

American League Suggests Revolutionary Plan

NEW YORK (AP)—A brand new plan—two nine-team major league leagues—appeared today with a strong possibility in 1961 today with a new Washington team the ninth member in the American and Houston added to the National.

The revolutionary proposal was unanimously voted upon by the American League at its day-long meeting Tuesday and needs only the approval of the National to become a reality. Should the National reject the plan, the American League definitely intends to pursue its original plan of 10 teams, including Los Angeles next year.

The National voted against it last year.

If the plan goes through, it will be for one year only. In 1962, each league would go to 10 teams, with Los Angeles joining the American and New York the National.

The senior circuit, already committed to 10 teams in 1962 with franchises in Houston and New York, will answer the American League during its annual winter meeting in St. Louis, Dec. 5. Should the reply be in the affirmative, each league would then adopt a 166-game schedule, an increase of 12 games. This would encompass 112 intra-

league games—14 against each team in its own league—and 34 inter-league games—against each team in the rival league.

Commissioner Ford Frick, who has insisted on a "fair and equitable" settlement, has expressed favor with the plan.

"It isn't the best idea in the world," he said, "but it is a solution to their problem. If the two leagues can get together on it, I will approve it."

Walter O'Malley, head of the Los Angeles Dodgers and the American League's biggest stumbling block, is enthusiastic over the idea. It was O'Malley's steady refusal to permit a rival in his territory that forced the American League to forego its decision to expand to 10 teams in 1961. At a meeting earlier this month, O'Malley permitted Cal Griffith to move his Washington club to Minneapolis-St. Paul and voted to franchise to a new Washington club and Los Angeles for 1961.

"This appears to me to be a most sensible idea," he said. "I have been endorsing this idea for a long time. I proposed such a plan five years ago but couldn't get the necessary vote. Had we adopted it then, we'd never be in this mess."

"I don't know whether our league will accept it even now, but I think it would be tremendously popular with the press and the public."

Del Webb, co-owner of the New York Yankees and a prime factor in the American's drive for a Los Angeles franchise, acknowledged the plan's sensibility.

"We recognized we would have a problem moving this last into Los Angeles," he said, "regarding ticket selling, playing facilities, proper promotion and getting suitable playing dates. We feel we need more time to move in an orderly way."

American League President Joe Cronin said the sudden change—observers called it a compromise—was made out of deference to Frick.

"I wouldn't call this a compromise," he said, "but rather a willingness to cooperate with the commissioner's suggestion to work out a more amicable way. We did it for the good of baseball."

Newsman construed the latest thinking as a victory for O'Malley and a salute for Webb, the strongest men of their respective leagues.

O'Malley not only won his point—no American League team in Los Angeles—but gained an ally in his long-time dream of inter-league play. Webb, unable to exact a promise from Frick to consent to the American League's entry into Los Angeles, at least knows the same rule applies to the National League trying to return to New York.

For a second team to enter New York or Los Angeles, both already occupied major league cities, the present major league territorial rules would have to be changed. Both leagues would have to agree on the commissioner would cast the decisive vote on the amendment. It is assumed he won't vote in favor of one and against the other.

O'Malley said he did not know which city—New York or Houston—would be added in 1961, but he indicated the Texas city might be the choice.

"The Houston people have shown a great deal of aggressiveness," he said. "Of course, it depends a great deal on whether they could get the Houston franchise in the American Association and a place in which to play."

Because of the latest developments, Cronin postponed the stocking of the new club—or clubs—from this Friday to Dec. 13. He also altered the procedure. If the league goes to nine teams, the Washington club will be required to purchase at least three players—no more than four—from each established club. The price is \$75,000 per player. The same list of 15 players from each club still prevails. If the league goes to 10 clubs, the old system of seven players from each team prevails, competition in any bowl but the Rose.

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Coaches, UPI Post 1960 All-Americans

East II's Dominate Nationwide Ballots

CHICAGO (UPI)—The American Football Coaches Association today announced its 1960 All-America team, choosing the finest 11 collegiate football players in the land.

Ends: Mike Ditka, Pittsburgh, and Dan Larose, Missouri.

Tackles: Ken Rice, Auburn, and Bob Lilly, Texas Christian.

Guards: Joe Romig, Colorado, and Tom Brown, Minnesota.

Center: E.J. Holub, Texas Tech.

Quarterback: Jake Gibbs, Mississippi.

Halfbacks: Joe Bellino, Navy, and Ernie Davis, Syracuse.

Fullback: Bob Ferguson, Ohio State.

They were selected on the basis of balloting by more than 1,500 members of the coaches' association. The project is sponsored by the Eastman Kodak Company and the coaches' team is distributed exclusively by United Press International.

East Dominates

For the first time in years, the East dominated the coaches' dream team with three players—Ditka, Bellino and Davis. The Midwest, South and Southwest have two players each while one each was chosen from the Rockies and Midland regions.

Brown and Ferguson are the Midwest representatives, Rice and Gibbs the South's and Holub and Lilly the Southwest's. Romig is the Rockies' player, and Larose the Midlands'.

Bellino was the overwhelming halfback choice, collecting more votes from the men who do the coaching than any other player. Brown and Ditka received the most votes in the lineman balloting, with Holub a close third.

The second halfback position was closely contested with Davis just edging out Bill Kilmer of UCLA and Ronnie Bull of Baylor.

Bob Schloredt, Washington quarterback and Pat Richter, Wisconsin end, received heavy support in the early polling, but both then were injured.

Starred By Camp

The coaches' 1960 All-America team is the 71st in the tradition established by the late Walter Camp. Its line averages 224 pounds, the backfield 196. At 230 pounds, Rice is the heaviest lineman; at 200 the lightest.

At 217 pounds, Ferguson is the heaviest back; at 183 each, Bellino and Gibbs are the lightest.

Herald and News SPORTS

West Point Readies 'Operation Bellino'

WEST POINT, N. Y. (AP)—The cadets most immediately preoccupied with "Operation Bellino" is under way at Army today where the name is on the lips of every cadet.

Joe Bellino is the outstanding Navy halfback. Army's hopes of upsetting the favored midshipmen in their first football meeting Saturday rest squarely with slowing down Joe the Jet.

If Bellino is generally recognized as the finest Navy star in many years he's downright infamous within this Hudson River fortress. He scored three touchdowns in last year's 43-12 rout.

The name Bellino is snarled on the practice field, featured on "Beat Navy" banners hung from dormitory windows, chanted by the corps en route to meals, lampooned in the school paper.

In the psychological crescendo being built here timed for explosion at the 1:30 kickoff at Philadelphia Stadium, the stop Bellino movement is reaching crusade proportions.

Co-Captain Al Vanderbush and reserve halfback Pete King are being primed to track down the Middle flash. He averages 15 tackles a game and has a blocking percentage of 85 per cent.

King is mimicking Bellino on the practice field. On one sequence of downs, King was called on to run a sweep to his right, another to his left and a third into the line.

Army Coach Dale Hall calls Bellino "the finest all-around back we will have faced."

"Bellino can hurt so many ways which is what makes him great," Hall said. "He can pass and receive, and his quick kicks are a dangerous weapon."

Most cadets not on the varsity football team can't name three Navy players this year. But mention Bellino, brother, and step back.

Gridders Honored At Feed

End Bob Chapman was awarded a trophy as the Most Inspirational Player of the Henley High football season Monday night when the Hornet gridders and their coach, Len Weber, were honored at the annual gridiron banquet.

Chapman also received his second straight Rogue League All-Conference certificate in addition to the big "H" received by all the attending Hornet varsity players. Earlier in the week Chapman had also been voted to All-State A-2 honorable mention selections posted by the Oregon Journal.

Teammate Cal Casebier, also an end, was chosen a member of the All-State first team squad in the same poll. Casebier and Larry Lugo, Chuck Biofsky and Gary Reuber were also listed on the Rogue All-Conference lists.

Seniors Bert Allright, Joe De-Grande, Dennis O'Keefe, and Dave Ragland also received All-Conference honorable mention certificates in addition to their school awards.

The remainder of the Henley seniors to earn letters include Dave Anderson, Ray Brown, Larry Sprout, Jack Ziegelmeyer, John Gober and Tom Wolf.

Juniors earning awards were Jay Balsiger, Bob Elliott, Jim Long, Jim Stenberg, Mike Tachini and Dave Trapp.

Sophomores receiving letters were Don Breithaupt, Kent Gooding, Leo Huff, Charley Thompson and Steve Reeling.

The team managers who shared in the awards were Earl Allright and Ken Quigley.

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Minnesota, Oregon 'In'; Bowl Picture Not Completed

Minnesota made it Oregon in, but the college football bowl picture today still had some gaping holes as a dwindling list of eligibles, headed by question-mark Navy, were being more closely eyed for postseason play.

The Rose Bowl didn't even give Navy a chance to beat Army Saturday and set up a possible rematch with Washington's Big Five champions, whom it beat 15-14 in October. Instead, the Big Five tapped Minnesota's Golden Gophers, currently the nation's top-ranked team in the Associated Press poll.

So, the granddaddy of all bowls has a solid attraction in Washington, the defending champion.

meeting the rags-to-riches Golden Gophers, who only a year ago were the doormat of the Big Ten. Washington, Big Five champion, finished its season with a 9-1 record while Minnesota, last in the Big Ten in 1959, was 6-4 and co-champion of the conference with Iowa. Minnesota's acceptance of a Rose Bowl bid dropped Iowa out of the bowl picture since conference rules prohibit postseason competition in any bowl but the Rose.

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AFL, NFL Threaten To Reopen Battle

NEW YORK (UPI)—The open war that flared between the rival professional football leagues over player signings last year and resulted in at least three lawsuits seemed ready to break out again today.

Following a telephone draft by the one-year-old American League last week, National League President Pete Rozelle sent wires Tuesday to about 50 leading college players, urging them to wait for the NFL draft on Dec. 27 before committing themselves to any team.

Rozelle, in pointing out that the NFL had agreed to a late date for its draft to cooperate with the wishes of the colleges, said: "We were hopeful that the new league would cooperate with the colleges, but apparently they feel they need the six-weeks edge for signing players. We will not change the date for our draft."

"We feel that the good seniors will wait to see which NFL club selects them and will evaluate the offers. We are hopeful that they will not be hurt by our policy."

In his telegram, Rozelle told the college seniors that a total of 111 first-year men had earned positions on NFL teams in 1959 and that, partly because of league expansion, at least that many rookies should make good next season.

Rozelle concluded the telegram with this note: "It would be to your advantage to withhold any contractual commitments until you have a chance to consider the offer of the NFL team selecting you."

In Kansas City Tuesday night, Walter Byers, executive director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, said he was concerned and disappointed that the AFL decided to begin drafting this early in November.

"It would have been better if the American Football League had maintained its earlier intention to conduct its draft in December," Byers said.

Laker Star Passes Still

Elgin Baylor's 41-point effort Tuesday night was quite a dip since his last appearance at Madison Square Garden but it still was good enough to take over the scoring lead from Wilt Chamberlain.

Baylor, who broke his own National Basketball Association record by scoring 71 points last week at the Garden, moved ahead of Chamberlain in leading the Los Angeles Lakers to a 133-118 victory over the Cincinnati Royals in the first game of a double-header.

Paced by the big three—Clyde Lovellette, Bob Pettit and Cliff Hagan—the St. Louis Hawks withstood the New York Knickerbockers' late rally to win, 120-119, in the second half of the twinbill. No other NBA games were scheduled.

Baylor, who has been averaging 49.8 points a game during the Lakers' four-game winning streak, also collected 22 rebounds and nine assists. The 6-5 Laker star now has a total of 534 points in 15 games for a 35.9 average.

Chamberlain, whose point total is four below Baylor's, has a 36.6 average in 15 games for the Philadelphia Warriors.

If there's to be any slowdown in Baylor's hot pace, it could come in next week when Los Angeles plays seven games in seven days and 10 games in 11 days.

St. Louis, battling to hold off Baylor and the rampaging Lakers for the Western Division title, got a 32-point performance from Lovellette, 30 from Pettit and 20 from Hagan to further bury the Knicks in the Eastern Division cellar. The loss was the fifth in a row for New York.

Willie Naulls scored 30 and Richie Guerin 26 for the Knicks.

Barrow Wins By Decision

PORTLAND (AP)—Kirk Barrow, Spokane heavyweight, barged out a 10-round decision over Monroe Ratliff, Los Angeles, in the main event of a boxing card before a sparse crowd of 200 persons Tuesday night.

Barrow, who weighed 185, was in command most of the way. Ratliff, who weighed 196, managed a few flurries and seemed to have Barrow in trouble a few times, but there were no knockdowns. The decision was unanimous.

In other fights Bill Bailey, 163, Tacoma, won a decision over Charley Sawyer, 156, Los Angeles (10); Joey Lopez, 139, Seattle, drew with Ruper Hardy, 139, Portland (6); and Willie Jennings, 157, Seattle, won a decision over Jimmy McCoy, 157, Portland (6).

Scholar-Stars Named By Group

PORTLAND (AP)—David Douglas tackle Hoyt Keeney and Jefferson halfback Ron Hergert have been selected as the Portland area's outstanding high school scholar-athletes by the Portland chapter of the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame.

The awards, based on scholastic and civic achievement as well as football ability, were presented at a banquet Monday night.

The New York Rangers began the hockey season with eight new men on their roster.

Bevos Name Sayles GM

PORTLAND (AP)—William D. Sayles, the assistant for the past two seasons, Monday was named general manager of the Portland Beavers of the Pacific Coast League.

The appointment was announced by Arch Kingsley, president of the club, who a few hours later was reelected to the Portland board of directors.

Sayles came here in 1959 after being an assistant general manager of the Vancouver entry in the PCL. At Portland, he was the assistant to field and general manager Tommy Heath. Heath resigned a short time ago.

The appointment of Sayles followed by a day the announcement of a working agreement between Portland and the St. Louis Cardinals. The Cardinals will name a field manager later.

In recent weeks, there had been talk of a move to oust Kingsley from the Portland board. No such move developed at the Monday night stockholders' meeting.

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Texas Choice Over Aggies

NEW YORK (UPI)—Pennsylvania is a five-point favorite over Cornell and Texas is a 12-point choice over Texas A&M Thursday in the big games of the Thanksgiving Day college football fare.

New York odds-makers also listed Virginia Military Institute a three-point favorite over Virginia Tech.

Navy is a three-point choice over Army in the inter-service classic in Philadelphia on Saturday while Mississippi is 16 points over Mississippi State, Alabama is one point over Auburn, Florida is six points over Miami and Rice and Baylor are rated pick 'em.

Other Saturday odds:

East: Boston College 3 over Holy Cross.

South: Georgia 1 over Vanderbilt, North Carolina 19 over Virginia, Clemson 28 over Furman.

Alabama hasn't beaten Tennessee in football since 1954. That year the score was 27-0.

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Detroit, GB Turkey Day Teevee Fare

DETROIT (AP)—The Detroit Lions need one more victory to prove that what they've been saying all along—that they are better than in 1959—is true.

In the next two weeks, the Lions can at least help decide which team will win the Western Division title in the National Football League.

They will meet the hopeful Green Bay Packers on Thanksgiving Day in Detroit. The contest will be televised nationally, starting at noon (EST). The Packers are favored by six points.

The Lions, who are 3-5, lost their season opener to the Packers 29-9.

The Packers trail the Western Division leaders, the Baltimore Colts, by one game. After facing the Packers, the Detroiters run head on into the Colts.

Ten days ago, the Lions were talking about "going all the way." They had lost three in a row. Then they beat the Colts, lost a wild one 33-31 to the Los Angeles Rams, and downed the San Francisco 49ers.

The game in Detroit's Briggs Stadium will be the only one Thursday on the NFL's docket.

The rest of the clubs—except the Rams who have a bye—will play Sunday.

Gopher Boss 'As Excited' As His Club

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (UPI)—The place: Cooke Hall, University of Minnesota. The time: Season's end, 1959. The man: Murray Warmath, dejectedly tearing a matchbook into little pieces.

But that was a year ago.

Tuesday night, the same man, in the same place, sniffed a big bunch of roses and said: "I'm just as excited as the team."

The University of Minnesota, in one year, had climbed from the bottom of the Big Ten to share the championship with Iowa. And the Gophers were going to the Rose Bowl for the first time since they started playing football in 1883.

In less than five hours after the faculty senate decided that Minnesota would accept a Rose Bowl invitation if one were extended, the Gophers received a bid to play in the Pasadena classic against Washington and snapped it up.

"We have really hoped for this for a long time, and we hope to do our best," Warmath said.

Ever since Saturday, when the Gophers defeated Wisconsin, 26-7, the prime topic of speculation here has been whether they would be invited to the Rose Bowl Jan. 2 and if they were, whether the senate would approve acceptance of the bid.

The senate has voted against post-season games for Big Ten schools since 1946, when the first of a Rose Bowl contract first came up. Thus, the decision Tuesday was a difficult one.

Boxing Probe May Include Some Writers

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Senate boxing probe may dig into reports of payoffs to some big city sports writers, but first it's going to reopen an investigation of mobster influence in boxing.

Sen Estes Kefauver, D-Tenn., said Tuesday he is withholding names of 25 witnesses in order to protect their personal safety, until his Senate Antimonopoly subcommittee resumes public hearings Dec. 5.

Kefauver said they include boxers, among them a former champion, promoters, matchmakers, managers and shadowy fringe characters he said have ties with the underworld.

Previously the subcommittee had announced that the total of about 40 witnesses would include James D. Norris, Chicago boxing promoter; Charles (Sonny) Liston, a top contender for the world heavyweight championship; and Frank (Blinky) Palermo, alleged New York and Philadelphia racketeer.

Subcommittee counsel James G. Bonomi confirmed that the investigation may turn later to reported payoffs to sports writers, but declined to give any names or details.

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