

Kickoff At 8:

Yellow Jackets In Biggest Test Of Season Tonight, Host New Haven

Back in the 1960 season, the Decatur high school football team was unbeaten after three games, with two wins and a tie against Garrett. The fourth opponent on the schedule was New Haven's Bulldogs.

A story in the Friday, Sept. 23, 1960, edition of the Daily Democrat made the following statement: "Decatur hopes for a Northeastern Indiana Conference title will be known around 10 o'clock tonight."

A little before 10 that night, the chances were known—known to be very slim, as the Bulldogs walked off the field with a 39-0 victory!

The teams were figured to be about even, but Decatur was never in the contest, which was played at Worthman Field. The trouncing seemed to take some of the starch out of the Jackets, as they won just two of their final five games that year.

Five days less than four years later, the pre-game story is the same. Tonight's Decatur-New Haven game at Worthman Field is a crucial contest for the Yellow Jackets.

Once again, their hopes for a Northeastern Indiana Conference championship will be known around 10 o'clock tonight. A victory tonight will give the Decatur eleven three wins without a loss, and three of the four toughest teams on the NEIC slate will have been defeated by the Jackets.

But, registering a victory tonight won't be as easy as it was against Auburn and Garrett, which were anything but "easy" wins.

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Major Leagues

Table with columns for team names and statistics. Includes entries for New York, Baltimore, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Minnesota, Boston, Washington, Kansas City, and Philadelphia.

Friday's Probable Pitchers

Washington at Chicago, night (14-11) vs. Pizarro (17-9).

Cleveland at Detroit, night (8-2) vs. Aguirre (5-9).

Los Angeles at Baltimore, night (15-10) vs. Pappas (15-5).

Kansas City at New York, night (14-9) vs. Secul (8-14) vs. Ford (14-6).

Minnesota at Boston, night (0-0) vs. Charton (0-0).

Saturday's Games

Washington at Chicago, Cleveland at Detroit, Los Angeles at Balt., night (14-9) vs. Ford (14-6).

Philadelphia at St. Louis, Cincinnati at San Francisco, Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, Los Angeles at Chicago, Houston at New York.

Thursday's Results

Cincinnati 7 Chicago 5 Philadelphia 4 Los Angeles 3

Only games scheduled

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Probable Starters For Tonight

Table listing Decatur starters: Anderson (6-1, 160), D. Smith (6-1, 160), Eichenauer (6-9, 185), Grote (6-0, 200), Magley (5-8, 150), Egly (5-10, 160), Smitley (5-10, 235), Anspaugh (5-10, 165), Elliott (5-10, 180), B. Blythe (5-8, 175), S. Blythe (6-1, 175).

Table listing New Haven starters: Sauers (6-2, 185), Koehlinger (5-10, 150), Diehl (6-1, 200), Werling (6-1, 178), Wright (5-11, 163), Widdifield (5-7, 170), Austrup (6-4, 215), Lake (5-7, 145), Hosier (5-7, 165), Hendricks (5-10, 165), Rohrbacher (6-1, 200).

'57-'63: 0-7

Table showing historical record from 1957 to 1963: 1957-New Haven, 22-7; 1958-New Haven, 19-13; 1959-New Haven, 20-0; 1960-New Haven, 39-0; 1961-New Haven, 40-7; 1962-New Haven, 20-6; 1963-New Haven, 22-6.

and Steve Beavers, the defensive chores will probably be handled by as many as 20 players throughout the night.

Hammond did a spectacular job at defensive end, in his first game, and led the team in tackles. Beavers also played a good game, and caused the fumble that got Decatur's first two touchdowns.

Another large crowd is expected for tonight's game, the finale of The Big Three games that the Yellow Jackets were figured to have to win in early predictions for a shot at the conference title.

After tonight's game, the Yellow Jackets will host Portland the following Friday in a non-conference battle, before hitting the road for the next three contests.

Athletic director Bob Worthman said today that general admission tickets will be on sale at the northeast gate tonight, and there are general admission seats in the bleachers, on the far west side.

Central to a 13-13 tie. As against Garrett, the Yellow Jackets will be bucking another "jinx," tonight. It has been seven seasons since Decatur has beaten New Haven in football, by far the longest losing string on the Decatur books after last week's win over Garrett.

Jackets Healthy

The Yellow Jackets are physically healthy, and will probably go with the same offensive unit that started the first two games.

With the several good performances turned in by supposed substitute players in the Garrett game, such as Dave Hammond

Junior High Rallies To Open With Victory

Decatur's junior high football team pulled out a 7-5 victory over Parkway, O., with a fourth-quarter rally at Worthman Field Thursday afternoon, in their season opener.

Parkway jumped into a 6-0 lead in the first period which they held through the first half. Decatur's eleven finally got moving in the third period, but still failed to score.

In the fourth quarter, however, Kenny Gause got loose on a 60-yard jaunt to paydirt to knot the score at 6-6. Mike Curtin then got the all-important extra point on a run, providing the margin of victory.

The local junior high team will play host to Village Woods' junior high of New Haven in a 4:30 p.m. affair at Worthman Field next Thursday.

Meet Tonight

The two Decatur cross-country teams meet tonight in a dual match at the Belmont Park layout, beginning around 4 o'clock.

Phil Captain of Bluffton led his team to the Thursday victory, coming in first in the fine time of 10:11.5. Huffman and Lewis Captain of the Tigers were second and third, while Johnny Lose of Decatur Catholic was fourth.

Bluffton took 5th, 6th and 7th places (another Captain, Kenny, was 7th), while Birch of Adams Central was 8th and Brown of the Jets was 10th.

Arthur Ybarra, Yellow Jacket two-miler, paced his team by placing 11th. Dave Adams of Decatur high, battling a heavy cold, was 14th. Adams has been ruled out of tonight's meet by doctors.

Ed Cravens of the Yellow Jackets was 19th.

Top 30

The top 30 finishers, with times listed for the top 10, were as follows: P. Captain (B), 10:11.5; Huffman (B), 10:38; L. Captain (B), 10:40; J. Lose (DC), 10:54; Sprunger (B), 10:56; Dubach (B), 10:57; K. Captain (B), 10:57; Birch (AC), 11:09; Gass (B), 11:14; Brown (AC), 11:28.

Ybarra (D), D. Green (AC), Isch (AC), Shaffer (B), Adams (D), C. Striker (AC), Habegger (AC), Cravens (D), Raudenbush (AC), Ehram (AC), Mettler (B), Hyerly (AC), Anderson (B), Conrad (D), Anderson (B), P. Green (AC), Stucky (AC), Andrews (DC), Hitchcock (D).

Southeast, Monmouth Win 5th-6th Games

Rallying for eight runs in the fourth inning, Southeast elementary school scored an 8-2 victory over Lincoln A at the Southeast diamond Thursday afternoon.

In another 5th and 6th grade league game, Monmouth romped to an 18-13 victory over Zion Lutheran of Decatur Line score of the Southeast win: Lincoln A 000-01 - 2 1 2 Southeast 000-8x - 8 4 3 Archer and Patch; Knap and Ginter.

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Saturday, September 19 Guest Nite Gussie Butcher and her Orchestra

Wednesday & Friday-Family Nites

Jacket Reserves In 19-0 Win Thursday

Decatur high school's reserve football team, scoring twice on TD passes, whipped Portland's reserves, 19-0, at the Panther field Thursday evening.

The two teams fought through a scoreless first period, before Jim Cass threw a touchdown pass to Rick Hurlinger to break the deadlock in the second quarter.

The junior Yellow Jackets scored again in the second stanza, when Ed Miller pitched out to Terry Hilyard who scampered 50 yards for a touchdown. Landrum ran over the extra point, giving Decatur a 13-0 halftime lead.

In the third quarter, Bill Brown added insurance when he pitched a 25-yard scoring strike to Dan Miller.

The reserve eleven, with a 1-1 record, will play host to Berne in a game at Worthman Field next Thursday night, which begins at 6:30 p.m. Score by quarters: Decatur 0 13 6 0-19 Portland 0 0 0 0-0.

Eagles Romp To 7-2 Win Behind Whitman

Richard Whitman tossed a one-hitter Thursday afternoon as Monmouth whipped Lancaster by a 7-2 score in a high school baseball game at the Eagle diamond.

Lancaster scored once in the third inning, but Monmouth came back in their half of the third with a two-spot. Lancaster tied the score in the fourth inning when Green homered for their only hit, but the Eagles scored twice more in the last of the fourth, and sewed up the victory with a three-run salvo in the sixth.

Whitman, a sophomore, chipped in with a double and triple in the winners' offensive attack, while Fred Fuelling a single and double and scored twice. Conrad also had a pair of hits for Monmouth, and Graves and D. Buuck added one each.

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Sports

Jackets, Trojans Lead NEIC Race

The Decatur Yellow Jackets go into tonight's crucial battle with New Haven as one of the co-leaders of the Northeastern Indiana Conference.

The Yellow Jackets, and Elmhurst's Trojans, rest atop the NEIC, each with a pair of wins in two starts. Only four teams of the ten are unbeaten and untied, Decatur, Elmhurst, New Haven and Columbia City; the latter two open their conference schedules tonight.

Concordia hasn't yet been beaten in conference play, battling Angola to a 13-13 tie in its lone encounter.

Tonight is the only night of the season that sees all ten NEIC members in action at the same time. In addition to the big battle at Worthman Field tonight, Bluffton will be at Columbia City to help the Eagles open their conference slate; Kendallville travels to Garrett to meet the winless Railroaders; Elmhurst meets Concordia in a battle of the Fort Wayne teams; and Angola looks for its first win at Auburn.

Last Week

All 10 teams played last Friday night, with four engaging in non-conference battles. The Yellow

Jackets and Elmhurst remained at the top of the standings with identical 13-0 victories, over Garrett and Angola respectively. The third game also produced a shut-out, as Auburn's Red Devils made it hot for Bluffton with a 27-0 victory.

The defending NEIC champion New Haven Bulldogs opened their season in a 13-13 tie with Fort Wayne Central, while Concordia took a 33-7 pasting from Fort Wayne Central Catholic. Alexandria laced Columbia City, 33-14, and Nappanee nipped Kendallville, 19-12.

How They Stand

As the teams enter tonight's big card, here are the NEIC standings with the overall records, and the total points scored and points allowed in all games for each team:

Table showing NEIC ALL TP Opp. DECATUR 2-0 2-0 20 6, Elmhurst 1-0 1-0 32 14, Auburn 1-0 1-0 26 36, Bluffton 1-0 1-0 26 36, Concordia 0-1 0-1 7 33, New Haven 0-0 0-1 13 13, Col. City 0-0 0-0 26 48, Angola 0-1 0-1 0 13, Kendallville 0-1 0-2 21 45, Garrett 0-2 0-2 14 32.

McMillen Takes City Meet Title

A five-run outburst in the first inning carried McMillen to a 5-3 win over Adams County Trailer Sales in the title game of the City Softball League tournament, Thursday night.

McMillen thus dethroned the defending tourney champs to win the tournament trophy. Trailer Sales, which won the regular season title, takes the trophy for that championship.

Trailer Sales, with one defeat in the double-elimination tourney, had defeated the Casting Co. and McMillen on Wednesday night, to force the Thursday night clash for the championship. Their efforts, however, were to no avail, as things turned out.

Big Inning

McMillen hit the Trailer Sales with that big first inning and then held on for the victory, behind the right arm of Roger Stevens, working his third game in three nights.

Stevens, who tossed a no-hitter Tuesday and allowed three hits Wednesday, scattered eight big league season champs to score only in the second inning, when they got all three of their runs.

Kenny Baumgartner and Bob Herman got things started with back-to-back singles, and Jerry Voglewede reached base on a fielder's choice, as Baumgartner was forced at the plate. Jim Voglewede walked, but Herman was forced at the plate on a ground ball hit by Stevens.

Harry Nicodemus drew a walk to force in one run, and Jack Wendel and Gary West banged consecutive singles, bringing in four more tallies, and giving McMillen a 5-0 lead.

Start Rally

The Trailer Sales rallied for three tallies of their own in the second frame. Ralph Busse opened the inning by slamming a home run, and with one out, Wayne Colclaus doubled and scored on Bruce Hirschy's single.

Hirschy was tossed out at the plate, attempting to score on Don Mentor's hit, but Mentor scored after Bob Hoffman rapped out a single.

After the second frame, however, Stevens bore down and didn't allow another run, and gave up just three hits over the last five innings. He was in serious trouble in the third when Don Simpson opened the inning with a triple, but Simpson was stranded as Stevens got the next hitter to bounce back to the mound, and then got Busse to pop up and Bricker to ground out.

Jim Bowman singled and Simpson walked with two out in the seventh, but Stevens ended the game by getting Lee Hoopingartner to ground out.

Hoopingartner, also working his third game in three nights, started on the mound for Trailer Sales, and was the victim of the big McMillen first inning. Simpson twirled the final two innings for the Trailer Sales.

Table showing Traller Sales AB R H E: Mentor, ss 4 1 1 1; Hoffman, 2b 3 0 1 0; Busse, lf 4 0 1 0; Bowman, lf 4 3 0 1 0; Simpson, cf, p 4 0 0 0; Hoopingartner, p, cf 2 1 1 0; Buebe, lb 2 0 0 1; Bricker, lb 2 0 0 1; W. Colclaus, 3b 3 1 1 0; Hirschy, rf 3 0 2 0. TOTALS 28 3 8 2.

Yanks Take Lead; Mantle Gets 2,000th Career Hit

By CURT BLOCK, UPI Sports Writer. Yogi Berra and Mickey Mantle summed it up best. "We worked like the devil to get there," the Yankee manager said, "and we're going to stay there."

Mantle added that he thought "the pressure was on the other clubs" after the Yankees vaulted from third into first place in the American League race following Thursday night's 6-2 victory over Los Angeles.

The pressure is on the opposition now that the Yanks have to lose the pennant. New York now stands 86-59 while the Orioles and White Sox are 88-61, two games behind in the all-important lost column. The Yankees must be caught by Baltimore and Chicago.

Should all the involved teams win their remaining games, the defending American League champions would come out on top.

The Yankees are the hot club with Mantle reaching the 2,000 hit plateau with three hits, including a two-run homer while Roger Maris gained the 1,000 hit mark Wednesday and Thursday contributed three hits to an 11-hit attack that supported the pitching of winner Mel Stottlemyre (7-2). Roland Sheldon pitched the final 2-3 innings in relief of Stottlemyre.

Mantle put the game out of reach in the seventh with his 31st home run after doubling and singling in the fourth and sixth innings when the Yankees scored.

The Yankees feel confident now but know they must continue to win to keep their hold on the coveted number one spot.

Other Games

In the only other games, the National League leading Philadelphia Phillies defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers 4-3 and Cincinnati stopped Chicago, 7-5.

The Phils increased their lead to 6½ games when Maury Wills' first inning error allowed three runs to score and they got another unearned run in the ninth. The loss eliminated the world champions from the National League chase.

Southpaw Bobby Shantz, who worked 6 2-3 innings and permitted three hits, got credit for his second win in six decisions. Don Drysdale, looking for his 19th win, took his 14th defeat.

Cincinnati's southpaw Jim O'Toole gained his 15th victory.

of the season after retiring 22 consecutive batters and receiving the relief help of righthander Sammy Ellis.

Frank Robinson, Vada Pinson and John Edwards all hit home runs to hand Lew Burdette his ninth setback in 19 decisions.

Mantle At Milestone

NEW YORK (UPI)—After all these years as a Yankee, you'd think Mickey Mantle would be used to the honors, homers and homage.

It isn't so. When the Yankee cripple—and that's what he is—stroked three straight hits in a 6-2 victory over the Los Angeles Angels Thursday night, he accomplished two things:

—He lifted the Yankees into first place in the American League race by two percentage points over the idle Baltimore Orioles and the Chicago White Sox.

Got 2,000 Hit

—He became the fifth Yankee to surpass the 2,000-hit mark. And when it was all over, Mickey Mantle admitted a "strange thing."

Said Mickey: "I was all goose pimples. That crowd really shook me."

Only 8,271 fans turned out for this twilight game — one of the most important the Yankees will play all season — and they reserved their cheers for the Mick.

It's true that Roger Maris also collected three hits and scored two runs while Roland Sheldon pitched one-hit ball over the final 2-3 innings to preserve the victory for Mel Stottlemyre, his seventh victory in nine decisions.

Hero Was Mickey

But the big hero was Mickey. Limited to two hits in his 27 at-bats, Mantle hit a wrong field double to left off loser Fred Newman during a three-run burst in the fourth inning that gave New York a 3-0 lead.

When Mickey approached the plate leading off the sixth inning, the Yankee PR man alerted the assembled cameramen to "get set...this could be Mantle's 2,000th hit."

As if on signal, Mantle drove a single to center field, joining Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Joe DiMaggio and Yogi Berra in the Yankees' exclusive 2,000 hit club.

GAS-TOONS advertisement featuring Bob Gay and GAY'S MOBIL SERVICE. Includes text: "Bob's sick... so I'm taking over for a few days!" and "You can always depend on our experienced attendants."

Pabst Blue Ribbon advertisement featuring a bottle of beer and text: "NOW AT POPULAR PRICES! ORIGINAL Pabst Blue Ribbon BEER."

Standard Oil advertisement featuring an image of a tractor and text: "Let us help you make them RUN BETTER—LAST LONGER. To protect your investment in power equipment, and to help make farming more pleasant and more profitable, you can't beat our service or our products. Give us a call, anytime, and see for yourself!"