

San Diego Nudges Phoenix; Other Frays Victims of Rain

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The Pacific Coast League, off to a rough start in its 56th campaign with five of six opening day games rained out and another hampered by a sand storm, will attempt to recoup tonight in its battle with the elements.

with the Padres taking a 10-9 victory over the Giants at Phoenix. A sand storm, however, blew in shortly before the game started and held the opening night crowd down to 4,065 fans.

host San Diego in single night contests. A brilliant pitching duel between the Rainiers' Art Fowler and Spokane's Connie Grob at Seattle Tuesday afternoon was halted after 12 innings with the score tied at 1-1. Fowler gave up only four hits, holding the Indians scoreless after the first inning, while Grob limited the Rainiers to eight safeties.

Gomez Tosses 8-0 Victory For Giants Over Los Angeles

By SCOTT BAILLE
San Francisco—(AP)—Good clutch hurling by peppery Ruben Gomez and a solid 8-0 triumph over the "hated" Los Angeles Dodgers had the Giants riding high today in their new San Francisco baseball home.

ing. The teams play again tonight. While Gomez was holding the Dodgers to six hits with his back-breaking screwball, the Giants clubbed three Dodger hurlers for 11 safeties to start the season right.

More Rain
The second half of the day-night doubleheader at Seattle was also postponed as was a single night game at Vancouver between the Mounties and Salt Lake City.

Rain also halted a day-night doubleheader at Portland between the Beavers and Sacramento. The afternoon tilt was tied at 3-3 after six innings before a steady down-pour halted proceedings. Thirty thousand had been expected to attend the two games before a crowd of only 7,359 turned out in blustery weather for the opener.

At Phoenix, Dave Pope's towering homer in the eighth inning gave the Padres a come-from-behind victory over the home club. The Giants had scored two runs in the first and six in the second to take an 8-0 lead but the Padres rallied to score 10 runs on 13 hits over the last seven innings.

Barrage of Hits
Both teams sprayed a steady barrage of hits all over the park during the contest, including five home runs, three by the Padres and two by the Giants.

San Diego used five pitchers. Julio Guerra, who came on in the seventh, shut out the Giants during his stint on the mound to gain the victory. Phoenix starter Max Surkwood was knocked out in the seventh while Bud Podbielan of the Padres went to the showers after a six-run Giant uprising in the second.

At Seattle, Spokane took a one-run lead in the first when Fowler forced in a run with a bases-loaded walk. Seattle came back to tie the score in the fifth with back-to-back doubles by Bobby Balena and Eddie Basinski.

In the Portland-Sacramento game, the Beavers scored a pair of runs in the first inning and added another in the third when Ed Winceniak homered. The Solons retaliated with two runs in the fifth and deadlocked the contest at 3-3 with another score in the sixth.

THE LINESCORES:
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Phoenix 280 010 000—9 14 2
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(Tie—called, 12 innings, rain)
Spokane 100 000 000 000—1 4 2
Seattle 000 010 000 000—1 5 2
Grob and Sherry; Fowler and Gonder.

(Tie—called six innings, rain)
Sacramento 000 021—3 5 3
Portland 201 000—3 6 0
Green, Ceon 5, Bowman 6 and Roselli; Jansen and Fanning.

ENGLISH BOOTERS TOUR
New York—(AP)—Manchester City, one of England's top soccer clubs, will make a tour of the United States May 18 through June 8. Side trips also are scheduled for Toronto, Vancouver, B.C., and Montreal.

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Milwaukee Has Biggest Attendance

By UNITED PRESS
Despite the entry of California into the major leagues and a record opening night crowd in St. Louis, attendance at National League opening baseball games Tuesday was less than the turnout on inaugural day last season.

Drysdale Out
And before the big fourth was over, three more runs came in and Drysdale left with his first loss of the season. Two of them crossed the plate after a single by Willie Mays off Don Bessent, who had relieved Drysdale after two were out and two aboard.

Drysdale gave up six runs and five hits in 3 2-3 innings. Bessent threw another solo home run to Orlando Cepeda in the next frame to give the Giants a 7-0 cushion and Willie Kirkland singled across the final run in the eighth.

But it all wasn't that easy for Gomez, who often had to hang in there tough. In the second inning he fanned catcher Al Walker and Don Drysdale to get out of a jam with men on second and third. Then with two out in the sixth and seventh innings, he got Carl Furillo and Duke Snider to ground out ending each frame with two on base.

Gomez Gets Tough
Then in the ninth, Gomez fanned Furillo and Pee Wee Reese. The Dodgers captain went down for the final out with two more mates on board.

Mays went two for five. The pride of the Giants was lagged out at second by Bessent after singling in two runs in the fourth and trying to stretch the hit.

"Those young fellows certainly helped us old men," Gomez said afterward while Rigney roared over the way rookies Jim Davenport, Cepeda and Willie Kirkland handled themselves in their first major league game.

"All my stuff broke just right," Gomez continued. "I threw everything at those Dodgers except my glove."

Ramon Monzant of Venezuela, who had a 3-2 record last year with the Giants, is scheduled to go tonight against left-hander John Podres, 12-9, of Los Angeles.

Six Named in Timber Lawsuit

Portland—(AP)—Two Californians and four Oregon residents were sued for \$2,360,000 damages in Federal court here Tuesday by the Cowlitz Timber company of Washington state over sale by the defendants of mineral, petroleum and timber rights in British Columbia.

Named as defendants in the suit were Maybelle J. and George R. Van Fleet, of California, and four Portlanders, Ralph P. Cowgill, Claude M. Johns Jr., Frank C. Dillard and Jay Cobbs Jr., all of the Kootenay Lake Logging company.

The complaint charged the six with selling the Washington firm property in British Columbia for \$1,835,000, which reportedly included the right to cut and sell timber and remove minerals and petroleum without restriction from Canada and British Columbia.

Cowlitz charged that all but a small portion of the property turned out to be non-exportable, and said that without rights the property actually was worth "no more than \$475,000."

Soviets Claim Island

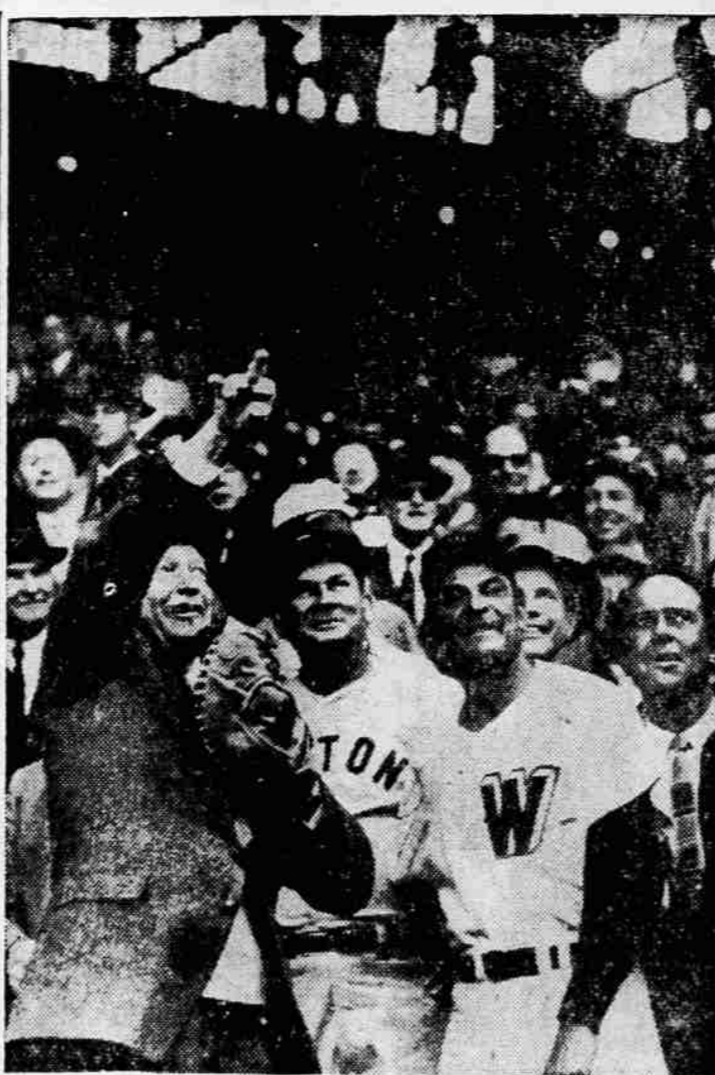
Moscow—(AP)—Soviet explorers have planted a red flag on a new island they claim to have discovered in the Antarctic, the newspaper Evening Moscow reported Tuesday. The 11-square-mile island lies off Queen Mary Land and was found last month by a group of Russians.

Arnold Downs Aussie
Chingford, England—(AP)—Youthful Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., had to struggle all the way Tuesday before downing Dawn McCamley of Australia, 5-7, 7-5, 6-2, in the opening round of play in the Connaught Club tennis tournament.

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IKE OPENS 1958 SEASON—President Eisenhower tosses out the first ball just prior to the game between the Washington Senators and the Boston Red Sox at Griffith Stadium in Washington, D. C., to open the 1958 major league season. Pinky Higgins (next to the President), manager of the Red Sox, and Cookie Lavagetto (right) of the Senators, watch the ball (upper right) sail out to the field.

Tony Kubek Army Plans Uncertain

Milwaukee, Wis.—(AP)—The immediate military status of versatile Tony Kubek, the New York Yankees' American league "rookie of the year" in 1957, was up to just Tony Kubek today.

SPORTS

Favorites Told For Las Vegas Links Tourney
Las Vegas, Nev.—(AP)—Ken Venturi, Doug Ford, Arnold Palmer and Gene Littler were the top favorites today.

Maj. Gerald Mulrine, commander of the South Side Army Reserve center here, said the baseball star had firmed up plans last week to be inducted into the Reserve Thursday and leave for 24 months' active duty May 24.

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No Light Shed
Kubek, in New York for treatment of an injury suffered in spring training after his physical, sheds no light on his military plans. His father, Tony Sr., continues to tell newsmen in Milwaukee his son "is not going in the Army."

"Kubek, 22, does not face the draft for at least this month and next month. It is too late to draft him in April and a spokesman for the Wisconsin Selective Service headquarters at Madison, said his local draft board will not induct any men in May."

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HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston—(AP)—The Boston Bruins headed for Montreal today tied at two games apiece with the Canadiens in their Stanley Cup final after goalie Don Simmons' latest brilliant effort.

Fabrick, Miller Vie In Handicap

Glen Fabrick and Dr. William Miller are foes in the finals for the spring handicap golf championship at Rogue Valley Country club.

Whereas the life expectancy was 22 years in the time of Caesar and 33 years during the Middle Ages, the average person in the United States today can expect to live almost 70 years.

Everett McGraw has won second flight laurels, dropping John Moffat 1 up. In the semis, Moffat tripped Lew Bates and McGraw won from Bill Catey. Play in the third flight also

has been completed with Ray Wilson winning 1 up from Jerry Olson in the finale. In the semi-finals Olson downed Jack Walker 4 and 3 and Wilson edged Dick Henselman, 1 up. Lloyd Pope and Bob Little are first flight finalists. Pope won a semi-final 2 and 1 from Stan Stark and Little defeated Lee Flink, 2 up.

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