

# Dodgers, Giants To Open 3-Game Series

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There's little joy in Brooklyn today — even with a plush 12½ game lead — because suddenly everyone from owner Walter O'Malley on down has started remembering an even bigger margin the Dodgers blew in '51.

"We're not getting the least bit cocky about our lead," O'Malley said. "Like the elephant, we have long memories in Brooklyn and we still remember 1951. We were 13½ games ahead in August, yet we lost. And here it is only June."

None of the Dodger players were spending those World Series shares yet, either.

"You never feel safe no matter how big a lead you have," said outfielder Duke Snider. "I remember being with a Montreal club that had an even bigger lead than we have now but still lost."

It was an open date for all clubs in the majors Monday but it's back to the wars for all of 'em today.

**Dodgers, Giants Open Series**

The Dodgers are in a perfect position to tie the can to the lifeless world champion Giants in a three-game series which opens at Ebbets Field tonight.

The forthcoming series could be a momentous one for Giant Manager Leo Durocher, whose job apparently grows more shaky each day. Durocher's contract runs until the end of the 1955 season but if the Giant's

fortunes do not improve, there have been reports he may resign before that.

While the Giants attempt to cut into the 17½ game gap between themselves and the Dodgers, the Cubs and Braves meet tonight with second place at stake. Chicago is ahead of Milwaukee by a mere half game.

**Cincinnati at St. Louis**

In other National league games tonight, Cincinnati is at St. Louis and Pittsburgh at Philadelphia. The game between the Pirates and Phils will be preceded by the completion of the suspended game between the two clubs on April 24.

Over in the American league, the pace-setting Yankees and last-place Orioles are idle but the second-place White Sox meet the Tigers, the Athletics face the Indians and the Red Sox play the Senators in a two-night twinbill.

In the six exhibition games played Monday night, Bob Wiesler was credited with the Yankee's 4-1 victory over the Giants; Ronnie Kline was the winner in Pittsburgh's 8-2 decision over the Red Sox; reliever Ray Narleski of Cleveland beat Cincinnati, 2-1, in 11 innings; York of the Class B Piedmont league upset the parent Baltimore Orioles, 13-1; Toronto of the International league defeated the White Sox, 7-3, and Des Moines of the Western league nipped the Chicago Cubs, 3-2.

# All-American Semi-Final Possible In Tennis Meet

Wimbledon, England — (U.P.) Doris Hart, Louise Brough, Beverly Baker Fleitz and Darlene Hard set up the 10th straight All-American women's singles final today at the Wimbledon tennis championships by winning their quarter-final matches in straight sets.

Wimbledon, England — (U.P.) Today's action in the Wimbledon tennis championships was expected to clinch for the United States its 12th straight title in women's singles.

Five American girls headed into today's quarter-final round on the historic, All-England courts, only two of them matched against each other, and the experts were frankly predicting that an All-American semi-final round would result.

That would assure the United

States of another championship in the string begun by Alice Marble in 1938.

Moreover, it would assure the 10th straight All-American final round in women's singles. Not since Sarah Palfrey of Britain went to the final round in 1939 before losing to Miss Marble has a non-American reached the last bracket.

**Doris Hart Top Seeded**

Top-seeded Doris Hart, U. S. champion from Miami, Fla., was matched against fifth-seeded Mrs. Dorothy Knodel of Alameda, Calif., in the only quarter-final expected to produce a Yank elimination.

Second-seeded Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, Calif., three-time winner of this championship, was heavily favored over seventh-seeded Beryl Penrose of Australia, while third-seeded Mrs. Beverly Baker Fleitz of Long Beach, Calif., was picked over eighth-seeded Angela Buxton of Britain, and sixth-seeded Darlene Hard of Montebello, Calif., over unseeded Mrs. Zusi Koroczai of Hungary.

The United States already has been assured of one final berth in men's singles.

Top-seeded Tony Trabert of Cincinnati, Ohio, gained the semi-final round with an impressive 8-6, 6-1, 6-4 victory Monday over defending champion Jaroslav Drobny of Egypt. And seventh-seeded Budge Patty of Los Angeles also moved up with a stunning 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 upset of fourth-seeded Lew Hoard of Australia.

# Sample Wins Cycle Race

Don Sample of Medford, riding a KHRM, won the 15-lap main event of the motorcycle race at the Sheriff Posse grounds Sunday in 4:20.02.

Wayne Vipond of Eureka, Calif., was second and Joe Jokela, also of Eureka, was third.

Sample also won the Trophy dash, which includes the fastest five-time trialers, with a time of 1:28.25 for five laps. John Coleman of Myrtle Creek won the semi-main event, and Jokela and Vipond won two qualifying events.

Eureka was the best represented for the day's events with most of the 18 riders registered, and members of the Redding Motorcycle club also were present.

The event is sponsored by the Rogue River Ramblers.

**JOINS 49ER STAFF**

San Francisco — (U.P.) — Mark C. Duncan, formerly of Colorado A&M, has joined the coaching staff of the San Francisco Forty-Niners in the National Football League.

They represent the third NCL club Medford will have faced this season and the Studs will be out to keep their record clean against Gold Bear state competition.

Fort Jones lost its first six league games this season. It then collected its full strength and two week ends ago routed the NCL leader, Tulalake, 5-2. Result of its last Sunday's conflict was not learned here.

**Four Tossers**

Pitcher for the Stars will be from among a staff of four. They are Fred Ruff, Jim Church, Sonney Allen and Albert Facey. Catcher will be either Allan Freeman or Wilbur Facey.

Manager Don True has listed 10 players from whom the Star's infield will be picked. They are Bill Martin, Duane Glendenning, Dale Evans, Dan Silva, Don Duncan, Edwin Fisher, Rod Vinal, Albert Facey, Bruce Mello and True, himself.

Outfielders will be chosen from among Roy Eastlick, Don Purdy, Mello and Glendenning.

The Studs battle the Grants Pass Elks in a non-loop engagement at the Climate City this evening. Manager Clarence Mellbye has indicated that either Marv Scherpf or Jim Kelly will be the pitching choice with the one not seeing duty to get the starting job here on Wednesday.

**Lovrich or Reid**

Against California competition Medford has victories of 22 to 16, 11 to 7 and 6 to 4 over Yreka, and a 4 to 3 nod over Mt. Shasta.

Either Jack Lovrich or Bob Reid could be on the hill for Grants Pass this evening. Lovrich is a 6-foot 6-inch twirler from University of Southern California. He had a 4-4 record for the Trojans this spring and blanked Colgate without a hit in two innings of relief pitching in the NCAA tournament. He was varsity reserve basketball center this year at USC.

Reid pitched at USC in 1950. He was signed by the Yankees and played for Twin Falls, Ida., in the Pioneer league for three seasons before going into the armed forces. This year he had a seven-win and 2-loss record with the Yakima Bears before quitting that team.

# Belle Cinches Qualifying Trophy, Cops Sunday Open All-Age Stake

Belle, Labrador female owned and handled by Earl Wescott, clinched the 1955 qualifying stake trophy by winning that event Sunday in the fourth of a series of picnic trials being conducted by Rogue Valley Retriever club.

Belle also took the open all-age honors Sunday. The winner of the season trophy in open competition is yet to be determined. Belle and Kip, a

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# MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE SPORTS



**VICTORY GESTURE** — Dr. Cary Middlecoff, Kiamesha Lake, N. Y., makes victory gesture with victory cup in 52nd Western Open golf tournament at Portland, Ore. He won trophy with 16-under-par 272, coming from behind on last round.

# FORT JONES NINE HERE WEDNESDAY FOR TIFF

A Northern California league contingent, which is on the upgrade from a tail end position, will oppose the Medford Cheney Studs here Wednesday night in a non-league semi-pro baseball brush.

The Fort Jones Stars will be the guests of the Studs at 8 p.m.

**Medford and Grants Pass are tied for fourth place in the Southern Oregon League baseball standings. They are not in the cellar along with Bandon as indicated in a Monday story. The error was noted yesterday but the correction just didn't get made. Drain and Coquille lead the circuit. Bend is third. Roseburg is in sixth place, following Medford and Grants Pass. Bandon is alone in the cellar.**

# Tigers Win In Pee Wee Play

The Medford Tigers, taking advantage of seven hits and seven errors, blanked Lone Pine, 9 to 0, in a Pee Wee league game here yesterday.

In other games, Central Point outslugged Ashland, 13 to 6, at Ashland, and the Medford Wildcats defeated Jacksonville, 12 to 4.

**Summaries:**

	R	H	E
Central Point	13	8	2
Ashland	6	4	5
Anhorn and Warren; Nelson, Voris, Hardy and Johnson.			
Medford Wildcats	12	7	5
Jacksonville	4	2	7
Quackenbush, Peffley and Quinney, Criswell; Romin and Shepard.			
Medford Tigers	9	7	0
Lone Pine	0	1	7
Painter and Quinney; Greene and Griffin.			

**SALAD FOOD**

Chicago—Consumption of lettuce in the U. S. has increased by more than 40 per cent since the close of World War II.

# Match Play In OGA Tournament Starts

Portland — (U.P.) — A 17-year-old girl stole the show yesterday in qualifying rounds for the match play title of the Oregon Golf Association with a record-shattering mark.

Carole Jo Kabler of Sutherlin, the state junior women's champion and runner-up in the women's division of the OGA last season, shot a one-under-women's par 75 over the Waverley Country Club course. This broke the women's course record and gave her the qualifying medal. Dorothy Kirb of Atlanta shot a 76 in the women's national amateur three years ago.

A huge men's field of 204 golfers was headed by four who wound up with 71, Bruce Cudd,

# BF Beats Camp White In RV Loop

Butte Falls outslugged Camp White, 15 to 11, in a Rogue Valley league game Sunday. It was the Whitters first loss, and dropped them into second place, one-half game behind Glendale which has a 4-1 record.

Glendale walloped Eagle Point, 24 to 1, in a league contest Sunday.

Butte Falls, with a 2-3 record, elevated itself to fourth place in the league. Camp White has a 3-1 record.

# BOB CHRISTIE TO ENTER SATURDAY HARDTOP RUN

Bob Christie, well-known veteran auto racing driver of Grants Pass, will have his first crack at hardtop competition this Saturday.

Christie, who has driven just about every type of car but a hardtop, will try his luck in the Saturday night program at the Jackson County speedway here. He'll be skipping the Vic Surroz Nash, M39.

The Grants Pass man holds the 150-mile American Automobile association championship record for stock cars on a one-half mile track. It was set last year at Gardena, Calif. He raced four consecutive years in the famed Mexican road race and qualified this year for the Indianapolis speedway Memorial day classic. In 1953 he was third in national AAA point standings in a 1953 Nash.

At Indianapolis Christie had one of the top times in qualifying. However, on his second 10-lap trial run the crankshaft of his big car broke, wrecking the vehicle.

**Goes Over Bank**

Christie drove Nashes in 1951 and 1952 in the Mexico run, and in 1953, piloting a Ford for Surroz, he was leading the first leg by five minutes when the car went over the bank on a turn. Last year in Mexico he busted a head gasket and lost too much water to stay in contention with a Curtis in the international sports car class.

He plans to enter the Mexican event again in November.

Christie's experience includes midgets and sprint cars as well as late stock, big car and sports models.

The veteran driver has raced for Surroz for a number of years. M39 he will herd on the Posse grounds track here Saturday is a 1938 Nash. It basically has a 1950 motor.

The trophy program of heats, trophy dashes and A and B mains is planned here on Saturday. Track Manager Bill Rozell reported that a number of Crescent City, Calif., cars will be entered. He reported that several drivers and mechanics are working over their machines to speed them up.

# Pastrano Meets Maxim In Bout

New Orleans — (U.P.) — Ex-champion Joey Maxim, guaranteed \$15,000 today promised a tough fight against young Willie Pastrano scheduled over the 10-round route tonight, even though he was installed a 8-5 underdog.

Main thing in Maxim's favor was his weight, about 182 pounds to 169 for Pastrano, and his ring savvy against the 19-year-old speedy local middleweight.

Pastrano has a 29-4-4 record and hit ring prominence in a recent national TV win over Al Andrews at Chicago. He later drew with Willie Troy on TV. Maxim has a 81-22-4 record.

Dead line for Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday

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# Signs With Pirates

Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — Charles Martin, a right-handed pitcher from Fayette City, Pa., today became the fifth bonus player on the Pittsburgh Pirates' roster.

The 23-year-old youth signed a contract with the Pirates Monday and joined the team immediately.

# Portland Meets Seattle In PCL

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There was only one game scheduled in the Pacific Coast League last night—between Portland and Seattle—and that was rained out.

All eight teams in the league will see action tonight. San Diego plays at San Francisco, Oakland at Seattle, Sacramento at Hollywood and Los Angeles at Portland.

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