

Lopez Finds Script For Yankee Defeats

Indians Cut Down Bombers

By BEN PHILGAR
AP Sports Writer

Al Lopez' writers obviously have given the Cleveland manager a new script for the Indians' series with New York this season.

After trying it out twice out of town with great success, the Indians played the new version for the home folks for the first time last night and left 'em limp.

"This one is a real thriller. The story line is a direct switch from last spring when the Indians played the meek little lambs being led regularly to slaughter by the big bad Yankees.

The 1954 script casts the Indians in the role of the hero who cuts the "complacent" Yankees down to size.

In the three showings so far the "actors" have shown great versatility. The first time, in New York, the Indians left the thrills for the curtain call, scoring five runs in the 10th inning for a 9-4 triumph. The next day, still in New York, the Indians showed the Saturday matinee crowd their muscles and came off with a 10-2 victory.

SUSPENSE

The version unveiled in Cleveland last night topped anything so far. Most of the action was jammed into the first act, but the suspense continued right through to the final curtain as the Indians won 8-7.

Cleveland spotted the Yankee three runs, then roared back with seven from the New Yorkers could get anybody out in the home half of the first inning. Umpire Bill Summers thumbed Yogi Berra and then Casey Stengel from the game during the uprising.

With seven runs home, Jim Hegan on third, nobody out and Whitey Ford and Bob Kuzava shelved from the mound, in came Yankee rookie Bob Grim.

The youngster promptly started pitching a no-hitter. Hegan got home on a sacrifice fly, but one after another Grim felled the Indians' clunkers until Wally Westlake finally broke the spell with a single at the start of the fifth.

Merrill, the Yankee catcher, belted a 3-3 after two innings and 8-7 after three. At this point Don Mossi checked them.

Cleveland got only one more hit, a harmless single by Al Smith in the seventh. The Yankees, though, put two on in the eighth and Mike Garcia replaced Mossi.

WEATHERED

Garcia weathered the eighth without further damage until he had Charley Silveira walk and Gene Woodling single with one out in the ninth. But Eddie Robinson popped up and Gil McDougald lofted a long fly to Dave Philley for the final out.

Philley potted a grand slam home run over the left field fence in the first inning.

The Cleveland-New York show goes on again tonight in Cleveland.

Only one other major league game was played last night. The Baltimore Orioles rallied for four ninth-inning runs and shaded the Philadelphia Athletics 7-6. The run total was the highest for the Orioles this season.

A pair of walks, singles by Bob Young and Gil Coan, a double by Dick Kryhoski and a sacrifice fly by Sam Mele provided the runs Baltimore needed to overcome a 6-3 Philadelphia lead.

Kryhoski got another double and a single during the chilly evening and drove in four runs.

Garver, last of the Athletics' pitchers, was charged with his second defeat in two days. The victory went to Howie Fox, who took over after seven for started Don Larsen.

Ned Garver Leads ERA

NEW YORK (AP) — Right-hander Ned Garver of the Detroit Tigers and southpaw Curt Simmons of the Philadelphia Phillies, both of whom were sidelined for a good part of last season, are leading the major leagues in earned run averages.

Garver, troubled by an ailing knee in 1953, paced the American League with an earned run average of 0.45, figures compiled by The Associated Press disclosed Tuesday. The 26-year-old native of Ney, Ohio, has given up only two earned runs in 37 innings while recording three victories against no defeats.

Simmons, sidelined for a month in '53 following the partial amputation of the big toe on his left foot, leads the National League with an average of 1.40.

Baltimore's Bob Turley is second in the American League with 1.67.

Runnerup to Simmons in the National League is teammate Robin Roberts. The durable right-hander has permitted 12 earned runs in 53 innings for a 2.04 slate.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FOOTBALL

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Frank Thomas, former head coach at Alabama, died after a long illness at the age of 55.

NEW YORK — The National Broadcasting Co. announced plans to televise Canadian pro football this fall on Saturday afternoons.

GOLF

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Mary Lena Faulk won medalist honors in the Women's Southern championship for the third straight year with a 2 over par 76.

TENNIS

ROME — Enrique Morea of Argentina upset top-seeded Tony Trabert of Cincinnati 10-6, 6-4, 6-3, 1-6, 7-5 to gain the final round of Italy's International Tournament.

Small Ballplayers Fill Baseball's Hall Of Fame



CLAYTON HANNON, Sports Editor

Hardtops Open On Sunday

Hardtop racing officially gets underway this weekend at Gema Speedway, but "Old Man Weather" is in the drivers seat for the first part of the racing season.

Racing fans are in for the best opening day, and season that they have seen so far, according to Speedway Manager Sam Neslin.

Last Sunday, racing officials held a special practice session, and somewhere around 1000 hardtop enthusiasts saw a preview of what to expect for the coming season, including "Mr. Weather."

Twenty-seven cards were entered in the Sunday special, and until the showers, good racing was in progress.

This weekend, there is a possibility that over fifty cars will be on the track for opening day formalities. About thirty-five of those will probably be owned, and driven by local hardtop men.

Included in the program will be the time trials, several heat races, the B main event, and the main event. There is a possibility that Neslin might schedule a special of some sort to give the opening day crowd something extra.

Included in these local drivers who will be back for more hardtop racing this season, are Bob Crawford, Russ Newell, last year's high point man in the local racing circle, Dale Hawkins, Bill Hilton, Matt Christian, Benny Morrison and many others too numerous to mention.

From California will come some top notch drivers, who gave the local boys a beating at times last year, such as Chick Robinson and Al Rossi, who won the last weekend special main event.

The regular prices will go into effect this weekend, according to Neslin, as will the full racing program. Time trials start at 1:30, and the first of the heat races get underway about 2:15.

Hitters Led By Tuttle, Stan Musial

NEW YORK (AP) — The major league season swings into its fifth week with outfielders Stan Musial of the Cardinals and Bill Tuttle of the Tigers leading their respective circuits in batting.

Musial, aiming for his seventh hitting title, tops the National League with a .382 average. Tuttle, a rookie, is the American League pace-setter with a mark of .375.

Figures include Monday's games. Brooklyn's Duke Snider is runnerup to Musial with .373, followed by Don Mueller of the Giants at .370, Billy Goodman of the Red Sox ranks second in the junior loop with .362 and teammate Jackie Jensen is next at .346.

Musial is the NL runs batted in leader with 28 and is tied with Hank Sauer of the Cubs in the home run derby, each having 10.

In the American loop Minnie Miñoso of the White Sox has the most RBIs, 21, and Yogi Berra of the Yankees and Roy Sievers of the Senators share home run supremacy with five apiece.

Ex-Alabama Grid Coach Succumbs

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Frank Thomas, 55, the stocky, soft-spoken man who coached Alabama to one of football's most spectacular records, died Monday night.

Death resulted from a heart ailment which forced him to give up coaching in 1947 and to surrender his duties as athletic director in early 1952.

During his 15 years as boss of the Crimson Tide, Thomas saw his teams win 115 games, lose 24 and tie 7.

He carried teams to three Rose Bowl games and to Cotton, Orange and Sugar Bowl appearances. His bowl record was 4-2.

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The STANDINGS

MONDAY'S BASEBALL
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Detroit	11	5	.688	
Cleveland	13	8	.619	1/2
Chicago	14	9	.609	1/2
New York	11	10	.524	2 1/2
Philadelphia	9	12	.429	4 1/2
Washington	7	12	.368	5 1/2
Baltimore	7	12	.368	5 1/2
Boston	5	9	.357	5 1/2

Monday's Results
Cleveland 8, New York 7
Baltimore 7, Philadelphia 6
Only games scheduled.

National, Pacific Coast and Western International League standings unchanged. No games played on Monday.

Bevos, Suds In Important PCL Meeting

Portland and Seattle Pacific Coast League baseball teams took up Tuesday night in their first face-to-face duel of 1954 with each out to make a "cousin" of his neighbor.

Only two games behind front-running Oakland and Sacramento, Portland hopes to get fat at the expense of the Rainiers who have had an up-and-down season. And the Rainiers who bested Charley Mack set the lowest mark with a blaring .249 and powered only four homers during his 11 years behind the plate.

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Meanwhile Hollywood and Oakland will tangle in the league's first real test of strength.

The two times champion Stars host Oakland in seven games starting Tuesday night, and if either club makes a runaway of the series it should indicate whether Hollywood is headed for its third title in a row.

Manager Bobby Bragan of the Stars says his club, which got away to a miserable start and faltered around at the bottom of the standings with San Francisco for three weeks, is now on its way.

The Stars last week took six of seven from San Diego, a team some of the experts figured might make a determined fight for the pennant.

In other games San Diego returns home as host to Sacramento and Los Angeles moves to San Francisco.

Pieretti Leads PCL Pitchers

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Pacific Coast League's list of under-leaved pitchers was halved from 12 to 6 last week but little Marino Pieretti of Sacramento stayed out front by turning back San Francisco 6-1 for his fifth straight.

Oakland's Don Ferrarese whiffed 12 Seattle batters and was far out front in the strikeout department.

May 9:

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Pieretti, Sac 7 14 30 5 0

H. Nicholas, Oak 6 11 14 3 0

Candini, Sac 7 5 8 3 0

Romonosky, SD 7 12 13 1 0

Beamon, Oak 4 22 7 1 0

Ihde, LA 7 1 5 1 0

Queen, Hwd 8 16 33 6 1

G. Elliott, Port 6 7 24 4 1

Fiedler, Port 7 10 8 4 1

Walton, Port 6 17 15 3 1

Walbel, Port 9 13 14 3 1

Munger, Hwd 8 7 16 3 1

Donoso, Hwd 9 17 28 5 2

Thomason, SD 7 28 25 4 2

Fennin, SD 7 26 26 2 1

Atkins, Oak 8 19 11 2 1

Chandler, LA-SF 4 3 7 2 1

Gumpert, LA 11 8 6 2 1

Kimball, Sac 9 9 1 2 1

By GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK (AP) — Willie Keeler, the remarkable little man who contributed the sage advice to "hit 'em where they ain't" to baseball lore, stood only 5 feet 4 and weighed but 140 pounds, yet he was large enough to post a batting average of .345 during his 19 years of outfielding in the big leagues.

Johnny Evers, member of the famous Tinker to Evers to Chance double-play combination, was even smaller than Willie, though, if you want to judge them on weight alone. The pugnacious second baseman carried only 135 pounds on his 5 feet 9 inches over an 18-year span and was by far the thinnest athlete yet to be inducted in the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown.

The largest member of that select company appears to have been the famous Adrian (Cap) Anson, who weighed in at 220 pounds while infielding and managing, mostly for the Chicago Cubs, from 1876 to 1897. Babe Ruth is listed at a mere 215, along with Uncle Wilbert Robinson, but many admirers of the pair will contend they were given a short count.

The three tallest specimens among the 64 superstars whose plaques adorn the walls of the baseball shrine were Dizzy Dean, Lefty Bob Grove and Cy Young, all pitchers and all measuring 6 feet 3. The late Herb Pennock, one of the greatest of the left-handers, weighed 165 pounds and was much the lightest of the modern group of pitchers in the hall.

He and Young had the longest careers in the big show, 22 years each.

If there's anything to be learned from these facts and figures culled from a handsome pamphlet prepared by Sid Keener, custodian of the Cooperstown gallery, it seems to be that there's no such animal as an average ballplayer. One notes from the chart, though, that they average a good deal larger these days than they did around the turn of the century.

Rabbit Maranville's 5 feet 5 and 145 pounds would not have been considered unusually small 40 or 50 years ago, and Paul Waner's 5 feet 8 1/2 would have made him quite a big feller.

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Oregon Back Into Contention

NORTHERN DIVISION

	W	L	Pct.
Oregon State	9	3	.750
Oregon	8	3	.727
Washington	6	5	.545
Washington State	5	7	.417
Idaho	1	11	.083

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The University of Oregon Ducks, fighting to keep in title contention in the Northern Division baseball pennant chase, knocked over Washington, 4-3, Monday in the loop's only game of the day.

Dick Schlossstein's two-out double, which scored John Keller in the top of the ninth, was the key blow of the game.

Schlossstein grabbed off an early lead with a singleton in the third inning, but the Ducks stormed back with two runs in the fourth and another in the sixth. The Huskies scored in the fourth and seventh to tie the game up, but Schlossstein's double broke the knot and the Huskies couldn't recover in their half of the ninth.

Three Washington errors helped the Oregon cause along.

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Forbes and Marlett; Hill and Ballard.

COLLEGE SPORTS

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TIME OUT



"Boy! This town of Milwaukie sure is baseball mad!"

Top Mile Race In Making

VANCOUVER, B.C. — A race featuring the four fastest milers in the world, including Roger Bannister, the lanky Briton who cracked the 4-minute barrier last Thursday, may be in the offing.

George Duthie, sports director of the Canadian National Exhibition, said Monday he has started arrangements toward making the race a reality. He said if possible it would be held in Toronto late this summer.

In addition to Bannister, who ran the world's fastest mile, in 3:59.4 at Oxford University, the field would be made up of Australia's John Landy, Wes Santee of the University of Kansas and Murray Halburg of New Zealand.

Landy's best time for the distance is 4:02.4. Santee has been clocked at 4:02.4 and Halburg at 4:04.2.

Duthie said the only hitch may be in Bannister's scheduled appearance in the European championship about Aug. 20.

Duthie said, however, that in a cable invitation to Bannister, the CNE offered to fly Bannister back to Toronto if he would race during the exhibition scheduled for Aug. 27-Sept. 9.

Bannister is entered on the British Empire Games here July 30-Aug. 7.

Santee, who entered the Marines June 13, said he was more interested in "doing a good job with the Marines" than participating in the Toronto race.

WIL Teams Close After Two Weeks

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Western International League teams, still closely bunched nearly two weeks into the new season, open new tests of strength Tuesday night with only the Edmonton Eskimos and Calgary Stampedeers out of action.

The aptly named Eskimos, representing the look's "farthest north" city, and the Stampedeers will be idle until Friday when the rescheduling agreed to when Calgary was brought back into the league last week.

The Eskimos originally were scheduled to open Tuesday night at Calgary. But in the agreement settling the controversy involving Calgary's franchise the series was left open, to be made up later, while the Stampedeers' management completes preparing the home park for the season debut.

The Calgary franchise was suspended April 29 after a dispute over paying the players. It was reinstated at a directors' meeting last Saturday.