

Musial and Campanella

Stan (The Man) Musial marked his election to the Hall of Fame and said, "This is one of the highest honors in baseball."

The 48-year-old Musial, now a grandfather, started and ended a baseball career with the St. Louis Cardinals.

"I've had 22 years to look back with satisfaction," Musial said, recalling his first job in minor league baseball as "a wild pitcher" at age 20.

"I would walk 10 or 11 a game. I didn't have it as a pitcher," Musial recalled.

Musial learned of his selection with Roy Campanella, former Brooklyn Dodger catcher, on a telephone hookup from New York City.

Musial said he wasn't disturbed that he failed to receive a unanimous vote, as some reports had predicted.

"I'm not concerned about that," Musial said, in one of his serious moods. "In this country majority rules, and I'm happy to go in on the majority."

Musial described his .330 hitting age age 42, as "quite a feat." Then, he laughed, telling how in the spring he went to see the eye doctor, "because the ball seemed to be getting smaller."

"I was disappointed when the doctor said I didn't need glasses," Musial said.

"This completes my baseball career and there's nothing more I can ask for in life," said Campanella.

His baseball career ended 11 years ago next week when injuries suffered in an automobile accident left him paralyzed from the waist down.

Campanella was selected the National League's Most Valuable Player three times during nine years with the Dodgers and established league records for most home runs (41) and runs batted in (142) in a season by a catcher in 1953.

"Mr. Rickey is the one I owe everything to," Campy said, referring to Branch Rickey, the Dodgers' president who introduced the first Negro, Jackie Robinson, into the major leagues.

Campy owns a liquor store and instructs at baseball clinics for the New York City Housing Authority during the summer. He lives in White Plains, N.Y.

"I've worked with about 20,000 youngsters and recently San Diego, the NL's new expansion team, signed four of them," he said proudly.

Campanella was listed on 270 ballots in the voting by 10-year members of the Baseball Writers Assn. of America. A vote of 75 per cent or 255 was necessary for election.

Last year, when Joe (Ducky) Medwick was elected, the former Dodger star missed by only eight votes of making it.

"It didn't bother me about not making it last time," Campanella said. "One of the things I've gotten used to is to overcome severe hardships. The fact that I didn't make it last time made it that much more enjoyable today. Now, all my setbacks are behind me."

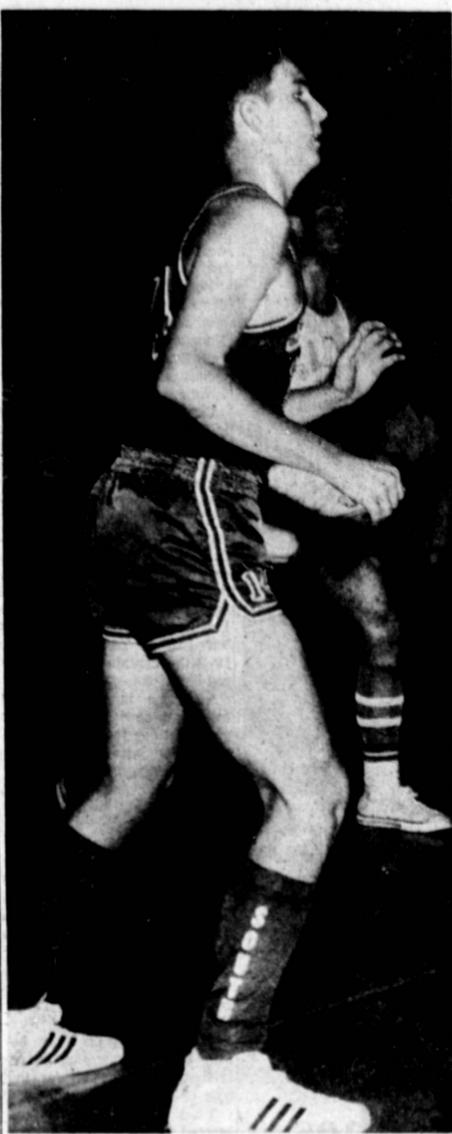
Pacific American Babe Ruth

Pacific-American Babe Ruth League will launch its registrations and tryouts at the South High School J.V. field on Saturday, Feb. 8, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 16, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday, March 1, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Boys 13 to 15 years of age are eligible for Babe Ruth League. A birth certificate is needed or registration.

The franchised boundaries of Pacific American Babe Ruth League is the Pacific Ocean on the west, the Torrance city limits on the south, and from Narbonne Boulevard the line follows along Crenshaw Boulevard to Lomita Boulevard, then west to Hawthorne Boulevard, north to 190th Street, and finally west to the ocean.

Information is available by calling Ted Henkel, board chairman, at 375-7708, or Gerry Sampson, players representative, at 375-5658.



REBOUNDER . . . South High Center Dennis Rector, a strong rebounder, led his team to an 87-54 win over Santa Monica Wednesday while scoring 29 points. South and North High tangle tonight.

Basketball Finals On Tap for City

Another typical "blood and guts" finish is a foregone conclusion as the 22nd annual Los Angeles City High School Basketball Championship Tournament winds up this weekend at UCLA's Pauley Pavilion.

Just checking back on the last three tournament final games offers proof enough of what's in store for city cage aficionados as the celebrated "moment of truth" draws nigh.

Three years ago it was Jordan edging Jefferson, 101-100, in overtime in a game that still has people who saw it dumbfounded . . . the next year, current UCLA super-soph Curtis Rowe set all kinds of scoring records, but in the finals Manual Arts (which had split with Fremont in regular season) made it a real ball game before losing to Rowe and co., 81-66 . . . and who can forget last year's incendiary last-second heart-stop per as Manual Arts staved off onrushing Roosevelt, 71-70!

Tonight's semis lineup sends Dorsey against Reseda at 7 p.m., after which Palisades faces Jefferson at 8:30 p.m. The championship game on Saturday will start at 9 p.m., covered live by KNBC with Ross Porter and Mike Kizziah mikeside. A third place decider will precede the finale at 7 p.m. The fact that three of the four seeded teams advanced to the semi-finals last weekend and a fourth, top-rated Jordan, was derailed by no less an adversary than ever-potent Jefferson in the quarter-finals, adds to the credibility of an "authentic" champion being crowned Saturday night.

Coming down to the awesome foursome, Palisades (16-1 overall, 12-0 league), Reseda (15-1 season, 8-0 league), Dorsey (15-1 and 7-1), and Jefferson (14-3 and 8-2) represent the Western, West Valley, Southern, and Eastern Leagues, respectively, even to provide a four points-of-the-compass campus flavor.

North, South Clash In Bay League Test

One of the three schools that has beaten North High this season is rival South High. The upset win gave South its first basketball championship in history, a triumph in the Torrance Christmas Classic.

Since then North has won five straight Bay League games while South has hobbled to a 3-2 record. The two teams meet tonight at North High in the feature game of the weekend.

North holds a one-game edge in the pennant race over Hawthorne. The Cougars (4-1) went six overtime periods Wednesday to win a 65-61 marathon from Redondo.

West High won its second in five starts with a 77-67 victory over Mira Costa. Both have a 2-3 record.

Santa Monica remains winless following a 75-63 loss to South High. The Spartans' Dennis Rec-

tor scored 29 points in the game. Dennis had 13 of 19 free throws. North High handed Inglewood an 87-54 whipping as five players hit in double figures.

West's Bill Kolodziejczak had 22 points against Mira Costa while Scott Fisher of the losers had 27.

West will play at Inglewood tonight.

In the Camino Real League Bishop Montgomery was handed

its fourth setback, losing to St. Monica's, 56-51. Daniel Murphy handed Fermin Lasuen its first loss Tuesday, 49-43.

Bishop plays at St. Bernard's tonight. The feature game is between Murphy and Mt. Carmel, two serious threats in the driver's seat.

In the Sky League Palos Verdes and Torrance clash this weekend with Morningside meeting Leuzinger.

Skater Is on Tour

Terry Cook, an 18-year-old graduate of Torrance High School, is competing in six speed skating championships throughout the nation.

Cook has been in West Allis, Wis., for the Great Lakes Open and will be in Flint, Mich., this weekend for the U.S. Olympic Championships.

The National Outdoor speed skating championships at St. Paul, Minn., will be Feb. 1 and 2 for the outdoor event and Feb. 15 and 16 for the U.S. Open Outdoor Championships at Lake Placid, N.Y.

On Feb. 22 and 23 the Eastern Seaboard Indoor championships will be in Tochester, N.Y., and in March the National Indoor Championships will be in Utica, N.Y., followed by the U.S. Open Championships at St. Louis, Mo.

Terry belongs to the DeMorra Ice Club in Paramount. He participated in the Southern California Speed Skating Association and is traveling with his coach, Bill Disney, a former Olympic Silver Medal winner.

The student is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Cook of 2822 Gramercy Ave.

Fish 'n Game To Recognize Best Catches

The State Fish and Game Commission has announced a "Trophy Award" program which will recognize anglers and hunters who bag trophy sized fish and game each year.

Commission President William P. Elser, who was instrumental in setting up the program, said it is designed to accumulate size records and to provide recognition to sportsmen who take outstanding specimens of certain fish and game species in California and adjacent ocean waters.

The top specimens will be determined by weight only. The 10 top fish or game in 44 categories will be listed.

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Dodgers Are Unable To Settle on Third

When Bill Sudakis took over third base for the Dodgers last Sept. 3 at Philadelphia, he became the 38th man to occupy the hot corner since the club moved to Los Angeles in 1958.

Next April 7, at Crosley Field in Cincinnati, Sudakis can become the 11th different opening-day third baseman for Los Angeles.

Third base has been the tradi-

tional Dodger hot spot with as many as nine men playing the position in 1963, a year in which the Dodgers won the pennant and swept the World Series from the Yankees.

The least traffic Walter Alston has had at third base was five men, in 1959, 1962, 1965 and 1967. He used seven third basemen last season.

Jim Lefebvre has been the only opening-day repeater since the Dodgers moved to Los Angeles. Lefebvre, the regular second baseman in 1965, opened at third the following year and held the spot through the first part of 1967.

Opening-day Dodger third basemen since 1958 have been (in order): Dick Gray, Jim Baxes, Jim Gilliam, Tommy Davis, Daryl Spenser, Ken McMullen, John Werhas, John Kennedy, Lefebvre (twice) and Bob Bailey.

The complete list of Dodger third basemen since 1958 are Dick Gray, Jim Gilliam, Don Zimmer, Gil Hodges, PeeWee Reese, Randy Jackson, Earl Robinson, Jim Baxes, Bob Lillis, Tommy Davis, Charlie Smith, Bob Aspromonte, Daryl Spenser, Lee Walls, Andy Carey, Ken McMullen, Maury Wills,

Marv Breeding, Bill Skowron, John Werhas, Dich Tracewski, Bart Shirley, Derrell Griffith, John Kennedy, Don LeJon, John Roseboro, Jim LeVre, Dick Schofield, Nate Oliver, Bob Bailey, Jim Hickman, Ron Hunt, Luis Alcaraz, Paul Popovich, Ken Boyer, and Bill Sudakis.

Bruins Play Double Bill In Chicago

UCLA reaches the midway point of its 1968-69 basketball campaign this weekend at Chicago to take on Northwestern's Wildcats tonight and Loyola's Ramblers on Saturday.

The undefeated Bruins, winners of 12 straight games this season with 14 to go in the regular schedule, will play the second game of Chicago Stadium doubleheaders each night.

Based on Chicago's reputation to Lew Alcindor & Co. two years ago, capacity crowds of around 19,000 are expected to be in attendance.

Gimmick Backfires On Arnie

Golfer Arnold Palmer expressed surprise and distress at the rumpus resulting from the proposed sale of golf balls in Great Britain carrying his name.

Arnold thought the plan would stimulate golf sales and interests in golf in general and ultimately work to the benefit of the entire sports industry in Britain.

A major gasoline company plans to offer Palmer golf balls at 10 cents below retail price at a string of service stations.

Britain's teaching pros, who rely on the sale of golf equipment for a large proportion of their earnings, were up in arms and demanded Palmer's expulsion from the BPGA.



BARRING RAIN . . . The Riverside Motor Trend 500 will be attempted again Sunday morning at 11 a.m. More than 20,000 spectators were sent home when last week's race was postponed. The photograph shows a scene at last year's event.

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