

Temperatures may drop into 30s for Game 3

Games 3 and 4 might be the first games with snow since 1979

By Ben Walker
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CLEVELAND — Jim Leyland saw the foreboding sky and heard the grim forecast. A frost warning for Monday night, snow flurries later this week.

The World Series weather concerned the Florida Marlins manager. Not so much, however, for the way it might aggravate Bobby Bonilla's hamstring or affect Al Leiter's grip.

"I'm more worried about the cold for my mom more than I am the players," Leyland said at an off-day workout. "But I'm not going to buy her a fur coat today, I can tell you that."

Suffice to say, Leyland's 85-year-old mother, Veronica, could use one when she attends Game 3 Tuesday night. Temperatures may drop into the upper 30s by the end of the evening, and it might be even more frosty Wednesday.

In fact, these could become the first World Series games with snow since the 1979 opener in

Baltimore between Pittsburgh and the Orioles.

Florida and the Cleveland Indians, tied 1-1, both got a feel for what may come during Monday's practices, held in blustery, 50-degree conditions.

The Marlins traded in the T-shirts and shorts they wore while taking batting practice in the 77-degree heat before Game 2 for heavy pullovers, as did the Indians.

Players on both teams wore gloves — not the kind made by Rawlings, either — while standing on the sidelines.

Not that anyone was complaining. At least, not yet.

"I found that this kind of weather is kind of a mind over matter," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said. "If you don't mind, it really doesn't matter."

Marlins second baseman Craig Counsell, a Notre Dame alum, said he was actually looking forward to having an October chill in the air.

"I grew up in Milwaukee, I went to school in South Bend, so this is outstanding weather," he said. "I can't wait to go out and play in it, to be honest with you."

"To me growing up, this is always what the World Series was played in, weather like this," he said. "It's the World Series, I don't care what the weather is going to be like. It's not going to be a factor from my standpoint. You've got to deal with it. If you let it affect you, you're crazy."

No doubt, it won't bother the Jacobs Field crowd too much. Remember, some of these fans are the same ones who stood bare-chested in the Dawg Pound when the old Browns played in December.

But there are adjustments that need to be made.

"Probably the major effect is the grip the pitcher will have on the ball. Cold weather tends to dry out your hands and fingers a lot more than warm weather will, obviously," Hargrove said.

"Hitting a baseball in cold weather is not a lot of fun," he said. "If you don't hit it just right, it hurts."

Charles Nagy, who will start for the Indians against Leiter, did not sound disturbed.

"I don't mind it so much," he said. "There's nothing you can do about it, you can't change the con-

ditions. I've pitched in cold weather before, but nothing can really prepare you to go out there. It's going to be cold."

Leiter agreed: "The biggest problem with the cold is the slick feeling on the ball. The balls become like cue balls."

And in the end, it's the same for both sides. Even though Cleveland and Miami have different climates, it's been a while since either team felt anything close to what's in the forecast.

"I really believe that we haven't played in any colder weather, really, than the Marlins have the last couple of months," Hargrove said. "This is the first time that we've run into cold weather since April, so I don't see it being an advantage or disadvantage for anybody."

Back in April, the Marlins dealt with sub-freezing conditions when they visited Chicago. Leyland said he could tell his team was preparing for a similar situation in Cleveland.

"It's cold, so what?" he said. "They know it's cold, I know it's cold, the other dugouts know it's cold. That's part of the game this time of year."

Chauffeur admits to driving while suspended

Two Red Wings remain in the hospital after an accident in which Gnida was the driver

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. — The chauffeur of the limousine that crashed while carrying a party of Detroit Red Wings pleaded guilty today to driving with a suspended license.

Richard Gnida entered the plea this morning before 48th District Judge Kimberly F. Small, said court clerk Ann-Margaret Wesley.

The accident happened June 13 as the party was returning from a team golf outing. The Red Wings had won the Stanley Cup by completing a sweep four nights earlier of the Philadelphia Flyers.

Defenseman Vladimir Konstantinov and team masseur Sergei Mnatsakanov remain in Royal Oak's William Beaumont Hospital, where they are listed in good condition.

Both spend four hours a day in rehabilitation, but hospital officials say Konstantinov still can't communicate other than using hand signals and gestures. Mnatsakanov is able to speak, mostly in Russian.

Gnida and defenseman Vyacheslav Fetisov sustained less-serious injuries in the accident.

Both men are improving in small increments, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Rodman unhappy with contract; won't sign

Dennis Rodman claims the incentive clauses are unfair

By Mike Nadel
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DEERFIELD, Ill. — Dennis Rodman is unhappy with the contract agreement he reached more than a week ago and still isn't officially a member of the Chicago Bulls.

Rodman and his agent, Dwight Manley, had separate meetings with Bulls general manager Jerry Krause on Monday, but there was no word that the NBA's six-time rebounding leader had signed a contract.

Rodman, who is threatening to sit out the start of the regular season if certain incentive clauses aren't rewritten or eliminated, wasn't available for comment Monday. Krause and Manley refused to talk to reporters.

"Someway or other, it's going to be resolved. He's either going to be here practicing or he's

not. When the Bulls have something to report, you'll hear about it," said coach Phil Jackson, whose two-time defending NBA champions open the season Oct. 31 at Boston.

Krause and Manley announced Oct. 10 that Rodman had agreed to terms on a one-year contract. But Rodman had bronchitis and slight pneumonia and wasn't able to complete his physical examination, and it was announced that he would sign when the team returned from playing two exhibition games in France.

Upon returning, however, the Bulls learned that Rodman was unhappy with several incentive clauses in the deal, which reportedly includes a base salary of about \$4.5 million.

"It's very unfair, and before I sign anything I'll make sure those things are out of the contract," Rodman told the Chicago Tribune on Sunday. "I don't have a contract, and the contract they're trying to give me — I don't like it."


Rodman was especially upset with incen-

tives tied to team performance. He claimed he was misled about the condition of Scottie Pippen, who is expected to be out until at least January after undergoing foot surgery.

"Now I hear Toni could be out for the season," Rodman said, referring to Toni Kukoc. "How many games are we going to win without Scottie and Toni?"

The Bulls insisted that Rodman's contract also include plenty of incentives because of his unpredictable behavior. Last season, he was suspended for 14 games for kicking a courtside cameraman, using expletives during a live postgame television interview and striking an opponent in the groin.

Rodman, known as much for his dyed hair, tattooed torso, nose ring and foul mouth as for his rebounding ability, doesn't mind incentives that reward him for good behavior. But he said he won't sign a deal with incentives that pay him per win.

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