



KIRKLAND STEALS—San Francisco Giant outfielder Willie Kirkland steals second base in sixth inning of National League opening baseball game against St. Louis Cardinals yesterday.

Dodgers Rally To Cop Opener 3-2 from Cubs; Drysdale Fans 14; Giants Defeat Cards 3-1

By FRED DOWN
United Press International
Manager Walt Alston still has that World Series magic and the Los Angeles Dodgers still have that uncanny knack for doing things the hard way.

That was the big story Tuesday night when the Dodgers climaxed one of the greatest opening days in National League history with an uphill 3-2, 11-inning victory over the Chicago Cubs.

A record night game crowd for the league of 67,550 turned out in the massive Los Angeles Coliseum and was treated to a sensational game in which:

—Don Drysdale, 1959 strike-out king, fanned 14 Cubs and allowed only seven hits over the full 11 innings.

—The "cliff-hanger" Dodgers rallied from an early 2-0 deficit, brought about with the help of ex-teammate Don Zimmer's homer, to tie the score in the fifth inning and carry the game into extra innings.

—Alston, who twice got pinch-hit homers from Chuck Essegian in the 1959 World Series, called on the rugged utility outfielder with two out in the last of the 11th—and got the game-winning homer from him.

Essegian's teammates gathered at home plate to meet him as he ran out the game-winning homer and the huge crowd accorded the ex-Stanford football player a thunderous ovation. It was the third straight homer for Essegian as a pinch-hitter, dating back to the '59 series.

Pitcher Bob Anderson's single and a double by Tony Taylor gave the Cubs their second run off Drysdale in the third inning but the Dodgers tied the score on two walks and a double by Wally Moon, another of the Dodgers' 1959 heroes.

The attendance broke the old National League single-game night crowd of 67,937 set by the Dodgers against Milwaukee at the Coliseum last Aug. 8 and rounded out a day during which the four National League openers drew a total of 179,782 fans.

The San Francisco Giants dedicated their new 15-million-dollar Candlestick Park and beat the St. Louis Cardinals, 3-1, before 42,269; the Milwaukee Braves shaded the

Pittsburgh Pirates, 4-3 before 39,888 and the Cincinnati Reds romped over the Philadelphia Phillies, 9-4, before 30,075 in the daylight openers. American League openers are scheduled for April 18 and April 19.

Vice President Richard Nixon was among the capacity throng at San Francisco as Sam Jones hurled a three-hitter and Orlando Cepeda drove in all three Giant runs. Jones fanned three and walked only one, yielding the St. Louis run on a homer by ex-Giant Leon Wagner. Cepeda tripped home two runs in the first inning and singled home Willie Mays in the third.

Cepeda blasted another ball to right center in the eighth with a man aboard, but Bill White made a great catch of the ball before smashing into the fence.

The first two Giant runs were unearned. Lead off man Don Blasingame hit a grounder which second baseman Alex Grammas booted. Jackson walked Mays with one out, then Cepeda banded his three-bagger after Willie McCovey had fouled out.

Jones, who gave up only one walk, might have had to settle for a four-hitter if it weren't for right fielder Willie Kirkland. In the second inning Stan Musial lined a shot down the right field line which seemed destined to become a hit, but Kirk reached up and speared the ball with one hand.

Charlie Dressen made a victorious debut as manager of the Braves when Joe Adcock blasted a two-run eighth-inning homer off Pittsburgh reliever Roy Face, who didn't face his first game of the 1959 season until Sept. 11. Warren Spahn had homered and pitched shutball until the Pirates tied the score at 2-2 in the eighth. Don McMahon picked up the win with ninth-inning relief aid from Lew Burdette.

Schoendienst Goes Hitless
Red Schoendienst made his first start for the Braves since the 1958 World Series but went hitless in three trips to the plate.

Roy McMillan and rookie Tony Gonzalez hit homers as the Reds spoiled Robin Roberts' 11th consecutive opening-day appearance with a nine-hit attack. Roberts was rocked for seven hits and eight earned runs in 4 1/2 innings. Jim O'Toole, who shut out the Phillies from the third through the eighth inning, was the winner.

The Cleveland Indians beat the New York Yankees, 7-4; the Boston Red Sox downed the Detroit Tigers, 3-0; the Kansas City Athletics beat the Baltimore Orioles, 3-0; and the Chicago White Sox topped the Washington Senators, 5-0, in American league exhibition games.

LINESCORES:
National League
Philadelphia 000 000 000—4 9 3
Cincinnati 051 021 00X—9 9 0
Roberts, Short (5); Gomez (1); Robinson (2); Collet (Brannan); Lawrence (2); O'Toole (3); Henry (3); and Bailey, Winner—O'Toole (1-0). Loser—Roberts (0-1). HR—McMillan, Gonzalez.

Pittsburgh 000 000 021—3 11 2
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Chicago 002 000 000 00—2 7 1
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Anderson, Elston (9) and Neeman, Rice (9). Drysdale and Roseboro. HR—Zimmer, Essegian, Winner—Drysdale (1-0). Loser—Elston (0-1).

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Coast League Opens Thursday With Portlanders at Tacoma

By RAY ANDREWS
United Press International
Tacoma, a bench warmer for 55 years, gets back into the old ball game Thursday just in time to help open a Pacific Coast league baseball season that promises to be a routing success.

The Giants, little brothers of the San Francisco Giants of the National league, host Portland in a day-night double-header.

Vancouver is at Sacramento in another twin bill Thursday. These four teams are idle Friday when the rest of the loop swings into action with Seattle at San Diego for two games and Spokane at Salt Lake City in a single night game.

When the ump cries "play ball," it will be Tacoma's first crack in the PCL since 1905 when it held the Sacramento franchise for one year.

This season Tacoma is taking over for Phoenix which last year finished a solid last in both standing and attendance.

The Giants figure to do better on both counts. They already have more than \$100,000 in ticket sales in the till and, except for bleacher seats, the new 7,500-seat Cheney Stadium is sold out for both ends of the opener.

Pitchers on Option
"We are going to have a good ball club," says W. D. (Rory) Ryan, general manager. "We have four pitchers on 24-hour option from San Francisco."

Those chukkers are Eddie Fisher, Don Choate, Marshall Renfro and Julie Navarro. Fisher, 11-2 last season at Phoenix before going up to San Francisco, looms as a

workhorse for Manager Red Davis.

Dusty Rhodes, Bob Perry and Bob Prescott will make up the Giant outfield while Ben Valenzuela, only regular from last year's Phoenix club, will handle the hot corner.

Tommy Heath, back at Portland, pins his hopes on George Freeze, Jim Greengrass and Nippy Jones who were good for a total of 81 homers last year. Greengrass was the big stick with 27 homers and 90 rbis.

Sacramento gave it a big try in 1959 but eventually slipped to fourth, seven games off the pace. Al Heist, glue-fingered center fielder is back for the Solons, along with third sacker Mill Smith, shortstop Buddy Peterson and key-stoner Chico Heron.

New Vancouver Manager
Manager Ernie White is looking for help from Milwaukee and has already obtained J. W. Porter, catcher-first baseman from the Braves.

George Staller takes over for Charlie Metro at Vancouver. The Mounties finished second, one and one-half games behind, Salt Lake City last season. Staller leads good pitching but may need more power to make as good a showing.

Seattle, a seventh-place finisher in 1959, looked good in spring training. The Rainiers have added power and Dick Sisler, the new skipper, needs only better pitching to be a threat.

Dave Stenhouse, 12-13 last year, is back from Cincinnati and Sisler is counting heavily on Ray Rippelmeyer, an 11-12 man last year at Atlanta. Pedro Gomez is the new

Al Kaline Bat Choice

New York—(UPI)—Al Kaline, brilliant 25-year old outfielder of the Detroit Tigers, is favored to romp off this season with his second American league batting title.

The United Press International's 1960 board of baseball experts, sports writers and broadcasters who saw the teams in spring training, picked Kaline to wrest the title away from teammate Harvey Kuenn.

Kaline, who won the crown with a .340 average in 1955, was picked by 22 of the 50 experts. Kuenn, the 1959 champion with a .353 mark, was chosen to repeat this year by 14 experts.

Mickey Mantle, the New York Yankee's injury-harassed super-star, was chosen by seven writers and Rocky Colavito and Johnny Temple of the Cleveland Indians, Nelson Fox of the Chicago White Sox and Norm Siebern of the Kansas City Athletics received one vote each.

Umpires Picked for PCL Tifts

Seattle—(UPI)—Umpire assignments for opening Pacific Coast League games were announced Tuesday by league President Dewey Soriano.

Handling the Portland-Tacoma opener at Tacoma Thursday, will be veteran umpire Pat Orr, Bill Malesky, another holdover, and newcomer Elmer Ammons.

Assigned to Sacramento's opening game against Vancouver, also booked for Thursday, were Sam Carrigan and Jack Tobin, who worked in the league last year, and Alex Salerno, a newcomer to the PCL staff.

Working the Salt Lake City opener against Spokane Friday will be a trio of holdovers—Cesare Carlucci, Emmett Ashford and Richard Phillips.

The officials for the San Diego-Seattle premiere at San Diego will be Mel Steiner and Bob St. Clair, both veteran PCL umpires, and Paul Kelly, recently acquired from the Sally league.

Canadiens Ahead 3-0

Toronto—(UPI)—The stage is set and now Toronto Maple Leaf Coach Punch Imlach is hoping Stanley Cup history can repeat itself.

Beaver Skipper Lists Lineup

Portland—(UPI)—Manager Tommy Heath indicated today he would start right-handers Lynn Lovenguth and Don Johnson on the mound for Portland in the PCL opening twin-bill at Tacoma Thursday.

Heath also said newly-acquired Jim Bideweser was expected to start at second base and Don Tausig, also a new Beaver, would take over in center field.

The rest of the probable starting lineup includes Len Neal, catcher; Nippy Jones, first base; Jack Bloomfield, shortstop; George Freeze, third base; Jim Greengrass, right field, and Joe Gaines, left field.

College Boxer Clings to Life

Madison, Wis.—(UPI)—Champion college boxer Charlie Mohr was kept alive by medical science for the fourth day today, despite odds that remained heavily against his survival.

He's still hanging on and considering the gravity of the case, that's something. He has improved a bit, but only a minimum," said Dr. Manucher Javid, associate professor of neuro-surgery who performed the brain surgery on Mohr Saturday night and early Sunday.

"We're using every scientific means and are hoping that he will respond. He is still completely unconscious and his breathing is a problem," Javid said.

TRAINER DIES

Palm Springs, Calif.—(UPI)—Carl Gunnarson, 42, trainer for the Vancouver Mounties of the Pacific Coast league, died Tuesday in Desert hospital of an apparent heart ailment.

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Pin Meet Goes Into 2nd Half

Toledo, Ohio—(UPI)—The American Bowling Congress tournament entered the second half of its arduous 79-day grind today, and if the meet follows last year's pattern all but one title has been decided.

During the 1959 tournament, only two men crowned won during the final half of the meet. The doubles championship was won by Barney Veljue and Gih Fishback of St. Louis on the 45th day of the tournament.

If the 1959 pattern holds true, the A&A Asphalt club of Birmingham, Mich., will be the open team champion with a 3096, rolled March 23. Should the 3096 hold up it will be the lowest championship total since 1956 when the Falstaffs of Chicago won at Rochester with 3092.

Paul Kulbaga of Cleveland is the singles leader with 726 bowled March 24. He would be the lowest to take the big prize since Tony Sparando of Newark, N.J., won in 1954 with 723 at Seattle.

Vince Luceri, Trenton, N.J., is pacing the all-events for 1959. The last time such a score was won in 1954, also at Seattle when Brad Lewis, Ashland, Ohio, had an identical total. For the past four years it has taken over 2,000 to capture an all-events crown.

In doubles Andy Hudoba and Jack Baum of Youngstown, Ohio, are the pacesetters with 1358. The last time a score as low or lower was won in 1956 at Rochester when Bill Lillard and Stan Gifford of Chicago won with 1331.

STADIUM SITE OKED

Sacramento, Calif.—(UPI)—California Gov. Edmund G. Brown has signed into law a bill releasing state land to the city of Oakland for the site of a new stadium for the Oakland entry into the newly-formed American Professional Football league. The bill, authored by Sen. John W. Holmsted, D-Oakland, expands a grant of state marsh and tideland to the city. The Oakland City Council has approved a \$13,500,000 bond issue to build the stadium for the team, the Oakland Senora.

BOAT JAM

The anticipated traffic jam didn't materialize on the highway after the game. Less than an hour after the final out the parking lot was completely cleared.

However, there was a traffic jam on the water in Candlestick Cove. Here, more than a hundred yachts milled around waiting to pick up passengers from the game. There was only a small temporary dock to accommodate seafaring visitors.

Many others arrived by helicopter at the tiny copter port just behind the center-field screen.

Willie Kirkland of the Giants, who drew praise from Vice President Richard Nixon for his catches in right field, said the wind forced him to stay deep.

"You can't come in, say, on a weak hitter," said Willie. "You have to stay deep because the wind blows anything a lot farther than usual."

Nixon at pre-game ceremonies termed the park "the finest in America."

And the players were just about unanimous in agreeing with him.

4-Minute Mile Said Possible On April 23rd

Eugene—(UPI)—Track Coach Bill Bowerman said today a four-minute mile was possible here April 23 when Dyrrol Burleson of Oregon meets Ernie Cunliffe of Stanford.

"Both are capable of running under four minutes, and if the weather is right, the track is good and the strategy of the race is right, anything could happen."

Oregon's track team travels to Seattle to meet Washington this week.

STANDINGS

By United Press International
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	1	0	1.000	
Milwaukee	1	0	1.000	
San Francisco	1	0	1.000	
Los Angeles	1	0	1.000	
Chicago	0	1	.000	1
Philadelphia	0	1	.000	1
Pittsburgh	0	1	.000	1
St. Louis	0	1	.000	1

Tuesday's Results
Milwaukee 4, Pittsburgh 3
Cincinnati 9, Philadelphia 4
San Francisco 3, St. Louis 1
Los Angeles 3, Chicago 2 (night)

Wednesday's Probable Pitchers
(Last year's won-lost records in parentheses)
Chicago at Los Angeles (night)—Hobbie 16-13 vs. Sherry (7-2)

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

Same Type Ball Played By Dodgers

Los Angeles—(UPI)—The Dodgers have come back with the same brand of baseball that helped them win the National league and world championships last year. Los Angeles fans were convinced today.

A record National league night game crowd of 67,550 Tuesday night saw the Dodgers come through with a pinch home run in the bottom of the 11th inning to defeat the Chicago Cubs, 3-2.

Meet Tonight
The same two clubs meet in the Coliseum tonight in the final of their two-game series with either Larry Sherry or Roger Craig scheduled to hurl against Glen Hobbie of the Cubs.

Alston said he had been warming up Sherry during the late innings and was undecided whether he would start his rookie pitching star of last year or go with Craig tonight. Sherry said he was ready to start if given the chance.

For Drysdale, the victory was a big one. He had pitched the opening game the past two seasons and lost both times.

The big crowd let loose an early cheer when ex-Dodger Don Zimmer, in his first appearance against his former teammates, in the third inning homered over the left field screen.

Kalingo Fights Hart Tonight

Chicago—(UPI)—Rocky Kalingo, the Philippine welterweight champion, and Philadelphia's Garret (Sugar) Hart tonight predicted a knockout victory for their televised 10 round fight tonight.

"I'm going all out to score a knockout, the earlier the better," Kalingo said, "and I think I can knock him out with my right hand."

"This is one fight where I'm sure that someone will be carried out," Hart said, "and I'm sure it won't be me. I've got too much at stake to lose to a newcomer and I'll prove it."

Big 10 Expected To Nullify Its Earlier Action

Chicago—(UPI)—Northwestern and Purdue have become the fourth and fifth schools to vote in favor of continuing Big Ten post-season competition in NCAA events, virtually rescinding its previous action to bar such play.

A sixth school, Wisconsin, was expected to vote for the post-season competition since its board of regents, in an advisory action, voted in favor of the policy.

Regardless of Wisconsin's vote, however, it was expected the Big Ten would repeal its action against post-season competition at its spring meeting in May.

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Musial Says Giants Will Have To Change Playing Style in Candlestick Park

By HAL WOOD
San Francisco—(UPI)—The San Francisco Giants, who used to knock the cover off the ball to win games, will have to change their style of play entirely to win this year, says Stan Musial.

Musial made the observation after the first game in the new Candlestick Park—a windblown affair in which the Giants defeated the St. Louis Cardinals, 3-1, before 42,269 fans.

"Runs are going to be hard to get in this park," said Musial after the opener. "The Giants are going to have to do a lot of bunting, a lot of base stealing to win games here. They are going to have to change their style completely."

SOC Host To Chico In Track

Ashland—Southern Oregon college will play host to Chico State college Saturday afternoon at 1:30 in the first track meet of the 1960 campaign on the Raider cinders.

It will be the third meet for the Raiders who beat Oregon College of Education and Pacific university last week end in a triangular.

Chico has tangled twice with the Raiders in the past two years and has turned up victorious on both occasions with strong wins in the field events and distances.

SOC places its big hopes in sprinters Johnny Jones, Don Story and Stu Baker and performers in the 440 yard dash, pole vault, and javelin.

Chuck Swingle is the big threat in the one lap event where he picked a first place last week. Jones and Don Korth have both thrown the javelin over 190 feet.

Harvey got his best pole vault effort of the season last week end with 12 feet four inches, enough for a school record.

The relay could prove to be another strong point for the Raiders. They have half of their record setting Oregon Collegiate conference team back. Returnees Baker and Swingle will probably be joined by Ora Bannister and Story in the four lap event.

Four Hotshots Win First Leg

Four Hotshots to 7 the monthly intra club match of the Medford Junior Rifle club for a first leg on the Century Sporting Goods trophy.

The Hotshots four high shooters fired a 870 out of 800. Eddie McGrew paced his team with 187 and Bill Manning had 175. Ward Conger fired 169 and Fred Graten 139.

A 20-shot match was held with five shots each from prone, sitting, kneeling and standing positions.

An award presentation is scheduled next Monday night for the juniors at the Medford Rifle and Pistol club range. National Rifle association and Oregon Hunter Safety awards will be given. Parents are asked to attend.

Southern sectional of the Oregon State Rifle and Pistol association junior championships will be fired at the Medford range on April 30.

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