michigan-Northwestern game leaves a distinct feeling that the Irish will beat the Wolverines Saturday at Ann Arbor. And the suspicion grows that Notre Dame hasn't yet shot the works.

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Navycats' Starting Lineup Named for Saturday Clash Against Whitman 11

By AL LIGHTNER

Come 1:30 p.m. Saturday on Sweetland field 1283 pounds of Willamette Navycat line and 665 pounds of pigskin totting backfield will line up to either kick off or receive same from Whitman's V-12 Missionaries as the only scheduled collegiate football game in Oregon this season gets underway.

Attached properly by pencil, the 1283 pounds breaks down to a shade heavier than 197 1/2 pounds per man and the backs single out to 166 1/2 per. Which means that the Walls, Whitman will have at least a king-sized barrier to bust through before they hit the payoff column as the scoreboard.

Coaches Len Sparks, "Duke" Trotter and Bob McGuire went into a brief huddle yesterday and came up with the following starting lineup for Saturday,

same to average 197 1/2 per Navycat in the forward wall and 166 1/2 per TD threat in the backfield:

Left end—Robert Jackson Sheridan, six-foot three, 206 pounds and on lend-lease from Washington State where he played no football but kept Coach Jack Fric's Cougar cagers mighty mean customers with his centering; left tackle—Frederick Garrell Deiner, six-foot one, 200 pounds and recognizable as the same old "Track" who bounced a boat the past three seasons as a member of Spec Keme's Bearcat forward wall; left guard—Charles Edgar Anderson, six-foot two-and-a-half, 193 pounds; and up from the University of Oregon. He's played no football before, but he's not on the first eleven just 'cause he's big.

Center—Frank Vincent Scheibner, six-foot, 206 pounds, from U of Portland where he had a couple grid semesters under Coach "Matty" Mathews; right guard—Robert Hartan Donovan, Jr., six-foot, half an inch, 195 pounds, and as a freshman quite a guard prospect at Willamette last fall; right tackle—Walter Bradford Schade, six-foot three, 197 pounds and also on lend-lease from Portland U where he helped the Pilots last fall; right end—William Roger Blade, 6-1, 192, from Oregon State but no previous football experience.

Quarterback—Hugh Magill Barr, 5-8, 162, from Washington State and one year football experience; left half—Jack Clayton Anderson, 6 feet, 165, from College of Puget Sound where he played last season.

Looked upon as good passer, good kicker. Right half—John Allen "Monk" Macy, 5-11, 170, product of Willamette where he played no football but learned how to get plays in a hurry as a 440 and dash man on the cinder squad; fullback—Andrew John Bohe, 5-8 1/2, 168, fresh from the fleet and with two years prep pigkicking behind him.

And there are some 38 more Navycats ready to back up these mentioned should they falter along the way. A few of the backs are A. W. Whalen, 5-7 1/2, 162, hitting-type from Portland U; Clarke C. Brown, 5-11 1/2, 157, from U of O but "NFE"; Jack Willie Bunnell, 5-10, 200, from Gonsaga, but also "NFE"; Louis Fortino, 5-6, 152, from Portland U; Allen Clifton Lunt, 5-9, 175, from

Gresham; John Martin Lydon, 5-3 1/2, 158, from Upper Darby, Pa.; James Lee Porter, 5-10, 190, from Oregon Fresh and a kicking threat.

A few of the line reserves: Guard Jerry Wolfsehr, 5-11, 197, fresh out of Portland high and dumping everything coming his way in scrimmages this week; John McCall Copenhagen, 6-2, 190, holdover from Bearcats of last year at end; Bill Halmound Dyal, 5 1/2, 176, tackle from Oregon State; Lloyd Albert Griffiths, 6-2, 185, end holdover from 1942 'Caia; Robert Lyle Peters, 5-10, 195, regular on the U of Portland eleven last year; Donald George Schumann, 6-0, 190, also from U of Portland; Herbert Heu, 6-3, 245, from Honolulu high, and Mack Taylor, 6-1, 176, end also from land of hula hula.

Belshaw said hope has not been abandoned completely, pending a check for any possible leeway in the regulations. Washington's strong team, which plays the Spokane air service command eleven at Spokane Saturday, automatically became the northern division standard bearer when all other teams in the division dropped the sport.

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Huskies Turn Down Bearcats

Proposed October 16
Grid Game Cancelled

Informing Willamette Acting Director of Athletics Les Sparks that Pacific Coast conference members would be unable to cast a deciding vote until their next regular meeting, the Washington Huskies yesterday officially cancelled the proposed football game between Willamette and Washington at Seattle on October 16.

The proposed game was left to the discretion of the conference members since the Huskies do not want their footballers to lose a year of eligibility by playing out their abbreviated grid schedule this fall.

The Washington athletic office further informed Sparks that the conference members did not wish to cast a telegraphic vote, but didn't give reason. Perhaps it was because the PCC members figured they might be misusing the country's overloaded wire facilities.

The cancellation leaves the Navycats with but two games on their schedule—Whitman here next Saturday and Whitman again at Walla Walla on October 30. Sparks announced last night he was attempting to schedule a Salem game with a service team, probably the Walla Walla air base eleven.

Rice's Mens Shoes, Senator Barber Shop, Nicholson Insurance and Paulus Taggers all took 2 to 1 victories over Goldie's, Harmna Bros., Chuck's Tavern and Woodburn, respectively, during Monday night's bowling by the Commercial leaguers at Perfection.

Scores were comparatively low with Tagger's George Scales' 546 series and 223 single game netting him high individual honors.

RICE'S MEN'S SHOES (2)

Handicap	16	16	48
Zeller	450	145	157-452
Curtis	127	167	138-423
Remington	182	159	164-505
Herr	136	156	138-430
Benston	146	153	153-454
Wheatley	152	166	164-504
Totals	738	847	756-2342

GOLDIE'S (1)

DeGuire	124	121	165-410
Welly	166	126	156-418
Wells	154	140	147-491
Herr	136	156	138-430
Benston	146	153	153-454
Totals	728	711	756-2198

SENATOR BARBER SHOP (2)

Hauser	158	150	182-500
Welly	148	155	157-460
Guastafino	186	126	156-418
McCune	173	128	170-471
W. Cline, Jr.	145	170	201-545
Totals	828	770	903-2601

HARMNA BROS. (1)

Handicap	46	46	46
K. Barr	165	167	172-444
J. Albright	124	125	137-463
O. Hartman	132	123	142-447
B. Welch	164	163	112-539
P. Jaskolski	131	145	145-544
Totals	772	824	790-2371

NICHOLSON'S INSURANCE (2)

Handicap	32	32	32
P. Valdez	166	126	156-418
V. Valdez	139	136	182-457
N. Valdez	205	160	177-542
Puttys	127	169	172-502
Henderson	148	175	167-481
Totals	890	818	900-2378

CHUCK'S TAVERN (1)

Mills, Jr.	171	147	470
Aahby	115	170	377-462
Schmidt	150	125	154-429
Higgins	166	160	176-502
S. Mills	170	182	182-534
Totals	746	828	836-2330

WOODBURN (1)

Handicap	50	50	150
Perd	118	152	112-382
Austin	121	168	124-443
Sharry	111	145	148-405
Wadsworth	186	105	181-472
Steele	179	175	186-540
Totals	773	816	801-2382

PAULUS TAGGERS (2)

Garbarino	169	170	180-519
Farrar	124	152	148-424
Duffus	113	161	171-455
Kirshner	158	178	158-494
Scales	168	155	223-546
Totals	732	826	880-2448

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