

# Charles Risks NBA Toga Tonight

## Beshore Gets Underdog Role

### Champ Aims for Kayo Win and Louis Bout

By Jack Hand  
BUFFALO, N.Y., Aug. 14 (AP)—Ezzard Charles shoots for the Joe Louis jackpot tomorrow night when he risks his NBA-heavy-weight crown against underdog Freddie Beshore at Memorial auditorium.

If Charles shows enough "tigger" and flattens the 5 to 1 challenger inside the 15-round limit, he wins a \$50,000 September date with Louis. An upset by Beshore would scramble the situation.

With on radio and television, Promoter Dewey Michaels counts on a last minute sales to bring a crowd of 10,000 and a gate of \$80,000. It may be less.

Ring time for the twice-postponed indoor battle is 9:00 p.m. (EST) with the weigh-in scheduled for noon. Chairman Eddie Egan of the New York state athletic commission and top brass of the International Boxing club will be among the most interested spectators.

Both Egan and IBC officials want to see for themselves how Charles will react in his fight after a long layoff due to a "bruised heart muscle." The result will lead to a final decision on the Louis-Charles bout, tentatively set for Yankee stadium Sept. 27.

Beshore, a blond Pennsylvania Dutchman from Harrisburg, Pa., has trained long and hard for his one "shot at the moon." Injuries to Charles postponed his big chance twice, after some 700 rounds of training he's as ready as he'll ever be.

A weaving, crouching body puncher, Beshore will try to carry the fight to the counter-punching champ. He and his manager, Ralph Gold, admit their chances improve as the fight goes on. Beshore is a slow starter with hopes of wearing down the champ "after the eighth round."

Jake Mintz, as always the loud spokesman for Charles, said the champ was going after a knock-out "as soon as he can."

"Ezzy knows the spot he's in," said Manager Mintz, "he knows he needs to win sensational. He's mean and ready. That layoff made him realize what it means to be champion."

## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



RUSH HOUR SMALL TALK—THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME... THANK TO MEADOR, WRIGHT, RUMSON RD., RUMSON, N.J.

## City Swim Bee Tonight

The annual City Swimming championships will be held tonight starting at 7:30 o'clock in the Olinger playground pool. Sponsored by the city and schools recreational program, the meet is open to the public but all who intend going after the titles in the events must register sometime today at the check room at the pool, according to officials.

Events will be held for both boys and girls in freestyle, breast-stroke and backstroke. The age groups for the contestants are (1) 13 years old and under, (2) 14 to 18 years and (3) 18 years and over.

City Playgrounds Director Vern Gilmore will be in charge of the meet.

## 2nd Clash Tonight

### 'C' All-Stars Battle to Tie

The American and National league all-stars, comprised of the top players from the Junior "C" league battled to no decision Monday night at Olinger, 6 o'clock, and will windup with another fray Wednesday evening.

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The Americans gained a deadlock in the opener by virtue of a three-run burst in the fifth and final frame—and accounting for all three tallies was a homer by Bill Mays. The circuit blow came off Jack Loy after Eddie Kitchen had walked and Clem Moore had singled.

The Nationals picked up a run in the first on Dick Smith's single and a double by Arnold Peterson, collected their No. 2 marker in the fourth via an error and Pitcher Gary Keppinger's two-base blow and registered their third and tying tally in the fifth when Peterson singled behind a pair of free passes.

Keppinger went the route for the Nationals, giving three hits. Gary Smith and Loy permitted four blows while toiling for the Americans.

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Nationals 100 00-3 3 0  
Smith, Loy (4) and Mays; Keppinger and Magee.

## SPORTSLIGHTNER

by Al Lightner

### Homer-Hitting Dick Greco Back Again

Dick Greco & Co. bounce into Waters field again tonight for a five-game pitch with the resident nine and, as is usually the case whenever we see or hear the big guy's name we get to thinking of home runs. Little wonder, for Rousing Richard has hit more than his share since making a career of playing in the WIL.

Oddly enough Greco has yet to send one from the local premises this season. Which is a record for him. But chances are he won't be able to say that following the upcoming five games, for he has been tagging 'em right and left lately to go far ahead of the league's round trip producers with almost 30.

Even at that Greco has authored the longest homer ever hit out of Waters field. And there have been many of the gargantuan clouts here. His came one evening in 1948 off the capable slants of Cal McIrvin. When Center-fielder Dick Sinovic had a last look at the ball it was heading on a line for Warden George Alexander's front porch after just missing the transformer halfway up on the light tower a bit to the left of the scoreboard.

### Others Have Hit Mighties Here Also

Senator fans who saw that one don't dare doubt its supremacy over all others even though they may remember these: Back in 1940 "Wild Bill" Harris, then the Senator first-sacker, lofted one of Vancouver Don Osborn's sinkers high and far over the right field wall, a cast that most patrons figured would surely descend upon Main street in Silverton. Spokane's Pete Hughes of the same era conquered the same barrier with ridiculous ease, and we'll never forget the night that Vancouver's Singers Wimpy Quinn and Ed Stewart led off an excessive pitcher by Salem's Oddie Solinla and sent them (1) just to the right of the scoreboard on a line and (2) just to the left of the scoreboard on a line. What pokes they were!

J. Smead Jolley made the barrier seem like it was stationed just a trifle beyond the infield on a few occasions also, and since the war such gents as Dick Wenner, Sinovic, Eddie Barr, Larry Barton, Jack Parks, Walt Pocekay, Bill Spaeter, Mel Wasley and Bob Spaeter have hit some gosh-awfuls here. Wenner's of opening night in 1946 struck a car parked in the seventh row behind the left field fence.

### Most Powerful Ever to Play in Loop

But there is no question that Greco is the most powerful slugger ever to play in the league. He not only holds the distance record for homers here but also the one for the best exhibition of belting an opposing pitcher under fire. Remember the seven-inning second game of a doubleheader here a couple of years ago when Greco hit three home runs, one over the left field wall, one over center and the other over right? What a show he gave the folks that evening.

Perhaps the batting behemoth won't hit one out of the infield during his visit this week. And perhaps he'll be struck out a lot. Which is nothing new for the hard-swinging guy. The local clients will get a big bang out of putting the spurs to him for such puny of course. But they'll also get quite a thrill out of seeing him put the wood to one, if he does. You can't help but admire anyone who can hit a baseball as hard as does Rousing Richard. . . .

## Stanky's Arm-Waving Outlawed

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 14 (AP)—Can an infielder gesture like a windmill in order to distract a batter?

National league President Ford Frick says "No." And today he ordered his umpires to eject any player who makes any motion "designed or intended to annoy or distract opposing basemen."

The antics had provoked a storm that upset players, umpires, team managers and fans. It indirectly led to one of the stormiest free-for-alls in Shibe park history yesterday. It caused a game to be played under protest. It resulted in \$25 fines against two players who started the fracas.

Both the Phils, now leading the league, and the fifth-place Giants are pennant contenders. Every game is important. The players take advantage of every break—even try to make a few of their own. Eddie Stanky, the New York Giants' explosive second baseman, created the arm-waving fringe. One player—Catcher Andy Seminick of the Philadelphia Phillies—was the chief target of his shenanigans.

It started Friday night. Stanky camped behind second base, directly in the line of vision as Seminick stood at the plate, and revolved his arms like a windmill.

The upset was that Stanky was ordered off the field. Shortly after that, Seminick collided with Bill Rigway, playing for Stanky. That started a free-for-all. Result: Seminick and Rigway were ejected. Frick today fined both \$25 each.

## Grid Officials Meet Tonight

The 1950 Oregon High Schools Activities association football examination for whistle-blowers is to take place tonight starting at 7:30 o'clock in the senior high school building. Oden Hawes, OHSAA official, will be in charge of the exam. All officials expecting to work in high school grid games the coming season must take the exam in order to be certified.

## Look and Learn

- By A. C. Gordon
- About how many islands are there in Bermuda?
  - Who was the first U. S. Chief Justice?
  - Of what is bronze an alloy?
  - What country of the Western Hemisphere is named for its geographical location?
  - What animal runs the fastest?
- ANSWERS
- 360 islands.
  - John Jay.
  - Tin and copper.
  - Ecuador, because of its position on the Equator.
  - The cheetah, or hunting leopard, of India.

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## Stock Racers Next at Bowl

The stock cars—the same kind most ordinary folks drive—are next on the auto racing agenda at Hollywood bowl. The sponsoring Valley Sports outfit will produce a full program of stock car racing next Saturday night, the second such meeting of the speed season for the big arena. Time trials will start at eight o'clock, with trophy dash, heat races and main events following.

The non-souped up stocks when here earlier in the summer for their only visit drew one of the largest racing crowds in the history of the bowl. They also supplied one of the more thrilling programs and proved beyond question that the big bugsies can do some interesting and spectacular racing on a quarter-mile track.

Fords, Oldsmobiles, Hudsons, Mercurys and other such popular models of cars, and all with stock parts, tires, etc., will provide the racing. Expected to be herding the speedsters are such luminaries of the oval as Hershel McGriff, Ray Elliott, Bud Ema, Jimmy Wilkenson, Armond Millan, Frankie McGowan, Bill Weimann and others.

The racing card is open to anyone who cares to enter a car provided the car is no older than a 1948 model.

The sponsors are now attempting to sign both McGriff and Elliott, winners of the Mexican cross-country classic last spring, to be here for the Saturday card.



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