

Red Sox' Ted Williams Recalled by Marines

BOSTON, Jan. 9—(P)—Ted Williams, the Boston Red Sox \$100,000-plus slugger, today was recalled by the U.S. Marines for what is expected to be at least 17 months of active service.

A flying instructor in the corps from 1943-45, Williams has been ordered to report at nearby Squantum for a physical examination April 2. If found physically fit, he will start eight weeks of reindocination training at the Willow Grove Naval Reserve Base near Philadelphia on May 2.

Reports from Washington were that Williams, now 33, is one of several hundred former Marine flyers recalled to provide replacements for Korean veterans soon to be released from active duty.

Not in Reserve

When the announcement was made Williams was fishing in the Gulf of Mexico.

Williams, as far as Red Sox General Manager Joe Cronin knows, was not attached to any organized reserve unit. And neither had he taken any post-war flying training.

In Washington a Marine Corps spokesman said Williams would be ranked as a captain and would be required to serve 17 months, the statutory limit for reserve officers recalled involuntarily.

"Williams will be a terrific loss to us, despite the fact we have seven other outfielders," Cronin said. "We had no warning of his recall. He'll be hard to replace, but we'll make the best of it."

Contract Mailed

"I haven't heard anything from Williams about this," Cronin continued. "Therefore I do not know his plans. It would appear from his orders that he would be able to start spring practice with us in Sarasota on March 1 and probably play the first two weeks of the regular season. But that's up to him."

Cronin said that Williams' 1952 contract was mailed from Fenway Park a few days ago. The Red Sox executive refused to give any details about it. It was presumed, however, that the .318 batting average Williams compiled in 148 games last season did not warrant a reduction in his six-figure salary.

He's Medico Now

Penn State's first all-America football player, W. T. "Mother" Dunn, is a doctor in Hawaii.

Dorm 11 Takes Lead in IM Cage League

Dorm 11 moved into undisputed possession of first place in League C by smashing Avalon, 42-10, in an IM cage game Tuesday night.

Wilfred Hauer tallied 15 points for the winners as Dorm 11 went one game ahead of second place Pottsville and the Hot Rods. The Hot Rods dumped previously unbeaten Pottsville by a 41-31 margin. Dorm 11 has a perfect 5-0 record while the Hot Rods and Pottsville each have 4-1 slates.

In other League C battles, Jim Hand scored 17 points to lead Dorm 13 to a 43-29 triumph over Dorm 33. The Terrors won their second game of the season by edging the Kappas, 17-16.

After Tuesday night's play, League D was still in a two-way first place tie. The Dukes won their fifth consecutive game by trouncing the Fords, 33-9, as Tim Younger scored 14 points. Dorm 4, also unbeaten in five starts, showed plenty of offensive and defensive power in walloping a good Warren team, 50-19, as Charles Stroup tallied 14 markers.

Bob Leahey's 15 points led the Misfits to a 32-13 win over Irvin Hall and Edgewood thumped the Oilers, 36-18.

The one game played in League E found the Iron Men going down to their fifth straight loss, this time at the hands of Dorm 29 by a 26-16 score.

He Played Football

Bayard Kunkle, retired General Motors executive, played football as an undergraduate at Penn State.

Musial Hoping For Thaw on Wage Freeze

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9—(P)—Stan Musial, the National League's top 1951 slugger, came to town to see his old friend Secretary of Labor Tobin today—and incidentally, to knock out a solid ground ball to the salary stabilization board.

Stan has a problem and so has his boss, Fred Saigh, president of the St. Louis Cards.

Under stabilization rules, no ball player can get raised beyond the salary of the top-paid player of his club in 1950.

But Stan, five-time National League batting champ who hit .355 last season, is already the Card's top money man. His salary in 1950 was about \$50,000 a year.

The Cards gave the Donora, Pa. star a substantial boost last year, reportedly to \$85,000. But he has never collected the extra \$35,000, because federal regulations "froze" him at his 1950 salary.

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Giants' Drive Picked 'Comeback of Year'

NEW YORK, Jan. 9—(P)—It was even too incredible for a Hollywood writer to dream up and yet it happened. It had to happen to be believed. It came to realization at 3:58 p.m. on Oct. 3 when Bobby Thomson smashed his never-to-be-forgotten home run in the ninth inning to give the Giants a 5-4 victory over the Brooklyn Dodgers, and the National League pennant.

The electrifying hit climaxed the most astounding comeback in the history of baseball—a sustained, determined rally that brought Leo Durocher's fighting men a pennant after they had trailed the free-wheeling Dodgers by 13½ games as late as Aug. 11. And so it comes as no surprise that the Cinderella rise of the Giants was voted the greatest comeback by a team or individual in 1951—a year of amazing occurrences and resurgences.

Of 214 sportswriters and sportscasters who participated in the Associated Press' annual poll, 165 voted the New Yorker's pennant triumph as the No. 1 comeback. In second place was ancient Jersey Joe Walcott's seventh round knockout of Ezzard Charles

on July 18 which gave the 37-year-old gladiator the heavy-weight championship in his fifth try at the title.

Walcott received 27 first place votes. On a point basis of three for first, two for second, and one for third, the Giants accumulated 549 points to Walcott's 127.

Here are the leading comebacks with points awarded on the basis of three for a first place vote, two for second, and one for third:

1—New York Giants, baseball (165)	549
2—Jersey Joe Walcott, boxing (27)	127
3—Bobby Feller, baseball (3)	52
4—Stanford, football (2)	47
5—Ben Hogan, golf (2)	40
6—Chicago White Sox, baseball (4)	33
7—Ray Robinson, boxing (1)	32
8—Auburn, football (3)	32
9—Joe DiMaggio, baseball (in series) (2)	17
10—Detroit Lions, football	11

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