Tigers One Win Away FRONT-RUNNING ESKS LEADING From 1st Div. Berth. WITH 3,369 YARDS GAIN TOTAL

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Seven skippers are still waiting for 1958 contracts, but only Cleveland's Kerby Farrell appears to be a doubtful repeater among baseball's major league managers, whose ranks haven't remained intact from the end of one season to the next since 1944-45.

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Doubles—Minoso, Chicago, 36.

Home runs-Slevers, 41.

Triples—Bauer and McDougald, New

Stolen bases—Aparicio, Chicago, 28

Pitching— Donovan, Chicago, 16-6,

Strikeouts-Wynn, Cleveland, 184.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Unchanged, no games Thursday.

Hits—Fox. 193.

The others who haven't signed | for next season—but who range berth in the AL for the first time from cold clinches to good bets—| since 1950. are Fred Haney of the National The other managers will be League champion Milwaukee back under long-term agree-Braves, Fred Hutchison of St. ments. Casey Stengel, headed Louis Cardinals, Walt Alston of for his eighth world series with Brooklyn (Los Angeles?) Dodg- Yankees, is half-way through a ers, Bill Rigney of New York- two-year contract. Boston's San Francisco Giants, Bob Schef- Pinky Miggins signed a threefing of Chicago Cubs and Harry year contract as a reward Craft of Kansas City Athletics. | 1955's manager of the year

HURT BY INJURIES

A natural worrier, the 43-yearold Farrell can be excused if he's a nervous wreck by now. He faced the task of battling New York Yankees for the American League pennant when he replaced the resigned Al Lopez and the job plunked from the im-New York 96 55 probable to the impossible when Chicago —the Indians' only trump card. Detroit

Without Herb Score, and with Cleveland Early Wynn and Bob Lemon fail- Baltimore Kansas City ing, the Injuns skidded from Eix Washington consecutive years of 1-2 finishes to their worst season since 1946. Thursday night's 2-1 victory

at Kansas City kept alive Cleveland hopes of a possible share of fourth place with Detroit, or of beating Baltimore out of fifth. General manager Hank Greenhis plans for Cleveland's 1958 | Mantle, N.Y. field boss.

SECOND IS LOWEST

Lopez, who never has finished ton, 112. worse than second as a manager, signed for 1958 Thursday with Chicago White Sox, as did Mayo Smith of Philadelphia

Lopez and the White Sox brass conferred "just about 35½ seconds" before Al, who received another one-year contract, signed for a reported \$30,000.

Smith, who surprised just about everybody by keeping the Phils no worse than fifth and startled the NL by contending for the pennant, also signed a one-year pact.

Cookie Lavagetto who relieved Charlie Dressen May 7 after the worst start in history for the Washington Senators and Danny Murtaugh, who replaced Bobby Bragan as boss of seventhplace Pittsburgh Aug. 3, already have signed.

FIRST SINCE 1950

Jack Tighe, who replaced Bucky Harris as Detroit skipper last October, also will be back next year. Tigers are a far cry from the hoped for pennant contending team dreamed up last winter, but with Thursday's 3-2 victory at Chicago they are within one victory of a first division

REGINA (P) - The front-running Edmonton Eskimos are the top team in total yards netted from scrimmage in the Western Interprovincial Football Union.

Statistics released Thursday by league statistician Bill Hawrylak of Regina shows ESKS WITH A NET RUSHING AND PASSING GAIN OF 3,369 YARDS.

The second-place Winnipeg Blue Bombers are next in line with a net gain of 2,761 yards, two yards more than the total for Saskatchewan Roughriders. British Columbia Lions have netted 2,362 yards while Calgary Stampeders have a net gain of 2,014 yards.

Statistics cover all games except Wednesday night's game in Calgary between the Stampeders and the Lions, with each club having played eight times.

Eskimos lead the way along the ground with a net gain of 2,158 yards. Bombers have netted 1,847 yards rushing, the Riders 1,318, Lions 1,141 and the Stamps 954.

Seattle May Be Included

a three-year pact with Cincin-SEATTLE, (A) — Walter O'Malley, president of the Brooklyn next Wednesday. With lefthand-Dodgers, and other National League team owners are giving se- ers Warren Spahr and Whitey rious thought to including this city of 600,000 in a new, 10-team realignment of the loop, a Seattle financier said today.

Ford figured to pitch, Milwaukee will go with Wes Covington in

would be Seattle, after the Gi-

if the Dodgers make their pro-

McCaw quoted O'Malley as

posed move to Los Angeles.

J. Elroy McCaw, the owner of | a string of radio stations and time to make the move is now. Andy Pafko in right. Casey Stenother interests on the Pacific "Both men are anxious for at gel's nominees probably will be W L. Pct. GBL coast, including Seattle Ameri-least one more city on the Elston Howard in left, Mantle cans of the Western Hockey coast." League, said he had conversed and corresponded with O'Malley 21/2 on the proposed move.

"Both O'Malley and Horace Stoneham owner of New York Giants told me the league is much interested in Seattle," Mc Caw said. "They both say the

Giardello Meets Lane Tonight

CLEVELAND (AP)—With little to 317 | pursuit of a crack at the middleweight title, Joey Giardello of Runs batted in—Sievers, Washing- Brooklyn takes on Bobby Lane of Miami in a televised 10rounder here tonight.

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That is a brief summation of tion, Mantle has 34, Bauer 18 the relative outfield strength of and Kubek 3 for an aggregate the 1957 world series partici- of 55. Parko has hit 7, Howard Try Daily News Classified 8 and Slaughter 5.

Closer inspection of the situation, however, reveals that the 365 batting average is the highoutcome of the championship est on both outfield squads. games may depend on the per- Aaron is next with 325. Kubek formances of three outfielders is at .295, Bauer .259, Howard

The tide will swing to Yanks |.257 and Slaughter .254. Covingif Mickey Mantle can recover ton shows a .289 mark and sufficiently from his leg injuries Pafko .280. to handle the bulk of his team's (long ball hitting and do a cap-) able job in centrefield. IN BRAVES' FAVOR

Or the pendulum could swing to Braves if:

Bob Hazle, a .408 batter in 39 games, finds Yankee pitchers as easy to hit as those in the National League.

Hank Aaron, the major league |leader in home runs and runs | batted in, delivers the same timely blows he did so often dur-

The outfielders are by no |means set for the first game | left field, Aaron in centre and in centre and Hank Bauer in McCaw said the one more city

ants move to San Francisco and against righthanders. And Tony Kubek or Enos Slaughter will take over from Howard when Lew Burdette and Bob Buhl saying the National League, ex- pitch for Braves.

panded to nine teams with the HAVE MOST HOMERS addition of Seattle, would be in- Now for a brief look at the creased to a 10-team loop by statistics: bringing in Minneapolis, Minn. Aaron, with 44 homers. Cov-

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By BEN, OLAN | ington with 21, and Hazle with | An outfield of Bauer, Kubek | CITY BADMINTON Braves have the power. New ers a total of 72 circuit blows the Américan League pennant York Yankees have the speed Among the Yank outfielders winners a decided edge in speed who figure to see the most ac- on the buses and in the field.

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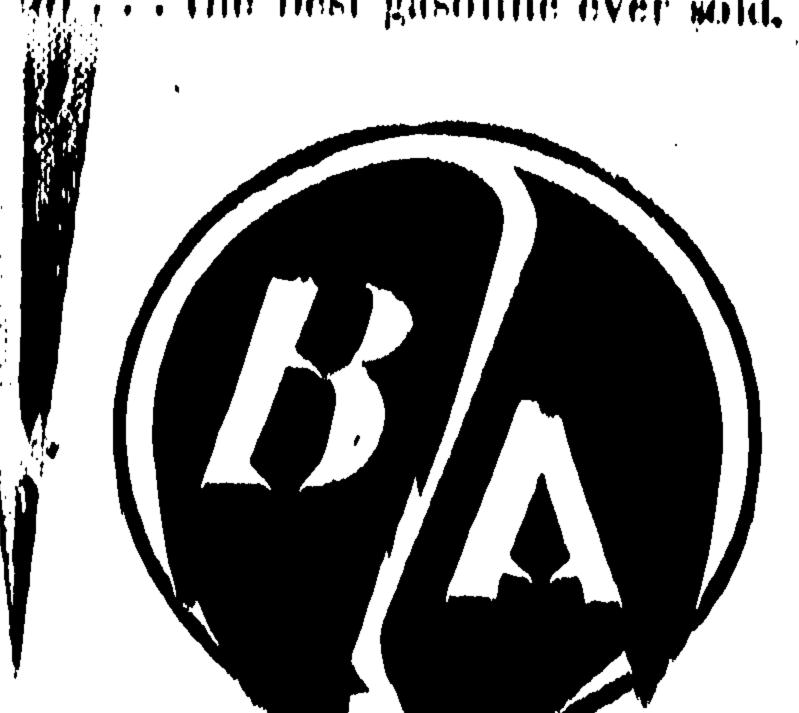
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