

Oakland AFL Prexy Smoldering

Player Draft Causes Beef, Foss Shrugs

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Dis-sension, minor perhaps but still a rift, smoldered in the American Football League today over draft-ing players for the Oakland club.

Y. C. Soda, general manager for the eighth and last club to get an AFL franchise, said his beef was mainly over principle.

His troubles, first show of in-ternal dissension in the new league, began Monday when the seven other clubs presented him and Coach Eddie Erdelatz with a list of 11 "untouchable" men Oakland couldn't draft. The Los An-geles Chargers and Houston Oilers, however, tacked on several names of nontransfers, men who wanted to stay with the two clubs.

"These men should have been included in the 11 untouchables," Soda said. "When the agreement is to freeze 11, why don't they freeze 11?"

Soda went to AFL Commissioner Joe Foss.

"He said he felt sorry for us, but he couldn't do much about it," Soda related. "But he did say that in the next go-round, the non-transfers would be included among the 'untouchables'."

Soda said the team, still un-named and without a playing field, has about 20 players under con-tract now and hopes to get about 35 more from the five rounds of drafting.

George Blanda, ex-Chicago Bear quarterback, Tom Lanphear, both with Houston; and Ron Waller, former Los Angeles Rams back now with the Chargers, were among the non-transfer group.

Wilt, Baylor Lifesavers In Playoffs

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Wilt Chamberlain and Elgin Baylor are lifesavers in every sense of the word for the cham-pionship playoff hopes of the Phila-delphia Warriors and Minneapo-lis Lakers in the National Basket-ball Assn.

Chamberlain, despite a bruised right hand, scored 30 points as the Warriors beat the Boston Celtics 129-107 to avert elimination in the Eastern finals. The Celtics still lead, though, 3-2 in the best-of-seven series.

And Baylor scored 40 points for the Lakers, who took a 3-2 lead over St. Louis in the West with a 117-110 overtime victory.

Both Boston and Minneapolis go after clinching victories Thursday night, with the Celtics playing in Philadelphia and the Lakers hav-ing a home court advantage. The latter had the same situation a year ago and eliminated St. Louis, only to lose four in a row to Bos-ton for the NBA title.

Chamberlain has been ineffec-tive after injuring his hand in a scuffle with Boston's Tom Hein-sohn last Friday. But Tuesday night, with the hand much better though still swollen, he canned 22 field goals and six fouls. He had help from Tom Gola who added 22 points.

The Lakers and Hawks were tied 47-47 at halftime and 103-103 going into the overtime. The Lakers never trailed in the extra period as Rudy Lorusso scored five of their 14 points.

Bevos, Padres Meet Tonight

ONTARIO, Calif. (AP) — The Portland Beavers will meet an-other Pacific Coast League base-ball team, San Diego, as they re-sume spring training competition here tonight.

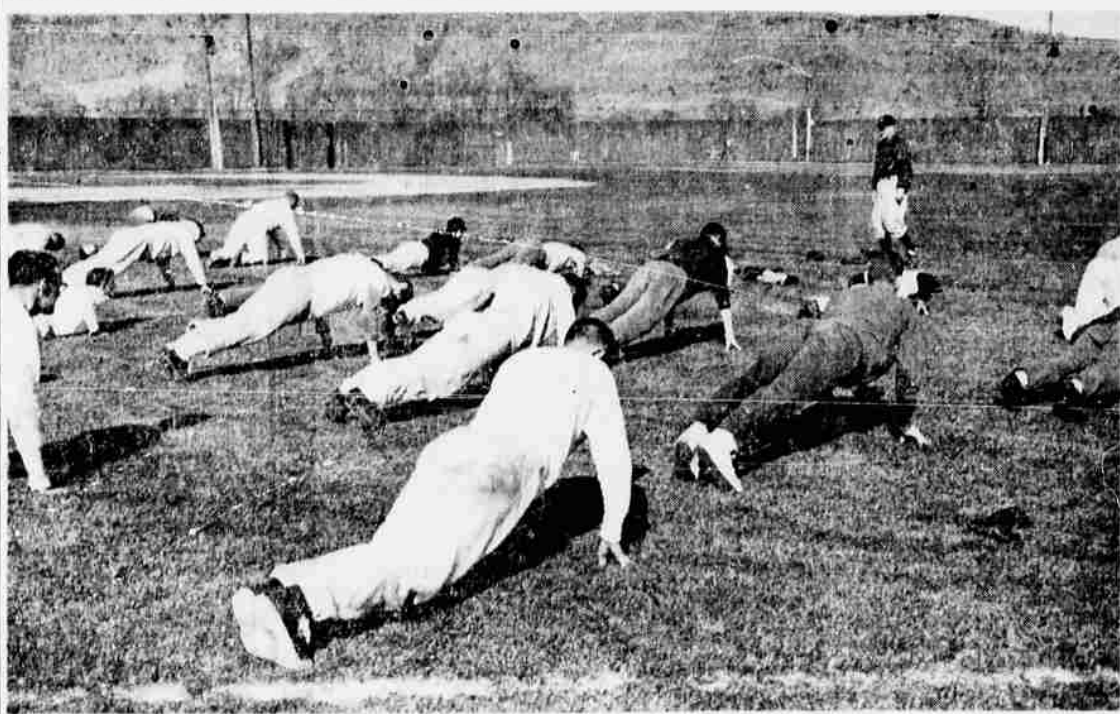
Manager Tommy Heath said that although the Beavers have been in training little more than a week, he is about decided on these infield regulars:

Nippy Jones, first base; Jack Blomfield, second base; Clarence Moore, shortstop; and George Frense, third base.

Heath indicated that the first trimming from the training roster will be done about the end of this week.

OAKLAND SIGNS COACH

OAKLAND, Calif. (UPI) —The Oakland entry in the new Amer-ican Football League Tuesday signed Tom Kalinimer as offen-sive backfield coach. Kalinimer, former Nevada star, played for the Los Angeles Rams and Bal-timore Colts in the National Foot-ball League.



NO TIME FOR REST — The Klamath Union varsity baseball aspirants can't afford to waste a minute of the balmy weather they are enjoying at Gem Stadium. But many of them would just as soon forego the above part of getting set for Saturday's opener at Weed. Coaches Bill Mansfield and

Bob Williams, however, have some very definite ideas about conditioning, so the push-ups stay in the program. They didn't last too long Tuesday, though, moments later the squad was off on a rapid jaunt around the extreme perimeter of the big park.

Card Rookie Hot

Pascual Fast-Balls Solon Victory

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Camilo Pascual, a strong-armed 26-year-old Cuban with a fond at-tachment for greenbacks, is aim-ing his blazing fast ball right at the purse strings held by Washing-ton President Calvin Griffith.

Pitching for the Senators, who have languished in the American League cellar for three consecu-tive years, Pascual compiled a neat 17-10 record during the 1959 campaign and then had to battle Griffith for a hefty raise.

Now Pascual is intent on break-ing the bank by proving his first winning year in six major league seasons, a 2.64 earned run aver-age and 183 strikeouts were no one-shot deal.

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Ralph Dupas, Fernandez Set

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Ralph Dupas will bring the expe-rience of 98 fights into play tonight against Cuba's Florentino Fernan-dez.

Fernandez was expected to be a 7-5 favorite in the 10-round wel-terweight bout to be nationally televised (ABC) at 10 p. m. (EST).

Fernandez, of Havana, has won 20 of his 28 fights by knockout, Dupas, of New Orleans, has won 63 decisions and knocked out 14 opponents.

GETS UPI AWARD

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio (UPI) — The United Press International trophy award to the national small college champion will be presented to Bowling Green State University tonight. The award will be presented at the university's all-sports banquet by Haskell Short, Ohio news manager for UPI.

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San Francisco downed Chicago's champions dropped the Yankees, exhibition record to 3-7.

Gene Baker's sacrifice fly with the bases loaded in the ninth drove in the clincher for the Pi-rates against the White Sox.

Catcher Frank House drove in three runs and scored three with a pair of home runs and a double for the Reds who received five innings of one-hit pitching from Jay Hook.

Frank Matzone's run-scoring single in a five-run eighth inning put the Red Sox ahead to stay. Pitcher Bob Lemo, trying for a comeback, gave up seven hits and four runs for the Indians.

Joe Amalfitano's single scored the winning run for the Giants after they had twice come from behind — on Orlando Cepeda's three-run homer and Ed Bres-soud's two-run blast — to tie it. Art Schult and Earl Averill com-bated with home runs for the Cubs.

Then came his chance at Scott. The lithe, hard-hitting Philadel-phia had won six straight, was the No. 1 welter contender, and was headed for a title fight with Jordan.

Paret was a 3-1 underdog but he didn't even know the odds. And, of course, he couldn't read newspaper reports about Scott's speed, skill and punching power.

Benny the Kid just charged after Scott as if he were another fighter. He kept on throwing leather for ten seconds, dropped Charley and won the decision. It could have been a fluke. So they were rematched for Jan. 29th in the Garden.

This time Scott was in top shape and had been respect for his foe. But the Cuban again dumped Scott and won the decision.

This earned the silent man a No. 4 ranking and an elimination fight with Thompson. The 32-year-old Argentine came out of nowhere himself in just one fight. Thompson knocked out Jordan in the fourth round of a non-title bout in Buenos Aires, last Dec. 12.

Paret is the 9-5 favorite. But he doesn't know it. Nobody has told him.

Illiteracy A Help Fighter Reputations Don't Bother Benny

NEW YORK (AP) — Benny (Kid) Paret can't read or write in either Spanish or English but it apparently hasn't hurt his box-ing career. Being an illiterate even may have been an asset for the Cuban welterweight contend-er.

Since he can't read the news-papers the Kid doesn't know too much about the reputations for the leading fighters. Furthermore he couldn't care less.

On Friday night the muscular, 25-year-old from Santa Clara, Cu-ba, faces Argentina's Federico Thompson in a 12-round bout at Madison Square Garden. The win-ner will get a title fight with wel-terweight champion Don Jordan at Las Vegas, May 27.

That's a giant step forward for a fighter who was unranked and unheralded only three months ago.

Until he met Charley Scott of Philadelphia for the first time last Dec. 18, Paret was what the bashful-bek business called an "opponent"—a good, willing fight-er who put on a show. Although he was a legitimate welterweight (147 pounds), he had to take on middleweights (160 pounds) most-ly and his fights—win or lose—were lively affairs.

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Los Angeles 6, New York 5

Pittsburgh 9, Chicago (A) 8

St. Louis 8, Milwaukee 1

Cincinnati 7, Philadelphia 6

Boston 9, Cleveland 5

San Francisco 9, Chicago (N) 8

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Wednesday Schedule

Baltimore vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach

Boston vs. Chicago (N) at Mesa

Detroit vs. Chicago (A) at Sara-sota

San Francisco vs. Cleveland at Tucson

Kansas City vs. Milwaukee at Bradenton

Philadelphia vs. New York at St. Petersburg

Cincinnati vs. Washington at Or-lando

St. Louis vs. Pittsburgh at Fort Myers

Bilko Happy, Gets Chance With Tigers

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — "Be-kind to Bilko," Jimmy Dykes said today. "Write something nice about him. He's working real hard and it looks like he's my first baseman."

Bilko—Steve, that is—beamed when the words of the Detroit Tigers' manager were relayed to him.

"I'm happy for the first time in years," said the good-natured giant who must be the biggest man in baseball. "I'm getting a new chance with a new team in a new league. Also, I'm with a manager who has my welfare at heart. That Dykes is a wonderful guy. He makes me feel at ease."

More important to Bilko than the change of scenery is the ab-sence of such old opposition as Stan Musial and Gil Hodges.

"Don't think that hasn't eased my mind," said the big fellow who is getting his eighth major league trial. "Every year I came up, I found I had to beat out guys like Musial and Hodges. I was licked at the start."

One of the most feared sluggers in the minors, Bilko has had previous trials with St. Louis, Cincinnati, Los Angeles and the Chicago Cubs. He has hit as high as .360 in the minors and as low as .220 in the majors. He has a career total of 344 home runs but 305 of these have been hit in the minors. The Tigers drafted him from Spokane.

Bilko's big problem always has been his weight. He reported to the Cardinals one spring weighing 260 pounds, 15 more than the weight Manager Eddie Stanky al-lotted to him. The over-stuffed slugger had to shell out \$30, two bucks for each pound.

"Steve," Stanky said, "I'll give you a chance to get your money back. If you promise to get down to 230 pounds by the end of the season, you can have your money back. But each pound you weigh over 230 will cost you ten dollars."

Steve accepted the proposition, trimmed down to 230, and got back his money. Shedding that weight robbed him of his strength for two years, according to Bilko. Now that he's back to around 248 or so, he feels strong again.

Big 10 Gets Owens Needle

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — Big Ten officials who decided to with-draw from the Rose Bowl pact wouldn't have done so if they were interested in the future of athletics, University of Washing-ton football coach Jim Owens said Tuesday night.

"It's unfortunate that the deci-sion was made by people who are so far away from athletics," Owens told a sports banquet audi-ence here. "They can't see the wonderful experience of a trip like that—to the Rose Bowl—for the young people."

The Big Ten move was directed by faculty representatives of the member schools.

NEW NIGHT RECORD

DETROIT (AP) — There was a time when the Detroit Tigers would play no more than 14 night games a season. That setup re-mained for 10 years. The last two seasons they played 21 are light games but this year 24 are sched-uled for Briggs Stadium.

KC, New York Hint More Player Deals

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Are the Kansas City Ath-letics and the New York Yankees on the verge of another player trade?

Probably, says baseball writer Joe McGuff of the Kansas City Star.

McGuff reported Tuesday that Manager Bob Elliott of the A's hinted a trade. It would be the 16th deal between the teams since 1955.

Asked by newsmen if any deals were being considered, Elliott re-plied: "The Yankees have an in-fielder I wouldn't mind having. And he's not playing regularly either."

This wasn't much of a clue to the player's identity since the closest thing to a regular in Yan-kee Manager Casey Stengel's operation is Stengel himself.

However, the Yanks have three men who more or less match El-liott's description — Cletis Boyer, Andy Carey and Fritz Brickell.

McGuff speculated that the Ath-letics would swap one or more of their outfielders for an infielder. He pointed out that the Yanks are thin in the outfield. They have seven outfielders in camp, but only Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris and Hector Lopez are of known front line caliber. In contrast, the A's have six good men in Bill Tuttle, Norm Siebern, Bob Cerv, Hank Bauer, Russ Snyder and Whitey Herzog not to mention utility man Dick Williams. And, one of the best-looking youngsters in camp is Leo Posada, who hit homers and batted .281 last year in class AA ball.

The Yanks are strong in infield talent. The A's infield is pitiful. There was no hint about which of the A's outfielders might in-terest New York.

LA Chucker Fears Braves Over Giants

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — "I'd rather pitch against Mays, Cepeda, Kirkland or McCovey anytime," said Roger Craig today, than Aaron, Mathews or Adeock.

And it's not just me. I think our whole club would rather face the Giants than the Braves," added the forgotten right-hander who helped pitch the Los Angeles Dodgers to the National League pennant in a comeback from arm troubles last season.

It was Craig, 29, who beat the Giants 4-1 in the first game of a day-night doubleheader in San Francisco on the next to last week-end of the season. The Dodgers swept the series and moved past the Giants into first place.

It was Craig, too, who had come up in mid-season of 1953 and had helped pitch the then Brooklyn Dodgers to their first world cham-pionship. But in 1957 he hurt his arm, was sent down to St. Paul ("That's where I lost 17 games,"), came back briefly in '58 and then was sent to Spokane.

"I came down to camp early last spring," he said, "and my arm felt pretty good. But then I hurt it again and they sold my contract to Spokane. When they sell your contract, it means this is it."

"It wasn't as bad as in '58, though, when I lost those 17. Things didn't look good then at all. I always had been a fast ball pitcher with a curve. But I didn't have any stuff so I picked up a sinker and a slider."

"I wasn't what you'd call wild, but I wasn't a control pitcher."

"When I pitched for Spokane, my arm felt good. And I had con-trol. I felt that if I got to pitch I could still win in the majors."

"I pitch 100 per cent different than before," he said, "I used to try and over-power the hitters, and maybe once in four starts I'd get away with it. Now I can throw to spots. And I wouldn't trade what I know now for the old fast ball or curve."

Craig had an 11-5 record last season and became the clutch guy on the staff, winning five in a row at the end, and half of the Dod-gers' last six victories.

31 YEARS LATER

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Admission of Minneapolis-St. Paul to the National Football League for 1961 marks the Twin Cities' second ex-cursion into the NFL. Minneapolis was a member in 1930, playing under the nickname of Redskins.

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