

Danny Murtaugh Chosen 1958 Major League Pilot

NEW YORK (AP) — Voters in The Associated Press poll have made official what most people already knew. Danny Murtaugh is major league manager of the year.

The man who piloted Pittsburgh Pirates to second place in the National League race after they generally had been picked to finish seventh or eighth was a landslide choice of the sportswriters and sportscasters taking part in the balloting.

He received 149 votes. Bill Rigney of San Francisco Giants was first choice of six voters; Fred Haney of National League champion Milwaukee Braves and Casey Stengel of world champion

New York Yankees each received five nominations. Al Lopez of Chicago White Sox, four, and Jimmy Dykes, who finished the season as Cincinnati Redlegs manager; Harry Craft of Kansas City, and Joe Gordin, who took over as pilot of Cleveland Indians late in June, one each.

ADDED DISTINCTION

Murtaugh has the added distinction of being the first manager to be chosen on a ballot which encompassed the managers in both leagues. Previously The Associated Press poll selected a manager for each league. Last year Lopez, was the choice in the American League, and Haney, who gave Milwaukee its first world series title, was the National League selection.

It was Murtaugh's first full season as a major league manager. He had succeeded Bobby Bragan as Pirate pilot Aug. 3, 1957, with the team in last place.

It was in a tie with Chicago Cubs for seventh place when the season ended and few had the temerity to pick them for a higher position this year. There were just too many problems facing the 41-year-old former second baseman who had been a coach with Pittsburgh for almost two years.

BASEBALL MIRACLE

But what he did with his mixture of callow youth and grizzled veterans verged on a baseball miracle.

At the half-way point of the campaign the Cubs were in seventh place in the tight National League race, just two games ahead of Los Angeles Dodgers. They had won 36 games, but the leading Braves had won only 42.

The team gradually jelled as the season progressed. Murtaugh

stuck pretty close to one lineup. His one major change was in putting young Dick Stuart to alternate in the cleanup spot with big Ted Kuszewski, the pair teaming up nicely.

Trainer Is Going To Miss His Colt

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP)—Charles (Rabbit) Calvin probably is the only trainer of a horse in the rich Garden State who won't know whether to laugh or cry if his horse wins the big pot of gold at Garden State Park Saturday.

Calvin conditions Winsome Winner, a two-year-old colt he has nursed for the last 15 months.

The 37-year-old trainer describes his relationship with the horse as one of the closest between man and beast any race track has ever seen.

Ted Clifford, New Orleans insurance executive who purchased Winsome Winner at the 1957 Keeneland yearling sale for \$5,700, has sold the colt to Lawrence Polte and Roland Bond of Dallas, Tex., for a reported \$100,000.

Thus, after Saturday's mile-and-a-half sixteenth Garden State

Calvin will turn his prize charge over to trainer Slim Roles, who will turn Winsome Winner to California where the colt will campaign for his new owners.

"I'm going to miss the colt," says Calvin.

Winsome Winner, victor in the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes, earned \$77,800 for Clifford.

The latest word from the track is that 13 horses will be entered officially today for the big race. If they all go, the event will gross \$297,250, with \$178,350 to the winner.

Expected to run are First Landing, the probable favorite. Intentionally, Tommy Lee, Rico Tesio, Sword Dancer, Black Hills, Sherry Prince, Namon, Caroline Joy, Crafty Skipper, Restless Wind, Moon Age and Winsome Winner.

Argos' Success Bubble Will Bust Tocat Pilot

HAMILTON (CP)—Coach Jim Trimble of Hamilton Tiger-Cats predicted Wednesday that the Toronto Argonaut success bubble will burst.

He told the Tocat Quarterback Club: "I don't think Toronto will win in Montreal. It's always tough for anybody to win there."

The Argos have scored shutout victories in their last two games, trouncing Hamilton Tiger-Cats 37-0 and Ottawa Rough Riders 41-0. The victories were their second and third of the Big Four football union season against eight defeats and left them with a mathematical chance to make the three-team playoffs in their last three games.

Trimble said Montreal, three points ahead of the Argos, will have star end Hal Patterson back in the lineup for its remaining games. Argos play Ottawa Saturday and their last two games against the Alouettes.

"The return to Patterson will give the team a big psychological lift," the Tocat coach said.

Godit, Howard Fight Cancelled

HALIFAX (CP)—A Nov. 3 fight between Richard (Kid) Howard, Canadian lightweight boxing champion, and Lahouari Godit, the French champion, has been cancelled, local promoters announced Thursday.

They said Godit has been released from his 10-round Halifax commitment because of an offer of a televised bout with Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., leading world title contender.

Howard will fight Tommy Tibbs, New England lightweight champion, instead.

Soviet Hockey Team To Play In U.S. In January

NEW YORK (AP) — A Russian ice hockey team will meet the U.S. national amateur team in Madison Square Garden Jan. 1 in the first game on a six-city American tour, president Tom Lockhart of the U.S. Amateur Ice Hockey Association, said Thursday.

The Soviets will follow their New York appearance with games against either Harvard or Dartmouth in the Boston Garden; the University of Michigan in the Detroit Olympia; the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis; and again in either Eveleth or Hibbing, Minn.; the U.S. national team in Colorado Springs, Colo., and the Philadelphia Falcons of the Eastern League in Philadelphia.

Dates, except for the Madison Square Garden contest, have not been set.

Russia was runner-up to Canada in the world championship competition, held in Oslo, Norway last March. The United States finished fourth.

Hopes To Sign Patterson For London Match

LONDON (AP) — Boxing promoter Harry Levene said Thursday he will fly to New York next week with hopes of signing Floyd Patterson for a 1959 heavyweight title defence in London.

The likely challenger is Henry Cooper of Britain, who narrowly outpointed Zora Folley of Chandler, Ariz., in London Oct. 14.

Levene said he accepted an invitation of Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, to discuss the project.

D'Amato said last month there was a good chance Patterson would fight Cooper if the Englishman "knocked out or decisively defeated" Folley. Cooper barely won and Folley disputed the decision.

Jockey Ycaza Suspended Again

NEW YORK (AP) — Jockey Manuel Ycaza, who has been grounded for almost as many days as he rides, Thursday was suspended again.

This time the stewards of the New York Racing Association, penalized the daredevil rider 20 days, effective Saturday, for his rough ride aboard disqualified Prince Lewker in the United Hunts meet at Belmont Park Wednesday. He has been penalized 110 days this year.

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say whether or not the punishments were for disciplinary reasons.

His only further comment was: "Our players know our rules and these three did not abide by them. In fact we fined one player twice. But I don't think there will be any more trouble."

The Hawks have yet to win a game this season. They've lost two and tied four.

Kelowna May Be Assisted

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Tribune says three hockey players from the senior Winnipeg Maroons may be asked to strengthen Kelowna Packers for the western senior champions' six-game tour of Russia and Sweden.

"The key to whether or not the boys will be picked to go depends on whether Allan Cup champions Belleville McFarlands can be coaxed into lending one of their forward strings to the Kelowna club for the jaunt," the paper says.

"If the McFarlands decide to turn thumbs down on the Packers request for aid, then Kelowna will almost assuredly call on the Winnipeg trio."

The paper quotes Gordon Jackson, Canadian Amateur Hockey Association official from Melville, Sask., as saying the Packers definitely need forward help.

In Kelowna, Packers coach Jack O'Reilly said the Winnipeg line of Fred Dunsmore, Murray Balagus and Ray Manson was suggested by the CAHA some time ago as an addition to the team. No action had been taken by the club executive.

The CAHA also mentioned a line from Belleville, O'Reilly said.

"We can get plenty of help right around here but we are certainly going to co-operate with anything the CAHA comes up with... if they produce better hockey players than we have in mind for the trip we'll welcome them to camp."

Plans are being made to have Tom Steycyk, all-star defenceman with the Okanagan Senior League Vernon Canadians, join the Packers. There is a possibility that George Agar, playing coach of the Canadians, will make the trip also.

O'Reilly said negotiations are in progress to have winger Pete Conacher of Toronto, a member of the famous sports family, join the Packers.

Rookie Tackle Is Outstanding WIFU Lineman

CALGARY (CP)—Rookie tackle Don Luzzi of Calgary Stampeders Thursday was named this year's outstanding lineman in the Western Interprovincial Football Union.

The six-foot, 230-pound Luzzi will receive the Mel Beckett-Mario De Marco Trophy, presented in memory of two Saskatchewan Roughrider players killed in an air crash in 1956.

Luzzi, 22, came to Stampeders from Villanova University.

16-Year-Old Wins N.Z. Golf Title

AUCKLAND New Zealand (AP) Sixteen-year-old Walter Godfrey won the New Zealand amateur golf championship Thursday by defeating former champion Guy Horne, 44, 2 and 1 in the 36-hole final.

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Canadiens Crush Hawks; Red Wings Defeat Bruins

By W. R. WHEATLEY Canadian Press Staff Writer MONTREAL (CP) — Montreal Canadiens routed Chicago Black Hawks 9-1 Thursday night, squelching the Hawks' hopes of gaining a first-place tie in the National Hockey League race.

Rookie Ralph Backstrom and big Jean Beliveau each counted two goals in the merciless slaughter.

The Hawks were in the game for one period, Todd Sloan's goal giving them a 1-1 tie in the 20-minute opener. After that they faded badly and Montreal's runaway was in full swing to the final siren.

Andre Pronovost, Don Marshall, Dickie Moore, Tom Johnson and Maurice (Rocket) Richard all tossed single counters behind goalie Glenn Hall, whose defence collapsed ignominiously in front of him.

A crowd of 14,368, expecting to see a hot battle for first place, saw instead a team that, on the night's play, looked anything but a challenger for Montreal's National Hockey League title.

WOEFULLY WEAK

The Hawks were woefully weak on the offence and once their defence started to wobble they became disorganized. Defenceman Pierre Pilote was the goat on two of Montreal's early goals, allowing the puck to be swiped cleanly from him.

Summary

First period: 1. Montreal, Pronovost (Goette) 5:36; 2. Chicago, Sloan (Ferguson, Litzberger) 13:06. Penalties: Geoffrion 3:06, Hull 13:47.

Second period: 3. Montreal, Marshall (Backstrom, Bonin) 5:54; 4. Montreal, Moore (Beliveau, M. Richard) 9:00; 5. Montreal, Beliveau 19:31. Penalties: Arbour 7:42, Pronovost 10:25, McDonald 13:46.

Third period: 6. Montreal, Johnson (Moore, Geoffrion) 7:08; 7. Montreal, M. Richard (H. Ri-

chard) 12:33; 8. Montreal, Beliveau (McDonald, Geoffrion) 13:18; 9. Montreal, Backstrom (Bonin, Marshall) 14:22; 10. Montreal, Backstrom (Marshall) 15:42. Penalties: Turner 2:25, Evans 6:13, Johnson 19:34.

Stops: Hall 16 9 8—33 Plante 12 5 9—26

DETROIT (AP)—Johnny Wilson scored a pair of early goals, his first scoring efforts of the season, and led Detroit Red Wings to a 3-1 victory over Boston Bruins Thursday night before an Olympic Stadium crowd of 9,189.

Boston's Larry Hillman ruined the shutout bid of goalie Terry Sawchuk when he scored in the final second of play. There was a jam around the Detroit goal and Sawchuk was several feet out of his cage when Hillman tricked home a weak shot.

First period: 1. Detroit, Wilson (Kelly) 4:44. Penalty: Morrison 15:58.

Second period: 2. Detroit, Wil-

Sonny Liston Favored To Beat Bert Whitehurst

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Charles (Sanny) Liston is favored to make rugged Bert Whitehurst his 14th straight victim in his rise to the top 10 heavyweight boxing title contenders tonight in a 10-round televised fight at the St. Louis Arena.

Liston has moved up to ninth place among contenders for Floyd Patterson's title since he moved from St. Louis to Philadelphia and switched managers.

He has won three in a row under veteran manager Pop Barone and Jimmy Wilson, an old-time trainer.

Whitehurst is a tough trial heavyweight who took everything Liston threw at him for 10 rounds without flinching last spring but lost a 10-round decision in St. Louis.

SPORTS FRONT

By PIUS CALLAGHAN

FIGHT FANS who moaned over a disappointing card at the Sports Arena last month weren't in any such frame of mind following Wednesday night's entertainment. If they had come seeking action in abundance, they got what they were looking for.

Right from the opening bell of the curtain raiser to the time Mario Nini was unable to answer the call for the eighth round, there was scarcely a dull moment. Everyone of the eight fighters gave everything they had to provide the cash customer with value for their money. What they did was sufficient to send all home in a happy frame of mind, realizing that the performers could not have been expected to do any more than they did.

DON 'DUCK' TRAINOR looked pretty sharp in disposing of Mario Nini. Indeed it looked as if 'Duck' had the affair closed out in the first round but Mario fought back to play a game-ness that would be hard to equal. Trainor gave the woodsman from Northern New Brunswick a terrific hammering as he kept jabbing that fact continually from the opening bell. Nini, far from being a smart boxer, but dead game all the way, tried desperately to slug his way to victory but 'Duck' had an answer for every move he made.

NINI WAS ON the canvas when the bell halted the seventh round. His seconds worked feverishly on him in the one minute interval but it was to no avail. Mario's left eye was all but closed and his face was like a piece of beef-steak. There just wasn't any chance of his continuing. But no fighter ever earned his money more than Mario did. He never once showed any inclination to call it quits and the fans admired him for his game stand.

Trainor, on the other hand, was master all the way. It was probably was one of 'Duck's' greatest performances as he gave Nini no chance whatsoever to get started. He boxed beautifully, hit with real authority and demonstrated his ability to take the best that Mario had to offer. Nobody could ask much more of the Charlottetown policeman.

IN THE SEMI-FINAL, Bruno Boucher proved beyond all doubt that he is a really rugged individual. Boucher was considered by most of those in the 'know' as not quite good enough for Summerside's Walter 'Peanuts' Arsenault. Arsenault had been quite impressive in his recent win over 'Sluggo' Turnbull and folks were saying that he could handle the French-Canadian. Apparently those who talked that way hadn't seen Boucher in any real action. His last fight with Vince Cook of Halifax gave Boucher no chance to really show his stuff. Cook made no fight of it whatever.

But Arsenault was no Vince Cook and the gamester from the western capital lost the fight but won himself a lot of friends. We didn't figure he had won any of the eight rounds (we called it six for Boucher with two even) but he made a fight of it all the way. Boucher got to Walter's nose early in the scrap and blood flowed freely during the latter part of the fight. It bothered 'Peanuts' to no end but he kept boring in, trying to land that one punch that he hoped would result in a knockout victory. Bruno saw that it never happened and emerged a winner by a wide margin.

EVEN THE PRELIMINARIES were slugfests, so everything considered it indeed was a full evening. It was fitting that the final fight card was of such calibre, leaving everybody with a good taste their mouths. Ivan Dedering tried hard to give patrons real value and he succeeded 100 per cent on Wednesday night.

WE HAVE NOTHING definite on what's taking place locally in hockey but we hear by the grapevine that there will be at least four teams in the Island Hockey League by next Monday night. Some are predicting that the number will be five and that of course, will be all the better, providing all teams are fairly evenly manned.

Nobody will come right out and say anything positive because we gather that considerable jockeying is going on for players. Some mighty good performers are still undecided whom they will line up with, but by Monday night they'll have cast their lot.

The five-man steering committee is presently working on the problem of finding one or probably two sponsors before they report back to next Monday's meeting. The outlook appears promising and things should take definite shape at this next hockey session.

Last Monday's get-together surely started things moving. There had been nothing on the menu up to that time and there were those who predicted no organized hockey for the 1958-59 season. But Monday soon quieted those foolish rumors and right now we seem certain of plenty of action this coming winter.

Drop around Monday night at The Sports Arena at 7:30 for the next meeting.

SOLLY HEMUS, newly-appointed manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, isn't the type of fellow who will refuse to make copy for the sports-writers. Indeed, Hemus, appears just the opposite type and is free with his talk when the boys from the press are around.

Recently reporters got to asking Solly what were his ideas of a good manager. How should the boss man act with his players? Solly didn't hesitate but gave out with these thoughts.

"A manager must avoid the mistake of failing to understand individuals. A pat on the back goes a lot farther than a kick in the pants. The guy who's going good doesn't need encouragement, but the guy who's going bad does. If you've got your club on its toes, going all out and not beating itself with mental mistakes, you've got no complaint coming."

DALHOUSIE'S thrilling victory over Shearwater Flyers on Wednesday night must be considered the football upset in the Maritimes this fall. By their win the Tigers jumped into second place, behind the front-running St. F.X. powerhouse.

Summerside's Don Nicholson is proving to be the real big gun in the Tigers' attack, scoring two of their three touchdowns on Wednesday.

The last two triumphs, over Stadacona and Shearwater were ones that the experts had put in the book for the Sailors and the Flyers. The Tigers made them get out their crasers and reverse their entries.

May they roar some more.

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