

Yankees and Braves Picked To Lead Pennant Races

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Tampa, Fla. — The Yankees and the Braves again.
That's the way the 1959 major league pennant races look to me after six weeks of covering the spring training camps in Florida and receiving reports on the four Arizona-based clubs.
It looks like the Yankees

in a breeze. They may spread-eagle the field again like they did last season when they virtually had the American league pennant wrapped up by July 4.
The Braves may be in for rough sledding because of a second base problem. But they appear to have too much pitching and all-around strength for the other clubs in the Na-

tional league.
Here are this observer's predictions on the 1959 finishes:
American League
New York Yankees
Detroit
Chicago
Boston
Cleveland
Baltimore
Kansas City
Washington
National League
Milwaukee
Pittsburgh
Los Angeles
Cincinnati
San Francisco
Chicago
Philadelphia
St. Louis
Yankee Have It
Probably the best bet is that the Senators will finish last again.
While none of the rival managers in the league are conceding the Yankees the pennant, they privately admit they can't see how the New Yorkers can be beaten. Yankee Manager Casey Stengel maintains they can't either.
Stengel may be a little short on pitching unless the Yankees make a deal, but they have everything else it takes, including a bench made up of players who would be regulars on any of the other teams. And whenever a weak link crops up in the Yankee line-up, they usually make a deal to get men they need to win again.
Most baseball men agree Detroit is the most improved club in the league because of the acquisition of relief pitchers Ray Narleski and Don Mossi, third baseman Eddie Yost and shortstop Rocky Bridges. But Manager Bill Norman nixes any Tiger pennant talk, explaining that "you have to finish in the first division before aiming at a pennant." The Tigers finished fifth last season.
Boston Has Power
The White Sox, runners-up to the Yankees the past two years, lack power, although Manager Al Lopez steadfastly maintains that either the Tigers or White Sox could beat the Yankees. The White Sox also lack relief pitching.
Boston has plenty of power, provided Ted Williams is able to recover from his spring ailments, but they may be short on pitching and they hurt their defense when they traded outfielder Jimmy Piersall to Cleveland. Manager Mike Higgins also has the same old infield problem and lacks pitching depth.
Cleveland has problems at short and third base and even if Herb Score comes back, which is doubtful, doesn't appear to have the pitching it takes.
Both Baltimore and Kansas City have to wait until their youngsters develop and that won't be for another year at least. As for the Senators, they just don't have it.
Miss Schoendienst
Manager Fred Haney of the Braves professes not to be worried about second base, but the fact is Milwaukee still is trying to make a deal for Johnny Temple of the Reds or Junior Gilliam of the Dodgers. Haney admits the Braves will be hurt by the loss of Red Schoendienst, but then points out he has the best pitching in the league and there is nothing wrong with his outfield, if Wes Covington and Billy Bruton recover from their knee injuries, the infield or the catching.
The Pirates lost power when they traded Frank Thomas and may be short in second line pitching. If big Ted Kluszewski comes back at first, and it looks like he has recovered from his back injury, he may supply the power that Thomas did last year. But the Pirates would be hurting if any of their first stringers should be injured. Their bench is weak.
Los Angeles could fool them all if Duke Snider and Gil Hodges can return to their old form and their promising pitching staff of such young men as Don Drysdale, Johnny Podres and Sandy Koufax live up to their potential.
Giants Lack Pitching
Cincinnati appears to have the power necessary to win, but its pitching is a big question mark.
Despite the trade in which they acquired Sam Jones from the Cardinals, reports from Arizona say the Giants still lack pitching. They have long distance hitting but have an infield problem around short and second. Daryl Spencer can play only one of those positions and if he is shifted to second, where the Giants have been weak the past few years, they may have a shortstop problem.
Philadelphia, Chicago and St. Louis could wind up in quite a battle for the last three positions. The Phillies appear to have the best pitching of those three clubs and thus are rated sixth. The Phillies need more power, as do the Cubs. The Cubs have young pitching which has yet to prove itself.
The Cardinals have outfield weaknesses and don't figure to get very far with only two

SPORTS

White Sox Said Team To Watch For Speed, Color

By JOE CRONIN
American League President

Boston — (UPI) — In making my first pre-season forecast in my new position with the American league, I am confident that exciting competition and an abundance of action and thrills will be the reward for the millions of fans of all eight clubs during the 1959 season.
During the coming campaign the American League will present a full array of established stars and introduce many bright newcomers to the baseball firmament.
These were the observations I brought back with me from a recent tour of the Florida training camps, during which I saw six of our teams in action.
I did not enjoy a first-hand study of the Arizona-based Boston Red Sox and Cleveland Indians, but have been enthused by reports coming out

of both camps in the west.
The addition of Jim Piersall and Billy Martin has given the Indians tremendous new color. Added to a lineup which includes players like Rocky Colavito, who gives every indication of establishing himself alongside the game's great attractions, this new blood also provides the Indians with the element of definite contention. A comeback by Herb Score to go with a fine young pitching corps enhances this possibility.
The Red Sox have also profited in power potential by the deal in which they obtained Vic Wertz from Cleveland. A Boston bombing group with Pete Runnels, Ted Williams, Wertz, MVP Jackie Jensen and Frank Malzone coming to the plate in that order can mean a great deal to the hopes of Red Sox fans.
Of the Florida-based teams, the world-champion New York Yankees still boast the luster of the most solid team in baseball today. Casey Stengel's champions are definitely rated by all their rivals as the team to beat.
Chicago Is Ready
The Chicago White Sox found a slow start in the 1958 race too great a handicap to overcome. This year they appear ready to go with the opening pitch. Speed and color will make the White Sox a team to watch. Chicago will still boast its outstanding keystone combination of Nelson Fox and Luis Aparicio (the latter recently termed the game's greatest shortstop by Don Bush, a skilled and respected baseball man) and will introduce new faces typified by a promising youngster, outfielder Johnny Callison.
Detroit's pitching depth impressed me very much. The fine Tiger round staff of last season will be backed up by Don Mossi and Ray Narleski. With proven potency on attack provided by such stars as Al Kaline, Harvey Kuenn and Frank Bolling, the Tigers are rightly touted on all fronts this year.
Baltimore has blended a combination of familiar stars and new faces in what seems certain to be a successful quest for notable improvement. Outfielder Willie Tasby is one Oriole who, like other American League bright newcomers, promises to delight the fans. Gus Triandos, living up to his nickname "Tremendous Triandos," exemplifies the veteran punch in the lineup. The Oriole pitching also has a good balance of veterans and youngsters.
Can Give Trouble
When I watched the Kansas City Athletics in spring action, Hal Smith was filling the bill at third base, an important item for the team. Bob Cerv leads the way in a power-packed lineup, while Ralph Terry tops a pitching staff that can be troublesome for all the Athletics' rivals.
The true picture of potential competition in the American league race may be seen in the fact that the Washington Senators, who finished eighth last year, won 10 of the 22 games against the first-place Yankees. Paced by potent Roy Sievers, who seems headed for another great year, and a capable pitching staff, the Senators hope to dish out the same dose in battle with all other clubs this season.
Competition of this nature from opening day to final bell, combined with continued American league domination in the All-Star Game and World Series, would make a new president's first year in office a memorable one indeed.

Tornado To Oppose Ashland Wednesday

A schedule of five games faces the Medford high baseball aggregation this week although the Black Tornado has a bye in the Southern Oregon conference counting contention.
The week's slate opens on Wednesday with a kings-vs-battle against Ashland, a fellow member of the SO circuit. Game time will be 4:15 p.m. on the Medford diamond. The clubs collided two weeks ago at Ashland in a non-leaguer which Medford won 5 to 1.
The Black Tornado then will have a week end trip, playing two games at Springfield on Friday and meeting North Eugene in another doubleheader on Saturday.
League Games
It will be Crater at Ashland and Klamath Falls at Grants Pass in Southern Oregon loop brushes on Friday. Doubleheaders will be played with only the first game going into the standings.
Ashland will be host to Yreka on Saturday.
Rogue league baseball will have Illinois Valley at Eagle

Three Couples Knot in RVCC Golf Rivalry

Three couples tied for low gross honors with 41s Sunday in the mixed three-ball golf six-ome at Rogue Valley Country club.
They were Mrs. Deane Lambert and Jim Sheldon, Mrs. Les Schneider and Virgil Swanson and Mrs. Ed Gordon and Pat Lynch.
Low net score was recorded by Mrs. Charles Mickelson and Reese Alexander with 32½. Tied for second low were Mrs. Lee Flink and Jim Dunlevy and Mrs. Ralph Barclay and Dr. Robert DeLorme with 33½ each.
Long drive winners for low handicappers off No. 10 tee were Mrs. Bruce Stanley and Swanson and for high handicappers the prizes went to Mrs. Russ Heysell and Bill Cowning. Mrs. Mickelson took the laurels for closest to the pin on No. 17 green.
Dr. Stanley was winner of men's sweepstakes over the week end with a gross 71, two under par. Other top scores were Alan Holmes and Dr. William Miller, each 73, and Sheldon 74.
Dick Hogan led net scoring with 67 and following with 70s were Floyd Baker, Jay Brown and Carl Schmidt. Jack Fetherston and Ron Gande had 71s.

Golf Handicap Quarter-Finals Being Played

Championship flight play in the men's spring handicap golf tourney at Rogue Valley Country club is in the quarter-final stage with one of the matches already played and the others to be completed by Sunday, April 12.
One quarter-final already has been finished with Harold Holmes winning 2 up from Ranny Smith. Other tussles put Leland Clark against Houston Pitts, Dick Henselman against Al Maginnis and Jim Sheldon against Russ Heysell.
Third round matches also must be completed in all other flights by Sunday night. A good number of these engagements already have been played.

Local Natators Place in YMCA Sport Festival

Medford YMCA swimmers won places in seven events Saturday in the swimming competition of the Pacific Northwest Sports festival at Yakima, Wash.
Linda Hess was second in the 200-yard freestyle and third in the 100 in the 16 years and under age group. Roberta Willett was fourth in the 50-yard free style in the same age class.
Medford girls were third in the 200-yard medley and freestyle relays for 16 and under. The team of Linda Hess, Becky Rowan, Roberta Willett and Shirley Hopkins swam the freestyle and the Hess, Willett, Hopkins, Suzy Thompson combine was in the medley.
Bruce Hess was fourth in the 12 and under 50-yard boys' butterfly and Linda Nelson third in the 14 and under girls' freestyle at 100 yards.

SECOND ROUND RESULTS:
Championship flight—Leland Clark def. Dr. Ralph Odeh; Houston Pitts def. Dave Burns, 19 holes; Dick Henselman def. Virgil Swanson 2 up; Al Maginnis def. Jack Crager, 20 holes; Jim Sheldon def. Charles Mickelson 2 and 1; Russ Heysell def. W. Peterson; Ranny Smith def. Dr. Ted Sickels 5 and 4; Harold Holmes dem. Len Flink 2 up.
First flight—Gain Robinson def. Stan Stark; Howard Scroggins def. Dick Rementria; Dr. William Miller def. Easne Lambert; Curt Butterfield def. John Humphrey; Jack Dougherty def. Radzweit; Alan Holmes def. Joe Moore; Carl Mears def. Bayard Getchell 2 and 1; Jack Mitchell def. Bob Voegtly.
Second flight—Carl Schmidt def. Warren Bayliss 1 up; Ken Foster vs. Jack Fetherston 3 and 3; A. C. Broyles def. Jack Wood; Bob Anderson def. Dr. Ralph Thompson, 18 holes; Dave Koblick def. W. W. Deakin; Owen Thomas def. Norm Hillier and 2; Bill Saliba def. Tom Van Etten 3 and 1; Dr. N. J. Wilson def. Ray Stewart 6 and 5.
Third flight—Dr. Bob Bayuk def. Pat Lynch; Bill Cowning def. Bernard Kelly; A. B. Layman def. Bud Haupter 3 and 2; Bob Mearns def. Cliff Curt and 2; John Moffat def. F. W. Casey; Frank Allen def. Jack Lewis 1 up; Tom Teutsch def. Paul Haveland; Bill Deatherage def. Lowell Chamberlin.
Fourth flight—Harry Jewett def. Dr. Roland Mayer 5 and 4; Leo Pope def. Miles Doran; Ed Gordon def. Dutch Oakes 4 and 3; Harry Barker def. Ralph Barclay; Fred Mears def. Bob Elliott; Charles Meyer def. Reese Alexander 1 up; Max Millholl def. H. Z. Nutton 4 and 3; Bud Judy def. Bob Lockwood 1 up.
Fifth flight—Doug Pickell def. Jack Dumas 2 and 1; Dick Travis def. Floyd Somers; Jerry Gastineau def. Dutch Oakes; Paul Moore def. Paul Mitchell 1 up; Ray Sorenson def. Bob Van Duker; Tom MacLeod def. Bob O'Sullivan; Tom Harnesberger def. Harold Pyle; Bob Wells def. Jack Eldwick.
Sixth flight—Dr. Bob Buck def. Jerry Olson; Dick House def. Frank Park; Dr. Robert DeLorme def. Ed Milne 4 and 2; Don Jackson def. Jim Dunlevy.
Seventh flight—Allyn Monroe def. Bob Hood; Harry Withrow def. Paul Lea; Dick Hogan def. Jerry Cottingham; B. L. Marten def. Al Hart.

STUART FINED
Fort Myers, Fla. — (UPI) — First-baseman Dick Stuart of the Pittsburgh Pirates was fined \$100 Sunday for failing to make Saturday's exhibition game with the Chicago White Sox. Stuart said he missed the team bus from Fort Myers to Tampa because he overslept. He said he tried unsuccessfully to arrange transportation by car or plane. He also admitted he deserved the fine.



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Rogue Relay Meet Here This Saturday

Rogue relays, big and little are slated on Medford and Phoenix ovals next Saturday, April 11.
Medford high will be host for the 20th annual Rogue relay meet for the big schools and for which the prize is the Kiwanis club-sponsored trophy.

The Black Tornado has invited the usual field of contestants, Grants Pass, Crater, Klamath Falls, Ashland and Marshfield. Grants Pass, which has battled over the years with Medford for the trophy, is the defending champion. In fact the Cavemen will be working on a third leg to retire the hardware.
The Rogue contest here is a warm-up for the annual Hayward relays the following week end at Eugene. Generally, eyes of other schools of the state are on the Medford track and field ruckus and its times, heights and distances.
There will be six field events and six races on the program with all the races and three of the field events to be relays.
Phoenix will entertain four other schools, Eagle Point, Rogue River, St. Mary's, and Illinois Valley in the Little Rogues. St. Mary's of Medford is a Class B school and the others are A-2. Henley, a competitor in past seasons, is not entered this time. Phoenix is defending champ.
The Little Rogues will have 11 events, five field and six on the track. Field events will be on an individual basis.

Forecast Bat Title Winners

New York — (UPI) — Willie Mays and Mickey Mantle will regain the major league batting titles while Stan Musial and Ted Williams slip back into the pack this year.
This is the forecast of the United Press International board of baseball experts in its annual pre-season survey. Twenty-seven of the 50 experts picked Mays to win the National league title and twenty-three chose Mantle to win the American league crown.
Musial, who has won seven NL championships, was picked by three experts while the 41-year-old Williams, the AL batting king the last two seasons and winner of six crowns in all, got six votes. The board of experts is composed of UPI Sports Editor Leo H. Petersen and UPI baseball writer Milton Richman in addition to 48 writers who have covered the teams in spring training.
Mays batted .347 last season to finish three points behind Richie Ashburn of the Philadelphia Phillies but it was an erratic year for the San Francisco Giants' 27-year-old center-fielder.
Hank Aaron, Milwaukee Braves slugger who has a five-year big league mark of .316, ranked second in the NL voting with 11 points. Musial and Bob Skinner of the Pittsburgh Pirates had three each and Duke Snider of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Wes Covington of the Braves, Ashburn and Bill Mazeroski of the Pirates had one each.
Mantle, who won AL crowns in 1956 and 1957, batted .304 last season when Williams' .328 was the winning figure.
Williams tied for second in the voting with Harvey Kuenn of the Detroit Tigers and Vic Power of the Cleveland Indians. Al Kaline of the Tigers got five votes, Roy Sievers of the Washington Senators two and Bob Boyd of the Baltimore Orioles and Bill Skowron of the Yankees one each.
Americans now eat about twice as much canned fruit as they did 20 years ago.

Beavers To Meet Suds

Brawley, Calif. — (UPI) — The Portland Beavers, idle Monday, go against Seattle Wednesday at El Centro in a Pacific Coast League exhibition baseball game.
Marty Kutyna, a righthander Portland recently bought from Cincinnati, had his first workout at the Beavers' camp Monday. The Beavers' record so far this spring stands at 7-8 in the training games.

Dodger Park Case Before High Court

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The final phase of the legal controversy over the Los Angeles Dodgers' attempts to get a stadium site in Chavez Ravine rested with the California Supreme Court today.
The court, sitting in Los Angeles, heard 45 minutes of arguments by opponents of the Chavez Ravine site and then took the matter under submission.
The state's highest court previously had upheld the transaction in which the city agreed to transfer the site to the Dodgers. Chief Justice Phil S. Gibson limited Monday's hearing to arguments over whether the city housing authority had the right to alter a deed restriction limiting use of the property to "public purposes."
The Supreme Court gave no indication when it would rule in the new legal point holding up start of construction of the 55,000-seat stadium. The Dodgers have been using the Memorial Coliseum as a temporary home.

Folley Ring Win Expected Tonight

Denver — (UPI) — Zora Folley of Chandler, Ariz., was expected to depend on swift left jabs tonight to defeat underdog Willie Beamanoff of Milwaukee in a 10-round heavyweight bout at Denver Coliseum.
The German-born Besmanoff was expected to outweigh third-ranked Folley by about 10 pounds.
Promoter MIT Willner predicted a crowd of 4,500.

Crap Shooter Gunners Pace Elks Contest

Harold Reichstein's Fuelers and Dick Phair's Swivel Hips were still one-two in the standings after the third round Sunday in the Elks lodge trophyshooting tourney at Medford Gun club but Pete Petrehn's Crap Shooters picked up the top points of the day.
The Crap Shooters were high in attendance with 11 members for 10 points and had high total score of 418 and high five of 228 for five points each. The 20 points gave the Shooters a total of 41 for three weeks.
Fuelers Have 39
The Fuelers gained a total of six points for 34 total and the Swivel Hips picked up eight for 32 overall. Frank Perl's Feather Dusters collected five markers and now have a 12 aggregate.
The Dusters, Swivel Hips and Fuelers each had eight shooters on hand to gain three of their points. Swivel Hips were second in total score with 325, and the Fuelers had 218. The Fueler high five had 225 for second best, the Swivel Hips 216 and Dusters 215.
Tony Hoover, Max Kulbe and Henry Neidermeyer shattered 49 out of 50 each for top individual scores among the 35 gunners.
The tourney will continue through five more Sundays.
The first agricultural college in Canada started in 1859 at St. Anne de la Pocatiere.

HOCKEY

Boston — (UPI) — Even the "walking dead" were expected to don skates and get back into action tonight when the Boston Bruins collide with the Toronto Maple Leafs in the seventh and deciding game of their Stanley Cup semifinal.
The winner goes into the National Hockey league final against the Montreal Canadiens.
Three of Boston's four injured defensemen were expected to play. Even Dough Mohs, the fourth cripple and said last week to be definitely out of the best-of-seven series, might see action.
Toronto's hopes were given a shot in the arm when Larry Regan gave classy center Dorey the hockey way. Regan suffered a fractured right hand in the third game of the series.

TITLE BOUT CHANGED

Indianapolis, Ind. — (UPI) — Floyd Patterson will defend his heavyweight championship May 1 at the Coliseum here instead of at Las Vegas, Nev. His opponent will be England's Brian London, the fourth-ranked heavyweight, according to the National Boxing association.

OSC Continues Winning Streak

McMinnville — (UPI) — Oregon State continued unbeaten here Monday with a 9-2 win over Linfield in a non-league baseball game.
Roy Critser hurled the win for Ralph Coleman's Beavers. He also drove in three runs. Kim Bradshaw had 3-for-4 including a home run and three RBIs.

Established Starters

— Larry Jackson and Wilmer Mizell — and such old-timers as Al Kellen and Marv Grissom in the bullpen.

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Television Problem For Fight

New York — (UPI) — Custer (Cus) D'Amato, who hopes a lot of tickets will be sold for Floyd Patterson's May 1 heavyweight title defense against England's Brian London, first has to "sell" television officials on the idea of holding the bout in Indianapolis.
Officials at the National Broadcasting company weren't exactly beaming with joy today over D'Amato's announcement that the fight will be held in the 14,000-seat Indianapolis Coliseum instead of Las Vegas, Nev.
They pointed out that \$225,000 contracts for TV on the bout already have been signed and also that "we sold the match to the sponsor on the basis it would be blacked out only in the Las Vegas area."
The site announcement, made by Cecil Rhodes, promoter, and D'Amato Monday in Indianapolis, caught just about everyone concerned by surprise.

Redskins Trim Eagle Pointers

Jacksonville — Jacksonville high defeated Eagle Point 10 to 5 yesterday in a baseball game here.
The Redskins got off to a good start by scoring five of their runs in the first inning.
A solo home run by Ron Davis was a highlight.

Heavyweights Meet In 10-Round Event

Portland — (UPI) — A pair of heavyweights test each other here tonight in a scheduled 10-round main event at the Auditorium.
Art Swiden, Pittsburgh, and Ben Wise, Oakland, Calif., meet with the winner getting a promised shot at Alex Miteff here in three weeks.
Wise arrived here Monday after being delayed at home by a death in the family. Swiden wound up drills Monday.
Swiden expected to weigh in at around 200 with Wise about five pounds lighter.

Jeff Downs Opponent

Jefferson downed Washington 10 to 8 yesterday in a city grade school National league baseball opener.
Jeff put over three runs in the top of the fifth and final inning to come from behind in the game. Washington had two men on base in the bottom of the fifth but could not muster scoring punch.
The victors outthit Washington seven to five.
Yesterday at Jackson school, Roosevelt elementary trounced Jackson grade school 8 to 3.
Roosevelt started heavy in the first inning with five runs on four walks and four hits.

Jeff Grid Star Makes Big Start

Portland — (UPI) — Terry Baker, Jefferson high school's all-around athlete who led his teams to the state A-1 football crown and to the Portland City basketball title, had an auspicious start in baseball Monday.
Baker had three hits in three official times at bat, drew two walks, stole four bases and scored four runs as Jeff defeated Madison 10-3.
TRIO HITS JACKPOT
Agua Caliente, Mexico — (UPI) — Three horse players picked five winners in the 5-10 handicapping contest at the Caliiente track Sunday and their \$2 ticket on the combination was worth \$63,705.

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