Maris only two homers from record

Yanks need pair to clinch pennant

By JACK HAND
Associated Press Sports Writer

Roger Maris has 58 home runs and needs only two more in three decisions to tie Babe Ruth's all-time record of 60 set in 1927.

Maris slammed No. 58 Sunday with Tony Kubek on base in the 12th inning at Detroit for a 6-4 New York Yankee victory over the Tigers. As a result, the Yanks, leading by 10½ games, can clinch the American League pennant with any combination of victories or Detroit defeats adding up to two.

As commissioner Ford Frick has decreed that Ruth's record must be tied or broken within 154 decisions, time runs out on Maris in Baltimore Wednesday night . . . weather permitting.

Maris and Mickey Mantle, who has been stalled at 53 since last Sunday, are idle today with the rest of the Yanks. They play a twi-light doubleheader in Baltimore Tuesday and a night game Wednesday. They also have a night game with the Orioles Thursday.

American League

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
New York	102	49	.675	—
Detroit	91	59	.607	10½
Baltimore	88	63	.583	14
Chicago	82	70	.539	20½
Cleveland	73	77	.487	28½
Boston	73	79	.480	29½
Minnesota	66	83	.443	35
Los Angeles	66	84	.440	35½
Washington	56	94	.373	45½
Kansas City	55	94	.369	46

Of course, they are playing a 162-game schedule this season and have plenty of time to put over the clincher. If Maris and or Mantle hit 60 or more homers after the 154th decision, the feat will go into the record book, marked by an asterick to indicate it was done in a 162-game season.

Maris had two extra chances when Sunday's game went into extra innings. He walked twice and struck out once before he tripled in the seventh, a blow that missed being a homer by a foot. After Moose Skowron's wild throw helped Detroit tie the score in the eighth, Maris flied out in the 10th and then hit the 400-foot homer on a 2-1 pitch by relief man Terry Fox. It left him one game ahead of Ruth's pace.

Bill Monbouquette of Boston Red Sox held Baltimore to three singles and won 1-0 on Jim Pagliaroni's double in the fourth. Lew Krausse, Kansas City Athletics' $125,000 rookie, won his first game since June 16 with a five-hitter against Washington Senators 3-2.

Minnesota Twins took a pair from Cleveland Indians 5-0 and 5-3 on Camilo Pascual's seventh shutout and the combined pitching of Al Schroll and Ray Moore. Joe Altobelli, who homered off Jim Perry, drove in three runs in the opener and one in the second.

Chicago White Sox swept two from Los Angeles Angels 8-1 and 4-3 in 10 innings. Al Smith's grand-slammer and Frank Baumann's five-hitter won the opener. Billy Goodman's pinch single broke up the second. George Thomas of the Angels drove in their only run of the first and all three in the second.

In Saturday's games Los Angeles clobbered Chicago 11-4, Detroit downed New York 10-4, Washington blanked Kansas City 3-0, Cleveland defeated Minnesota 2-0 and Baltimore edged Boston 5-4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati's National League lead dwindled to 3½ games Sunday as the Reds were shut out 4-0 by Philadelphia Phillies while Los Angeles Dodgers nipped Milwaukee 4-3 in 11 innings.

Duke Snider and Gil Hodges chipped in to help the Dodgers. Snider singled to drive in the tying run in the ninth and won it in the 11th with another single after Hodges, playing his 2,000th game for the Dodgers, beat out a bunt single.

National League

	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Cincinnati	88	57	.607	—
Los Angeles	83	59	.585	3½
San Francisco	78	64	.549	8½
Milwaukee	76	67	.531	11
St. Louis	76	67	.531	11
Pittsburgh	68	73	.482	18
Chicago	59	85	.410	28½
Philadelphia	44	100	.306	43½

The Phils' victory over the Reds was only their third in 22 meetings of the two clubs. It reduced Cincinnati's margin over Los Angeles to two games in the loss column. The Reds have played three more games than the Dodgers.

Cincinnati has only nine games to play to the Dodgers' 12. The Reds are idle today while Los Angeles hopes to fatten up against Chicago Cubs.

Stan Musial celebrated his 20th anniversary in the major leagues — all with St. Louis — by hitting his 14th home run while Larry Jackson shut out Pittsburgh 3-0 with five hits.

Felipe Alou went on a tear against Chicago with four hits, including his 18th homer and four runs batted in, as San Francisco rolled to an 8-2 decision over the Cubs.

DOWNS PITTSBURGH

In Saturday's play, St. Louis downed Pittsburgh 6-3, Cincinnati edged Philadelphia 3-2, San Francisco defeated Chicago 4-3 and Los Angeles edged Milwaukee 8-7.

Art Mahaffey of the Phils struck out nine and shut out the Reds for eight innings. In the top of the ninth he was hit on the head by a ball thrown by Eddie Kasko as he moved from first to second and was carried off the field. Frank Sullivan preserved the shutout.

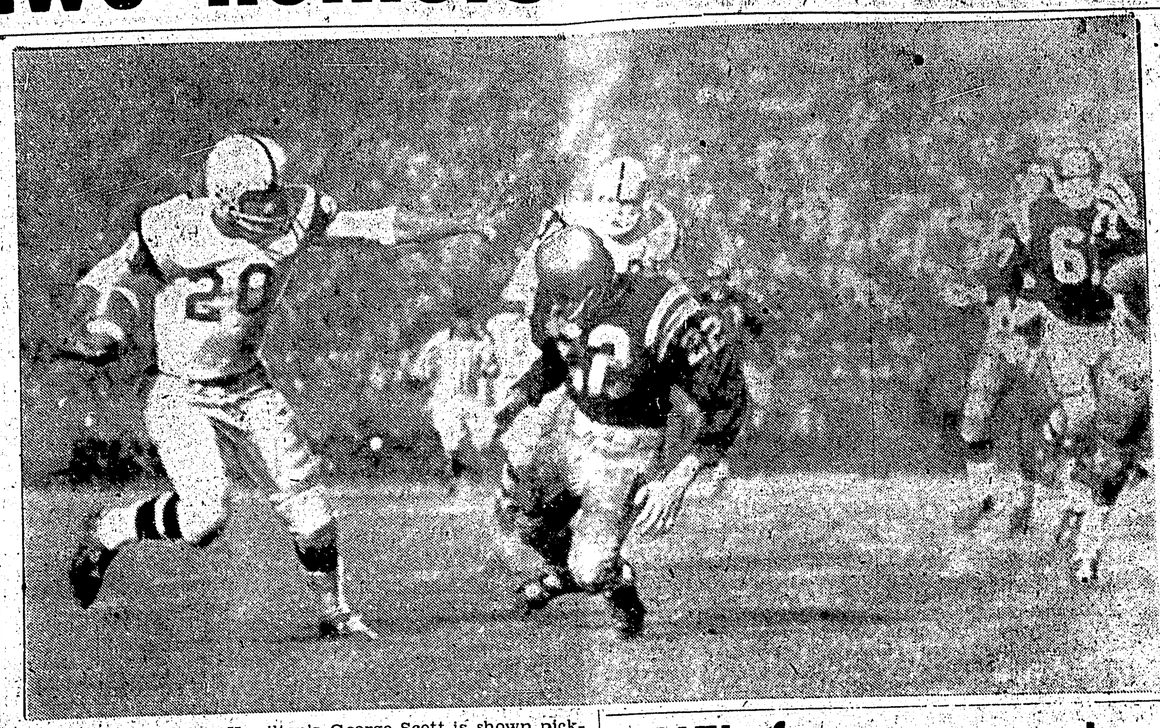
Hospital officials said Mahaffey suffered a concussion and a hairline fracture of the skull and will be lost to the Phillies for the rest of the season. His victory has been assured by a three-run burst in the third inning, highlighted by a two-run triple by Tony Gonzales that Jerry Lynch misjudged in left field.

Softball banquet set for Friday

Tickets will be on sale this week for the Senior Women's Softball League banquet which will be held Friday in the Canadian Legion auditorium.

The cost is $2.25 per person and the tickets may be purchased at the Savoy, Old Empress, Sports Shop and Gateway or from any softball player.

Cocktails will be served at 7 p.m. while the dinner will get underway at 7:30 p.m.



FOOTBALL ACTION — Hamilton's George Scott is shown picking up yardage for the Tiger Cats. Edmonton's Joe-Bob Smith is moving in for the tackle. Ti-Cats won the game played at Hamilton last week 32-15. — CP Wirephoto

Ti-Cats sneak by Stamps to remain undefeated

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

A couple of unblemished records — one good and one bad — will be tested tonight as the western phase of the Canadian Football League's partial interlocking schedule winds up for 1961 on two fronts.

Hamilton Tiger - Cats, only undefeated team in the CFL after a hair - raising 37-36 victory over the Calgary Stampeders Saturday night, will be trying to stretch their winning streak to seven games when they collide with the Saskatchewan Roughriders at Regina.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	F	A	Pt.
Hamilton	6	0	0	178	124	12
Ottawa	4	3	0	184	132	8
Toronto	2	3	1	106	88	5
Montreal	1	5	1	97	129	3

Meanwhile, the winless British Columbia Lions, short key linemen Tom Hinton and Tom Brown who have injured knees, will be battling to improve their one-tie, seven-loss record when they take on Toronto Argonauts at Vancouver. The Argos withstood a late rally by Edmonton Eskimos Saturday night for an 8-8 tie in their game at Edmonton.

Tonight's games are the last of 10 appearances by members of the CFL's Eastern Conference in Western Conference cities this year. Calgary has two more appearances in the east—at Toronto September 29 and at Montreal October 2. These games will wrap up the first half of a two - year experiment with interlocking play between the two conferences.

Saturday's action left Hamilton at the top of the four-team Eastern Conference standings with 12 points, four better than second - place Ottawa Rough Riders. Toronto is third with five, two better than Montreal.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	F	A	Pt.
Edmonton	7	1	1	224	142	15
Winnipeg	6	2	0	164	155	12
Sask.	3	5	0	109	167	6
Calgary	2	5	0	133	146	4
B.C.	0	7	1	112	224	1

Edmonton is first in the five-member WFC with 15 points, three ahead of Winnipeg. Calgary is fourth with four, two behind Saskatchewan, while B.C. is last with one.

At Calgary, 15,875 fans watched the see-saw contest in which the Stampededs appeared on the verge of breaking Ticats' unbeaten string, taking a 10-7 first quarter lead, dropping behind 17-10 at the half, then bursting ahead 25-17 in the third quarter.

But the Tiger - Cats roared back for three last - quarter touchdowns—including a shocker by Gerry McDougall when he recovered his own punt and dashed over the goal line.

Don Sutherin's convert after this touchdown became the eventual margin of victory when Calgary's George Hansen missed a field goal attempt on the last play and Stamps had to settle for a single on the kick and a loss.

Women's loop starts Tuesday

The Women's Five-Pin Bowling League will start the 1961-62 bowling season at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

There is still room for two more teams and anyone interested is asked to contact Gert Van Meer at 3961.

At a meeting September 12 it was decided the first three weeks of bowling would be used to determine averages. Following this the teams will be divided into A and B sections.

Following is the schedule for Tuesday:

7 p.m.—Annettes vs New Laurel; Stars vs Shop Easy, Clausens vs Dibbs, Sports Shop vs Big Sisters; PRFCU vs Jeanette's; and Cook's vs Fashion Footwear.

9 p.m.—CNRA No. 1 vs Greenhorns; Saanich vs Kaien Credit Union; Co-op vs CNRA No. 2; Rebekah Lodge vs Marianne's; White Caps vs McLean and Rudderham.

NFL features upsets as '61 season begins

By JACK CLARY
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Something has gone awry in the Nationla Football League.

Cleveland Browns are the unanimous choice to win the Eastern Conference crown . . . The defending champion Philadelphia Eagles are dead without their great quarterback Norm Van Brocklin . . . So are St. Louis Cards without their great running duo of John David Crow and Joe Childress, and with quarterback Sam Etcheverry's sore arm . . . Minnesota Vikings probably won't win a game and the Dallas Cowboys may be lucky to get just one.

And above all, never trust a rookie in the NFL.

That was the word as late as noon Sunday before the league opened its 42nd season. Today, the tune has changed.

The Eagles, with Van Brocklin now coaching the new Minnesota entry, broke Cleveland's bubble the first time out 27-20. The Cards found that even with half an arm and a couple of adequate runners in Frank Mestnik and Mal Hammack, Etcheverry had enough to upset New York Giants 21-10.

DEBUT SUCCESSFUL

The Vikings made Chicago Bears look like the new team with a 37-13 victory in their first start, while the sophomore Cowboys won their first game in 14 tries in the NFL, 27-24, over Pittsburgh Steelers.

In still another mild surprise, Detroit Lions up-ended Green Bay, the defending Western Conference champs 17-13, while Baltimore Colts had to scrape to down Los Angeles Rams 27-24 and San Francisco 49ers rolled over Washington Redskins 35-3.

And those rookies—just ask the Bears about a quarterback from Georgia named Fran Tarkenton, and the Steelers about a place-kicker from Mississippi by the name of Allen Green.

In the American League, San Diego beat Oakland 44-0 and Buffalo upset New York 41-31 in the only Sunday games. On Saturday Boston crushed Denver 45-17.

Nicklaus wins tourney

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Champion Jack Nicklaus, blending power with finesse, Saturday outclassed the world's best amateurs over the exacting and treacherous Pebble Beach course to win his second United States amateur title.

Henry sold

EDMONTON (AP) — Import tackle Urban Henry has been sold by the Western Football Conference Edmonton Eskimos to National Football League Los Angeles Rams. Eskimos acquired Henry from British Columbia Lions at the beginning of the 1961 season.

Syracuse, N.Y. (AP)—Eddie Machen, 197, Portland, Ore., stopped Mike DeJohn, 204¼, Syracuse (9).

Celco league needs 5 teams

Five more teams are urgently needed by the Celco City Five-Pin Bowling League.

The league, which commences its 1961-62 season at 7 p.m. Wednesday, requires the teams to fill openings and insure a successful bowling year.

Anyone interested in sponsoring a team is asked to phone 5674 or contact the bowling alley.

Teams short of players should also phone 5674 as there are a few players interested in joining a team.

Teams bowling at 7 p.m. Wednesday are: Rupert Motors, Good Neighbors, McRae Motors, Standard Oil, Jack's, Eddie's News, Sports Shop, Bud's Cigar Store, Johnson Outboard, CSAC, Rupert Hotel and Co-op.

Teams bowling at 9 p.m. are: Paul's Shell, Commercial, Sports, Alec. Robertson, RCMP, Bill Stubbs and Jeanette Cloutier.

DETROIT (AP) — Billy Hitchcock, former American League infielder and now manager of Vancouver Mounties for the Pacific Coast League, loomed today as the leading candidate for Baltimore Orioles' manager's job in 1962.

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STARTS WED.

COACH ON DEFENCE — Doug Harvey (2) new coach of New York Rangers of the National Hockey League, moves in too late to stop a shot by junior Bryan Hextall during Rangers opening practices this week at Guelph, Ont. Hextall and netminder Phil Hedley, also a junior, are from Brandon, Man. Opening workouts were carried out under adverse conditions as 85 degree temperatures prevailed outdoors and resulted in a heavy mist over the arena ice. Harvey took over as New York coach this season after a long career with Montreal Canadiens. — CP Photo

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