

Yanks Didn't Scare Brooks

Dodgers Loose, Black Brilliant in 4-2 Win

By GAYLE TALBOT
BROOKLYN (AP)—Know what? The Dodgers could win this World Series and make a lot of experts look very bad.

It was a smart, loose team which outslugged the Yankees, 4-2, in yesterday's opener, extremely skilled on defense and a picture of confidence in its every move.

Joe Black, the big Negro rookie proved himself a very fine pitcher as he throttled the American League in the tight spots, and he is due to be back for several more helpings before it is over.

This was the first opener the Dodgers ever have won in six World Series.

Dressen's all-or-nothing gamble of starting his freshman reliever didn't really look like a gamble at all as Black moved the Yanks down in the first inning. The big fellow appeared to get faster as he went along. No harder ball was thrown all day than the strike which Irv Noren looked at to end the ball game.

NO FEAR

As they went into the second game today behind Carl Erskine, their small-size righthander, the National League had every reason to feel their oats. Having disposed of Allie Reynolds with three well-hit home runs, they had no particular reason for fearing Vic Raschi, the Yankees' second best.

Black probably will be given a day's rest, but he will be back ready for relief duty in tomorrow's third game at Yankee Stadium.

Black's pitching was, of course, the standout performance of the opener, but not by too much.

TREMENDOUS

Andy Pafko, the Dodger left-fielder, turned in two tremendous plays to choke off a Yankee threat in the fifth inning. First he made a remarkable peg to third to cut down Gil McDougald after Billy Martin had singled. Then, pausing only to catch his breath, he came in a mile to make a somersaulting catch of a drooper by Hank Bauer.

Billy Cox, widely acknowledged to be the finest fielding third-baseman in the game today, made a brilliant stop and throw in the seventh on McDougald's slashing grounder to start a double play which stopped the Stengeleers in their tracks. To complete the inning, he backhanded Martin's hopper over third and threw him out.

DID EVERYTHING

In other words, the Dodgers did everything they were supposed to

do. They hit the long ball, they fielded spectacularly, and they had a man named Black.

The day's hardest hit ball probably was the homer slugged by Peevce Reese in the eighth, which only insured the victory after Duke Snider's towering two-run smash over the clock in right field had sent the Dodgers into the lead at 3-1.

Yogi Berra did not acquit himself with any honors to speak of. The Yankee catcher got the ball out of the infield only once in four tries, and twice he forced teammates at second when a hit might have broken the game wide open.

His opposite number, Roy Campanella, didn't do too well, either. Although Mickey Mantle struck out in his final time at bat when the Yanks were desperate for a hit, the "phenom" from Oklahoma gave warning that he must be dealt with by collecting two of his team's six hits, one of them on a bunt. The fleet kid also raced to make a catch on Reese in the fourth inning which would have done full credit to Joe DiMaggio.

SPORTS in BRIEF

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

Brooklyn Dodgers won first game of World Series from New York Yankees, 4-2, as Rookie Joe Black outpitched Veteran Allie Reynolds.

New York — Bob Elliott, third baseman and outfielder for New York Giants, given outright release.

Pittsburgh — Johnny Lindell, former New York Yankee outfielder, turned pitcher who had 24-9 record with Hollywood of Pacific Coast League this season, purchased by Pittsburgh Pirates.

Idaho Reports Hunt Fatality

GRANGEVILLE, Idaho (AP)—The first shooting death of the hunting season in Idaho county occurred Wednesday when Paye Lupet, 51, was shot and killed on a forested ridge between the Lochsa and Selway Rivers.

An inquest was to be held Thursday. Among the survivors is a sister, Mrs. Martin Olson, Vancouver, Wash.

The county's only other hunting fatality came earlier in the season when a man died of exposure after becoming lost in the wilds near here.

Mickey Applies For Exam Switch

NEW YORK (AP)—Mickey Mantle, 21-year-old New York Yankee centerfielder, has applied for permission to take his Army physical examination here Monday instead of at Miami, Okla.

Mantle requested the transfer since there is a possibility the Yankee and Brooklyn Dodgers still will be involved in the World Series on that day.

The Yankee outfielder has been rejected three times for service because of osteomyelitis, a bone disease, in his left leg.

FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

By The Associated Press

Chicago — Willie Pep, 129 lb., Hartford, Conn., outpointed Armand Savoie, 134, Montreal, 10.

Del Pinnaghi, 149 lb., Minneapolis, outpointed Lester Felton, 146, Detroit, 10.



ANDY PAFKO

... chokes Yank rallies

SPORTS MIRROR

By The Associated Press

TODAY A YEAR AGO — A six-hit shutout by Glenn Labine enabled the Brooklyn Dodgers to even the National League playoff at 1-1, as the Dodgers trounced the Giants, 10-0.

FIVE YEARS AGO — The Dodgers edged the New York Yankees, 4-3, in the third game of the World Series, and the Yanks led in the best-of-seven series, 2-1.

TEN YEARS AGO — Ray Robinson won his 36th straight victory as he outpitched Jake La Mota, in a 10-ringer.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — The New York Yankees won the World Series in four straight, by ripping the Chicago Cubs, 13-6.

Pitcher Herm Wehmeier of the Cincinnati Reds was an All-City and All-State fullback at Cincinnati Western Hills High School.

Joe Transfers From Bus to Series Glory

By FRANK ECK

BROOKLYN (AP)—Two years ago today Joe Black was traveling by bus and pitching for the Baltimore Elite Giants in the Negro National League.

A year ago today he was getting ready to pitch the Oct. 4 opening game for Manager Billy Herman's Cincinnati team in the Havana Winter League.

Today Black stands on the threshold of World Series greatness.

The 26-year-old rookie, who won 15 games and saved 14 others with his relief pitching for the Brooklyn Dodgers, beat the Yankees' ace, Allie Reynolds, 4-2, yesterday.

"He'll see a lot of this series," Manager Charley Dressen said. "Black, when asked why he had shaken off several of catcher Roy Campanella's signs, replied:

"We both shake our heads once in a while but I never shake him off. He knows the hitters better than I do. I just throw to him."

The Dodgers got Black on a "look basis" from the Baltimore Elite Giants in December, 1950. They paid \$11,000 for him and two other players.

Dressen lashed back at critics who said he was gambling by starting his brilliant fireman against Reynolds, who has won a World Series game for the Yankees in each of their last four classics.

"I guess that will hold them," said Dressen. "Black was my soudest pitcher and deserved the chance. Reynolds was their best pitcher. Casey Stengel says that by the way he talks."

Rookie Throws 125 Pitches

BROOKLYN (AP)—It took Rookie Pitcher Joe Black of the Brooklyn Dodgers 125 pitches to turn back the Yankees in the first game of the World Series. Ten of them came in the 9th inning when he got Yogi Berra on one pitch. Joe Collins on four and Irv Noren on five.

Blues Need One Victory

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP)—The Kansas City Blues of the American Association make their bid Thursday night for the baseball game that could give them victory in the Little World Series.

The Blues took a series lead of three games to one over the Rochester Red Wings of the International League Wednesday night. Kansas City righthander Eddie Erault pitched a two-hit shutout and hit a home run in the game that was called at the end of five innings because of rain. The Blues won 9-0.

Duke Snider Gives Answer To Skeptics

BROOKLYN (AP)—Duke Snider has convinced the skeptics of his ability to come through under pressure.

The handsome center fielder of the Brooklyn Dodgers erased all doubts Wednesday with one mighty blow that propelled the National League champions to an opening 4-2 world series victory over the favored New York Yankees at Ebbets' Field.

It was Snider's gigantic home run high over the right field screen with Pee Wee Reese on base in the sixth inning that snapped a 1-1 hurling duel between Brooklyn's Joe Black and Allie Reynolds and decided the contest.

"That sort of made up for my dismal showing in the 1949 series," declared the elated Californian. "I'll never forget that series as long as I live."

"I struck out eight times in five games in that series against Yankee pitching. Facing the same Reynolds in the first game, I couldn't even hit the ball in fair territory. Reynolds struck me out three times. The other time I fouled out."

Financial Report

Series Financial Figures By The Associated Press

Receipts (Gross)	\$299,892.00
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Players' share	\$89,171.27
Commissioner's share	\$26,226.84
Clubs and League's share	\$59,447.51

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Pep Wins Unanimous Verdict Over Savoie

CHICAGO (AP)—Willie Pep, the former brilliant featherweight

champion, may not be the fighter he once was but he's still a poised and efficient workman.

Obviously far removed from the form that gained him one of the greatest records in boxing history, Pep had enough of his old class to pound out a unanimous 10-round decision over rugged Armand Savoie Wednesday night at Chicago Stadium.

Savoie, Canada's lightweight and welterweight champion, outweighed Pep 134 to 129, and hurt Willie occasionally with lunging swings, one of which gashed the former champion's right eyebrow in the fourth round. The Canadian reopened the wound several times thereafter but Pep piled up a preponderance of points with a series of brief combination flurries.

The victory was the sixth in a comeback string compiled by Willie since his June 30 knockout by Tommy Collins. Pep has been beaten only five times in 184 pro bouts since 1940.

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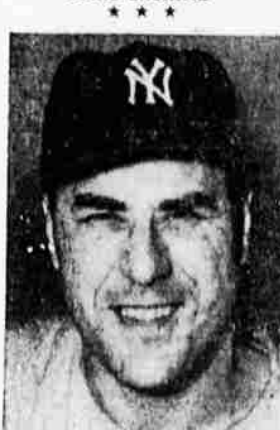
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