

Gomez and Hubbell Slated for Southpaw Duel in Opening of Series

SHOWERS HINTED AS TEAMS GIVEN FINAL WORKOUTS

Club Officials Expect Record Attendance for Fall Classic — Melton to Hurl Second Game for Giants

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—(AP)—An all-southpaw pitching duel was assured today for the opening game of the world series when Manager Joe McCarthy announced he would send Vernon Gomez to the mound for the New York Yankees. Bill Terry of the New York Giants already has nominated Carl Hubbell for pitching duty in the first game tomorrow.

Charles (Red) Ruffing, big right-hander, definitely will pitch the second game against Cliff Melton, gangle lefthanded sensation of the Giants. The third game pitchers probably will be Hal Schumacher for the Giants and Monte Pearson for the Yankees.

The weather bureau predicted "partly cloudy and warmer" weather for tomorrow and mentioned the probability of showers tonight and tomorrow. The bureau said its next world series forecast would come at 10 o'clock tonight.

By Gayle Talbot. NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—(AP)—The Giants and the Yankees, both fit and both confident they hold a fair share of aces, held their final workouts early this afternoon, and at 1:30 p. m. (E.S.T.) tomorrow they smack into each other in the second straight "subway series."

Two more substantial, complacent ball clubs probably never met in a world series since the annual fall follies were inaugurated in 1903. Neither appears to be unduly excited nor awed, but just the same, the series promises to be hard-fought and exciting every foot of the way.

The battle lines are definitely drawn, pending a last-minute change by Manager Bill Terry of the Giants or Joe McCarthy of the Yanks. Carl Hubbell, the Oklahoma farmer, will try to win his third straight series opener for the Giants, and Vernon (El Goofy) Gomez, another leftie, will toil for the Yanks.

They are perhaps the leading southpaws in the game, and the prospect of a thrilling duel between them has led optimistic club officials to hope to break the world series attendance record of 65,569 set at the stadium a year ago. Indications today, however, were that the opening day attendance would not be much more than 50,000.

The Yanks' lineup is settled for the series with the same array that swamped the American league under a deluge of base-hits, except that hard-hitting George Selkirk has recovered from a mid-season hurt just in time to take over his right field post. He, with Joe DiMaggio, Lou Gehrig and Bill Dickey, comprise the backbone of the Yanks' devastating attack.

Giants Shifted. The Giants, who are the weaker-hitting outfit and therefore compelled to consider every possible angle in their struggle for runs, will do considerable shifting about. Against Gomez tomorrow they will have big Hank Leiber, right-handed power hitter, playing center field and batting clean-up. When Red Ruffing, a right-hander, takes the hill for the Yanks in the second tussle, Lou Chit-

Lefty's Right-About-Face



The "right-about-face" of Vernon "Lefty" Gomez (above) after two poor seasons, to become big league strikeout king, had much to do with sending the New York Yankees into this year's world series. He will take the mound in the opening game tomorrow.—(A. P. Photo.)

Dimaggio's Proud Papa To Watch Him in Series

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—(AP)—The proudest and most excited man in this big city today was an old, weather beaten salt who traveled clear across the continent to see a guy named Joe play in the world series.

His suitcase crammed with mama's famous cookies, cake and several bottles of wine, Joseph DiMaggio, Sr., made his first trip to New York in 41 years with only one bit of eightseeing on his mind. "That," he said, "is to see my boy Giuseppe hit a home run against the Giants." If you've ever seen an aged father glow over the exploits of a son, then you've got the picture of Papa DiMaggio. In more than 25 years of fishing off San Francisco bay, he's had more than his share of thrills but to come to New York, all expenses paid, to see Giuseppe strut his stuff before thousands of cheering fans tops Papa's wildest dreams.

Papa arrived yesterday morning, accompanied by his third son, Dominic, star outfielder of the San Francisco Seals, who hopes to emulate his more famous brothers, Yankee Joe and Vincent, who did a fine job his first year up with the Boston Bees this season. Joe met them at the station, dined himself on the cookies and cake, and then took

them out to Yankee stadium for the series practice. "This," said the astounded Papa DiMaggio as he entered the Yankee stadium, "is a great park. And a big one, too. Giuseppe, how can you hit home runs in a place like this?" "I just swing, pop," laughed Joe. "O'mon, the boys want to take your picture." A score of cameras clicked as the old fisherman posed with his two sons.

After the practice, Joe took his father to what he thought was the swankiest Italian restaurant in town. But Papa refused to eat. "I darned near forgot," said Joe. "Pop won't eat restaurant food of any kind. Won't even eat the good stuff I have in my own restaurant back home. He'll come in but he won't eat. He doesn't like hotels either. I wanted to put him up in style, but he looked up one of his old pals where he's staying and eating home cooked food."

Papa DiMaggio, who last saw New York in 1896 when he came over from Palermo, Sicily, retired from fishing five years ago. Since then his life has been baseball. Being Papa to three good ball players scattered all over the United States is an exciting life, Papa DiMaggio admitted.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

All of which indicates the essential difference between the two New York teams. The Yanks are set to slug it out on their customary lines. The Giants are going to play it "cute" and fight for a run at a time, placing their trust in Hubbell, Melton and Schumacher to curb the enemy.

Melton Key Man. The key man of the series, with all due respect to Hubbell, is very likely to be Melton, the tall, hungary-looking mountaineer known to his teammates as "Mickey Mouse." If Melton, a 20-game winner in his first season, throttles the Yankee batters in the second game, then it's anybody's series, and probably the Giants'. Somebody asked Terry yesterday if he expected Melton to play much of a part in the big ruckus. "I expect him to play a very, very important part," growled the colonel.

Those who watched the rival teams in batting practice were struck by the obvious disparity in power. The Yankees, one after the other, rattled balls against the far boards and the stadium echoed with the vigor of their blows. Their rivals, on the other hand, seldom bashed one solidly. Their bat ticks looked like single. But the Giants' infield displayed more zip and sparkle than the Yanks'.

Reports have it that there has been an unusual amount of betting on the series, with the Yankees steady 2 to 3 choices. Those seem very attractive odds to the Giants' admirers, considering the pace their club has set in the past month.

BELCASTRO GIVES WOLFE GOING OVER TO FANS' DELIGHT

Pete Belcastro did it. Before a raving crowd of mat maniacs in the Medford armory last night, the Mad Italian from Weed, Cal., gave the Terrible Les Wolfe the beating of his life. Or rather, it should be reported that Pete Belcastro and Referee Gorilla Pogi gave Wolfe the working over he has been needing for so long. Probably it doesn't matter much anyway, the result is the same.

The bout was one of the shortest main events seen here in a long time, but it packed more action than a dozen of the usual top offerings. The end came with Wolfe, who has terrorized this territory for over a month, groveling on the canvas.

If there was one legitimate wrestling hold applied during the fracas, it was well hidden. From the opening gun, both villains started their dirt, the like of which has never been witnessed anywhere. The payoff came when Pete, after securing Wolfe's left leg between the ring ropes, grabbed the other and attempted to split the Texas Terror up the middle. Referee Pogi, who never liked Wolfe anyway, did his best. He made it appear as if he was trying to make Belcastro stop. With Pete pulling with all his might on Wolfe's right leg, the Gorilla grabbed Pete and did some pulling on his own. To even the most casual observer it was apparent that Referee Pogi wasn't doing much to further the Wolfe cause although Pogi, today, could ask, "Wasn't I trying to pull Belcastro away from the Wolfe guy?"

The answer would be yes and no. Pogi was pulling on Pete, but with each pull, poor Wolfe was being separated just that much more. When finally Pete consented to stop and survey his handwork, Wolfe collapsed on the carpet and was counted out.

Previous to that wild and woolly action, Pete had grabbed the first fall on a foul. Standing in the middle of the ring before the bell, Wolfe insisted on examining Belcastro's trunk. Pete raised his arms for the look-see, and the Texan immediately blasted out with both fists to the groin. In two minutes of furious action, with Wolfe hammering Belcastro into a pulp, the first fall was over. When Referee Pogi finally separated the pair, still with their dressing robes on, Pete was about all in from the unexpected attack. Referee Pogi awarded the tumble to Belcastro on a foul.

In between the first and finishing shoulder-press, both maniacs opened the book. First, Wolfe would grab his opponent and attempt to break his neck over the ropes, then it would be Belcastro's turn. A short and violent spell was spent outside the ring, both punching, pulling hair, eye-gouging and kicking to a fare thee well.

In the middle event, Marshall Carter defeated Frankie Clemens, two falls to one. The deciding tumble occurred in the fourth stanza when Carter raged from his corner at the bell and fired a terrific sennenberg at the Indian, which caught him unawares in the stomach. It was the finisher.

Carter took the first fall in the first round with sennenbergs and a body press. Clemens came back to win the second in the second round

Sport Graphs

Billy Hulen Says: Yankees Figured As Easy Winners In Fall Classic

The big show starts tomorrow, and about all the local baseball boys can see is a Yankee victory, which is not unusual. "Them Yanks" are figured by one and all to make short work of Bill Terry's Giants, maybe in four straight games, maybe in five, but anyway, to do it.

When the two New York clubs face off for the first of seven games which will decide the world's championship, no less than five former Pacific Coast league performers will be doing their stuff in the top sporting event of them all. Strangely, they will all be wearing the uniform of Colonel Jacob Ruppert and his Yankees. Mary a Giant can claim previous baseball service in the AA Coast circuit.

The Coast brigade is led, of course, by Jolting Joe DiMaggio, the most sensational hitter, fielder and all-around performer this league has ever produced. He is a graduate of the San Francisco sandlots and saw his first professional action with the Seals. He will be in center field for the Yanks. Also from San Francisco and the Seals will be Frankie Crosetti, brilliant shortstop. Still another former Seal is Lefty Gomez, ace portlander of Joe McCarthy's gang of sluggers de luxe. Gomez wound them over for the Seals at the time Curt Davis, now with the Chicago Cubs, was doing the same, and is expected to pitch two games against the Giants.

Meyrl Hoag, utility outfielder, is a product of Sacramento, where he starred in center field for the Solons for a couple of years before getting his chance at the big time. And last, but far from least, is Tony Lazzeri, the aging second baseman for the American leaguers, who will probably not see much action because of wobbly underpinnings. Lazzeri started his climb to the top with the old Salt Lake City club in the coast league. The team was later transferred to Hollywood when Vernon moved to San Francisco and be-

came the Missions, and now has just won the pennant under the name of San Diego after being moved out of Hollywood two years ago.

With baseball taking over the nation's sporting interest for almost a week, anyway, it might be of interest to local John Q. Philberts to glance at some strange things that have happened in the past world series.

For instance, the Philadelphia Athletics played five consecutive games in the "serious" of 1931 without an error being chalked up against them. On the other hand, Roger Peckinpaugh, Washington shortstop, and voted the most valuable player in the American league in 1925, committed five errors all by his lonesome in the seven-game series with Pittsburgh. Four of them came in one game.

The longest world series game in history lasted 14 innings, in 1916, with Boston winning from Brooklyn, 2-1. There have been three tie games played, Chicago and Detroit battling to a 3-3 deadlock in 1918, Boston and Cleveland in 1920, and Boston 6-6 tie between the Giants and Boston in 1912; and the two New York clubs went 10 innings to a 3-3 standoff in 1922.

There has never been a no-hit game pitched in the fall classic, and only one one-hitter. Ruelbach of the Chicago Cubs is generally credited with a one-hitter against the Chicago White Sox in 1906. Ancient box scores say he allowed a single and a double. For some unknown reason, the double was later deleted from the records.

In 1904, Boston, American league winner, challenged the New York Giants, National champions. That was before the annual series was arranged. John McGraw, manager of the proud Giants, replied to the challenge by stating that he did not wish to "endanger the standing of my team by sending it against a minor league club." That's a far cry from the situation today, when the balance of power certainly seems to lie with the American league.

NEWARK TIGHTENS 'LITTLE SERIES'

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 5.—(AP) The Columbus Red Birds, champions of the American association, had something of an inkling today of how and why the Newark Bears, their opponents in the little world series, won the International league flag by a 29½-game margin.

After winning the first three games of the minor league classic at Newark, the Red Birds had an idea that the "best of seven" series was in the bag. But the Bears bounced right back Saturday night to beat the Birds 8 to 1 on the local lot and last night they did it again, 1 to 0.

The Birds still are leading, three games to two, but after getting but one run in the last 19 innings, and with the prospect of facing Vito Tamulis, Bear pitcher who won 18 and lost six during the regular season, the home boys aren't so sure Newark won't tie it up tonight.

The common house rat is an expert climber, swimmer and digger. It often adopts a communistic mode of living in building a maze of connecting underground tunnels.

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The Cleveland, Ohio, is in the market for northern deer tails from this state provided it is legal to ship the tails from Oregon, according to a letter received from the company today by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce. The company uses northern bucktails in making fishing lures.

Fumblers Beavers Given "Consolation"

CORVALLIS, Ore., Oct. 5.—(AP)—Two conference defeats resulting from fumbles were bad enough, but Oregon State college's backfield football players smarted today from the "consolation" of Coach Lon Stiner that "maybe the conference officials will let us put a handle on that football next Saturday."

The unlucky Beavers pushed practice sessions in preparation for their invasion of the University of Washington Saturday.

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CARNEGIE TECH SEEKS APOLOGY

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 5.—(AP)—Carnegie Institute of Technology asked an apology today for the painting of the score of New York university's gridiron victory over Tech on the front of the pillared \$6,000,000 Mellon Institute.

Clarence Overend, graduate manager of athletics at Tech, suggested in a letter to A. B. Nixon, N. Y. U.'s graduate manager of athletics, that the university's chancellor send the apology to Director Edward Weidlein of the research institute. He added: "In addition he should assure Dr. Weidlein that N. Y. U. would pay the damages in full. It seems that the guilty parties should be expelled from school, but that is a matter for your own disciplinary agencies."

Police blamed pranksters for the six-foot high black letters, "N. Y. U. 18-C. T. 14," that have resisted attempts of institute scientists to remove them.

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