



**NEW TIGER**—Rocky Bridges, who went to the Tigers from the Senators in a winter trade, shows the bosses at the Lakeland (Fla.) training camp just what sort of a shortstop he'll be.

He's gliding through the air toward Frank Bolling, the second baseman. Rocky will oppose his old teammates when the Tigers play at Orlando Saturday.—AP Wirephoto.



## WIN, LOSE OR DRAW

By FRANCIS STANN

### A Voice From the Clubhouse

TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 5.—Very few people know his name is Ephraim Colledge, but thousands of ball players have known him as "Sharkey." He is a little guy, spry and seemingly indestructible, and his job is equipment manager of the Chicago White Sox. This is his 54th year with the Sox.

Sharkey goes back to 1906, the year the Sox pulled the big World Series upset and licked the Cubs, who had won a record 116 games. This was the series in which Ed Walsh and Nick Altrock and Doc White pitched so magnificently and a substitute named George Rohe won two games with triples.

"That was a nice ball club," Sharkey muses, "but the 1919 team—the Black Sox—was better. I think that was the best club I ever saw. They could do more things than even Connie Mack's great teams.

"If those eight guys—Joe Jackson, Ed Cicotte, Chick Gandil, Swede Risberg, Happy Felsch, Claude Williams and Fred McMullin—don't sell out to the gamblers, the Sox would have monopolized the American League pennant for years. Like the Yankees have been doing. Nearly all of the Black Sox were young, still improving."

Sharkey shakes his head, a saddened man, when he thinks of the 1919 Sox.

BEING IN THE CLUBHOUSE with the Black Sox gave Sharkey no clue as to what was happening in the World Series with Cincinnati. "We darn near won the thing, even with those guys throwing it," he remembers. "That's how good that club was.

"It was only later, after the scandal broke, that I could look back and realize that on certain plays our men hadn't done so well."

Colledge became "Sharkey" when he and his younger brother, Art, were kids. Jim Jeffries, the heavyweight champion, used to work out with the Sox in the old Chicago park and was a great admirer of Tom Sharkey, a near-champion. The two boys talked about the latter so much that their friends tagged them with his name.

"There were five of us Colledge kids all together," Ephraim said, "and we all got to be called Sharkey. Even my mother, walking down in the old neighborhood, got to be 'Mrs. Sharkey.' Art, by the way, did some fighting... under the name of Jack Sharkey. Ray Schalk managed him. Now Art is custodian of the visiting clubhouse in Chicago. He's in his 54th year, too."

OF THE THOUSANDS of ball players who have come and gone, Ted Lyons was Sharkey's favorite. "Ted was the nicest guy in the world—off the field and when he wasn't pitching. He was also the strongest ball player I've ever known.

"But when Ted was pitching and lost, he was a man to avoid. He'd tear up his glove, kick the water fountain, smash up a few lockers and break bats. I remember one afternoon he was beaten, 2-1, and a couple of pitchers were sitting in the trainer's room and talking about the grandmother of one of 'em. Seems she'd said or done something funny, and they laughed.

"Lyons wanted to tear them apart. I got in the way. 'Aw, gee, Ted,' I said, 'they was only talking about Bill Dietrich's grandmother.'

"Nobody should laugh when we lose," Ted said, mad clear through, and he picked me up by the shirt front and threw me 30 feet across the dressing room.

"Next day Ted was his old, nice-guy self. He apologized to me. There was a \$50 bill in my locker, I found later."

ED WALSH, NOW 78 and stricken with cancer, is Sharkey's nomination as the greatest of all Sox pitchers. "Walsh was a colder man than Lyons," Sharkey says, "but he was a great pitcher. He not only started, but he was just as good in relief. Now you take Billy Pierce today. He's a good pitcher, too, but he can't relieve.

"I know Walsh's 1906 record like I am reading from a book—40 wins, finished 42 of 49 started, relieving enough to put him in 66 games, 269 strikeouts and 12 shutouts." The list of managers Sharkey has survived is impressive. It starts with Fielder Jones and extends through Billy Sullivan, Hugh Duffy, Jimmy Callahan, Pants Rowland, Kid Gleason, Johnny Evers, Eddie Collins, Ray Schalk, Lena Blackburne, Donie Bush, Lou Fouseca, Jimmy Dykes, Lyons, Jack Onslow, John Corriden, Paul Richards, Marty Marion and to Al Lopez.

In fact, the only Sox manager in history Sharkey didn't serve was Clark Griffith, who headed the club in the American League's first two years, 1901-2.

"I GOT ALONG WITH 'EM all pretty good," Sharkey says proudly, "but some were better guys than others. Better managers, too. Dykes was a terrific manager. Johnny Evers wasn't much.

"Evers was a good guy off the field but he was almost cruel when he managed, which was only for one year. He didn't have much confidence in himself, either.

"I remember in 1924 we are playing the Cubs in the City Series. The night before it started, Evers begged off because of sickness, and Eddie Collins was appointed to manage.

"Johnny wasn't any more sick than I was... he got well after Collins got the job done. But he wasn't manager no more.

"He's in the Hall of Fame, like I guess he should be. Some guys aren't managers, though."

### SPRING TRAINING BRIEFS

## O'Dell Eases Fears About Sore Elbow

MIAMI, Mar. 5 (AP).—Baltimore Orioles' officials breathed a bit easier today after watching Pitcher Billy O'Dell in his first spring training start.

The slender southpaw, who won last year's All-Star Game by pitching three perfect innings, wound up the 1958 season with a sore elbow.

"I threw sliders and broke off three or four curves and didn't feel any pain," O'Dell said after his four-inning stint in a squad game yesterday. He was tagged for five runs—three unearned—in his last inning while experimenting with a changeup pitch.

ST. PETERSBURG, (AP).—Manager Casey Stengel, manager of the Yankees, was feeling better today about Tom Sturdivant and Johnny Kucks, two of his pitchers who disappointed last season.

The two righthanders opposed each other yesterday in a six-inning squad game, each permitting one run. Kucks had an 8-8 record in 1958 and Sturdivant was 3-6.

Sturdivant pitched four innings, allowing two hits, one an inside-the-park homer by rookie outfielder Gordon Windhorn. Kucks gave up three hits and wild-pitched a run across in three innings.

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP).—Gene Stephens, a Boston Red Sox outfielder, was feeling better today about the last four seasons, is making the most of a chance to nail down a starting job.

The fleet flycatcher slammed a 365-foot game-winning homer and collected a pair of singles yesterday as the Burnses defeated the Yanks, 4-3, in a six-inning squad contest.

Stephens, battling for the centerfield post vacated by the trade of Jim Piersall to Cleveland, singled off Murray Wall and Dean Stone before lining his homer off Jerry Castle. The blast was the only hit off Castle in two innings.

TAMPA (AP).—Manager Al Lopez of the White Sox today picked rookie Barry Latman as his starting pitcher for Saturday's exhibition opener against Cincinnati.

Lopez said that Cuban Rodolfo Arias and Stover McIlwain, a righthander from Davenport, Iowa, also will work three innings against the Reds. A White Sox B squad will meet the Detroit B team in Lakeland, Fla., Saturday. Pitching for the White Sox will be Tom Richards, Dick Grant and Dick Idzkowski.

MESA, Ariz. (AP).—Only absentees in the Chicago Cubs' camp today are Pitchers Glenn Hobbie and Dick Drott and Catcher Gordon Mass. They all are nearing completion of six months' Army service.

In a squad game yesterday, the Greys whipped the Whites, 4-2. Cal Neeman's triple scored two of the Greys runs.

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP).—Manager Eddie Sawyer of the Phillies will pitch Robin Roberts for three innings in Sunday's exhibition opener against Los Angeles.

Veteran Dave Philley ended his holdout yesterday, stepped into the batting cage and lined a drive off the rightfield wall on his first swing.

PHOENIX (AP).—Pitcher Johnny Antonelli, ace of the San Francisco Giant mound staff, makes his first appearance of the season in a squad game today.

Manager Bill Rigney said An-

tonelli would work one or two innings. Other pitchers named for the game are Stu Miller, Mike McCormick, Gordon Jones and rookies Gaylord Perry and Ron Herbel.

Pitcher Jack Sanford was injured slightly yesterday when a hard line drive off the bat of Eddie Bressoud struck him on the left shinbone. Trainer Frank Bowman said the injury was not serious, although painful.

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Lemon won 20 or more games in seven seasons in compiling a string of 207 major league victories against 128 defeats.

His best season was in 1954, another pennant year for the Indians, when he appeared in 36 games and had a 23-7 record for a .787 average.

He signed with the Indians as a shortstop in 1938 and played five seasons as an infielder and outfielder in the Tribe's minor league chain. In 1946, after three years in the Navy, he was given a tryout as a pitcher by Manager Lou Boudreau and won four games while losing five.

His first 20-game season was 1948 and his last was 1956.

He had bone chips removed from his right elbow in November, 1957, after winning only six games and losing 11 that season. He won none and lost one in 11 appearances with the Tribe last season, and early in July agreed to go back to the minors. He was sent to San Diego but was released at the end of the season after winning two games and losing five.

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# Plews' Hitting Puts Burden On Four Keystone Rivals

## Silas' Defeat Ends Hopes of D. C. Glovers

Star Staff Writer

By DICK O'BRIEN  
NEW YORK, Mar. 5.—No tears were being shed as Washington's amateur boxing champions moved homeward today owning nothing but experience from their efforts in the Eastern Tournament of Champions here.

Next year is another year, was the philosophy eagerly pounced on by the battlers who had their glory in winning championships in The Star-sponsored Golden Gloves tournament in Washington.

They came here with bigger dreams wrapped around hopes of Eastern titles and berths in the East-West tournament next Wednesday in Chicago. But the last of these hopes went up in the smoke of a hot battle for the Eastern middleweight championship before 11,000 fans last night in Madison Square Garden. It was the largest crowd for this event in 10 years.

Silas Outpointed

Osley Silas, Washington's rugged 160-pounder, and Carl Miner of New York mixed it up in a dandy of a battle, with Miner getting the decision on his superior showing in the third round.

But the Washington team, including the highly promising Silas, is a young team and though it returns to the Nation's Capital empty-handed, it has the consolation of knowing it was a good effort and the hope that things will be better next year.

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## Star SPORTS

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## ACC Tourney Opens Today With 4 Games

By MERRELL WHITTLESEY

Star Staff Writer

RALEIGH, N. C., Mar. 5.—Every team in the Atlantic Coast Conference gets a fresh start today as the annual tournament that determines the conference champion gets underway in this hotbed of collegiate basketball.

North Carolina, bidding for its second national title in three years, is a hair-line favorite over N. C. State. But if the latter wins there will be no tomorrow for the Wolfpack, because it is on probation from the NCAA for a basketball recruiting violation.

The winner, unless it is N. C. State, meets Navy March 10 in Madison Square Garden in the first round of the NCAA playoffs. If N. C. State wins the tournament, the runnerup will go to New York.

Two Sellouts Already

Despite two first-round games that find North Carolina and N. C. State prohibitive favorites over second division teams, all but a couple hundred tickets have been sold for today's matinee and night sessions. Tomorrow night's semifinals

and Saturday's finals already are sellouts of 12,400.

First-round pairings, with conference and regular-season records in brackets:

2 o'clock—Duke (7-7 and 12-11) vs. Wake Forest (5-9 and 10-13).

4 o'clock—North Carolina (12-2 and 18-3) vs. Clemson (5-9 and 8-15).

7:30—N. C. State (12-2 and 19-4) vs. South Carolina (2-12 and 4-19).

9:30—Maryland (7-7 and 10-12) vs. Virginia (6-8 and 10-13).

Tomorrow's semifinals match the afternoon winners at 9:30 and tonight's winners in the 7:30 game.

Game to Be Broadcast

The Maryland-Virginia game will be broadcast over WRC in Washington at 9:15. If the Terps win, WRC will follow them tomorrow night in the 7:30 game.

Maryland and Virginia are the only first-round opponents that divided their regular-season games, and they're meeting in the first round of

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## Killebrew Wins Attention With Steady Batting

By BURTON HAWKINS

Star Staff Writer

ORLANDO, Fla., Mar. 5.—There are four other players in the Senators' camp with ambitions of performing at second base, but Herb Plews may give them a quick brush-off with his bat. Cookie Lavagetto says that if he had to open the season tomorrow, the bespectacled Plews would be his choice.

Plews' competition is skimpy. It consists of Bob Malkmus, who batted 186 in his freshman year in the Senators' last season; Ken Aspromonte, a big disappointment with his .219 hitting after being acquired from Boston; John Schaive, who batted 294 with Chattanooga, and Dick Harris, a .256 hitter at Charlotte.

Herb batted 270 in his first two years with Washington but dipped 12 points off that pace last season. Cookie thinks he can improve over those figures, and in a squad game yesterday Plews seemingly was out to prove the point.

3-for-3 and 3 RBIs

Herb contributed a double and two singles in as many chances for Coach Ellis Lary's team, which defeated Coach Bill Jurgens' outfit, 7-1. Plews also batted in three runs.

There was no significance in the fact that Plews played centerfield yesterday. The club is short of outfielders, due to absenteeism, lameness or insufficient conditioning, and Herb merely filled in there.

Lavagetto will play Schaive at second base here Saturday when the Senators open their exhibition slate against the Tigers, but Plews has placed his competitors under pressure with his three stinging shots.

Fielding Perked Up

"It's too early for decisions," Lavagetto said, "but the others have Herb to beat. He's a pretty good little hitter, and I thought his fielding perked up toward the end of the season. If we started tomorrow he'd be my boy, but I want everybody to have a chance, and so I'll play the youngsters in the early games and see if they can force me to keep them in the lineup."

"It's about that simple," Lavagetto continued. "Just let 'em play and they eliminate themselves or do things that make you take notice."

Harmon Killebrew is one of

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## TODAY'S SPORTS ON RADIO-TV

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