

Giel Can Write His Own Baseball Ticket

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NEW YORK — (NEA) — Paul Giel worked his way through Minnesota playing football to make a living in baseball. Giel was offered a \$50,000 bonus by a major league club while pitching for Winona, Minn., High.

Scouts have since trailed the Gophers' All-America one-man backfield like Federal Bureau of Investigation agents.

Every fussy forger who has seen him believes he'll win in the big show. Most of them and his coach, Dick Siebert, the one-time Athletics' first baseman, contend that he'd help most staffs right now.

Giel will write his own ticket upon his graduation in early June and is expected to step right into a major league uniform.

Giel, 23-year-old son of a railroad engineer, is a high principled youngster. He wanted a college education and got it on a football scholarship. That was one reason he completed his eligibility in the rougher game.

The baseball bid was upped after his junior year. Tallback Giel knew he would be a marked man last fall, but said he owed it to his teammates to go through the season. Besides, he liked to play football. The result was just about as spectacular a season as a football player could have.

"You get a few more butterflies in your stomach in football than in baseball, but I like them both," explains the Minneapolis Gopher.

Some clubs suspected a baseball impairment after all that Giel went through in football last autumn. "I'll take nobody's money until they are convinced that I can pitch," the honorable Giel told representatives. By way of further convincing them, Giel struck out 14 batters yielding no more than four hits before overcoated Gopher fans.

Trory judges like everything about Giel including his conformation. He stands five feet 11, weighs 185 solid pounds and is not too long armed. Bob Feller and Burleigh Grimes, to single out two, were built that way. Those kind



PAUL GIEL
... all around

never have arm trouble. It is the long-armed guys who snap their arms like a whip that wind up sore and disabled.

It goes without saying that Giel is a fiery, poised competitor. He

is fast, has a good curve, a change of pace and control and Siebert declares him to be a major league feeder now.

Giel set an earned-run average as a sophomore, was named an All-America last year by the college coaches.

"Cleveland has a policy not to sign bonus players," says Hank Greenberg, "but is interested in Giel as a bonus player. I don't think the boy can miss."

"I've seen Giel for five years," testifies Fred Schulte of the White Sox, "and he's always impressed me. He is pitching smarter."

"Where can you find a better major league pitching prospect than Giel?" asks the Giants' Angelo Guillard.

"We've always liked him," chirps the Dodgers' Clay Bryant.

"He has everything," says the Tigers' Phil Gullivan.

"I know of only one other college pitcher who is as good a prospect," asserts the Braves' Eddie Dandaneau, "Giel is a brighter prospect than was Murray Wall (now with Toledo) when we signed him after he had finished pitching for Texas."

The line forms on the left, and get it up, men.

Ashland Netters Trip Pelicans 5-2

Ashland's tennis team turned in a 5-2 victory over the KU Pelicans Tuesday afternoon on the Grizzlies home courts.

Mike Hayden was the only Pel to win a singles match when he beat Dave Woods, 6-3, 6-2. The Pel's number two doubles team won the other Klamath match as Bill Bechen and Dick Clark set down the Ashland team of B. Woods and Jimmy Smith by 6-1, 6-1 scores.

The next encounter for the local high school netters will be the district tournament, that will be held on the Moore Park tennis courts May 21 and 22.

Results of the Klamath-Ashland meet:

Singles
Marvin Woods A, beat Dennis Todd K, 4-6, 6-0.

Jerry Mickle A, beat Bill Bechen K, 4-6, 8-6, 6-2.

Mike Hayden K, beat David Woods A, 6-3, 6-2.

Bob Laws A, beat Elvis Mitchell K, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1.

Jim Smith A beat Gerald Flochini K, 6-4, 6-2.

Doubles
M. Woods and Mickle A, beat Todd and Hayden K, 6-8, 7-5, 7-5.

Bechen and Clark K, beat D. Woods and Smith A, 6-1, 6-1.

Exhibition
Dick Clark K, beat Dave Carter A, 6-2, 6-4.

WEDNESDAY'S STARS

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
PITCHING — Lew Burdette, Milwaukee Braves — Gave up only one hit, a home run by Gil Hodges, in beating Brooklyn 5-1.

BATTING — Wally Moon, St. Louis Cardinals — Hit a home run and four singles, drove in four runs and scored five as St. Louis beat Pittsburgh 13-5.

TIME OUT



Note the diminished energy due to production of a fatigue poison, known as lactic acid!

Jacks Open At Alturas

Klamath's new semi-pro baseball team will get their season underway this Sunday afternoon at Alturas in a non-league game starting at 2:30 California daylight time.

Manager H. Hatfield will have about the same team as last year, only the sponsor and team name will be different. Eldorado Lumber Company has taken over the sponsorship, and the team is now known as the Lumberjacks.

Besides this Sunday's encounter, the Lumberjacks will travel to Medford to meet the Cheney Studs in a game at Medford next Wednesday night.

This Sunday Hatfield will probably start Dick Lundsten on the mound against Alturas, and Fran Miller will get the nod to pitch against the Cheney team.

Besides Lundsten and Miller, Hatfield will fill his team out with returning ballplayers like Ken Young, Al Herrera, Irv Whit, Ron Owings and Gary Dawes.

New comers on this year's squad are Art Raymond, a first baseman and a couple of high school seniors, who will windup their high school playing this weekend, Don Dexter and Gene Motter.

The regular season gets underway on May 23, with the Lakeview Gems traveling to Klamath to meet the Lumberjacks in an afternoon game.

Major League Clubs Set

NEW YORK — Barring trades or recalls, baseball's major league clubs are all set for the pennant drives after reducing their rosters to 25 players plus military exemptions.

The Indians trimmed six players, including big Luke Easter, from their roster and the Orioles disposed of four. The world champion New York Yankees pared three left-handed pitchers while the Brooklyn Dodgers, National League titleholders, sent an outfielder back to the minors.

Ex-Yanks Working Wonders

By BEN PHILGAR
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The New York Yankees had some fresh ammunition today to use against the critics who have blasted them for hoarding talent during their pennant rampages of the past five seasons.

Exhibits A and B are Lew Burdette and Don Johnson, a pair of 27-year-old right-handed pitchers who once toiled in Yankee levers.

Burdette, now a front-line member of the Milwaukee mound staff, mowed down the Brooklyn Dodgers on one hit yesterday for a 5-1 victory. Johnson gave up only two hits in pitching the Chicago White Sox to a 1-0 verdict over Boston.

But a quick survey of the deals that sent these young men to their present employers strongly indicates the Yankees had no generous share-the-wealth ideas. In fact, it's

doubtful the New Yorkers had any notion these pitchers would stick in the majors, much less blossom into stars.

For example, Johnson, who had been relegated to the minors after a 4-3 season with New York in Duane Pilette (now with Baltimore), Jim Deling (now with Detroit), George Stinweiss and \$50,000 in a 1950 deal with the St. Louis Browns that brought pitchers Joe Ostrowski and Tom Perlick and infielder Leo Thomas to the Yanks.

Burdette was recalled from the minors in 1951 and tossed in with \$50,000 in the deal with the Braves that sent Johnny Sain to New York. That trade looks better now, but at the time the experts figured the Yanks had come up with another "steal".

Burdette held on and finally caught fire last season in Milwaukee, winning 15 while losing five. Johnson was dealt to Washington by the Browns in 1952 and released by the Senators in 1952.

Last season he had a 15-12 record at Toronto in the International League and the White Sox grabbed him. This year he has a 3-1 mark, including another two-hit shutout in addition to yesterday's fine performance.

He had a no-hit until Johnny Groh got an infield single in the seventh. He gave up two more singles.

The only hit off Burdette at Brooklyn was a home run by Gil Hodges in the fifth. Burdette kept the Dodgers pounding the ball into the dirt and first baseman Joe Adcock made 17 putouts. Two Dodgers walked, two struck out.

Harry Perkowski of Cincinnati had a two-hit shutout working at the Polo Grounds until the ninth when, with one out and one on, Bob Hofman unloaded his second pinch-hit homer of the season.

The Phillies, who fumbled themselves into extra innings Tuesday night, made four more errors last night but Curt Simmons survived the handicap to post his fourth victory. The Cubs made it close when Bill Serena singled with the bases loaded for two runs in the ninth.

Rookie Wally Moon of the Cardinals got five hits in six tries against Pittsburgh and Red Schoendienst went 4-for-4 as the Redbirds battered Pirate pitching for 21 hits. The Pirates collected 14 in the slugfest. This was the second time Moon had gotten five hits but this time he scored five runs, high in the majors this season. He homered and also stole a base.

Baltimore and Philadelphia in the American League weren't scheduled.

Wallace Gets Split Decision

WASHINGTON — Coley Wallace, who has ambitions in boxing's heavyweight division, learned Wednesday night he has a long road to travel before he can rate a shot at Rocky Marciano's title.

Wallace learned his lesson the hard way, in a split decision win over Bill Gilliam in a nationally televised bout.

Bearing a little resemblance to the Joe Louis he portrayed in the movie, Wallace seemed completely bewildered by his light-punching opponent. In only two rounds did he manage to rough Gilliam up.

The crowd didn't think much of the 16-round bout, letting fly with boos from the sixth round on. No one was knocked down and the only blood that showed was from Gilliam's nose.

Wallace, whose most recent fight ended in a knockout loss to Ezzard Charles, weighed in at 209. Gilliam was 210 1/2; for the fight witnessed by 618 fans who paid \$1.10.

Detroit held on to first place in the American League by beating Washington 4-2. The Yankees edged Cleveland 5-4.

Philadelphia replaced Brooklyn at the top of the National League. The Phils won over Chicago 5-4. New York defeated Cincinnati 2-1 and St. Louis slugged Pittsburgh 13-5.

Lefty Ted Gray pitched his first complete game and scored his first victory for the Tigers this season as he scattered six Washington hits. Jim Busby reached him for a home run in the ninth.

The Indians kayoed Eddie Lopat with a four-run uprising in the eighth but Johnny Sain came to the rescue and saved Lopat's fifth straight triumph. The victory was the Yankees' second in a row over the Indians and deadlocked the two teams in third place, a game and a half behind Detroit.

Johnson gave up his two hits to Boston, both singles in the first two innings. His mound foe, young Tom Brewer, walked in the only run of the game when he issued passes to four of the first six batters in the opening inning. Brewer

BOWLING SCORES

WOMEN'S TOURNEY

Winema Hotel and Travel Lodge were entered in the Northwest Women's Bowling Tournament last weekend that is being held in Boise, Idaho, and will continue until May 16.

The Hotel team rolled a 2139 pin score in Class B team action, while Travel Lodge had a series total of 2082.

In doubles action, Dena Backes and Martha McCollum had a Class B total of 870, while Jo Reganato and Audrey Thomas were among the top scorers with their 895 total, they also were in Class B.

Mary Bothwell and Bernice Britt rolled a Class A doubles score of 960. Bothwell also had a Class A singles score of 347 pins. Britt had a Class B single score of 414.

In other B action McCollum and Reganato registered in with scores of 419 and 434 respectively, while Thomas and Mabel Watcher had Class C single scores of 472 and 468.

Over 200 teams are entered in the month long tournament, and another Klamath Falls entry will see action tomorrow night and Saturday, when Vailier's Cafe takes to the Boise ally.

CLASSIC LEAGUE

The Classic League Jackpot Doubles were rolled off last night, and the league's action drew to a close until next season.

The one night tournament ended in a two way tie for top spot, with Ivan Bold and Carl Lane finishing in a dead heat with the double team of Dave Robb and Don Fuller. Both teams had a 1151 pin score.

Third place went to the team of Harry Bray and Vernon Durant while Win Southwest held down fourth place with an even 1100 pins.

The league pay-off was also made last night, according to the league's spokesman.

WEDNESDAY'S FIGHTS

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WASHINGTON — Coley Wallace, 209, New York, outpointed Billy Gilliam, 210 1/2, Orange, N.J., 10

Braves Drop Spokane 9-7

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Tri-City Braves put together their fourth Western International League win of 1954 Wednesday night and Spokane tumbled out of first place, leaving the top berth in the exclusive possession of Vancouver's Capilanos.

The Braves pounced on three Spokane pitchers for 12 hits on their way to a 9-7 victory at Kennewick.

The loss dropped the Indians, who had shared first place with Vancouver, to a third place tie with Lewiston. Vancouver kept its top rating with a 10-5 win over Wenatchee while Lewiston clipped Salem 5-2. Yakima outturned Victoria 5-1 and moved into the No. 2 berth, half a game back of Vancouver. Edmonton and Calgary were idle.

Spokane scored twice in the first inning. Will Hefley lifting one out of the park after Tri-City starter Dale Bloom had hit a batter. The Indians added single runs in the second and third. Tri-City chased in two in the third and grabbed the lead with four in the fifth. Spokane went ahead again with a pair of runs in the sixth but a three-run rally in the eighth saved the game for Tri-City.

Manager Bill Brenner pitched Vancouver to its ninth win of the year. Wenatchee outbit the Caps 16-13 getting 13 of the safeties off Brenner, but didn't make them count. K Chorlton starred at the plate for Vancouver, with four hits in five trips including two doubles and a homer. Chorlton was credited with five runs batted in.

Lewiston's Jack Martin spaced six hits at Salem while his teammates combed two hurlers for 11. Nick Canulli singled in the third inning and was doubled home by Mel Wasley for the first Lewiston score. The Broncs added three runs in the fourth on singles by Russ Rossburg, Ed Garay, Jose

Bache and Martin. Rossburg homered for the final Lewiston tally in the fifth.

The night's best pitching job was at Yakima where Dick Young held Victoria to three scattered safeties. Victoria's only score was in the eighth when Tommy Perez, Steve Messner and Eddie Lake walked and Perez crossed the plate on Dane Clay's sacrifice fly.

Vancouver 002 200 420—18 13 3
Wenatchee 000 100 010—3 15 1
Brenner, Roberts (7) and Durrell, Thompson, DeCarolis (7) and Jenney.

Lewiston 001 310 000—5 11 2
Salem 000 001 010—2 5 0
Martin and Garay; Rayle, McFarlane (4), Briggs (8) and Ogden.

Spokane 311 100 200—7 9 2
Tri-City 002 040 038—9 12 4
Lawson, Aubertin (5), Giovannoni (8) and Dean; Bloom, Robertson (7), Lemieux (8), Dobner (9) and Warren.

Victoria 000 000 010—1 3 0
Yakima 010 000 215—5 10 1
Prijor and Martin; Young, Machado (8) and Summers.

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