

SPORTS

Devastating Dodgers Open Long Home Stand; May Be Greatest Team Since 1906

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The devastating Dodgers, shooting for victory, vengeance, and vindication, opened a long home stand Tuesday with the chance to become the greatest winning machine in the National league since the gas-light era Cubs of 1906.

As they returned in triumph with eight straight victories on their third romp through the West following an opening game setback in Chicago, they stood at .728 in the percentages with 59 victories and only 22 defeats. Two clubs in the league, the Pirates and the Braves, have yet to beat the Dodgers, and their opponents tonight, the Reds, have suffered 12 defeats against a lone victory. Since the Dodgers have won 13 straight from both the Reds and Pirates

their combined won and lost record against the three bottom clubs in the league is an incredible 38-1.

No Crack-Up Evidence

There is no evidence they will let up. Stung by the awful crack-up of 1951 which cost them a pennant when they led 13½ games as late as August 11, they are a grim and determined outfit this year, gaining momentum as they go.

Should they continue at their current pace — or better it — they would surpass every winning percentage in the majors since the 1906 Cubs won 116 games and lost but 36 to finish with a .736 figure — an all-time high.

Yank's in Driver's Seat

The Yankees, who lead by 4½ games in the American



HERE'S QUALIFYING JUMP—Robert E. Richards, United States hope in the Olympics, easily clears bar at 13 feet 1½ inches to qualify for the pole vaulting event in the international games at Helsinki.

Doctor Medalist In Links Tourney

Astoria — (U.P.) — Dr. Milard S. Rosenblatt Tuesday held medal laurels for men over 50 in the annual Oregon coast golf championships at Astoria Golf and Country club.

Lou Rose and Jake Burns, both of Portland, tied for top honors in the bracket for men over 40.

Dr. Rosenblatt fired three birdies on the last four holes and equaled par at 36-36—72 to nose out Marty Leptich, also of Portland.

Rose shot a 35-37—72 and Burns duplicated Rosenblatt's nines of 36-36.

Behind Rose and Burns were Bob Anderson of Astoria, with a 36-37—73 and Ray Isaacs, Portland; Hans Pasma, of Astoria; and ex-champion Al Remlinger of Hood River—all knotted at 74.

The spines of porcupines are camouflaged by long wisps of yellow hair that stream over the back and head of the animal.

league race, are also in a position to make a getaway as the stretch stage approaches. They begin a long five city 21-game trip with a night double-header in Cleveland tonight. If the Indians fail to close ground in the four - game set there, the odds will be strong against them making a recovery later.

Dempsey-Gibbons Bout Aids Construction of Building

Helena, Mont. — (U.P.) — You can't say that Jack Dempsey and a tough Montana heavyweight named Tommy Gibbons were entirely responsible for Montana's veterans-pioneer memorial building, now nearing completion.

Still, they helped the project along, although all they had in mind that Fourth of July in 1923 at Shelby, Mont., was to bat each other's ears off as quickly as possible.

That was the first and last big fight ever held in that little prairie town. It was a good fight, although the gate didn't match the expenses of bringing the two men together.

Here's how the story goes:

In the pre-World War I days, boxing wasn't recognized by Montana law. Not until 1919 was the sport legalized.

That year the legislature recognized boxing and ordered a share of all proceeds to go for the benefit of soldiers, sailors and marines.

Proceeds Start Fund

The Dempsey - Gibbons fight helped get that fund on its feet.

In 1923 the state legislature passed a bill authorizing a "pioneer" building for Montana, but without providing money.

From 1923 to 1941 four such bills were approved but in each case without funds. The idea was that support would come from interested groups.

Meanwhile, veterans' groups had been thinking about a building of their own. In 1941 representatives of the veterans' groups and of the two pioneer organizations — Montana Pioneers and Sons and Daughters of Montana Pioneers — asked each other why they couldn't work together.

That proved the solution. The state supreme court approved using \$48,000 the fight fund had collected, together with money from the capitol building fund for the veterans-pioneer memorial building. The state decided to put up \$250,000 from the latter fund to help retire building bonds.

Delayed by War

The war held up plans until 1945, when the state raised its share by \$150,000. Again, in 1949, the state added \$300,000 for the building, making \$700,000 it had set aside for the memorial building.

This summer the building will be finished.

In the three-story gray concrete building will be offices for the two pioneer organizations and four veterans' organizations — the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, United Spanish War Veterans and Disabled American Veterans—who will pay no rent.

The long, one-story wing jutting from the main structure will house Montana's new historical museum, which may be one of the best of its kind anywhere when completed. It is hoped to acquire a collection of the paintings of Charles Russell the great Montana cowboy artist.

Dope Charge Hits Ex-Ring Champ

New York — (U.P.) — A prize-fighter who at one time earned \$30,000 a year in the ring, has been arrested as "one of the leading narcotics dealers in Harlem."

Gene Burton, a welterweight with victories over former light-weight champion Ike Williams and former welterweight champion Johnny Bratton, was held in \$20,000 bail Monday on a charge of selling narcotics.

Assistant U. S. Attorney James E. Branigan Jr., said federal narcotics agents had been on Burton's trail for several weeks. He said that Burton made the mistake of arranging the sale of a two and one half ounce package of heroin to a federal agent.

Irvin May Return As Giant Pinch-Hitter

New York — (U.P.) — Monte Irvin may get back into action with the Giants Tuesday night as a pinch-hitter for the first time since he broke his right leg during spring training.

Irvin was reinstated to the active list Monday. However, he won't be fit for full-time duty for several weeks, according to the Giants' doctors.

Irvin led the National league in runs batted in during the 1951 season and his loss has been sorely felt by the Giants this year.

HE'S FINISHED

Dodge, Neb. (U.P.) — Charles A. Vrba decided to retire after 40 years service on the volunteer fire department and 19 years as chief. "If you see me at the fire house when the whistle blows," Vrba told friends at a testimonial dinner, "please tell me my time has been served and send me home."

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—NINE

Legion Team Ends Season With 2 Losses

Medford's American Legion team completed its season Sunday with a twin defeat at the hands of the Klamath Falls nine. Losing pitchers for Medford were "a pair of guys named Kelly."

The home Klamath Falls team socked out a 5 to 2 victory in the first game. This was Jim Kelly's first defeat of the season. Klamath out-hit the locals only 5 to 3 but three Medford errors added to Kelly's downfall.

The nightcap resulted in a 4-2 victory for Klamath Falls. Although he gave up six hits, all the runs off losing Pitcher Kay Kelley were unearned.

This double brought the local Legionnaire's season to a close with an 8 and 7 record. They will play again August 9 and 10 in an invitational tournament at Klamath Falls.

Several of the Legion players have announced that they would like to play in the Valley league on Sundays during the summer.

Civilized man, who relishes crabs, oysters, snails, and frogs' legs, scorns insects as food. Yet Hottentots consider a locust plague as manna from heaven. Australian bushmen eat various types of raw insect larvae. American Indians enjoyed roasted



SIX A DAY—As delegates to the Democratic national convention met to select their candidate for President, Senator Estes Kefauver continued his round of meetings. He's shown changing to a clean shirt—which he does six times a day in blistering Chicago weather.

crickets, as well as the queens of leaf-cutting ants. And to the Aztecs an ear of corn tasted best if full of borers.

NO TIME OUT
Wichita, Kan. — (U.P.) — A 16-year-old Wichita national guardsman, Charles E. Kerr, lost no time from his military duties because of a jail sentence for joy riding. City Court Judge Al Blase ordered Kerr released from jail for his Monday night drill and returned under custody of a guard officer.

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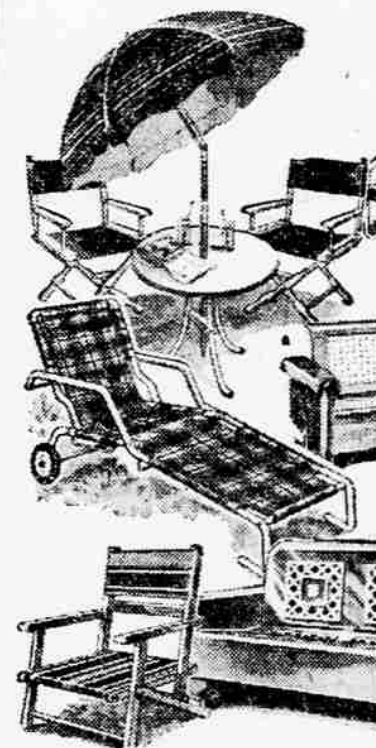
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