

# Dodger Star Hurt by Screen In Left Field of LA Coliseum

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Los Angeles — If there are any tears to be shed over the dimensions of the playing field in Memorial Coliseum, shed them for Duke Snider, the Dodger slugger who in nine home games has failed to get a home run, President Walter O'Malley said today.

Under league rules the barrier could not be changed this season.

O'Malley pointed out that when the field was laid out as the temporary home of the Dodgers, the club deliberately made the left-field line the short one to keep from being accused of tailoring the park to suit their own hitting star, Snider, the left-handed hitter who pulls to right.

Despite the charges, cheapening the value of home runs with the 250-foot left field foul line and the 42-foot screen which backs it up, in the nine games the club has played at home 28 homers have been hit and 20 of these have been over the left field screen.

Of these, Dodger opponents hit 13, and the home club 7. O'Malley, Baseball Commissioner Ford C. Frick, National League President Warren C. Giles and NL batting king Stan Musial are all in agreement that despite the short left-field playing area Babe Ruth's home run mark of 60 is in no particular danger.

One of the greatest hitters of all times, Rogers Hornsby, feels that if batters deliberately try to gun for the screen they may throw themselves into slumps that could prove disastrous to their averages.

Manager Walt Alton of the Dodgers isn't particularly worried. He feels that as the pitching improves fewer homers will be sailing over that left-field barrier and the evidence seems to be on his side.

"As many home run balls have been caught in right field as have sailed over the left-field fence," Alton points out. "It all balances out. Sometimes the breaks are with one team and the next time with the other. We've been hurt when some of our

left-handed hitters have lost extra-base hits to right and we've been helped when some went over the screen."

To get an estimate from a man who knows, left-fielder Jim Gilliam, we asked him how many of the balls that went over the fence could have been caught if the play-

ing area there were 30 to 40 feet deeper.

"I guess I could have caught about half of them," Gilliam said.

"But the line drive hitters like Ernie Banks of the Cubs have been robbed of extra-base hits or maybe homers that hit the screen."

## Dodger, Los Angeles Contract Blocked By Restraining Rule

Los Angeles — The proposed city contract with the Dodgers baseball club was blocked today — at least temporarily — by a restraining order preventing official signing.

Superior Judge Kenneth C. Newell issued the taxpayers' restraining order and named the city, the city council, the city clerk, Mayor Norris Poulson and the Brooklyn National League Baseball Club, Inc. A further hearing on a preliminary injunction in the taxpayers suit was scheduled for May 2.

The suit challenged the contract on grounds the acreage in Chavez Ravine was transferred to the city from the housing authority under

the stipulation the property could be used for "public purposes" only.

Attorney Phil Silver asked the court for a ruling to stop the city from signing the contract until a taxpayer's suit is tried, even if voters approve the pact in a referendum June 3.

Newell's order restrained the defendants from executing the "proposed contract" passed by the council Oct. 7, from conveying to the Dodgers the land in Chavez Ravine; and from carrying out the provisions of the ordinance "or any part thereof."

Attorney Silver hailed the decision as a "victory" in his fight against the contract.

## Luck Terrific At Little Squaw

Trout fishing at little or upper Squaw lake was "terrific" Saturday and Sunday, opening week end of the angling season, Resort Manager Frank Mitchell reported yesterday.

He reported a "very successful" opening at both big and little Squaw lakes.

A number of fishermen had their limits before 8 a.m. Saturday, Mitchell reported. While angling at the upper lake was great on Sunday, as well as Saturday, the lower lake was slower on the second day.

More than 200 carloads of fishermen were at the lakes for the opening week end. The weather was "ideal" according to Mitchell.

Both worms and salmon eggs were used successfully as bait.

# Valenzuela to Ride Tim Tam For Kentucky Derby Trial Run

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Louisville, Ky. — Calumet Farm's Tim Tam, the Kentucky Derby favorite, warms up today for Saturday's classic in the \$15,000 added Derby trial, with Ismael Valenzuela in the saddle as a replacement for injured Bill Hartack.

Dozens of top jockeys were anxious to ride Tim Tam in the first of the Triple Crown classics after Hartack broke a small bone in his left leg at Churchill Downs on Saturday.

Trainer Jimmy Jones of Calumet tagged Valenzuela as rider for Tim Tam in the trial and intimated that the Texas-born rider would also be aboard in the big one Saturday if things go well in the warmup. Jones said, however, that Valenzuela only had been engaged for the trial and not for the rose run.

10 3-Year-Olds Run  
Ten three-year-olds were entered in the trial, a mile race which has produced Kentucky Derby winners Citation, Hill Gail and Dark Star. Tim Tam ruled a 4 to 5 favorite to add this test to his earlier victories this year in the Everglades, the Flamingo, the Fountain of Youth and the Florida Derby.

Lined up against him will be Claiborne Farm's Nadir, C. W. Smith's Hillsdale, Robert W. Wilson's Hill Country, George Lewis' Martin's Rullah, W. S. Miller's Rellim S.W., Hasty House Farm's Alarullah, C. V. Whitney's Flamingo, W. G. Reynolds' Colonel R. S., and Maine Chance Farm's Ebony Pearl.

Pre-Derby talk continued to center on Tim Tam, Jewel's Reward and Silky Sullivan, the stretch-running colt from California with the flaming red coat.

Jewel's Reward, owned by the Maine Chance Farm of Mrs. Elizabeth Graham had his last pre-Derby race when he won the Wood Memorial

her third candidate, runs a real big race in the trial.

Silky Sullivan merely galloped Monday.

Twenty-six Kentucky Derby candidates are stabled at Churchill Downs. The first break in the solid front to start them in all appeared when Mrs. Ada L. Rice's Talent Show was put on the doubtful list. Jockey Willie Hartmattz flew in from California to ride this colt but now has no mount. The trial and the \$1,500 total starting fee is expected to reduce the field still further.

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## Fanfare

By DICK JEWETT  
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Persons who operate boats for fishing or pleasure should read and absorb thoroughly the act passed by the last Oregon legislature on the subject (Chapter 467, Oregon Laws of 1957, House Bill 741).

Required for motorboats under the new law are life preservers for each person on board, white and red and green lights between sunset and sunrise and portable fire extinguishers.

The act, which applies to craft less than 26 feet in length, requires boats not propelled by machinery to carry a lantern or flashlight. Sailboats, including those with outboard motors, must carry a bright white light and a flashlight or lantern. Sailboats with inboard motors are subject to the same light requirements as motorboats.

persons under influence of intoxicating liquor, narcotic drugs or barbitol or by habitual users of narcotics or barbitol.

Operator of any boat involved in an accident resulting injury or death or damage to property must stop immediately at the scene, give his identification and address, render reasonable assistance to the injured and report the accident to the nearest or most convenient law enforcement agency or office.

**COAST GUARD APPROVED**  
Motorboats must carry a Coast Guard-approved life jacket, life preserver, ring buoy or buoyant cushion for each person riding. Its white light aff must show all around the horizon and must be visible for one-half mile or more. A combination light in the fore-part of the craft, lower than the white light must show green to the starboard and red to the port and must be visible a half-mile.

A sailboat's bright light should be carried aft and the lanterns or flashlights are to be displayed by motorless boats and sailboats in sufficient time to avoid collision.

**PEERY PINCH-HITTER**  
Senior Outfielder Ron Peery, who heaved a three-hit victory for Medford high Saturday in his first mound appearance for the Black Tornado, was not slated, originally, to pitch the diamond tussle. Short on regular pitchers because of a heavy schedule, Coach John Kovenz had nominated First Baseman Lowell Dean to hurl the second frames of the twinbill with Klamath Falls. But, Dean split a finger in the opening contest.

Third baseman Larry Brown and second baseman Ray Konopasek turned in some nifty fielding to boost the Black Tornado victory cause in the first and Southern Oregon conference game with the Peis and Brown's two-bagger was Medford's big blow of the game driving in three runs.

**MUFFLER, WHISTLE NEEDED**  
Devices capable of adequately muffling sound of the engine exhaust are required for motorboats burning gasoline, gas or naphtha. Carburetors on inboard engines must be fitted with a Coast Guard-approved device for arresting backfire. Motorboats more than 16 feet long must have a mouth, hand or power-operated whistle which will produce a blast of two second or more and which is audible for at least one-half mile. Boats using fuel with a flash point of 110 degrees Fahrenheit or less are to have at least two ventilators to properly ventilate bilges and fuel compartments.

**EX-MEDFORDITE**  
Janet Hopps, one of the country's top tennis players, who defeated Wimbledon champ Althea Gibson at Miami Beach, Fla., earlier this month, is a former Medford resident. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Hopps, had a residence on Summit ave. in 1941 and 1942. Hopps is now manager for the Foster and Kleiser company branch at Seattle, Wash.

**GP WINNER**  
Grants Pass, not Central Point, won the eighth grade division of a track meet Friday by the 63 to 50 score.

**Dodgers, Giants Draw One-Third Of Attendance**  
By UNITED PRESS  
The new fans in Los Angeles Dodgers and the San Francisco Giants drew a total of 546,329 fans on 18 playing dates. This compares with the total of 1,557,483 paid admissions for all 16 teams.

The 546,329 figure exceeds by 127,060 the total of 419,269 drawn by the other six National League teams on 25 dates. It also is only 43,556 less than the 591,885 fans drawn by the eight American League teams on 44 dates.

The Dodgers, playing in Los Angeles' vast Coliseum, lead the way, of course, with 377,601 admissions for an average of 41,956 on nine dates. They already have broken two National League records—for a single game and for a night game. Five of their crowds topped 40,000.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY**  
Two boats approaching each other head on are each to bear to the right to prevent collision. When boats approach each other obliquely or at right angles, the one approaching on the right side has the right-of-way. A boat may overtake another but must grant the right-of-way to the overtaken boat.

Persons shall not anchor a boat for fishing or other purposes in a way to obstruct a passageway ordinarily used by other boats. Boats must not be operated in a water area marked off for swimming or bathing.

**REPORT ACCIDENTS**  
Other sections prohibit overloading of craft and forbid operation of boats by

**SANCTIONED RACES OK**  
The 1957 law forbids reckless navigation and speeds which will prevent a motorboat operator from exercising reasonable care. However, competition in races or regattas sanctioned by an appropriate government on a marked course are permitted.

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## SPORTS

### Brave's Boss Notes Giant Win-Streak

By MILTON RICHMAN  
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The world champion Milwaukee Braves, knowing all too well how these things can turn out, are bent on putting a quick stop to that surprise party, house - warming or whatever else you want to call it out there in San Francisco.

Up to now, the Giants have been having a ball at their new home in San Francisco. Most everyone picked them sixth or seventh, but here they are leading the National League, a half-game ahead of second-place Milwaukee.

It may be a new sensation for the Giants but it's an old familiar one to the Braves.

Only five years ago, after they had shifted their franchise from Boston to Milwaukee, the Braves got off to a flying start, too, winning 15 of their first 20 games.

Like the Giants, no one took 'em seriously at first. After all, they had finished seventh the year before — a notch lower than the Giants wound up last season—but the Braves confounded the experts by developing into a serious pennant threat and finally finishing second.

"Don't forget, too, that during one stretch last year the Giants played the best ball of anyone in the league," says Milwaukee manager Fred Haney. "Maybe others are brushing them off as a flash-in-the-pan, but I'm not."

Haney is leading with his left handed ace, Warren Spahn, against the Cubs at Chicago today. Spahn will be shooting for his third straight victory while the Cubs, almost as much as a surprise as the Giants, will be aiming to take over sole possession of second place, which they now share with Milwaukee.

The Giants, meanwhile, will be showing the Phillies San Francisco for the first time. Pittsburgh gets its first look at Los Angeles, and the Cardinals meet the Redlegs in a night game.

Over in the American League, the Yankees begin tackling the Western clubs after having won eight of their first 11 games from Eastern rivals. Casey Stengel, grumbling a bit lately about his team's hitting, has nominated southpaw Bobby Shantz 1-0 to face Paul Foytack, who sports a 2-0 record for Detroit.

Kansas City goes against the so-far disappointing Red Sox at Boston. The last-place Chicago White Sox, who have shown practically no punch at the plate at all, are at Baltimore for a night game. Fireballer Herb Score will make his fifth appearance of the season for Cleveland against Washington in another night game.

### St. Paul Group Rolls to Top in Bowling Meet

San Francisco — The Setchell-Carlson team of St. Paul and the South Bay Bowling Club of Redondo Beach, Calif., have rolled to the top of all major divisions in the International Women's Bowling Congress Tournament.

The St. Paul group picked up new leads Monday when Bunny Weidell and Marge Schmalz scored 1,163 in doubles and Miss Weidell bowled 1,757 in the all events grouping.

**JOSEPH, STUBBS SET BOAT**  
New Orleans — Charley Joseph of New Orleans and Reybon Stubbs of Pittsburgh will meet here in a 10-round middleweight bout May 5.

**COUPLE WINS TITLE**  
Oswego — Mr. and Mrs. Tom Marlowe won the Oregon Professional Golfers association pro-ladies title here Monday by posting a 68-83-151. Marlowe is head pro at Portland's Eastmoreland club.

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