


SPORTS NEWS
Three Rookies Look Good In Spring Camps

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In the spring a baseball manager's fancy turns to rookies—and right now there are three mighty fancy ones strutting their stuff.

They're outfielder Donn Clendenon of the Pittsburgh Pirates, catcher-first-baseman Gene Oliver of the St. Louis Cardinals and infielder Jake Gibbs of the New York Yankees.

There may be many a called third strike between now and opening day but as of the moment big things are being planned for each of the trio.

Clendenon, who hit .290 for Columbus last season, drove in seven runs with a three-run homer and a grand slam Wednesday and may win a regular berth in the Pirates' outfield.

Starts Behind Plate

—Oliver, who hit .363 and batted .302 for Portland in 1961, was named to start behind the plate when the Cardinals open their exhibition schedule Saturday against the New York Mets. Oliver also is being considered as a sub for lefty-hitting first-baseman Bill White when the Cardinals face left-handed pitching.

—Gibbs, a .270-hitter at Richmond and one of the Yankees' leading candidates to replace shortstop Tony Kubek, hammered out a long homer in the world champions' intra-squad game. The former University of Mississippi All-American's drive shared the spotlight with Roger Maris' first "homer" of the spring.

Veterans Joe Adcock and Eddie Mathews of the Milwaukee Braves and Brooks Robinson and Jim Gentile of the Baltimore Orioles also showed that their batting eyes are sharp for the exhibition openers.

Adcock Homers

Adcock, pinch-hitting for both teams in an intra-squad game, hit a homer and three singles while Mathews, also pinch-hitting in the informal game, had three singles. Robinson had a single and a double and Gentile a two-run single in the Orioles' intra-squad game.

Joe Cunningham, acquired from the Cardinals in a winter deal, delivered two hits to highlight the Chicago White Sox' camp game. Rookie Joe Horan, 12-9 for San Diego last season, pitched two hitless innings.

Other camp news: Rookie third baseman Don Wert suffered a black eye when hit by a bad-hop grounder during the Detroit Tigers' workout. Chris Short, Dennis Bennett and Eddie Keegan will

Providence Plays Invitation Opener

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INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — It's a cinch that Saturday's Central semi-state of the Indiana high school basketball tourney has the most colorful cast.

However, the Friars' opponent won't be determined until Friday night when St. Joseph's meets Temple in the Middle Atlantic Conference playoff at Philadelphia. The winner will enter the NCAA tournament and the loser will play Providence College in the NIT opener.

The other game on the opening NIT doubleheader will pit Wichita against Dayton.

Holy Cross will face Colorado State and Duquesne plays Navy in another twinbill on Saturday afternoon, March 17. There will be another doubleheader on Saturday night, but pairings for that program have not been drawn.

Four teams drew first round byes — St. John's, Loyola of Chicago, Houston, and the Missouri Valley Conference runner-up (either Cincinnati or Bradley).

The quarter-finals are scheduled for Tuesday night, March 20, the semi-finals for Thursday night, March 22, and the final for Saturday afternoon, March 24.

Pro Basketball

NBA Results

Boston 153, Philadelphia 102. St. Louis 129, Syracuse 126. Detroit 119, New York 112.

ABA Results

San Francisco 103, Cleveland 101. New York 106, Chicago 94.

Hockey Results

International League

Muskegon 2, Fort Wayne 1. (overtime). Indianapolis 6, Toledo 4.

pitch for the Philadelphia Phillies in their exhibition opener against the Minnesota Twins.

Aubrey Gatewood, Bob Botz and Howie Nunn held the regulars to three singles in the Mts' six-inning camp game. Manager Alvin Dark announced that Willie McCovey will play left field in the San Francisco Giants' first two exhibition games. Don Schwall, American League rookie of the year in 1961, missed the Boston Red Sox workout because of a virus infection.

Fast-ballers, Don Drysdale, Sandy Koufax and Joe Moeller were named to pitch for the Los Angeles Dodgers in Saturday's Grapefruit League opener with the Kansas City Athletics. Catcher Earl Battey homered in Minnesota's intra-squad game but there's still no word from holdout pitcher Camilo Pascual, 15-16 with eight shutouts last season.

Anderson Big Surprise

Anderson, the surprise package of the whole shooting works, electrified this 52nd annual champion by dumping Indianapolis Aviators and Southport in the Indiana regional.

The Indians edged Muncie on their home floor nearly two months ago, 66-59, and on the basis of their performance last weekend should be favored.

But Muncie has even more tony tradition than Anderson, and although the Bearcats are operating without Bill Dinwiddie and Brian Settles, they may be hard to handle.

Anderson checks in with a 17-8 record. Muncie is 21-5.

Madison hasn't made it to the team-finals since 1950, when it took home the crown. Connersville has been there twice, but not since 1930. Three-time state champ Anderson is shooting for its 12th final four berth and first since 1948.

Muncie, still chasing that elusive fifth state title, considers the state finals "old stuff." The Bearcats have been there 12 times, more than any other team. The last time was just two years ago when they were upset by East Chicago Washington in the title game.

Lucas, Dischinger Unanimous

Lucas and Dischinger both were unanimous picks, named by each of the 10 coaches on the first team. Havlicek missed unanimity by only one point since one coach placed him on the second team, and Nelson missed by two points since two coaches named him on the second five.

Rayl, though named on the 1st, 2nd or 3rd team by every coach, was placed on the second team by four coaches and on the third team by one to miss the top number of 30 points by six.

All five players are exceptional scorers. Dischinger has been the league scoring champion for the last two seasons and should he outscore Rayl in the finale will become only the third player ever to win the league scoring crown three times.

Lucas, classed as one of the greatest players in cage history, has averaged nearly 23 points per game and Nelson is hitting nearly 24. Havlicek has hit close to 18 per game.

Lucas Leads Nation

The team would have exceptional ability in shooting and rebounding, with Lucas the most consistent in shooting accuracy and Lucas, Dischinger, Nelson and Havlicek all classed as expert rebounders. All four are seniors.

Lucas is 6-8, the tallest of the five and also the heaviest, but Dischinger is 6-7, Nelson 6-6, Havlicek 6-5, and Rayl 6-2.

Named to the second team for the second straight year were Mel Nowell of Ohio State and Dave Downey of Illinois. Other second team members were Eric Magadan of Minnesota, Ken Siebel of Wisconsin, and Tom Bolyard of Indiana, who was on the coaches' third team last year.

Chosen on the third team were Pete Gent of Michigan State, Mel Garland of Purdue, Tom Cole of Michigan, on the third team last year too, Bill Small of Illinois, and Ralph Wells of Northwestern.

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AFL's Anti-Trust Suit Is In Recess

BALTIMORE (UPI) — The American Football League's \$10 million anti-trust suit against the National Football League was in the "calm-before-the-storm" stage today.

The suit, in which the AFL charges the NFL with monopolistic practices, was recessed Wednesday until Monday, but fireworks in the form of AFL player testimony looms when the case reopens.

The latest testimony in the federal case, being heard by Judge Rosel Thomsen without a jury, came from President Kenneth S. Adams Jr., of the Houston Oilers Wednesday. Adams testified that he was offered an NFL franchise in Houston and hope for an NFL franchise in Dallas was held out for Lamar Hunt, who was found to be the AFL, in an apparent move to block competition in New York and Los Angeles.

Adams said Edwin Pauley Sr., an owner of the Los Angeles Rams, made the offer in the fall of 1959. He said that he was warned by Pauley that the AFL would lose money and NFL franchises were dangled before him and Hunt.

Pauley said that one of the conditions, if the NFL gave him and Hunt franchises, was that the NFL would not take AFL proposed teams for Los Angeles or New York, already represented in the NFL, or Denver.

Muncie Central, in the "Sweet 16" despite a fact it had to do it without two key players suspended because of a hazing incident. And Connersville, a team sure to shoot the works since it has everything to gain.

It will be Connersville against Madison and Anderson against its North Central Conference cousin from Muncie in the preliminaries for a full house of 15,000 at Butler Fieldhouse. They met during the season exactly the way they are paired off for the afternoon round.

Cubs Blasted Spartans

Madison, sporting a 23-game winning streak and ranked third in the state, outclassed Connersville last November, 86-38. The independent Cubans are built around 6-4 Larry Humes, one of the best shooters in the state, and Larry Cheatham. They haven't played as tough a schedule as some of the major contenders still alive, but they won at strong Seymour and beat tough Evansville Bosse by eight points, both late in the season. They have yet to be challenged seriously along the tourney trail.

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