

## Brains Behind Ballclub



**YELLOW JACKET** coaches Phil Miller, Steve Brandenburg and Wally Yeoman, left to right, map out strategy as they prepare to invade Auburn tonight for the first of nine games on the Decatur football schedule. Tonight's contest, which starts at 7:30 p.m., should give a clear indication of Yellow Jacket chances for a Northeastern Indiana Conference championship. The fourth member of the staff, Chuck Schelsky, was missing when this photo was taken. (photo by Anspaugh)

## Prep Gridders Begin Over State Tonight

By KURT FREUDENTHAL  
United Press International  
INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Elkhart's defending mythical state champions and such other perennial powers as Richmond, Kokomo and Indianapolis Cathedral lead the way Friday when Indiana's new high school football season explodes in earnest.

Although some of the far north and deep south powers will be idle another week, an impressive Friday night program was on deck.

Elkhart, which rode a 14-game winning streak to the state title last November, opens at South Bend St. Joseph's, one of the top independent crews a year ago.

The Northern Conference champs of coach John Janzarak still have Mike Franger, their splendid All-State quarterback, and a pair of fine ends in

Scott Miller and Lewis Lytell. St. Joe was beaten only by LaPorte last year.

Richmond's North Central Conference defending champs host Indianapolis Shortridge with veteran coach Hub Etchison starting his 12th year. He has compiled an 80-24-4 record.

Richmond started practice with a huge squad of 135 and speedy halfback Larry Williams the top returning letterman. Only a 27-27 tie at Anderson kept the Red Devils from a perfect season in 1963.

Kokomo, expected to chase Richmond to the NCC pennant, opens at LaPorte in an inter-sectional scrap, while Cathedral's Irish launch their campaign in a city series game against Attucks.

Bloomington, which left the Southern Conference in favor of the South Central circuit, enters a new-league rival Seymour Saturday. The Panthers play only three SCC rivals and are not eligible for the conference title.

Hobart, Gary Roosevelt and Hammond Gavitt, all new Northwest Conference members, also take on initial foes. Hobart, equipped with a beefy line, hosts Portage Friday. Roosevelt is at Hammond Noll and Gavitt goes against Lowell, both Saturday.

Eastern, whose 26-game winning streak is the longest alive, opens against neighbor Western Friday.

Other better openers include Tipton at Carmel, Columbus at Indianapolis Washington and Port Wayne Central at Goshen, all Friday, and Andean-Mann at Gary Saturday.

Tipton, a basketball powerhouse last season, could be just as strong in football this time. The Blue Devils have 15 lettermen back from the 1963 crew that won eight in a row after dropping its season opener at Huntington, 28-21.

**Sharpshooter**  
CINCINNATI (UPI)—Ron Bonham had an 831 shooting percentage from the foul line during his three varsity seasons on the University of Cincinnati basketball team.

## Major League Leaders

By United Press International

National League		G. S. R. H. P. Et	
Cincinnati	127	516	76 176 341
St. Louis	127	516	76 176 341
San Francisco	127	516	76 176 341
Los Angeles	127	516	76 176 341
Milwaukee	127	516	76 176 341
Pittsburgh	127	516	76 176 341
Chicago	127	516	76 176 341
Houston	127	516	76 176 341
New York	127	516	76 176 341

American League		G. S. R. H. P. Et	
Baltimore	127	516	76 176 341
Chicago	127	516	76 176 341
New York	127	516	76 176 341
Los Angeles	127	516	76 176 341
Cleveland	127	516	76 176 341
Minnesota	127	516	76 176 341
Washington	127	516	76 176 341
Kansas City	127	516	76 176 341

Pitching		G. S. R. H. P. Et	
National	127	516	76 176 341
American	127	516	76 176 341

## Vernors Cops Markle Meet Behind Grift

Erv Graft hurled Vernor's Ginger Ale to a 1-0 victory over the Convoy Merchants in the championship game of the Markle Invitational tourney Thursday night.

Convoy was the defending tourney champion.

Graft and Convoy hurler Rolfe Beatty allowed only two singles each, but Vernor's a member of the Decatur City Softball League, tallied the winning run in the first inning when Rex Decker walked, moved to second on a sacrifice and to third on a passed ball, and scored on a wild pitch.

In a consolation game, Three Kings of Hoagland nipped Waters, Inc., 3-2, for third place in the 16-team tournament.

## Rainbow Lake Assn. Formed By Owners

A Rainbow Lake association for lot owners of Rainbow Lake was activated this week at a meeting held in Geneva of owners of lots from No. 46 through 93. Lots No. 46 through 49 were formed into such an association under the original plan of the project. Short term officers elected were as follows: president, Ernest Binegar, Geneva; vice president, Herbert Snider, Union City; and secretary-treasurer, Larry Laux, Geneva. Among the objectives of the association will be the maintenance and improvement of the project and the protection and advancement of the rights and interests of the lot owners.

## Branson Escapes Race Crash Without Injury

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Veteran race driver Don Branson, Champaign, Ill., escaped injury Thursday when his rear-engine car hit the retaining wall during a tire test at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

"I just lost it, that's all," he told officials. "Nothing hurt except my feelings."

Branson, who finished fourth in the 1960 500-mile race and fifth last year, lost control coming out of the northeast turn. The car slammed into the wall about a dozen times and was damaged extensively.

## Phillies Lose, But Still Gain; Rookie Bunker Boosts Bird Lead

By FRED DOWN  
UPI Sports Writer  
The Philadelphia Phillies have reached the stage in their National League pennant quest where they win even when they lose.

That's because the mathematics are all on the side of the front-runner when a flag race goes into its final stages. The league leader can lose games and still gain time unless the other contenders begin to move at a fast clip—which is exactly what the Phillies have been doing for the last week.

A week ago, a 500 pace by the Phillies in their remaining games meant that the Reds would have to play .722 baseball to take the pennant and the Giants would have to play .778 ball to do so. In this last week the Phillies have played .500 ball—worsening the position of both chief contenders because the Reds must now play .724 ball to win and the Giants .808 ball if the Phillies simply maintain that .500 gait.

**Phillies Lose Again**  
The Phillies lost another game Thursday night—bowing to the Houston Colts 6-0—but gained another day against that day when time runs out for the other contenders when the Cincinnati Reds lost to the Chicago Cubs 3-0. The Reds' deficit remained at 5½ games but the loss meant they lost another day in which to make up their deficit.

The Milwaukee Braves beat the St. Louis Cardinals 7-0 and the San Francisco Giants topped the New York Mets 3-1 in the only other NL games.

Don Larsen pitched a four-hitter and the Colts rapped out 16 hits to snap the Phillies' two-game winning streak and hand Dennis Bennett his 12th loss compared to nine wins. Eddie Kasko three in the Colts' assault. It was Larsen's third win.

**Cubs Beat Reds**  
The Cubs prevented the Reds from gaining ground on the Phillies behind the four-hit pitching of Lew Burdette and a seven-hit attack featured by Billy Williams' two-run homer. John Taitouris was tagged for three runs and five hits in 4-23 innings to suffer his 11th loss.

Hank Aaron's 24th homer of the season and a two-run triple by Joe Torre paced the Braves' 11-hit attack that brought Wade Blasingame his fourth victory. The loss went to Roger Craig, who yielded six hits and a run in six innings before the Braves erupted against Barney Schultz for six runs in the seventh.

Gaylor Perry's five-hitter and two runs batted in paved the way for the Giants' victory—achieved despite the absence of Willie Mays, who was sidelined because of exhaustion. Jack Fisher, a nine-game winner, dropped his 16th decision for the Mets.

**American League**  
Honors are heading Wally Bunker's way so fast that it seems incredible his No. 1 goal a year ago was pitching Stockton to a victory over Modesto in a California League playoff game.

Today the 19-year old right-hander from Seattle, Wash., is a key man in the Baltimore Orioles' fight for the American League pennant, a strong contender for All-rookie of the Year honors likely to lead the league in won-lost percentage and at least even money to become the youngest pitcher ever to start a World Series game.

Bunker wrote another chapter in his Horatio Alger story Thursday when he pitched the Orioles to a 4-1 victory over the Minnesota Twins that enabled them to take a one-game lead over the idle Chicago White Sox and a four-game lead over the New York Yankees, who lost to the Los Angeles Angels 4-2.

**Wins 14th Game**  
The win raised Bunker's record to 14-4 giving him a .778 won-lost percentage that is the best in the circuit. He allowed six hits, walked three batters and struck out five in besting 13-game winner Camilo Pascual. The Twins' only run came in the fourth inning when Ron Henry's infield out with the bases filled enabled Harmon Killebrew to cross the plate.

Pascual held the Orioles hitless until the fifth inning when Brooks Robinson hit his 24th homer of the season to tie the score at 1-1. The Orioles snapped the tie in the seventh when Luis Aparicio's single, a forceout, Robinson's double and a walk to Charley Lau filled the bases and set the stage for Jackie Brandt's three-run double.

The Twins elected to walk Lau and pitch to Brandt because Jackie hadn't hit safely in nine previous trips to the plate.

The Angels dealt the Yankees' flag hopes a devastating blow as Ken McBride and Bob

Lee combined in a four-hitter. McBride yielded all four hits and both Yankee runs in five innings and then Lee blew down the Yankees with five strikeouts and no hits over the final four frames.

**Fregosi, Clinton Connect**  
Jim Fregosi, who went three for three; hit a two-run homer in the first inning and Lou Clinton hit a two-run double in

the fifth to account for the Angels' runs. Both blows came off rookie Mel Stottlemyre, who suffered his second loss against four triumphs.

The Boston Red Sox pounded out a 7-5 victory over the Kansas City Athletics in the only other AL game.

Felix Mantilla drove in three runs with two homers and two singles and Eddie Bressoud also homered in the Red Sox' 11-hit attack. Relief ace Dick Radatz stopped the Athletics on two hits and struck out six in the last four innings to win his 13th game against eight defeats.

Rick Beer returned an intercepted pass 10 yards for the first Berne TD in the opening period, and Mitch Kingsley boosted the Bear lead to 12-0 when he scored on a four-yard jaunt in the second quarter.

Geneva narrowed the margin late in the first half when Tim Brubaker romped 25 yards to paydirt. The two teams then battled through a scoreless 24 minutes in the final half.

Berne will open its home season on Sept. 12, entertaining Portland's Panthers, while Geneva travels to Payne, O., the same day.

**Expect Musial To Leave Hospital Sat.**  
ST. LOUIS (UPI)—Stan Musial, convalescing from an attack of "viral enteritis" caused by "complete physical exhaustion," will probably leave the hospital Saturday, Dr. I. C. Middleman, St. Louis Cardinal physician, said Thursday.

Musial was in good humor Thursday as he sat up in bed and joked with the first visitors he had seen since he became ill Tuesday night while watching a St. Louis Cardinals-Milwaukee Braves baseball game at Busch Stadium.

"I feel 100 per cent better," Musial said. "I believe I'll be tip-top in a few days."

Musial joked about using an electronically-controlled device to elevate his bed.

"That's something for the head of the national physical fitness program to need to sit up in bed," the smiling Musial said.

**Saturday's Games**  
Baltimore at Kansas City, night  
New York at Kansas City, night  
Boston at Minnesota, night  
Morehead (8-13) vs. Grant (11-18)

Baltimore at Los Angeles, night  
Cleveland at Chicago, night  
Kralick (10-5) vs. Pizarro (17-7)  
Detroit at Washington, night  
Wickensham (16-10) vs. Osteen (12-10)

Baltimore at Kansas City, night  
New York at Kansas City, night  
Boston at Minnesota, night  
Detroit at Washington, night

## Shraluka's Slants

By Bob Shraluka

Is there a real Hank Bauer, or is that just a name imagined by a Baltimore sportswriter to use in conjunction with his writings of the Orioles? We can remember a Hank Bauer that was a rightfielder with the Yankees for many seasons. Is this the same Hank Bauer that is now supposedly the manager of the Baltimore Birds?

To tell the truth, Hank Bauer IS the manager of the Orioles, and he IS a former outfielder for the Yankees. But the nearer his Birds move toward their first American League pennant since returning to Baltimore in 1954, the less is heard about this fellow named Bauer. Through the newspapers, national sports magazines, television, and radio, we read and hear about the job Gene Mauch is doing with the Phillies; about Dick Sesler filling in for Fred Hutchinson and keeping the Reds winning; Al Lopez saying "we will win it," and how Al Dark, Casey Stengel, and Sam Mele (to name a few) are on their way out.

And yet, the only way you can be positively sure that Bauer is still around is by looking at the standings. Maybe the magazine writers and sportswriters for the Major League cities don't believe the Orioles are for real (being a third-generation Yankee fan we can tell you they are), or, more than likely, Hank just isn't "good copy."

He hasn't yet made any "cracks" about the Yanks, or rapped any other players, and the word "I" isn't in his vocabulary. He just keeps praising his players for doing their jobs—and winning ballgames. And he is leading the American League in the last month of the season with a team that finished fourth last season, 10 games over .500 and 18½ games from the top, and a team that earned the reputation as the playboys of the league.

Steve Barber won 20 games last year, and hasn't yet reached 10 this campaign. Regular catcher John Orsino has been out for a month with a hand injury, slugging Boog Powell is still on the sidelines with an injury received two weeks ago. Chuck Estrada has been no help at all to the team. Yet, the Orioles continue to rest on top of the American League heap.

Bauer cut short the Bids' after-game fun, and then went to work on bringing around such youngsters as Wally Bunker, Dave Vineyard, Sam Bowens, Earl Robinson, and others. Quietly and without publicity, Bauer is now getting 110% out of last season's "Night Riders."

The best thing that has happened to Hank Bauer in recent years was when he was booted out of Charley Finley's Toyland, and the best thing that has ever happened to the Baltimore owners was when their third choice (behind Yogi Berra and Eddie Stanky) for manager didn't turn down the job.

## GAS-TOONS

By Bob Gay



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