

# Redbirds Take National Lead

By The Associated Press  
Brooklyn's fond dream of a 1946 pennant has exploded into a grisly nightmare today with the Cardinals back in first place and the Dodgers on a six-game losing binge.

Seven games ahead on the July 4 dividing line, the Dodgers have crashed toward their doom on a fatal western jaunt while St. Louis, safe at home, has eaten up the entire lead and forged ahead by a half game.

All is not lost for the gowanus faithful if the Brooks can pull out of the tailspin before it becomes a habit, for the Red Birds still have two long eastern tours before the curtain drops.

The discouraging factor to the Brooks is the certain fact that St. Louis appears to be leveling off for another of its famous stretch drives.

The Phillies, who kept St. Louis out of first place Wednesday, fought hard to bar the door last night but finally succumbed 5-4. It was the first time the Cards had undisputed possession of the lead since they bowed to the Phils May 21 and dropped down into a tie with Brooklyn.

Shoddy defensive play and inability to bunch hits off Ed Heusser sent the Dodgers down



## Zale-Graziano Fight

Tony Zale, long one of my favorite fighters, looks very much due to get his block knocked off next Thursday night when he goes into the ring against Rocky Graziano, a lad who can really hit.

Zale currently is the middleweight champion and likes to compare himself to Joe Louis—they're both 32 years old and both were in the service in the same time. I suppose, to further the comparison, you can add that neither Louis nor Zale is going by his true last name.

Louis' legal moniker is Barrow, as everyone knows, and Zale's is Zaleski. But there the comparison about ends, because even Tony's grandmother doesn't think Zale can hit like Louis.

He weighs at or around 160 pounds, is 5-foot-8, and has scored 50 knockouts in 95 bouts. His face is beginning to look like he makes a living in the ring.

Zale was in the navy as a chief specialist something or other in Gene Tunney's physical training outfit, which doesn't rate him very many points in this corner.

Before he went into the navy, he fought out of a crouch, bobbing and weaving, and fought for points though getting his share of knockouts. Since coming out of the service Zale has had a half-dozen fights, stood straight up and won them all by knockouts.

So much for Tony. He goes in against Rocky Graziano, a terrific puncher who has mowed his way through the welterweight division and is now taking on someone his own size. The fight in Madison Square Garden is expected to draw a half-million berries at the gate, and it looks as though Graziano is going to take Tony right on into camp.

We're beginning to wonder if Klamath isn't slightly jinxed in competing against Medford in sports. Football, basketball and now baseball. Is it ever going to end?

Clyde Carlstrom is a good friend of mine, but I'm still trying to figure out why Mel Carpenter didn't pull Clyde out of the game when he got the tying run against him on base in the eighth inning of Wednesday night's game. He had Frannie Miller and Jimmie West both in the game.

Also not in the sports line, Gabriel Heatter on the radio last night remarked to the effect that the "man with the red galoshes" was headed back to the governor's mansion of Georgia. Gabe might not know it, but it's red galoshes, not galoshes, that Gene Talmadge wears.

Galoshes you wear to paddle around in the mud and snow; galoshes, ye durn fool Gabe, are for to hold yer pants up.

# SPORTS

By Hale Scarbrough, Sports Editor

## Frisco Breaks Win Streak But Stays Atop PCL Heap

By The Associated Press  
It wasn't old No. 13 that jinxed them, the San Francisco Seals will tell you, it was the spell of the bango-eyed Pitcher Frankie Dasso of the Hollywood Stars.

The four-hit pitching of Dasso, a one-time Seal, stopped the leaders of the Pacific Coast baseball league 7-2 last night and snuffed the string of Seal victories one shy of the unlucky number.

The victory streak of 12 was the longest hayride for the Seals this season, and in defeat they had a consolation prize—retention of their precarious position at the top of the loop. For this San Francisco could thank the

## This Keeps Cropping Up

CHICAGO, July 19 (AP)—A reported "alarming trend" toward semi-professionalism in college athletics will be studied here next Monday and Tuesday by representatives of 16 major college athletics conferences.

The meeting, considered one of the most important developments in administration of post-war intercollegiate sports, was called by K. L. Wilson, commissioner of the western conference and secretary of the National Collegiate Athletic association.

The NCAA will hold a separate meeting after the assembly of the 16 conferences.

Wilson said he hoped the conference representatives would reach an agreement on "uniform practices that are in accord with the fundamental principles we share." He added:

"There has become evident an alarming trend which could well wreck our whole purpose of amateurism if it is not checked. That is the picture of college athletics seeking out the boy instead of the boy seeking out college athletics.

"The result leads to a state of semi-professionalism which distorts the whole conception of athletics as a part of education. Therefore the paramount issue before the meeting is the future of the spirit of amateurism in intercollegiate athletics."

## Veterans Meet Palmerton Nine

SOFTBALL STANDINGS

Team	W.	L.
Moose	3	0
Vets	2	0
Palmerton	2	1
Elks	1	1
Ashley	1	2
KC	1	3
Merchants	0	3

Softball league games for tonight put the second-place Veterans of Foreign Wars against the third-place Palmerton Lumber nine on Recreation diamond, and the Elks and Ashley's Chevrolet on Applegate ballyard.

The Vets-Timbermen tilt can make a slight change in the league standings if Palmerton wins, but if the Veterans take it, they will move right into a first-place deadlock with the Moose, idle tonight.

Both games are scheduled to start at 6:30.

## Seattle Grid Goes To Court

TACOMA, July 19 (AP)—Football moved into the courtroom yesterday with the filing of an action by James A. Mandas of Seattle against Alvin T. Davies, Tacoma sportsman, in connection with operation of a Puget sound entry in the Pacific Coast Football League, Inc.

Mandas asks that Davies be enjoined from claiming he has a franchise in the league, from operating a team in the league, judgment of \$2000 and an accounting of the receipts of the 1944 season.

The Seattle superior court, filed in superior court, stated that Mandas held a franchise for operation of the Seattle Steelers in the coast circuit. Davies owned a franchise from the American football league for the Seattle Bombers and, the complaint asserted, sought to employ Mandas as athletic manager and to acquire his players and training facilities.

Mandas stated he refused to sign such a contract but agreed to become Davies' athletic manager. In 1945, the American football league ceased to exist and Davies asserted himself to be owner of the Seattle franchise in the coast loop.

In Sacramento, J. Rufus Klawans, Coast league president, declared the league records show Davies as the owner of the Seattle-Tacoma franchise and that "no other parties have an interest."

## Seattle Grid Goes To Court

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## GARDEN WELTER "GO" ON KFLW TONIGHT



BEND, Ore., July 19 (AP)—Sixty Brooklyn football Dodgers got their second day's instruction in Coach Mal Stevens' basic single-wingback plays today with Bill Pope, Kalamazoo, Mich., nursing an injured ankle on the sidelines.

Stevens said the Drake relays sprint winner was not seriously hurt.

The squad is taking two workouts daily—calisthenics in the mornings and grid drill in the afternoons—in preparation for intra-squad games Aug. 2 and 9. The size of the squad will be whittled after two games, Stevens indicated.

A training table has been set up at Pilot Butte inn, where some of the players are housed. Others are at a camp ground.

Stevens said the plateau country, with its cool nights, is ideal for training.

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## One Round Of Judo Ends Mixed Match For Keneston

Walt "Sneeze" Acheu put Bob Keneston out of this world to cop the first and only fall of their Judo-orthodox wrestling match at the armory, then had to wake Keneston up when it was time to go home.

Call it Judo or what, it looked more like a simple job of garroting that Sneeze did on Bob after about 13 minutes of huckling and tussling. They were wearing gymnasium jackets and Sneeze simply wrapped a loose end of Bob's jacket around his neck and pilled it tight.

When Keneston's face began to get purple and his tongue hung out, Referee Wally Moss called it off and the fall went to Acheu. Still on the mat, Keneston was worked over during the rest period, but never came back. Acheu did a little chiropractic work on him to get his neck back where it belonged.

Slippery Tex Hager got caught in Georges Dusette's full nelson early in the first round of their bout, and promptly gave in, but went on to cop two straight tumbles and the match.

In the third round Dusette worked his way out of a standing split and a leg strangle, but gave in to a stamping toehold, and the final came on two leaping head scissors following rolling head locks.

Rube Gracia was awarded his

## Midget Auto Racers Injured In Philly

PHILADELPHIA, July 19 (AP) Rex Records of Stanford (Conn.) and Ernie Robinson of Philadelphia, were injured as their machines were wrecked during a midget auto racing program last night.

Officials of Northeastern hospital said both men probably will be X-rayed today.

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## Spokane Benefit Fund Now \$52,000

SPOKANE, July 19 (AP)—The benefit fund for families of the Spokane baseball players killed and injured in a bus crash June 24 has grown to \$52,000 with additional funds still coming in, Chairman Rex Raymond reported last night.

Latest checks received included \$2270 from the Wenatchee club of the WI loop and \$1250 from Lewiston, Ida., as a result of exhibition contests.



## STANDINGS

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE  
By The Associated Press

San Francisco	W	L	Pct.
Oakland	74	39	.653
Los Angeles	59	52	.527
Hollywood	53	53	.500
Sacramento	34	58	.368
San Diego	31	63	.327
Portland	29	69	.295
Seattle	27	73	.266

Results Yesterday  
Los Angeles 7, Oakland 6.  
Hollywood 7, San Francisco 2.  
Sacramento 3, San Diego 2.  
Seattle 13, Portland 6.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis	W	L	Pct.
Brooklyn	49	34	.590
Chicago	44	39	.527
Boston	41	43	.488
Cincinnati	39	41	.488
Philadelphia	34	44	.436
New York	36	47	.434
Pittsburgh	34	48	.415

Games Yesterday  
Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 2.  
Pittsburgh 7, New York 3.  
Boston 9, Chicago 2.  
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 4.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston	W	L	Pct.
New York	51	35	.593
Detroit	46	39	.561
Washington	42	40	.512
Cleveland	39	45	.464
St. Louis	37	48	.435
Chicago	33	50	.398
Philadelphia	25	57	.305

Games Yesterday  
Boston 3, Chicago 2.  
Cleveland 7, Philadelphia 3.  
New York 3, St. Louis 1.  
Washington 1, Detroit 6.

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