McDaniel Ready as Finisher For Cards

By FRED DOWN
United Press International

Solly Hemus is one up on managers who are announcing their starting pitchers because he also has his "finisher" primed for the St. Louis Cardinals' National league opener next week.

Solly's "end game ace" is Lindy McDaniel, of course, and the big right-hander's work this spring indicates that he's ready to pick right up where he left off last year as the game's No. 1 relief pitcher.

McDaniel, one-time $50,000 bonus whiz who blossomed into a brilliant relief pitcher last season, yielded his first earned run of the spring Tuesday but received credit for the Cardinals' 2-1 11-inning win over the New York Yankees. McDaniel, who had a 12-4 record and 2.09 earned run average in 1960, has allowed one earned run in 13 innings this spring.

"McDaniel is the best relief pitcher I've ever seen and he's in top form this spring," says Hemus, who thinks Lindy can be the key to a St. Louis pennant. "For five or six innings he's the toughest pitcher in the game to hit."

Hemus isn't concerned over next Tuesday's starting pitcher, either, because he's already anounced that it will be 21-game winner Ernie Broglio. Broglio, in one of his final tuneups for the opening-day assignment, hurled six shutout inings in Tuesday's triumph.

Ray Herbert, a 14-game winner last season, was named by Joe Gordon to open for the Kansas City Athletics after pitching eight strong innings in an 11-inning, 11-10 decision over the Baltimore Orioles. Herbert went the first eight innings and allowed four runs and 10 hits.

MICKEY MANTLE STEALS — St. Louis Cardinals' shortstop Daryl Spencer and baseball await Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees coming into second base in exhibition game Tuesday at St. Petersburg, Fla. However, ball was in front of the bag after Spencer bobbled it, not in his glove. Mantle was credited with a stolen base. St. Louis won 2-1 in 11 innings. —(UPI Telephoto)

Roger Craig of the Los Angeles Dodgers and Bob Bruce of the Detroit Tigers also turned in strong pitching performances in Tuesday's exhibition games.

Craig allowed two runs and six hits in six innings as the Dodgers scored an 8-5 victory over the Cleveland Indians.

Bruce, who had only a 4-7 record last year, went all the way and yielded nine hits in the Tigers' 10-2 rout of the world champion Pittsburgh Pirates.

LINESCORES:

Detroit .....000 322 102—10 14 0
Pittsburgh .002 000 000— 2 6 2
Bruce and Chiti. Law, Face (8) and Burgess. Loser—Law. HRs—Skinner, Kaline.

Washington 100 001 055—12 14 0
Chicago .....006 021 000— 3 11 1
Woodeshick, Kutyna (7) and Dotterer, McLish, Pizarro (7) and Lollar. Winner—Kutyna. Loser—Pizzarro. HRs—Tasby 2, Stevens, Mievers, Keough.

(10 Innings)
Baltimore ....200 100 016—10 14 3
Kan. City 011 102 231 1—11 15 0
Hoeft, Walker (4), Jones (9) and Zupo. Herbert, Bass (8) Keegan (10 and Sullivan. Winner—Keegan. Loser—Jones. HRs—Adair, Carey, Throneberry.

(11 Innings)
New York 000 000 010 00—1 8 6
St. Louis 100 000 000 01—2 5 0
Turley, Coats (8) and Berra. Broglio, McDaniel (7) and Smith. Sadetski (11). Winner—McDaniel. Loser—Coates.

Milwaukee ....201 002 010—6 12 1
Minnesota ....321 030 00x—9 17 1
Burdette, Piche (6), McKenzie (8) and Crandall. Kralick, Bruckbauer (7) and Battey. Winner—Kralick. Loser—Burdette. HRs—Demeriit 2, Crandall, Gardner.

Phila. .....001 000 040—5 8 2
Cincinnati ....000 152 00x—8 13 1
Sullivan, Farrell (7), Siebler (9) and Dalrymple, Jay, Henry (8) and Zimmerman. Winner—Henry. Loser—Siebler. HR—Robinson.

Los Angeles 400 100 003—8 14 0
Cleveland .....001 100 021—5 10 2
Craig, Perranoski (6) and Roseboro, N. Sherry (5), Locke, Hamilton (4) and Romano. Winner—Craig. Loser—Locke. HRs—Snider, Kirkland.

Los Angeles 300 000 000—3 5 1
Chicago .....100 000 003—4 10 3
Grba, Clevenger (8) and Rios, Sadowski (9). Drott, Brewer (8) and S. Taylor. Winner—Brewer. Loser—Clevenger. HR—Williams.

San Fran. ....200 130 100—7 9 0
Tacoma .....000 041 030—8 8 2
Sanford, O'Dell (5) and Haller, Landrith (8), Perry, Herbel (5), Byerly (9) and Orsino, Pereira. Winner—Sanford. Loser—Perry. HR—Mays.

Win Streak Predicted By Dodgers

Phoenix, Ariz.—(UPI)—The Los Angeles Dodgers took on the San Francisco Giants today as ready as "they're ever going to be" for the season opener next Tuesday, according to Manager Walter Alston.

The Dodgers Tuesday trimmed the Cleveland Indians 8-5 with Roger Craig allowing only two runs and six innings he worked.

"We haven't worn anybody out this spring, but neither have the Yankees and I see where they're picked to win," Alston said.

He said he was proud of the way the team has performed up to now and predicted they would start off on a winning streak next week.

As Alston handed out praise to the team in general, star second baseman Charlie Neal said he was ready to be a .300 hitter.

"I should hit .300 if I stop going for the fences," Neal said Tuesday. "I'm just trying for base hits now and I'll settle for the higher average rather than home runs. I'm looking forward to my best year at the plate."

Neal hit his peak of .287 as one of the sparkplugs in the Dodgers' 1959 pennant drive but slipped to .256 last year.

In Tuesday's action, Willie Kirkland hit a two-run homer off rookie Ron Perranoski in the eighth inning to bring the Tribe up within a run of the Dodgers, 5-4. But the Dodgers scored three in the ninth with catcher Norm Sherry's double being the big blow. Cleveland filled the bases in the ninth with none out but could only score one run.

Prep Baseball

TUESDAY GAMES
Franklin 7, Cleveland 0
Washington 2, Lincoln 0
Jefferson 3, Benson 0
Wilson 5, Roosevelt 0
Marshall 8, Grant 5
Beaverton 5, Astoria 0
David Douglas 17, Clackamas 2
Hillsboro 12, Milwaukie 4
Sunset 9, Gresham 3
Central Catholic 13, Centennial 0
Estacada 10, Rainier 4
Neskahnie 9, Tillamook 4
Forest Grove 3, St. Helens 2
Concordia 7, Clatskanie 3
North Salem 17, Dallas 4

3 Giant Regulars Wind Up in Jail

Phoenix—(UPI)—Three stars of the San Francisco baseball team were arrested today on charges of being drunk and disorderly, but Giant Manager Alvin Dark said they were only defending themselves against young thugs.

Arrested early this morning were catcher Bob Schmidt, 27, third baseman Jimmy Davenport, also 27, and outfielder Harvey Keunn, 30, recently traded to the Giants from Cleveland.

Police said they fought with officers trying to arrest them after policemen stopped a scuffle between the three players and two motorists.

"The whole trouble was caused by some kids out looking for trouble," said Dark. "As far as I'm concerned, the players would be blamed for nothing in this case. It wasn't their fault it started. These guys were intimidating ballplayers.

Won't Fine Players

"I'm sorry it happened," added Dark, who said he did not plan to fine the three players. "This is one of those unfortunate circumstances which make ball players look bad. I don't approve of fights, but I do approve of people defending themselves."

Dark claimed the players were not drunk and police gave them no tests to determine if they had been drinking.

Dark said the players would forfeit their bonds of $30 each instead of appearing in municipal court April 18 when the regular season would have begun. Bond for the three was posted by team secretary Edward T. Brannick about 3 a.m.

Lester Gray, 20, one of the motorists involved in the fracas, said the players shouted foul names at him and threatened to run his car off the road.

Phoenix, Ariz.—(UPI)—The San Francisco Giants edged their Tacoma farm club, 7-5, Tuesday at Casa Grande in a lazy sort of game.

In off-the-diamond doings reports poured in from both Florida and California that the Cincinanti Reds and Giants were considering a major multi-player deal centered around Giant second baseman Don Blasingame.

William DeWitt, general manager of the Reds, and Vice President Charles Feeney of the Giants talked at least twice Tuesday. DeWitt admitted that he was after Blasingame in an effort to shore up the middle of the Red defense which has been hurt since the departure of the light-hitting but brilliant fielding shortstop Roy McMillan, who is now with Milwaukee.

The Giants were believed to be dickering for a relief pitcher. The names of Jim Brosnan, Bill Henry and Marshall Bridges were all mentioned as possibilities.

If the Giants were really willing to part with Blasingame, it would mean they were sold on Chuck Hiller, a rookie second sacker who has been a sensation in spring training.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE
SPORTS

Marlatt 12th In Collegiate

Santa Cruz, Calif. — Southern Oregon college finished 19th in a field of 37 teams in the 18th annual Far Western Intercollegiate golf championships held here last Saturday.

Gordy Marlatt, the Raiders' No. 1 links ace who was runner-up for Oregon Collegiate conference medalist honors last year, placed in the top 20 out of a field of approximately 200 collegiate golfers. Marlatt put together rounds of 71-81-74-74 for a total of 300 strokes, good for 12th place.

The only other high-ranking Oregon golfers were University of Oregon's Jerry Cundari, 296, and Don Clark, 303, and Oregon State university's Tom Carter, 305, and Stewart Schroeder 309.

It was the first action of the season for coach Al Akins' defending OCC champions.

Pro Cagers To Collide In Playoff

Boston—(UPI) — The defending champion Boston Celtics clash with the St. Louis Hawks tonight at the Garden in the second game of their title series, vowing not to let history repeat.

Boston won the opener here Sunday in a runaway. But the Celtics remember all too well what happened in similar circumstances a year ago in the National Basketball association final playoff series.

That time, too, the Celts loped to an opening game victory. And everyone began predicting a four or five-game series. But the Hawks roared back to take the second game by 10 points and the series went the full seven tilts before Boston won the championship for the second straight year.

NOW — Medford's Newest and Finest Automatic Transmission Rebuilding
WATCH FOR OUR GRAND OPENING!
MEDFORD TRANSMISSION
1910 Table Rock Road
SP 2-8368
Across From BIG Y Market

Cronin Foresees Greater American Loop Excitement

By JOE CRONIN
American League President
(Written for United Press International)

Boston—(UPI)—This 60th anniversary American league season is certain to be played with a historic backdrop even before it begins with colorful and traditional ceremonies at Griffith Stadium, Washington, next Monday.

We are confident these expansion moves have been made in continued major league fashion, and that interest and excitement are going to be greater and more intense, as well as more widespread, this year than ever before.

Encouragement has been forthcoming in expert opinions offered by qualified observers who have seen the new clubs, the Washington Senators and Los Angeles Angels, in action during the spring training period. The intense enthusiasm in the new territory of Minnesota has gained unanimous recognition.

By this no claim is intended that the expansion program, necessary for the modernization of the baseball structure, will be without future problems. However, we are now certain all problems ahead can be surmounted as were those of recent months.

Achieve Progress

Indeed, much as been accomplished and tremendous progress achieved in the brief span of time between last October and the approaching opening day, which will find 10 teams ready for action and competition, thanks to the cooperation and hard work of dedicated baseball men, the owners and officials of the American League clubs, both the old and the new.

I have had the good fortune of seeing and studying in person the "new" Washington Senators, and the six other teams training in Florida, in recent weeks. Reports from the Arizona and California camps of the Boston Red Sox, Cleveland Indans and Los Angeles Angels have been a matter of daily menu.

It would be easy to predict that a 10-team pennant race is in prospect, but perhaps not realistic.

However, one of the first evident fruits of expansion has been a tremendous stride toward achieving a balance throughout the league for the future that has not always been true in the past. While only one team can win the pennant and—for the first time in history—one team will finish in 10th place, this is why I feel I can say without charges of exuding neutrality that there will be keen competition for every position in the standings this season.

The champion New York Yankees can truly be classified as the team to beat. Mickey Mantle, Yogi Berra, Roger Maris and company boast a formidable batting array, a truly colorful club which emerged with the pennant from the bitter 1960 race that went right down to the final six days of the season and promises to be even more hotly contested this year.

Orioles Should Be Better

I do not subscribe to the so-called "sophomore jinx" so often mentioned in connection with the Baltimore Orioles. This is a talented team, certain to be better as the result of its thrilling experience of last season.

Both the Chicago White Sox and Cleveland Indians have added pitching and power at the plate to make them far more formidable than last year.

The Minnesota Twins will bring the new American League fans of that truly major league area a powerpacked array certain to play a prominent part in the 1961 pennant picture.

There are encouraging new looks to the Detroit Tigers, Boston Red Sox and Kansas City Athletics, each with rookies abounding on the rosters and offering bright prospects of improvement in their fortunes according to the formula of blending new blood with veteran stars which proved so successful for the aforementioned Orioles last season.

Similarly, on broader scale, the new teams, Angels and Senators, promise to blend in battle with the more established clubs. They start with a talented nucleus of proven stars and youthful prospects under skilled baseball leadership, which assures excitement and entertainment for their fans and the potential of continual improvement in their fortunes on a day to day basis as this newest chapter in baseball history unfolds.

Owens Doesn't Want To Play For Phillies

Pittsburgh—(UPI)—Jim Owens, who has a torrid fastball and a temper to match, said today he would rather throw baseballs than sell them, but he doesn't want to pitch for the Philadelphia Phillies again.

Owens, who has been working in a friend's sporting goods store in nearby Midland, Pa., since leaving the Philadelphia training camp last month, said he hopes the Phils trade him.

"I don't think I fit into their plans," the 27-year-old right-hander said. "I hope they trade me since there is no money to be made with the Phils. Unless I'm a starter with another team I can't make the big money. I would like to play somewhere though."

Rebuked and Fined

Owens packed off from the Phil's camp in Clearwater, Fla., March 10 after reportedly being rebuked and fined by general manager John Quinn. Quinn said at the time Owens was in an "unsober condition" following a postmidnight party. Owens' fine was reported to be $250.

Owens, who declined to comment on "any trouble I had this spring," broke in with the Phillies in 1955 after a stint in the minors. He spent part of the 1956 season with Philadelphia before being returned to the minors, and then rejoined the team on a fulltime basis in 1959 after two years in the military service. He played the full 1959 and 1960 seasons with the Phils.

Shasta Takes Pair From Red Raiders

Redding, Calif. — Shasta Junior college erupted with some heavy hitting and took advantage of Red Raider misques, both physical and mental, here yesterday to nick the Southern Oregon college baseball club 13 to 12 and 11 to 9.

The Shastans outhit SOC 29 to 17 in the two tussles and made a good number of 12 Raider errors pay off.

Pete Economos, Jerry Boyle and Jerry Badger each got three safe blows in the first game. In the opener the Shasta club had four doubles and a triple among 15 hits. The Californians had a double and two triples among 14 safeties in the second fray with Ano Needles hitting three for four and John Stapp two for four with three runs driven home.

For Southern Oregon Joe Funderburg hit three for five in the opener and two for four in the windup. Kerm McLemore had three for five with four runs batted in.

Southern Oregon will play Humboldt State at Ashland at 3 p.m. Friday and in a doubleheader beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The Raiders have now played four games. The tilts yesterday were the 11th and 12th for Shasta.

LINESCORES:
(First game
SOC .....331 813 0—13 8 7
Shasta .....336 120 x—13 14 4
Kelley, Vannice (3), Vogler (6) and Munyon; Weatherbee, Morphew (8) and Ayotte.

(Second game)
SOC .....300 303 0— 9 9 5
Shasta .....023 312 x—11 15 2
Vogler, Tichenor (4) and Munyon; Morphew and Ayotte.

House Rejects Horse Race Bill

Salem—(UPI)—The House Tuesday defeated, 33-26, a bill to fatten horse racing purses.

Horse breeders had urged the measure, saying it would keep top horses from leaving Oregon because awards are greater in neighboring states.

Ways and means committee had okayed the bill and said it would probably result in better races that would mean more revenues.

Rep. Carl Fisher, (R-Eugene) led opposition to the bill and said it was not needed and was aimed only at a small group.

KC Athletics Hope For Better Things During 1961 Season

(This is another in a series on the 1961 prospects of the major league teams.)

By LEO H. PETERSEN
UPI Sports Editor

West Palm Beach, Fla.—(UPI)—The Kansas City Athletics, with a new owner, a new general manager and a new field boss, are hoping for better things in 1961.

They also have a lot of new faces in their playing personnel, although the key performers probably will be pretty much the same as last year when the Athletics finished in the American league cellar.

They should escape that this year, with the league expanded to 10 teams, and their new manager, Joe Gordon, thinks the club is good enough to win half its games.

The new owner, millionaire Charles Finley, is ready to take the band off his bank roll to buy players, but has had no success. Frank (Trader) Lane desperately is trying to make deals to strengthen the club, but has been balked at almost every turn because he doesn't have the necessary trading material.

New Job Tougher

Gordon, who divided his time managing Cleveland and Detroit last season, admits he has a "lot more problems" with the Athletics than he did with either of those teams.

"But with what we have we ought to be able to play .500 ball," Gordon insists. But when you examine the playing talent available it's hard to find what Gordon bases his prediction on.

He has pitching and infield problems. Unless he solves them, the A's could well finish behind one or both of the new clubs in the league — Washington and Los Angeles.

Bud Daley (16-16) and Ray Herbert (14-15) are the only two pitchers sure of starting berths. After those two, Gordon admits his pitching situation is scrambled.

For his other starters Gordon will have to choose from Dick Hall (8-13), Johnny Kucks (4-10) and Joe Nuxhall, 1-8 with Cincinnati. Larsen, who has been slipping steadily since his World Series perfect game in 1956, has been the most impressive of the A's twirlers thus far this spring.

Heads Relievers

Ken Johnson (5-10) will head the bullpen crew with Dave Wickersham, who did some good work in relief after winning 10 games at Shreveport, behind him. Jim Archer, 11-12 at Miami; Bill Kunkel, 8-9 at Montreal, and Ed Keegan, 6-7 at Indianapolis, are other possibilities.

The catching staff is all new with Joe Pignatano, a fine defensive receiver purchased from the Los Angeles Dodgers, the No. 1 man. Clint Courtney, obtained from the Orioles, and Hayward Sullivan, the former Red Sox bonus player, will be the other catchers.

The outfield, if not brilliant, figures to be acceptable with Norm Siebern (.279) in left, speedy Bill Tuttle (.256) in center and the veteran Hank Bauer (.275), Al Pilarcik, who hit .247 at Baltimore, and rookie Jay Hankins, who hit .300 at Shreveport, battling it out for the right field berth.

Leo Posada, who hit .361 with the A's after being brought up from Shreveport late last season, and bonus baby Lou Klimchock, are other outfield possibilities. Klimchock was shifted after failing to make the grade as a second baseman.

Half of the infield is set with Jerry Lumpe (.272) at second and Andy Carey (.233) at third. Bob Boyd, who hit .317 as a pinch-hitter and part time performer with the Orioles last season, and Marv Throneberry (.250) are the first base candidates.

Gordon will be hurting for a shortstop if rookie Dick Howser doesn't make the grade. Howser hit .349 at Sioux City and .338 at Shreveport last year. Behind him Gordon has only Wayne Causey, the ex-Oriole who hit .265 at Vancouver last year.

In Dick Williams the Athletics have the best all-around utility man in the game. He can play first, third, the outfield and catch. He hit .288 last year and is sure to see a lot of action somewhere in the lineup.

But putting all of them together, it's hard to see the Athletics throwing fear into most of the other clubs this year. They may have all they can handle in Washington and Los Angeles.

WHEN YOU NEED
BEARINGS
Fast! call
SP 2-5227
ON-THE-SHELF STOCKS
TORRINGTON
LINK BELT
FAFNIR • HYATT
NATIONAL SEALS
LUBRICO GREASES
NEW DEPARTURE
SEALMASTER • TIMKEN
SPIROLOX
GENERAL
GENERAL BEARING CO. - MEDFORD

FARMER DAYS
THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 7, and 8
NEW B.F.Goodrich POWER-GRIP TRACTOR TIRE
Patterned after the Silvertown tire that comes on new tractors!
LOW LOW PRICES start at ONLY $29.95 plus tax and old tire for a 9x24.
Wider, higher Power-Grip cleats bite deeper—buttressed shoulders grip the ground. Open-center tread cleans as it rolls. That's why this Power-Grip tire is
BIG in traction—you leave other makes far behind.
BIG in size—cleats are higher and wider at the shoulders than ever before.
All Other Sizes ON SALE SAME LOW PRICES
FREE Coffee and Donuts
FREE BALLOONS
FREE Coca-Cola
FREE Tire Mounting
DUAL-RING NYLON FRONT TIRES
Now you can have all the rugged durability of Nylon cord construction at no step-up in price. Here is a tire with maximum strength to resist bruises, sharp impacts and blowouts and give you lowest-cost-per-acre operation.
And you will like the way the Dual-Ring tread gives you straight running and easy steering in the field or on the road. Come in and check this outstanding B. F. Goodrich value.
12.69 plus tax and old tire. 4.00-15 — 4 ply.
NEW PICKUP TIRES Nylon—6 Ply 40% OFF
Use Your Credit To Buy Tires FOR ALL FARM EQUIPMENT
NO MONEY DOWN
UP TO 12 MONTHS TO PAY
RALPH R. BUNTING'S
O.K TIRE STORE
1760 North Riverside
SP 2-9629
B.F.Goodrich