

AP Picks Chicago To Win AL Crown

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NEW YORK (AP) — Chicago's White Sox having added punch without easing their strong pitching, loosening their tight defense or slowing up their "go-go" type of offense, are this corner's choice to capture the American League pennant in 1960.

Even if 40-year-old Early Wynn falls short of his 22-victory total of last year, the addition, by trades, of sluggers Minnie Minoso, Gene Freese and Roy Sievers, should enable Al Lopez' defending champions to win by a more comfortable margin than they did last year.

The New York Yankees, who dropped to third place 15 games off the pace, after four straight first place finishes, should move up a notch, past Cleveland.

The Indians were runners-up last year, five games behind the White Sox. The belief is that the Indians' staff is too young to carry the big load placed on its inexperienced shoulders by departure of 19-game winner Al McLish, and Minoso's 21 homers.

The Yankees' expected rise is traced to the addition of Roger Maris, who together with Mickey Mantle, could supply the team with the one-two punch it lacked last year.

The surprise of the league may be Baltimore's Orioles whose fine young pitchers could lift them into the first division for the first time in their brief tenure in the American League. Detroit easily is the best of the rest with Boston, Kansas City and Washington trailing behind.

Concern over the advanced age of the White Sox pitching staff appears unfounded. True, Wynn is 40, Dick Donovan is 32, Billy Pierce is 33, and relief ace Gerry Staley and Turk Lown are 39 and 35, respectively. But righthander Bob Shaw, an 18-game winner, is 26 as is southpaw Frank Baumann and Barry Latman is only 23. Don Ferrarese, another probable star, is 30.

Chicago's strength is down-the-middle, from catcher Sherm Lollar to center-fielder Jim Landis, right through the pitching and the Nellie Fox-Luis Aparicio double play combination.

The Yankees' weakness is pitching and shortstop. Whitey Ford is still dependable and Art Dumar has looked good but Bob Turley appears confused and uncertain. Duke Maas has a sore arm and Ryne Duren appears to be favoring the knee he injured last year.

The addition of second baseman Johnny Temple undoubtedly has strengthened and stabilized the Cleveland infield but the feeling is that Manager Joe Gordon paid dearly for it. The loss of McLish has made the sometimes brilliant, often times uncertain Herb Score the oldest and most experienced starter and he's only 26.

Paul Richards has fashioned a young ball club ideally suited to



WHITEY FORD

Baltimore's Municipal Stadium That is, strong pitching, tight defense with an occasional show of hitting strength. This kind of setup puts an exceptional burden on the pitchers. Fortunately, the Orioles have an abundance of that commodity. Right-handers Milt Pappas, Jerry Walker, Jack Fisher and Chuck Estrada, all under 22, really have it.

The 1960 edition of the Tigers is essentially the same team that started off so miserably last season under Bill Norman, blazed like tinderwood when Jimmy Dykes took over only to burn out and settle into a fourth place finish.

Ex-Yankees Hank Bauer, Norm Siebern, Jerry Lumpe, Johnny Kucks, Bob Grim and Don Larsen should enable the Athletics to stay ahead of the Red Sox and Senators. Bud Daley, Ray Herbert and Ned Garver, along with Kucks should comprise a fair pitching staff.

The retirement of Jackie Jensen and Sammy White and the probably semi-retirement of the great Ted Williams robs the Red Sox of at least 50 per cent of their offense. Frank Malzone and Pete Runnels are the only established fulltime stars.

Lot of runs because of such home run hitters as Harmon Killebrew, Jim Lemon and Bob Allison. The Senators, however, probably will give up twice as many runs because of a leaky defense and an undermanned pitching staff.

Two Upsets Mark IM Mat Action

By BOB DEAN

Two top-seeded wrestlers, Joe Bollinger of Chi Phi and Al Bennett of Delta Upsilon, lost hard fought decisions as IM wrestling entered the semi-finals last night at Rec Hall.

Bennett lost to John Harlow, Sigma Nu's 142-pounder, after Harlow broke a 2-2 first period tie with a reversal in the second period and rode Bennett out for a 5-2 decision. Neal Newhouse of Alpha Chi Rho scored a take-down and an escape over Bollinger to win a 4-1 decision in their 135-pound match.

Three wrestlers managed to hold their top-seeded spots. With 0.15 left, Bill Phillips, Alpha Sigma Phi's 158 pounder, reversed Bill Smith of Phi Delta Theta, for a close 5-3 decision. Johnny Black, Acacia, and Don Wilson, Sigma Phi Epsilon, recorded a pin and a decision respectively, and moved into the semi-finals.

Black, 167-pounder, came from behind to take down Lee Weaver of Phi Mu Delta and score a pin in 3:06. Wilson, wrestling 176, maintained complete control over Eric Holm of Alpha Zeta, to win 5-0.

The fastest pin of the evening was recorded by an independent, Henry Mikec, over Pete Fasino in 1:05 in their 150-pound match.

Kit Carson and Maury Byers, independents, also won impressive matches. Carson overcame a last minute reversal to decision Dick Rice 5-4 in a 142-pound match. Byers, wrestling 128, pinned Herb Deckert in 4:20 after leading 10-0.

Missing a second period fall, Dick Koontz, Phi Kappa Psi, 150-pounder, ground out an 11-2 decision over Fred Crombie of Sigma Nu

Wrestling Summary
128--Byers (Ind) pinned Deckert (Ind), 4:20
135--Newhouse (ACRho) dec. Bollinger (CPhi), 4-1; McCreary (Ind) dec. Fink (Ind), 6-0; Horne (AZ) dec. Mockler (DU), 6-5
142--Harlow (SNu) dec. Bennett (DU), 5-2; Peterson (PDTh) pinned Ziegler (ACRho), 3:23; Carson (Ind) dec. Rice (Ind), 5-4
150--Mikec (Ind) pinned Fasino (Ind), 1:05; Koontz (PKPsi) dec. Crombie (SNu), 11-2; Bohn (Ind) dec. Urian (Ind), 7-2
158--Phillips (ASPhi) dec. Smith (PDTh), 5-3
167--Black (Acacia) pinned Weaver (PMD), 3:06; Schilling (LCA) pinned Richardson (PDTh), 2:25; Lewis (Ind) dec. Loomis (Ind), 5-2; Anderson (Ind) pinned Johns (Ind), 4:55
176--Wilson (SPE) dec. Holm (AZ), 5-0; Krnje (CPhi) pinned Thomas (DTSik), 2:50; Greenlee (Ind) pinned Hannah (Ind), 1:10
Hwt--Kretnier (TKE) dec. Callenberger (Tri), 3-0; Williams (Ind) pinned Benton (Ind), 3:24

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Lion Nine Hosts Bullets In 1960 Opener Tomorrow

Always troublesome and down two in the loss column already, Gettysburg will help Penn State open the 1960 baseball season tomorrow on Beaver Field.

The Bullets, boasting plenty of veterans, have been a disappointment in their first two games, losing to Villanova, 10-5 and Lebanon Valley 6-5.

But despite their record, Penn State coach Joe Bedenk expects a tough game from the Pesky Bullets who gave the Lions fits before Bob Arner shut the door on them in the opener last year.

Bobby Hulton, who also coaches Gettysburg's basketball team, has eight lettermen back including hard-hitting Ken Fruchter, one of the leading hitters in college ball a year ago.

Fruchter, a giant first baseman, hit .477 in 1959 and slammed four home runs. He also led Gettysburg in the RBI department with 22.

In addition to Fruchter, Hulton has some other good hitters in leftfielder Gordie Kissner and third baseman George Shalick.

Both Kissner and Shalick finished behind Fruchter with .375 averages and both are long ball threats.

Second baseman Jeff Kahler (.339) last year and shortstop Jim Naylor round out the infield.

Besides Kissner, Gettysburg has little Fred Mueller in center field and versatile sophomore George Burnett in right. Bill Hoffman backs up Burnett.

Mueller (.255), only 5-5, 145, has an arm like a rifle and is fast on the bases. He demonstrated his defensive prowess last week when

Rainstorm Postpones Syracuse Grid Drills

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP)—Week-end rains washed out Coach Ben Schwartzwalder's plans to open spring drills yesterday for his defending champion Syracuse University football team.

Schwartzwalder said he hoped to complete the allotted 20 days of training before April 30, when a windup game between the varsity and an alumni team is scheduled.

he cut down a Villanova runner at third base with a long throw from deep center.

Connie Youse (.174), a defensive expert, handles most of Gettysburg's catching. The other half of the battery is rather thin this year with only two veterans—Dick Hawkins and Mel Jacobs back.

Hawkins posted a 3-2 record last season while Jacobs was used mostly in relief. However, Jacobs has been converted into a starter and he took the loss in the Lebanon Valley game Saturday.

DUGOUT CHATTER—Game time tomorrow is 3:30 . . . Bedenk is keeping mum on his starting lineup . . . The Lions beat Gettysburg, 10-6, in last year's opener . . . If it's nice tomorrow the Lions will wear their new sleeveless uniforms a la Pittsburgh Pirates and Cincinnati Reds . . . If not they'll stick to their road (gray) uniforms . . . Syracuse comes to University Park Saturday for a twinbill and then the Lions go on a two-day road trip to Philadelphia during vacation for games with Villanova and Penn.

IM Results

IM BOWLING
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Rad Ones 4, Nitt Wits 0
Nittany Boys 3, Fullers Raiders 1
Erie Lakers 3, Montgomery House 1
Lehigh House 4, Locust House 0
Lefty's Larchmen 4, Nittany 37-0
Poplar House 3, Lackawanna House 1
League D
Jordan Hall 4, Nittany 27-0
Philadelphia House 3, Berks House 1
Nittany 39-4, Oddballs 0
Allegheny House 4, Forestry 0

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP)—Faye Throneberry, pounding the ball at a .462 clip for the Washington Senators, singled Lennie Green home from second base in the seventh inning yesterday to hand the Kansas City Athletics a 3-2 exhibition defeat.

Rain May Hamper Masters Tourney

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Rain dripped down on the green Augusta National Golf Course yesterday as a few hardy, or hopeful, golfers got in some practice tics for the 24th Masters Tournament, starting Thursday.

It was a dismal setting for what is annually one of the most exciting and colorful of all golf events.

Rain has been falling here for about a week. The soaked red clay soil is heavy and the grass was long until the mowers finally went out on the fairways yesterday.

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