

Dodgers Win First Game Of World Series

Three Home Runs Feature 4-2 Victory Over N. Y. Yankees

BROOKLYN, Oct. 1 (CP) — Jackie Robinson, Duke Snider and Pee Wee Reese slammed home runs to power Brooklyn Dodgers to a 4-2 victory over New York Yankees today in the first game of the 1952 World Series.

Joe Black, the rookie relief artist, checked the Yankee batters with six hits, including a home run by Gil McDougald.

Allie Reynolds and Black waged a brilliant pitching duel until Snider made his four-base wallop with Reese on base in the sixth inning.

Black, making only his third start in major league baseball, went all the way for Brooklyn. Reynolds gave up five hits before he was lifted for a pinch hitter in the eighth inning. The other, Reese's second home run in World Series competition, came off Ray Scarborough in the eighth.

The crowd of 34,861, greeting the mighty Dodger wallop with noisy enthusiasm, was the largest ever to see a World Series game in Ebbetts Field. The Dodger set another record, too. It was the first time they ever had won the first game of a World Series. They have taken part in five before this one. They have never won a World Series.

Snider's home run wallop was the deciding blow. Up to that time, both Reynolds and Black had been almost untouchable except for the first two homers, one by Robinson in the second inning and one by McDougald which tied the score at 1-1 in the third.

Then with two out in the sixth Reese connected for a single and Snider clouted a mighty wallop that cleared the scoreboard and the high screen atop the right field wall and landed far out in Bedford Avenue.

Yankees Fight Back

The Yankees, who had been in threatening places in the fourth and fifth innings, fought back in the eighth and came within a run of tying the game up. Gene Woodling, held out of the game because of a groin injury, came in as pinch-hitter for Reynolds. He clouted a towering triple against the screen in right center and scored after Hank Bauer's fly.

But Black, pitching superbly in the pinches, retired the next two men and Reese's homer in the last half of the inning iced the game for the Dodgers.

The teams will meet in this same park again tomorrow. Carl Erskine (14-6), a right hander, will pitch for the Dodgers while Vic Raschi (16-6), another right hander, has been nominated for the Yankees.

This was a brilliant job by Black, the fellow who was supposed to be only a "six-inning pitcher." Actually it was his 31st victory in 12 months, counting 15 in the Cuban Winter League and 15 in his first big league season.

The only other relief man ever to start a series opener was the Phils' Jim Konstanty, who was beaten 1-0 by the Yanks in 1950.

Strong and fast with good control and an effective curve, he allowed only six Yankee hits.

Only in the fourth inning, when Rizzuto singled and Mickey Mantle beat out a bunt, did the Yanks get more than one hit in an inning. The six-foot-two 220-pounder walked only two men. He struck out six.

It seemed to annoy him when McDougald's fly fell into the seats about 350 feet away for a homer in the third. He turned on the heat to strike out the next three men.

Picks Up Steam

Coming down the stretch, Black picked up steam. After Woodling's triple leading off the eighth, he retired the next six men in order closing with a flourish, he fanned Irv Noren to end the game.

"I was nervous all the time," he said in the clubhouse. "I worked hardest on Beva, but McDougald gave me the most trouble.

"I'm ready to go tomorrow if he wants me."

Dressen grinned his winning smile and said:

"I hope I don't have to use him as a starter again. I think now we've got a good chance of winning the first three. I'd use him in the ninth inning if we had to in the next three games."

Dressen, blasted last year when his Dodgers failed to win the pen-

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Stengel Not Downhearted Over Loss Of First Game

By Ted Smith

BROOKLYN, Oct. 1 (AP) — Casey Stengel says you "can't guess the ball that goes over the fence." The New York Yankees manager showed no evidence of being downhearted after losing the first game of the World Series to Brooklyn Dodgers. Then again, he didn't look happy.

The Dodgers did it with three home runs, pushing another in to win 4-2 putting the Yankees one down in the opener just as they were last year against the Giants when they went on to win.

"It was a nice game," Casey said. "They got more home runs than we did. Billy Cox played a nice game. Joe Black pitched a pretty good game."

Casey snorted when somebody mentioned scouting reports on the Dodgers. "Scouting?—they beat us on the field."

Stengel, the constant juggler of lineups, was asked what he had in mind for tomorrow.

Undecided About Lineup

"Don't know whether I'll change or not," he replied. "Woodling looked good. He ran pretty good. If Woodling don't crumple up during the night I might put him in the game."

Gene Woodling slammed a pinch-hit triple in the eighth and scored on Hank Bauer's fly.

"That feller pitched a very good game," Casey went on, referring to Black. "I wouldn't want to say if he's as good as (Don) Newcombe. He was in trouble almost all the way, but he has pretty good control. You have to as a reliever."

"It just gets down to the fact you can't get away from three home runs."

Big Allie Reynolds, the Yankee ace who had his troubles, admitted that he couldn't get his curve over. He described the ball that Jackie Robinson hit for a homer in the second as "a slider that didn't slide."

Duke Snider's home run in the sixth, he said, was on a "hanging curve."

You can't make any mistakes in this little ball park," said Reynolds.

Selects Key

Stengel selected one play as a key to what might have changed the Yankee fortunes. This happened in the fifth inning when the score was tied 1-1. Gil McDougald led off for the Yankees by drawing a base on balls. Then Bill Martin slammed a hard single to left and McDougald raced for third.

Andy Parko, Brooklyn left-fielder, made a fast pickup and a sharp throw to third where Billy Cox tagged McDougald. Umpire Bill McKinley called the Yankee out.

"I'm not complaining," said Casey. "It was a very close play at third and the umpire called him out. That's that."

The implication, of course, was that if McDougald had been safe the Yankees might have had a big inning on the way since Martin had taken second on the throw-in. The Yankees were sober-faced but far from grim as they walked from their dugout to the red-dressed dressing room.

Vic Raschi will carry their pitching hopes tomorrow.

78-Game Schedule In Major League

HALIFAX, Oct. 1 (CP) — The Maritime Major Hockey League will operate on a 78-game schedule this season, president J. E. Hudson announced today.

The four clubs decided on the schedule by telegraphic vote which went 3-1. The dissenting team was not disclosed.

The schedule, drawn up by league secretary Chris McAlden, called for: two games at home and two away from Oct. 20 to Nov. 29. They will play three away and three on home ice from Dec. 1 to Feb. 7, when they will revert to the earlier schedule until the season ends March 21.

The league opens Oct. 20, with Halifax St. Mary's playing at Charlottetown, and Glace Bay Miners visiting Sydney Millionaires.

All games will be handled by one referee and two linesmen.

Halifax Team To Meet S'ide RCAF In Softball Series

HALIFAX, Oct. 1 (CP) — Halifax City Works today defeated Ohio Monarchs 18-9 to win the Nova Scotia intermediate softball championship and advance to the Maritime finals.

City Works will play an R. C. A. F. team at Summerside, P. E. I., Saturday. Remaining games of the best-of-three series will be played here next Wednesday.

The winner will meet the New Brunswick finalists for the Maritime championship.

Islanders Sign 200-lb. Defenceman From Sask.

Red-headed Wimpy Stevenson, a 200 pound defenceman out of Rosetown, Saskatchewan, yesterday became the second hockey player to sign with the Charlotte-town Islanders for the coming season, it was announced last night by Club President, Dr. F. C. Dougan.

Stevenson, who was signed by coach Murph Chamberlain, is the property of Buffalo Bisons and played several games with the Bisons last year.

In addition to Stevenson Chamberlain has reached agreements with at least four other hockey players who are expected to arrive in the City early next week.

He would not release names for publication however until the players had either been signed or had reached here.

The Islanders are also bargaining for the services of right wing Nick Nicolle it was learned from Dr. Dougan. Nicolle, who played with Saint John for the past five seasons has stated that he will play in either Saint John or Charlottetown this winter.

Nickle however is permanently employed in Saint John and his hockey playing will probably depend upon his work. Should his services be secured Nick would probably be re-united with Burk Whitlock on a line with Jimmy MacKenzie.

Joe Black Ready To Pitch Today If Needed

By WILL GRIMSLEY

BROOKLYN, Oct. 1 (AP) — Duke Snider's game-winning home run was a "revenge" wallop and Joe Black, big Brooklyn rookie righthander who tamed the mighty Yankees in the first game of the World Series, is ready to go again tomorrow "if needed."

"And I may use him, too, in the late innings if it's a close ball game," said the Dodgers' bouncy manager, Charlie Dressen, in the pandemonium of Brooklyn's celebratory dressing room.

"Joe has told me he wants to work. If he feels okay tomorrow I may call on him."

Snider, Black and Dressen shared most of the attention in the sweaty dressing quarters underneath Ebbetts Field.

Snider, husky centerfielder whose giant poke in the sixth inning broke open the ball game in Brooklyn's favor, said he hit a sliding fast ball thrown by pitcher Allie Reynolds.

"I got a big charge out of it, too," he added. "In the first game of the World Series in 1949 Reynolds struck me out three times. I swore I'd get even, and I did today."

Snider's big hit, his second long belt of the day to right field, gave the Dodgers a 3-1 lead at the time. The Dodgers won the game 4-2.

Black Relaxed

The most relaxed athlete in the Brooklyn quarters seemed to be Black, the 220-pounder whose tireless relief pitching carried the Dodgers to the National League flag.

But he was far from relaxed, Big Joe insisted.

"It wasn't easy. Don't ever let anybody tell you that," he said. "Nervous? Was I nervous? I'm always nervous out there. My stomach was full of butterflies."

Black said he felt he had pitched better games this year than against the world champions.

"I've been faster, I know," he said. "But my curve ball was coming in there pretty well and I had control. I couldn't get my fast ball up against the lefthanders, I don't know why."

The 25-year-old pitcher said he wasn't very tired and if his arm isn't stiff tomorrow he'll be ready to work again.

Before today, he worked in 56 games for the Dodgers, but had started only twice.

"I hope I don't have to use Black tomorrow and I hope I don't have to start him again in the series," said Dressen.

"It's Carl Erskine tomorrow, then Preacher Roe. You know we very well might win three in a row and then we wouldn't have to use Black again."

Dressen said today's victory gave him double satisfaction because it was a double blow at his critics.

"First I was second-guessed for that magazine article of mine in which I said we wouldn't blow it again. Then I was second-guessed for starting Black today. The boys had to swallow both."

Monte Irvin, outfield star of New York Giants, visited the dressing room to congratulate Jackie Robinson on his second-inning home run — his first in a World Series. Ralph Kiner, Pittsburgh's home run king, also was around shaking hands with the Dodger team.

Reese Suffers Bruised Leg

BROOKLYN, Oct. 1 (AP) — Brooklyn shortstop Pee Wee Reese said he suffered a bruised leg when New York Yankees' Mickey Mantle took him out on an attempted double play in the fourth inning of today's first World Series game.

"He slid past the bag and caught me on the thigh," Reese said. "The leg seemed a bit stiff and I had to walk around underneath the stands between innings to keep from going lame."

Mantle slid into second in the fourth on an infield blow by catcher Yogi Berra and broke up a double play attempt.

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(Kansas City leads best-of-seven series -1).

Truro Horse Racing Results

TRURO, Oct. 1 (CP) — Buzzaway, owned by G. Turner, won the first race in the fastest time of the nine card harness meet tonight—2:10 1-5.

SUMMARY First Race
Buzzaway (G. Turner)
David G. (C. MacLeod)
Tom Stuart (Turner)

Phil Vitale, Jimmie Clegg, Fingos Girl, Lady Worthy 2nd, Bonny Clegg. Time: 2:10 1-5. Winning owner G. S. Turner, Dartmouth, N. S.

Second Race
Ridgewood M. (Daniels)
Nova G. (Weeks)
Single Streak (Conroy)
Judy Budlong, Miss Cherry Valley, Carl Aubrey, Rosalie Hooper, Earls Prince Charming. Time: 2:13 2-5. Winning owner, Nell MacCuspie and F. McGregor, Truro.

Dr. L. B. (L. Walker)

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Saint John Horse Racing Results

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Oct. 1 (CP) — Fastest time in the weekly harness racing program at Exhibition Park tonight was 2:14 2-5 by a Truro horse, Freddy Scott. Ray O'Brien drove winners in four dashes.

Class A

Just Nellie G. (McArthur) 1
Good Luck (Marr) 2
Mr. Frank Belwin (Coughlan) 3
Time 2:23. Also ran: Louise Fingo, Norah Dale, Moppitt, Playaway, Maggie's Boy, Flying Dale, Captain Smileydale. Winning owner C. McArthur, Shediac.

Class B

Hilda Mac (Sobey) 1 3
Bevas Orphan Annie (Etter) 2 1
Bonus Abbe (McKinney) 3 5
Times 2:21, 2:22 2-5. Also ran: Silver Hanover, Ima Corporal, Dr. Bunter, Gerlie Reomore. Winning owners Clayton Green, Emerald.

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FOOTBALL — SATURDAY — 3 P.M.

S.D.U. — vs — MT. A. Opening Game INTERCOLLEGIATE SERIES S.D.U. GRIDIRON Admission 50c

Willie Pep Takes Decision From Savoie

CHICAGO, Oct. 1 (AP) — Former featherweight champion Willie Pep, unloading feeble flashes of his old-time form, hammered out a unanimous 10-round decision over Armand Savoie of Montreal at Chicago Stadium tonight.

Today's Vic Raschi of the Yankees going against Carl Erskine of the Dodgers.

Although Black pitched a great game yesterday, he needed terrific support from his mates to win. He got it in the field when he was in trouble on several occasions and he got it at the plate. The Dodgers batting proved a little too much for Reynolds yesterday who according to reports was a little off on his control. The biggest blow was Snider's two-run homer but those round-trippers by Robinson and Reese were certainly important. Reese's home run was the second World Series home run of his career and no doubt he was tremendously excited. He is regarded as the most popular of all the Dodgers and almost a sure bet to be the next manager of the Brooklyn team.

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