

# Conatser Hurt By Pitched Ball

Boston Braves' Outfielder Under Observation in Tampa Hospital

TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 28.—Boston Braves' outfielder Clint Conatser, who was beamed during yesterday's game here against Cincinnati, was "under observation" today in Tampa Municipal Hospital.

Conatser was struck in the back of the head by a pitch thrown in the seventh inning by Rookie hurler Frank Fanovich of the Reds. He was not knocked unconscious, but was taken to the hospital.

Dr. Frank Metzger said the X-rays would be taken as a precautionary measure. Conatser may be released from the hospital today or tomorrow.

The injury overshadowed the 13 to 4 defeat handed the Braves by the Reds. Ted Kluszewski's Homer led Cincinnati as it tallied four runs in the fourth and five in the sixth. Phil Masi and Ed Stanky homered for Boston.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Joe DiMaggio won't be in the lineup when the New York Yankees tangle with the Philadelphia Phils today, but he may be ready to play Wednesday.

The famed "Yankee Clipper" said yesterday he will give his ailing heel another test when the Yanks clash with the Cincinnati Reds. He pinch-hit only a fly-ball out against the St. Louis Cards yesterday, as the Yanks were blanked, 1 to 0.

The whitewash was skillfully applied by rookie Kurt Krieger, and veterans Al Brazie and Ted Wilks, who scattered nine hits. Enos Slaughter's double and Ed Sauer's single produced the Cards' only run.

Today the Cardinals play host here to the Detroit Tigers.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—With their two victorious squads rejoined—plus two new arrivals—the Philadelphia Athletics were set to play host to day to the Toronto Maple Leafs of the International League.

The new players were veteran infielder Gil Torres, a former Washington Senator, and 18-year-old Luis Garcia, a semi-pro outfielder. Both were picked up by the A's "A" squad which climaxed a brief Cuban tour yesterday by beating the Havana Cubans, 5 to 3.

Meanwhile, the A's "B" squad had Dick Fowler pitch a complete three-hitter to beat the Brooklyn Dodgers, 3 to 1. Tod Davis, with three hits, including two doubles, drove in two of A's runs and scored the third.

PASADENA, Cal.—Veteran righthander Hal Gregg and rookie southpaw Chet Johnson were set to toe the slab today for the Pittsburgh Pirates as they faced the St. Louis Browns again.

Yesterday the two teams played to a 12-inning 7-7 tie at San Bernardino as relief pitchers Hugh Casey of Pittsburgh and Tom Ferrick of the Browns dueled. Homers were hit by Les Moss, Jack Graham and Sherman Lollar of St. Louis and Ed Bockman of Pittsburgh.

Kentucky Still NCAA King, Thanks to Groza's Sniping

SEATTLE, Mar. 28 (UPI)—Kentucky still reigned as king of the NCAA basketball world today thanks to the efforts of its captain and crown prince, Alex Groza.

The sturdy six-foot, seven-inch center scored 25 points Saturday night as Kentucky beat down a stubborn Oklahoma A. & M. team, 46 to 36, to annex its second straight NCAA title before 12,000 fans in the University of Washington's Edmundson pavilion.

Groza was the whole show as he set a new individual scoring mark for the three-game NCAA series by netting 82 points to top the record of former Oklahoma A. & M. star Bob Kurland by six tallies.

Groza won the most valuable player award for the second year in a row, a feat heretofore accomplished only by Kurland. Kentucky also became the second team to hold two NCAA titles, the other being Oklahoma A. & M. Illinois, champion of the Big Nine, came from behind to defeat Pacific Coast titleholder Oregon State in a 57 to 53 thriller for third place.

Hank Iba Named Coach of the Year

NEW YORK, Mar. 28 (UPI)—Henry Payne (Hank) Iba, the Oklahoma Aggies' slow burn and Loyola of Chicago, each 3; Henry Good, Nebraska, 2, and Ken Norton, Manhattan, and Ed Hickey, St. Louis, each one.

Shadeland Tops in Township Gra-Y Play



Louis Osthemeler, Jack Roman, Billy Harsbarger, Arvin Forman, Tommy Clay, Don Ritchie (front row, left to right). Larry Miller, Joe Lingenfelter, Harvey Hodgen, Bill Shepard, Carl Gilpin, Bob Clay (back row). H. S. Miller (left, rear), coach, and J. L. Turner (right, rear), head of east district Gra-Y. This is the Shadeland team which finished the season undefeated and copped the trophy in Gra-Y competition yesterday at the Warren Central gym.

## Indians Play Return Game With Houma

Hutchings Slated For Pitching Debut With Indianapolis

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HOUMA, La., Mar. 28.—A pair of Indian tribes were scheduled to make war once again today when the Indians of Indianapolis meet on the Houma

(Second in a Series)

grade school at North Delaware and St. Clair Sts. and studied at Tech High School for three years.

Thus he was reared figuratively in the shadows of Speedway grandstands that echoed every summer with the noise of smoking, roaring, machines driven by Ray Harroun, Joe Dawson, Ralph DePalma, Ted (The Terrible) Tetzlaff, Howdy Wilcox, Gil Anderson, Don Herr, Charley Merz, Leon Duray, Barney Oldfield, Eddie Rickenbacker, Dario Resta, Louis Chevrolet and numerous others.

Began to Worship

Shaw, like most youths do, began to worship these heroes and his interest in racing was more than casual.

He quit high school after three years to make a fast dollar, \$100 per week, as manager of the world's largest electric storage battery service station in Detroit. He was only 17 years old but was recognized by the Exide Co. as one of the best battery analysts in the country.

His job in the Motor City was cut short by the death of his sister. His mother asked her son to come home to Indianapolis.

It was tough giving up a \$100 per week job, but Shaw went to work here for Churchman & Taylor, another electric battery firm, then at 11th and N. Meridian Sts. at even better wages: \$100 per week plus commission.

He was placed in charge of electric vehicle sales. Batteries then cost \$400 although they lasted four years and had to be charged nightly.

Workouts Tomorrow

The Tribe will hold a lengthy batting practice, fielding workout and intrasquad game tomorrow as the Senators downed Detroit, 3 to 2. A 420-foot home run by Catcher Al Evans led the Washington attack against Rookies Martin Stuart.

The Tigers play the St. Louis Cardinals today.

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Only four regulars will be left behind—Pitcher Preacher Roe, who is averse to flying; Pitcher Elmer Sexauer, who has a sore arm, and Outfielders Marv Rackley and George Shuba.

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The game with Baton Rouge, La., Wednesday, has been canceled. The Indians will play the New Orleans Pelicans Thursday and again on Friday.

Exhibition Baseball

(Morning Game)

Cleveland (A) ... 000 000 000—1 6 1

Bearden, Wynn (6) and Tresh, Simon, Raimondi (7) and Raimondi.

(Afternoon Game)

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Farmer, Paize (6) and Hesman, Dempsey, and Parize.

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