Dodgers at Crossroads As Voters Go To Polls For Vote on Stadium Site

Los Angeles — (UPI) —The Los Angeles Dodgers today reached what some people believed was the crossroads of their brief sojourn as a West Coast team as voters went to the polls to decide if they should have the site they want for their baseball stadium.

National League President Warren Giles 12 days ago warned that the franchise of the Dodgers as a Los Angeles club was in jeopardy unless the voters approved a referendum on the ballot on Chavez Ravine. That's where the club wants to erect a 12 million dollar stadium.

So intense was the interest in the referendum, Proposition "B" on the ballot, that Registrar of Voters Benjamin S. Hite predicted some 60 per cent of the electorate would turn out, drawn to the polls by the baseball issue more than the regular primary election ballot.

The campaign reached its peak in the last two days with statements and counter-statements.

President Walter F. O'Malley, who had at first been reluctant to plunge into the battle, took to the air repeatedly to give his views on the agreement the club had negotiated with the city.

O'Malley said regardless of how the referendum went he would "fight with all my strength" to keep the Dodgers in Los Angeles. But at the same time he admitted the league had the power to shift the franchise if the club did not have a suitable stadium by 1960.

Opposing the Dodgers' contract was the "Committee to Save Chavez Ravine" which for months had been airing charges that the city's agreement with the baseball club was a "giveaway" of valuable property.

The Dodgers last October accepted as a final agreement the resolution of the City Council exchanging some 300 acres of Chavez ravine, less than a mile from the city hall, for their Wrigley Field baseball park, which had been used by the Los Angeles Pacific Coast league club.

But a referendum petition was circulated and the contract was placed before the voters for their decision in today's election.

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SPORTS

JIM FUNSTON
To Attend Oregon State

Jim Funston Will Enroll At Oregon State College

James P. (Jim) Funston, all-state football center and linebacker for Medford High school last fall, has announced he will attend Oregon State college.

The star gridder, who will graduate from high school this week, said he plans to enroll at the Corvallis school in September on a grant-in-aid scholarship. He said he has not yet decided what his major academic course will be.

Funston was a three-year prep letterman in football and in basketball. He earned one letter in wrestling for the Black Tornado.

Last fall he was named to the all-state first teams of the Portland Oregonian and the Oregon Journal in football and received honorable mention on the Wigwam Wiseman All-American. He made the All-Southern Oregon conference first teams of both the Mail Tribune and the Klamath Falls Herald and News. He won the district heavyweight wrestling title this year.

Lettermen Proxy

Funston has been president of the Order of the M, lettermen's club, this year and has been on the Boys' League council. He served as vice president of his class as a sophomore and last school year was vice president of the Spanish club.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Funston, 835 Cherry st., Jim has two younger brothers who are athletes. Fred, who'll be a senior next fall, and Alfred, who will be a sophomore, moving up from McLoughlin Junior high.

Funston follows two football teammates to Oregon State. They are Neil Plumley and Dick McLaughlin, who were on the Rook club last fall.

New Yorker Bears Down In Tourney

St. Andrews, Scotland — (UPI) — Tim Holland of Rockville Centre, N.Y., the pre-tournament sensation, started "playing for keeps" today in the British amateur golf championship.

The lanky, 27-year-old sales manager, who drew a first round bye, led nine other Americans survivors into second round action on the "old course," which already has claimed one-third of the U.S. contingent.

Gene Andrews, of Pacific Palisades, Calif., the first American to tee off Monday, retained that honor again today. He and Reg Taylor of South Africa started their second round battle.

Brig. Gen. Keith Compton of St. Louis, who also drew a bye in the opening round, made his tournament bow against Tom Worthington.

Andrews scored the most impressive triumph among the U.S. invaders in the opening round by whipping Dr. James Hastings of Scotland, 8 and 7. Harold B. Ridgley, of Haverford, Pa., who developed a large following in his surprise march to the final last year, dropped a 4-3 decision to 17-year-old Bob Verwey of South Africa, who gave the Air Force master sergeant a lesson in daredevil putting.

Softball Prays This Thursday

Jackson County Softball association, 1958 status of which was in doubt just a short time ago, starts league play this Thursday.

Scene of action again will be the Veterans Administration Domiciliary stadium, Camp White. Tussles will be on Mondays and Thursdays.

M and W Chain Saw and the Cheney Studs meet at 7 p.m. this Thursday with the Rogue Valley Dairy Maids and Bureau of Reclamation tangling in the second fracas.

Rogue Valley League Set For Season Opener

The five-team Rogue Valley baseball league opens a 10-week schedule Sunday with games at Riddle and Camp White, it was announced today. Teams making up the league are Riddle, Camp White, Cave Junction, Prospect and Butte Falls. The season will end on Aug. 10 after which the two top teams will engage in a two-out-of-three playoff for a trophy.

Trophies also will be presented to the regular season winner and to the League's leading hitter.

Meanwhile, Camp White has slated two tune-up games for this week. On Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. on the Veterans Domiciliary diamond Camp White plays Butte Falls and at 8 p.m. Friday Klamath Falls will provide the opposition.

The league schedule follows:

June 8—Butte Falls at Riddle, Cave Junction at Camp White, Prospect bye.

June 15—Prospect at Cave Junction, Camp White at Butte Falls, Riddle bye.

June 22—Camp White at Prospect, Cave Junction at Riddle, Butte Falls bye.

June 29—Riddle at Camp White, Prospect at Butte Falls, Cave Junction bye.

July 6—Riddle at Prospect, Butte Falls at Cave Junction, Camp White bye.

July 13—Butte Falls at Camp White, Prospect at Riddle, Cave Junction bye.

July 20—Camp White at Cave Junction, Riddle at Butte Falls, Prospect bye.

July 27—Camp White at Riddle, Cave Junction at Prospect, Butte Falls bye.

Aug. 3—Cave Junction at Butte Falls, Prospect at Camp White, Riddle bye.

Aug. 10—Butte Falls at Prospect, Riddle at Cave Junctiontion, Camp White bye.

BIG DAILY DOUBLE

Detroit—(UPI)—A $2,788.40 daily double—the third largest of the year, was returned at Detroit Monday with Teacher's Tu winning the first race at $20.40 and Dan Pat the second at $182.60. The big double was topped by a $3,613 payoff at Oaklawn Park on March 18 and a $3,613 return at Laurel on May 2.

In 1784 New York City became, for 12 years, the capital of New York State.

TAGGING OUT ST. LOUIS' Joe Taylor is San Francisco Giants' Ray Jablonski, No. 10.

STANDINGS

By United Press International

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	28	17	.622	
Milwaukee	25	16	.610	1
Pittsburgh	23	21	.523	4½
Cincinnati	18	20	.474	6
Chicago	22	25	.468	7
St. Louis	19	22	.463	7
Philadelphia	18	23	.439	8
Los Angeles	17	26	.395	10

Monday's Results
Cincinnati 8, Pittsburgh 2
Only games scheduled.

Tuesday's Probable Pitchers
Philadelphia at Chicago — Simmons (4-5) vs. Phillips (3-0).
Pittsburgh at St. Louis (night)—Law 5-3) vs. Jackson (3-2).
Cincinnati at Los Angeles (night—Haddix (3-3) vs. Koufax (2-0).
Milwaukee at San Francisco (night)—Burdette (4-3) or Rush (4-2) vs. Gomez (5-3).

Wednesday's Games
Milwaukee at San Francisco
Philadelphia at Chicago
Pittsburgh at St. Louis (night)
Cincinnati at Los Angeles (night)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
New York	28	10	.737	
Kansas City	21	17	.553	7
Cleveland	21	23	.477	10
Chicago	19	21	.475	10
Boston	20	23	.465	10½
Detroit	19	23	.452	11
Washington	19	23	.452	11
Baltimore	16	23	.410	12½

Monday's Results
New York 3, Chicago 0 (night)
Wash. 8, Balti. 1 (10 innings, night)
Only games scheduled.

Tuesday's Probable Pitchers
Kansas City at Washington (2, twi-night)—Kellner (0-1) and Terry (2-4) vs. Ramos (3-4) and Kemmerer (1-3).
Chicago at New York (night)—Donovan (26) vs. Kucks (3-1).
Detroit at Baltimore (night)—Bunning (2-4) vs. Portocarrero (3-2).
Cleveland at Boston (night)—Tomanek (1-1) vs. Brewer (1-5).

Wednesday's Games
Chicago at New York
Cleveland at Boston
Kan. City at Washington (night
Detroit at Baltimore (night)

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Phoenix	32	19	.627	
Vancouver	30	19	.612	1
Salt Lake	24	22	.522	5½
San Diego	24	24	.500	6½
Sacramento	21	24	.467	8
Spokane	21	28	.429	10
Portland	18	25	.419	10
Seattle	20	29	.408	11

Monday's Results:
San Diego 3, Spokane 2
Portland 4, Seattle 3 (11 innings)
(Only games scheduled)

How Series Stand
San Diego 1, Spokane 0
Phoenix 0, Seattle 0
Portland 0, Vancouver 0
Sacramento 0, Salt Lake 0

Tuesday's Probable Pitchers
San Diego (Bob Alexander, 2-2) at Spokane (Bob Millikin, 0-1).
Sacramento (Roger Osenbaugh, (2-2) at Salt Lake City (George Perez, (1-1).
Portland (Al Lary (3-3) at Vancouver (Mel Held, (3-3).
Seattle (Ted Wieand, (4-2) at Phoenix (unannounced)

League Leaders

By United Press International

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
Musial, St. L.	38	144	22	62	.431
Mays, S.F.	45	182	40	74	.407
Ashburn, Pha.	41	154	27	54	.351
Spencer, S.F.	45	182	33	63	.346
Crowe, Cin.	32	101	10	45	.337

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	G.	AB	R.	H.	Pct.
Nieman, Bal.	34	109	16	40	.367
Fox, Chi.	40	162	21	57	.352
Ward, Cle.	36	103	14	35	.340
Kuenn, Det.	42	160	24	54	.338
McDugld, NY.	36	133	23	45	.338
Lollar, Chi.	35	116	1	37	.319

Home Runs
National League — Walls, Cubs, Banks, Cubs, Thomas, Pirates, Cepeda, Giants, and Mays, Giants all 13.
American league—Cerv, Athletics 14; Jensen, Red Sox 9; Triandos, Orioles 8; Sievers, Senators 8; Maris, Lndians, Minsoso, Indians, and Gernert, Red Sox all 7.

Runs Batted In
National league — Thomas, Pirates 41; Banks, Cubs 40; Mays Giants 37; Cepeda, Giants 36; Spencer, Giants 35.
American League—Cerv, Athletics 42; Jensen, Red Sox 30; Gernert, Red Sox 27; Sievers, Senators 25; Bolling, Tigers, Minoso, Indians, and Vernon, Indians all 24.

Pitching
National league—Spahn, Braves 8-1; Purkey, Redlegs 6-1; Grissom, Giants 4-1; McCormick, Giants 4-1; Elston, Cubs 6-2.
American league—Turley, Yankees 8-1; Garver, Athletics 7-1; Sisler, Red Sox 4-1; Shantz, Yankees 4-1; Ford, Yankees 62.

ROGEL JOINS CATS

Pitsburgh —(UPI)— Fran Rogel, for many years one of the top ball carriers in the National Football league with the Pittsburgh Steelers, disclosed Monday he has signed a contract with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football league's eastern division. Rogel was cut loose by the Steelers several weeks ago.

NEW TRACK ACCEPTED

New York — (UPI) —The Charles Town race track, a threequarter mile oval in Charles Town, W. Va., has been accepted as a new member of the Thoroughbred Racing association. The track recently was purchased by Ben and Herman Cohen and Louis Pondfield of the Maryland Jockey club.

There are more than 800 types and grades of grease.

Giants Expecting 100,000 Turn-Out

San Francisco —(UPI)—It's election day in California—and San Franciscans voted 100 per cent for the Giants.

Back from a road trip that brought 13 victories in 21 starts and kept them in first place, the Giants open a 13-game home stand tonight against the world champion Milwaukee Braves.

Manager Bill Rigney, admitting his boys are "real tired after 21 days on the road," said he would start Ruben Gomez on the hill. Gomez has a 5-3 record.

It is probable that Jim Davenport, the regular third baseman who has been sidelined with a pulled muscle, will be back in action to replace the hard-hitting Ray Joblonski. The latter will go back on the pinch-hitting and second line of defense list.

Facing Gomez on the mound for Milwaukee will be Lew Burdette (4-3), a one-time hurler for the San Francisco Seals.

Braves Arrive Quietly

While the Giants were met by 2,000 fans when they arrived at the airport late Sunday night, the world champions sneaked into town without anything in the way of a welcome. They'll get that when they take the field tonight.

There is so much interest in this early crucial series that the Giants expect that the three games will draw better than 60,000 fans. Tonight's game is a sell-out with the 23,000 seats gobbled up weeks ago. This is the first appearance of the world champions here this year.

"We expect we'll do better than 100,000 attendance for the week," said Gary Schumacher of the Giant office. "After the three-game series with Milwaukee, Cincinnati comes in for four games."

The Giants go into the game with a bare 12 percentage point lead over the Braves—gained mainly on the strength of the slugging attack that has developed into something resembling a murderer's row.

The Big Bats

Heading the cast is Willie Mays witha .407 average. Daryl Spencer, one-time light-hitting shortstop, still is pounding the ball for a husky .346 average. Rookie first baseman Orlando Cepeda shows no signs of a let-up in his hitting abilities and is clouting at a .331 clip. Rookie catcher Bob Schmidt, a real, old-fashioned long-ball hitter, is connecting at .292, the same as ancient Hank Sauer in the outfield. Jablonski's average is .313.

Some of the rest of the boys aren't hitting as well in the average department—but they are connecting when necessary. Second baseman Danny O'Connell has been coming through in the clutch; and so has rookie outfielder Willie Kirkland, who some days can't get the ball out of the infield, and then comes up with a game-winning homer the next.

After the Braves and Redlegs come Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, each for three games, before the team hits the road again for a "short" 17-day tour of the nation.

Beavers Cut Team Roster

Portland — (UPI) — The Portland baseball club Monday reduced its roster by placing two players on 24-hour option. The players are catcher Jim Fanning and Ron Morrison, signed two weeks ago.

Fanning, who was sent to Portland by the Chicago Cubs, was optioned to Fort Worth of the Texas League. Morrison, a former College of Idaho infielder, was sent to Lewiston of the Northwest League.

Knapp, Millette Oppose Koblick, Hinman in 2-Ball

Ken Knapp and Harry Millette will encounter Ranny Smith and Ray Wilson in the finals of the men's two-ball partnership golf tournament at Rogue Valley Country club.

The finale awaits the return of Wilson from a vacation trip.

In semi-finals, Knapp and Millette defeated Dave Koblick and Bob Hinman 6 and 4 and Smith and Wilson overcame Walt Tomlin and Clyde Knight 3 and 2.

In first flight semi-finals Jerry Olson and Leland Clark beat Jack Eidswick and Virgil Swanson and Dutch Nulton and John Nuich whipped El Milne and Del Berg 3 and 2.

Rogue Valley Country club will join other links in the nation on Saturday, June 7, in observance of National Golf day. Players on courses throughout the nation will match their net scores against the gross of the winner of the Lionel Hebert-Dick Mayer tussle at Southern Hills Country club, Tulsa, Okla. Hebert won the Professional Golfers association toga and Mayer the U.S. open.

Schmidt Still Leads

Men opposing the pros will play at full handicap. Women will play from ladies' tees at full handicap plus seven strokes.

Qualifying play for the men's club championship tourney at RVCC will conclude Sunday. So far, there are some 60 entries and it is hoped the field will be double that number. Carl Schmidt is now qualifier so far with 71.

KVCC pro shop has entry blanks for those who wish to participate in the annual Oregon Golf association junior match play tourney June 16-20 at Riverside Golf club and Country club, Portland. There will be junior, boys and pee wee divisions for boys, plus a girls division.

In Nevada it is legal to fish anytime for catfish, but it is illegal to fish for any other kind of fish two hours after sunset.

Tough Race Slated For Belmont

New York (UPI) — Calumet Farm's Tim Tam, winner of the Kentucky and Preakness, may have as many as six rivals in Saturday's Belmont Stakes, the third jewel in racing's Triple Crown classics.

As things stood today there was a strong possibility that Joseph O'Connell's Cavan, C. V. Whitney's Flamingo, the Wheatley Stable's Nasco, Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis' Martins Rullah, Mrs. Anna Cannulli's Chance It Tony and Cain Hoy Stable's Victory Morn would be entered for the mile and one-half Belmont when the entry box closes on Friday.

Noureddin, who finished third to Tim Tam in the Derby at Churchill Downs and fifth in the Preakness at Pimlico, definitely will not run. The colt pulled up lame after a workout Saturday and owner Dr. Peter Graffagnino, who would have to pay a supplementary fee of $5,000 to make Noureddin eligible, decided the risk was too great.

The last horse to win the Triple Crown was Citation, another Calumet entry, in 1948. The stable also won in 1941 with Whirlaway.

Women's Golf

Rogue Valley Country club lady golfers will have their regular monthly meeting and luncheon at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 5.

The lady golfers of the Oak Knoll club in Ashland will be guests and competition will be on the interclub trophy. Regular prices will not be made for this play but games will be arranged at the starting table.

Next Willamette Valley-Southern Oregon Golf association play will be on June 18 at Grants Pass. Ladies are asked to sign up early. Entry deadline is June 7. Post entries will not be accepted.

Competition for Thursday, May 29, was the second play on the RVWG trophy. Winner in A group was Mrs. Thomas Culbertson. B group winner was Mrs. Lee Flink. C. group was a tie between Mrs. L. R. Smith, and Mrs. C. H. Barrell. D group was won by Mrs. Robert DeLorme. Nine-hole winner was Mrs. Richard Alley. Nine-hole beginner group was won by Mrs. Robert Bugler.

Tacoma Golfers Win National Open Berths

Tacoma —(UPI)— Ken Still and Dr. Herman Dahl of Tacoma Monday won the two Pacific Northwest berths for the National Open gold tournament by shooting 141 and 143 respectively.

EMPIRE BOWLING LEAGUE

Winnie's Style Salon won first place in the Empire Bowling league.

Team members are Captain Bea Mathews, Flossie Coffin and Jackie Wilson.

Second place team was Jewel House with Captain Judy Barnum, Pat Braach and Lucy Turner.

SUGAR IN MOVIES

Los Angeles —(UPI)— Bill Free of Dimensional Pictures said at a monthly meeting of the Southern California Boxing Writers association Monday that middleweight champion Ray Robinson will arrive here on Saturday to negotiate for a movie contract.

Dodgers To Open Three-Game Series

Los Angeles — (UPI) —The Dodgers open a three - game series with Cincinnati tonight about the time polling places clerks settle down to find out if the Los Angeles club has found a home in Chavez ravine.

Left-handed Sandy Koufax (2-1) takes the mound for the Dodgers but it wouldn't be too surprising if hardly anyone but the Redlegs noticed in the eagerness to catch the early returns on Proposition B.

Approval of the controversial measure would give the Dodgers a 300-acre site near downtown Los Angeles on which they plan to build a 50,000-seat Stadium —without a short left field fence.

Birdie Tebbetts selected veteran Harvey Haddix (3-3), also a lefty, to start for the Redlegs, now in fourth place in the National league since whipping Pittsburgh Monday.

Slightly Sensational

Koufax was slightly sensational on the 17-game road trip just completed in the East by the Dodgers. The young Brooklyn-born hurler whipped Milwaukee in a two-hit, 11-inning game and then downed Pittsburgh. He lost a game in relief.

The Dodgers returned from their eastern swing with a 8-9 record, better than they did at home in their slumping start which dropped them into the National league cellar, 10 games behind San Francisco.

Hitting and pitching has improved slowly on the Los Angeles team, offering hope that the Dodgers may be on the way to being the threat they have been for the past 10 years.

Power is Back

Duke Snider got a homer, a double, single and walked twice in his last game in Chicago and Gil Hodges slammed two homers against the Cubs.

Big Steve Bilko comes back to Southern California with the Redlegs, but he may not see much action. He has played behind switch-hitting George Crowe.

Los Angeles meets Cincinnati Wednesday night and closes out the series Thursday with a day game before taking on the Milwaukee Braves in a three-game set.

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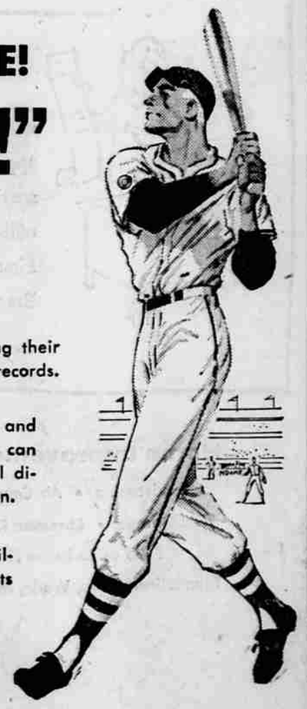
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