

# Rush In Player Deals Seen

## Braves Have Eye On Phillie

By United Press International  
Look for a big rush on baseball's trading market the next two weeks with all clubs making their annual frantic effort to cash in on that one final deal before the "windows close" on the June 15 deadline.

Only the off-by-themselves Yankees feel they can stand pat and still win, but all the other clubs are of a mind and mood to swing a deal—and that includes the world champion Milwaukee Braves.

Two games off the pace, as Memorial Day dawned, the Braves are hot after center-fielder Richie Ashburn of the Phillies. Only hitch is the Phils want both Joe Adcock and Felix Mantilla in return. Philadelphia manager Mayo Smith says he needs a first baseman, then adds he can use a second baseman even more in light of the recent injury suffered by Granny Hamner.

Smith isn't the only national league manager hollering help, however.

### BIRDIE NEEDS HURLERS

Birdie Tebbetts of the sixth-place Cincinnati Redlegs still claims he doesn't have enough pitching. He isn't crying wolf, either. Cincinnati pitchers have gone the distance only four times so far this season and Bob Purkey was responsible for three of those four four-outing jobs.

If Tebbetts thinks he's got troubles, he ought to check with Walt Alton, whose Los Angeles Dodgers are wandering around in the cellar.

As a team, the Dodgers also are last in hitting with an anemic .238 average. Remember Rube Walker, the fellow who was supposed to take over Roy Campanella's regular catching job? He's rapping the ball at a tremendous .132 clip. John Roseboro is doing better but the Dodgers still want someone of the Stan Lopata stripe behind the plate.

And so it goes all around the circuit. The Cardinals are looking around for more left-handed pitching; the Cubs' hitting, an early season feature, suddenly has bogged down, and the Pirates are after a starting pitcher who could fit in along with Vern Riffe, Ronnie Kline and Bob Law.

### FEEL URGENT NEED

Over in the American League, the teams are even more desperate to make a deal than in the National. The Yankees' fast start, of course, has a lot to do with the general atmosphere of urgency on the part of the seven other clubs.

The White Sox, who figured to be the Yankees' chief competitors, have climbed a bit in the past few weeks but still aren't knocking down any fences.

Vice-President Chuck Coniskey says he'll trade one of his frontline pitchers for "a real solid hitter."

Boston's pitching can best be described in one word. Sad. The "big three" of the Red Sox pitching staff, Tom Brewer, Frank Sullivan and Willard Nixon, have won a total of three games.

### WANTS POWER HITTER

Paul Richards, of Baltimore would give his kingdom for one longball hitter. He wouldn't have to be great. Half-decent would do nicely. To illustrate, Baltimore has been shut out six times—more than any other club in the majors. As a team, the Orioles' hitting has been for the birds. Their .237 average also is rock bottom in the majors.

With Jim Hegon hitting .205 and Red Wilson .143, Detroit is casting around for another catcher. Washington's need is two-fold—only pitching and hitting.

## Giant Fans Getting Fever

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Pendant fever, a premature but potent condition, grips San Francisco Giants fans.

"We're getting hundreds of letters a day asking about World Series reservations and some even include checks of \$30 to \$100 which we have had to return," ticket manager Peter Hoffman reported today.

"We aren't accepting any World Series reservations, naturally, but there have been so many requests that we have had to prepare a form letter explaining the situation and thanking people for their interest."

Picked to finish anywhere from fourth to sixth after they switched from New York to the Pacific Coast, the Giants are surprisingly perched atop the National League.

They return Sunday night from a road trip and open a three-game series with the world champion Milwaukee Braves Tuesday night—a date for which all the reserved grandstand seats have been long gone.

The Giants may play before six straight capacity or near-capacity crowds next week.

"This has been far better than I ever dreamed," Hoffman declared. "We opened ticket offices in downtown San Francisco and Oakland just this week and both are doing a terrific business."

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STILL NEW — When the Dodgers embarked on their first eastern trip, they found the "LA" in their caps a curious sight to National League fans. Gil Hodges, right, points it out on Pee Wee Reese's cap as Duke Snider gets into the act.

## Kubs, Yreka Vie Sunday For NC Lead

The undefeated Klamath Falls Kubs and Yreka Indians clash at Yreka Sunday afternoon in a battle for first place in the Northern California League baseball race. Game time is set for 2 o'clock Pacific Daylight Time.

Both the Kubs and Indians are currently resting with 2-0 records in Northern Cal play. Klamath has whipped Dunsuir and Weed, while Yreka holds wins over Scott Valley and Mount Shasta.

Manager Irv Whitl will probably have Charlie Bogle on the mound for the third straight weekend. The big lefthander has compiled a 2-0 record, but needed offensive aid from his mates in both cases. Yreka will give Bogle and the Kubs a real test as the two teams battle for the lead position.

Backing Bogle up with their big bats have been outfielder Floyd Linderman and first baseman George Hanson.

Besides the battle for top spot in the six-team race, two other games are on tap Sunday. Dunsuir will be at Weed and Scott Valley visits Mount Shasta. These games are slated for 2 o'clock PDT.

The following week, Klamath returns home against Mount Shasta while Weed and Yreka travel to Scott Valley and Dunsuir.

## Spider Webb, Beecham Meet

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (UPI)—Local boy Jimmy Beecham hopes tonight to outpitch hard-punching Spider Webb of Chicago and thus spoil the record of another ranked middleweight.

The 10-round bout is expected to attract 3,500 fans and will be televised nationally (NBC) beginning at 10 p.m. EDT.

Webb, a stalking knockout artist, will enter the ring as a 2-1 favorite over the Miamian.

The sixth-ranked Chicago fighter also expects to carry a five-pound weight advantage, about 159 pounds to Beecham's 154.

Beecham and his capable trainer, Angelo Dundee, took notes recently when Holly Mims won a decision over Webb. Beecham has beaten Mims.

"We spotted some weaknesses and believe Jimmy has a good chance of taking this one," Dundee said. "But we will have to keep that chin moving to avoid getting tagged by Webb's right."

Whether or not Webb lands his lethal right, Beecham is sure to keep him busy looking for an opening. In 29 fights, the Miamian has outpointed 16 opponents and knocked out only seven. He has lost five and fought one draw.

## AF Jets Rally To Top Hal's

Runs were free Thursday night at Conger Field as the Air Force Jets blasted Hal's Sport Shop 10-9 and Mouldingcraft whipped Big Y 11-2 in Men's Softball League play.

Hal's held a 9-5 lead going into the last inning, but a five run uprising by the Jets in the final frame gave the victory to the Air Force entry. Bob Dorch clubbed a home run for Hal's in the fifth inning, the game's big blow.

In the second game, Gus Gestvang pitched and batted Mouldingcraft to its win. Gus had a two-for-two evening at bat and struck out 12 Big Y hitters. Jack Powell highlighted a four-run rally by the winners in the fifth with a triple.

Linescores: R H E  
Jets 020 125 — 10 8 8  
Hal's 090 320 — 9 8 6  
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R H E  
Big Y 100 10 — 2 2 7  
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Milwaukee	23	14	.622
Pittsburgh	21	18	.538
Chicago	20	23	.465
Philadelphia	17	21	.447
Cincinnati	15	19	.441
St. Louis	16	21	.432
Los Angeles	15	24	.385

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	25	8	.758
Kansas City	18	16	.529
Cleveland	20	20	.500
Boston	19	20	.487
Chicago	17	19	.472
Detroit	18	21	.462
Baltimore	14	20	.412
Washington	15	22	.405

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Phoenix	28	18	.609
Vancouver	22	18	.551
Salt Lake	22	20	.524
San Diego	21	21	.500
Sacramento	20	20	.500
Portland	16	21	.432
Spokane	19	25	.432
Seattle	17	26	.395

NORTHWEST LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Lewiston	24	9	.727
Wenatchee	22	13	.629
Yakima	16	18	.471
Tri-City	15	19	.441
Eugene	14	18	.438
Salem	10	24	.294

Thursday's Results  
Eugene 2, Tri-City 1 (10 innings)  
Lewiston 4, Yakima 1  
Salem 13, Wenatchee 4

## Kings Use Homer Attack

By United Press International  
Havana and Buffalo engaged in a home run duel Thursday night, each team clouting four, as the Sugar Kings walloped the Bisons 10-4 in an International League contest.

The margin of victory fell to Havana because the Cubans were able to pole their circuit whacks with men on base. Hiram Gonzales led the Sugar King attack with a pair, accounting for four runs. Saturnino Escalera and Ulis Alvarez each hit one with a man aboard.

Buffalo's homer parade was led by Louis Ortiz, who hit his 10th and 11th, Ray Noble and pitcher Ken Johnson tagged one apiece. Jose Santiago picked up his third win against two setbacks.

In the only other game played, Bill Causton hit a homer in the ninth inning to give Columbus a 4-3 victory over Toronto. The Maple Leafs had tied the count in the eighth frame with a three-run spurge.

Richmond and Montreal were rained out, while Rochester and Miami were not scheduled.

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## Sellers Aims For Crown At Corvallis

The lone Klamath Union entrant in the state track meet in Corvallis this weekend, Gordie Sellers, left Thursday, accompanied by KU athletic director Jim Johnson, to compete in the broad jump preliminaries on Friday and the finals on Saturday.

Sellers earned his berth in the big test off a second-place in the district meet at Grants Pass last Saturday. His best jump to date is 21-11 1/2, although his leap of 20-10 was enough to warrant his right to enter the state competition.

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## Minor League Club Brass Sees Old Fashion Success

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Minor league baseball isn't dead—it just needs some good, old-fashioned promotion to keep up with the times.

And the place where this "country-store" type of ballyhoo is paying off is Stockton in the Class C California League.

General Manager Clyde M. Parker has more ideas to entice the fans out to the ball park than the South Pole has penguins. Stockton is a city of about

80,000 population. It is only 47 miles from Sacramento, home of Class AAA-Pacific Coast League Baseball.

It is 80 miles from San Francisco, home of the major league Giants.

"But neither of these clubs bother us," says Parker. "In fact, the moving of the Giants to San Francisco has increased the interest in baseball here."

Look what Parker has lined up to entice fans out to his ball park:

1—June 21, a "Bowlers Night" which will draw as many as 6,000 fans to the park that seats only 4,500.

2—July 18 — "Grocery night," which will attract between 4,000 and 6,000.

3 — In Mid-August, "Union night" which will draw at least 6,000 fans.

Additionally he has a "Sportsman's Night," and a "Silver Dollar" night. In the latter, the players on the Stockton team walk through the stand shaking hands with the customers, as music blares from the loud-speakers. When the music stops, the person shaking hands with a ball player at that moment is given a silver dollar.

Already the "Ports" have drawn 8,604 fans for the first 17 games, or better than 500 a game. The club has a good solid tie-up with the St. Louis Cardinals and is only four games out of first place.

"We drew 73,000 last year with a team that finished in last place in the first half of the split season; and finished third in the second half," says Parker. "The best we've ever drawn was 110,000 right after World War II, when we won the pennant. But we might come up around that this year, if things go well."

Now if the minor league executives would quit crying and go to work with a business-like campaign, as that promoted by the Ports, the talk about the small leagues dying might end.

NO LONGER A SPORT  
This, it is obvious, removes the game from the realm of sport. It becomes a business—like baseball's "bonus babies"—the lure being a fat professional contract if the young tennis star develops into "the" player of the year.

"I have never seen a better player at 17 than Butch Buchholz of St. Louis," Talbert elaborated. "But he has to do his development on his own. He goes to school until June, can compete only during the summer, and then returns to school in the fall."

"That's why I suggest spring and fall training camps under an expert such as Jack Kramer," Talbert added. "They could even get together during the Christmas holidays when, ordinarily, they would be playing in one of the holiday tournaments where, actually, they aren't learning anything."

Long a member of the top 10 and a Davis Cup star in his own right, Talbert reached the heights the hard way.

"I was a diabetic at 10," he recalls. "For three years I sat around doing nothing. Then the doctor said I should try tennis. I was delighted. I was hungry to get out and do something and this gave me an outlet as well as companionship."

But the current crop of youngsters, he frets, are by-passing tennis in favor of such sports as basketball, baseball and football.

"They actually don't know what they are doing," he says. "Tennis is an 'after school' sport. Not many boys can expect to continue playing basketball, football or baseball after their school days are ended. But they can play tennis the rest of their lives."

Talbert bears no malice, although you can detect a hidden hurt, at being replaced as captain in the Davis Cup Team. Instead, he has thrown himself wholeheartedly into "selling" the sport to the kids.

Basketball Star Dropped By USF

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Art Day, starting center for the University of San Francisco basketball team for the past two seasons, will be expelled after the spring semester, according to school authorities.

A school spokesman declined to disclose details of the case, except to say that the 6 foot 9 inch Day had been dismissed for "disciplinary reasons." He pointed out that it is the school's policy not to reveal details of such cases.

Day, from Chicago, had one season of eligibility left. He said his future plans were indefinite.

## Today's Sport Parade

### Talbert Sees Need Of Tennis Training

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK (UPI) — What American tennis needs to regain international supremacy from Australia, former Davis Cup captain Bill Talbert insisted today, is special training camps for young comers in the spring and fall and even during the Christmas holidays.

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## Prep Thinclads In Action

CORVALLIS (AP)—New champions and a flock of records are likely to emerge from the two-day class A-1 and A-2 Oregon prep track meet that opened here Friday.