

Sport Parade



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New York — They stood there, toe to toe, the one a sleek black panther and the other a whipcord little man made out of barbed wire, and they hammered each other with a mad abandon. It was the 11th round in the howling din of Yankee Stadium Monday night as Carmen Basilio stripped the middleweight crown from Ray Robinson's jet black locks, and it must go down in ring history as one of the greatest rounds ever fought.

You can talk about the night Luis Angel Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, knocked Jack Dempsey out of the ring.

But I'll take that 11th round as Basilio opened with a left to the chin, followed it up with another and hurled Robinson against the ropes.

Robinson Comes Back
Talk if you will about that "long count" round when Gene Tunney got the "big 14" from the timekeeper and went on to take the heavyweight title from Dempsey at Philadelphia.

But when Robinson, blood streaming from his nose, surged off the ropes and buried a vicious right hand in Basilio's body, they were pounding out a saga of strength and courage which will live as long as men like this brutal sport.

Give me a tale, if it's your desire, about how a bitter, vengeful Joe Louis sprang out of his corner and lowered the curtain of darkness on the Black Uhlan from Germany, the sorrowful figure which was Max Schmeling.

But when Robinson sprang forward like a cougar, slashing a series of hard rights and lefts

to the chin and then shifting to the body to double the hurting Carmen into a pitiful knot, this was leather mitten history in the making.

Go on, hold out for the round in which the knotted fists of tough Rocky Marciano ended an era as they battered a gallant but aged Joe Louis into limbo on a night in Madison Square Garden.

But when Basilio came out of that pit of pain and lashed back with a savagery which sent Robinson back on his heels, the crowd in Yankee Stadium rose en masse and howled its accolade of greatness.

Goes On To Win

You might think they had been greater rounds when this same Robinson, blood streaming down his face, launched a crazy last ditch attack which drew the curtain of darkness over Randy Turpin to win back this same championship. Or even that thriller when Marciano, trailing on points, fired a long shot punch from left field which toppled the heavyweight crown from the head of old Jersey Joe Walcott.

But as Basilio reached out of nowhere, fighting on heart alone, to win that 11th round Monday night, this was one of the toughest little fighting men you'll ever see. He was out on his feet but he marched up alongside such greats of gameness as Billy Petrolle, Tony Canzoneri, Tony Zale and tough Robert Villmain, the Frenchman whose credo was "They shall not pass."

For Carmen came back to win that round—and eventually the fight. But that 11th round told the story, and it was as tough and thrilling and bitter a round as ever has been fought inside the squared circle.

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Paddy Driscoll Foresees Hard Road Ahead for Bears

Chicago — The Chicago Bears have more backfield speed, an added quarterback with experience and a strength-

SPORTS BOWLING

STANDINGS:

Hawkinson's Tire Tread	W	L
Wooden Shoe	7	1
Crater Inn Motel	6	2
Union Club	6	2
Ross Lumber	4	4
Lillie's	4	4
Jorgensen's Dairy	3	5
Trail Creek Lumber	3	5
Silver Dollar	2	6
Paulsen's Thrift Market	2	6
Jack's Drive Up	2	6
Motor Haven Motel	1	7

Results:	
Hawkinson's 4 (J. McCready 564)	
2412; Jack's 0 (L. Erickson 426) 2184;	
2412; Wooden Shoe 3 (R. Barr 518) 2442;	
Ross Lumber 1 (H. Culy 525) 2412;	
Crater Inn 4 (G. Riggs 478) 2318;	
Paulsen's Thrift 0 (F. Doty 494) 2176;	
Lillie's 3 (M. Clark 415) 2014; Trail	
Creek 1 (A. Mitchell 447) 1941;	
Jorgensen's 3 (J. Schroeder 465)	
2289; Silver Dollar 1 (A. Swoape 463)	
2190;	
Union Club 3 (V. Cummings 459)	
2064; Motor Haven 1 (M. Little 421)	
2041;	
High games — Joan McCready 211;	
Elsie Baker 206; Helene Culy 201.	
Split conversion—Helen Clark —	
3-7-10.	

VICTORY LEAGUE		
Standings:		
	W	L
Clave Construction	11	1
Hearin Lumber Co.	10	2
Pioneer Club	9	3
Quality Market	8	4
Team No. 3	6	6
Earl's Eastside Market	5	7
Rogue Sportsman	4	8
Team No. 10	4	8
U. S. Bank	4	8
Sewing Machine Center	3	9
Pick's Apparel	2	10

Results:	
Clave Construction 4 (Sandy Kessler 492) 2117; Team 10 0 (Marie Trautman 407) 1821;	
Hearin Lumber company 3 (Janice 19 breich 420); Davis Transfer 1 (Edith Redfield 392) 1846;	
Pioneer Club 4 (Alice Monroe 450)	
2038; Sewing Machine Center 0 (Yvonne Strobel 387) 1795;	
Quality Market 1 (Helene Culy 430)	
1982; Team 5 3 (Eleanor Lenz 452) 1986;	
Earl's Eastside Market 4 (Joyce Pickcock 442) 1893; U. S. Bank 0 (Norma Grange 369) 1530;	
Rogue Sportsman 3 (Doris Webster 446) 2030; Pick's Apparel 1 (Twyla Maggenti 415) 1790;	
High game—Sandy Kessler 492.	

ened pass defense, but Coach Paddy Driscoll foresees a tough road toward a second straight Western division title in the National Football league.

"We won it last year," he grimaced, "by half a game. We're better, I hope, but I don't think we've improved as much as some of the others."

"This year Detroit added Tobin Rote to go with Bobby Layne. Los Angeles has everything in material, but needs consistency, and if San Francisco improves its defense, it's got the offense. I can't see an easy road."

Driscoll's chief problem, it appears, will be how to shuffle his aces. Three rookies seem likely to make the team and all of them might become overnight standouts—tackle Earl Leggett, who will play both offense and defense, and halfbacks Ronnie Knox and Willie Galimore.

The Bears retain quarterback Ed Brown, who led the league in passing in 1956, and fullback Rick Casares, the league leading ball carrier. Then Zeke Bratkowsky, a rookie star in 1954, returned from military service.

"We've got a one-two punch at quarterback," Driscoll said. "We will probably alternate them, but if one has a bad day, we've got the other ready to go. And don't overlook George Blanda. He can keep us going too."

New York Group To Make Offers To Four Teams

New York — Mayor Robert Wagner's optimistic statement that New York may acquire a major league team to replace the Giants and Dodgers was founded on the fact that a group of local businessmen is planning to make offers to four National league teams.

These teams, the United Press learned, are the Cincinnati Redlegs, Philadelphia Phillies, Pittsburgh Pirates and Chicago Cubs. The Redlegs already have turned down one offer from the group which, incidentally, includes a current stockholder in a National League club.

This is what the group thinks of its chances of buying one of the four teams:

Cincinnati—The group is sure the Redlegs are for sale but that Powell Crosley does not want to sell it to someone who will take it from Cincinnati.

Philadelphia — The group has no idea whether Bob Carpenter will sell but will make him an offer.

Pittsburgh — One member of the group told the United Press, "If the Redlegs do not come to New York, I believe there is a very good chance it will be the Pirates."

Chicago — The same member told the U. P.: "Phil Wrigley is a very wealthy man but we believe he might be induced to sell the Cubs."

Ebbets Field Haunted House

Brooklyn — There's a haunted house in this town today called Ebbets field.

At 10:17 p.m. Tuesday night, the Dodgers finished what probably was the last baseball game they'll ever play in Brooklyn—a 2-0 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates—and turned the field over to the ghosts of games gone by.

Only 6,702 diehard fans out of what once was baseball's most loyal and fanatic following were on hand for the "death" of the Dodgers.

No Ceremonies
Since the Dodgers have yet to admit officially that they're leaving, the occasion was not marked by any ceremonies.

But the players, the fans, the park employees, the TV and radio broadcasters and the sports writers marked the passing of the Bums in their own way.

The players held a beer-and-crab fingers "farewell party," courtesy of catcher Roy Campanella. The writers and the broadcasters joined in. The park employees gathered in little groups under the stands for farewell toasts. Some of the fans were seen crying.

Basilio Awaits Ray's Statement

New York — Sugar Ray Robinson was expected to make a statement about his future today that would clarify the middleweight welterweight picture.

Carmen Basilio won the middleweight crown from 37-year-old Robinson Monday night, but he can form no plans until he learns whether Sugar Ray will try to recapture the title or hang up his gloves.

Robinson's purse for Monday's fight was \$483,666 without movie money. It was the richest of his career; but it will shrink much under the U. S. internal revenue bureau's anticipatory tax lien of \$514,310 against it.

Basilio, whose purse was \$211,629, said, "I'm clear with the income tax man."

The largest nugget of zinc ever mined came from Arkansas.

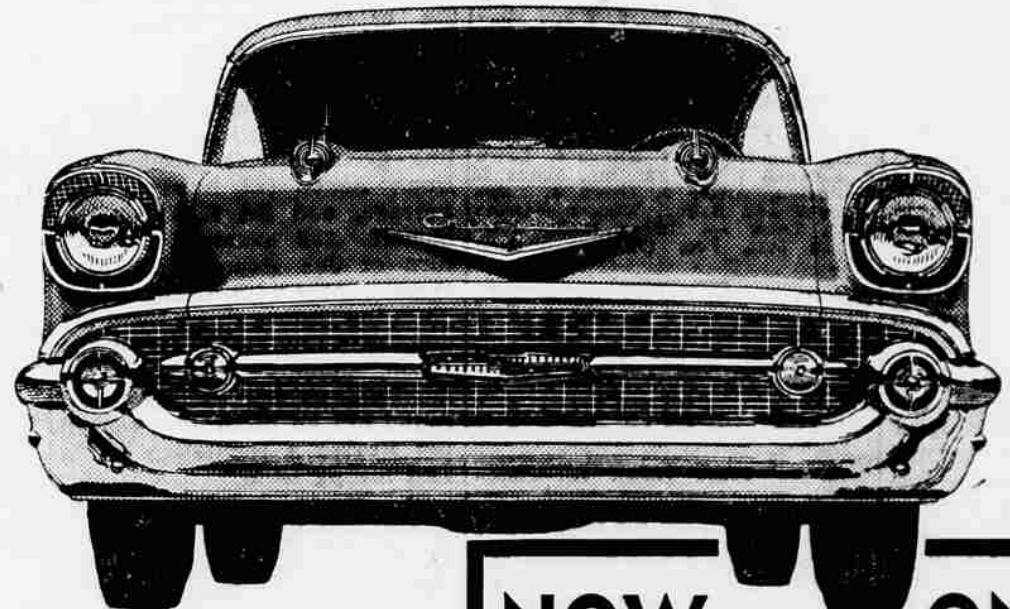
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