

Here Are Probable Lineups As World Series Opens Today



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YANKEES ARE FAVORED

SPORTS FRONT

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This Is The Day

THIS is the day. Yankee Stadium in New York City will be the scene this afternoon of the opening game of the 1963 world series, with Ralph Houk's Yankees and Walter Alston's Dodgers the participants.

Last April ten teams in the American League and ten teams in the National League began their 162-game schedule which they hoped would terminate with their winning the league flag. Chances are that some of the teams had very little hope of emerging a league victor but the chance was still there as they began their grid.

The fact that Yankees and Dodgers completed the grid successfully hasn't surprised too many baseball fans. They were top choices and they certainly should provide great entertainment in this 1963 classic.

Yankees Are Favorites

RALPH Houk's gang enter this series in a familiar role. They are favorites once again to topple the Dodgers, a feat they have found rather easy on most occasions. The lone exception came in 1955 when Johnny Podres blanked them 2-0 in the seventh game at Yankee Stadium. It was Johnny's second triumph in the series.

Podres will be back again, hoping for more success against the Bombers. He is Alston's choice to start tomorrow and Podres could be a tough customer. St. Louis Cardinals found that out in the crucial series in Bush Stadium. Johnny was Alston's choice for that first game and Podres responded with a great effort. He did need a bit of relief from Ron Perrano but Podres got the credit for the triumph. When the money is on the line, the veteran southpaw can be terrific. He seems to thrive on pressure and there'll be plenty of it pitching alone.

Fellows To Watch

DOGGERS have a few fellows who can murder the ball if they get one they like. The Yankee pitchers had better not give him Frank Howard anything to go on. This huge man can belt them if he gets the kind we want. Ron Fairly too can hit a long one and Fairly is surely due to start hitting in this series. He will be trying his best to make Los Angeles faces red with embarrassment.

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Whitey Ford And Sandy Koufax Ready For Opener

By JACK KAUF
NEW YORK (AP)—Sandy Koufax and Whitey Ford open the World Series today at Yankee Stadium in an eagerly-awaited duel of ace left-handers that should set the pattern for the best-of-seven set between Los Angeles Dodgers and New York Yankees.

Despite Koufax' 25 victories for the Dodgers and his National League strikeout record of 306, the Yankees are favored 6 to 5 in the opener and 7 to 5 in the series.

A weather forecast for a sunny, pleasant day with temperature in the mid-70s assures a capacity crowd of 70,000-plus for the opener of the Yanks' 20th series. The perennial American League champions have a 20-7 record in series, compared to 28 for the Dodgers, and hold a 61-33 record in the regular season.

In the opener it will be the speed and firing power of 27-year-old Koufax, a Brooklyn-born pitcher who pulled himself out of a 1954 hamstring injury, and the lefty relief stopper, also said he has completely recovered from a cold.

The one doubtful position in the lineup of the two clubs was third base for the Dodgers, Ken McMullen, a rookie recalled from Spokane in late June, suffered a pulled hamstring muscle in his right leg last week. It bothered him during Tuesday's workout and he appeared as an unshakable starter.

McMullen settled the Dodger infield after his recall and the club played much steadier ball. If he can not play, Jim Gilliam probably will shift from second to third and Dick Tracewski, a fine fielder but a .228 hitter, will go to second.

Both Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris are ready to go for the Yanks. Mantle's left foot was broken in Baltimore June 5 and he appeared in only 45 games. Maris has been troubled by a series of ailments and played in 89.

The series is supposed to be a pitching battle, emphasizing left-handers in the first two games at Yankee Stadium.

The Yanks' club batting average was just slightly over the Dodgers'—252 to 251—but the Yanks had a big power edge with 188 homers to 110.

The Dodgers have the speed of Maury Wills, who stole 40 bases, and Willie Davis, who stole 28. This will put pressure on the right arm of Yankee catcher Elston Howard.

EXPECT RECORD TAKE
With two big ball parks certain to be filled, the winning share per player will be close to \$12,000 and each loser should pocket \$8,000. Both would be records.

With Ford working for the Yanks, manager Walter Alston crowded as possible into his Dodger lineup, Willie Davis in center and catcher John Roseboro will be the only lefty batters.

Ralph Houk has three left-handed hitters in his Yankee order—first baseman Joe Pennington, shortstop Tony Kubek and right-fielder Maris.

Mantle May Face Leg Operation

NEW YORK (AP)—Mickey Mantle, New York Yankee's \$100,000-a-year outfielder with the dime-store legs, said Tuesday—the eve of today's World Series opener—that he may be forced into a post-season operation on his left leg.

"If it doesn't get any better," said Mantle before taking a workout at Yankee Stadium, "it'll have to be operated on."

Mantle's latest possible bout with the scalping he has been operated on from his toes to his throat during his career—would date from the injury at Baltimore June 5 that contributed to his being out of all but 65 of the Yankee's games this season.

Mantle, who had just returned to the lineup after being sidelined with a rib injury, chased a drive into the center field fence. His spikes became entangled in the wire fence and his left foot twisted as he fell.

A preliminary diagnosis showed only a fractured foot, but later examinations showed a torn cartilage in the leg.

It was the torn cartilage that has been causing the trouble recently. But Mantle is expected to be in shape for the series.

BOSTON (AP)—The Boston Red Sox dropped five players today, including veterans Billy Gardner and Chet Nichols, and purchased the contracts of six rookies.

The American League baseball club asked waivers on Gardner, 36-year-old utility infielder, and Nichols, 32-year-old pitcher, in order to give them unconditional releases.

Pitchers Billy McLeod and Dave Busby and outfielder Pete Reiser were sold outright to Seattle of the Pacific Coast League.

Acquired by the Red Sox were pitcher John Boyle and catcher Archie Skoen from Seattle; pitchers Joe Chanton and Dave Gray and first baseman Tony Horton from Waterloo of the Midwest League; and outfielder Tony Consiglio from Weelville of the New York Penn League.

3 Double Wins At Truro Meet

TRURO (CP)—Three double-dash winners featured Tuesday night's harness card at the Truro Raceway.

Lord Labourn, Adios Peach and Borderview Remora ran double victories with Holly Rosecroft and Miramichi Vesta, winning in single dashes.

Best time for the night was 2:11.45 by Borderview Remora in the third race.

major task selecting the winner in the two dashes.

All the other classes are well filled and action should abound in every trip. One of these classes has eight starters and the other two have six competitors each.

Folks are expecting one of the most exciting race programs of the entire season and there's little chance of them getting disappointed.

Action starts at 8 o'clock.

Today Only Shows 3:30 - 7 - 9

STARTERS WITH POSITIONS FOR WED. OCT. 2nd 1963. RACE TIME 8:00 P.M.

DIVISION 1—5
1—Lucky Lark; 2—Audrey's Pride; 3—Windy June; 4—Mighty Brenda; 5—Hettie's Boy; 6—Vernita's Pet; 7—Direct Strike; 8—Ken's Pride.

DIVISION 2—8
1—Mr. McElvyn Key; 2—Miss Ellis; 3—Mal Kai; 4—Perfect Hal; 5—Zither; 6—Ida Butlong.

DIVISION 3—7
1—Dennis Herbert; 2—Dreamy Guy; 3—Mighty Warrior; 4—Clover Boy; 5—Scottish Light; 6—Callie Hal.

DIVISION 4—8
1—Mary Leah; 2—Elen Joyce; 3—Primo; 4—Sky Prince; 5—Gary's Best; 6—Judy Dick; 7—Anthony L.; 8—Raygrattan Up.

CHTOWN DRIVING PARK

Vikings Plan Practice Drill

All members of Barry's Juvenile Vikings are requested to turn out in uniform on the Old Diamond this evening at 5:30 for a brief practice. This will be the last workout before the games at Lantz, N.S., this Saturday which will determine the Maritime Juvenile softball champions. The Vikings are now leading 1-0 in games.

Driver Injured At Sydney Meet

SYDNEY (CP)—There were four double dash winners on the eight-dash harness racing card here Tuesday night that was marred by a mishap in the second race.

Driver Don Coakley of Sydney was rushed to hospital after Christina Chief, the horse he was driving, went down on the back stretch. Coakley was thrown to the ground and received undetermined head injuries, but was not in serious condition. The horse was not injured.

The double dash winners were July Dale, Worby Chief, G. Widdowest and Lou Creed. Widdowest posted the best time with a 2:15.7.

Highest pay of the night was \$32.50 on the daily double combination of July Dale and Worby Chief G.

Six Football Players Fined

WINNIPEG (CP)—The Canadian Football League Tuesday fined six players a total of \$500 for their conduct in a Sept. 22 interlocking game highlighted by a fist-swinging brawl.

The film, he said, showed that Hitcher did not participate in the fight touched off with two minutes remaining in the game in Toronto between Argonauts and Calgary Stampede.

Both benches emptied as players streamed onto the field and a few traded punches.

Unlike Pacific salmon, landlocked and Atlantic salmon do not always die after spawning but may return each year to spawn.

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Top Racing Card Set For Tonight

Another exciting harness racing program is scheduled for tonight at Charlottetown Driving Park to-night.

Monday night's patrons saw some of the greatest pari-mutuel payoffs in years, as favorites took a bad beating from the rank outsiders. The exactor was a hefty \$401.60 and a win check of \$100.00.

Echo Ridge Eddy meant a tidy pay of \$214.60.

Chances are good for more of the same kind of cashier payoffs to light on this great night-dash program that classically Frank Acora has lined up for the patrons.

The fast class has eight starters ready for the word. They go in dashes four and eight and in the excitement should be enormous. Don MacNeill has Leigh O'Brien, Don's great trotter, in the class. Many look in there with seven outsiders. There are many who think the mare can outpace the others while others insist the pacers will take over.

The pacers competing in this class are Ellen Joyce, P. P. m. o. Sky Prince, Galt's Best, Jolly Dick, Anthony L. and Raygrattan Up. It indeed should be a

