

Stengel Makes Ford Choice Official; Skowron Uncertain Starter for Yanks

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New York — (U) — Southpaw Whitey Ford was nominated today by Manager Casey Stengel to pitch the opening World Series game for the New York Yankees Wednesday at Yankee Stadium. Left-hander Warren Spahn will start for the Milwaukee Braves.

Stengel named Ford during a Yankee workout this morning. Milwaukee Manager Fred Haney designated Spahn as his starting choice two days ago.

"As long as he (Haney) is naming his guy," Stengel said, "I'll name mine. Everybody's been guessing Ford and that's what I will be."

Ford, hampered by a arm trouble a good portion of the season, has a 11-5 record while Spahn was Milwaukee's ace with 21 victories.

Stengel said he still wasn't sure whether Bill Skowron would be ready for the opener but he indicated that Mickey Mantle would play.

Then, in his characteristic off-hand manner, the Yankee manager pointed out that Hank Bauer would open in right field, Gil McDougald at shortstop, Andy Carey at third base and Yogi Berra behind the plate. He said he was still thinking about some of the other positions.

Stengel had called the morning workout in the hope that it would determine whether his injured stars, Mantle and Skowron, would be able to play.

Just what he would do if they couldn't play, he didn't reveal. But the chances are he would put his prize rookie, Tony Kubek, in center to replace Mantle and shift Elston Howard, a baseball jack of all trades, to first for Skowron.

Mantle, whose bid to retain batting's Triple Crown, was foiled by shin splints in his left leg, sat out the last three games of the season while Skowron, a heavy-hitting right hander, has been on the sidelines for nearly a month with a painful back injury.

Mantle's Leg Better

The chances appeared to be that Mantle would play for he reported his leg "feeling better."

But it didn't look like Skowron would make it. Stengel had hoped to get all the right-handed hitting power possible in his lineup to face the Braves' opening game pitcher, the gifted left hander, Warren Spahn.

Spahn, a 21-game winner, is expected to oppose Whitey Ford, a Yankee cripple for most of the season, who finished strong with a total of 11 victories.

While the Yankees were working out, the Braves were being feted in a civic ceremony and parade in Milwaukee. The Braves were scheduled to leave Milwaukee by plane at 2 p.m. (EST) and arrive in New York some three hours later.

Manager Fred Haney, announcing definitely that Spahn would be his first game starter, scheduled a workout for Yankee Stadium Tuesday afternoon.

"I want my players at the stadium on Tuesday to practice during the same time the games there will be played," he explained at Milwaukee. "Then they can establish the patterns of the sun and shade during the afternoon."

Field Troubles Visitors

Center and left field especially have given visiting players trouble at the stadium.

Haney refused to go beyond his pitching plans other than

Portland Beaver Directors Resign

Portland — (U) — Three members of the board of directors of the Portland Beavers baseball club resigned Sunday, ending a fight for control of the organization.

In making the announcement, board members Clay Brown, Ted Gamble and Cal Souther said they were releasing shareholders from proxies, but that they would retain their stock in the Beavers.

G. A. (Arch) Kingsley, club president, had issued a call for proxies Saturday.

Bragan Will Manage Cleveland Indians

By PAT CARRICO

Cleveland — (U) — Pepper-pot Bobby Bragan, who was dropped as manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates in mid-season, bounced back into the major leagues today as the new manager of the Cleveland Indians.

The fiery Bragan succeeded a bitterly disappointed Kerby Farrell, whose release was announced last night at the end of a season that saw the highly-rated Indians finish in sixth place, 21½ games behind the Yankees.

"We feel that a change of

SPORTS

'Old Men' Claimants To Swatting Crowns

By UNITED PRESS

That "youth will be served" stuff was temporarily shelved in the leagues on the final day of the 1957 baseball season as 39-year-old Ted Williams and 36-year-old Stan Musial officially wrapped up the batting championships.

Williams finished with a .388 batting average to .365 for American league runner-up Mickey Mantle of the Yankees. Musial was an easy National league winner with .351 to .333 for Willie Mays of the Giants.

The major league home run crown went to hammerin' Hank Aaron of the Milwaukee Braves as Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs, who had 43, batted five hits during an 8-3 victory over the Cardinals but couldn't get that one last homer. Aaron also took the big league runs-batted-in title with 132.

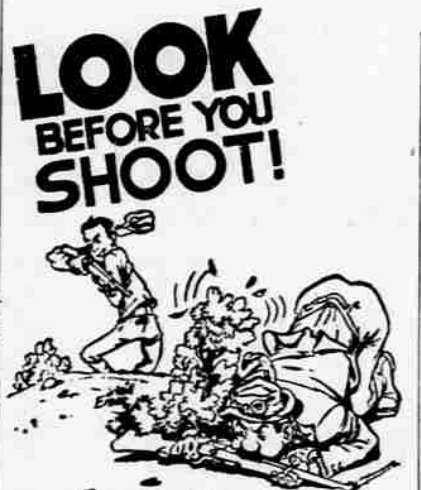
Roy Sievers of the Washing-

ton Senators became the first member of an eighth-place team ever to win three American league championships.

Sievers won the home run crown with 42, the runs-batted-in crown with 114, and the total bases title with 331.

Jim Bunning of the Detroit Tigers got credit in relief for a 7-4 victory over Kansas City to join the 20-game winners' club at the last minute with a 20-8 record. The only other pitchers to make it this year were Warren Spahn of the Braves with 21 and Billy Pierce of the White Sox with 20.

But the top won-lost percentage crowns went to non-members of the elite circle. Bob Buhl of the Braves was best in the National league with 18 wins and seven losses for .720 and Dick Donovan of the White Sox and Tom Sturdivant tied for A.L. honors at 16-6 for .727.



SHOOTING IS FUN CAREFUL!

Betsy Rawls Reno Winner

Reno, Nev. — (U) — Betsy Rawls had the title but only a share of the prize money today as a result of a mixed-up, rain-drenched finale to the Reno Women's Open golf tournament.

Miss Rawls, the Spartanburg, S.C., Phi Beta Kappa, birdied the first hole of a sudden death play-off Sunday to nip Miss Berg. Both ended the regulation 36 holes with 143.

Miss Rawls, four strokes behind the St. Andrews, Ill., veteran going into the final round, whipped around the Washoe County course in 72. Miss Berg, apparently bothered by the gusty winds and the rain which began to fall when she was on the back nine, carded a 76.

Marlene Bauer Hage shot the best golf of the day with a 71 to take third place. With her 75 of Saturday she finished with a 146.

Spahn. It was expected, however, that he would start either Lew Burdette (17-9) or Bob Buhl (18-7) in the second game at the stadium on Thursday.

Stengel, who has not even announced definitely that Ford will be his opening-game pitcher, was expected to go with another southpaw, Bobby Shantz, (11-5) in the second game.

For the third game in Milwaukee on Saturday — Friday will be kept open for travel — Stengel was expected to go with either Bullet Bob Turley (13-6) or Don Larsen (10-4), who made history last year when he pitched the first perfect game in Series annals. For the Braves in Saturday's game it will be either Burdette or Buhl, depending on which one does not start on Thursday.

managers will serve the best interests of the team," said General Manager Hank Greenberg in announcing the switch.

Bragan, former major league catcher who managed the Pirates to a brilliant start in 1956 but a poor start this year, was not present at the meeting that made known his appointment. He was in Cuba, where he is managing Almendares of the Cuban Winter League, but Greenberg said Bobby would arrive in New York early Tuesday to attend the World Series and meetings with the Cleveland staff.

Ted Will Be Back in 1958

Boston — (U) — American league batting champion Ted Williams has announced that he'll be back for the 1958 season but the Boston Red Sox admitted today they need more than that to be a pennant contender in 1958.

The Red Sox actually this season proved that they need more than their slugging start next year if they are going to be anywhere near the top of the A.L. heap. For while Williams won his fifth batting title with a .388 average, the Red Sox never really were considered pennant contenders, though their third-place finish was a notch higher than in 1956.

"If I'm feeling as good as I did this year," predicted Williams, "I'll do as well—or better—than I did this season." That meant 87 RBIs and 38 homers as a '58 challenge to go along with the more amazing possibility of winning a sixth batting title at the age of 40-plus.

By taking this year's crown from Mickey Mantle, Williams became the oldest player ever to win the title in either league since the 37-year-old Honus Wagner turned the trick for Pittsburgh of the National League in 1911 with 344. It also was the highest average in the majors since Williams' own .406 in 1941.

Bears Grab Minor Title

Buffalo, N.Y. — (U) — The devastating Denver Bears set an example for their New York Yankee parents by reigning as Little World Series champions today with an impressive display of power, pitching, and poise.

Manager Ralph Houk's wrecking crew completed its dismantling of the Buffalo Bisons Sunday, thrashing four Bison pitchers for 14 hits in an 8-1 victory to complete a four-game-to-one triumph.

The Bears hammered Buffalo pitching for 48 runs in the five games with only Glenn Cox, who muffed them for a 2-1 triumph Saturday, escaping unscathed.

Fourth Straight

Denver's series triumph was the fourth straight for an American association representative over an International league playoff titlist.

While the Bears celebrated in the visiting dressing room at Offerman Stadium, there was speculation as to whom among their number will be wearing Yankee uniforms come next spring.

The most frequently named were catcher John Blanchard and pitcher Ryn Duren.

The word going around on Blanchard, a power hitter who bats left, is that he'll move in behind Yogi Berra with the Yankees as he is rated a superior receiver to Elston Howard and a better hitter than Darrell Johnson.

HARTACK VS. ARCARO

New York — (U) — Willie Hartack is closing round rapidly on Eddie Arcaro's single-season record of 40 stake winners. Hartack accounted for his 36th stakes triumph of the campaign Saturday when he booted Dedicate to an upset verdict over favored Gallant Man in the \$106,100 Woodward Stakes.

STANDINGS

By United Press	W	L	Pct.	GB
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
New York	98	56	.636	
Chicago	90	64	.584	8
Boston	82	72	.531	16
Baltimore	78	76	.506	20
Baltimore	76	78	.490	22
Cleveland	76	77	.497	21½
Kansas City	59	94	.386	38½
Washington	55	99	.357	43
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
Milwaukee	95	59	.617	
St. Louis	87	67	.565	8
Brooklyn	84	70	.543	11
Cincinnati	84	74	.531	15
Philadelphia	77	77	.500	18
New York	69	85	.448	26
Chicago	62	92	.403	32
Pittsburgh	62	92	.403	33

LINESCORES:
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn 100 000 000-1 9 0
Philadelphia 000 002 000-2 1 6
Craig, Koufax 8 and Pignatano, Morehead (1-1) and Lennett-Loser-Craig (6-9), HR—Bouchie (17th).
Pittsburgh 100 001 011-9 17 0
New York 000 000 000-0 6 9
Friend (14-8) and Peterson, Antonelli, Barcalay 3, Cronin 6, Miller 7, Montz 9 and Westrum, Kait 9, Loser-Antonelli (12-18), HR—F. Thomas (23rd), Powers (2nd).

Chicago 041 002 000-8 15 0
St. Louis 000 000 030-3 7 0
Drabowsky (13-15) and Massa, Flanning 9, Barnes, Schmidt 4, Miller 6, Kuzava 9 and H. Smith, Loser-Bornes (0-1), HR—Long (21st), Morgan (5th).

Cincinnati 000 000 003-3 8 1
Milwaukee 000 000 112-4 6 0
Hook, Skagstad 6, Freeman 7, Kennedy 9 and Dotterer, Burgess 9, Buhl, Pizarro 6, Trowbridge 7, Conley 8, Phillips 9, McMahon 9 and Rice, Loser-Kennedy (0-2).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 000 000 200-2 8 0
Boston 001 001 103-3 10 1
Yankmar, Kucks 5 and Massa, Flanning 9, Barnes, Schmidt 4, Miller 6, Kuzava 9 and H. Smith, Loser-Bornes (0-1), HR—Coleman (2nd).

(10 Innings) 000 003 000-0 7 11 0
Washington 000 021 000-0 3 8 0
Johnson, O'Dell 7, Zuvernick 9, Lehman 9, M. Triandis 9, Stobbs 9, Stobbs 6, Beyerly 10 and Courtney, Winner-Lehman (8-3), Loser—Stobbs (8-20).

Kansas City 004 000 000-4 8 1
Detroit 200 103 013-7 16 0
Gorman, Terry 5 and Bruner 7, Smith, Maas, Bunning 3, Hoeft 7 and Wilson, Winner-Bunning (20-8), Loser-Herr (1-2), HR—Held (10th), Kuenn (8th).

Cleveland 020 110 010-5 11 1
Chicago 100 011 000-3 7 0
Haley, Wilhelm 6 and Brown, Lat-timer, Kucks 5 and McDonald 7, How-ell 9 and Battey, Winner-Daley (2-8), Loser-Latman (1-2).

League Leaders

(By Final Records)
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh 134 502 82 176 .351
Mays, N.Y., 132 363 112 195 .333
Bryant, Phila., 131 615 118 198 .322
Bryant, Cin., 150 611 97 197 .322
Groat, Pitts., 125 501 58 138 .315

AMERICAN LEAGUE
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Pitts., Phila., 132 359 112 288
Mantle, N.Y., 144 474 121 173 .365
Willing, Cle., 133 429 124 138 .322
Bryant, Phila., 131 615 118 198 .322
Fox, Chi., 135 619 110 196 .317

Home Runs
National league—Aaron, Braves 44; Banks, Cubs 43; Snider, Dodgers 40; Mays, Giants 35; Mathewson, Red Sox 32; American league—Sievers, Senators 42; Williams, Red Sox 38; Mantle, Yankees 34; Werz, Indians 28; Zernial, Athletics 27.

Runs Batted In
National league—Aaron, Braves 132; Ennis, Cards 105; Banks, Cubs 102; Musial, Cards 102; Hodges, Dodgers 98.
American league—Sievers, Senators 114; Werz, Indians 105; Jensen, Red Sox 103; Malone, Red Sox 103; Minoso, White Sox 103.

Pitching
National league—Buhl, Braves (18-7); Sanford, Phila. (19-9); Acker, Redlegs (10-5); Spahn, Braves (21-11); Drysdale, Dodgers (17-9); Burdette, Braves (19-9).
American league—Donovan, White Sox (16-6); Sturdivant, Yankees (16-6); Torgerson, Tigers (20-8); Narveski, Indians (11-5); Shantz, Yanks (11-5); Ford, Yanks (11-5).

Cards Rehire Hutchinson

St. Louis — (U) — Fred Hutchinson said Sunday he was "completely satisfied" with the terms of the new contract he has signed with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Frank Lane, general manager of the Cardinals, said the agreement of the one-year contract was reached in a meeting of Cardinal President August A. Busch Jr., executive vice president Richard A. Meyer and himself.

Hutchinson did not reveal the terms of the contract, but Lane said he received an increase over his 1957 salary.

Women's Golf

This Thursday's play will be for the board of directors' trophy for lady golfers at the Rogue Valley Country club. It is medal play and players are to make their own pairings.

At 12:30 p.m. a luncheon will be served at the home of Mrs. Ray Frisbie, 2447 Lyman ave. This is an annual event of the Women's Golf association. If members have not already been contacted for reservations, they are asked to call Mrs. William Blackledge (Spring 2-5990).

Last Thursday's regular play winners (the fifth of six plays on the RVWG trophy) were: A group, Mrs. William Miller, net 78; B group, Mrs. Ken Teeter, net 83; C and D groups combined, Mrs. L. T. Anderson, net 85; Nine hole group, Mrs. Charles McIntyre, net 37.

The planet Mercury makes a complete revolution of the sun in 88 days.

Upsets Mark Start Of Pro Grid Season

By EARL WRIGHT
United Press Sports Writer

Lou Groza, an insurance salesman who makes a policy of paying off on close shaves, booted the Cleveland Browns to a 6-3 triumph over the champion New York Giants Sunday as the National Football league opened what promises to be an "upsetting" but profitable season.

Groza's 47-yard field goal with 21 seconds to go set the pattern for the beginning of the 38th NFL campaign as the underdogs won four of the six games. The games drew 260,137 fans, 45,381 more than last year's openers when the league went on to draw a record 2,551,263 paid admissions.

It was the same story at Green Bay as the Packers, led by Babe Parilli's passing and newly developed defensive skill, surprise the Chicago Bears, 21-17.

Steelers Win

The Pittsburgh Steelers upset the Washington Redskins, 28-7; the Chicago Cardinals surprised the San Francisco Forty-Niners, 20-10; the Los Angeles Rams were favored by 11½ points but had to sweat to edge the Philadelphia Eagles, 17-13; and the Baltimore Colts crushed the Detroit Lions, 34-14, in the day's best offensive show.

The Steelers were one-point underdogs but won with a good defense and the passing of their new quarterback, Earl Morrall. Morrall, obtained by Parker from the Forty-Niners in one of the many deals he has engineered since moving to Pittsburgh, threw two touchdowns passes to Jug Girard, one to Ray Mathews and master-minded the fourth Steeler touchdown by Dick Young.

Cards Control Forty-Niners

Lamar McHan's passing and Ollie Matson's running enabled the Cardinals to control the ball at San Francisco.

Paige Cotren's 37-yard field goal provided the final margin at Los Angeles in the final minutes after Don Burroughs intercepted a Bobby Thomson pass on the Philadelphia 24.

Johnny Unitas threw two scoring passes to L. G. Dupre and one each to Jim Mutscheller and

Braves Get Big Sendoff

By GREG FOSSELMAN

Milwaukee — (U) — This stylized "baseball capital of the world" gave the National league champion Milwaukee Braves a rousing sendoff today for New York and the 1957 World Series against the Yankees.

Proving that their enthusiasm hadn't waned since the Braves clinched the pennant a week ago, 75,000 baseball-wild fans turned out Sunday night for a fireworks display celebrating Milwaukee's first championship.

Another huge crowd watched a civic ceremony and parade this morning and lined the route taken by an auto caravan that took the team to the airport early this afternoon.

45,000 at Final

Sunday afternoon, 45,000 saw the league finale against the Cincinnati Redlegs, boosting Milwaukee's league attendance record to 2,215,404.

Before heading east, Manager Fred Haney named ace left-hander Warren Spahn to pitch the first game against the Yankees Wednesday afternoon.

In choosing the crafty 36-year-old veteran, the normally cautious Haney—famed for his "play 'em one at a time" attitude—allowed himself enough optimism to say:

"We're set for the Yanks. I think when it's all over our wonderful fans will be proud of our team."

Eagles Knot Henley 7-7

Klamath Falls — Eagle Point and Henley high school football teams fought to a 7 to 7 tie Saturday in a District 6 A-2 football fracas.

Henley knotted the game with a fourth quarter TD after the Eagles had crossed the goal in the second stanza.

The Eagle counter resulted from a 45-yard drive. Gary Kaiser went the last six yards. Dave Huffman ran the extra point.

The Hornets pushed 60 yards to score. Larry Ferguson went over from the two-yard line and Phil Swisher kicked the bonus.



Sport Parade

By OSCAR FRALEY
Sports Writer
United Press

New York — (U) — The long baseball haul is over today for another season and the two biggest surprises have to be the two future Hall of Famers — Ted Williams and Stan Musial — what won the major league batting championships.

Williams overcame a severe virus and the young slasher named Mickey Mantle to win the American league title with a dazzling mark of .388 while "Stan the Man" left behind such challengers as Willie Mays and Hank Aaron to take the National league batting crown with .351.

But they weren't the only surprises:

Some of the others included: "Bobby Shantz" comeback; the decline of Robin Roberts; the rookie feats of Jack Sanford of the Phillies, Bob (Hurricane) Hazle of the Braves and Dick Drott of the Cubs; Cincinnati's big skid; the surge of the St. Louis Cardinals; the failure of Don Newcombe of the Dodgers; the comeback of Billy Loes of the Orioles; the tailing off of Yogi Berra, and the hit production of veteran Gene Woodling of the Indians.

Shantz Amazing

The Shantz story is one of the major surprises. In the spring he was regarded as merely a possible relief pitcher, after a 2-7 mark at Kansas City the year before.

But his 11-5 mark at 32 was amazing.

Time ran out on the Cardinals, but they could have been the Cinderella team. Still, they have to rate here as the big surprise club of the year. Cincinnati, on the other hand, was

the big flop. In the end it was the pitching which put the skids to the Redlegs.

Sanford, the Phils' rookie, displayed evidence of future greatness as he won 19 games and Drott, who wasn't even on the Cub roster in the spring, gathered 15 victories to attain stardom. Hazle was a mere .280 hitter at Wichita when the Braves brought him up and he'll be one of their starters — and a hard-hitting one — in the Series.

Woodling at 35 pulled a feat which almost was in a class with the efforts of Williams and Musial. A mere .260 hitter last season, he finished this year at .322. Loes, too, made the great comeback. A pitcher who won only two games a year ago, he took 12 for the Orioles against only seven defeats.

Bad Year For Yogi

Berra's season was a backward surprise. Yogi still ranks among the best as a catcher but he had, for him, a miserable year at the plate. Newcombe, too, knows again how Lady Luck can frown on her favorites. The most valuable everyting last year when he won 27 games, big Don had an 11-12 season of mediocrity.

But it was a surprisingly gloomy year for Roberts. He won 19 the year before, after six straight seasons in which he was a 20-game winner. But the hitters finally got even with Roberts as he suffered 22 defeats.

A lot of surprises. But the big ones have to be Williams and Musial. Not their highest marks, it's true. But as Williams said when he was asked why he didn't hit .400 — "Maybe I'm just a .380 hitter now."

The youngsters should be so lucky!

Davidson Faces Vic Seixas Today

Berkeley, Calif. — (U) — Sweden's Even Davidson faced Davis Cupper Vic Seixas of Philadelphia in the finals of the rain-plagued Pacific Coast Tennis championships today and Althea Gibson of New York met Louise Brough of Beverly Hills in the women's final.

Davidson downed Whitney Reed of Alameda Sunday, 6-1, 6-3, 8-10, and 6-3, while Seixas' stamina and array of shots proved to be too much for Chile's Luis Ayala. Seixas took the four-set match, 6-1, 6-4, 5-7 and 6-4.

Kurt Nielsen of Denmark and Bob Howe of Australia faced Davidson and Ayala today in the men's doubles final.

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