

Berra's Son Dale Picked in Draft

NEW YORK (AP)—If Manager Yogi Berra of the New York Mets wants to congratulate his son, Dale, on being chosen in the first round of baseball's free agent draft Wednesday, he has Commissioner Bowie Kuhn's permission — to write him a letter.

"I would emphasize that your representatives are not to discuss negotiations by a player with another club," the commissioner warned the 24 major league clubs before Wednesday's draft got started. "If you want to congratulate a player, write him a letter. Any personal contact will be viewed with suspicion."

Yogi's 18-year-old son was picked in the first round of the draft, but not by the Mets. Instead, the Montclair, N.J., high school shortstop was grabbed by the Pittsburgh Pirates after the Mets had decided instead to choose a high school catcher, Alfred Benton of Tallahassee, Fla.

So Berra is forewarned. If he wants to talk to Dale at dinner time, it had better be about the food.

Young Berra batted .520 this

season with 52 hits in 100 at bats including 10 home runs. But he may not be ready to turn pro. He's had baseball scholarship offers from Arizona State, Miami and Seton Hall among others and football offers from Ohio State and Notre Dame. His older brother, Tim, was a rookie wide receiver with the National Football League Baltimore Colts last season.

"I am very happy, and he was too," said Yogi, adding that he didn't care which team chose his son, as long as he got chosen.

What about his chances of making it to the majors? "If I didn't think he could play, I wouldn't let him sign," said Yogi. "All I had to do was see him swing the bat to know that he's a prospect."

General Manager Joe McDonald defended the Mets' pick, saying: "We draft by ability and not by position. Al Benton was the player we judged with the best ability when our turn came."

The Pirates also chose another familiar big-league name later, picking Jim Busby's son, Jim Jr., an outfielder from Florida State

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University, on the draft's eighth round. The first player chosen Wednesday was a familiar one to major league scouts — catcher Danny Goodwin of Southern University at Baton Rouge, La. He was selected by the California Angels and it marked the second time that he has been the top choice in the free-agent draft. The Chicago White Sox picked him No. 1 out of high school in 1971 but he went to college instead. Now, he says, he's ready for pro baseball.

He has a career .394 batting average with 20 homers and 166 runs batted in in 169 games at Southern, where he was a pre-med student. In his senior year, he batted .425 with a Southwestern Athletic Conference record of 46 RBI in 41 games. That prompted the Angels to grab him.

After the Angels drafted Goodwin, the San Diego Padres selected left-handed pitcher Mike Lentz from Kirkland, Wash., who has his own set of impressive statistics.

Lentz was 14-2 with a 0.47 earned run average and 199 strikeouts and 22 walks in 104 innings. For his career, he had a 28-8 record with 441 strikeouts in 249 innings. What's more, he led his high school conference with batting averages of .461 and .451 the last two seasons.

Of the 24 first round selections, 16 were high school graduates and eight were collegiate products. Three of the first seven players chosen were catchers, including Goodwin and Benton. The third catcher picked was Rick Cerone of Seton Hall University, who was chosen by the Cleveland Indians.

Cerone was one of two first-round choices who will be playing in the College World Series at Omaha, Neb., beginning Friday. The other was pitcher Jim Gideon of the University of Texas, who was chosen by the Texas Rangers.

Besides Goodwin, Cerone, and Gideon, the college players selected in the draft's first round were left-handed pitcher Theodore Barnicle of Jacksonville State, picked by San Francisco; right-handed pitcher Robert Knapp of Central Michigan, by the Chicago White Sox; right-handed pitcher Michael McLaughlin of David Lipscomb College, by Houston; first baseman Otis Foster of High Point College, by Boston; and catcher Bruce Robinson of Stanford; by Oakland.

Football-Golfers
The world of football provides three outstanding professional golfers who will compete Monday, June 23 at Finkbine in Iowa City in the Ninth Annual Amana V.I.P. Golf Tournament. Miller Barber was a blocking back at the University of Arkansas; DeWitt Weaver a quarterback playing in Don Meredith's shadow at Southern Methodist University and Bob Goalby a back at the University of Illinois where he also turned down a major league baseball contract in favor of pro golf.

Big Inning Boosts Tigers

A five-run fifth inning Wednesday night carried Carroll to a 9-3 baseball win over Scranton at Carroll Stadium.

The Tigers put together four singles, three walks, a wild pitch and a pair of stolen bases in the big inning as the hosts upped their record to 2-1. Scranton fell to 1-4, with the only victory coming at the expense of Coon Rapids.

The game was a pitchers' duel between Tiger Eric Siemer and Trojan Pat Lyons for the first three innings. In the top of the fourth Scranton combined an error, a passed ball, a wild pitch and a single to score the game's first run.

Carroll countered in the bottom of that frame with a pair of runs to give the hosts a lead they never let go of.

Siemer had control problems in the top of the fourth, as did Lyons in the bottom of the inning. But Siemer regained his control in the fifth, while Lyons "tired," according to Carroll Coach Ted Edwards.

The big frame started off with Jim Molitor hitting a single and stealing second on the first pitch to the next batter, Tom Reiman. Molitor later scored on a wild pitch.

Reiman and Jim Petersen both drew walks to load the bases. First baseman Ron Bernholtz smashed a shot to right field to score a pair of runs. Lonnie Lehrkamp singled next. He and Bernholtz crossed the plate after Jim Collison's single.

Lehrkamp was the hitting star for the Tigers, collecting three, including a triple which scored two runs in the sixth.

The defensive play of the game came in the fourth with one Trojan on and two out. Carroll centerfielder Todd Buck made a diving, somersaulting catch in shallow centerfield after a long run.

Siemer pitched his second game of the season without giving up an earned run. The Tigers have now gone 21 innings without letting an earned run cross the plate.

Edwards said that his squad "still is not hitting the ball" to his satisfaction, so the Tigers have had to "rely on pitching and defense."

Todd Pettitt will be on the mound Friday at 8 p.m. when Carroll visits Lake City.

Box Score:
Scranton

	AB	R	H	B	I
Seaman, SS	3	0	0	0	0
Lyons, P	2	1	0	0	0
Anderson, 3B	1	1	0	0	0
O'Tool, CF	2	1	0	0	0
Neary, C	3	0	1	1	0
Citurs, 1B	3	0	0	0	0
Taggart, LF	2	0	0	0	0
Juergens, RF	3	0	0	0	0
Subbert, 2B	2	0	0	0	0
Higgins, PH	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	3	1	1	0

	AB	R	H	B	I
Buck, CF	4	0	0	0	0
Bernholtz, 1B	4	1	1	2	0
Lehrkamp, LF	4	2	3	2	0
Siemer, P	4	1	1	1	0
Pettitt, SS	2	0	0	1	0

Wuertz, RF	2	0	0	0	0
Molitor, C	3	1	1	0	0
Reiman, 2B	0	1	0	0	0
Petersen, 3B	1	1	0	0	0
Collison, PH	1	0	1	2	0
Luchtel, PH	1	1	0	0	0
Johnson, 2B	0	0	0	0	0
Sunderman, PH	1	1	1	0	0
Totals	27	9	9	8	0

Innings:
Scranton.....000 102 0-3
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