

The Cronin Papers (Part IV)

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Red Barber Letter, Hodges Offer, Eckert List,

McHale Approval, Topping Selects Houk

*The Cronin Papers are a collection of personal documents of Joe Cronin's graciously donated by his grandson, Chris Hayward. **Clicking on any of the thumbnail images within any of the series will display a high resolution version.***

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Today, we're in 1965 and 1966 with a series of mostly miscellaneous documents out of the collection.

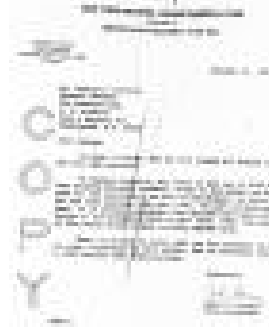
We start with a hand written letter from legendary broadcaster, Red Barber to Cronin thanking him for a "thoughtful and generous letter about the Yankee broadcasters." The irony, of course, is that Cronin was a legendary Red Sox player and manager, while Barber became a legendary broadcaster with the Yankees. Barber adds a sweet touch by saying, "You have always been a good friend."

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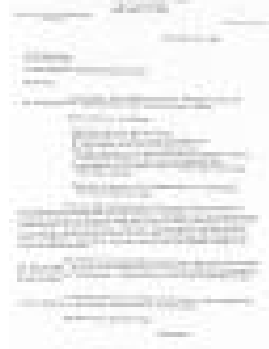
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The second document outlines McHale's selection, with all the details.



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It's late and Joe's file says it's tired... more installments forthcoming.