

# San Francisco May Land Fight

San Francisco (UPI)—Promoter Norman Rothchild said Saturday that San Francisco "stands the best chance at the moment" of landing the bout between Carmen Basilio and Gene Fullmer for the world middleweight title.

But the 39-year-old native of Syracuse added that he still has stops to make at Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Denver, Milwaukee, Little Rock, Indianapolis and Chicago.

Rothchild indicated that Chicago would not get the bout. Both fighters had had losing records there, he said. Rothchild arrived Saturday with a troupe which included Marv Jensen, who manages Fullmer, and Basilio's co-pilot team of John De John and Joe Netto.

Rothchild promptly was whisked out to the Cow Palace by matchmaker Bennie Ford and President Fred Spiess of the San Francisco Boxing club who told him the fight scheduled for early in August would bring in \$300,000.

"I was very impressed by the Cow Palace," Rothchild said. "It could put the Chicago stadium and Madison Square Garden in its hip pocket." He said that \$300,000 also was his asking price for television rights to the bout, which will be just another fight as far as New York state is concerned. The boxing commission there still recognizes Ray Robinson as champion. Sugar Ray recently was stripped of his crown by the NBA for not defending it since retaining the title from Basilio in March of 1958.

Rothchild hastened to point out that his junkets were not "a bill Rosenohn had designed to build up interest in Basilio and Fullmer. The bout doesn't need one."

Rosenohn made similar checks at different cities before settling on New York as

the spot for this month's fight between Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson world heavyweight title fight.

Friday Rothchild visited Salt Lake City, Ogden, and West Jordan, Utah. A Salt Lake promoter offered him a \$250,000 guarantee. The quarter is scheduled to listen to more offers today in Los Angeles than go to Las Vegas.

Rothchild said that he has received nothing in writing from the San Francisco boxing club but would check back with it if guaranteed more at another city.

Both Fullmer and Basilio took turns winning the middleweight crown from Robinson then losing it back to him. Neither boxer has met the other.

## Cage Tilt Has Switch Of Sponsor

Las Vegas, Nev. (UPI)—A change in sponsorship of the invitational A.A.U. basketball tournament staged here for the past six years was announced Saturday along with plans to enlarge the scope of the tournament.

Previously known as the Southwestern Invitational tournament, the event will be known as the Stardust Invitational and will be staged in the new \$6 million convention center under the sponsorship of the Stardust hotel.

The 1960 tournament is scheduled for Feb. 11-13, tournament director H. B. Trent announced. Trent is superintendent of recreation for the city of Las Vegas and directed the tournament when it was co-sponsored by the Las Vegas Review-Journal and the city recreation department.

Trent said two positions in the eight-team tournament have been filled with the national AAU champion Wichita Vickers and the National Industrial Basketball League champion Denver-Chicago Trueters. The remaining six spots will be filled by December.

The new tournament sponsors have provided an \$18,000 basketball floor and scoreboards for the convention center which will seat 9,000 for basketball.

Trent said the new tournament has received the backing of AAU president Kellum Johnson, AAU secretary-treasurer James F. Simms and national basketball committee chairman Russell Lyons.

## TO COACH ALL-STARS

Phoenix, Ariz. (UPI)—Don Clark, head football coach at the University of Southern California, has accepted one of the coaching jobs of the National All-Stars in the Copper Bowl game, Dec. 26.

# Casper Takes Slight Lead Over Hogan In U.S. Open

Mamaroneck, N. Y. (UPI)—Barrel-shaped Billy Casper slogged through the mud to a fat three-stroke lead over Ben Hogan in the third round of the U.S. Open golf championship Saturday as old slammer Sammy Snead began a brilliant stretch run to end 19 years of frustration.

The baby-faced slugger from Apple Valley, Calif., fired a two under par 36-33-69 for a two under par 54-hole total of 208. Early morning rain and lightning delayed play and postponed the closing round until Sunday.

The rains and the mugginess which followed didn't bother Billy, only 11 days short of his 28th birthday as he padded the one-stroke lead he had forged in the second round. For his 69 pushed him three shots in front of Ben Hogan when the mighty mite from Texas, shooting for a record fifth victory, fired a 36-35-71 for 211.

But the man who thrilled the umbrella-toting crowds lining the lush fairways at Winged Foot Golf club was old slammer Sam. He blasted out a three under par 33-34-67 for a 212 which left him four shots away as he fought his way up from far back in the pack.

There were two others at 212 with Snead—Bob Rosburg, the man with the baseball grip from Palo Alto, Calif., and brawny Arnold Palmer. Rosburg matched Snead's hot round with a 34-33-67 and Palmer slid back to them with a 35-37-72.

But the crowds were cheering slammer Sam, a sentimental favorite because in 18 despaired attempts he has finished second four times and kicked it away a fifth. He had picked up only two shots on Casper, with his 67 against pudge Billy's 69, but they figured in that final round today anything could happen and he had a golden chance from four shots back.

Casper's 208 was the second lowest 54-hole total ever recorded in the open, surpassed only by Hogan's record 207 at Riviera in 1948, and it was enough to push him three in front of Hogan, four ahead of Snead, Rosburg and Palmer, and five in front of the next three—home pro Claude Harmon, Doug Ford and burly Mike Souchak.

Those three were banded at 213. Harmon fired a 70 and Ford and Souchak skidded to 72's. Ford blew a big chance when he squished over par on the last three holes. At 214 came Ernie Vossler, the plumber from Midland, Tex., with a 72 for 214, while Lionel Hebert pounded out a par 70 for 215.

Little Gary Player, the young South African hoping to be the first foreign winner since Ted Ray in 1920, blew up. He had been one shot back when the third round began but chipped out a 38-38-76 which dropped him to 216 with Bo Waininger.

There was a host of them in Middlecoff and Jack Fleck, PGA champion Dow Finsterwald, Don January, Ted Kroll and Dave Marr. Marr and Fleck shot 69's to get that close but "open nerves" built up a situation between Middlecoff and Harmon.

Receives Decision Middlecoff received a favorable decision from U.S.G.A. officials on an embedded ball on the 12th hole, getting a free drop. Harmon opposed the decision and there was a definite coolness between the players and they wordlessly left the 18th green.

Back at 218 came Gene Littler with a 75; Joe Campbell at 218 with a 75; Henry Ransom and Billy Maxwell at 220; Chick Harbert and Fred Wampler 222; Charley Coe at 225 with a 75; Art Wall 79 and 228, and singer Don Cherry at 229 with a 79.

Defending champion Tommy Bolt checked in with a 75 for 225 just as a violent thunderstorm interrupted play late in the day.

Oklahoma State Wins in NCAA Omaha (UPI)—Oklahoma State going for its first national college baseball championship, Friday night handed a 10-2 lashing to Western Michigan, the team that nipped the Cowboys' NCAA chances four years ago.

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# SPORTS

## Indians Pull Up To Half Game Of First Place

By United Press International The Cleveland Indians pulled even within a half-game of first place in the American league Saturday when they scored seven runs on homers and got the winning tally on a wind-blown fly to beat the Washington Senators, 8-7.

The Baltimore Orioles beat the league-leading Chicago White Sox, 6-4; the New York Yankees downed Detroit, 6-4; and Boston defeated Kansas City, 6-1.

Rocky Colavito belted a grand-slam homer, his 19th circuit-clout of the season, and Vic Power, Granny Hamner, and Ray Webster also homered for the Tribe. But Cleveland got the big run in the ninth when Webster's triple-blow fly fell for a triple and Jim Piersall followed with a sacrifice fly.

Harmon Killebrew hit his 20th homer for the Senators to stay one ahead of Colavito in the race for top major-league honors. Jim Perry picked up his first major-league win in relief for the Indians.

White Sox Trail The White Sox, trailing by 4-1 as they notched only four hits in the first seven innings,

Schranz Named Skiing Trainer Timberline—Karl Schranz, three-time winner of the Arlberg Kandahar and the heir-apparent to the crown of fellow Austrian, Toni Sailer, will train with American racers at Mt. Hood this summer. Last winter Schranz became the first man in history to win Europe's top ski race in three consecutive years.

Schranz's forthcoming visit was announced today by Pepi Gabl, American FIS coach and director of the international summer racing school here.

The school, now in its third year of existence, has traditionally attracted some of the top names in skiing from all over the world. Applicants are selected from among the FIS, and Olympic teams of this country and Canada, and from the ranks of the most promising young racers of both countries.

Skiing is a year-round activity at Timberline and summer training sessions take place on perpetual snowfields at the 10,000-foot level of Mt. Hood.

pulled even with Baltimore in the eighth when Nellie Fox clouted a three-run homer. But the Orioles went back ahead to stay in the same frame when Bob Boyd hit his first homer of the year with one man on. Billy Loes was the winner in relief and Gerry Staley the loser. Gus Triandos of the Orioles earlier hit his 13th homer of the year.

The Yankees' win over the Tigers at New York came in a game called because of rain after Frank Bolling had led off the Detroit ninth inning with a single. The Yankees clouted three homers—by Mickey Mantle, Mary Thorneberry, and Tony Kubek, while Lou Berberet and Carley Maxwell homered for the Tigers. Don Larsen gained his sixth win of the year with relief from Art Ditmar while Jim Bunning was the loser.

At Boston, Tom Brewer of the Red Sox pitched a perfect game for 5 1/3 innings and finally settled for a six-hit triumph. Last-place Boston snapped its three-game losing streak by belting three A's pitchers for 13 hits including three hits apiece by Don Budin and Pete Runnels and a homer by Pete Daley.

Home Runs National League—Mathews, Braves 22; Aaron, Braves 16; Banks, Cubs 16; Robinson, Reds 15; Cepeda, Giants 14; Mays, Braves 14; American League—Killebrew, Senators 43; Skowron, Yankees 41; Harmon, Red Sox 39; Lopez, Orioles 38; Kaline, Tigers 38.

Pitching National League—Face, Pirates 9-0; Podres, Dodgers 7-2; Antonelli, Giants 6-3; Mizell, Cards 7-3; Buhl, Braves 6-3. American League—Wilhelm, Orioles 9-0; Moses, Tigers 7-2; Shaw, White Sox 5-2; Wynn, White Sox 3-4; Ford, Yankees 6-3; Lary, Tigers 6-3; Score, Indians 6-3.

BASEBALL FRIDAY'S RESULTS National League Chicago 9, Milwaukee 7; San Francisco 3, Philadelphia 0 (night, 5 innings); Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 2; Cincinnati 1 (6 innings, night); Los Angeles 9, Pittsburgh 6 (night).

American League Detroit 3, New York 1 (night); Kansas City 3, Boston 2 (night); Cleveland at Washington (night, ppd. rain); Chicago at Baltimore (night, ppd. rain).

Pacific Coast League Vancouver 15, Phoenix 7; Spokane 5, Salt Lake 2; San Diego 2, Seattle 1; Portland 7, Sacramento 2.

Northwest League Yakima 11, Salem 2; Wenatchee 20, Tri-City 2; Eugene 4, Lewiston 1 (first); Lewiston 6, Eugene 3 (second).

## STANDINGS

Table with columns: AMERICAN LEAGUE, Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Rows include Chicago, Cleveland, Baltimore, Detroit, New York, Kansas City, Washington, Boston.

Saturday's Results: New York 6, Detroit 4 (8 innings, rain); Boston 6, Kansas City 1; Cleveland 8, Washington 7; Baltimore 6, Chicago 4.

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SUNDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS American League Detroit at New York (2 games)—Lary (6-3) and Foytack (4-6) vs. Ford (6-3) and Mays (4-3). Kansas City at Boston (2 games)—Daley (5-4) and Kucis (1-2) vs. Bonbouquette (1-2) and Casale (4-4). Chicago at Baltimore (2 games)—Wynn (5-4) and Donovan (3-3) vs. Harshman (0-6) and O'Dell (2-5). Cleveland at Washington (2 games)—Shaw (5-4) and Donovan (3-3) vs. Kemmerer (4-5) and Fischer (5-1).

National League Milwaukee at Chicago—Rush (4-2) or Jay (2-4) vs. Drott (0-0). San Francisco at Philadelphia (2 games)—Scott (6-3) and Shipley (0-0) vs. Conley (3-3) and Gomez (1-3). Los Angeles at Pittsburgh (2 games)—Erskine (0-2) and Williams (3-1) vs. Law (5-4) and Witt (0-5). Cincinnati at St. Louis (2 games)—Brosnan (1-3) and Nuxhall (3-4) vs. Blaylock (3-3) and Kellner (2-1).

## League Leaders

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# Braves Down Cubs With 4-2 Victory; Cards Stop Reds

By United Press International Don McMahon's relief pitching saved Warren Spahn's eighth victory of the season Saturday as the Milwaukee Braves downed the Chicago Cubs, 4-2.

In other National league games, Larry Jackson pitched an eight-hitter for the streaking St. Louis Cardinals to shut out the Cincinnati Reds, 7-0, and Don Hoak's two-run single gave the Pittsburgh Pirates a 5-3 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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The Braves staked Spahn to a two-run lead in the first inning with Aaron's double, the key blow and added two more with the help of Ernie Banks' error in the fifth.

At St. Louis, Jackson fanned six as he pitched the Cards to their fifth win in

the last six games. Stan Musial, who returned to the Card lineup, led the Card attack by driving in four runs with a homer and a single. Gino Cimoli also homered the Cards and Bill White of the Cards doubled in the seventh inning to extend his batting average to 14 games.

At Pittsburgh, two singles and an intentional walk loaded the bases for the Pirates in the eighth inning and enabled Hoak to drive in the winning runs with a sharp single to left field. Ronnie Kline scattered 11 hits to post his sixth win for the Pirates. Hoak had doubled home an earlier Pirate run.

The San Francisco Giants defeated the Philadelphia Phils, 2-1, in a night game as Johnny Antonelli pitched a seven-hitter for his ninth vic-

tory of the season to keep the Giants within one game of first-place Braves. Willie Kirkland tripled home a Willie Mays drive in what proved to be the winning tally with a sacrifice fly in the seventh. Daryl Spencer's brilliant catch of Wally Post's line drive saved the game for the Giants in the last of the ninth.

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## Portland Trims Solons in PCL

United Press International Jim Greengrass, a hitting bust with Sacramento last season, showed the Solons they didn't trade away a washed up ball player this spring.

Greengrass smacked his ninth homer of the season to lead the Portland Beavers to a 7-2 win over the Solons Friday night. Big Jim, a 200 pound outfielder who batted in 100 runs for Cincinnati in 1953, hit only 250 for Sacramento last season while getting but six homers.

It's been a different story this season. Greengrass, 31, is hitting around the 290 mark and hitting with power and driving in runs. His three run homer Friday night got the Beavers off to an uncatchable start.

Portland's Howie Reed had a no hitter going into the seventh inning. The Solons then picked up three straight singles and scored when Mike Krsnich hit into a double play.

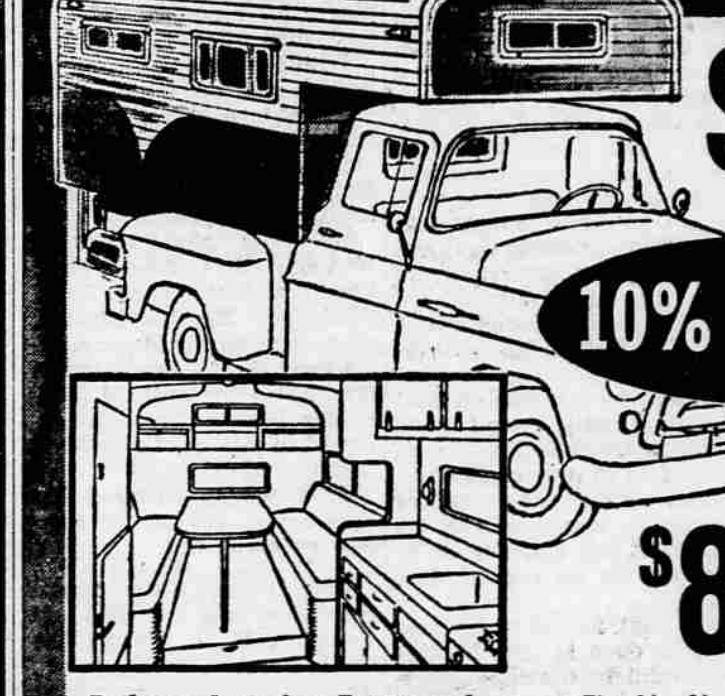
The Beavers chased Solon starter Roger Osenbaugh in the first inning when they slashed six hits.

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