

Pels Launch '61 Season On Modoc Field Tonight



FOOTBALL—1961 — Tonight at 8 o'clock on Modoc Field the Klamath Union Pelican varsity griders host the powerful Marshfield Pirates in the opening game of the brand new football season. They'll take the field sporting brand-new game uniforms as shown in the picture above. Pert Miss Dolores Lummus of the Pel rally squad poses with four of a number of fleet KU backs. Halfback Dave Stippich holds the ball while

Maris Whacks HR No. 55; Detroit Tigers Trail By Nine

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS—Roger Maris, an old hand at busting down barriers (he once crashed through a wooden fence chasing a fly ball), now is within five home runs of powering through the Babe Ruth's 34-year-old record of 60.

Maris hit No. 55, his second in two games, as the New York Yankees cracked the Cleveland Indians 7-3 Thursday night. Only three other challengers to Ruth's supreme 60 in 1927 ever have been this close — Jimmy Foxx, Hank Greenberg and Hack Wilson.

Foxx got to 58 with the old Philadelphia A's in 1932. Greenberg also finished with 58, for Detroit in 1933. Wilson stopped at 56 with the Chicago Cubs when he set the National League record in 1930.

Maris, who started Cleveland defenses with a drag bunt that brought in a run his first at-bat Thursday night, still is seven games ahead of the Babe's record pace. He has 14 games in which to break Ruth's mark within the limit of 154 team decisions set by Commissioner Ford Frick.

Teammate Mickey Mantle, his total still at 51, fell two games behind Ruth's pace when he failed to connect for the second straight game. But the Mick doubled home the tie-breaking run that gave the

Yanks their eighth straight victory and a run-away, nine-game lead over Detroit.

The second place Tigers lost their seventh in a row, 8-4 at Boston, in an afternoon game. Third place Baltimore edged within 30 games of Detroit by winning Washington 6-3 in the only other AL game scheduled.

Pittsburgh defeated the Chicago Cubs 7-3 in the lone NL game.

NY 7, Cleveland 3

Maris' solo homer came in the third inning on a 1-0 pitch by losing left-hander Dick Stigman, shrugged off his earlier sacrifice of a swing for the bunt. "I was up there to get the run in," he said. "That was my job."

Mantle's double put the Yanks back in the lead in a two-run sixth after the Indians had tied it in their sixth on Tito Francona's three-run homer off Ralph Terry. The Yankee right-hander, now

Cleveland 000 003 000—3 5 1
New York 111 002 20x—7 11 0
Stigman, Locke (6), Dailey (8) and Roman, Terry (13-2) and Howard, Loser—Stigman (2-5), HR—Maris, Francona.

Boston 8, Tigers 4

The Tigers, a week ago just 1½ games behind New York, blew a 3-1 lead at Boston as their ace, Frank Lary (19-9) lost on his third try for victory No. 20. An error by Norm Cash and Frank Malzone's three-run homer put the Red Sox even in the third, and Chuck Schilling's single put it away in the sixth for Bill Mon-

Cincinnati 010 000 011—3 9 1
Baltimore 051 000 00x—6 11 0
Bouldin, Kutyna (2), Gabler (7) and Daley, Pappas (12-7) and Lau, Loser—Bouldin (0-1), HR—Johnson.

Bucs 7, Cubs 5

Pittsburgh beat the Cubs and Jim Brewer (1-7) with five runs in the third on five hits, a walk and four errors. Bobby Shantz (6-3) was the winner in relief.

Pittsburgh 105 001 000—7 11 0
Chicago 000 230 000—5 9 5
Haddix, McBean (5), Shantz (6) and Smith, Brewer, Elston (3), Burwell (6), Schultz (6), Curtis (8) and Barragan, Winner—Shantz (6-3), Loser—Brewer (1-7), HR—Banks, Santo.

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Marshfield Pirates To Test KU Strength

There has been a lot of conjecture as to the exact strength of the Marshfield Pirates, depending on where one gets one's information, but there's one thing sure. The Klamath Union Pelicans face the acid test tonight. They will host the Buccaneers in a non-league struggle which has attracted state-wide attention. The battle will begin on Modoc Field at 8 o'clock.

The Modoc gates will open at 6 p.m. and both reserved seats and general admission tickets may be purchased at either entrance to the field, said KU athletic director Jim Johns. Reserved seats are \$1.50, general admission \$1 and student tickets are 50 cents.

'Roger's Chances Excellent' Says Manager Houk, Mantle

NEW YORK (AP)—Never were Roger Maris' chances of breaking Babe Ruth's home run record brighter than today.

The Yankee slugger smashed another four-bagger Thursday night in New York's 7-3 triumph over Cleveland to increase his season output to 55, only five shy of the mark Ruth set with the Yankees of 1927. He is seven games ahead of the Babe's record pace.

It seems no longer a question as to whether the left-handed half of the Mantle-Maris socking duo will break the homer record, but how soon?

Maris remains firm in his refusal to discuss the possibilities, but even Mantle and manager Ralph Houk acknowledged Roger's chances were "excellent."

Houk, in fact, hinted broadly that Maris might even do it before the Indians leave town Sunday night. Before the game, that would have been a home run but he would have to say Roger's chances are excellent. He may not hit any homers tonight because they're using a left-hander (Dick Stigman), but he should be able to hit a few off the right-handers.

Mantle's best Thursday was a two-bagger in four times at bat but in the first inning Willie Kirkland caught his drive with his back against the right-field barrier. He has 51 homers.

"I thought it was in," said Mantle afterward, "but the wind held it up. Under normal conditions, it would have been a home run but the wind was blowing in. I know I hit this one harder than some others that did go in."

Maris got his homer in the third inning. He hit Stigman's second pitch, a curve ball after the southpaw had brushed him

back with a high inside fast ball. In the first inning, after Tony Kubek tripled, Maris surprised everyone in the park by bunting. The Indians were so astonished that Rog was able to beat it out, Kubek scoring easily.

"I guess this ought to prove to everyone that Maris, as well as Mantle, are out there primarily to win ball games, not to break home run records," said Houk.

The manager scotched reports that he intended, after the pennant clinching, to move his twin sluggers up in the batting order to enable them to get more chances to hit.

Houk did say he probably would give either or both instructions to swing for the fences once the Yankees had the championship clinched.

Dodgers, SF Resume War To End War

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—The rampant Los Angeles Dodgers, who appeared washed up in the National League pennant race last month, can take over first place tonight providing they knock off the stunned San Francisco Giants while St. Louis defeats in-and-out Cincinnati.

A win also would give the Angels five straight over the Giants and throw the latter into a deadlock for fourth spot with the Cards if they down the Reds.

Johnny Podres, the chunky southpaw who is having his greatest year in nine campaigns with the Dodgers, takes an 18-4 record to the hill. He will be faced, by Mike McCormick (11-14) an off-buffed lefty.

Both clubs were idle Thursday. Any resemblance between the Dodger and Giant squads which played last month at Candlestick Park was purely coincidental. It was then that the Giants swept three straight from Los Angeles while hustling the Dodgers along on a 10-game losing streak. Rumors flew at the time that Walter Alton was on the way out as the Dodger manager and that the Giants were World Series bound.

Since that sleepless weekend, the Dodgers have stormed back to win nine out of 13 and move back to one game behind the Reds. San Francisco, plagued not only with discipline problems but injuries, has dropped 11 out of 13 after taking three in a row from the Reds.

Los Angeles now holds a 10-9 lead over San Francisco in the north-south feud. It ends this weekend with day games Saturday and Sunday.

Redlegs Too Eager Bear Eleven, Claims Hutchinson

CINCINNATI, Ohio (AP)—The Cincinnati Reds are too eager for their own good to win the National League pennant, according to a man who ought to know—Manager Fred Hutchinson.

The Reds have been playing only .500 ball since regaining first place from the Los Angeles Dodgers on August 16. The Dodgers have been right at their heels ever since. The two teams are separated now by only one game.

Hutchinson says the trouble is "too many players are trying too hard."

"I suppose it's only natural, especially at this period of the pennant race," said the usually dour Hutchinson whose team is due to start a three-game series tonight against the St. Louis Cardinals. The Cards and Reds each won one game of a two-night stand at Busch Stadium earlier this week.

"We have quite a few youngsters mixed up in a pennant scrap for the first time and they're bound to be pressing a little."

And then, of course, most every game we've played recently has been a cliff-hanger. Well, most every one, I can think of only a couple of games in our last dozen or so that didn't go right down to the wire."

Part of the Reds' troubles, Hutchinson admitted, are due to Frank Robinson's woeful batting slump. The right fielder had only five hits in 27 times at bat during the eight-game road trip that ended Thursday night.

In the same time, Cincinnati pitchers were tagged with 65 hits and 28 runs.

Hutchinson refused to let this dismay him. "I'm sure our pitching is better than it has been recently," he said after appointing Jimmy O'Toole to start tonight.

O'Toole, who owns a 14-9 record, has suffered two defeats at the hands of the Cardinals. The probable St. Louis starter, Curt Simmons, has won eight and lost 10, including three to Cincinnati.

Former National League southpaw pitcher Max Lanier is scouting for the San Francisco Giants.

Bear Eleven, Steelers Set Benefit Game

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS—A crowd of 40,000 will watch Coaches Buddy Parker of the Pittsburgh Steelers and George Haskas of the Chicago Bears match wits tonight in Chicago's Soldier Field in an effort to give their respective teams a winning National Football League exhibition season.

The Steelers-Bears clash is the 10th annual Armed Forces Benefit game and will be the closing exhibition contest for both clubs.

Pittsburgh and Chicago enter tonight's tilt with 2-2 NFL records and the memory of a 21-21 deadlock in the same Armed Forces scrap last year.

No other games are on the schedule tonight, but all the remaining 14 clubs wind up their exhibition campaigns either Saturday night or Sunday. The regular season begins Sept. 17.

Of Baltimore's first 10 shutouts this season, four were turned in by southpaw Steve Barber.

PRO \$\$\$ Beckon Net Ace

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (AP)—Rod Laver, the overwhelming choice to win the National Tennis championship, admitted today he had talked greenbacks with professional czar Jack Kramer.

"But," said the Australian left-hander, "my plans are indefinite after the Davis Cup challenge round. I'll definitely remain an amateur until then."

"After that, I don't know. I wouldn't want to say one thing and mean another."

This, indeed, has been Laver's year. He has only one black mark against him. That is a loss to cup mate Roy Emerson in the final of the Australian championships. But he partially atoned for that by winning Wimbledon.

Laver blasted his way into the quarter-final round Thursday with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 decision over Chris Crawford of Piedmont, Calif. His opponent today is Don Dell of Bethesda, Md., who downed John Sharpe of Edinburg, Tex., 7-6, 6-2, 8-6.

Rafael Osuna, 22, Mexican Davis-cupper, also pulled into the quarters by upsetting Bob Mark of Australia, 6-3, 6-4, 8-6.

Britain's Mike Sangster was leading Mexican champion Antonio Palafox, 21-19, 8-7 when darkness fell over the West Side Tennis Club.

So here is how the quarter-final round shapes up with four Americans and four foreigners still in it. Laver vs. Dell. Jon Davis, of Santa Monica, Calif., vs. Sangster-Palafox winner. Whitney Reed, San Francisco, vs. Osuna. Ron Holmberg, Brooklyn, vs. Emerson.

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