

Winnipeg Blue Bombers To Play Exhibition Games

WINNIPEG (CP)—The defending Western football champion Winnipeg Blue Bombers test their strength this week with exhibition games tonight in Montreal against the Alouettes and in Toronto Thursday against the Argonauts.

The Bombers, 40 strong, left Winnipeg by air Monday for the exhibition games which could iron out the import problem for coach Bud Grant.

Surprise starter in the 40 starters named to the trip was Frank Rigney, a tackle from the United States who just arrived in Winnipeg Sunday night following his discharge from the United States Army Saturday. Rigney was listed No. 3 by Philadelphia as one of the National Football League in the United States.

Grant is expected to use Rigney only on defence until he has seen all the offensive plays and has himself into playing condition. The tackle spots have been the

glaring weaknesses in the bomber make-up during the training periods. Rigney is expected to be a big help.

CAPABLE HANDS

The remainder of the positions are in capable hands. Thirty of the 40 players making the eastern jaunt have previously worn the blue and gold colors, including quarterback Eagle Day from Mississippi, who played for Bombers in 1956 but missed last year due to an injured hip.

All-star quarterback Kenny Ploen appears to have the signal-calling job almost sewed up, with Day and Jim Van Pelt from Michigan still in the fight.

There is battle for the backfield positions.

Five of the eight halfbacks on tour are imports — holdovers Buddy Leake, Leo Lewis and Bob McNamara and newcomers Curt Gabrielson from Concordia and John Varone from Miami. The other three are all punt return specialists—Gordie Rowland, Ron

Laforelle and Gene Wlasiuk.

WIFU scoring leader Gerry James heads a potent fullback corps, which includes imports Charlie Shepard and Pete Mangum, both holdovers. Shepard also will do most of the punting.

Tennis Results

VANCOUVER (CP) — Results Monday at the Canadian tennis championships included:

Men's Singles, First Round

Art Kono, Seattle, defeated Jacob Brackman, Florida, by default.

Jim McManus, Berkeley, Calif., defeated Erwin Douglas, Santa Rosa, Calif., 8-6, 4-6, 6-3.

Men's Singles, Second Round

Bob Bedard, Sherbrooke, Que., defeated Len Moxom, Vancouver 6-3, 6-3.

Don Fontana, Toronto, defeated John Garbor, San Francisco, 6-2, 6-2.

Jim Macken, Vancouver, de-

Cellar-Dwelling Dodgers In Player Switch, Alston Stays

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The cellar-dwelling Los Angeles Dodgers dumped three players Monday and brought up three from the minor leagues, two of them pitchers.

The team announced these changes:

Pitcher Ed Roebuck goes into voluntary retirement, at his request.

Infielder Dick Gray, optioned to St. Paul of the American Association effective Monday night.

feated Gordon Smith, Berkeley, Calif., 6-1, 6-2.

Paul Willey, Vancouver, defeated Ron Sandys, La Jolla, Calif., 6-2, 6-4.

Women's Singles, First Round

Mrs. Leslie Sparling, Toronto, defeated Barbara Best, Vancouver, 6-2, 6-0.

Women's Singles, Second Round

Mrs. Louise Brown, Toronto, defeated Mrs. Annie Ecclestone, Vancouver, 6-2, 6-0.

Susan Butt, Victoria, defeated Ann Heck, Los Angeles, by default.

Pitcher Bobby Giallombardo, optioned to Montreal of the International League.

Pitcher Werner (Babe) Birrer, brought up from Montreal. He has a 12-5 record this season.

Infielder Bobby Lillis, recalled from St. Paul.

Pitcher Danny McDevitt, recalled from St. Paul.

The shuffle came on the heels of an announcement earlier Monday from general manager Buzzie Bavasi saying there would be some player changes, but that manager Walt Alston stays.

"We emphatically have no idea of changing our manager," he told a reporter. There have been persistent rumors that Alston is due for the axe.

Probable Pitchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Probable pitchers for today's major league games. (won and lost records in parentheses)

American League
New York at Kansas City (N)—

Gus Bell Now In Hospital

CINCINNATI (AP) — Centre-fielder Gus Bell, out of the Cincinnati Redleg lineup for three days, entered Christ Hospital Monday for treatment of an ankle injury.

Bell was hit on the ankle by a foul ball last week and Redleg general manager Gabe Paul said the bruise was aggravated by boills. He said Bell will be in the hospital three or four days.

Larsen (7-4) vs Terry (6-8)
Boston at Detroit (N) — Sullivan (8-4) vs Bunning (8-7)
Baltimore at Cleveland (N) — Pappas (7-3) vs Narleski (10-8)
Washington at Chicago (N) — Kemmerer (5-8) vs Donovan (7-10)

National League
Los Angeles at Milwaukee (N) — Drysdale (4-10) vs Jay (6-3)
San Francisco at Cincinnati (N) — Miller (3-5) vs Monzant (6-8) vs Lawrence (6-7)
Chicago at Pittsburgh (N) — Briggs (4-0) vs Friend (12-11)
St. Louis at Philadelphia (N) — preceded by completion of June 29 suspended game) — Broman (7-7 vs Farrell (6-3); Jones (8-7) vs Cardwell (0-0) in regular game.

Second String Braves' Pitchers Up With The Best

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Three pitchers who didn't figure prominently in Milwaukee Braves' plans last spring have accounted for just as many victories in the last six weeks as the three who did.

Joeey Jay, Carl Willey and Juan Pizarro belong in the first category while Warren Spahn, Lew Burdette and Bob Rush are in the latter.

Since June 13 when Jay made his first start, the Braves have won 23 games. Jay, Willey and Pizarro have accounted for 11 of the victories; the same number as Spahn, Burdette and Rush. Don McMahon won the other game in relief.

The 22-year-old Jay leads with six triumphs, followed by Burdette with five, Spahn and Willey with four apiece, Rush with two and Pizarro with one in his only start during the span.

Jay has been with the club all season. He probably would have been sent to the Braves' Wichita,

Kan., farm affiliate at cut-down time except for the fact that his options were used up.

Willey, 27, was optioned to Wichita May 14, but recalled June 3. Pizarro, the youngest at 21, was recalled from Wichita July 21.

Where the Braves would be today without the three rookies is anybody's guess.

Bob Buhl, the hard-throwing

righthander who won 16 games in each of the last two seasons, hasn't pitched since May 13 because of a sore arm. Gene Conley and Bob Trowbridge, seasoned righthanders, have a combined win-loss record of 0 and 6.

Rush, the big righthander acquired from the Cubs this winter in a trade no longer considered a Braves' steal, has been an and out for the last month.

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