

# Dodgers Announce '58 Home; Coliseum Hopes Still Held

By HENRY RIEGER  
Los Angeles—The Los Angeles Dodgers finally have decided where they will play their 1958 home games—Madge.

Dodger President Walter C. O'Malley called a hurried press conference Monday to announce in a prepared statement.

Negotiations to use Pasadena's famed Rose Bowl had collapsed.

The Dodgers would use handbox sized Los Angeles Wrigley field for their 1958 home base.

But then he tempered the latter statement by saying, in answer to a question, he had "not altogether ruled out the possibility" of using the massive Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

And then he quickly added, "But at the moment, the decision to play in Wrigley field is final."

He did announce he would meet with Los Angeles Mayor Norris Poulson to "discuss" the Coliseum and Wrigley

field. Poulson, in a follow-up statement to O'Malley's announcement, said that Wrigley field was a "splendid structure" but added that the Coliseum "is the best place available."

The Dodgers own Wrigley field, securing it as part of the deal which transferred the now defunct Los Angeles Angels from the Chicago Cubs family to the Dodgers.

It is small in comparison to most major league parks. It also has such problems as short foul lines, practically no public parking facilities, and a none-too-accessible location.

The stands are double-decked with a maximum capacity of 22,000 fans. With a minimum of alterations, they can be expanded to handle 23,600. Some architectural plans call for a maximum of 28,000.

O'Malley hopes to answer the criticism of Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick, that the low left field fence makes for "cheap" home

runs, by erecting a 40-foot screen atop the fence. This would be similar to Fenway park in Boston and would aid in keeping the hefty National league left field hitters from breaking Babe Ruth's 60-home run record the easy way.

**Latest Roadblocks**  
O'Malley's revelation that the Rose Bowl negotiations had collapsed was the latest in a series of troubles the Dodgers have met in trying to locate in Los Angeles.

Initially, Los Angeles voters petitioned to hold up the move to build a stadium in Chavez ravine until after a June 3 election. And the

Dodgers then ran into a roadblock when they sought the Coliseum as a home base and the park commission refused to allow them to locate the diamond where all baseball experts said it should be.

And finally, Monday the Rose Bowl negotiations were called off when O'Malley discovered that the \$750,000 it would take to alter the stadium could not be amortized in a short term lease "after payment of what in itself would be a substantial annual rent."

Pasadena officials also felt that the face lifting "would leave physical scars on the beauty of the Rose Bowl."

## Congress to Receive Baseball TV Request

Washington—Organized baseball went to Congress today with its television troubles, but its effort to get legislative relief was doomed in advance.

Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick and a three-man minor league committee arranged separate meetings with Chairman Emanuel Celler (D-N.Y.) of the House Judiciary committee and Rep. Kenneth B.

Keating, N. Y., senior committee Republican.

Frick and the minor league officials—minor league czar, George M. Trautman, International league president Frank Shaughnessey and President Frank J. Horton of the Rochester, N. Y., club of the International league—want Congress to bail baseball out of a dilemma resulting from an agreement by six major league teams to nationally televise Sunday "games of the week."

Celler and Keating made it clear there is little or nothing they can do in the way of corrective legislation. They suggested they would send Frick and the minor league officials to the Justice department for guidance and a possible ruling on any anti-trust aspects of the TV arrangement.

Both said it is up to the major leagues to solve the problem. Keating, branding the majors as "short sighted," counseled the majors to go slow on televising games into major league territory, "lest they kill minor league baseball."

## Ashlanders, Tornado Vie This Week

Medford's Black Tornado goes back into Southern Oregon conference basketball contention this week with every indication that it will have put forth considerable effort if it is going to bust into the league win column.

The TCL, which previously played 172 games or more, announced a 21-week schedule of 154 games.

## Conversion Rule Striking Change In Grid Sport

By FRED DOWN  
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The nation's top college football coaches have agreed that the extra point will be killed by the NCAA's new two-point conversion play but differed sharply whether that will help or hurt the game.

"There'll be less and less kicking," was the virtually-unanimous comment and others included, "You've just got to go for the two points instead of the one . . . the coach is sure to be second-guessed no matter what he does . . . and . . . there'll be fewer ties and more interest."

NCAA rules committee chairman Fritz Crisler, athletic director at Michigan and author of the new rule, was outspoken in favor of it.

**Striking Change**  
"It is one of the most striking changes in football history," he said at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where the committee passed the rule. "It's a progressive step and should inject more drama into football's dulllest, most stupid play."

The new rule, which marked the first change in football scoring since the NCAA was formed in 1906 was approved unanimously Sunday by the 10-man committee. The committee also voted to liberalize the substitution rule, permitting all substitutes to reenter each period once, and made four other rule changes.

The conversion rule retained the old on-point for placement or drop kick regulation but added the option that a team could try for two points by running or passing from the three-yard line. Most high schools throughout the country are expected to conform to the regulation.

## Crater Frosh Trim Phoenix

Central Point—Crater high freshman basketball team subdued Phoenix 53 to 32 last night. The Comets had 21 to 8, 30 to 16 and 47 to 26 quarter bulges. Gerald Sloper, Phoenix, was top scorer with 15 points and Dave Foote had 11 for Crater. Bryson LaCasse and Dan Edwards headed rebounding with 10 each although playing only half the game.

**LINE-UPS:**  
Phoenix 32  
31 Frazer Thompson 2  
F. Edwards Lumley 2  
C. LaCasse Sloper 15  
C. 10 Romo Richey 2  
G. Allen Coggin 4  
Substitutions—For Crater, White S. Nelson 2, Hoger, Martin 2, Mattson, Fisher 2, for Phoenix, Fowler 9, Bolz, Kelso, Sommons.

## Fish Farm Will Reach 500,000 Per Year Goal

A goal of about 500,000 fish sold per year has been set by the Talent Trout Farms, according to Harry Ringland, co-partner of the farm.

Ringland and his partner, Homer Harris, told the chamber of commerce's roundtable meeting Monday noon they have been in operation about seven months and have about 300,000 fish in different stages of growth. They recently reported the successful spawning of 100,000 rainbow trout.

The fish, when first hatched, will be kept in a trough for about six to eight weeks before being placed in the ponds. Ringland said the farm has nine ponds at present, he added. Ringland said all ponds in use now are gravity feed ponds and are supplied by two creeks which meet on their property.

He told the group the farm does not hold the water but runs it through the ponds and then back into the streams. Plans are now underway to install a pumping system which would be required for a larger number of ponds.

Ringland said the men first became interested in raising trout in Southern Oregon when Harris came to the Medford area for vacations and bought 10 acres of land near the farm, which at that time was a small operation owned by a local man. After finding outlets for the trout in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland, the men moved to the area and began learning

## Redskin Player On Shrine Club

Eldon Smith, Jacksonville high, has been named to an end berth on the West squad for the Shrine B school all-star football game.

He was the only player chosen from Jackson county.

The game for Shrine hospital benefit will be played in August at Pendleton.

## Talent Slates Games

Talent—Talent high grade school hoopmen have their next games at Gold Hill on Thursday with junior varsity mix at 6:30 p.m. and the varsity brush at 7:30 p.m. In games last week Talent downed St. Mary's 44 to 15 and 18 to 8 in varsity and jayvee contests.

# SPORTS



'SHOWBOAT' HALL Finally Made the Ranks

## Detroit Boy Makes Grade as Mainstay On Globetrotters

A good deed by Abe Saperstein in 1944 has paid off for him in one of the greatest basketball players now with the famed Harlem Globetrotters, D. C., Generals at Hedrick junior high school gym Friday night. Game time is 8 o'clock and the box office will open at 6 p.m.

It all happened when Saperstein took his Trotters to Detroit to play a benefit for a Negro community center. Leon Wheeler, director of the center, had sent Saperstein

## HOCKEY

Montreal—Dick Moore leads the National Hockey League scoring race today with a 51-point total that doubled his last week's lead of one point over Montreal teammate Henri Richard.

## West Virginia Holds To Lead In UP Ratings

New York—The United Press major college basketball ratings with first place votes and won-lost records through Jan. 11 in parentheses:

Team	Points
1. West Va., 29 (12-0) . . . 335	
2. San Fran., 3 (12-1) . . . 229	
3. Kansas, 1 (10-2) . . . 207	
5. N. Car., 1 (11-2) . . . 166	
6. Cincinnati (10-2) . . . 165	
7. Maryland (9-2) . . . 145	
8. Bradley (8-1) . . . 101	
9. Okla. St. (10-1) . . . 91	
10. Temple (10-2) . . . 83	

Second 10 group—11, Oregon State, 45; 12, Michigan State, 37; 13, Kentucky 30; 14, Utah, 13; 15, Mississippi State, 11; 16 (tie), Notre Dame and Tennessee, 6 each; 18, Dayton, 5; 19 (tie) Minnesota, Illinois and Seattle, 4 each.

Others—Texas Christian, North Carolina State and UCLA, 3 each; St. John's, N.Y., California and Memphis State, 2 each; Iowa State and Northwestern, 1 each.

## Thirty Staters Will Convene

Movies of the recent Oregon State college—UCLA basketball game will be shown at the regular monthly meeting of Medford Thirty Staters at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15, at the Jackson hotel.

Robert Knoll, OSC alumni director, will be speaker.

The club is an OSC booster club and membership is open to male alumnus of the school.

## DUCK RECEPTION

Portland—A mass reception for the University of Oregon Rose Bowl football team will be held here Jan. 23 in the Masonic temple with a capacity throng of 1400 guests expected. The Portland Chamber of Commerce announced plans for the reception, assisted by the Oregon Journal.

## Pels Rate Top Votes In Polling

Portland—Klamath Falls, winner of 10 straight games, ranked in first place today in the Journal coaches' poll among Oregon high school basketball teams.

Klamath Falls had 78 of a possible 80 points while South Eugene, also with 10 straight wins, was next in line with 71 points.

Team	Points
1. Klamath Falls 78	
2. South Eugene 71	
3. Grant 59	
4. North Salem 54	
5. Marshfield 45	
6. Roosevelt 40	
7. Astoria 24	
8. Beaverton 14	
9. Pendleton 11	
10. Springfield 9	

Others: The Dalles 8, McMinnville 8, North Bend 6, Hermiston 5, Jefferson 3, Corvallis 3, St. Helens 1.

## Pep Plans 'Another' Comeback

Boston—Willie Pep, billed as the Connecticut Comet in the days when he was the world's best featherweight boxer, lays his current comeback—and possibly his career—on the line tonight against Tommy Tibbs who was just a boy when Pep was a champion.

Pep, who first laid claim to the featherweight crown in 1942, then recaptured it after a two-year lapse in 1949 only to lose it seven months later, has won most of the 220 bouts during his 19-year ring career.

Pep has ambitions of regaining the crown. But a loss to the Boston boy would all but write an end to the 35-year-old Middletown, Conn., native's ring career. Pep now boxes out of Tampa, Fla.

## A&M Talks With Navy Head Coach

College Station, Tex.—Eddie Erdelatz and Texas A&M officials both spoke cautiously, but there appeared little doubt today that the highly successful Navy coach would be offered the Aggie football coaching job.

Erdelatz became the number one—and for the present the only—contender when A&M's nine-member board of directors Monday announced that Iowa State coach Jim Myers had withdrawn his name from consideration.

A meeting between Erdelatz and the board was scheduled today by the Faculty Athletic Council, headed by Dr. Chris N. Groneman, whose recommendation as a prelude to consideration by the directors.

It appeared likely from the effort exercised in attaining a personal visit by Erdelatz that he would be offered the post, bolstered by the fact he brought three assistants with him.

## Ryff Gives Cat Away, Posts Two Bout Wins

New York—Lightweight Frankie Ryff, who gave Kid Centella a lopsided licking Monday night in their TV fight, today attributed his comeback prowess partially to the fact that "I gave away my cat."

Since he transferred his black and white tomcat "Tippy" to his mother-in-law at Brewster, N. Y., three months ago, New Yorker Frankie registered two comeback victories, the more impressive being last night's win over Nicaraguan Centella at St. Nicholas Arena.

**PLAYER NAMED TO TEAM**  
Portland—Paul Godard, halfback in Lincoln high school's football team last fall, was named today to the 80-player All-American prep team picked by Scholastic magazine. He was the only Oregon player named on the squad.

Schaves scored more points, 109, in four games last week than Yardley did, 108, in five, and so crept close to the pace-making Piston. Yardley continued to lead the chase in the regular weekly standings with 1,034 points, but Schaves was a close second with 988.

## FOLSOM FORMS FLEET

Mobile, Ala.—Alabama Gov. James E. Folsom today mailed commissions in the Alabama navy to all the players, coaches, sponsors and announcers who participated in the Senior Bowl football game last Saturday.



SIZZLING—Bob Rosburg of San Francisco, who fired a sizzling seven-under-par 65 in the first round of the \$50,000 Bing Crosby Golf Tournament at Pebble Beach, hits an iron on the first fairway at Cypress Point at the start of the second round.

## Clark, Mitchell Chalk Up 61 Net in Holiday Golf Handicap

Leland Clark and Jack Mitchell took over the lead in the chase for best single match net score when they carded a 60 in holiday golf handicap tournament competition last week at Rogue Valley Country club.

Ed Hall and Frank Allen are still on top in the standings with plus 29 points in seven matches. Each team is to play 12 matches at March 1. Dr. D. C. Boals and Dr. William Miller rank second with 15 points in four matches.

Ken Knapp and Robert Brown are second in single game net with 61 and Boals and Miller fired a 62 recently. Clark and Mitchell had a 26 net on their front nine.

Plus and minus points are collected on the basis of how many holes a match is won or lost. After a team has a minus 10 standing it may not be challenged but, itself, may challenge any team it has not played before.

Standings:	Matches	Standing Plus 25
Ed Hall—Frank Allen . . . . . 7	7	15
Dr. Dave Boals—Dr. Wm. Miller . . . . . 4	4	7
Wm. Blackledge—Bob Little . . . . . 4	4	7
Ken Knapp—Robert Brown . . . . . 4	4	7
Russ Heyssel—Ed Gordon . . . . . 3	3	5
Jack Worthington—Jerry Wells . . . . . 2	2	3
Bob Morris—Jack Sanborn . . . . . 2	2	3
Virgil Swanson—Wayne Chase . . . . . 2	2	3
Glen Fabricick—Ray Frisbie . . . . . 2	2	3
Everett McGraw—Ken Teeter . . . . . 2	2	3
Bill Catey—Stan Stark . . . . . 2	2	3
Dick Travis—Lloyd Pope . . . . . 2	2	3
Clayton Lewis—Jim Sheldon . . . . . 2	2	3
Jim Curley—Chas. Mickelson . . . . . 2	2	3
Jack Lewis—Bob Wells . . . . . 2	2	3
Bud Parsons—Clyde Knight . . . . . 2	2	3
W. W. Deakins—Dean Lambert . . . . . 2	2	3
Leland Clark—Jack Mitchell . . . . . 2	2	3
Dick Hogan—Ron Gaudet . . . . . 2	2	3
Don Provost Jr.—Jim Busch . . . . . 2	2	3
Al Hart—Geo. Slinger . . . . . 2	2	3
Carl Schmidt—Duane Lubbers . . . . . 1	1	0
Fred Sears—Dick Rosenblum . . . . . 1	1	0
John Nuch—Jim Varga . . . . . 1	1	0
Lee Fink—Homer Sullivan . . . . . 1	1	0
Alan Holmes—Roy Smith . . . . . 1	1	0
Clark Means—Bob Voeltz . . . . . 1	1	0
Jim Dunlavy—Jack Dougherty . . . . . 1	1	0
Jack Edgewick—Ed Nichols . . . . . 1	1	0
Dr. Frank Wilson—Dave Koblick . . . . . 1	1	0
Murray Gardiner—Chas. Meyers . . . . . 1	1	0
H. E. Nulton—Tom Teutsch . . . . . 1	1	0
Jerry Cotttingham—Gene Spencer . . . . . 1	1	0

## Sports Groups Set To Oppose Fish, Game Agency Combination

LaGrande—Sportsmen from Union and Willowa counties Monday night expressed opposition to any plans to combine the Oregon Game Commission and the Oregon Fish Commission into one authority.

Their reaction was similar to that expressed earlier in the day at Pendleton at a meeting attended by about 45 sportsmen.

The Legislative Interim Fish and Game committee is holding a series of hearings for the purpose of making recommendations to the 1959 Legislature.

About 90 sportsmen attended the meeting here.

Jerry Binger, past president of the Union County Izaak Walton League, said opposition to combine the two groups was made principally because their sources of funds and interests differ.

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