



By George!

By George Kaufman

Every now and then in a man's life, he finds he must take a chance. Today I stand before one of those moments.

Somehow, in making out my 1967 baseball predictions, I could not force my typewriter to write anything at the top of the American League standings but New York Yankees.

Stop Chortling

After you've gotten back up off the floor and stopped chortling, try to take two things under consideration.

First, there is nothing truer than the old maxim that says, "Once a Yankee, always a Yankee". Despite the fact that the Grand Old Gang of years past is broken up, and despite flashes of anger at the trading of Roger Maris and Clete Boyer, I am still a Yankee Fool.

Consider A Moment

Secondly, consider for a moment what could happen were the Yanks to suddenly have everything go right this year. Like Mick's legs holding up. And like Tom Tresh regaining his rookie promise. Like Whitey Ford, Jim Bouton and Mel Stottlemyre pitching like they should and have. Like a new Yankee infield full of alien names jelling, or even being adequate. Like Elston Howard playing like an MVP again.

With these hopes and reservations, the Yanks will be back where they belong.

Strong Rivals

Strong rivals will be faltering Birds and rebounding Twins, perhaps some prowling Tigers.

American League—1. New York, 2. Baltimore, 3. Minnesota, 4. Detroit, 5. Chicago, 6. California, 7. Cleveland, 8. Kansas City, 9. Boston, 10. Washington.

In that other league, if they decide to come back again after last year's Bird-watching session at the World Series, you can have your pick of San Francisco, Los Angeles and Pittsburgh.

Many Pennants

The Giants have blown so many pennants that their lungs are getting weak, but I say this is their year, and perhaps Willie Mays' last chance at a World Series.

The Pirates will be strong, and, looking for the Dodgers to sort of fall apart of frustration, without Sandy they will push the Giants to the wire.

The Mets made a big mistake in trading second baseman Ron Hunt, so will reclaim the cellar from the Cubbies in a real basement battle.

The St. Louis Cardinals are a great big question mark, in fact a completely new team, and the Braves could be strong enough to be a contender.

"If Clauses"

So, after making all the customary "if clauses", here's how the Whatchamacallit League looks come next September: 1. San Francisco, 2. Pittsburgh, 3. Los Angeles, 4. St. Louis, 5. Atlanta, 6. Cincinnati, 7. Houston, 8. Philadelphia, 9. Chicago, 10. New York.

As long as I have you in a humorous mood, I might as well predict the Yanks to become Giant-slayers for their 22nd World title next fall.

Write A Book

Maybe somebody could write a book about this year's race, called dare I say it—"The Year The Yankees Won The Pennant".

Letters and comment from misled Yankee-haters will be welcomed and monetary attestments to our various prognostications duly consummated.

In Big Eight Rankings . . .

Baseball Returnees Sputter

It was a sputtering first weekend in Big Eight conference baseball for last year's returning hitting leaders. Only three of the listed 11 back are among the leaders this week and none of the departmental leaders of last season made this year's first rankings.

Missouri's Barry Lubeck, Oklahoma State's Don Kuykendall, and Colorado's Jack Coppom are the only familiar names among the top 14 batters, with Lubeck's second-place standing the best of the returnees' lot.

Lubeck, however, does represent the veteran corps well. He also leads a pair of the big departments with his eight hits which have plated seven runs during

the first three league games. Kuykendall, who ranks fifth in hitting with his .538 average, is second in hit production with seven. Coppom is tied for second in RBI's with five and is ninth in hitting with his .444 mark.

Leader of the hitters after the first weekend is Kansas' Steve Walsh, a utility roamer last year who has taken over at third base for the Jayhawks, as well as at the plate, where he shows a hefty .833 mark. Oklahoma pitchers, ranking among the leaders in the Big Eight, were able to get him out just once last weekend.

Top performer among the quick-working sophomores was Colorado's Dan Ruth, who lived up to pre-season power-hitting expectations by lacing three home runs in his team's finale against Iowa State. Ruth, with a 4-for-7 reading now, also has five runs-batted-in to add a tie for second in that department to his power lead.

Four managed to stay even with Colorado's Taylor Toomey, who led all Big Eight pitchers a year ago as he carved an all-Conference mound spot for himself. Toomey threw the only complete-game shutout of the weekend.

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mark was equalled by a trio of Kansas State hurlers—showing why the Wildcats pace the league in team pitching—headed by sophomore reliever, Steve Snyder, who stifled two Nebraska rallies with strong performances which yielded no runs. Van Bullock, another Wildcat sophomore, and veteran Steve Wood are also 0.00.

A loss is the only thing tarnishing the record of Nebraska's Keith Winter, who worked five innings without giving up an earned tally. Following Oklahoma State's sophomore pitching entry,

Bill Maxwell, who has a 1.18 mark, is Nebraska's Bob Churchich, who lost his first league start, has a 1.29 ERA to go with a batting average of .300, which doesn't rank him this first time around.

Colorado's outburst against the Cyclones, which produced 21 runs, gives the Buffaloes the team hitting lead with a lofty .326 mark. Picking up the ball as efficiently this year as last is Oklahoma. Again, it leads the pack in fielding with a .964 mark, the same as its winning figure of last year.

BIG EIGHT STATISTICS HITTING

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	SB	HR	Avg.
Steve Walsh, Kansas	28	2	8	2	0	1	.286
Barry Lubeck, Missouri	31	3	13	2	0	1	.419
Jack Schmidt, Colorado	3	0	2	0	0	0	.667
Dan Ruth, Colorado	11	3	5	3	1	0	.455
Don Kuykendall, Oklahoma St.	11	7	5	3	0	2	.455
Gary Harper, Oklahoma	21	13	4	7	1	2	.190
Harold Schrim, Iowa State	21	4	1	2	1	0	.048
Del Hank, Missouri	2	0	2	0	0	0	.500
Jack Coppom, Colorado	11	3	11	3	5	1	.455
Ken Meiner, Missouri	31	9	6	4	5	0	.194
Jim McCard, Oklahoma St.	18	3	9	4	1	0	.500
Jerry Thalmer, Iowa St.	18	3	3	3	4	1	.167
Dan Thompson, Oklahoma St.	11	2	4	3	1	0	.364
Jack Woolsey, Kansas St.	11	4	4	1	0	1	.364
Player and School	Pos.	G	IP	W	L	ERA	
Van Bullock, Kansas St.	P	1	0	4	3	0	0.00
Steve Snyder, Kansas St.	P	2	2	3	0	0	0.00
Keith Winter, Nebraska	P	1	5	4	0	0	0.00
Taylor Toomey, Colorado	P	1	7	4	0	0	0.00
Steve Wood, Kansas St.	P	1	0	4	0	0	0.00
Bill Maxwell, Okla. St.	P	2	2	2	0	0	0.00
Bob Churchich, Nebraska	P	1	7	9	3	1	1.18
Rusty Distro, Oklahoma	P	1	7	6	4	1	1.29
Dave Hartman, Iowa St.	P	1	7	9	3	1	1.18
Jack Stuber, Kansas	P	1	7	4	2	1	1.29
Bob Carpenter, Missouri	P	1	0	5	2	3	1.36
Charles Green, Nebraska	P	2	0	9	5	4	1.36

Churchich To Pitch In Iowa State Game

Bob Churchich will be the starting pitcher in the Huskers' opening game with Iowa State Friday.

Nebraska's record now stands at 1-8 after dropping three Big Eight games to Kansas State last weekend to open the conference season. But Nebraska coach Tony Sharpe is still optimistic about the over-all record of his young Cornhuskers.

"If we can continue to show as well in our pitching and fielding game but improve our hitting game we still might show up this season," said Sharpe.

After dropping a doubleheader on Friday the Huskers lost to K-State 2-0 always in the game but unable to connect on key hits. On Friday a three-run spurt by the Wildcats in the seventh inning erased a 3-1 Husker lead that cost Nebraska the first game. Then Nebraska was shut out, 4-0, in the following game.

Junior college transfer Keith Winter has 13 strike-

outs to his credit for 13 innings pitched and his earned run average is 1.38. Other Nebraska pitchers and their earned run averages are Charles Green, 2.40 for 15 innings. Both Stickers and Churchich have had 18 hits charged to them while Winter has given up 11 and Green eight.

Winter will start the second game of Friday's doubleheader and Green on Saturday. Other members of the starting lineup: Wayne Kissler, c; Bob Brand, 1b; Tony Sharpe, 2b; Mike Churchich, 3b; Sam Pizzo, ss; Tim Bolz, lf; Alex Walter, cf; and Steve Johnson, rf.

Iowa State is 1-2 in the Big Eight after a series with Colorado last week.

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Greco-Roman championships were decided Wednesday evening, while regular wrestling will be held through the rest of this week.

Tennis Team Garners Win

Nebraska's tennis team garnered a 4-3 tennis dual victory over Washburn Tuesday.

The doubles team of Bill Roehrs and Jerald Roberts scored a final victory to win the meet.

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