

# Dodger Hurler Undecided For World Series Opener

BROOKLYN (AP)—Sal Maglie had the miseries Monday, leaving wide open who will be Brooklyn's pitcher against New York Yankees and lefthander Whitey Ford in Wednesday's world series opener at Ebbets Field.

The Dodgers, hungry for some relaxation after the frantic finish to the National League pennant race, had the day off. But when Maglie showed up with the rest to pick up his ticket allotment, he admitted to an upset stomach and reported his shoulder "a bit stiff."

That confirmed manager Walt Alston's worry over the 39-year-old righthander. The Dodger skipper, given little chance to enjoy his second consecutive pennant, has doubted whether Sal could get the job done after only three days rest.

Maglie's logical choice, said Alston, "but he may need more rest. I know he pitched that no-hitter (last Tuesday) with only three days rest, but how can you be sure he can come back again?"

Sal, who has been coming back all season, figured the stiffness might work out of his shoulder in a pre-game warmup, and Alston followed the lead.

"I won't know who starts for us until just before game time," he said. "And if it isn't Maglie, it might be Carl Erskine, or Roger Craig, or maybe even Clem Labine. I just don't know."

While the hectic closing to the National League race left Alston with a weary pitching staff, Yankee manager Casey Stengel had no such worries, having clinched the American League flag two weeks ago.

"It's Ford, all right," said Casey

as his Yanks worked out at the stadium Monday. **GOOD WEATHER** "Yeah, yeah, I know. They say those guys (the Dodgers) have a picnic with lefthanders over there (in Brooklyn's handball yard) but I can't afford to wait 'til we get over here, so I gotta go with my best and my best is Ford."

Ford, 28, hasn't worked since last Wednesday, when he lost his shot for a 20th victory at Baltimore. That gives him a full week's rest going into the opening game, scheduled for 1 p.m. A.D.T. predicted cool and clear weather.

Whitey, however, hasn't won yet in Ebbets Field, although his 3-1 world series record includes two of the Yankees' three victories over the Brooks last year.

Still, the bookmakers have junked the idea that Brooklyn's right-handed hitting power will ruin Ford again. They've made the Yankees a 6-to-5 choice in the opener, picking Labine for Alston. If it's Ford against Maglie, however, it's 6 to 5 and "pick 'em."

The Yankees are 7 to 5 favorites to win the series, but it's 10 to 1 they won't make it a four-game sweep. It's 15 to 1 the Dodgers, playing the first two games at one, won't sweep.

**NEW YORK (AP)**—Strictly on their batting performance during the regular season, New York Yankees will take a decided advantage over Brooklyn Dodgers into the 1956 World Series.

The Yankees, led by Mickey Mantle, were the greatest home run hitting club in American League history. Mantle's 52 and Yogi Berra's 30 gave the team a king-sized boost toward the league's all-time high of 190 four-baggers. Brooklyn hit 179.

And among the players who figure to see most of the action during the classic, the American League champs hold a 5-3 edge by position in the batting records. **POSITION-BY-POSITION** Let's take a look at the players position - by - position, evaluating both hitting and fielding:

First base — Bill Skowron, and Gil Hodges, Dodgers, a tossup. Skowron compiled the higher percentage, .308 to .285. But Hodges is the better fielder and hit more home runs.

Second base — Junior Gilliam, Dodgers, over Billy Martin, Yankees. Gilliam, a switch-hitter, was one of Dodgers' most valuable players. He was the only member of the Brooks to hit 300. Billy, however, is at his best in the "money" games.

Shortstops — Gil McDougald, Yankees, over Peeewe Reese, Dodgers. McDougald brilliantly plugged the shortstop gap for Casey Stengel. He batted .311 to Reese's .257. Reese, at 37, shows signs of slowing down.

**ERRATIC THIRD SACKER** Third base — Jackie Robinson, Dodgers, over Andy Carey, Yankees. Carey had a dismal year, hitting only .236. Andy covers lot of ground in the field but is erratic at times. Robinson, a .275 batter, remains a leading clutch player.

Left field — Enos Slaughter, Yankees, over Sandy Amoros, Dodgers. The 40-year-old Slaughter still can go like blazes in a short series. He's a better fielder than Amoros.

Center field — Mickey Mantle, Yankees, over Duke Snider, Dodgers. Mantle took the AL triple crown but Snider wound up with 43 homers and 101 runs batted in.

Right field — Carl Furillo, Dodgers, over Hank Bauer, Yankees. Carl hit almost 50 points

higher than Bauer although Hank chipped in with 26 homers. Catchers—Yogi Berra, Yankees over Roy Campanella, Dodgers. Yogi, with a .288 batting mark coupled with 30 homers and 105 RBIs, even had a better year than in 1955 when he won the most valuable player award.

Campanella, troubled by hand injuries, hit only .219. **NEW YORK (AP)**—All games in the Brooklyn-New York Yankee p.m. AST with the exception of world series will start at noon (1 Sunday when the starting time is an hour later, 1 p.m. EST (2 p.m. AST).

Here is the schedule of games for the best-of-seven series: First game—Wednesday, Oct. 3, Ebbets Field.

Second game—Thursday, Oct. 4, Ebbets Field.

Third game—Friday, Oct. 5, Yankee Stadium.

Fourth game—Saturday, Oct. 6, Yankee Stadium.

Fifth game—(if necessary) Sunday, Oct. 7, Yankee Stadium.

Sixth game—(if necessary), Monday, Oct. 8, Ebbets Field.

Seventh game (if necessary), Tuesday, Oct. 9, Ebbets Field.

# Sports

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## S. D. U. Track And Field Meet To Commence This Morning

The athletic prowess of college men will come into the fore today as the Annual College Field Day gets underway at St. Dunstan's University this morning. There will be thirty events scheduled with entries divided into Junior, Senior, and Open competitions. In addition to the regular track events the foot ball and baseball throws will feature along with a few other novelty events.

The Field Day, which takes place as a fall track meet to promote sport on the campus, usually provides keen competition, and should be of interest to the general sports observer as well as to the avid track man.

Every year promising athletes emerge into prominence as the result of individual honors. Just last year Eddie MacDonald of Antigonish broke the last standing track record of this traditional meet with a high-jump performance of five feet, six inches.

In view of this, it seems no record will be safe until the final performance. The prospects for a successful field day appear bright. The events will open in the morning at 9:30, and will take up most of the afternoon.

## 13 Leading Records Broken During 1956 Baseball Season

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Thirteen leading records were broken during the 1956 major league baseball season.

Among the individual record-breakers were Pittsburgh's Dale Long, who hit a home run in eight consecutive games; Stan Musial, St. Louis, who reached a lifetime total of 1,086 extra-base hits; and Jim Lemon of Washington, a strikeout victim 139 times.

Cincinnati led the major league standard of 221 home runs and the New York Yankees, by hitting 190 homers, bettered the American League mark of 182. The Yanks' four - bagger production helped the junior circuit toward a new mark of 1,075 topping the previous high of 973 set in 1950.

**Individual records broken** Most home runs, consecutive games—8 by Dale Long, Pittsburgh, NL (broke major league record of 6 held by five players.) Most extra-base hits, lifetime—1,086 by Stan Musial, St. Louis, NL (broke National League record of 1,071 set by Melvin Scott, New York, NL.) Most home runs, catcher, lifetime—238 by Yogi Berra, New York, AL (broke major league record of 236 set by Gabby Hartnett, Chicago NL and New York NL.)

Most times hit by pitch, season—23 by Minnie Minoos, Chicago AL (broke major league record of 21 set by Jake Stahl, Boston and New York AL in 1908 and tied by Bucky Harris, Washington AL in 1920.)

## Businessmen Have Bought Detroit Tigers

**DETROIT (AP)** — Eleven businessmen who paid a record \$5,500,000 officially took control of the Detroit Tigers' Monday from the Walter O. Briggs family.

The sale, for the largest price ever paid for a baseball company, actually was made in mid-summer but official control went to the syndicate Monday upon delivery of \$4,200,000 in cash.

Fred A. Knorr of Detroit and John E. Fetzer of Kalamazoo, Mich., both radio executives, head the syndicate that takes over the Detroit American League franchise, Briggs Stadium, Tiger players and stock in three minor league clubs and leases on two Florida training sites.

## Manager Ivan Assumes Coaching Duties Of Hawks

**ST. CATHARINES, Ont. (CP)** — Assuming the double responsibility of coach and general manager following the retirement of veteran coach Dick Irvin, Tommy Ivan put Chicago Black Hawks through their most severe workout of the camp here Monday.

The Hawks were given a stiff two-hour scrimmage session, followed by 70 minutes of stops and starts which left many of the veteran players gasping.

## Hawks Return Bud MacPherson To Canadians

**MONTREAL (CP)** — Defenceman Bud MacPherson, sold to Chicago Black Hawks along with centre Ken Mosdell early this year, has been returned to Montreal Canadiens by the Hawks.

MacPherson was returned because an old knee injury has not responded to treatment. He will work out with Rochester's new entry in the American Hockey League.

It was also announced that the National Hockey League Canadiens have sent three players to the Trois-Rivieres club of the Quebec Hockey League. They are forwards Bev Bell and Ron Athwell and defenceman Jack Bowness.

## Hunters Have Varying Luck On Shooting Season Opening Day

Fog over the bays and inlets obscured to hunters the dawn of a perfect day as the 1956 shooting season got underway Monday morning. The early morning hours were cold and damp as the fog drifted in over the sleepy-eyed gunners as they lay in open blinds awaiting the zero hour. At 5 a.m. the sky to the East had brightened and with every passing moment hunters became more aware of the impenetrability of the fog bank.

The ducks were there, but where? Their disturbed quacking was sufficient evidence that they were aware of intruders at their feeding grounds, but as the hunters were unable to see them, neither could they see the hunters. Slowly the fog lifted and by the zero hour a range of visibility extended about 75 to 100 yards. The barrage began. Taken by surprise many ducks fell victim to deadly shot but vastly the greater number made their escape. For a half-hour the shooting continued and by then the calm, lovely day, of which the fog-covered hunters were generally unaware, had taken themselves to safer areas far out on the water. There were a few satisfied duck hunters, but the largest number came home with little or nothing for the morning outing.

Only the very few main flyways provided some picking shooting throughout the day, and on the whole, those who did not get ducks during the first half-hour drew a blank for the day.

If the day was relatively unfruitful for duck hunting, it was ideal for upland game. The nimrods who have their shooting in the fields found the day a perfect one both for themselves and for their dogs. Huns and pheasants were the big drawing card for the upland hunters but once again results were scanty. Men and dogs roamed the fields, but it would seem the succeeding generations of birds have become aware when the shooting season is on, and they hide themselves under the utmost reach of the back fields and brush. At all events reports indicate the take was light.

Once again we are welcoming our American hunters who are deriving great pleasure in this "hunting paradise," but who, unfortunately, like all other upland hunters yesterday, had varying luck. By persevering, however, their luck may change, and they may then look forward to a hunting experience such as they may perhaps have not had heretofore.

## Abbie Practice Memorial Field Today

**COACH JIMMIE MACDONALD** has called a practice for the intermediate Abbies today at Memorial Field at 4:30 p.m. Mr. MacDonald has decided to give his charges every possible practice before they undertake to play Memramcook N.B.-N.S. champs, for the Island title possibly next Sunday.

## Ramblers 3; Tigers 0

The Ramblers pulled a major upset in the Q.C.H.S. Intra-mural Rugby League Monday afternoon by defeating the Tigers 3-0. The victory was the first of the season for the Ramblers and put them in a 3-way tie for second place in the League standing. Borden "Slim" Edwards, hard working forward for the Ramblers, scored the only try of the game when he crossed the Tiger line in the first half making a fifteen yard run from a 3-man scrum. The attempt, however, was blocked by Doug Reid, while Doug Reid, Ralph Russell and George Phillips were particularly effective for the Tigers. The next encounter will take place today when the Nomads play the Hatchmen.

**LEVEL CUT** The Suez Canal requires no locks since it was cut through the desert between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea, of equal level.

## LEGION BOWLING LEAGUE BEGINS TUESDAY OCTOBER 2 9 P. M. AT CHARLOTTETOWN BOWLING ALLEYS

Anyone who put name down on list is eligible to bowl.

## SLOAN AND ARMSTRONG AT LEAF TRAINING CAMP



Tod Sloan (left) and George Armstrong take time out to pose with boss Conn Smythe at the Toronto Maple Leafs' training camp in Sudbury. Smythe posed for this photograph during a one-day flying visit to the Leaf camp, where he said he was "unimpressed" by the workout of the National Hockey League team. (CP Photo).

## Patterson Closing In On Big Four Scoring Ch'ship

**TORONTO (CP)** — Hal Patterson of Montreal Alouettes, undoubtedly the greatest pass-catching end in Canadian professional football, is closing in on teammate Pat Abruzzo for the Big Four scoring championship.

The 24-year-old former University of Kansas player scored two touchdowns in Montreal's thrilling 44-43 victory over Hamilton Tiger-Cats last Saturday to break a three-way deadlock for second place in the scoring race.

Statistics compiled by The Canadian Press show Patterson with 42 points, built up on seven touchdowns. Abruzzo, former Rhode Island University half, went over for one touchdown to bring his point-total to 60 in eight games. Bucky Curtis of Toronto Argonauts is in third place with 51 points and six others are tied with 30 each.

## Unsavoury Legend Reappearing

**By ED SIMON** Canadian Press Staff Writer **NEW YORK (CP)** — One of sport's most unsavoury legends, the one concerning the alleged absence of bravery in British fighters, has made an unwelcome re-appearance in these parts.

The occasion was a fight between Wayne Bethea, a Bronx heavyweight, and Joe Bygraves, a Jamaican who holds the British Empire title, which was stopped at the end of five rounds at Bygraves' request.

One writer hinted rather delicately that Bygraves was "following the custom on the other side of the Atlantic." Another was more forthright.

"To put it bluntly, the Empire champion quit," he said, adding that his action was "in the best tradition of the British heavy-weight."

To the best of our recollection, the "tradition" has its only factual basis in the performance of Phil Scott, a Briton who came over to fight Jack Sharkey in 1930 and was counted out in the third round. Some ringside observers still insist that the punch that felled him hadn't landed yet.

Britain has not produced many heavyweights of note since Scott's day nor, for that matter, has any other country. But, without straining the memory, it's easy to recall a couple of Britons whose ring courage has been outstanding.

## Doncaster And Tessier In 12-Round Title Bout

**HOLYOKE, Mass. (AP)** — Ted Doncaster of Sackville, N.S., and Springfield's Gerry Tessier will meet here Monday in a 12-round bout for the New England lightweight title, promoter Sam Silverman announced.

The match, Silverman said, has been approved by the New England Association of State Boxing Commissions.

The regional crown has been vacant for about a year.

## New Rules To Prevent Loss Of Footballs

**HAMILTON (CP)** — Fans won't get much of a chance anymore to snare a souvenir ball at future Big Four football games.

Seymour Wilson, Big Four referee-in-chief, said today that under a new ruling convert kickers will boot the ball from the end zone.

Ontario Rugby Football Union fans in Toronto saw the manoeuvre executed—probably for the first time in Canada — last Wednesday night in a game between Kitchener - Waterloo Dutchmen and Toronto Beavers. The Kitchener team, attempting a convert, marched behind into Toronto's end zone, scrimmaged facing the goal posts with the kicker's back to fans lining the deadline, and kicked the ball onto the field of play.

The same practice will be followed in Big Four games. Wilson said the teams will scrimmage on a white line drawn 10 yards behind the goal posts in the end zone. The kicker will stand facing the posts between the line of scrimmage and the deadline, 25 yards from the posts.

Wilson said there are four main reasons for the new rule: to prevent loss of balls in the dead-line crowd; to prevent jostling of officials; to spare police embarrassment; and to prevent spectators from possible injury in the scramble for balls.

Hamilton Tiger - Cats figured they lost \$175 worth of balls in a high - scoring game Saturday against Montreal Alouettes in Civic Stadium. Nimble fans spirited off seven \$25 balls in 13 converts.

## Denmark Trees

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