

Bob Bragan Thinks Milwaukie Can Fool

(This is the 14th of 20 dispatches on the 1963 prospects of the 1963 major league baseball teams.)

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West Palm Beach, Fla.—(UPI)—The Braves have a new manager in scrappy Bobby Bragan and new owners in a group of Wisconsin industrialists, but little in the way of new ball players.

Yet Bragan, never one to despair although he lost his two former major league managing jobs in front office reorganizations, and the new president, Johnny McHale, are hopeful, if not optimistic.

"We can fool a lot of people," Bragan predicts. And he points to his potential pitching staff proudly.

Trouble is he has only one established major league outfielder.

"We'll correct that," he promises. Just how, he doesn't reveal, although they did obtain Ty Cline from Cleveland last week to complete the deal whereby slugging first baseman Joe Adcock went to the Cleveland Indians.

The Braves finished fifth last year, 15½ games out. "I'll promise one thing — we'll be closer this coming year," Bragan says.

If they are, a lot of things will have to jell where they don't seem too much jelling potential — like that outfield.

But they do have such stars as Hank Aaron, Eddie Mathews, Del Crandall, Warren Spahn and Lew Burdette. Give them some support and there could be trouble aplenty.

Aaron, always a good bet to win the batting triple crown, is the one outfielder Bragan has. And Bragan says he will play exclusively in right field this year, and not alternate between right and center.

Not that his batting needs any help, but Aaron is not happy playing center. He hit .323 last year with 45 home

runs and 128 runs batted in. **Outfield Lacked Punch** Last year's regulars, outside of Aaron, were Mack Jones and Lee Maye, who hit only .255 and .244, respectively, with only 20 home runs and 77 runs batted in between them.

Don Dollard, who hit only .230, from Cleveland might help and then there is the veteran Gus Bell coming to the end of a fine career. There doesn't appear to be much in the way of rookie help so those six men will have to do the job. The betting is they can't do it.

Mathews, of course, is a fixture at third. Although he had an off year in 1962 he still rapped out 29 home runs and knocked 90 across the plate. It will be Frank Bolling at second and probably the aging Roy McMillan at short.

With Adcock gone, first is a question mark. Although when the Braves let Big Joe go they thought Tommie Aaron, younger brother of Hank, could fill the job. But Tommie hit only .231 last season so Norm Larker, obtained from Houston, and Len Gabrielson, who came up from Toronto as an outfielder, are being given a shot at the job.

Crandall Behind Plate Crandall, although 33, figures to be the first string catcher with two Bos, Uecker and Taylor, in reserve.

Now as to that pitching Bragan is so optimistic about. Spahn, now 41, won 18 last year the first season in the last seven he did not garner 20 victories or more. Burdette, 36, won 10 games after being used sparingly during the first half of the season.

Holdovers Bob Shaw (15-9), Bob Henderson (11-13) and Tony Cloninger (8-3) also figure in the starting rotation.

The Braves hoped they have solved their bullpen problem with Frank Funk, acquired from the Cleveland Indians where he had a 2-1 record in 1962.

Bragan also has Claude Bragdon (5-5), Denny Lemaster (3-4), Ron Piche (3-2), and Cecil Butler (2-0).

Then it comes down to kids, who may need more seasoning.

But pitching, with Hank Aaron, Mathews and Crandall, figure to be the strong points of the Braves. Unless Bragan can solve his outfield problems, however, the outlook is not too promising.

John Saubert Serves Notice Sun Valley, Idaho — (UPI)—John Saubert, racing for Oregon State University, has served notice she may be America's best woman skier.

She won both the downhill and slalom events in the Harman Cup races at Sun Valley during the week end, and finished second Sunday in the giant slalom to Barbi Henneberger of Germany. The giant slalom was the final event.

The skiers left today for Anchorage, Alaska, and the national championships next week end at Mt. Alyeska.

Pro Basketball

United Press International NATIONAL ASSOCIATION PLAYOFF STANDINGS (Best-of-seven Series) Eastern Division Finals				
City	W.	L.	Pct.	
Cincinnati	2	1	.667	
Boston	1	2	.333	

Western Division Finals				
City	W.	L.	Pct.	
Los Angeles	1	0	1.000	
St. Louis	0	1	.000	

Sunday's Results				
City	W.	L.	Pct.	
Los Angeles 112	1	0	1.000	
Cincinnati 121	1	0	1.000	

HOCKEY

United Press International WESTERN LEAGUE Southern Division				
City	W.	L.	T	Pts.
Portland	43	21	6	92
San Francisco	44	23	1	89
Baltimore	35	30	7	77
Spokane	30	38	2	62

Northern Division				
City	W.	L.	T	Pts.
Vancouver	35	31	4	74
Seattle	35	33	2	72
Edmonton	34	44	2	70
Calgary	23	45	2	48

NATIONAL LEAGUE Stanley Cup Standings (Best-of-seven Semifinal)				
City	W.	L.	Pct.	
Toronto	3	0	1.000	
Montreal	2	1	.667	
Chicago	1	2	.333	
Detroit	0	3	.000	

AMERICAN LEAGUE (Final)				
City	W.	L.	T	Pts.
Providence	38	29	5	81
Hershey	36	28	8	80
Baltimore	35	30	7	77
Quebec	33	28	11	77
Springfield	33	31	8	73

Western Division				
City	W.	L.	T	Pts.
Buffalo	41	14	7	89
Cleveland	31	34	7	69
Rochester	24	39	9	57
Pittsburgh	20	48	4	44

Sunday's Results				
City	W.	L.	Pct.	
Pittsburgh 3	1	0	1.000	
Springfield 7	1	0	1.000	
Providence 7	1	0	1.000	
Buffalo 2	0	1	.000	

SF Giants Have Lost Week End

Santa Barbara, Calif. — (UPI)—It was a lost week end for the San Francisco Giants who dropped a pair of one-run battles to Cleveland.

The Giants tried to snap their six-game losing streak here today against the Indians.

Four Giant errors handed Sunday's decision to the Tribe, who prevailed 7-6, at San Diego.

The game had hardly got under way when Don Larsen and Willie Kirtland's double, which Kirtland committed two of the bobbles and Jose Pagan one.

Jack Fisher took over for Larsen in the fourth with the score 5-3 Cleveland. Fisher was tough although he gave up a two-run homer to Fred Whitfield that eventually decided it.

For San Francisco, Orlando Cepeda hit for the distance with Willie Mays aboard in the fourth.

Alou Sparks Felipe Alou's two-run single sparked a three run blast in the ninth for San Francisco, but a diving grab by Cleveland second baseman Mike de La Hoz quenched Giant hopes.

Saturday night's game found brother battling brother. Jim Perry of Cleveland outlasted baby brother Gaylord of the Giants in a 5-4 contest. Both men went all the way.

Willie McCovey hit two more homers to win his spring total to 10, while Tom Haller also hit for the distance.

The double defeat left San Francisco's record at 2-3, a miserable 6-16. The two week end games at San Diego drew better than 13,600 fans.



RAIDER SCORES—Southern Oregon college's Don Jaquette slides safely into home plate Saturday in first game of doubleheader baseball with Humboldt State at Ashland. Humboldt hit Scott Crow awaits throw from outfield on hit by Dave Hughes (not shown). Umpire is Virgil Swanson. Southern Oregon won the first game 6-2 and the second 8-7. Damien Rossetto hit two home runs for the Red Raiders during the afternoon and Mike McKibben one.—(Dean Freeman photo).

SPORTS

BOWLING

BALL AND CHAIN MIXED Tally Ho (21-19) 3. Veda Marshall 299; Jay Allen (19-21) 1. Billie Peck 477.

Medford Hotel (20-20) 3. Betty Oranod 398; Mechanics Laundry (16-24) 1. Pat Hassen 416.

Morris' Patio Shop (19-21) 1. Prucilla Deatherage 478; Rambo's Richfield (14-26) 3. Lyda's Nikodym 447.

Marie Holley 197; Priscilla Deatherage 190; Shirley Williams 185; Newberry's 2199.

BASEBALL BRIEFS Seattle Rips Portland Deland, Fla. — (UPI)—Slumping Seattle regained its batting eye and ripped Portland 11-3 Sunday. Billy Harrell had a triple, two singles and four runs batted in for the Rainiers, who slugged a dozen hits off two Portland hurlers.

Billy Spanswick went seven innings and Darrell Martin the rest for the Rainiers as Portland managed only six hits. One was a homer by pitcher Rene Monteagudo.

FOUR UNEARNED RUNS Barstow, Fla. — (UPI)—Denver scored four unearned runs in the ninth to shade San Diego 5-4 in a Pacific Coast league exhibition battle Sunday. Two errors, two walks and two hits spelled doom for the Padres.

WILD CONTEST Casa Grande, Ariz. — (UPI)—Jacksonville of the International league outhit Tacoma 16-11 and outscored them 8-7 in a wild contest here Sunday. Tacoma hosted Salt Lake today. The Giants scored three runs in the ninth to make it close Sunday at Jimmy Hart's triple did most of the damage.

ALBUQUERQUE WINS Albuquerque, N.M. — (UPI)—Albuquerque and Spokane each only got four hits, but the New Mexico nine pulled out a 4-0 decision anyway Sunday. Spokane pitcher Thad Tillotson allowed all the runs in the third.

UPRISING Mesa, Ariz. — (UPI)—An uprising in the 10th by El Paso coast Salt Lake City its second straight loss of the Cactus league season Sunday in a 6-4 thriller. Lefty Wayne Carlander pitched hitless ball in a sparkling three-inning stint for the Bees and Salt Lake's Hal Jones whacked a two-run homer.

BOUTIN CHOSEN Kansas City — (UPI)—Jim Boutin of Lewis and Clark was named on the 10-man NAIA basketball tournament all-star team announced Sunday. The Portland school competed in the 32-team tourney here last month. Boutin is a 6-5, 190-pound junior center from Powers, Ore.

WONDERERS Hopefuls (29-7) 3. Lola Harrison 433; Knot Heads (12-24) 1. Irma Shroy 424.

Pin Heads (24-11) 1 1/2. Elna Eddy 478; Joanne Stones (13-29) 2 1/2; Jullia Brenner 428.

Who's Here (23-13) 2. Joedene Chaboude 455; Up-N-Corners (18-14) 2; Harge Sutton 388.

Thinkers (12-13) 2. Doris Roe 418; Hillites (13-23) 1; Sandy Maloy 353.

Red Heads (14-22) 4; Betty Neal 425; We Three (10-26) 0; Hildred Huges 359.

Elmer Eddy 192; Lucy Sawyer 192; Lola Harrison 180.

EARLY BIRD LEAGUE Newberry's (30-9) 1; Marie Holley 372; Williams Beaud (14-28) 1; Marion Sims 451.

Bud's Eastside exaco (26-13) 1 1/2; Stella Niederwieser 478; Bogus Construction (15-25) 1; Myrna Harris 457.

Larry's Linseed (24-16) 0; Alta Knauer 441; Edna Electric (21-19) 4; J. Luther 160.

Doug Olson Heads Golf Qualifying

Sophomore Doug Olson led the qualifying Thursday, Friday and Saturday for the Medford high golf team.

He had a 76-79 — 155 medal for 36 holes at Rogue Valley Country club.

Rich Knight was second low with 85-75 — 160. Steve Good followed with 84-82 — 166.

Tied for fourth were Jim Woods 84-83-167 and Mike Miller 83-84 — 167. Sixth in order with 86-84-170 was Ray Heysell. Tom Clark fired 85-86-171.

There were 12 other participants in the qualifying action. The Tornados open their season at Rogue Valley next Friday against the University of Oregon freshmen.

Advice Is Given By Safety Expert

Chicago — (UPI)—A University of Illinois safety specialist says the body is a mechanical system of levers and hinges moved by "cables" just like many machines.

Each bone, joint and muscle has a specific purpose, and over-loading or using improperly invites injuries, said O. L. Hogsett.

If you do any lifting, such as rearranging furniture, lifting feed in the barn, or piling things on the truck, Hogsett recommends these precautions:

Get close to the object to be lifted, and keep a firm footing on the floor or ground. Get a secure hold. Don't try to pick up more than you can control.

Be sure you have a clear view of where you are going. Always bend your knees and keep your back straight when lifting. Push yourself up with the muscles in your legs, not in your back.

Use simple and safe mechanical aids, such as rope hoists, wooden skids, hand trucks or inexpensive conveyors.

DARK GETS AWARD New York — (UPI)—Manager Alvin Dark of the San Francisco Giants will receive the sportsmanship award and Judge Jeremiah T. Mahoney of the U.S. Olympic committee will get the distinguished service award Tuesday night during the annual award dinner of the sportsmanship brotherhood.

PECK TRIES AGAIN Aintree, England — (UPI)—Movie star Gregory Peck indicated today that he will have another entry in the 1964 Grand National Steeplechase despite the fact that his 1963 entry, Owen Sedge, finished a disappointing seventh in Saturday's race.

San Diego, Calif. — (UPI)—Earl Faison, San Diego Chargers' star defensive end, will have to undergo surgery for an ailing knee, according to Charger head coach Sid Gilman. Faison, the American Football league rookie of the year in 1961, was sidelined last season with the knee injury.

TAX RELIEF London — (UPI)—Over 700 couples were married in London Registry Office Saturday in the rush to get wed before April 5, the deadline for claiming tax relief on 1962 income.

Bo Belinsky Draws Fine

San Jose, Calif. — (UPI)—The week end started out great for Bo Belinsky — a date with actress Marnie Van Doren and a Palm Springs pool championship — but ended on disappointing notes back in the Los Angeles training camp.

Belinsky was tagged with a fine of undisclosed amount when he and young pitcher Dean Chance reported two hours late for a pre-game practice session Saturday. Chance said the two overslept.

Belinsky was the losing pitcher Sunday as the Houston Colts beat the Angels 9-3. In his six inning stint Belinsky gave up eight hits and four runs, although he was the victim of a misplayed fly ball by Ed Kirkpatrick when Houston scored two runs in the first inning. An error by Jim Fregosi in the sixth accounted for an unearned run.

Junior High Events High Ashland — Junior high track events ahead in four events participated in the senior high competition on Saturday in the Ore-Cal relays at Southern Oregon college.

In the 100-yard dash Neal Mizner, Lakeview, topped ninth graders with a 10.6 time in the 100. Craig Engle, Joseph Lane of Roseburg, led the other heat in 11.2. Winners in the eighth grade heats were Steve Buhres, Altamont of Klamath Falls, 11.3, and Terry Pierce, Central Point, 11.4. Pacing seventh graders were Tony Morris, Central Point, 11.7, and Scott Smelcer, Altamont, 11.5.

Bates of Joseph Lane took the ninth grade 660 in 1:39.5 and Lonny Slack, Ashland, the eighth grade race in 1:40.5. Heat winners in the seventh grade 330-yard run were Kirby Renfro, Central Point, 45.3, and Smelcer, Altamont, 43.3.

In the ninth grade 440-yard relay the Joseph Lane team of Dietrick, Puckett, Cooper and Engle was victor in 48.9. Central Point's crew of Tweled, Cavin, Ryerson and Pierce took the eighth grade run in 52.6. Altamont's quartet of Hanson, Ward, Lyons and Kitching were seventh grade winners in 55 seconds even.

REPLACED Portland — (UPI)—Gene Bryant of Tucson, Ariz., Sunday night was named to replace Mexico's Kid Beteguis in a 10-round fight here this month against Portland's middleweight Andy Kendall. Boxing promoter Vearl Sherman also announced that the bout has been rescheduled from next Thursday night until April 11. He said that Beteguis wired him that he had the flu.

Tennis, Track Billed Tuesday

Medford high goes to Grants Pass and Crater to Roseburg in varsity tennis matches on Tuesday.

Illinois Valley and Eagle Point have a makeup track meet at Eagle Point on Tuesday and Central Point seventh and eighth grade trackmen go to Hedrick in Medford.

Ben Hilton To Enter Portland VA Hospital Ben Hilton, Grants Pass, president of the Rogue Basin Flood Control and Water Resources association, left today for Portland where he will enter the Veterans Administration hospital.

Hilton, who became ill while in Washington, D. C., seeking additional funds for the basin project, had been in Josephine General Hospital in Grants Pass for 10 days. He was discharged from there Saturday.

ON INACTIVE LIST Nashville, Tenn. — (UPI)—The entire football coaching staff at Tennessee A & I State university has been placed on the "inactive but not fired" list, university President Dr. W. S. Davis said during the week end. "Anybody could coach a team with a 1-7 record," Davis said as he let it be known the university is looking for a new head coach. "I believe in athletic as well as academic excellence and it's no secret that football has collapsed around here."

PFISTER LEAVES CAMP Kansas City — (UPI)—Fastballer Dan Pfister, who had a 4-14 record last season, is suffering with arm trouble and has left the Kansas City Athletics training in the south.

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