

Ward Alston Feels Brooklyn Should Continue in Top Spot On Strength of Its Hurlers

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Brooklyn—(U.P.)—Ward Alston, the man who was hired to "beat the Yankees" and did it, declared today his opinion that Brooklyn Dodgers should continue their domination the next few years on the strength of their brilliant young pitchers.

"I'm very optimistic about the club's future," said Alston, who accomplished the job he was hired for when he led the Dodgers to their first world

championship in history Tuesday.

"We have so many fine young pitchers," Alston pointed out, "that I don't anticipate any serious trouble in that department for a long time to come."

One of the youngsters he had in mind principally was Johnny Podres, the steel-nerved 23-year-old southpaw who throttled the vaunted Yankees, 2-0, on eight hits in the seventh and deciding game of the 1955 World Series before 62,465 fans at Yankee Stadium Tuesday.

"Podres was magnificent," Alston said. "He did everything anyone could ask of him and then some."

Thinking of Future

Thinking in terms of the future, Alston said Podres will have such youthful running mates on the Brooklyn pitching staff as right-handers Roger Craig, Don Bessent and Ed Roebuck, along with left-handers Karl Spooner and Sandy Koufax.

Craig, the "surprise starter" and winner of the fifth game of the World Series, is only 24, as are Bessent, Roebuck, and Spooner. Koufax, the bonus lefty who showed so well near the end of the National League season but saw no action in the series, hasn't reached his 20th birthday yet.

Podres, who celebrated his 23rd birthday with his first series triumph over the Yankees in the third game of the classic, was mobbed by his hysterically happy teammates after beating the Bronx Bombers in the wrap-up again Tuesday.

The victory by the Dodgers was history-making in many respects. Not only had they licked the Yankees after five fruitless tries previously but they also won the biggest box-office series ever. When the total net receipts were counted they came to \$2,337,513.43, a new series record.

Precedent Shattering Triumph

Brooklyn's comeback triumph was also precedent shattering in that the Dodgers became the first team in history ever to win a seven-game series after dropping the first two contests.

Southpaw Tommy Byrne, who won the second game of the series and started for the Yankees Tuesday, matched ciphers with Podres until the fourth inning when the Dodgers scored their first run on a double by Roy Campanella, an infield out and a single by Gil Hodges. A sacrifice fly by Hodges brought in Pee Wee Reese with an insurance run in the sixth inning.

Podres was in only two real tight spots but worked his way out of both of them. With two men on and none out in the sixth, Yogi Berra hit a ball along the left field foul line that threatened to drop for extra bases. But speedy Sandy Amoros, who had replaced Junior Gilliam in left field during that same frame, came from nowhere to grab the ball and relay it back to the infield for a double play.

Struck Out Bauer

Berra came up again with two men on and one out in the eighth but Podres induced him to hit to Carl Furillo in short right field, then struck out Hank Bauer to end the Yankees' final threat.

Both Alston and Yankee Manager Casey Stengel agreed that Amoros' catch of Berra's smash in the sixth inning was the key play of the game. Oddly Amoros entered the game only because George Shuba had batted for Don Zimmer in the sixth and Gilliam moved to second base in place of Zimmer.

Amoros, an amiable little Cuban who is much more at ease in the field than he is with the English language, got the message across later that he never made a better catch in his life. He said he was no more than a yard from the left field fence when he grabbed the ball.

Stengel, a gracious loser, praised Podres' pitching but said the four home runs by Duke Snider during the series "hurt us the most."

Mack Will Have Surgery on Hip

Philadelphia—(U.P.)—Connie Mack, 92-year-old former owner-manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, was to undergo an operation today to speed healing of his fractured right hip.

Dr. Hilarion Gopadze, Mack family physician, said the surgery will be performed at Presbyterian hospital, where the grand old man of baseball is reported in satisfactory condition. Mack fractured the hip when he fell getting out of bed from his usual afternoon nap at his apartment last Saturday.

Fight Results

By UNITED STATES
Toledo, Ohio—Jimmy Martinez, 160, Phoenix, Ariz., outpointed Pedro Gonzales, 161, Rankin, Pa. (10).
Detroit—Yama Bahama, 151½, Bahama Islands, knocked out Gene Parker, 141, Indianapolis, Ind. (2).
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STREAKING HOME on Junior Gilliam's double, Sandy Amoros, Dodger outfielder is called safe by Umpire Dascoli as Yankee catcher Yogi Berra gets peg too late. (International)

Podres' Fast Ball Gets Job Done in Final Series Fray

(Editor's Note: Southpaw Johnny Podres pitched the Dodgers to their first world championship on Tuesday by beating the Yankees for the second time in the World Series, 2-0. In the following dispatch, he tells how he did it.)

By JOHNNY PODRES
As Told To United Press

New York—(U.P.)—I'm glad there's no law against happiness because man, oh man, I'd sure be exceeding the legal limit.

A numb feeling took hold of me as soon as Pee Wee Reese threw the ball to Gil Hodges for the final out and to tell you the truth, I'm still in some sort of a daze.

All of a sudden everybody was grabbing me after that last put-out. Someone had my head, some one else had my leg and a third guy was grabbing my arm. Jeepers, I didn't know where I was. I don't want to sound like one of those know-it-alls, but I knew we were going to win the series all the time. Ask Pee Wee Reese. I told him we were going to win.

Army Gridders Burned by Lime

Ft. Lee, Va.—(U.P.)—An Army spokesman at Ft. Lee revealed Tuesday that 27 U. S. Army football players were burned by a mixture of rain and lime in a football game here Friday night. Eleven of them were hospitalized with second degree burns.

Among them was Johnny Lattner, a former Notre Dame back who won the Heisman award as the nation's top football player in 1953. Lowell Perry, All-America candidate in 1952 at the University of Michigan, and six other former college players were also hospitalized.

The lime apparently came from markers that were drenched by rain during a football game between teams from Ft. Lee and Bolling Field, Washington.

The spokesman said the lime was of a type that will burn the skin when mixed with water. He promised a complete investigation of the incident.

Giles Claims Series Ends Domination by Yanks AL

New York—(U.P.)—National League President Warren Giles said today that the Brooklyn Dodgers' World Series triumph over the New York Yankees "signalled the official end of more than two decades of domination by both the American league and the Yankees."

"We beat an American league team when the Giants defeated the Indians last year," Giles said. "But everybody said that you don't beat the American league itself until you beat the Yankees."

Giles pointed out that Tuesday's National league victory marked the first time the circuit had won two straight World Series since 1933 and 1934 when the Giants beat the Washington Senators and the famous "Gas House Gang" St. Louis Cardinals downed the Detroit Tigers.

In addition, Giles pointed out, the National league has won three of the last four All-Star

My change-up was the pitch that beat the Yankees in the third game of the series but it was my fast ball that got the job done today. I wasn't especially worried when Mickey Mantle came up as a pinch hitter with one on in the seventh inning. I simply kept the ball up on him and got him to pop the ball up to Pee Wee.

My curve ball wasn't especially good so I let my fast ball do most of the work.

What did the skipper Walt Alston say to me when Yogi Berra was up with two on and one out in the eighth? He told me Berra was going to go all out for the long ball and I told him I knew it. So I worked on him especially carefully.

Sandy Amoros made the play of the game out in left field in the sixth inning when he grabbed Berra's shot near the left field foul line and turned it into a double play. That was the play that really saved the day.

My dad came down special from our home in Witherbee, N.Y., to see me pitch today and I'm glad I didn't disappoint him.

OSC-WSC Hassle Won't Be on TV

Corvallis—(U.P.)—Athletic Director Spec Keene said today that Oregon State's homecoming football game with Washington State on Oct. 22 would not be telecast as planned earlier. Keene said he was notified that the California-Southern California game in Berkeley would replace the OSC-WSC telecast.

Stable Gets Good Price In Sale of Yearlings

Lexington, Ky.—(U.P.)—Wallace Hall Farms sold 43 yearlings for \$197,100 Tuesday night for an average of \$4,584, which is 25 per cent over last year's \$3,627 average for the same number of head.

In the four sessions so far of the Tattersalls Inc. annual yearling sales, 185 head have sold for \$602,500, or an average of \$3,205, topping the all time record average of \$3,163 set in 1952.

Thursday night, the Frost Hill Farm of Edinburgh, Ind., will sell a full sister to the great champion Scott Frost.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ANNEXATION
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by and before the council of the City of Medford at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, October 20th, 1955, at the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Medford upon the question of annexation to the City of Medford of territory in Jackson County, Oregon, contiguous to the City of Medford and described as follows, to-wit:

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The registered voters of the City of Medford may, at said hearing, appear and be heard by the Council on the question of the annexation of said territory to the City of Medford as aforesaid.
By order of the Council of the City of Medford:
Neva Samuels, Recorder
City of Medford

Reese Finds Title Hard To Believe

Brooklyn—(U.P.)—Pee Wee Reese, a man who was beginning to believe the worm never would turn, pinched himself today to make sure that it really had.

"Honest, I can still hardly believe it's true," smiled the veteran 36-year-old shortstop who played on five World Series losers with the Brooklyn Dodgers and looked like he was going to make it six until they beat the New York Yankees Tuesday for their first world title.

"As the game went on and we were leading by two runs, I was afraid something was going to happen... I didn't know exactly what but I was sure it would be something bad."

Reese had a right to feel apprehensive. He joined the Dodgers in 1940 and starting in 1941, he watched Brooklyn fritter away World Series after World Series in one manner or another.

Wanted Badly

"I never really thought I'd get another chance to be on a winning World Series club until that 1953 series," Reese admitted. "And brother, how badly I wanted one of those World Series rings."

The popular Dodger captain referred to the rings which are annually awarded to each member of the world championship club from Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick's office.

Frick personally came over to congratulate Pee Wee in the Brooklyn dressing room Tuesday, shaking Reese's hand and saying "You waited so long that maybe you ought to get two diamonds in your ring instead of one."

Taylor Selected Mentor of Week By United Press

By HAL WOOD
United Press Sports Writer
Stanford, Calif.—(U.P.)—He's the greatest exponent of positive thinking in the coaching business and he confidently expects his team to win every game.

The fact they are outmanned at every position doesn't even occur to him. And more often than not his philosophy results in a victory.

That's the way it goes for the United Press Coach of the Week, "Lucky" Chuck Taylor of the Stanford Indians.

Have a Chance

"I never go into a game expecting to lose," said Taylor. "I think we have a chance to win every game."

With that line of reasoning, he set up the young season's greatest upset last Saturday when his Indians turned back Hopalong Cassidy and the Ohio State Scarlet Scourge, 6-0.

"I said all along Ohio State could be had," he declared. "And I figured we had a defense to stop Cassidy. We let the rest take care of itself."



MARTIN UPSET—Dodger's Gil Hodges upsets Billy Martin (right) as he slides into second in the second inning of the sixth game of the World Series at Yankee Stadium. Martin, however, made the force on Hodges and then threw to first to double up Jackie Robinson, who started the play by grounding to Gil McDougald at third base.

Dodgertown Whirls Like Carousel

Brooklyn—(U.P.)—Brooklyn home of the "Bums" who became world champions after 55 years, is spinning like a merry-go-round at Coney Island today.

The celebration of the "next year" that finally came may go right on until next year.

A howl of joy split the air from "Greenport" to Coney, and wildly tooting auto horns joined in the uproar. Business firms gave up work—they had to, because their employees were too busy celebrating.

Everyone Goes Crazy

One storekeeper on Flatbush "Avenue" went stark, screaming crazy and started selling everything at 10 per cent off. "What goes on here?" demanded an irate truck driver of a beaming cop as the crowds caused a traffic jam in the downtown business district. "The Dodgers win the series and everybody goes crazy."

"What's wrong with that?" grinned the cop and the traffic stayed jammed.

Dummies labeled "Yankees" were quickly strung up to some of those famous trees that grow in Brooklyn.

Everybody ran to telephones. The Phone company reported that from 3:44 to 4:01 all circuits in the city were jammed and one official said it probably was due to "Dodger fans arranging celebrations."

Stengel Says He Played Game Wrong

New York—(U.P.)—Casey Stengel, a losing manager in a World Series for the first time, was a sadder and a wiser man today.

All through the night the 65-year old manager, who led the New York Yankees to five World Championships and six American League titles in seven years, was his own greatest "second guesser."

"I played the game wrong," Stengel said, following Tuesday's 2-0 loss to the Brooklyn Dodgers. "I had my hitters 'taking' on Johnny Podres and I shoulda had 'em hitting."

"I knew the kid hadn't pitched a complete game in his league since mid-July," Stengel explained. "So, I figured he couldn't last and I had our hitters 'taking' the pitches. But he did fast and I was wrong—they should have been up there swinging from the first inning on."

Casey, who said he'd be back next year to "try to make the Yankees world champions again," picked Duke Snider, the Dodgers' slugging center fielder as the man who hurt the Yankees the most.

"He hit four home runs against me," Stengel said, "and you gotta say anybody who does that hurt you the most."

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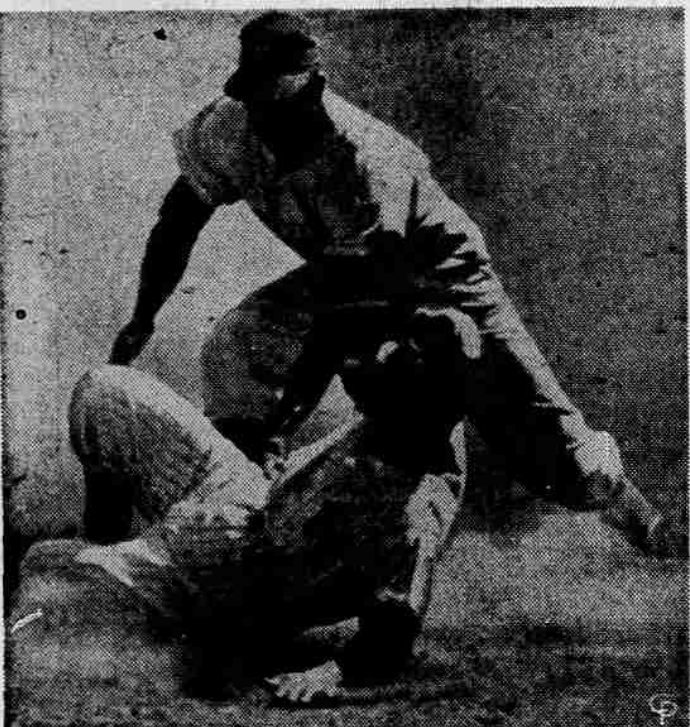


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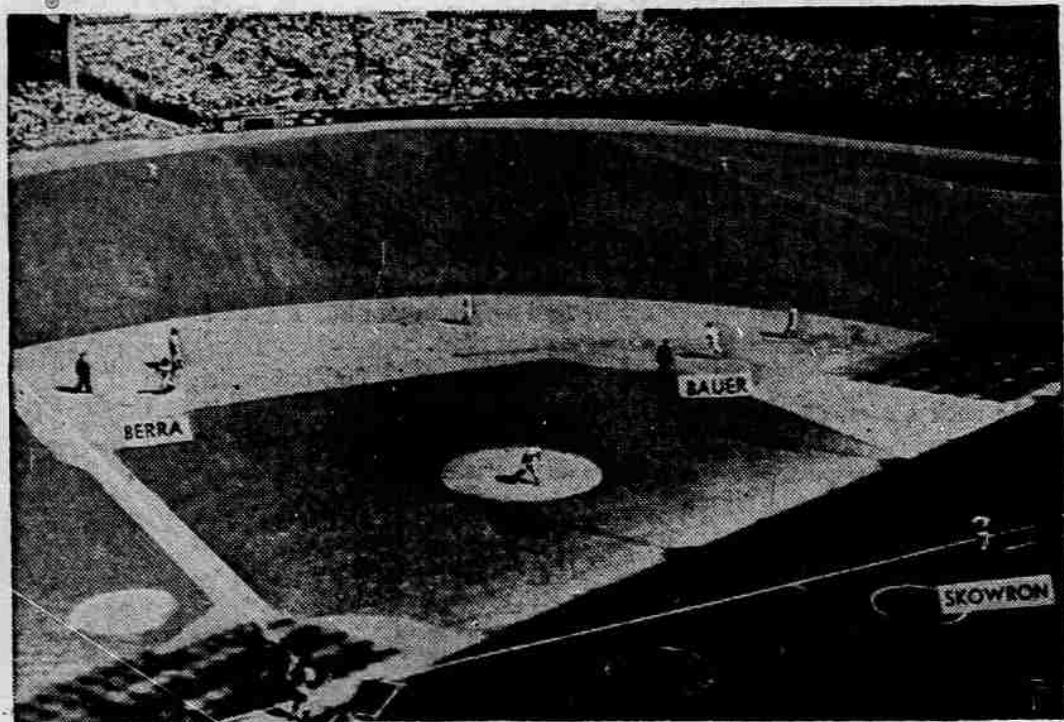
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STEALS SECOND—Yankee shortstop Phil Rizzuto scoots into second on a steal as Billy Martin strikes out in the first inning of the sixth game of the World Series at Yankee Stadium. Dodger second baseman Jim Gilliam takes Roy Campanella's late throw. Yankees won, five to one.



KICKING UP DUST, Yankees' Phil Rizzuto steals second as Billy Martin struck out in first inning. Gilliam got throw from Campanella shade too late. Rizzuto later scored first run for Yankees who defeated Dodgers, 5-1. (International)



SCORING THREE RUNS, here's fans' view of Skowron's homer in first inning that gave New York Yankees third victory, knotting World Series, 3-3. Skowron is trotting to first, Bauer rounds second and Berra is passing third. Yanks won by 5-1 score. (International)

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