

# Bums Muff Chance Cards Stopped By Cubs But Brooks Lose

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It begins to appear more and more every day that the National league pennant race will be settled in the seven games which the Brooklyn Dodgers and St. Louis Cardinals will have to play with each other. Each club frittered away an opportunity to gain on the other as both the Dodgers and Cardinals were beaten yesterday. The Redbirds were the first to bow, losing an afternoon game to the Chicago Cubs in St. Louis, 2-1. The Brooks, with a chance to boost their three-game first-place margin, fell before the Boston Braves in a night game at Ebbets field 9-3.

The schedule is very much in favor of the Cards. Although the Dodgers have two games less to play than St. Louis, 44 in all, half of them are against first division outfits—seven with St. Louis, nine with New York, and six with Boston.

## SPORTS

### August Open Tourney Up

The "August Open," a nine-hole men's tourney for all members of the Reames Golf and Country club will be held Wednesday, Aug. 20, at 4 p. m., a prelude to a highly important policy meeting of Reames members last night.

### HOW THEY STAND

NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Brooklyn	66 44 600
St. Louis	62 46 574
New York	57 47 548
Boston	56 50 541
Chicago	51 58 468
Cincinnati	53 61 465
Pittsburgh	46 64 418
Philadelphia	42 66 389

Yesterday's Results  
Chicago 2, St. Louis 1.  
Philadelphia 5, New York 0.  
Boston 9, Brooklyn 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE	
New York	70 38 648
Boston	58 48 547
Detroit	55 49 529
Philadelphia	56 52 519
Cleveland	51 62 495
Chicago	50 60 455
Washington	46 67 418
St. Louis	39 69 361

Yesterday's Results  
Boston 2, Washington 1.  
Cleveland 3-11, Detroit 1-0.  
St. Louis 5, Chicago 3.  
Only games.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE	
Los Angeles	77 59 566
San Francisco	70 65 519
Oakland	67 65 508
Portland	67 65 508
Seattle	66 70 485
Sacramento	64 71 474
Hollywood	54 71 474
San Diego	53 72 467

Yesterday's Results  
Seattle 4, Sacramento 3.  
San Francisco 4, Oakland 1.  
Portland 2, San Diego 1.  
Los Angeles 8, Hollywood 2.

### Grid Dodgers Start Drilling

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13 (AP)—The pro Brooklyn Dodgers opened drills today for their meeting with the Los Angeles Dons here Sunday night, giving local sports scribes a chance to see the line Coach Cliff Battles hopes will help win the All-America league pennant.

### Grid Dodgers Start Drilling

Workouts were originally scheduled yesterday, but Battles took one look at the sun-baked clay of the Swan island athletic field and said no. The Dodgers moved their grid drills to Roosevelt High's turf.

### FIGHTS LAST NIGHT

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Tommy Bell, 149½, Youngstown, O., and Buddy Farrell, 157½, Newark, N. J., drew, 10.

LOS ANGELES—John Thomas, 142, Los Angeles, TKO Arturo Barron, 139, Los Angeles, 7.

SACRAMENTO—Newsboy Mitchell, 190, Sacramento, and John Donnelly, 185, Los Angeles, drew, 10.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass.—Pat Demers, 138, Brockton, outpointed Jimmy McLarnin, 134½, New Bedford, 10.

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### Move To LA Costly

NEW YORK, Aug. 13 (NEA)—Charlie Graham laughs right out loud at the Johnny-come-lately would-be promoters who would transplant a St. Louis baseball team to Los Angeles.

"Yeah," booms the veteran co-owner of the San Francisco Seals, "you'd think they were making a move in checkers, but it's not as simple as all that."

Graham also puts in another plug for recognition of the Pacific Coast as a third major circuit.

"Coast cities have grown remarkably in population the past 10 years," the old catcher explains. "We are major league in every other sport—football, racing, golf and tennis. Only the draft keeps us minor league in baseball."

"Except us five years from that and I'm sure we'll show you a genuine major league. The draft is detrimental to Pacific Coast baseball or that of any other circuit."

"How can a league get anywhere when it is skimmed of its star players each year?"

"That leaves us with no stars in the spring. We have to start all over again and develop new ones."

While Los Angeles could probably ring in its huge Memorial stadium, major league owners and officials stress the fact that PCL parks generally do not accommodate enough people to merit a higher classification. Larger plants could be built.

As for simply switching a club to Los Angeles, Graham is afraid the cost would be prohibitive, even though the transfer were possible.

He places the cost at a minimum of \$10,000.

Compare that with the sale price tag of the great Yankee franchise and chain, immensely valuable property and all—\$7,850,000.

An outsider would first have to buy the LA franchise in the Pacific Coast league from Owner Philip K. Wrigley, who also owns the Cubs, and no one has even hinted that it is for sale. Then he would have to indemnify the other seven clubs.

The Hollywood franchise, for instance, would be a total loss. Who would pay to see Triple-A ball if a major league outfit worked the other side of the street?

A major league club transferred to Los Angeles would take the heart out of the Coast loop. Graham figures it would set PCL baseball back 25 years.

Business is fine the way things stand now, so it might be best all the way around to call the whole thing off.

### Rose City Gets Ryder Cup Bid

NEW YORK, Aug. 13 (AP)—The Professional Golfers' associations of the United States and Great Britain have agreed on the dates of November 1-2 for the postwar resumption of the Ryder cup matches and the American pros have chosen the Portland, Ore., golf club as the site.

After the British had announced yesterday in London that the dates were acceptable, Ed Dudley, president of the U. S. P. G. A., said his organization had selected the Portland layout, scene of the 1946 PGA championship.

### Beavers Pull To Third Spot Tie With Oaks

By The Associated Press

While Los Angeles rides competently on top the heap in the Pacific Coast league pennant competition, Portland has been putting on a drive that might develop the Beavers into a darkhorse contender.

The bustling Beavers were hovering just above the cellar when they began their upswing. They bounced San Diego 2 to 1 in opening a series last night, making it their 13th victory in the last 14 games, giving them a third-place tie in the standings with Oakland.

More strength will be added to Portland's pitching department this week as Tommy Bridges, former Detroit curveballer, and Roy Helser, star southpaw, were expected to return to mound duty after being sidelined with injuries for two or three weeks.

Los Angeles maintained its 6½ game lead over second place San Francisco by smothering the cross-town rival Hollywood Stars 8 to 2.

San Francisco, fighting to maintain its spot next to the leader, Oakland 4 to 1 to open their series.

It was a big evening for Seattle's Catcher Rollie Hemsey as he scored two runs and batted in two more to bring the Rainiers from behind to win over Sacramento 4 to 3 in their series opener. The game was put on ice for Seattle in the eighth when Hemsey's fourth consecutive hit, a double, drove in two runs. Glenn Russell drove in all three of Sacramento's runs.

The Box	
San Diego	4 0 2 0 0
Los Angeles	4 2 2 2 0
Coscarart, 2b-ss	4 2 2 2 0
Harrell, rf	2 2 0 0 0
Shupe, 1b	4 1 0 0 1
Nice, c	2 2 1 0 0
Vico, 1b	2 2 1 0 0
Tran, ss	2 2 0 1 2
Winters, 2b	0 0 0 1 1
Kerr, 3b	1 0 0 0 0
Hamilton, xx	1 0 0 0 0

Totals	
Batted for Rice 8th.	33 10 24 10
Batted for Winters 9th.	1 0 0 0

Portland	
Lazor, lf	3 1 2 0 0
Kratio, ss	4 0 4 0 3
M. Smith, cf	2 0 0 1 0
Reich, rf	3 0 0 0 0
Storey, 2b	4 1 0 0 3
Vico, 1b	2 0 0 11 0
Baskins, 2b	3 1 2 0 4
Silvera, c	3 0 1 1 1
Dr. Bassi, p	3 1 1 1 1

Totals	
Batted in—M. Smith, Storey, Rice.	21 7 27 12
Runs batted in—M. Smith, Storey, Rice.	1000 100 000-1
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### Vallejo Pair Okay Tuesday Ring Matches

Dave Linder and Jerry Ramsey, two leather-fingers from Vallejo, Calif., have been signed to appear here at the armory boxing card next Tuesday night.

Linder, a welterweight, is matched with Phil Sampson, local 137-pound sensation, in the 10 heat main event fight. It will be Sampson's second main go and his fourth professional fight. Linder has had more experience.

Jerry Ramsey is a lightweight and will go up against the fast-traveling Monte Montgomery in the six round semi-windup.

Both boys are from the Vallejo stable which produced Pedro Jimenez, the Mexican battler who held Ursal Snapp to a draw in Seattle last week.

Reserved seat tickets for the fights went on sale today at Matt Finnigan's sporting goods store.

### City League Squads In Semi-Finals

Semi-final games of the city softball league tournament will get underway tonight under the floodlights at Modoc field at 7:30, with The Gun Store and the VFW fighting it out for a chance at the first and second place playoffs to be held Friday night.

The fireball hurling of The Gun Store's pitcher, Len Evans, is expected by most dopsters to pull the Gunners to a win over the VFW, though the Vets have come out from under to win several times during the season.

Following The Gun Store-VFW tilt, the Four Star Merchants will take the field against the up-and-coming Ashley Chevrolet squad, in what looks to be a bang-up game.

The Chevrolet ladies dumped the Merchants once in the second round, and are given a fairly even chance by many fans to do it again.

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### Ben Favored To Capture \$10,000 Open

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The \$10,000 Portland Open begins tomorrow, and Hogan, the Hershey, Pa., slugger, almost considers the 72-hole tournament and course his personal property.

The rest of the field of 100 calls it "Hogan's alley," with good reason. Hogan entered the tourney for the first time in 1945 and virtually took the rolling par 35-37-72 course apart, scoring 261, which was 27 strokes under par and the lowest aggregate ever made in any 72-hole open PGA tourney. His nearest competitor was Byron Nelson, 14 strokes back.

Last year he came back for the Professional Golfers' association tournament, as hot as ever. Though the tree-dotted course puts a premium on straightness and is heavily trapped, Hogan never was over 69 until the final day, when he slipped to a 73 on the morning round. But he came back to knock eight strokes off par in 14 afternoon holes and defeat Ed "Porky" Oliver, 6 and 4, for the crown.

His chances look just as good this year. He has won more money in 1947 than any other American pro. His earnings are topped only by the sensational South African invader, Bobby Locke, and Locke is not entered here.

There is, however, Herman Kessler, Akron, Ohio, who beat out Hogan by one stroke in last week's tourney at Spokane; Lew Worsham, U. S. open champion; Jim Ferrier, Chicago, PGA titlist, and approximately 100 other entrants for the four-day meet, all gunning for the long-hitting Hogan.

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