Cubs Pick Ex-Giant, Nats Draft Unknown

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UP) — Monte Irvin, whose big bat played a key role in the ew York Giants' miracle finish in 1951, is coming back to the major leagues at the ripe old age of 37—this time with the Chicago Cubs.

The slugging outfielder, abandoned by the Giants last summer, was the only big name among the 10 minor leaguers selected by the majors for a total of $115,000 in yesterday's annual draft session, which officially opened the winter baseball meetings.

Although an unusual number of big league managers were here, only one trade was consummated. The Chicago Cubs sent Hal Jeffcoat, a fair relief pitcher, to the exchange for Hobie Landrith, a second-string catcher.

The Cubs, in desperate need of a strong right-handed outfielder, plucked Irvin from Minneapolis, the Giants' farm club in the American Assn., for the $10,000 draft price, beating out at least two other clubs—Detroit and Cincinnati. If Irvin can come anywhere near the .352 batting average he posted with the Millers, he will provate a real bargain.

TOOK TITLE

Chicago also took title to pitcher Vito Valentinetti from Toronto. Valentinetti had a 9-15 record with Charleston last season.

The Cubs were the only club to choose more than one player in the lightest draft since 1945 when the same number of players were selected.

The biggest surprise was Washington's selection of a practically unknown pitcher, right-hander Conrad Grob, from Montreal, as the No. 1 pick. Grob, 23, had an 11-9 record at Mobile before being moved to Montreal.

The second choice went to Pittsburgh, which selected Jack McMahon, a southpaw on the Denver roster who turned in an 11-5 record for Birmingham last season. Baltimore picked first baseman Bob Boyd off Rochester. A former outfielder with the Chicago White Sox, Boyd batted .309, drove in 94 runs and hit 15 home runs at Houston.

PITCHER

The St. Louis Cardinals picked pitcher Billy Muffett, who was 10-4 at Shreveport. Muffett came off the Los Angeles roster.

Kansas City took title to Bill Herriage from Oakland. Herriage, a right-hander, had a 15-7 mart at Montgomery.

The Tigers selected Joe Preski, a former Cardinal right-hander who had a 6-10 record at Omaha. The Giants took right-hander Steve Ridzik, former Philadelphia and Cincinnati pitcher, drafted from Seattle.

Milwaukee took southpaw Lou Sleater from Columbus. The former American Leaguer was 1-1 at Toledo.

The Giants completed their coaching staff with the selection of Ray Mueller, former National League catcher, as bullpen coach.

Pitt Gets Glick In NFL Draft

PHILADELPHIA (UP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers, whose tough line begrudges every inch of ground gained, had added help in the secondary today in the surprise selection of quarterback Gary Glick of Colorado A & M as their bonus choice in the National Football League draft.

The Steelers won the "bonus" pick at the league's 21st selection meeting and passed over such offensive football players as Howie (Hopalong) Cassady of Ohio State and Earl Morrall of Michigan State in favor of Glick, one of the top defensive backs in the nation.

"We drew to our weakness," Coach Walt Kiesling said as he explained why the Steelers took Glick as a sleeper choice. "He's a do-everything ball player, and while we plan to use him on the defense, we could send him to quarterback on the offense."

The surprise selection of Glick set the pattern of the owners who all but ignored All America collegians as they made the first three rounds of the draft at the earlier than usual date to avoid any possible legal action with Canadian promoters.

ALL-AMERICANS

Only four of the 1955 All America first team were picked up in the three rounds of selections, a total of 37 players drafted.

Cassady went on the first round to the Detroit Lions, and Bob Pellegrini, center from Maryland, went on the first round to the Philadelphia Eagles.

Tackle Bruce Bosley of West Virginia went to San Francisco and tackle Norman Masters of Michigan State to the Chicago Cardinals, both as second round choices.

Pittsburgh explained they passed over Cassady and tapped Art Davis of Mississippi State in the first round in anticipation of the return from service of Johnny Lattner of Notre Dame and Paul Cameron of UCLA.

The Steelers were in touch with Glick directly after the bonus choice and said the Aggie back assured them he was interested in professional football.

FOUR YEARS

Glick, 25, is a veteran of four years service in the Navy. He intercepted 13 passes during the past two seasons, returned punts, ran the ball for 641 yards, threw passes adequately, scored seven touchdowns, threw two touchdown passes, kicked 15 conversions and booted a field goal in his only attempt.

Only two linemen were selected in the first round.

Morrall went to San Francisco. Other first round choices were Joe Childress of Oklahoma to the Cardinals; Lenny Moore of Penn State to Baltimore; Menan Schriewer, an end from Texas, to the Bears; Charley Horton, of Vanderbilt, to Los Angeles; Ed Vereb of Maryland to Washington; Preston Carpenter of Arkansas to Cleveland, and Jack Losch of Miami (Fla.) to Green Bay.

Los Angeles also got Joe Marcone of West Virginia from the Giants as a draft choice in a previously consummated player trade.

The teams will conclude the player draft — each has 22 choices left — at Los Angeles next January.

Quentin Convict Stages Escape

SAN QUENTIN (UP) — An all-points bulletin was issued today for two San Quentin convicts who walked away from the prison farm.

The convicts, Henry T. Marlow, 30, and Jesus Pantoja, 36, both serving forgery terms imposed in Los Angeles County, were missing at the 10 o'clock bed call last night.

They were members of a crew of 46 trusties who work at the prison farm on a minimum security basis. They sleep outside the prison walls.

BIG HAUL—Roberto C. Arreola landed this 97-pound blue marlin on a 24-pound line. He was a member of the Mexican team which competed in the International Game Fishing Tournament off Puerto Rico.

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Modoc Bldg. Supply	29	19
KFLW	26	18
K. Amusement	25½	18½
Kalpine "B"	24	24
A and B Paint	24	20
Interstate Waterboys	23½	24½
Acme Concrete	22	26
Herald and News	21	23
Macdoel Tavern	10	38
Klamath Jets	8	40

Last night's results:
A and B 3 Herald-News 1
Acme Concrete 3 Macdoel 1
Kalpine "A" 2 Modoc Bldg. 1
K. Amusement 4 Klamath Jets 0
KFLW 3 Interstate Waterboys 1
Klamath Lbr. & Box 3 Kalpine "B" 1
Makeup Game
Kalpine "A" 3 K. Amusement 1

High team game—KFLW 965
High team series—KFLW 2736
High individual game—Don Miller 229
High individual series—Vic Douglas 565

Dawson, Cassady Said Tops

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK (UP)— This is the All-America season and you can take it from coaches Woody Hayes of Ohio State and Stu Holcombe of Purdue that their Howard (Hopalong) Cassady and Len Dawson both belong front and center on anybody's ball club.

Hayes was absolutely ecstatic over his 21-year-old, 177-pound speedball. He didn't stop by asserting emphatically that young Hopby can be classed without hesitation right alongside the immortal Red Grange.

"He is," Hayes insisted, "the greatest football player I've ever seen."

Holcombe backed him up, to a point.

"Cassady is the best running back I've seen," Stu said. "But my Len Dawson is the best quarterback I've seen."

Nobody thought to ask Hayes to substantiate Holcombe, as the Purdue coach had backed him up. Not that either of them needed help.

CONVERSATIONAL

Hayes, however, must be conceded the winner of their conversational canter before the New York Football Writers Assn. He took the opening kickoff and nobody laid a comma on him.

Briefly, his opinion was, in addition to Cassady's brilliance, that the Ohio State team was the best in the Big 10 and should be in the Rose Bowl against UCLA even though Michigan State will get the trip because of the two-year rule.

"Cassady is the greatest," Woody said in warming up. "He averaged 125 to 150 yards a game, even though he was defensed in every game. They just couldn't stop him. He's an All-America game buster. We'll have a good team next year, but we'll never replace him. You can, compare this kid to the greatest ever and you're not overestimating him. He's a great blocker, too, and on defense, well, just don't throw the ball unless you want him to intercept it."

NO APOLOGIES

Regarding the Big 10, Hayes left no doubt but what for his pesos the Western conference was the best in the land — and Ohio State the best in that land.

"We make no apologies for our crowds, even though the Big 10 for seven years has led the nation in attendance," he said. "Not only that, but we'll get better because schools like Iowa and Wisconsin have outgrown their seating capacity and will enlarge. But our kids don't come to college just to play football. They're students and they study and learn."

Holcombe was not as vehement, but just as direct.

"We in the Big 10 respect a lot of other schools, such as UCLA, Oklahoma and TCU, just to name a few," he declared. "But generally the 10 teams in our conference can beat you on any given Saturday."

Getting back to Dawson, Holcombe began to glow.

"Cassady is the best running back," he admitted. "But Dawson undoubtedly is the best quarterback in the country. You know, we don't get soft touches Saturday after Saturday—and, this kid did one of the grandest jobs week in and week out that anybody'll ever see."

Hayes just nodded, but happily.

Braves May Face Court Tiff

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UP) — The Milwaukee Braves' attempt to shift their Toledo, Ohio, franchise in the American Assn. to Miami, Fla., threatened the entire structure of organized baseball today.

For it appeared that a court suit may be necessary to decide whether the Braves have the right to shift the franchise without the approval of the Association.

As matters now stand, seven of the Association clubs are against the Toledo-to-Miami switch. The Braves, claiming they lost a quarter-of-a-million dollars operating the Toledo franchise the last two seasons, insist they be allowed to go to Miami.

Such a shift would make a league which would stretch from Denver, Colo., in the West to St. Paul and Minneapolis in the North and Miami in the South. It would involve so much additional traveling expense that the other clubs want no part of it.

The Braves also realize that such a shift would not be a profitable one. But they were hoping to get the Columbus Jets of the International League to agree to switch to the Association, with the International League taking on Miami. Such a change would not affect the International League's traveling picture to any great extent, for it has a team in Havana, Cuba.

But the Jets, who were in the Association for years, are happy in the International and do not want to change back.

To resolve the deadlock, it was reported the Braves offered to buy the Syracuse, N.Y., franchise in the International and shift it to Miami, paving the way for Toledo to join the Association.

But the International League was said to have frowned.

Then the Braves issued an ultimatum — they either will operate their Association franchise in Miami or not at all.

The Association's reply was that if it did not accept the shift, Milmilwaukee either would have to continue in Toledo or give up its franchise and all players signed to Toledo contracts. It was the latter stipulation which got the Braves up in arms. They have several promising players at Toledo they do not want to give up.

Commissioner Ford Frick and Minor League President George Trautman interpreted baseball way and indicated they would fight the issue, taking it into the courts if necessary.

The Association held an emergency meeting Monday night without deciding what it should do about the matter. It appeared possible that the issue might be put off until after the minor league meetings, which began here today, are concluded on Friday.

But there was no sign that either the Association, the International League or the Braves were willing to give an inch. If the situation stays that way, it would take a legal battle to decide it and it could result in the whole structure of the major and minor leagues finally coming up for court review and decision.

YOUNG ROBIN HOOD — Richard Hebert, 13, looks as if he might have been hunting in Sherwood Forest. An expert archer, the Rutland lad took advantage of the 11-day bow and arrow hunting season in Vermont to get his deer.

Celebration Comes After National Title

NORMAN, Okla. (UP)—"Is it really for sure?" halfback Tommy McDonald wanted to know.

And when he found out it was for sure—Oklahoma is the national football champion — the speedy, high-scoring junior whooped with delight. So did every other Sooner player on the campus. Coaches and school officials joined them.

The Sooners, undefeated in 29 straight games, were named the nation's No. 1 team today in the season's final poll of sports writers and broadcasters by The Associated Press.

"It's really great," said McDonald. "We're ready for anything."

That anything as every Sooner player knowns is undefeated Maryland.

"We just hope we won't let our fans down in the Orange Bowl game," said line coach Gomer Jones after he heard the news.

"We're all very happy we were selected national champions. I believe it was a team effort that won this honor. The whole squad was outstanding all year long. The morale was great, even among those who did not get to play very much."

Head Coach Bud Wilkinson was out of town when the news was received.

"I am greatly pleased, but not surprised," said President George L. Cross, a onetime football player at South Dakota State.

"Our team this year is one of the finest I've ever seen."

"It's the greatest thrill I've ever had in my life," said No. 2 fullback Dennit Morris.

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In Brief

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BASEBALL

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Boston Red Sox purchased the San Francisco Seals of the Pacific Coast League for $150,000.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The major leagues selected a total of 10 minor league players in the annual draft with Monte Irvin, former New York Giant star, going to the Chicago Cubs.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Cincinnati Redlegs traded catcher Hobie Landrith to the Chicago Cubs for pitcher Hal Jeffcoat.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The New York Giants announced the signing of Ray Mueller as coach.

FAIRMONT, W.Va. — Auburn D. (Dan) Sowers, the father of American Legion junior baseball, died at the age of 60.

FOOTBALL

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Auburn and Vanderbilt were named for the Gator Bowl game Dec. 31.

PHILADELPHIA — The Pittsburgh Steelers drew the NFL bonus choice and selected quarterback Gary Glick, a comparative unknown from Colorado A&M.

ORLANDO, Fla. — The Tangerine Bowl selected Missouri Valley of Marshall, Mo., to oppose Juniata College on Jan. 2.

CROSS COUNTRY

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Charles (Deacon) Jones of Iowa upset favored Henry Kennedy of Michigan State in the NCAA cross-country, but Michigan State won the team championship.

RACING

MIAMI, Fla. — Jockey Willie Hartack, the nation's leading rider, rode four winners in the opening program at Tropical Park.

SAN BRUNO, Calif. — Dignitary ($8.60) took the Seabiscuit Purse at Tanforan.

Middie End, Quarterback Head AP's 1955 All-East Grid Team

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A one-handed end, a limping, 165-pound quarterback, a small college fullback and a player so versatile no place could be found for him are featured performers on the 1955 Associated Press all-East football team.

The end and quarterback are Ron Beagle and George Welsh, Navy's 1-2 passing punch that made the midshipmen the No. 1 air-gaining team in major college football this season.

Beagle, an All-America end last season, broke a small bone in his left wrist just before the first game this year. He missed that one before he was fitted with a leather brace, which is laced tightly over his wrist from forearm to fingers and then covered with tape.

Thus encumbered, Ronnie still managed to catch Welsh's passes so adeptly that Coach Eddie Erdelatz remarked: "Beagle with one hand is better than most ends with two hands."

Welsh, only 5-feet-10 and 165 pounds, made up for his lack of size by sheer ability as a T-formation quarterback.

The fullback is Charlie Sticka, the subject of anguished outcries when he left Trinity (Conn.) during his freshman year for a brief visit to Notre Dame, where Trinity supporters figured he might become an All-America performer. Instead he returned and lived up to his billing by leading Trinity to two undefeated seasons as a junior and senior.

The versatile enigma is Army's Ralph Chesnauskas, perhaps the best all-around lineman in the East. An All-America guard last year, Chesnauskas divided his time between tackle and end this season, did well at both positions but not well enough to beat out the full-time performers.

As an end he didn't have much chance against Beagle and big John Paluck of Pitt, tabbed "Mean John" because of his rugged, enthusiastic play. As a tackle he couldn't outshine the equally big, angular and rough Phil Tarasovic of Yale or lean, quick-moving Tom Powell of Colgate.

With Sticka and Welsh in the backfield named by The Associated Press Eastern selection board are Jimmy Brown, a swift-moving 212-pound halfback from Syracuse and equally swift Lenny Moore of Penn State.

In the middle of the line are guards Stan Slater of Army and Bill Meigs of Harvard, both outstanding linebackers, and center John Cenci, the anchor man of the powerful Pitt line.

County 'B' All-Star Grid Club Announced

Malin's state champion Mustangs and the Merrill Huskies led the voting in the 1955 All-Klamath County B football selections, according to the announcement by the County Principals and Coaches Association today.

Four Malin gridders and three Huskies were honored by being selected to the 11-man star squad. The remaining four positions were divided with Chiloquin gaining two spots, while Bonanza and Sacred Heart garnered one apiece.

End Wes Drazil, tackle Norm Oliva and center John Pierce were the three linemen selected from the state B championship team, while halfback "Rambling Ray" Johnson was the other Malin pick.

Merrill players that were honored included end Dale McCulloch, tackle Bob Wilson and guard Bob Lopez. Chiloquin's Vic Sisson filled the other guard spot, while Dick Siemens nailed down one of the four backfield positions. Dick Barnett of Bonanza and Dean Michaelis of Sacred Heart completed the All-County team with backfield nominations.

Being the race for the all-star eleven was so close, the Principals and Coaches Association honored 18 other gridders with honorable mention awards. Ends receiving honorable mention votes were Roger Dokken of Malin and Jerry Collins and Danny Ochoa, both of Chiloquin. The HM tackle recognitions went to Malin's Allan Meyers and Len Dobry, Chris Lemler of Merrill and Wayne Adams of Sacred Heart.

At guard, Bill Lisky of Bonanza, Bill Moore of Merrill, Grady Saunders of Malin and Roy Ingram of Malin received mention. Two centers were also recognized for their playing during the past season as honorable mention was given to Dean Hill of Merrill and Ken Reed of Sacred Heart.

Five other backfield men were given positions under the honorable mention list. They were George Hodges of Merrill, Glenn Steyskal of Malin, Sid Ridenour of Chiloquin, Dick Wickline of Sacred Heart and Jack Berry, also of Merrill.

Malin led the league standings with a 4-0 mark, while Chiloquin and Merrill followed with 3-1 and 2-2 showings. Bonanza was fourth with one win against three losses, while Sacred Heart closed in last spot with four defeats.

The all-star team was named after all of the county league players voted for an all-opponent team, the coaches' selections were passed on by the P-C Association.

The principals and coaches group also made some recommendations for the annual East-West B High school shrine game to be held next August, but these will not be announced until the shrine teams are picked later in the school year.

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