



Sport Parade: Yanks Buy Red Castoff In Typical Big Trade

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NEW YORK (UPI)—If it takes them all year, the never quit New York Yankees always manage to come up with the man they want. And therein lies the behind-the-scenes story of how they acquired Harry Bright from the Cincinnati Reds Sunday for approximately \$25,000.

Bright, a 33-year-old utilityman who has spent 13 of his 17 professional baseball seasons in the minors, isn't too well known to the average fan. But the Yankees know him exceptionally well.

Quietly, they watched him belt 17 homers for the Washington Senators last season and hit a solid .273. The fact that he could play first base, third base and even catch did not escape their attention either.

comes up with an injury or even put on the mask and mitt if the Yanks find themselves pressed behind the plate sometime.

Bright, who was up among the American League's leading hitters for a spell last year after winning Washington's regular first base job, also won the admiration of ballplayers everywhere last summer when he stood his ground against former Senator owner Gen. Elwood (Pete) Quesada.

During one of the Senators' many slumps, Quesada said the team needed several new players, including a first baseman.

"What's wrong with me?" Bright asked Quesada point-blank. "How many first basemen are out-hitting me right now, I think your remarks were uncalled for."

Bright drove in 67 runs for Washington last year and delivered several key blows in games against the Yankees. This didn't escape the world champions' notice, either. They made way for Bright on their roster Sunday by sending pitcher Skinny Brown to Houston.

Anytime the Yanks feel they have to make a move, they do so with dispatch. They had one good utilityman in Phil Linz but Bright was the fellow they had been eyeing for a long time.

When they saw their chance to get him Sunday, they didn't hesitate. They were taking little or no chance, so don't be surprised if Bright helps them to another American League pennant.

And some people still grumble "Yankee luck."

BODY ATTACK — Jose Stabile of Havana, Cuba, and New York (black trunks) ducks during battle with top welterweight contender Curtis Cokes of Dallas, Tex., in Sunnyside Gardens at New York. Stabile won an upset unanimous decision with a savage hooking attack to body and head during bout.

McCure, Wright Set For Week's Top Fight

NEW YORK (UPI)—Pfc. Wilbert (Skeeter) McCure and Teddy Wright, two American middleweight contenders just back from Europe, will meet in a nationally televised 10-round bout at the Toledo (Ohio) Sports Arena Saturday night.

Unbeaten McCure of Toledo and the U.S. Army has been stationed in Europe since last October. He outpointed West Indian Gomoie Brennan at Madison Square Garden in October just before his departure for Germany.

The 23-year-old McCure, the 1960 Olympic light middleweight champion, is favored at 11-5 because of his 13 straight professional victories since he turned professional in 1961. Six of his wins were on knockouts.

McCure is ranked ninth among middleweights (160-pounders) by the World Boxing Association. Wright, fighting out of New York, is a veteran who turned profes-

Decide On Bright

Putting their heads together this spring, General Manager Roy Hamey and Manager Ralph Houk agreed what the team needed most was a right-handed hitter with better-than-average power. They would have liked someone who could possibly spell experienced Joe Pepitone at first base, too.

"What about Bright?" Hamey asked Houk. "He had a good season for Washington last year."

"Do you think we can get him?" Houk inquired, aware that the Senators had traded him to Cincinnati last winter on the same day the Yankees had traded Bill Skowron to the Dodgers for Stan Williams.

"We can try," Hamey said. So negotiations were begun with President Bill DeWitt of the Reds and were culminated Sunday when the Yankees obtained Handy-Andy Bright from Cincinnati and dealt pitcher Jim Coates to Washington for pitcher Steve Hamilton, a reliever they also became interested in last season.

Giant Trio Faces Batting Practice

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—Extra batting practice was in store tonight for Jim Davenport, Chuck Hiller and Tom Haller—three big names with the San Francisco Giants who are hitting a collective .152.

"We'll have them bat at 5 p.m.," said manager Alvin Dark Sunday after his club ended its National League lead back to a full game by splitting a doubleheader with the Chicago Cubs. "We want to work on their hitting. And our defense has not been as good as it could have been during these first 12 games."

Right-hander Jack Sanford, off to a hot start, then will go to the mound with his 3-0 record and risk it against Cincinnati's southpaw Jim O'Toole (2-1) in the first of two game series.

Haller cracked a single through the box Sunday that gave the Giants a 3-2 win over the Cubs after the vastly improved Bruins beat Jack Fisher in the opener, 4-1. But despite his clutch hit, Haller still is batting only .200 this year, while Davenport's mark stands at .156. Hiller—Mr. Grand Slam of the World Series—has melted to a wistful .106.

The Cubs blanked San Francisco, 4-0, Saturday to tag Billy Pierce with his first loss at Candlestick Park, where he posted 14 consecutive victories. Bob Buhl and Andy McDaniel teamed to limit the Giants to just three hits. Fisher was hooked in the fifth inning, a loser in his debut as a

Portland Tops Denver; 89'ers Hold PCL Lead

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Pacific Coast League Standings

● Southern Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oklahoma City	7	3	.700	—
San Diego	6	3	.667	1 1/2
Denver	4	4	.500	2
Salt Lake City	2	6	.250	2
Dallas-Ft. Worth	5	4	.556	2 1/2

● Northern Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	5	5	.500	—
Tacoma	4	4	.500	—
Seattle	3	3	.500	—
Hawaii	4	4	.500	—
Spokane	3	3	.500	—

● Sunday's Results

Hawaii 7 San Diego 5
Dallas-Ft. Worth 5 Tacoma 1 (1st game, day)
Tacoma 6 Dallas-Ft. Worth 2 (2nd game, night)
Portland 12 Denver 11
Oklahoma City 15 Spokane 4
Seattle at Salt Lake, two games postponed, rain.

Yanks Through Dealing

"Bright gives us the right-handed balance we need," Hamey said. "We're through dealing now."

Bright was stunned when notified of the deal.

"The Yankees?" he said. "I can hardly believe it."

The world champions aren't getting just any other utilityman in the 6-foot, 189-pound Bright, who works as a rodmann for the Southern Pacific Railroad during the off-season.

Here is a man who not only can take over for Pepitone if needed, but also can fit comfortably at third base if Clete Boyer

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batters. Haller smacked the clutch
single that chased McCovey home
from second.

Southpaw Billy O'Dell (9-0) won
the route in this one, giving up
six hits as the Giants took over
the lead twice.