

# AROUND THE HORN

"The Newsletter of Seasons Past Baseball"

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## DRAFT DAY PRODUCES SURPRISES AND LITTLE BARTERING FOR '46

Perhaps it was the wealth of talent available or simply the fact that managers have become a bit gun-shy at moving future selections, but the '46 draft produced the fewest number of pre-draft movement of any to date.

With a pool of quality talent available through at least five rounds, most managers made some astute decisions in selecting playing talent. The choices ranged from "best player" to "drafting for position" and produced some rather interesting selections.

The obvious first selection, Ted Williams, went to a salivating Frank Papp. The second choice was another key. Had the Dodgers not forced a playoff and won the pennant in '45 against the Fortress, Warren Spahn would have been hurling for Brooklyn. However, the Dodgers fell to 13th and Spahn into the lap of Tim Johnson's West Warwick Monarchs.

### '46 Trading Deadline

July 21st at Midnight EDST is the time when your team turns into a pumpkin as the trading deadline chimes. There are quite a few players who still remain on the board. Those undrafted and released players can be exchanged on a first come first served basis.

Trades to date are on Page 3. You may also exchange any players of value (pitchers preferred) here at Dodgers HQ. Unlimiteds are welcome..

The third pick was seen as the key to how the rest of the opening round would progress. Bob Calicchia, torn between Bob Lemon and Ralph Kiner, went for the slugger. Joltin' Joe was sitting right there, the perfect pick for John Ungashick's Elephants and then Jim Wheeler couldn't believe his good fortune when his catcher for a decade, Yogi Berra, awaited. Randy Zaleski shored up the shortstop hole with Pee Wee Reese and of course, Gary Plunkitt had the slugger he craves in Johnny Mize. Don Zminda bolstered his paltry Trees' staff with Johnny Sain and Steve Ehresman selected Lemon.

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### '57 STAT REPORT REMINDER

As Ricky Ricardo was heard to say, "Lucy, the time has come." Well, as John Turnbull leaves this month to entertain the natives still mourning the loss of Radar O'Reilly in Korea, remember to send the stats for the final two months of the '57 campaign directly to Jim Wheeler. Good luck, John!!!

Timing is important. Please get your complete stats to Jim by the 20th of the month. And remember, you MUST send stats to the opposing manager in exported league mode. There was one winner last month. Hmmm.

## Commissioner's Forum

by Jim Wheeler

Another whirlwind period for SPB is complete as the braincells worked overtime plotting strategy and preparing for the 1946 season.

Hopefully, the '46 disk sent to each of you assisted in evaluating rosters and the free agent market. Now comes the caveat: **DO NOT EVEN THINK OF USING THIS DISK FOR GAMES.**

To be certain, simply erase the disk now that the draft is complete. You will receive a final official disk shortly to be used in league play.

One additional thing which needs clarification is the trading of ballparks. Trades can only occur prior to EVEN numbered years and the team considering the trade must have occupied his current park for two (2) consecutive seasons. So, with the approach of the '46 and '58 seasons, all teams may trade their parks. In SPB-II, the available parks are Griffith Stadium and Braves Field. In SPB-I, the free parks are Shibe Park (NL), aka Connie Mack Stadium and Memorial Stadium. Rule #48 in the league constitution explains in detail how contested claims are resolved.

Please notify the Commissioner at once if you plan to change for 1946.

A complete breakdown of the issues voted upon on June 24 are detailed on Page 8.

# Computer Manager Brings More Comments & Requests

by Tim Johnson

(After reading the May issue of AROUND THE HORN, Tim sent along his comments on the computer manager for publication.)

First, I have used the CM in two different leagues and while it's quirky, I felt it has done okay. My road record overall has been better than my home in 3 of 4 seasons (of course, this can also mean I'm a poor manager). I also don't favor anything that allows managers to exploit fluke players, i.e. letting righty batters face only righty pitchers because they went 2-for-5, when against lefties, they had over 100 ABs, but batted only .220. I think allowing individual batter and pitcher levels would encourage this and unless standards were set very broadly, it would be a mistake.

I do promote allowing more diversity to the Manager Tendency section. I would like to see:

- 1) A way to designate pinch hitters, runners.
- 2) A better designed system for using relief pitchers. I like mine to stay in the game for a few innings, not just a never-ending line of one pitcher after another. Might be able to adjust how long you stay with relievers.
- 3) Being able to select players you want to have a pinch hitter replace and ones you don't. This would allow you to save players with limited at bats and use ones with extra ABs.
- 4) I would like to see a way that closers would only come in with a lead and be able to determine that lead, i.e., 1-run game, 2-run game).

5) I would like to keep some relievers from pitching in consecutive games. I doubt this happened very often in the 1940's. Also, it would be nice to have a little more control in how the computer uses relievers. I've had relievers throw in 5 consecutive games against a predominantly RH hitting team, while the RH setup was never used. I'm sure some fine-tuning could remedy this situation

## Nom de Plume Question

Now that France has been liberated, I felt that we should honor their determination during the war effort by translating the Nickname Quiz to French. I am sure they are thrilled. So, *Voilà!* No, that's not Frank (or Franc).

Most of these players were either in the recent '46 draft or participated in the era which has come to be known as "*The Ten Best Years of Baseball.*"

- 1) Baseball's Man of the Hour
- 2) Mr. Shortstop
- 3) The Staten Island Scot
- 4) Silent Captain of the Red Sox
- 5) Reading Rifle
- 6) Octopus of Baseball
- 7) The Invincible One
- 8) The Champ
- 9) The Big Bear
- 10) Fordham Fireman
- 11) Old Reliable
- 12) Fire

The Edsel awaits. Sure.....

## DIAMOND DUST

1946- The Giants dismiss Roy Zimmerman, Sal Maglie and George Hausmann for negotiating with the Mexican League.... The Tigers, Cubs, Reds, Athletics and Phillies retain '45 ticket prices. Other clubs increase box seat prices from \$2.00 to \$2.50, general admission to \$1.25 and bleachers to 60 cents.... Hank Greenberg signs for \$60,000 and 3 days later marries department store heiress Coral Gimbel ... Pirates' pitcher Preacher Roe suffers a concussion in an altercation with a referee in an Arkansas basketball game.... Total 1945 major league attendance was 10.28 million with the Tigers in the lead at 1.28 million....

"Always within Mantle is the knowledge that any game he plays can be his last—one throw, one swing, one slide, could write the end of his major league career. Yet Mick plays every game to the hilt, a tremendous tribute to his courage."

Tom Meany in *SPORT*, 1957

1957-The NY Giants' board votes 8-1 to move to San Francisco. The only dissenting vote is cast by M. Donald Grant, later Chairman of the NY Mets.... Dodgers use 8 pitchers in a 13-7 loss to Braves in which Hank Aaron hits his first grand slam.. Mickey Mantle injures himself when he swings a golf club at a branch and gouges his shinbone. This takes him out of the running for his 2nd consecutive Triple Crown... Stan Musial tears a muscle and chips a bone swinging at a pitch ending his consecutive game streak... Hurricane Bob Hazle, hitting .526 since his recall from Wichita, hits two 2-run HRs against the Phillies.... Steve Dalkowski pitching for Kingsport in the Appalachian League, strikes out 24, walks 18 and hits 4 batters. He also throws 6 wild pitches in a row and loses 9-8...

## FAREWELL TO ARMS, BATS AND GLOVES WW II STYLE ...A NEW ERA DAWNS

We can close the curtains on those household names that sprinkled the rosters of major league clubs during the war years. As a new day dawns, with youngsters and returning war vets slated for 1946 and beyond, let's call on Bob Shepard, the venerable voice of Yankee Stadium. Shepard's very proper and deep voice was heard at every Old Timer's day reading the litany of departed players. In a lighter sense, he bids adieu to the following:

*LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT IS NOW TIME... TO BID GOODBYE... TO THOSE MEN WHO SERVED BASEBALL DURING THE WAR... FIRST... THE FIELDSERS.....*

Roy Zimmerman... Dave Bartosch... Reggie Otero... Gee Walker... Spud Davis... Bill Hart... Mike Milosevich... Lloyd Waner... Garvin Hamner... Steve Mesner... Paul O'Dea... John Antonelli... Coaker Triplett... Kerby Farrell... Bob Maier... Len Schulte... Red Borum... Charlie Metro... Pete Coscarart... Debs Garms... Larry Rosenthal... Ed Walczak... Dick Kimble... Hub Walker... Ernie Kish... Gene Moore... Dan Reynolds... Jose Zardon... Ty LaForrest... Butch Nieman... Woody Williams... Herb Crompton... Frank Drews... Bitsy Mott... Phil Weintraub...



Joe Buzas... Myril Hoag... Frenchy Bordagaray... Al Cihocki... John Riddle... John Dickshot... Dolf Camilli... Nasp Reyes... Ben Chapman... Mike Garbark... Bill Holm... Eric Tipton... Glenn Crawford... Babe Herman... Bud Metheny... Dick Siebert... John Peacock... Vince Castino... Chuck Hostetler... Don Savage... Mayo Smith... Bill Drescher... Steve Sherno... Tony Cuccinello... Paul Gillespie... Jack Saltzgaver... Fats Dantonio... Charlie Mead... Stan Benjamin... Gus Mancuso... Jake Powell... Vince Shupe... Augie Bergamo... Hilly Layne... Jack Tobin... Joe Burns... Bob Garbark... Pete Gray... Nick Picciutto... Stan Andrews... Ellis Clary... Mike Kreevich... Hal Spindel... Al Brancato... Babe Martin... Ben Steiner... Vince Barnhart... Ed Carnett... Clyde Sukeforth... Walt Chipple... Danny Gardella... Joe Mack... Al Unser... Pete Fox... Oris Hockett... Bill Nagel... Vince Ventura... Bill Schuster... Fred Daniels... Joe Just... Mike Schemer... Fred Vaughan... George Fallon... Ed Wheeler... Wally Flagler... Art Rebel... Dick Sipek... Jimmie Foxx... Roy Schalk... Joe Hoover... Jim McDonnell... Bill Ramsey... Bobby Wilkins... Red Hayworth... Jim Mallory... Elmer Winegartner... Milt Bynres... Bob Johnson... Hersh Martin Martin... Red Treadway... Jim Butcher... Harlond Clift... Rene Monteagudo... Morris Aderholt... Ed Busch... Bill McGhee... Fred Walters.....

*AND NOW... THE PITCHERS...*

Cy Buker... Van Lingle Mungo... Mike Modak... Clem Hausmann... Arnold Carter... Don Hendrickson... Lefty Pyle... Dick Coffman... George Dockins... Otho Nitcholas... Yank Terry... Xavier Resigno... Tom Early... Jack Brewer..

Curt Davis... Hy Vandenberg... Lou Lucier... Sandy Ullrich... Charlie Bowles... Walt Wilson... Al Javvery... Earl Henry... Zeb Eaton... Ace Adams... Les Mueller... Randy Heflin... Rex Cecil... Sig Jakucki... Mack Stewart... Cookie Cuccurullo... Don Fisher... Buck Ross... Atley Donald... Al Smith... Johnny Hutchings... Alex Carrasquel... Harry Feldman... Steve Gerkin... Jim Tobin... Lefty West... Max Butcher... Dick Barrett... Lefty Scott... Joe Orrell... Glenn Gardner... Ira Hutchinson... Mike Ryba... Lee Pfund... Frank Dasso... Izzy Leon... Joe Bowman... Paul Derringer... Earl Jones... Hod Lisenbee... Vic Johnson... Pete Appleton... Jack Salvesson... Otte Clark... Bob Logan... Ray Harrell... Jim Turner... Whitt Wyatt... Tom Seats... Slim Emmerich... Charlie Sproull... Pinky Woods...

THANK YOU... PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING LUCKY 13 WILL BE RETURNING IN THE FUTURE. PLEASE MAKE NOTE:

Steve Filipowicz... Eddie Sauer... Dewey Williams... Bobby Estalella... Tony Luptien... Bud Byerly... Eddie Basinski... Hugh Poland... Walt Holborrow... Ken Holcolombe... Luis Olmo... Adrian Zabala... Tommy O'Brien...

### '46 TRADE WINDS

30. WHALES trade Ray Mueller, Goody Rosen & Felix Mackiewicz to the FORTRESS for Harry Gumbert & Mickey Livingston.

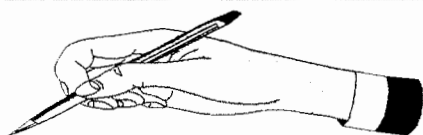
31. WHALES trade George McQuinn to REDBIRDS for Mort Cooper.

32. BEARS obtain 7th round draft pick (Dave Philley), Ralph Hodgson and Al Hollingsworth from MARAUDERS for John Niggeling and Bucky Walters.

33. CHISOX swap Nate Andrews to ACORNS for Roy Hughes.



## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



by LOU ROSS

Just a few comments this month from the Paenut Gallery. "Howdy, take it away."

As the self-anointed Curmudgeon and devil's advocate (that self stuff is fun), I just want to insert my two cents on a few issues. First, it was nice to see the voting issues resolved in such a fastidious manner.

Hopefully, there will be fewer and fewer rules adjustments as SPB continues to move into the future of rocket ships and color television.

The perception in some instances is that depending upon which season/era we are approaching, there is always someone out there looking to institute a short-term fix to their ballclub.

A few years back, when the first round moved to random picks to prevent future allegations of "cheating for draft picks," I think we did ourselves a disservice.

Unless a low-ranked club is fortunate enough to draw the long straw, it can remain mired in the cellar for years while another team continues to strengthen its position.

So, consider this. The team with the WORST record gets the first pick, the pennant winners pick the way they do and the rest of the first round stays a random selection. On round two, the worst team picks after the pennant winners and its random for the

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remainder of the round. Someone cheats, they're outta here!!!!

The next item has to do with our computer systems. On August 24th, we will see the new *WINDOWS '95* hit the streets. What will this mean to us?

In my job at Egghead Software, I have had the opportunity to meet a number of beta-testers and speak to Microsoft programmers about the product. Overall, the reviews are excellent and it will clear up a number of the glitches created by *WINDOWS 3.1*, but there should be considerations as to whether you should rush out and buy it at its \$99 or so price tag.

Some of the immediate surface and cosmetic changes you'll notice are the changes in the desktop setup. Program Manager is replaced by a basic Start Button, File Manager, often a cumbersome process, is replaced by user-friendly features named Explorer and MyComputer.

Each of those relics will still be available if you choose to torture yourself. It should be noted that ALL of your old Windows and DOS programs will function well under *WINDOWS '95*.

But take note. While the program itself will run on 4mb of RAM, you should have at least 8mb in your system. If you have expansion slots and can afford to spring for \$45 per mb, upgrade to 16mb for optimum performance.

For our basic application needs here, the new program will have absolutely no impact and most of us feel we will never even venture toward the new system. The same thing we once said about moving from DOS to *WINDOWS*.

If you're a higg-tech junkie, the program will be for you. Those who muddle around will just love the shortcut keys.

## COMING SOON

- '45 Awards Results
- 1946 Preview
- '57 stretch drive
- "Willie, Mickey & The Duke" (sort of—the ATH condensed version of "Diamond Memories" by Dr. Diamond)
- More *Phillies* Baseball Secrets
- Farewell Ebbets Field
- Memorabilia
- Other highly secretive stuff

## Draft Day Hi-Jinks

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Rick Ryan pulled off a coup in tabbing the highly rated Freddie Hutchinson while Jerry Daily's Federals solidified 1B with Mickey Vernon. Del Ennis slipped to the 12th slot where Tom Falduto was more than willing to find a home for the steady OF on the Whales' roster.

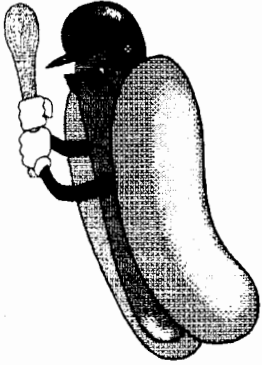
Now the intrigue. Picking 13th, the Dodgers had the choice of Joe Gordon or Enos Slaughter, who was still on the board. Not expecting the Marauders' Mike Cascarano to tab both Slaughter and Carl Furillo, the Brooks' stayed with their choice and went with Gordon. But, Cascarano took Country *AND* Skoonj, the Dodgers settled for the other DiMaggio.

A complete list of team-by-team selections appears on page seven. Next month, we'll take a look at the depth and promise of each club and have some input from managers as to their feelings on how they did in the draft.

Please send comments to Lou Ross for publication either by mail or via Prodigy # **PJWG45 D**.

# Reflections

by Paul Kenyon



The gas station is on Route 1 in Pawtucket, R.I., about one mile from the Massachusetts line. It's still in the same spot, and has much the same look, as it has 40 years ago. It's

different from other gas stations in that it has a brick facade.

As much as the Green Monster at Fenway, the parking lot of the old Sears Roebuck store on Boylston Street, where my father used to park the car on our trips to Boston, the gas station is a major part of my baseball memories.

If I take a small detour, I can still go past the gas station on my frequent trips to McCoy Stadium to see the Pawtucket Red Sox play their International League games.

I go for a very different reason than I did as a child. But I still make it a point to drive past that gas station occasionally—it's a Mobil Station now—because of the wonderful memories it carries.

The gas station is a place to remember Billy Goodman, Chet Nichols, Ted Williams, Mike Roarke and the other major leaguers we now bring back into action in Seasons' Past Baseball. When we started going to Fenway, the gas station was special because my father marked it as the halfway point of our 70-minute drive to Fenway.

Route 95 had not yet been built, at least not in our part of New England. The drive was almost entirely on Route 1 which we picked up a few miles from home and stayed on it all the way to

Boston. At the gas station, we could start looking for the sign that would say, "Entering Massachusetts."

It meant we could talk about whether Goodman could win the batting title. It meant that we were in Pawtucket, where Chet Nichols had grown up, and I could imagine being the next left-handed pitcher from RI who would get to throw for the Red Sox.

We made the trip four or five times a year, sometimes more often. I can remember the day we went over and talked to Mike Roarke, who was from West Warwick, our town, and who was now the backup catcher for the Tigers. My father actually knew him and when he was home, Mike used to come into the Post Office, where my father had worked for 35 years. I remember my father introducing me to Roarke, Roarke shaking my hand and telling this 10-year-old that maybe when I got older he could help me with my pitching.

One Saturday afternoon we went up for a game against the White Sox on a spur of the moment. It was about 90 degrees and we sat in the bleachers. Even before we started feeling the sun, Al Smith hit a HR for the White Sox, starting the Bosox on the way to an 8 or 10 or 12-run loss. It didn't matter that the Sox lost. We were used to that. What mattered was that it was baseball, we could spend time together and just enjoy.



I'm not sure how happy I'd be if the Sox had actually won the World Series. For one thing, I don't care nearly as much now as I did then. More importantly, the futility makes being a Sox fan more fun. We can commiserate. If things are going well, we talk about what's going to

go wrong. If the team plays badly, well, that's the way it's supposed to be.

I used that same sense of joy the gas station brought me to have baseball open doors with my two sons. I decided to build our family vacations around baseball. My wife thought I was going a bit too far when I suggested it, but very soon she was as enthusiastic about the idea as I was. When our sons were old enough—the first year when John was 9, Jay, 5—we started spending a week's vacation built around baseball.

The first year we went to New York to see the Yankees and The Stadium. I remember only two things about the game. It was bitterly cold (April school vacation) and we saw Greg Luzinski steal home. Honest! It was on the front end of a double steal. We stayed in New York for three days. The kids got to see the Statue of Liberty, ride the subway (during the day, of course) and tour Radio City Music Hall.

For six years in a row, until the kids decided they didn't want to be seen with mom and dad anymore, we made either one or two trips to a major league city to see a ballgame and visit the sites.

The kids still talk about how slimy the Liberty Bell felt when they touched it on our trip to Philadelphia. Both still have the bats they got on our trip to Memorial Stadium to see the Orioles—it was Burger King Bat Day. My wife, Pauline, refers to talk about getting to see different places to shop. She loved Centre-Ville in Montreal and Eaton Place in Toronto.

In almost every city of the nine we visited, we spent a day at an amusement park. We visited the White House one year, the Baseball Hall of Fame the next year on our trip back from Toronto. We went everywhere the car would take us.

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# '57 Showdowns Loom Large in Final 2 Months

by LOU ROSS

STATS!!! Yes, we have STATS!!! Thanks to John Turnbull, doing yeomen work right down to the wire, here's the latest rundown on SPB-57.

John was able to download the standings and leaders via e-mail on June 30th. When Jim takes over crunching the numbers, once again, please try to get stat disks in early. In order to make this a bit more colorful, send either Jim or me some boxscores, game commentaries or some interesting plays. This is simply to give all managers a feel for what's going on throughout the league.

As you can see from the numbers, JULY '57 proved to be a turning point for a number of clubs. In the East, the Cubs, who were floundering eight under .500 in May, had another tremendous month and

pulled within two games of the Tigers. Ernie Banks got it into gear with 10 HRs and 27 RBI to win the Player-of-the-Month honors. The Cubs are 32-16 over the past two months.

Not to be outdone, the Hatteras Pelicans are meshing, edging two over break-even and within 5 of the lead. Kudos must go to the Knights who logged in at 16-12 for July, though a bit late for a pennant mark. When John gets back from Korea, Harmon Killebrew will be washed up and available for trade. Right, John?

Out West, the Mavericks took advantage of a 17-11 mark, including a 6-1 series win on the road against the Bluebirds to capture first place by two over Heartland. The Rifles lost five games in the standings to fall four

back of High Desert. The Falcons are playing steady ball but failing to gain ground in this smothering division while the Cascades fell five back.

A look at Team Batting and Pitching stats indicates some interesting numbers. The Cubs, expected to provide the most potent homer power in SPB-57, are a distant fifth to the Rifles who have most of their power generated by Roy Sievers. The Cascades and Tigers are tied for the lead in average at .277 while the Bluebirds hold the best ERA at 3.31 followed by Pacific's 3.32.

Roy Sievers' bid for a Triple Crown may well be thwarted by Ted Williams as The Splinter leads Sievers by 20 points in average. Sievers has a healthy lead in HRs and RBI.

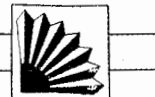
On the mound, while Warren Spahn (12-5) has regained his form for the Saxons, Whitey Ford struggles for the Mavs who hold onto first despite his 3-9 mark.

Two pitchers just jump out when looking at the breakdown. Ned Garver is having a fantastic year for Tom Falduto's Saxons, leading the league with a 1.58 ERA and a 5.34 hits allowed rate. Johnny Podres is right behind Garver in both categories 1.95 ERA and 6.10 hits. Podres has also hurled ten complete games for Hatteras while permitting only 8.12 runners per nine innings.

Dick Farrell has done the job out of the bullpen for the Falcons, netting 21 saves in 37 appearances. However, Frank Papp will have to make judicious use of the 15 remaining appearances during the pennant drive in the final two months.

	Year-to-Date				July Record	
	W	L	PCT	GB	W	L
<b>East</b>						
<b>Tigers</b>	55	43	561		13	15
<b>Cubs</b>	53	45	541	<b>2</b>	17	11
<b>Pelicans</b>	50	48	510	<b>5</b>	15	13
<b>Knights</b>	42	56	429	<b>13</b>	16	12
<b>Blue Sox</b>	40	58	408	<b>15</b>	13	15
<b>Grays</b>	35	63	357	<b>20</b>	12	16
<b>Minors</b>	34	64	347	<b>21</b>	12	16
<b>West</b>						
<b>Mavericks</b>	60	38	612		17	11
<b>Bluebirds</b>	58	40	592	<b>2</b>	14	14
<b>Rifles</b>	56	42	571	<b>4</b>	12	16
<b>Falcons</b>	56	42	571	<b>4</b>	16	12
<b>Cascades</b>	55	43	561	<b>5</b>	12	16
<b>Saxons</b>	54	44	551	<b>6</b>	14	14
<b>Black Sox</b>	38	60	388	<b>22</b>	13	15





# '46 TEAM-BY-TEAM DRAFT SELECTIONS

TEAM	RND #1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7
<b>ACORNS</b>	REESE	TRUCKS	PRIDDY	DILLINGER	GUMBERT	HERMAN	WRIGHT
<b>BEARS</b>	KINER	KINDER	YOST	E.ROBINSON	SUDER	B.RIGNEY	L.MOSS/PHILLEY
<b>DODGERS</b>	J.GORDON	D.DIMAGGIO	MARCH'LDN	S.JONES	S.ROWE	B.BROWN	FANNIN
<b>ELEPHANTS</b>	J.DIMAGGIO	POLLETT	VALO	B.EDWARDS	ZIENTARA	H.EDWARDS	E.SMITH
<b>FEDERALS</b>	VERNON	SCHMITZ	EVERS	CASEY	WALKER	SCHEFFING	KUSH
<b>FORTRESS</b>	MIZE	S.GORDON	LOLLAR	ADMAS	H'NTZLMAN	WOODLING	ROJEK
<b>GOLD SOX</b>	LEMON	RIZZUTO	WYOSTEK	SISLER	B.JOHNSON	BEHRMAN	S.JOHNSON
<b>HORNETS</b>	HUTCHINSON	PESKY	HEGAN	HATTEON	SCARB'RGH	M.HARRIS	STEVENS
<b>MARAUDERS</b>	SLAUGHTER	FURILLO	KOSLO	COX	REISER	GARAGIOLA	TRADED
<b>MONARCHS</b>	SPAHN	DOBSON	THOMSON	MAJESKI	M.KENNEDY	HAAS	TRINKLE
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	BERRA	MITCHELL	HATTEN	HIGBE	JUDNICH	BERARDINO	BAHR
<b>TREES</b>	SAIN	V'NDRMEER	W.MARSHALL	MCC'UL'GH	MCCOSKY	BEGGS	B.KENNEDY
<b>WHALES</b>	ENNIS	DICKSON	BRAZLE	KOLLOWAY	FLETCHER	THOMPSON	BLATTNER
<b>WHITE SOX</b>	WILLIAMS	BLACKWELL	HENRICH	TEBBETTS	WAITKUS	FERRICK	LIPON
TEAM	RND #8	#9	#10	#11	#12	#13	#14
<b>ACORNS</b>	LAMANNO	WIGHT	CORBITT	N.FRNDEZ	H.WHITE	SILVESTRI	MCQUILLEN
<b>BEARS</b>	MULLIN	SANFORD	SAVAGE	NIARHOS	RUSSELL	LUCADELLO	BRIDGES
<b>DODGERS</b>	GRAHAM	HANDLEY	RICKERT	LAVAGETTO	HAMNER	C.MARSHALL	PADGETT
<b>ELEPHANTS</b>	HALLETT	SOUCHAK	B.DICKEY	CROSS	RAMZ'TTI	LAMBERT	
<b>FEDERALS</b>	HERMANSKI	BL'DWRTH	MCCORMICK	ROBERTSON	WITEK	O'NEIL	CAUFIELD
<b>FORTRESS</b>	COAN	HUGHES	M.BROWN	VAN ROB'S	BAUERS	F.BARRETT	HOERST
<b>GOLD SOX</b>	ROWELL	KLINGER	WADE	GILBERT	ABERNATHY	HELP	VOLLMER
<b>HORNETS</b>	DUSAK	EARLY	BITHORN	J.JONES	WEST	CARPENTER	DERRY
<b>MARAUDERS</b>	MCCAHAN	LANNING	RICHARDS	J.BROWN	OSTROWSKI	BESSE	NONE
<b>MONARCHS</b>	E.JOHNSON	LUKON	FREY	CONWAY	WALLAESA	FERENS	CAMELLI
<b>REDBIRDS</b>	HUDSON	ROCCO	SCHUMACHR	WHITMAN	STRINGER	MULLIGAN	WELLS
<b>TREES</b>	GRACE	BARNEY	J.RIGNEY	ANDERSON	BEAZLEY	STANCEAU	ZAK
<b>WHALES</b>	B.YOUNG	MURPHY	STURGEON	PLATT	FERNANDEZ	FAGAN	WARREN
<b>WHITE SOX</b>	T.MOORE	HITCHCOCK	BUDNICK	RICHMOND	LYONS	NEILL	PELLAGRINI
	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>			
<b>TREES</b>	WHITHEAD	WAGNER	GEE	KOPNOKA			
<b>FEDERALS</b>	USHER						



## Reflections

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The last year we did it, we made our one and only plane trip—to California. We flew to San Diego and spent three days there. We saw Fernando beat the Padres one night, woke up the next morning and marvelled at how great the San Diego Zoo really is, then drove up to Los Angeles where we toured Universal Studios. The kids' priorities had changed by this time and the one place they just had to go to was this new restaurant they had heard of, something called the Hard Rock Cafe.

We were going to the Dodger game on Thursday night and spent the day at Knott'sberry Farm where we were barely bothered by a couple of showers and when we left and started for the game, we were shocked to hear it had been rained out. It wasn't even raining anymore. It didn't matter since we had one more day in LA and we'd just go to Dodger Stadium the next night. To this day, only once since the Dodgers have been in LA have they had games rained out two nights in a row. That's right, our two nights. We never got to go inside Dodger Stadium.

The kids have gone their own ways. John is an Expos' fan, Jay an Orioles' guy, more because the Orioles were his Little League team than anything else. Neither very much cares for the Sox. Both are going through normal ups and downs, getting settled with college and careers and girl friends.

There are times when dad isn't very popular when he tells them something they don't want to hear. Or times the kids tell dad something he doesn't want to hear. But there is one subject that's always common ground where we can talk and relax and enjoy:

That's **BASEBALL!**



### Of Black Cats, Ladders & Dirty Socks—SPB Superstitions

by LOU ROSS

Baseball players and managers have long been known to be a superstitious group. We have all heard of the player who takes the same route to the ballpark when he's on a hot streak and conversely, changes the



way to the upper deck on a hot summer day.

But what about us? Do you go through any special routine when preparing to play a game against the computer manager or head-to-head? Let's have some fun and collect those quirks here in **AROUND THE HORN**.

I'll get things started. I always load my team first, keying over to the proper column and then shifting to the bottom to scroll up. It's the exact opposite for the opposition, scrolling down.

Since I no longer smoke cigars and the air around the computer is clear, I still need the security of a stogie to roll around in my mouth for relaxation, chewing at the end depending on how difficult the game becomes.

Key selection is a major factor here. On offense, I usually follow the 1-1-1 routine, but get a few quick outs and I hit the "A" key as a viable alternative.

When I lose a game at home, I generally feel that I'm on a bad streak. So, save it, get out and do something else and start again later. But I do change my socks!

### THE DEFENSE RESTS.....

There were enough items on the agenda to keep the Rules Committee of SPB at work well into the night before the draft. Or at least, that's what we are being told. However, all changes were dutifully considered and the results are as follows:

1) Trading of draft picks for the NEXT season will be permitted with the following stipulations:

- a) ONLY picks for the next season may be traded, i.e., during the '58 season, picks for the '59 draft could be moved during the agreed upon trading period;
- b) The manager trading the draft choice MUST pre-pay his league dues for the season he is trading the pick for;
- c) The manager RECEIVING the draft choice MUST count that pick against his 19-player protected list;
- d) No manager can be absent for more than two (2) rounds in any draft.

2) The COMPUTER MANAGER remains mandatory.

3) The Rules Committee will be increased by two (2) members. These will be the managers with the two low-est winning percentages for the season most recently completed. For example, when the '58 Rules Committee meets, the two lowest ranked managers from SPB-57 would get to vote.

4) The ROOKIE-OF-THE-YEAR Award will be renamed the Jackie Robinson Award.

5) The number of off-days between games 4 and 5 of a series stays at one day.

6) World Series player usage will apply to any playoff series.

7) Game 7 of the World Series can be played by phone/modem if both managers agree.