

AFL Contacts 4 Giants

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National and American Football Leagues appeared to be on the threshold of a full-scale contract war today after the New York Giants charged that AFL teams had made overtures to four of their players.

Wellington Mara, president of the NFL's Giants, said Thursday that fullback Tucker Fredrickson had been approached by the AFL's Houston Oilers and three other players — center Greg Larson, halfback Steve Thurlow and receiver Bobby Crespino — had been contacted by the San Diego Chargers.

The so-called raid attempt was seen as a retaliatory measure by the AFL for the signings of kicker Pete Gogolak by the Giants. Gogolak played out his option with the AFL's Buffalo Bills, became a free agent May 1 and signed with the Giants Tuesday.

According to Mara, the four members of the Giants were contacted Tuesday night, just

hours after the Gogolak signing. At the time it was predicted that the Gogolak shift might trigger retaliatory measures by the AFL and set off a wholesale contract war.

Two other developments on the same front bolstered the opinion that the retaliatory measures would not only be aimed at the Giants but at other NFL clubs as well.

Ralph Wilson, owner of the Bills and president of the AFL,

Track Final On Saturday

By The Associated Press
One of the biggest assaults on the record books in years is expected in the Class AA and A high school state track meets Saturday.

Nine marks are expected to tumble in the Class AA meet at Fort Dodge, and 13 records are in danger in the Class A event at Eagle Grove.

Sophomore Doug Lane of Cedar Rapids Jefferson is favored to increase the shot put mark by quite a bit. The hefty thrower has tossed the shot more than 30 inches past the meet record this spring.

The pole vault mark is rated another inch to fall. Four youths — Clyde Hovick of Boone, Dean Craig of Ames, Dick Peters of Sioux City Cen-

tral and Clarence Sinnions of Davenport Central — have bettered the current Class AA record of 13 feet 1 3/4 inches. Hovick bettered 14 feet earlier this spring — The first prep in Iowa history to do so.

Doug Smith, Sioux City Central's slender sophomore miler, has turned in a 4 minute 17.7 clocking this spring, and teammate Steve Gerkin set an Iowa Interscholastic Record of 1:54.2 in the half-mile this year. Both times are well below class records for those events.

Ames, Sioux City Central and Marshalltown have turned in faster clockings this year in the two-mile relay than the meet mark.

Independence's Mike Mulvaney is rated a serious threat to snap the Class A discus. He has hurled the discus 179-11 this spring.

Other Class A marks are expected to fall in the 100, 220, 440, low hurdles, shot, high jump, pole vault and all five hurdles.

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had not formulated any plan because that would be up to Al Davis, the new commissioner of the AFL.

However, Dale Diles of station WXYZ in Detroit said he had learned that AFL owners had agreed unanimously on "raiding" the NFL of star players.

He said one of the major targets was the Detroit Lions and that three players — tackle Alex Karras, linebacker Wayne Walker and receiver Gail Cogdill — already had been contacted.

Thurlow said he had been contacted personally by Sid Gillman, coach and general manager of the Chargers.

"I had a phone call from Gillman Tuesday night at my home," said Thurlow. "He asked me if I had signed my contract with the Giants. I said I had. He sounded disappointed, but he pursued it further."

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Tribe Drops 2nd in Row To Senators

By The Associated Press
Mike McCormick has turned from thrower to pitcher. And during the transition, he became a hitter as well.

McCormick, the onetime bantam baby who appeared to be washed up at 23, continued his comeback with a four-hitter Thursday night as Washington whipped Cleveland for the second straight night, 7-2.

The 27-year-old left-hander evened his record at 3-3 and helped himself with a long home run during a three-run Senator rally in the fifth inning. It was McCormick's fifth hit in 14 swings this season and that's two more safeties than he managed in 41 at bats last year.

Ed Brinkman and Dick Nen also homered for Washington. Brinkman's shot preceding McCormick's in the fifth. Luis Tiant, 3-2, was the victim of the long ball display.

McCormick, who signed for \$50,000 with the then New York Giants 11 years ago, won the National League's earned run average title in 1960 before arm trouble caught up with him.

Elsewhere, in the American League, Minnesota nipped Chicago 4-3 in 10 innings with charges of beanballs exchanged by both sides, and Boston downed Baltimore 3-1.

Tony Oliva's 10th inning double drove home Minnesota's winning run as the Twins won their fifth straight. Jimmie Hall had tied the game for Minnesota with a ninth inning homer.

The beanball accusations grew out of a third inning exchange of hit batsmen. After Chicago's J.C. Martin had homered in the top of the third, Al Weis was hit in the back by a Jim Perry pitch.

Then Perry, leading off in the bottom of the third, was hit just above the elbow on his right pitching arm by John Buzhardt. "Buzhardt definitely was throwing at Perry and I say he was under orders to do it," said Minnesota Manager Sam Mele. Eddie Stanky, manager of the White Sox, answered:

"I have never told a pitcher to throw at a hitter in my life before a ball game. But when my hitter gets hit on the uniform number, and he's hitting .120... 'I'm not accusing Perry of hitting Weis, you understand,' reasoned Stanky, 'I wouldn't do that. I'm not that kind of man. But my bench got upset.'"

There were no further incidents after the third inning exchange.

Major Leagues

By The Associated Press
American League

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Cleveland	19	8	.704	—
Baltimore	18	11	.621	2
Detroit	17	11	.607	2 1/2
Minnesota	16	11	.593	3
California	17	14	.548	4
Chicago	14	14	.500	5 1/2
Washington	12	18	.400	8 1/2
Kansas City	11	18	.379	9
New York	11	19	.367	9 1/2
Boston	10	21	.323	11

Thursday's Results
Minnesota 4, Chicago 3, 10 innings
Boston 3, Baltimore 1
Washington 7, Cleveland 2
Only games scheduled

National League

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
San Fran	23	11	.676	—
Houston	20	13	.606	2 1/2
Los Angeles	19	15	.559	4
Pittsburgh	16	14	.533	5
Philadel.	15	14	.517	5 1/2
Cincinnati	14	15	.483	6 1/2
Atlanta	16	19	.457	7 1/2
New York	11	14	.440	7 3/4
St. Louis	13	17	.433	8
Chicago	7	22	.241	13 1/2

Thursday's Results
Chicago 7, Houston 1
St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 0
Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 0

from dale barton's keyboard



Prep Baseball—

Final practice sessions were interspersed with busy academic schedules this week as Carroll and Kuemper high school baseball teams got ready for next Monday's opening games in the West Central League.

The Tigers, coached by Bill Tryon, will be at Audubon on Monday night, and the Knights, coached by Dick Tighe, will host Perry in the Carroll Stadium on Monday at 8 p.m.

Kuemper has cut down to 16 players on the squad and the Tigers have a 20 member squad.

The Kuemper pitching staff will be built around fireballing Louie Billmeier. Added help is expected from Ricky Keat, Denny Bellinghausen and Jim Middendorf.

Tom Louis and Terry Schroeder will share the catching chores for the Knights.

The Carroll High mound staff will be built around curvballing Gary Sundermann. Extra hurlers on hand in the Tiger camp include Tom Dryden, Denny Wilkins, Tom Subbert and Dave Henning.

Scott Richardson, Bruce Hall

and John Randall are the Tiger receivers.

The infield line-up at Kuemper shows Larry Pirotte and Mike Neary at first base. Frankle Golwitzer, captain of the Knights, will hold down second where Denny Henkenius is making a bid. Shortstop will be handled by either Ricky Keat or Jim Middendorf. Dave Schmitz rounds out the Kuemper infield at third.

In the outfield, the Knights have Kent Casey and Ron Friedman in right. Either Denny Bellinghausen or Larry Schmitz will be in center field. The left field slot will be filled by Scott Wille or Tim Knoblauch.

Carroll High's infield will find Paul Bruns and Ben Rogers at first base. Phil Den Adel will be the second baseman. Shortstop will be shared by Denny Wilkins and Gary Sundermann.

Tom Subbert and Denny Vetter have the call at third base. The Tiger outfield will be picked from Jim Schrad, Mickey Everett, Pat Hensel, Richard Jons, Tom Jans, Gregg Beck, Marc Baudler and Don Fisch.

Rain Slows New York's Ticket Sale

NEW YORK (AP) — When the New York Mets get rained out of a baseball game at Shea Stadium they schedule a double-header.

A double headache, though, is what inclement weather has been giving promoters of Saturday night's light-heavyweight title fight in the Mets' park between champion Jose Torres and Californian Wayne Thornton.

"The cold and now the rain have held up the sale," admitted Al Bolan, a promoter.

New York had its heaviest rain in seven years Thursday. This diminished to sporadic showers towards evening and the forecast for Friday and Saturday was for fair and seasonable weather.

Bolan saw a silver lining, predicting a crowd of 20,000 and gate receipts totaling \$200,000 for New York's first outdoor bout since Floyd Patterson stopped Ingemar Johansson in the Polo Grounds on June 20, 1960.

Torres has been guaranteed \$75,000 for the first defense of his 175-pound crown. Thornton will get \$25,000 for the bout, which will be nationally televised except in New York.

Koufax Wins as Wills Runs Wild

By The Associated Press
Rookie Randy Hundley sparked the Cubs past Houston, driving in three runs with a double and a triple and stealing home. His two-run triple and steal of home highlighted a five-run third inning which enabled Chicago to stop a six-game losing streak.

Koufax pitched a three-hitter and gained his first shutout and sixth victory of the season Thursday night as Los Angeles defeated San Francisco 4-0.

While Koufax' arm baffled the Giant hitters, though, the feet dazzled the Giant fielders.

The feet, plus the rest of Maury Wills, beat out two infield singles, stole two bases and scored the first two Dodger runs.

Wills, who has won a record six straight National League base-stealing titles, now leads the league with 16 thefts — and 12 have come in games in which Koufax has pitched. Wills also has scored 18 runs over-all, half in support of Koufax.

The game against the Giants was typical. The 33-year-old shortstop led off the first inning by beating out a grounder to second base for a single. He promptly stole second, moved to third on a ground out and scored as Willie Davis singled.

In the third inning, he again led off with an infield single, this time beating out a high bouncer to the mound. Again he stole second, and this time he scampered home on Jim Gilliam's single.

Koufax, meanwhile, was headed for his shutout, walking only two, striking out 10 and allowing just two Giants to reach second base. He also reduced his earned run average to 1.83 and recorded his sixth victory three days ahead of last season. He has lost only once.

In other National League games, St. Louis blanked Philadelphia 2-0 and Chicago whipped Houston 7-1. Rain washed out Cincinnati at New York. The Dodgers completed their scoring with a run in the fourth inning on errors by Tito Fuentes and Cap Peterson plus Jeff Torborg's single and in the eighth on Wes Parker's homer.

St. Louis' Al Jackson limited Philadelphia to four hits until the ninth when he was pulled after walking leadoff batter John Callison on four pitches. He still extended his scoreless inning string to 21. Charlie Smith supported Jackson with three hits, including a seventh-inning homer.

Little League

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Kilowatts	1	0	1.000
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Broadcasters	0	1	.000
Bears	0	1	.000
Giants	0	1	.000
Builders	0	1	.000
Indians	0	2	.000
Hamsters	0	0	.000
Lions	0	0	.000
Lumberjacks	0	0	.000
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Thursday Results:
Elks 4, Bears 0
Batmen 6, Giants 0
Kilowatts 2, Indians 0
Pepsis 5, Builders 4

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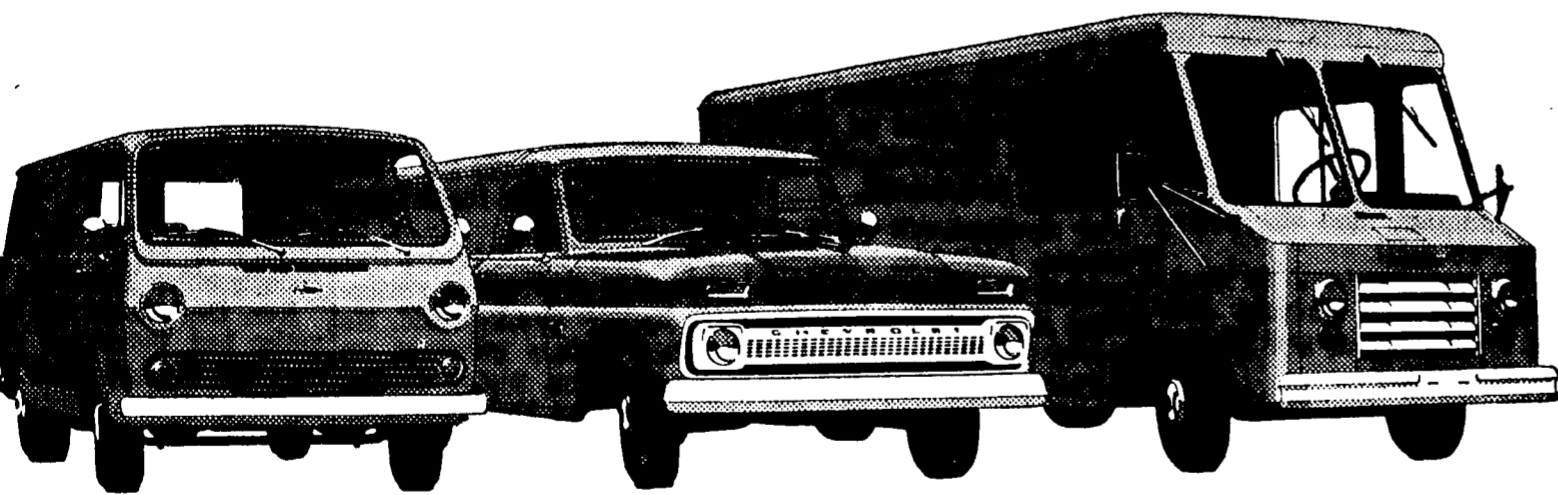
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