

RAIN DELAYS SIXTH WORLD SERIES TIF

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United Press International
San Francisco — Violent winds and heavy rain today forced Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick to postpone the sixth game of the World Series between the San Francisco Giants and New York Yankees.

Frick said further that he was doubtful that the teams would be able to play Saturday because of the soggy condition of the outfield at Candlestick Park.

The weather bureau predicted heavy rains in San Francisco today, with winds of 40 to 60 miles per hour. Nearly two inches of rain fell in the city during the 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. today. Today's delay was the third

of the current World Series, and the second caused by unfavorable weather.

Frick, who arose early and drove to Candlestick Park, said the infield was playable because it was protected by a tarpaulin. But the outfield was unplayable. "What is needed is for the rains to stop and the wind to dry out the field," Frick said.

Frick announced the postponement at 8:45 a.m. PDT, 3 hours and 15 minutes before game time and before any spectators were in their seats.

More Rain Expected

It was not raining hard this morning, but the weather bureau said a low pressure storm center was expected to come during the day, bringing heavy rains.

The forecast for Saturday called for less than a 25 per cent chance of showers.

With the Yankees leading the series, three games to two, the postponement meant one and possibly two more days of rest for the scheduled starting pitchers, Whitey Ford of the Yankees and Billy Pierce of the Giants.

The 1962 series began a day late because of the National league playoff, and was delayed another day when rain washed out Tuesday's scheduled fifth game in New York.

Even with today's rainout and the possibility of another postponement Saturday, this would not be the most rain-plagued series in history. In 1911, when the Giants played the Philadelphia Athletics, the scheduled fourth game was rained out six straight days.

Manager Ralph Houk of New York was confident that Ford would close out the Series in the sixth game and clinch the Yankees' 20th world championship.

And Al Dark, skipper of the Giants, was just as confident that his team would extend the Series to its limit of seven games.

"We must have been counted out more than 50 times this season," Dark reiterated. "We were counted out more times than any team in baseball history. But we always came back."

"I've said it before and I say it again. I believe the Series will go seven games. The team that wins the seventh will win it all."

The oddsman leaned toward Houk's views rather than Dark's. With Ford pitted against Pierce, the Yankees were 6½ to 5 favorites to win the sixth game and 3½ to 1 to win the Series, Houk said that he would stay with the lineup and batting order that has brought the Yankees to within one victory of a second straight world championship.

Dark, however, announced two changes in the Giants' lineup.

Kuenn, Cepeda To Start

He said he would play Harvey Kuenn in the outfield in place of Matty Alou and would return Orlando Cepeda to first base in place of Willie McCovey.

Although this gave the Giants two more right-handed hitters against southpaw Ford, neither Kuenn nor Cepeda has made a hit in the Series thus far. Kuenn was 0-for-8 and Cepeda 0-for-12.

Dark said he also was undecided whether Tom Haller or Ed Bailey would catch.

The Giants' pitcher, who arose early with the idea of conducting a workout at Candlestick Park and then went back to bed when it appeared obvious that no practice could be held in the rain, insisted that any delay because of bad weather "would neither help nor hinder either club."

Houk, upon learning that the workout was postponed by the weather, conducted a press conference at the downtown hotel where the Yankees are quartered.

Houk Was Chipper

He was chipper and relaxed as he told a room-full of newsmen that he planned to start Ford in the sixth game "because we are going with our best and let the chips fall where they may."

"We'll have our best pitcher going for us and you always have to feel you have a good chance to winning when Whitey is pitching," he said.

"I was going to start Ford in the sixth game whether we won or lost in New York on Wednesday," Houk continued. "He will be pitching on the fourth day (after his last start), just as he's done most of this season and last year. He pitches better on the fourth day than if he had an extra day's rest."

Ford has won a record 19 World Series games, against four defeats. He won this year's opener, 6-2, and left last Monday's game with the score tied at 2-2 in the sixth inning.

Houk said that Bill Stauffer, winner of Sunday's game, 3-2, was "well-rested" and would pitch in the seventh game, if that were necessary.



SWEEPS PARKING LOT — Rain forced cancellation of work out of New York Yankees and San Francisco Giants at Candlestick Park at San Francisco yesterday and postponement of World Series game today. Here a street sweeper clears water from the parking lot area. — (UPI)

SPORTS

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Burke Tops In Aerial Receptions

New York — (UPI) — Jerry Gross of Detroit, the leader in total offense and passing offense until he was injured last season, is making another bid to claim those titles this year.

Statistics released today by the NCAA service bureau show Gross leading all major college football players in passing yardage and second to Eldon Fortie of Brigham Young in total offense.

In three games Gross has completed 45 of 91 pass attempts for 639 yards, Dick Shiner of Maryland is second with 41 completions, followed by Terry Baker of Oregon State with 38, Junior Ed of North Carolina with 34 and John Giles of Louisville with 33.

Tom Myers, a Northwestern sophomore, has the best completion percentage, .771 with 27 of 35 attempts.

Fortie Paces

Fortie, a driving tailback, holds a substantial lead over Gross in total offense with 886 yards in four games. Gross, who has played one less game, has totaled 634 yards. Completing the first five are Baker 643, Pete Pedro of West Texas St. 632 and George Mira of Miami of Florida 530.

Pedro is the rushing leader with 621 yards gained in 75 carries. Fortie is runner up with 527 yards and the rest of the field is scattered far behind.

The leading pass receiver is Verne Burke of Oregon State, who has accounted for 336 yards on 25 receptions. A distant second is John Simmons of Tulsa with 18 receptions and 216 yards while Hugh Campbell of Washington State is third with 17 catches.

Dick Fitzsimmons of New Mexico leads in punting with a 47.8 average. Russ Vollmer of Memphis State is the punt return leader with an average of 25.7. Gary Kenley of Arizona tops the list in kickoff returns (31.5) and Jerry Logan of West Texas State is the scoring leader with 72 points.

Hili Assumes Golfing Lead

Bakersfield, Calif. — (UPI) — Slender Dave Hili, leading the field by a stroke into today's second round of the \$40,000 Bakersfield Open Golf tournament, hopes this top purse event of the fall tour won't turn into another Seattle for him.

The 25-year-old long ball hitter fired a five under par 67 Thursday as a galaxy of stars stayed hot on his heels. In the Washington State classic four weeks ago, Hili was first round leader with a hot 64 but wound up in a tie for 27th.

Jimmy Powell and Dutch Baird, plus Sahara Open winner Tony Lema of San Leandro, Calif., posted 68s.

Ninth Graders Postpone Tiff

Central Point — Heavy rains forced postponement of the Crater — McLoughlin ninth grade football game scheduled yesterday afternoon.

The tussle has been reset for Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 3:30 p.m. at the Crater high field.

Originally the game was set for last night on the Comet field. It was then related for afternoon at Central Point junior high field to keep the senior high gridiron in condition for the Crater-Medford mix tonight.

Bavasi Might Leave Dodgers

San Francisco — (UPI) — E. J. (Buzzy) Bavasi, one of baseball's most sought-after executives, is seriously considering leaving the Los Angeles Dodgers to accept a lucrative general manager's position with the Chicago Cubs.

Affiliated with the Dodgers since 1939, the energetic 46-year-old Bavasi has had offers from several other clubs during the past few years and has turned down all of them, but he appears strongly inclined to accept the Cubs, it was learned today.

Should Bavasi take the Chicago job, he would be in complete charge of the Cubs' entire baseball operation at a substantially higher salary than he is drawing now with the Dodgers.

Bavasi's departure from the Dodgers would touch off quite a chain reaction.

John Holland, the Cubs' current general manager, would be shifted to another front office post with the Cubs.

Frederic Thompson would move into the general manager's chair with the Dodgers and Walter O'Malley's son, Peter, undoubtedly would inherit an executive job in the organization.

BOSOX SIGN PITCHER

San Francisco — (UPI) — John Marcinko, a 17-year-old right-handed pitcher from Atwater, Calif., has signed with the Boston Red Sox for a "substantial" bonus.

Marcinko will be assigned to Winston-Salem of the Class B Carolina League next season.

Series Facts

San Francisco — (UPI) — Facts and figures on the 1962 World Series.

Opponents — New York Yankees, American league champions, vs. San Francisco Giants, National league champions.

Standing — Yankees lead, 3 games to 2.

Winner — First team to win 4 games.

Remaining games — 8th game at Candlestick Park, San Francisco, Saturday, Oct. 13, 7th game, if necessary, at Candlestick Park, Sunday, Oct. 14.

Results of games played — 1st game, Yankees 8, Giants 2; 2nd game, Giants 2, Yankees 0; 3rd game, Yankees 3, Giants 2; 4th game, Giants 1, Yankees 3; 5th game, Yankees 5, Giants 3.

Series odds — Yankees favored, 3½ to 1.

Sixth game odds — Yankees favored, 6 to 5.

Sixth game pitchers — Yankees, Whitey Ford; Giants, Billy Pierce.

Television and radio — National Broadcasting company.

Attendance — 288,808; total receipts \$2,185,801.43; commissioner's share \$324,807.64; 13.

Players' pool — \$863,281.71. Players share only in receipts of first four games.

MH Lettermen Will Serve as Demonstrators

Order of M. the lettermen's club of Medford High school will be busy Saturday at the Piggly Wiggly store on Stewart ave.

They will demonstrate products during the day and will sell hot dogs.

Proceeds from their demonstrations and sales will go toward club projects.

Trophy Races Set for Sunday

Trophy races will be conducted on Sunday, Oct. 14, at Medford kartways-if weather allows.

Time trials are planned for 1 p.m. The gates open at 11 a.m. and the track at noon.

An elapsed time system is used.

There will be rental karts at the track on Saturday afternoon.

Cleveland, Baltimore Vie Sunday

United Press International
The Cleveland Browns and Baltimore Colts, tabbed before the start of the season as leading contenders for the National Football league division championships, meet Sunday in a game to determine which will go on to fulfill that destiny.

The Browns, like the Colts, have been something of a disappointment thus far, but they are 7-point favorites to beat Baltimore in this inter-division battle at Cleveland. Each team has a 2-2 record and the losers' hopes for a division title will be dimmed considerably.

Green Bay's champion Packers (4-0) are 21-point favorites to remain undefeated by beating the winless Vikings (0-4) at Minneapolis-St. Paul, but the Washington Redskins' reign atop the Eastern Division appears in jeopardy.

Washington Is Underdog

Washington (3-0-1), the surprise team in the NFL, is a 3½-point underdog against the Cardinals (1-3) at St. Louis. The New York Giants (3-1), poised to take over the Eastern Division lead if the "Skins" should slip, are the choice by 10 points to win their home opener against the Pittsburgh Steelers (2-2).

In the other Sunday games, the Detroit Lions (3-1) are picked by 15 points at home over the Los Angeles Rams (0-4), and Chicago Bears (3-1) are the choice by 4 for their home opener against the San Francisco Forty Niners (2-2), and the Philadelphia Eagles (1-3) are favored by 3 over the Cowboys (1-2-1) at Dallas.

Hunt Applications Not Being Returned

Portland — Oregon hunters are advised that the game commission has discontinued returning applications for unit permits in areas where the unit quota has been filled by the time the application is received. Because of the flood of applications now being received, most units will be filled within a few days. The commission said it would be too late to return applications to hunters for refilling since any or all units could reach the permit quota within a single day.

Up to this time the commission has returned all valid applications to hunters who failed in the unit applied for. Along with the application a list of unfilled units was provided the hunter in which he could make a new selection.

The commission has on file more than 500 applications on which there is no return address.

Chicago — (UPI) — The Chicago Zephyrs of the National Basketball association have reached the 12-player limit by asking waivers on veterans Charlie Tyra and Andy Johnson and rookie Ralph Wells of Northwestern.

Rain, Mud To Have Role In Washington, OSU Mix

Portland — (UPI) — Rain and mud, two items neither team wants, are expected to play a large part in Saturday's gridiron battle between Washington and Oregon State at Multnomah Stadium.

Despite a threatening weather forecast, every seat in the stadium has been sold. A crowd of about 35,000 is forecast for the 11:30 p.m. PST contest.

Washington's concern about playing conditions went to such lengths that the Huskies sent their huge canvas tarp to cover the field. Workmen got it on before a violent rainstorm struck Thursday morning, but since it had rained all week before the tarp arrived, the stadium turf will be marshy at best.

Poor Footing

Poor footing could slow down an offense that has carried Washington to sixth spot in the United Press International poll. The Huskies boast

such speedsters as halfbacks Charlie Mitchell and Martin Wyatt and a standout passer in sophomore Bill Douglas.

Oregon State's passing combination of Terry Baker to Vern Burke has carried the Beavers to second place in the nation in passing offense. Oregon State has averaged more than 228 yards per game through the air.

A muddy football or slippery footing could stop the best parts of both offenses.

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Deer Hunting Good In Jackson County

Portland — (UPI) — The upland game bird hunting season will open in Oregon Saturday. The weekly report prepared by the state game commission:

Southwest: Hunting conditions excellent in Douglas County; quail prospects fair in Coos and Curry counties; deer hunting good in Jackson County and fair in Josephine County.

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IMPROVISE—Avid San Francisco Giant baseball fans do a little improvising as they build themselves a shelter against wind and rain to house them as they wait for bleacher seats to go on sale for sixth game of World Series. — (UPI)

Pistol Packing Hunters Endanger Selves Worst

Portland — Game animals don't have to worry too much, nor do the mass of hunters who take to the hinterlands in search of game, but pistol packing hunters and the quick-draw "artists" might take a close look at the practice of toting tied-down "hog-legs" for statistics show the chances of being plugged run pretty high.

And, invariably it is the pistol packer himself who does his own plugging.

Since the beginning of the deer season the game commission has received reports on two fatal and five nonfatal hunting accidents involving firearms. Four of the nonfatal accidents were self-inflicted by hunters carrying sidearms.

One of the pistol toters was shooting at a tin can floating on water Number 8 in the 10 commandments of shooting safety informs all shooters never to shoot at a flat, hard

surface or water when the can sank and he lowered the pistol, his thumb slipped off the hammer and the hollow point 22 bullet angled down into the foot. Surgery was required to remove the bullet.

Didn't Know How

Another pistol packer began to unload his 22 Ruger when he accidentally touched the trigger sending the bullet into his left leg.

The third victim didn't know how the accident happened, but assumed the hammer of his holstered pistol was pulled back while he was running. The discharge sent the 22 bullet into the calf of his leg where it lodged against the bone.

The fourth victim forgot all about Number 3 in the 10 commandments of shooting safety which says to unload guns when not in use. This shooter did just the opposite. He loaded the gun and placed it in his hip pocket forgetting the hammer was cocked and neglecting the safety. The .45 caliber Colt automatic slug ripped a six-inch furrow along the upper right rear thigh.

Although it is illegal to use pistols and revolvers to hunt any game bird or animal in the state, the incident of side-arm accidents while out hunting is high. Last year a total of 15 hunters were accidentally wounded by sidearms, all self-inflicted. From all indications, it appears the pistol packers are heading for a new record this year.

MAJORS SIGN HUDOCK

Chicago — (UPI) — The Chicago Majors of the American Basketball league have signed Jim Hudock, captain of last year's North Carolina team, Hudock, a 6-7 native of Tunkhannock, Pa., averaged 115 points a game as a senior with the Tar Heels.

LAKERS WIN

San Luis Obispo — (UPI) — Elgin Baylor sank 46 points to lead the Los Angeles Lakers to a 10-96 win over the San Francisco Warriors Thursday night in a National Basketball Association exhibition game.

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