

SPORTS

4 COAST PLAYERS
CHOSEN IN DRAFT
BY BIG LEAGUES

Luby, Schanz, Carnett, Epperly Are Selected—Bidding is Lackadaisical.

By Tommy Devine
(United Press Correspondent)

Chicago, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Major league baseball club owners today showed a reluctance to take a long range gamble on playing talent for the 1944 season.

The annual "draft" meeting with Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis yesterday failed to develop the expected wide-open bidding for athletes to pad the majors' rosters against military service calls. A total of 15 players were selected by eight clubs. A year ago at the meeting 20 players were taken and in 1941 there were 17 called.

While admittedly the quality of players on the selection list of the nine minor leagues that operated last season was below par, most observers thought the majors would welcome a chance to add new faces at bargain prices.

Club owners apparently did not wish to gamble on the uncertainty of players reporting next spring and general hazards that surround the game's wartime continuation.

Giants Take Four
The New York Giants were the liveliest bidder in the draft market, selecting four players. The Giants, who finished in the cellar last season for the first time since 1915, started their rebuilding by selecting First Baseman Phil Weintraub from Toledo; Hugh Luby, a second baseman from Oakland; Ewald Pyle, southpaw pitcher from Minneapolis; and George Hausman, New Orleans infielder.

The Philadelphia Phils, the Boston Braves, the Detroit Tigers and the Chicago White Sox each selected two players, while single selections were made by the Boston Red Sox, the St. Louis Browns and the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The Phils took Pitcher Charles Chantz from San Diego and Second Baseman Charles Letch from Toronto; the Braves, Outfielder Chet Wiecek from Columbus and Pitcher Ira Hutchinson from Rochester; the Tigers, Infielder Eddie Mayo from Louisville and Joe Oringo from St. Paul; the White Sox, Outfielder Eddie Carnett from Seattle and Pitcher Al Epperly from San Francisco; the Browns, Catcher Henry Heif of Milwaukee; the Red Sox, Pitcher Clemens Hausman of Kansas City, and the Dodgers, Infielder Gil English of Indianapolis.

The 14 players drafted from the double A clubs cost \$7,500 each and the one from a class A league, \$6,000. The total outlay for talent was \$111,000. Nine of the 15 players chosen are former major leaguers coming back for another chance in the big show.

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Ned Irish Forced To Reduce
Garden Slate To 16 Nights

By Jack Cuddy
United Press Staff Correspondent
New York, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Ned Irish, acting president of Madison Square Garden, today reproached the calendar for limiting him to 16 basketball dates during the approaching season, which, he predicts, will be the greatest in the sport's history.

Irish, sometimes known as "Mr. Basketball," deplored his lack of dates, after making his first announcement of the campaign. He would play at the Havana tea mwould play at the Garden on Christmas day.

The 38-year-old prexy said: "Everything points to unprecedented basketball activity and enthusiasm throughout the country this season. And here am I with a calendar into which I can squeeze only 16 dates. Last season, I managed to get in 19. But Sonja Heine's ice show is taking an extra week this time, and the dog show and other attractions extended their stays. There just aren't enough days on the calendar."

Why does Irish expect such activity in the hoop game, when other sports—like college football and college baseball—have been curtailed because of the war?

The fair-skinned, baldish impresario of the dribble diversion explained, "Only a few colleges have given up basketball. Take our metropolitan area for example. Normally there are 10 colleges playing the game in the New York sector. Only two of them have quit for the duration. Meanwhile, there will be more service teams than before and more teams representing war plants and clubs."

"Colleges generally continue to play basketball because it requires far less manpower than football and a minimum of equipment. Squads of nine or ten men are sufficient in basketball, whereas about 35 are normal in football. Moreover, there's not much of a problem in transportation for the small basketball squads. Meanwhile the game in high schools is being encouraged by the government because it is an excellent conditioner for future service men."

COAST BALL LOOP
INCREASES SLATE

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—The Pacific Coast league will run for 32 weeks, from April 19 to Sept. 17, next season under the plan adopted yesterday by league directors holding their winter meeting here.

The schedule calls for 169 games, compared with the 155 games played this season. The two-week extension was made on anticipation of increased business by club officials.

The Shaughnessy playoffs will be continued, with the playoff money for the first four clubs to be maintained at \$12,500.

All members of the league, except San Francisco, indicated they would play baseball every night except Saturdays and Sundays as a result of the lifting of dimout regulations.

BOWLING

In City league games Monday night Office Boys defeated M and M, 3 to 0 (G. Barr 587, G. Barr 220). Signal Oil defeated Medford Millworkers, 2 to 1 (C. Proctor 580, C. Proctor 209). Murray's Maid-Rite defeated Domestic Laundry, 2 to 1 (E. Sims 551, E. Sims 217).

BACK TO PRISON

San Quentin, Cal., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Gabriel Marcias, 19, San Francisco, was back in custody today after his escape from San Quentin prison Sunday with Albert Wells, 28, Alameda. Marcias was captured in an Oakland, Cal., theater late yesterday. Wells still was at large.

TIMES SQUARE BROWN

New York, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Times square glowed with about 40 per cent of its prewar brilliance last night as the nation's coastal areas switched from their antismarine dimout to a new power conservation brown-out.

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GORDON READY TO
PLAY FOR YANKS
AGAIN NEXT YEAR

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Second Baseman Joe Gordon of the world champion New York Yankees is ready to play ball again next year but he doesn't like the idea of going back east for spring training.

Coming home from a long hunting trip in eastern Oregon, Joe said reports he planned to quit big league ball and stay on the west coast were misinterpreted, although he confirmed his quoted remarks upon returning from the world series that he doubted there would be spring training next year.

Joe pointed out that the draft was getting tougher and he doubted organized baseball would survive if fathers were taken in large numbers. And if there is baseball, he hopes he won't have to join the Yankees at Frigid Asbury Park, N. J.

"I can get in better condition here at home and be ready to go when the season opens," he said.

Joe was pretty pessimistic when he got home from the series two weeks ago, but a good hunting trip put him back in fine fettle. He shot a big buck, got the limit of ducks and geese, and wasn't too disappointed at missing out on good pheasant hunting.

BIG 6 CHAMPION
DECIDED NOV. 13

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Barring unforeseen circumstances, it appeared today that the Big Six 1943 football championship will be settled about 4 p. m., Nov. 13 at Columbia, Mo.

Missouri and Oklahoma meet that afternoon, both are undefeated in two conference games. Missouri plays Iowa State Saturday at Ames and Oklahoma is host to the Kansas Jayhawks at Norman, in the third conference game this week-end. Nebraska meets Kansas State at Manhattan.

Football Briefs

Los Angeles, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—The University of Southern California Trojans welcomed Fullback Jerry Shipkey, nephew of the famous Shipkey brothers of Stanford fame, at today's practice for the San Diego Naval Training Station encounter Saturday.

Scout Shelby Calhoun said yesterday that Troy's unbeaten and untied record would be in great danger Saturday and described the San Diego eleven as "the most rugged" Cravath's boys have met.

Los Angeles, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—The UCLA defense received new strength today when Don Borden, former Santa Ana Jaycee backfield ace, joined the Bruins. Although Borden can pass, run and kick, Coach Babe Horrell may use him primarily as defense against the powerful Del Monte Pre-Flighters next Saturday.

Berkeley, Cal., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Coach Stub Allison's hopes for his University of California eleven Saturday against the University of San Francisco were bolstered today with the arrival of several new players.

George Eickstaedt, end, who played last season, reported with other marine trainees, and Louis Avery and John Wind, former Stanford players showed up.

BERTELLI SHOES
TO BE FILLED BY
YOUTHFUL SOPH

Johnny Lujack to Direct Irish
In Army Game Saturday
—To Handle "T."

By Bob Meyer
United Press Correspondent
Chicago, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—An 18-year-old sophomore fell heir to the toughest job in collegiate football today.

When Angelo Bertelli ended his career at Notre Dame by tossing the Irish to a decisive victory over Navy, he left the quarterbacking chores for the unbeaten Irish to Johnny Lujack. And when Lujack assumes full direction of the team Saturday against Army at New York, he goes on the gridiron "hot spot."

If the Irish continue to roll on to the national championship, Lujack merely will be performing as expected. Should the team be stopped, critics will say that "Bertelli would have carried them through."

Triple Threat
Lujack is a 180-pound youngster from Connellsville, Pa. He's a triple threat man who have proved himself an adept performer at both quarterback and halfback this fall. However, the burden of directing the team in tight spots has not yet been his responsibility.

After one of Notre Dame's early contests, a coach who had seen his squad submerged by Bertelli's magic ball-handling and accurate passes, said:

"When Bertelli leaves, the team will lose approximately 30 per cent of its offensive efficiency."

That's not a generally-held opinion. Ray Elliot of Illinois, for example, believes Lujack will keep the Irish at their peak. "Bertelli's a great quarterback and passer," Elliot said, "but the team's entirely too strong to fall apart simply because he's gone. I think Lujack will step into his spot perfectly. He certainly looked the part of a great field general and passer when they defeated us."

Lujack's most important task will be to keep Coach Frank Leahy's "T" formation clicking. With Bertelli handling the ball, the precision of the backfield's timing was clock-like and deadly. The big question now appears to be whether Halfbacks Creighton Miller and Julius Rykovich and Fullback Jim Melton can operate as effectively from scrimmage with Lujack flipping the ball.

Even if Lujack is unable to match Bertelli's amazing passing mark of 25 completions in 36 attempts, he can become an ace-in-the-hole star if he keeps the Irish ground attack functioning.

Not Inexperienced

The youngster will not go into the army game "cold." Anticipating the loss of Bertelli via Navy transfers, Leahy has given Lujack plenty of playing experience in early-season games after the Irish have run up astronomical figures over opponents.

But he assumes control as the Irish enter the hardest part of their schedule, with Army, Northwestern, Iowa Pre-flight and Great Lakes remaining.

Two other undefeated, untied eleven will resume action this weekend. Purdue, weakened by loss of Tony Butkovich and

Trojans Remain Unbeaten



Bob Frisbee, Golden Bear halfback, takes to the air to evade Trojan tackler, halfback Eddie Seens (28) but Frisbee's efforts were to no avail as the unbeaten and unscored on Southern Californians won, 13 to 0, over the University of California Bears in their Los Angeles Coliseum struggle.

eight other players, plays at Minnesota, and Iowa Pre-flight meets Marquette at Milwaukee Sunday.

Other contests involving mid-western schools: Indiana at Michigan, Illinois at Iowa, Northwestern at Wisconsin, Camp Grant at Great Lakes and Ohio State at Pittsburgh.

Ame McPherson
Suffers Relapse

Los Angeles, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Ame McPherson, evangelist, has suffered a recurrence of tropical fever, forcing her to cancel all public appearances, a co-worker announced today.

Dr. Giles Knight, business manager of her Angelus temple, said from the pulpit that "Sister Ame" would not preach for at least several weeks because of recurrence of the fever which she contracted in Mexico last year.

Badoglio Suggests
Dictator Sideshow

Naples, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Marshal Pietro Badoglio thinks the Allies should put Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini in a cage and exhibit them throughout Europe after the war.

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Half Million Evacuated While
Power Switched On as
Booby Trap is Suspected.

By Reynolds Packard
(United Press Correspondent)
Naples, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—A half-million people were evacuated from Naples for four hours today while Allied army engineers, risking the possibility that the Germans might have wired a mammoth booby trap to the power lines, restored electric service to the stricken city.

Light and power were turned on again in homes and shops throughout half the big seaport exactly one month after the first Allied troops entered the city, and every precaution was taken to avoid another mine disaster such as wrecked the postoffice early in the Allied occupation, killing more than 100 people.

Ready For Emergency
I rode through the center of the city in a jeep and found American soldiers, Italian carabinieri firemen and American ambulances stationed at strategic points throughout the danger area, ready for any eventuality.

But the master switches were thrown in, section by section, sending power back into fashionable residential districts and tenement areas without touching off the half-expected explosion.

When the people were permitted to return to their homes at 2 p. m. there had been no explosion, but the fire and ambulance squads were kept on the alert against the possibility that time bombs might have been started by the restoration of power.

The Neapolitans, who had to close down their shops during the interval, made a picnic of the occasion, trekking out to the hills overlooking Naples where they could watch comfortably if their homes and stores should blow up.

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SMITHS LEAD ALL
IN OREGON BIRTH
STATISTIC LIST

The Smiths, the Johnsons and the Millers are collectively doing more to forestall race suicide in Oregon than all other persons. This fact came to light recently in statistical studies on Oregon birth records made by Edward E. Waggoner, assistant state registrar of vital statistics.

New-born infants surnamed "Smith" registered in Oregon from 1931 to 1940 inclusive totaled 1,629 and comprised 1.12 per cent of all births in the period. The Johnsons accounted for 1,327 births, or .92 per cent of the total; and the Millers for 980 births, or .66 per cent of the total.

Others among the leading name groups were: Brown, with 802 births; Anderson, with 769; Jones, with 766; Davis, with 688; Williams, with 617; Wilson, with 600; Thompson, with 469; Taylor, with 457; and Clark with 451.

In all 145,042 live births were registered in the state during the ten-year period.

Ex-Sho Girl Sues
Millionaire Mate

New York, Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—Martha (Mickey) Divine Dodge, former Vanities showgirl, filed suit for separation in supreme court today against Horace Elgin Dodge, multi-millionaire motor and speedboat manufacturer, and asked alimony of \$100,000 annually.

Dodge has trust funds and other assets amounting to more than \$100,000,000 and an annual income of \$300,000, Mrs. Dodge said in her petition. She alleged cruel and inhuman treatment and charged him with associating with other women.

FLIER DROWNS
Santa Barbara, Calif., Nov. 2.—(U.P.)—2nd Lt. Francis Marion Cottrell, USMCR, Kalamazoo, Wash., drowned Saturday when he parachuted from his disabled plane into the ocean near Point Conception, marine air station officials announced today.

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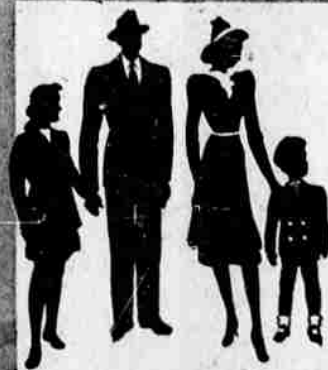
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