

Giants And Sox Dominate 1959 AP All-Star Team

NEW YORK (AP) — Chicago White Sox and San Francisco Giants dominated the 1959 Associated Press major league all-star team, landing three players each on the squad named Tuesday.

Second baseman Nellie Fox, catcher Sherm Lollar and right-handed pitcher Early Wynn represented the American League champion White Sox. The Giants selected first baseman Orlando Cepeda, outfielder Willie Mays and lefthanded pitcher Johnny Antonelli.

The rest of the team, chosen by 173 members of the Baseball Writers Association of America participating in the annual poll, lists third baseman Ed Mathews of Milwaukee Braves, shortstop Ernie Banks of Chicago Cubs and outfielders Hank Aaron of the Braves and Al Kaline of Detroit Tigers.

Only four players repeated from last year's squad — Fox, Banks, Aaron and Mays.

The world champion Los Angeles Dodgers failed to place a man on either the first or second team. So did New York Yankees, 1958 champs.

TOP VOTE-GETTER

Fox, named on 165 ballots, was the top individual vote-getter. The balloting for second base was the most one-sided in the poll.

The rest of the second team, in addition to Temple and Aparicio; first base—Frank Robinson, Reds (38 votes); third base — Ken Boyer, Cardinals (24); outfield—Harvey Kuhn, Tigers (44), Rocky Colavito, Indians (40) and Vada Pinson, Reds (12); and Jim Landis, White Sox (12); catcher—Del Crandall, Braves (28); lefthanded pitcher —Warren Spahn, Braves (78); righthanded pitcher —Sam Jones, Giants (28).

DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

At the recently opened meeting at Rostingham Raceway, New Hampshire, we notice that in the sixth race, purse \$1,000, the New Brunswick-owned pacer, Hal's Man, was second in 2:08 3/5. At Suffolk Downs mile track last Friday night, in the eighth race, purse \$7,150, Ann Gallon was the winner in 2:04 2-5; Sectionman, driven by Len O'Meara, was third. The winner's time was the fastest of the night.

A LEADING DRIVER

In a release from Saratoga Raceway, Saratoga Springs, New York, there is a writeup on Aubrey Rodney who has won more driving championships at Saratoga than anyone else, but who hasn't captured the sulky crown since he was tops for the combined summer and fall meetings in 1954.

However, in his latest starts he has been quite prominent and may be a contender for fall honors. Aubrey, who likes to keep his age a secret, in the latest compilation, was averaging .363, just four percentage points below leading Don Huff at .367. Others in the first five are: Clarence Franklin, .347; Pete Daley, .336; and Fred LaRouche, .302.

Our readers, with long memories, when they hear the name of Aubrey Rodney will, some of them, think back to 1912 when Aubrey Rodney was the top reinsman in the United States with Baden 2:03 1/4.

HIGH WINNINGS

On the cover of the latest issue of "The Harness Horse" is a picture of Diller Hanover, driven by Ralph Baldwin, winning the first heat of the Kentucky Futurity for the Hall Stable. The Star's Pride colt won this heat in 2:01 1-5, and came back in 2:01 3-5 for his fifteenth win of the year.

His winnings for the season are \$149,884 and his two 2:01 three-year-old total of \$237,228 is a new record, surpassing the \$219,000 of Scott Frost, driven by Joe O'Brien.

Baldwin has been the trainer-driver for Two Gait Farm for several years, and now they are announcing that, in future, they will retire from racing and all their racing stock will be sold at Harrisburg. In making this announcement, they had the following: "Regarding the racing stable, we must point out that these superbly conditioned, well educated, and expertly trained horses would not be sold at any price except for the necessity of discontinuing the Two Gait Farm Stable. These horses were all conscientiously handled and guided by the master colt trainer-developer, Ralph Baldwin, to whom the entire McNamara Family bows in recognition of his fine, long and loyal association with Two Gait Farm and the McNamara's."

AND TRAINER

Ralph Baldwin is a Canadian who has, during the last few years, been classed among the top harness drivers of the world. Here are four that he trained, drove and gave records to this year that will be sold: Rich Colby, 4, 1:59; Tie Silk, 2, 2:07 1-5 and 3, 2:00 2-5; Phillbrick Hanover, 3, 2:03 4-5; Hoot Colby, 2, 2:05. In addition to the McNamara Stable, Ralph also drives for other owners and is considered as one of the very best in the sport.

At Sydney Sports Center last Thursday night, the six-year-old gelding, Couz 2:09 2-5, won the free-for-all with a 1-1 summary: Sir Joseph 2-3, Ronald Hanover 3-2, time 2:13 and 2:13. He was driven by his owner, Pinkie Guam. Couz was sired by Jolly and took his record of 2:09 2-5 at Blue Bonnets track, Montreal, last year, driven by ex-Maritime, Rannie MacDonald. He was owned, at that time, by Charles H. Sutherland of Sydney. Couz is just another reminder of what a great sire Jolly could have been had he been given more opportunity. He and Abner T. Clegg are responsible for quite a large number of the good performers that are racing on Maritime tracks.

RECORD WINNINGS

When Clint Hodgins won the Harness Tracks of America \$52,500 Pace at Roosevelt Raceway, he set an all-time record for winners in a season. His victory in the final of this event pushed Bye Byrd's earnings for the year to \$212,192. This surpassed the former record of \$186,101 set by Scott Frost, driven by Joe O'Brien, in 1955.

The 21st Annual Auction, which is conducted by the Standard-bred Horse Sales Co., will be held at the State Farm Show Arena, Harrisburg, Pa., during the week of November 2nd. It is believed that the catalogue will be one of the largest ever issued, and we understand that horsemen from various parts of the Maritimes are planning to attend the sale and make purchases.

Harrisburg's sale has had a big appeal to horsemen ever since it was first promoted, and many of the best performers racing in the Maritimes have been purchased at this sale.

Another popular sale will be the 12th Annual Fall Speed Sale at Delaware, Ohio, on November 16, 17 and 18. It is expected that 550 horses will be offered there. Quite a number of the horses racing in the Maritimes during the past few years are graduates of the Delaware sales ring.

CANADIAN RECORD

Doug Johnson's sire, Irish Chief, is a brown horse foaled in 1952, by Chief Abbeduto 2:00 dam Lassie Mac, p. 2:04, by Volomite, 3, 2:03 1/4. He was bred by Leo C. McNamara, Indianapolis, Ind.



MOUNTED FOR FIRST TIME

World heavyweight champion Ingemar Johansson of Sweden mounted a horse for the first time Tuesday, taking an hour-long ride at St. Mary, Montana, where he is on location filming the movie All the Young Men.

The good-looking boxing sensation, shown above, scoffed at reports that he might suffer stiffness from the ride. Usually it is his opponents that suffer from stiffness after a ride through space, courtesy Ingemar's powerful right hand.

Ploen Has Old Job Back With Van Pelt Sidelined

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WINNIPEG (CP) — Fate or irony—call it what you like, but Kenny Ploen is back at the throttle of Winnipeg Blue Bombers, replacing the man who replaced him.

It took a shoulder separation to get Ploen out of the first-string quarterback slot last year, and it took a similar injury to get him back in this year.

But this time it was to Jim Van Pelt, the former Michigan star who led Bombers to the Grey Cup championship last year by scoring a record 22 points in the 35-28 triumph over Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

Van Pelt was laid low Monday night at Edmonton when a solid block by Eskimos' Rollie Miles sent him sprawling into the sidelines in the third quarter.

Ploen, former Iowa star who lost the quarterbacking job to Van Pelt after suffering a milder shoulder separation in Calgary Sept. 13, 1958, was called in to fill the breach.

Bombers, who have a bye into the western finals by virtue of their assured first-place finish, are at home next Monday to the tail-end Saskatchewan Roughriders in the last game of their schedule.

X-rays taken in Winnipeg Tuesday confirmed the shoulder separation to Van Pelt, who will be operated on Friday.

Ploen, who was named all-star quarterback in the WIFU in 1957, is capable of doing a good job. Ploen has been playing the safety slot this year and is rated tops at that position.

It is unlikely that coach Bud Grant will want to play Ploen both ways, so he must find someone to play the safety slot.

Grant also must find a placement kicker to replace Van Pelt, who has been booting the conversion, field goals and kickoff for Bombers, field or halfback Carver Shannon probably will get the call for the convert kicking and short field goal attempts, with homebrew fullback Gerry James kicking the long field goals and doing the kickoffs.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

SPORTS FANS throughout the province were indeed saddened to learn Monday afternoon of the unexpected passing of Angus MacDonald, a former outstanding athlete of a few years back.

'Angie' is best remembered for his many athletic feats with Prince of Wales College teams and it was in hockey especially that he stood out. He was a terrific competitor and his mere presence in a lineup meant a whole lot to his teammates. 'Angie' played the defence position and he played it a real fine style. Opposing forwards had the greatest respect for him and they took no liberties with him. He was a great skater and although a defenceman he organized many a Welshman rush.

Prince of Wales College has seen some great athletes perform for her but we can't think of anyone who gave more of himself in any sport than the same 'Angie' MacDonald.

To his family, Sports Front extends its deepest sympathy.

THIS AFTERNOON Georgetown Eagles and Tignish Aces will try to settle their baseball argument that started a few weeks back and still stands at one game apiece.

This battle is for the Prince Edward Island rural crown and the Stanley Cup trophies. The rural communities have taken a tremendous interest in baseball and the last time the Aces and Eagles met at Georgetown some 2500 persons watched the highly-exciting doubleheader. Many of these people will make their way in Charlottetown's Memorial Field today to get a glimpse at the clincher.

It's mighty late in the season to be at this game of Baseball but these teams are not letting winter get a foothold without having a champion crowned in this division.

It will undoubtedly be a bit chilly at Memorial Field this afternoon but these red-hot fans will go prepared and they'll enjoy every minute of it.

Action is smouldered to commence at 3 o'clock sharp.

TONIGHT the fourth place Toronto Maple Leafs invade Madison Square Gardens for a National Hockey League game with the New York Rangers.

The Punch Inlath gang has picked up six points to date, three wins in five starts. They beat Chicago Black Hawks twice and handed Boston Bruins a 3-0 setback last Saturday night. Their losses were to Montreal Canadiens and Detroit Red Wings and both these setbacks came on the road.

The Rangers own one victory thus far in 1959. They trounced the Canadiens 4-2 last Saturday in Montreal but have been beaten twice by Boston Bruins and once by Detroit Red Wings, Chicago Black Hawks and Montreal Canadiens.

The Rangers looked plenty good when we saw them dispose of the Stanley Cup champions before a disappointed Montreal crowd. The very next night they led the Canadiens 3-3 entering the final period but blew that one 6-5.

Tonight they should be ready to give the Maple Leafs the toughest kind of a battle but they will have to be tough to grab the verdict from the Queen City hockeyists.

We like the Leafs tonight in this one.

HORSE RACES are very uncertain things and that has been proved both at Charlottetown and Halifax these past few days.

Saturday at the local track Sid Stead was a bangup third with Jean Clegg in the first mile won by Nell's Lad, with Royal Train in the runner-up spot. The next time out the pari mutuel bettors just about forgot entirely the Stead Mare. This time the Clegg offspring took a new mark for herself and paid the handsome sum of \$66.40.

Monday night in Halifax it was Miss Wilma Dale that caused the big upset. The Halifax mare grabbed the seventh dash after favorite Mighty Green and two other entries Peter Federal and Betty French were in a collision. The holders of win tickets on Miss Wilma Dale received \$202.40 for every two dollar ticket they had in their possession.

A fellow doesn't worry about a little cold at the races if he can gather in that kind of money.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS are champions of the baseball world but no member of the team was named to the first or second all-star teams.

Chicago's Nellie Fox topped the poll, receiving 165 out of a possible 173 votes. Teammates Sherm Lollar and pitcher Early Wynn also made the first squad.

Repeaters from last season were Braves' Hank Aaron, Giants' Willie Mays and Cubs' Ernie Banks. The rest of the first team were: Orlando Cepeda, first base (Giants), Eddie Mathews, third base (Braves), outfielder Al Kaline (Tigers) and lefthanded pitcher Johnny Antonelli (Giants).

And so the new champions of the world are not represented. They were apparently unaware that they didn't possess enough ability to win the National League championship. Nobody told them that they were not supposed to beat those Braves and Giants to the wire. When that unexpected thing happened, the Dodgers should have had sense enough to leave things alone. But they didn't and the White Sox can testify to that. They took liberties on the all-star catcher, blasted Early Wynn in the final game and did all this without a single all-star player.

It's no wonder that Walter Alston claimed this his greatest thrill in baseball. Sure he won the crown back in 1955 and he beat the Yankees to do it. But this time he went all the way with a bunch of ballplayers that nobody was too excited about.

And that made victory all the sweeter for Alston and his Dodgers.

Hewitt's Choice Is Gordie Howe

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — Foster Hewitt, broadcaster of National Hockey League games, said here Monday night that Newfoundland "has done more in trying to promote hockey from the ground up than anywhere else in Canada."

Most schools here have hockey coaches and children start playing at the age of eight.

Hewitt picked Gordie Howe of Detroit Red Wings as the best player in the NHL today. He is touring Newfoundland to meet sports officials and players.

Parker Closes In On WIFU Crown

WINNIPEG (CP) — Versatile Jackie Parker of Edmonton is closing in on his first Western Interprovincial Football Union individual scoring title since he came to Canada from Mississippi State in 1954.

Parker, named Canada's most valuable player in the last two years, holds an 11-point budge over Ernie Pitts of Winnipeg Blue Bombers, with each club having one remaining game in the 1959 schedule.

Statistics compiled by The Canadian Press show that Parker has 95 points on six touchdowns, 29 converts and 10 field goals. Pitts' 84 points come from 14 touchdowns, all on passes.

Doug Brown, Calgary Stampeders' place-kicking tackle, has crept to within three points of second place. He now has 81 points on 36 converts, 14 field goals and three singles.

Still another three points back with a total of 78 is Bomber quarterback Jim Van Pelt, who has been sidelined for the remainder of the season with a shoulder separation.

Ryder Cup Team Arrives In U.S.

NEW YORK (AP) — Great Britain's 10-man Ryder Cup golf team arrived Tuesday aboard the Queen Elizabeth and the non-playing captain, Cmdr. Robert C. T. Roe, immediately issued a warning to U.S. professionals.

"These are the best players in Britain and they're good," he said. "Our chances of winning the cup again are good."

The British will play the U.S. team Nov. 6-7 at Palm Desert, Calif. They beat the United States in 1957 for the first time in 24 years.

Birdie Tebbetts May Pilot Milwaukee Braves In '60

NEW YORK (AP) — Birdie Tebbetts, who once said he would never manage again, very likely will be drafted to pilot Milwaukee Braves in 1960, an informed source told The Associated Press Tuesday.

Tebbetts, who was hired as executive vice president of the Braves exactly a year ago after he resigned as manager of the Cincinnati Reds, is Milwaukee owner Lou Perini's personal choice to succeed the departed Fred Haney.

Perini, a long-time admirer of Tebbetts both as a man and as a field leader, has been using his best salesmanship, it has been learned, in an effort to convince Birdie that his move from the front office to the field would be an asset to the organization.

According to the informant, Perini gave serious consideration to only two other possibilities — Leo Durocher and Charlie Dressen. Should the reluctant Tebbetts convince Perini he would be more valuable in the front office, Dressen is next in line for the job.

Tebbetts himself continued to insist Tuesday afternoon that 'my name has never come up' in any discussions of the managerial job with top Braves brass.

ANOTHER POSSIBILITY

Red Schoendienst, the Braves' veteran second baseman, also came in for thought by Perini. Durocher, rumored also as a possible successor to Bill Rigney at San Francisco, is more likely until next year, he has been promised the manager's job with the proposed New York entry when the embryo Continental League begins operation in 1961. Rigney, according to the best available sources, will be resigned by the Giants.

Another managerial vacancy — at Kansas City — is expected to be filled by either Ralph Houk or George Selkirk. Houk, New York Yankee coach, is the No. 1 choice. If he rejects the offer, Selkirk reportedly will be asked to take over on the field with Harry Craft, the deposed manager, succeeding George as supervisor of player personnel.

Kansas City owner Arnold Johnson, back from a European vacation, insisted "nobody has been picked yet," and added that he doesn't expect to decide on a new manager for at least another week.

Tiff With Dean Causes Blattner To Resign Job

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Sports-caster Buddy Blattner confirmed reports Tuesday that a personal difference with Dizzy Dean prompted him to resign from a contract said to call for \$75,000 a year.

The 40-year-old former major league infielder said he had asked for and received his release because he no longer wanted to work with Dean, former pitching great.

Blattner said Dean insisted that their sponsor (Falstaff Brewing Co.) withdraw approval for him to work the National League playoff games between Milwaukee and Los Angeles.

"Diz can be charming," Blattner said, "but he likes to push people around. I had made up my mind he'd do it only once more."

Blattner said Dean was "apparently miffed because the network and sponsor didn't want him" to handle the television commentary on the playoffs.

Dean and Blattner had been radio and TV partners for years.

Bosox Sign Sal Maglie

BOSTON (AP) — Boston Red Sox Tuesday announced they have signed Sal Maglie as pitching coach, succeeding the retired Dave Ferris.

Maglie, the righthander who helped pitch New York Giants and Brooklyn Dodgers to National League pennants, has been in the St. Louis Cardinals' chain since they released him as a payer early last season. He pitched briefly in the American League with Cleveland and New York Yankees.

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