

# Giants Idle, Bums Win To Pare National Lead

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They may be dead ducks by next week, but Brooklyn Dodgers have no rivals as the aquatic kings of the National League.

At least four of their victories were thoroughly waterlogged, and if they try to play any more games under conditions such as prevailed Wednesday the front office had better consider equipping the club with fur-lined swim suits.

The defending champs have discovered some amazing ways to lose games this season, but when the rains come they are unbeatable.

Back in May they beat Philadelphia Phillies 3-0 in six innings when rain brought a halt. Then in June they skidded to a 7-6 victory at Milwaukee in five innings, scoring five runs in the fifth. Last week they repeated over the Braves, 2-1, in five rain-soaked innings just before hurricane Edna hit Flatbush.

Wednesday the bad weather brought a 10-4 triumph over Cincinnati Redlegs, with the Reds screaming that both clubs should have stood in bed.

At the Polo Grounds, some 15 miles from Ebbets Field, the first place New York Giants and the third-place Braves never left the clubhouse. The temperatures hovered in the 50s and water stood in puddles over the covered infield.

In both cases the decision to play or not was in the hands of the umpires. They came close to calling time at Brooklyn with the score tied at 2-2 after four innings, but after a brief huddle

the umpires sent the players back on the field and they sloshed to a finish.

## TWO OTHER GAMES

Only two other games were played. St. Louis Cardinals defeated the Phillies 3-1 and Baltimore moved out of the American League cellar with a 2-1 squeaker over Boston.

The Dodgers moved within three games of the Giants and have nine to play. The Giants have 11 left, including a doubleheader today against the Braves who trail by 5½ lengths.

Gil Hodges put the dodgers on the victory trail against the Reds with his 40th home run in the sixth inning. Three singles, a walk, a bases-loaded double by Pee Wee Reese and an error added five more runs before the inning was over. Don Newcombe, with help from Jim Hughes in the eighth, registered his ninth victory. Bud Poppelman, who left shortly after Hodges' homer, was the victim.

The magic number remains eight for the Giants. Any combination of eight New York victories and Brooklyn defeats will clinch the pennant for Leo Durocher's men.

## Major League Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
Cleveland	105	40	.724
New York	96	48	.667
Chicago	91	55	.623
Detroit	64	80	.444
Boston	63	81	.438
Washington	61	83	.424
Baltimore	50	96	.342
Philadelphia	49	96	.338

  

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct.
New York	90	53	.629
Brooklyn	88	57	.607
Milwaukee	84	58	.592
Cincinnati	69	76	.476
Philadelphia	68	76	.472
St. Louis	67	77	.465
Chicago	60	80	.431
Pittsburgh	51	94	.352

## Dunbar Takes Twin Honors In Ladies Loop

In first play of the Ladies Bowling League, Bertha Dunbar of Art Murray's captured both high single and high three with scores of 314 and 662 in group 1 kegling.

Team high single and team high three in Group One were taken by New Laurels with 1101 and 2716.

In Group Two play, high single was taken by Hi-Flyers' Kay Kerr with 235 while high three score went to Isla Hague of Prince Rupert Plumbers with 678. The Plumbers also garnered team high single and team high three with scores of 831 and 2403.

Results of first night's play are as follows:

Group One—  
New Laurel 4, Wrathalls 0; Stars 4, Dobb Printing 0; Lyons 4, Rupert Radio 0; Amettes 3, G. A. T. Art Murray's 3; Cloverleafs 1; Super Service 2, Sunrise 2.  
Group Two—  
Prince Rupert Plumbers 4, Electrolux 0; Hi-Flyers 4, Armour Salads 0; McKays 4, Pacific Cabs 0; Co-Op 3, Vikens 1; Skeena Grocery 3, PRC Union 1; Super Valu 2, Big Sisters 2.

## Curling Meeting Moved Ahead

The general meeting of the Prince Rupert Curling Club has been moved ahead two weeks and will now be held October 4. In the hope that curling can start October 16 it was decided at a meeting of the club executive last night.

Work parties will be needed this weekend and all next week to get the rink in shape to turn on the brine, a club spokesman said this morning.

The executive will recommend to the membership that teams be picked in the same manner as last year and that three games a night of eight ends, instead of three games of 10 ends, be played this season.

## REMEMBER WHEN

Patty Berg was named first president when the Ladies Professional Golf Association of America was formed five years ago today in New York. Charter members included such stars as Babe Zaharias and Helen Hicks, who had won the American women's amateur back in 1931.



DINING PLEASURE in SPARKLING NEW SURROUNDINGS

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FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD NICK EGAN of Flushing, N.Y., has come a long way since he got the toy shotgun in his right hand for Christmas when he was four years old. In his left hand he holds the Winchester Model 12 with which he won the mantle full of trophies behind him and the recent world trapshooting series in the Grand American Handicap at Vandalla, Ohio. Shooting 99 out of 100 targets, Nick tied for first place and won in a three-way shoot-off.

## SPORTS ROUND-UP

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—When a championship fight is postponed, any commentator worth his salt must delve into the characteristics of the principals and decide which will suffer more from the enforced idleness.

Two fighters who have trained themselves to a razor sharpness for the night they were scheduled to meet and who are forced to sit around are going to deteriorate.

Which of them will deteriorate faster is of first importance to the official odds-makers, and no doubt the head man is waiting right now to learn whether he

should let the price favoring Rocky Marciano out another notch, to 1-5 or give it a quick luck back to 1-4 on the chance that Wednesday's cold rain put new life into Ezzard Charles.

Take mental attitudes Frankly, Marciano, doesn't do much thinking about anything except that it's wonderful to be alive. He might have felt a trace of irritation at being forced to wait another day before getting at Ez again.

Charles, a little more the thinking type, is inclined to be broody. The delay may make him down-right sulky and mean by the time they square off tonight.

Compare the two men physically. Rocky is younger and extremely strong. He is in the greatest shape of his career. Ezzard proved in their first fight in June that he's far from infirm. He trained long and conscientiously and felt himself prepared to go in there and slug it out toe-to-toe with Rocky Wednesday night.

What will the postponement have done to Marciano and Charles?

What can happen when a man has too long to think things over?

Who can say that Jersey Joe Walcott would not have been knocked out in the first round of his second bout with Marciano if, he hadn't been forced to break training and hang around more than a month while Rocky's nose healed? That might have been exactly the time Joe needed to remember how hard Rocky hits and to get scared.

## Referee Halts Soccer Game As Melee Mars Manson Play

The first game for the Manson Trophy in the Prince Rupert and District Football Association final series of the current season was cut short last night within 10 minutes of regulation time.

Referee Denny Morven whistled the game to a halt, with the score 3-1 in favor of General Motors against Gondola Cafe.

Referee Morven said he called the game off as a general melee was threatening and the game was getting out of hand. No player, actually came to blows although there were several minor pushing contests between players of opposing teams.

The game was orderly until the half, at which time the score stood at 1-0 in favor of the cafemen.

However as soon as A. Krogstad of the motors crew tied the score on a scramble in front of the Gondola goal, the game started to go to pieces. Ed Rutten made the score 2-1 half way through the second half and the goal was queried by Gondola players on the grounds that he had been offside when he shot.

The second motors goal brought Adrian Tambourini up to the forward line but despite several rushes the cafemen could not score and were whistled down on two occasions for being offside.

The goal that finished the game was scored by General Motor's wingman Dave Murray and it nearly precipitated a fight between the teams which were clustered around referee Morven. At the face-off Tambourini back-kicked to Ed Nordio who passed back to the Gondola centre. Tambourini then booted the ball up the field but off to the side and the referee blew the whistle calling the game.

The cafemen's goal in the first half was scored on a hard shot by Nordio on a pass from Tambourini.

Neither team was able to field a full squad at the opening whistle but by the half enough players had appeared on the scene to see 22 men on the field.

GONDOLA'S LAST GAME  
In a heated post-mortem after the final whistle Gondola co-sponsor Johnny Barazzuol announced that he was packing the team's sweaters for the last time.

Should no protest be lodged, or if a protest by the cafemen

was thrown out, then Gondola's would be eliminated from play in the Manson Trophy. Next game of the series sees Port Edward Paramounts and Local 708 play this coming Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

## "Lip" Will Send Reliever to Hurl Against Braves

NEW YORK (AP)—Manager Leo Durocher of the New York Giants, faced with an acute pitching shortage for the final stretch drive, dug down into his bullpen today for a fourth starting pitcher.

Dissatisfied with the recent hurling of righthander Jim Hearn and southpaws Don Liddle and John "Windy" McCall, Durocher named Marv Grissom, veteran reliever star, to pitch the second game to today's important doubleheader against Milwaukee Braves. Idle Wednesday, the Giants' lead was cut by three games by Brooklyn's 10-1 victory over Cincinnati.

Grissom, 36, has appeared in 52 games this year, 50 of them in relief. He has not started a game since May 1, when Chicago Cubs knocked him out of the box.

"Griss is my man," said Durocher. "He hasn't pitched for a full week and he should be well rested. I'll let him go as far as he can. If he can go until the sixth or seventh, that's all I want. I'll have Hoyt Wilhelm finish up."

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## Fighters, Promoters Fret As Weather Forecast Gloomy

By MURRAY ROSE  
NEW YORK (AP)—Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano and Ezzard Charles worried more about the weather than each other today as they peered anxiously at the skies and hoped for the best.

If the weather gives them a break they'll go at each other at 9:30 p.m. CDT tonight in their return 15-round title bout at Yankee Stadium. And judging by the gloomy forecast, the gladiators will have to sweat out long hours.

Following intermittent rains during the night, the weather bureau predicted "rain ending in the afternoon, followed by continued cloudy and cool weather in the evening."

If it rains throughout the day and their scrap is postponed a second time, the fighters as well as the promoting International Boxing Club will have plenty to worry about.

Friday night is out because of the ICB's weekly radio-television fight, coming out of Washington this week. Saturday is a question mark and next week is even worse. The New York Yankees come home to their ball park Monday and will be playing all week.

The IBC can't get the Polo Grounds because the Giants smell a pennant and don't want the field marred. It could be moved all the way to Sept. 27 or 28.

The big hitch on the Saturday date is theatre television. Nate Halpern, president of Theatre Network Television, Inc., doesn't know whether he'll be able to clear the coaxial cable Saturday for the closed-circuit telecast to theatres coast to coast. Theatre cash is an important factor in this promotion. Hal-

pern has 212,000 seats available and the IBC gets \$1 a seat. As is usual with a postponement there is speculation over how the fighters will react to the delay.

The bookmakers figured it won't make any difference, and today's odds remain the same. The undefeated, 30-year-old Marciano is still a 1-3 choice to win and a 5-to-12 favorite to stop the 33-year-old Charles. It's 6 to 1 against Charles winning by a kayo.

## Roughies Cut Five From Team

REGINA (AP)—Five Canadian Roughriders of the Western Interprovincial Football Union. Released were backfielders Nellis Greene, Karl Hiltzner, Wilf O'Hagan and Scotty Bissett and end Don Pallen.

Greene, a native of Montreal who formerly played with Ottawa Rough Riders, was a four-year veteran with the Saskatchewan squad. Hiltzner, from Montreal, and Bissett from Hamilton, were with Riders last year. O'Hagan was a newcomer this season from Montreal while Pallen came to Riders a year ago from Saskatchewan Hilltops.

Riders also announced that guard Ernie Choukalis, with Riders for the last two years, has been sold to B.C. Lions. Thirty-six players remain in the Rider camp.

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