Sports Briefs

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6 (The Special News Service) — Warning: Don't go around today to ask Mickey Owen about those pictures that prove a baseball won't curve . . . when Mickey couldn't hang onto that jug-handle curve Hugh Casey threw to fan Henrich, there were enough open mouths in Ebbets field to hold all the herring in Brownsville. . . . It wasn't Micky's fault, but that one play put him among the historic goats, like Charley Schmidt, who did exactly tthe same thing back in 1907. Fred Snodgrass' muff in 1912, Heinie Zimmerman's foot-race with Eddie Collins across the plate in 1917, and Miljus' wild pitch that lost a game in 1927 are some of the other plays they still remember. . . They used to say a ball game wasn't over until the last out. Now it isn't over even then. . . It all goes to prove that you can't afford to make any mistakes against a club like the Yankees. . . . The Dodgers made at least two. The second was to put a pitch where Keller could reach it after he had nearly broken his back missing the first two.

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IT HAPPENED IN BROOKLYN

Larry French had a chance to become the winning pitcher by throwing one wild pitch. . . When he heaved it into the dirt it spelled the end of a Yank rally. Sturm and Rizzuto were caught off base and Reese outsprinted the scooter to put him out. The only trouble for Larry was that too many things happened after he left. . . The funny business started in the first inning when Coscarart had to detour around an umpire while he was chasing a high foul. . . . When Higbe started to get into trouble, someone remarked: "He had too much rest—nine days." . . . And when Casey turned up as the fourth Dodger flinger, the same guy asked if they would get Fitz out of the hospital next. . . . The maddest guys in town today (except the Dodgers) probably are the fans who left in the eighth inning. The ones who were left didn't have much to say at the finish. They started hollering for each Dodger when the lineups were announced, tossed in a few yells for Di Maggio and used up all their breath when Reiser hit his homer. . . It is easier to understand Brooklyn fans when we learn that the first New York-Brooklyn series in 1889 was almost broken up by arguments and a Manhattan paper reported "the Brooklyn men have adopted tactics so common to the southern mule." . . . And the standing-room tickets sold at Ebbets field for the series are marked for "unreserved standees."

SANTA CLARA DRUBS LOYOLA ELEVEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 6 (AP) Santa Clara breezes into the third week of its football season today without yet having had to show the trumps in its playing hand or even test the might of its first team.

The Broncos, who come up against a tougher University of California proposition next, toppled Loyola of Los Angeles, 20-6, yesterday

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This Is What Happened In Brooklyn Yesterday

Woe Spreads Over Flatbush When Mighty Casey Strikes Out Henrich —And Mickey Owen Drops the Ball

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Oct. 6 (AP)—This is what happened in Brooklyn yesterday:

At approximately 4:40 p. m. with the Dodgers leading the Yankees by a score of 4-3 before 33,800 supremely happy Bibbets field fans, with two Yankees out in the ninth and with two strikes on Tommy Henrich, feared Yankee slugger, Pitcher Hugh Casey of the Dodgers curved a curve that Henrich missed by close to a foot.

Catcher Mickey Owen of the Dodgers failed to catch the ball. Not only did he fail to catch it, but Owen, one of the finest receivers in baseball, permitted the ball to bounce off his mitt and roll clear to the stands. Why, even Ernie Lombardi of the Cincinnati Reds would have caught that ball.

What happened after that shouldn't have happened even to a Dodger. President Larry MacPhail of the Flatbushers, leaving the darkened park an hour later with big tears rolling down his cheeks, said, in fact: "I've been sitting in there saying to myself that this simply could not have happened. Maybe I dreamed it."

Let us not dwell upon the horrid details. As almost everyone knows by this time, the Yankees burst loose like skyrockets after that unhappy muff by Owen. Big brawny persons bearing names like Joe DiMaggio, Charlie Keller and Joe Gordon slapped Hugh Casey silly bouncing balls repeatedly off the right and left field fences. And when the nightmare ended the Yankees were leading 7 to 4, held an impregnable-looking lead of 3 victories to 1 in the series, and the Dodgers and their supporters wanted to go off to some quiet spot and die.

There never was anything like it before in baseball and, pray Abner Doubleday, there never will be again. It simply could not have happened, and yet it did. The only thing that made it believable was that on the previous day the Dodgers had been beaten because Freddie Fitzsimmons, considered the greatest fielding pitcher in baseball, had been struck on the knee by a ball batted by those same Yankees and deprived of a probable victory.

"I Done My Best"

The result was that the Dodgers, after having put up a plucky fight, went into the fight engagement at Ebbets field today hanging on the ropes and about ready to utter those immortal lines: "Hullo mom, I done my best but I lose."

Only once in the past 33 years, since the world series became a seven-gamer, has a club arisen from a 1-3 defeat to win out. The Pittsburgh Pirates of 1925 did it in beating the Washington Senators, but it is to be doubted that anything so demoralizing happened to them at any time as befell our Dodgers yesterday.

In a desperate effort to pull the thing out, Pilot Leo Durocher of the Dodgers called upon Whit Wyatt, his veteran righthander, who licked the Yankees in the second game at the stadium four days ago. That was short rest for a man of Wyatt's advanced years, great a pitcher as he undeniably is.

Manager Joe McCarthy of the Yankees pinched himself once more to see if it really were true and made a random choice of Ernie Bonham, a right hander with a lame back, to polish off the befuddled flock. No doubt he recalled the four-hitter pitched by his Marius Russo, the boy with the light bounding stomach in the third game two days ago. These Yankee invalids will be the death of the Dodgers yet.

Post-Mortems Many

The post-mortems were many last nigth. Some said that Casey with two strikes and no balls on Keller in the ninth—with Henrich and DiMaggio on the sacks—should not have come down the middle with the third one. That was the one Keller pickled, sending in the tying and winning runs. He is notorious for swinging at bad balls.

Others found fault with Manager Leo Durocher because he did not go out and have a nice talk with Casey some time during that fateful inning or perhaps even bring in another pitcher from the bull pen.

Owen apparently was the only one unwilling to scatter the blame. He said: "It was my fault. They were right in giving me an error. The ball didn't hit the dirt. It broke farther than I expected, and I missed it."

Casey, himself, said that he bore down especially on the pitch giving it everything he had, and it "jumped" farther than any ball he threw in the game. It obviously was no optical illusion, it curved. It looked to these eyes that it would have been a ball if Henrich had not swung, giving him a walk, but others thought it caught the corner.

At any rate, that unfortunate pitch and its aftermath caused Casey to become the first pitcher ever to lose two world series games on successive days. He had gone in the previous day to relieve Fitzsimmons and had been belted for four straight hits and the ball game. Casey probably was a trifle unhappier than any other Dodger today.

Kovacs Smashes Riggs in West Coast Meet

BERKELEY, Calif., Oct. 6 (AP) Frankie Kovacs of Oakland, smashing National Singles Champion Bobby Riggs in straight sets, held the Pacific coast tennis championship today for the first time.

Playing a slow, easy game, Kovacs outsteadied Riggs, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1 in the title match yesterday.

Riggs and National Doubles Champion Ted Schroeder of Los Angeles won the men's doubles title from Wayne Sabin, Reno, Nev., and Robin Hippensteil, University of California, 6-4, 6-3, 7-5.

Oregon State Upsets Huskies in Football Thriller

(Credit NEA Telephoto)

One of the biggest upsets in a day of big upsets came off in Portland Ore., when Oregon State, edged out last week, beat Washington, 9 to 6. Above, Bob Detham, left, OSC, runs back his interception of Erickson's pass from his own 15-yard-line to the 33 before being tackled from behind by Ernest Steele, center, Husky half.

Five Favorites Defeated Over Nation in Saturday Grid Games

NEW YORK, Oct. 6 (UP) — Five of the most promising college football teams suffered stunning reversals Saturday — Tennessee, Alabama, Wisconsin, California and Georgetown while Fordham, eastern powrehouse, narrowly escaped disaster.

Tennessee, the Sugar bowl team, was knocked off 19 to 0 by an alert Duke eleven. It was the Volunteers' first loss in regular season play since 1937, and one of the worst set-backs ever suffered by a Tennessee outfit. They were out-played worse than the score indicates.

Harry Stuhldreher's Wisconsin Badgers, who were rated strong contenders for the Midwestern Big Nine crown, fell victim to Marquette's Golden avaanche, which was playing its first game under Coach Tom Stidham. Marquette, sparked by Halfback Jimmy Richardson, walloped the Badgers, 28 to 7.

Alabama Blanked

Georgetown, the Orange bowl team, and conqueror of Mississippi last week, was upset, 3-0, by Virginia Tech's field goal in the third period.

Alabama's Crimson tide, an outstanding candidate for Southwestern conference honors and a bowl trip, was blanked 14 to 0 by Mississippi State, a lightly regarded team which was pressed to beat Florida last week. The Big Tidemen were outfought and outplayed consistently.

Fordham, generally considered the strongest team in the east, scored a touchdown with only 38 seconds left in the game. This touchdown pass, thrown by Steve Filipowicz, gave the rams a 16 to 10 triumph.

In the east the Ivy league swung into action, with Columbia beating Brown, 13-6; Cornell blanking Syracuse, 6-0; Pennsylvania downing Harvard, 19-0; Princeton winning over Williams, 20-7; Dartmouth smothering Amherst, 47-7, and Yale edging Virginia 21-19.

Colgate defeated Penn State, 7-0, and other victors were Holy Cross, New York U, Navy, Army, and Bucknell. Purdue further de-emphasized Pittsburgh, 6-0.

In the Midwest, Notre Dame downed Indiana, 19-6, while Northwestern smothered Kansas State, 51-3. Missouri turned back Colorado, 21-6. Michigan defeated Iowa, 6-0, in a Big Nine contest, while in the Big Six, Nebraska blanked Iowa State, 14-0.

In Dixie, Tulane again showed power in trouncing Auburn 32-0, in the Southeastern conference, while in the Southern conference, Clemenson turned back North Carolina State, 27-6. Other winners were Georgia Tech, Mississippi, Vanderbilt and Kentucky.

Nine Prep Elevens Keep Spotless Marks

By MATT KRAMER
Associated Press Staff Writer

Nine major high schools, looking stronger with every game, retained undefeated status in Oregon high school play over the weekend.

Lop-sided scores featured play, only one of the leaders, Ashland, having a close battle. The Grizzlies scored a 12-7 win over Coquille on Halfback Charles Jandreau's 90-yard return of a kick-off in the third quarter.

Two other southern Oregon leaders chalked up early scores to squelch opponents. Klamath Falls trompled Dunsmuir, Calif., 43 to 0, and Medford downed Grants Pass, 19 to 7, although the losers made a valiant last-half comeback.

In the mid-Columbia area Hood River defeated Camas, Wash., 25 to 8, for its third victory.

But in eastern Oregon only Milton-Freewater, which had an open date, was unbeaten. A fast-improving Pendleton team outfought a previously undefeated Baker eleven, 21 to 19, and The Dalles pinned the first defeat in three years on La Grande, 24 to 0. La Grande was the pre-season favorite in that area, and the victory established The Dalles in the championship class.

Albany and Salem ran wild in western Oregon, the Vikings white-washing Oregon City, 48 to 0, and Albany trouncing Bend, 38 to 0. Myrtle Point kept pace with its second straight high-score victory. Bandon was the victim this time, 26-13.

Roseburg was the victim of the only major upset, and Coach Jim Davis said he must have taught his plays too well last year, for the team he coached then, Reedsport, downed the Indians, 19 to 13.

Eugene, Corvallis and Astoria got back to winning ways. Eugene won its cross-town game from University high, 19 to 0, Corvallis opened at home with a 14 to 0 decision over McMinnville and Astoria measured Milwaukie, 14 to 0.

Washington State Trims Cal, 13-6, on Serials

By COLLIE SMALL

PULLMAN, Wash., Oct. 6 (UP) A scrappy, heads-up Washington State college football team handed a favored University of California eleven a 13-6 whipping here Saturday in a Pacific Coast conference clash before approximately 5000 chilled spectators.

Two left halfbacks, Billy Sewell and Jay Stoves, engineered the Cougar attack, definitely superior in every department to the outplayed Bears.

Weak Side Blasted

Washington State, using sweeping weak-side reverses effectively mixed with passes, made 10 first downs to California's seven. Outstanding for California were McQuary and Jurkovich, both backs, while Sewell, Fletcher, Stoves and big Russian end, Susoeff, bore the brunt of the WSC attack and defensive work.

The Cougars were without the services of their regular fullback, Rex Bantz, mysteriously AWOL following a disappearance yesterday. College officials said he had gone to the coast to get a job and had apparently dropped out of school.

FOOTBALL PLAYER BETTER

Red Wheeler, right end on the Dunsmuir football team who suffered a brain concussion Friday night in the Klamath game, was released from the Klamath Valley hospital Sunday, hospital authorities announced.

Wheeler had apparently recovered from the effects of the blow on the head which felled him near the end of the game, they said.

Ohio State Plasters Southern Cal, 33-0

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Oct. 6 (UP)—A crimson-clad Ohio State football team rolled over and rambled through the University of Southern California eleven 33 to 0 Saturday to hand the Trojans the worst defeat they have suffered since Notre Dame won 27 to 0 in the last game the Irish played for Knute Rockne in 1930.

The Trojan defeat was witnessed by 60,000 fans in Memorial coliseum. It was a complete Trojan rout and the statistics of first downs and yardage sent USC fans rushing home for ice packs and headache remedies.

For Ohio State it was a sweet victory—wiping out with compound interest previous Trojan victories by 13 to 12 and 14 to 7 scores, and clearing the board of the stigma which came to Ohio State in 1921 when "Brick" Muller and his University of California beat the Buckeyes 28 to 0 in the Pasadena Rose bowl.

Ohio State scored in every period except the final one and had the game in hand almost from the opening whistle.

Coach Paul Brown of Ohio State shot an amazing array of star backs at the Trojans. Such speedsters as Dick Fisher, Tom Kinkade and Leslie Horvath ran all over the field. In addition when short yardage was needed Fullback Jack Graf found big holes in the Trojan line. To complete the Trojan debacle, big Charles Anderson, negro end, would come around on reverses and tear off huge yardage.

Oregon State Upsets Washington Team, 9-6

Durdan's 80-yard Gallop Downs Favored Huskies at Portland

By JACK GALE

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 6 (UP)—Oregon State college upset highly favored University of Washington at Multnomah stadium Saturday 9-6 in a Pacific Coast conference football game.

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Don Durdan, flashy Oregon State half, danced 80 yards down the sidelines in the second period to give Oregon State a lead which they grimly retained throughout the game.

Washington powered to pay dirt in the middle of the fourth period but failed on the extra point try. A safety near the end of the game for Oregon State cinched the contest.

The two teams, both exponents of push-and-pull football, found the going slippery on the wet, half-turfed Multnomah field, with tackle cut-backs and end sweeps going awry as the ball carrier skidded in making turns.

This was Oregon State's second conference game of the season and their first win, while the Huskies, billed in pre-season prophecies as the "team to beat," were making their circuit debut.

Durdan's run was by far the feature of the contest. He broke through the Washington line on the 20-yard stripe, cut back briefly toward midfield, then streaked over the sidelines and pranced along the chalkmark to the goal line. It was the only real scoring threat the Beavers made all day.

Powerhouse Score

Washington made its touchdown in true powerhouse fashion. Starting on the Staters 48, Younglove, on a short pass, went to the 35. A short pass, Erickson to Steele, netted 7, then Steele pushed to the OSC 22. After an incomplete pass, Steele added 7 more and Brooks, on a reverse went to the OSC 4. Erickson knifed to the one-yard line and Brooks went up to the one-foot mark, from where Erickson took it over. Burg missed the placement.

The safety came near the close of the game, when the Huskies, backed up to their own 3, tried a pass behind their goal line. It went awry and Oregon State automatically got two points.

FOOTBALL

EAST
Colgate 7, Penn. State 0
Yale 21, Virginia 19
Purdue 6, Pittsburgh 0
Princeton 20, Williams 7
Cornell 6, Syracuse 0
Army 19, The Citadel 6
Fordham 16, SMU 10
Columbia 13, Brown 6
Navy 40, West Virginia 0
Pennsylvania 19, Harvard 0
Rutgers 26, Springfield college 0
Rochester 12, Oberlin 6
Coast Guard academy 41, Worcester 0
N. Y. U. 6, Lafayette 0
Western Reserve 7, Ohio U. 0
Trinity 9, Vermont 7
Shippensburg Teachers 26, Kutztown 0
Bowdin 13, Wesleyan 7
William & Mary 51, Randolph Mason 7
Tufts 20, Middlebury 6
Ohio Wesleyan 19, Dessales 7
Case 33, Lehigh 26
Brooklyn college 17, Panzer 6
Dartmouth 47, Amherst 7
Rhode Island college 39, Lowell Textile 0
Hobart 13, Union 0
Holy Cross 13, Providence 0
Boston U. 14, Cincinnati 13
Clarkson 20, Ithaca 0
Youngstown 12, Morris Harvey 7
Slippery Rock Teachers 6, Westminster 0
Waynesburg 25, Potomac 0
Kenyon 12, Otterbein 7
King 15, Appiachian Teachers 0
SOUTH
Duke 19, Tennessee 0
Tulane 32, Auburn 0
Georgia 24, South Carolina 6
Morris Brown 22, Tuskegee 0
Dickinson 20, Ursinus 7
Georgia Tech 20, Chattanooga 0
Kentucky 7, Washington Lee 0
Virginia Union 25, Fayetteville Teachers 0
Vanderbilt 42, Tenn. Teachers 0
Mississippi 27, Southwestern 0
LaSalle 26, Blue Ridge 0
V. P. I. 3, Georgetown 0
Florida A. & M. 19, Greensboro A. & T. 0
Clemson 27, North Carolina State 6
Dayton 7, Marshall 0
Mississippi State 14, Alabama 0
South Carolina A. & M. 22, Fort Valley 0
Ross Poly 22, Austin Peary 7
MIDWEST
Nebraska 14, Iowa State 0
Marquette 28, Wisconsin 7
Northwestern 51, Kansas State 6
Michigan 6, Iowa 0
Notre Dame 19, Indiana 6
Wheaton 21, Lake Forest 0
Kansas 19, Washington (St. Louis) 6
Missouri 21, Colorado 6
Indiana State Teachers 19, Eastern Illinois 6
Luther 0, Dubuque 0
Concordia 25, Moorhead Teachers 0
DePauw 7, Carlton 7
Illinois 45, Miami 0
Ripon college 13, Cornell college 0
Illinois college 7, Hanover 0
Wabash 19, Marietta 0
Augustana (Rock Island) 17, Carthage 0
Iowa Teachers 37, North Dakota 10
James Milliken 13, Monmouth 0
LaCrosse Teachers 7, River Falls Teachers 0
Iowa State Teachers 37, North Dakota 10
Knox 0, Lawrence 0
MacAlester 19, St. Johns 13
Stout Inst. 39, Eau Claire Teachers 0
SOUTHWEST
Texas Christian 9, Arkansas 0
Texas 34, LSU 0
Rice 42, Sam Houston college 0
Texas A. & M. 41, Texas A. I. 0
Wiley college 9, Arkansas State 0
Wiley college 9, Arkansas State 0
ROCKY MOUNTAIN
Colorado State 27, Wyoming 0
Colorado College 19, Western State 0
Montana State 0, Colorado Mines 0
WEST
Oregon State 9, Washington 6
Washington State 13, California 6
UEC 0, Ohio State 33
Stanford 33, UCLA 0
Stanford Frosh 20, Long Beach Je
Pomona 27, LaVerne 0
California Frosh 35, San Francisco JC 0
St. Mary's 6, Moffett Field 0

Stanford Throttles Uclans

T Formation Quells QT, 33-0, at Palo Alto

STANFORD STADIUM, PALO ALTO, Calif., Oct. 6 (UP)—Stanford university's Indians rolled on to their 13th straight football win Saturday, beating UCLA 33-0 and making a shambles of the "T-party game" before 45,000 Homecoming day fans.

It was supposed to be a test between the "T" formation as demonstrated by Stanford and the "Q. T." formation UCLA uses.

But the members of Stanford's first football team, the 1892 eleven, and the rest of the crowd didn't get much chance to see the "Q. T." Stanford had control of the ball most of the time and pushed over touchdowns, two in the first period and one in each of the three periods that followed.

At the end Stanford's fourth and fifth stringers, some of them seeing their first action in several years of bench sitting, were pushing the Uclans around.

Frankie Albert, Milt Vucinich and Pete Kmetovic of the varsity, Bill Sheller, third string fullback, and Lee Bickenbach, who must be about fifth string half, made the touchdowns and Albert increased his steadily growing points total by converting three times after the scores.

The first time Stanford got its hands on the ball it went to a touchdown in an 80-yard drive. It took only seven plays to cover those 80, with Albert going over from the one-yard mark on a quarter-back sneak.

Before the game 350 former Stanford athletes were introduced. They occupied honored places in the stands, with the 1892 team right up on the bench, and the oldsters fell all over themselves cheering for the 1941 presentation of the sport they found here.

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