

National League Owners Propose Expansion Plans

CHICAGO (AP)—The National Baseball League yesterday voted unanimously in favor of expansion and named a committee for expansion to be headed by Walter O'Malley, president of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

NCAA Grid Guide Cites Penn State

Penn State is very much in evidence in the 1960 edition of the Official National Collegiate National Athletic Association Football Guide.

In a glimpse at the national picture for 1960, Furman Bisher, sports editor of The Atlanta Journal, mentions Penn State and Syracuse as the teams responsible for a restoration of Eastern grid prestige.

Richie Lucas is the NCAA Guide's consensus All-American quarterback for 1959. He is pictured on page 58. Lucas joined Army end Bill Carpenter and Syracuse guard Roger Davis on the squad, the first time in 12 years that the East has landed more than two players on the NCAA All-American Team.

Of the 23 game pictures in the publication, two show the Nittany Lions in action. One, called by many the best football picture of 1959, shows tackle Andy Stynchula's punt block against Syracuse. The other pictures tackle Stew Barber, guard Bill Popp, and center Jay Huffman trying in vain to stop Pitt's Ivan Tonic from scoring on a quarterback sneak.

In his look at the East, Wilmington Journal Every-Evening sports editor, Al Cartwright, tags Penn State and Pitt as the teams best capable of challenging Syracuse for the 1960 Eastern championship.

MAJOR LEAGUES

American League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	46	33	.582
Cleveland	45	35	.563
Chicago	46	37	.554
Baltimore	47	40	.540
Detroit	40	40	.500
Washington	29	41	.418
Boston	33	43	.437
Kansas City	29	51	.363

National League			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Pittsburgh	51	33	.607
Milwaukee	47	34	.580
St. Louis	45	39	.536
Los Angeles	43	39	.524
San Francisco	41	40	.506
Cincinnati	38	41	.480
Philadelphia	34	50	.405
Chicago	30	50	.375

League President Warren Giles said shortly after the meeting that expansion is inevitable and invited both the American League and the Continental League to meet with the National League on the matter.

Giles said, "the National League today discussed major league expansion at length. Expansion by a new league and expansion of present leagues were both considered. The standards for a new major league were set forth at Columbus last year and were accepted by the Continental League which so far has not met them."

"If it develops that a new major league is impracticable," said Giles, "the National League has voted unanimously to expand its membership to 10 clubs."

The expansion committee, in addition to O'Malley, will consist of Lou Perini, owner of the Milwaukee Braves; John Galbreath, owner of the Pittsburgh Pirates; and Bob Carpenter, owner of the Philadelphia Phillies.

The American League is on record as favoring expansion and already has named a committee on expansion to be headed by Del Webb, co-owner of the Yankees.

2 Lion Hitters Top .300 Mark

Two Penn State regulars hit over .300 as the Nittany Lions compiled a 9-9 record during the 1960 baseball campaign.

Second baseman Larry Fegley, named to the NCAA All-American team and to the District Two all-star team, paced all players with a .375 average. Catcher Harry Beans was runner-up with a .333 average.

First baseman Bill Benton, a .240 hitter, led in runs-batted-in with 14. Beans was second with 10.

Left-hander Tom Durbin, who doubled as a center fielder, led in pitching with a record of three triumphs and no defeats. Sophomore Marlin Biesecker and Dave Bergey posted 3-2 and 1-1 records respectively, while southpaw Ed Kikla, a nine game winner two years ago, won only two while dropping six. Biesecker's 1.90 was the top earned run average.

As a team, the Nittany Lions hit .228, as compared to a .283 mark in 1959.

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Wide-open Play By Grid Squad Forecast in '60

The running and passing ability of quarterbacks Galen Hall and Dick Hoak, a stronger end corps, and a potentially potent running attack indicates that the Lion gridgers may resort to a wide-open style of play in 1960 — possibly even more wide open than the one directed by Richie Lucas last year.

Roger Kochman, a big, explosive type runner, looms as the key man in a veteran halfback corps. The 6-1, 195-pound Kochman gained 167 yards in 15 carries last season, averaging 11.1 yards per attempt. He scored four touchdowns, twice on 17-yard runs, one on a 52-yard run and the other on a 100-yard kickoff return.

Hall, understudy to Lucas in 1959, and Hoak, converted from halfback, are tested runners and well-suited to Penn State's roll-out type of quarterback play.

Hall proved his ability as a passer last season, completing 18 of 36 for 220 yards. Hoak, a high school quarterback, passed effectively this spring although he has not played quarterback since his freshman season in 1957.

Steelers Conduct First Scrimmage

CALIFORNIA, Pa. (AP) — Halfback Dave Ames, who played college football for the University of Richmond, scored two touchdowns Monday in the first scrimmage at the Pittsburgh Steelers football camp.

Coach Buddy Parker indicated he may drop some rookies from the squad Tuesday. Veteran members of the team are scheduled to begin arriving at camp Tuesday night.

Owner Says Redlegs Will Not Move

CINCINNATI (AP) — Powell Crosley Jr., majority owner of the Cincinnati Reds, said yesterday the team will not leave Cincinnati during his lifetime.

Crosley, 73, in Chicago for a National League huddle, said in a statement through the team's home office:

"Recently there have been stories based on unfounded rumors, as there have been for many years, flaring up that the Cincinnati baseball club might be sold and major league baseball taken away from Cincinnati."

"None of these stories ever has been authorized by me, nor have there ever been any negotiations by me or any one in our organization in this direction."

Crosley, Cincinnati industrialist whose principal business affiliation now is the baseball team, noted the club has an agreement with the City of Cincinnati.

Similar rumors cropped up nearly four years ago when Crosley complained that parking for fans around Crosley Field was inadequate. He said other cities had made attractive offers seeking to lure major league baseball.

Shortly after Crosley's complaint, city officials—with Hamilton County—agreed to spend two million dollars to improve parking around the ball park if the team agreed to stay in the city five years.

Athletes Academic

Athletes are developing into better students every day says Ernest B. McCoy, director of athletics. Only two of 155 Penn State athletes had been dropped for poor scholarship. Only eight are on scholastic probation.

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