

Odds Unchanged In 'Boner' Postponement Of Title Bout

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New York—(U.P.)—The "boner" postponement that sends Rocky Marciano and Archie Moore into the ring tonight for their heavy-weight championship fight left the odds unchanged at 4-1 but may boost the gate toward \$900,000.

With the weather lid lifted by a forecast of "cool and fair," officials of the International Boxing Club figured today's rush

New York—(U.P.)—Here's the tale-of-the-tape for tonight's heavy weight title fight between Rocky Marciano and Archie Moore:

MARCIANO	Age	MOORE
37 Years	28 yrs.	
5 ft. 11 1/2 in.	5 ft. 11 in.	
187 lbs.	186 lbs.	
46 in.	75 1/2 in.	
40 1/2 in.	48 in.	
17 1/2 in.	17 in.	
35 in.	32 in.	
15 1/2 in.	16 in.	
13 1/2 in.	12 1/2 in.	
23 in.	23 in.	
11 in.	11 in.	
12 1/2 in.	12 in.	
7 in.	7 1/2 in.	
13 in.	15 in.	

of ticket buyers might swell the crowd at Yankee Stadium to 70,000. Fresh sales were in the ratio of nearly 5-1 to refunds. Despite challenger Moore's nervousness during Tuesday's physical examination and the general belief that the 24 hour delay would bother him more than the "ice-cold champion," the betting price remained static.

Unbeaten Marciano and the 38-year-old light heavyweight champion were slated for another physical exam today, but they need not undergo the ordeal of another weigh-in.

Their respective trainers pointed out that the weights Tuesday—Rocky 188 1/4 and Archie 188—were about what was expected. **Fight Deferred 24 Hours**

Many boxing men figured promoter Jim Norris had "pulled a prize boner" Tuesday when he deferred the fight 24 hours because of a bad-weather threat that never materialized. He announced the washout at 10 a.m., but less than an hour later the skies were clearing and Hurricane Ione veered out to sea. It was the first time an important title bout had been postponed before the weigh-in.

Norris denied any boner. He explained: "I would do it again. We had no choice. Forecasts from all weather bureaus—government, Navy and flying fields—were hopelessly gloomy. And we were being bombarded by railroads and air companies for instructions whether to start their special fight trains and planes for New York."

Before the box-offices reopened this morning, Norris said the ticket sale was slightly more than \$700,000. He expected a rush today and until fight-time tonight at the stadium for medium-priced \$20 and \$30 tickets. In addition, 8,000 general admission \$5 seats will go on sale at the stadium at 7 p.m. **Starting Time Set Back**

Tonight's starting time was set back 15 minutes to 10:45 p.m. to avoid conflict with the regularly scheduled Wednesday night home TV scrap between middleweights Bobby Dykes and Georgia Johnson at Miami Beach.

There will be no home telecast of the Marciano-Moore bout, but it will be broadcast nationally over ABC networks and to several foreign countries.

Should Moore's long, solid left jabs and stunning "sneaker" rights achieve an upset victory tonight, a private contract provides that he must make his first defense against Rocky in a return bout next June. It would bring his 19-year record to 121-19-5. He already has 82 knockouts, but has been stopped four times.

Marciano, seeking his 49th consecutive professional victory and 43rd knockout, is an aggressive, explosive, short-armed slugger who is unusually rugged. He has been floored but once. However, he has been cut several times and is known as a "quick bleeder."

Each is a slow starter and each has promised to warm up lengthily in the dressing room and come out "hot."

Fight Results
Detroit—Billy Hunter, 117 1/2, Detroit, outpointed Calvin Butler, 179, Cleveland (6); Joe Gray, 160, Dearborn, Mich., outpointed Jerry Fowler, 153, Chicago (6).

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Dykes Favored Over Johnson

Miami Beach, Fla. — (U.P.) — Lanky Bobby Dykes, the sixth-ranking middleweight contender, is a 2-1 favorite over George Johnson in tonight's 10-round bout that national home television fans will view instead of the Rocky Marciano-Archie Moore bout.

At stake for the skinny Dykes, of Miami, was a possible non-title bout with middleweight champion Carl (Bobo) Olson.

Olson was originally scheduled to fight Dykes tonight but had to withdraw because of an eye infection. Promoter Chris Dundee, however, said he will

try to arrange another bout with the champ for the winner of tonight's battle.

Johnson, of Trenton, N.J., said he would probably "go for a knockout. I just want him to get in there and mix it up with me."

But Dykes, undefeated this year, planned on outpointing the Trenton slugger with his tricky long-range attack. Dykes planned to go into the ring weighing around 162, five pounds heavier than Johnson.

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MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Little World Series Opens

Rochester, N. Y.—(U.P.)—A capacity crowd of about 13,000 is expected to be on hand tonight when the Rochester Red Wings, International League playoff champions, meet the Minneapolis Millers, American Association champions, in the opening game of the best-of-seven Little World Series.

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