



CHARLIE GRIMM
... his Braves no pushover

Appreciation Tonic For Amazing Suds

Last of three articles
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MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)—There's nothing like appreciation to stir a ball player.

Such appreciation they get in Milwaukee. Every home run nets a five pound brick cheese and a five dollar bill. Every shutout means 10 dollars worth of dry cleaning.

From underwear to sport shirts, fly rods to golf balls, clocks to pens and season tickets to the theater—the deluge hit the Braves. The bonuses finally required a middle man between the givers and the gifted—Joe Taylor, the assistant trainer of the club.

From a gasoline company comes 100 gallons of petrol and \$50 for an endorsement. A cookie company endorsement is worth \$100 and free cookies for the year.

At the disposal of each Brave executive is a new car.

Max Surkon, who's been a professional ball player for 19 of his 31 years, never knew it could be so good until he got to Milwaukee. His 250,000 fellow Poles here have kept his ample 215 pounds stuffed with Kilbasa and Kriska (Polish sausage and sauerkraut) and his size 48 frame has been adorned with three new suits to date.

Max responded with five straight pitching victories. It could cause a garment shortage.

All the other Braves got off to a hustling start, too. This is no pushover team. Cholly Grimm has fished together, if Catcher Del Crandal's arm comes around to a semblance of full strength, it has definite first division potential.

REACT
The Braves can't help but react to the crowd enthusiasm. An old-timer like Right Fielder Andy Pafko dives and comes up with a ball that would have eluded him in Brooklyn. Every strike against an opposing batter hits for stomping feet. A Brave hit brings them up on their feet.

The shoe industry won't go broke at this rate.

The baseball fever has spread to the Wisconsin State Prison at Waupun. Warden John Burke says his "boys" haven't been so stirred up by anything in 15 years. All the cells have earphones on which they listen to the games.

The Milwaukee Journal runs a daily thermometer on its sports page comparing the home attendance of the Braves with their erstwhile townsmen, the Boston Red Sox. The locals have a comfortable lead.

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New Indianapolis Record Seen

Walcott's Exodus Worth Red Ink

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

NEW YORK — (NEA)— Thick-headed promotion kept the attendance of the Rocky Marciano-Joe Walcott fight down to 13,266 and net receipts of \$253,462, barely enough to cover the Ancient One's astonishing guarantee.

The show dipped into red ink, but chatting with James D. Norris who gathered it was worth the deficit to the International Boxing Club to finally get rid of Schoolboy Walcott and his mysterious and maneuvering Svengali, Felix Bocchicchio.

Seeking rental for his Chicago Stadium, after losing the national political conventions, Jim Norris took the combatants away from their New England and south New Jersey trade. It was this that enabled Manager Bocchicchio to bull Promoter Norris into an utterly fantastic \$250,000 pledge, which resulted in the decrepit challenger collecting considerably more take-home pay than the champion.

Television has reduced even the heavyweight championship to a neighborhood quarrel, with the neighborhood blacked out.

The mistake on War Baby Walcott was made July 18, 1951, when Norris gave the antique another of his numerous chances in Pittsburgh. By that time, Ezzard Charles beating Walcott seemed to have become routine.

This particular trip, however, the

old pappy guy left Ezzard for dead with a left hook to the whiskers from which the cautious Cincinnati mauler has not yet fully recovered. That, with the overlapping contract put in vogue by Mike Jacobs, left Norris stuck with Old Man Walcott for three more outings.

Al the timid Charles had to do was reach out and pluck his ancient and legendary foe after 10 rounds in Philadelphia, June 5, 1952, but the memory of the left hook lingered on.

Walcott got a tremendous break when he nulled on over-anxious Marciano with the left hook that dropped the Brooklyn Block Buster in the first round in Philadelphia last September. That gave Walcott impetus, put the then challenger in the ruck, but more than one at the ringside feared another

ring fatality when the Rock belted the antique in the 13th.

So the promotion in Chicago the other night was a dangerous, as well as a stupid one. Being whacked by Marciano isn't precisely healthy for anybody, especially a shop-worn bloke of 39 going on 49. Everybody but Walcott and members of his party said the younger, stronger and harder-hitting Marciano would knock him out quicker in the second edition, and then seemed surprised when The Rock did it so quickly.

The three - dimension pictures prove conclusively that JWV was sitting on his haunches at 10, left glove on the floor, right arm draped aimlessly over the middle rope.

In his we-wuz-robbed pitch, Bocchicchio had about as much of a case as a guy trying to prove Wal-

cott's real age. The years and a Marciano right simply caught up with the antiquated geezer.

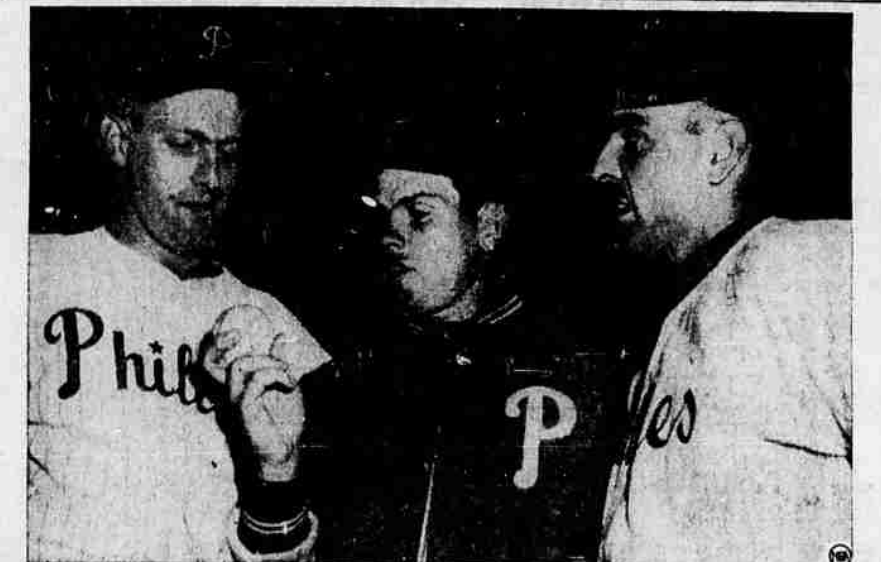
For charity, the pictures almost beat sitting at ringside, especially when you are behind a 3-D camera crew or a Johnny Popov. Scarcely anyone at the fight saw the right thrown, but in review the punch comes out as a smashing half uppercut, half swipe across Walcott's face. It further stresses the amazing quickness of the Marciano right and it didn't travel more than 18 inches. That's the kind of stuff that made all outstanding punchers.

The one ironical note of the proceedings was Marciano moving over to Walcott's corner in the post - fight turmoil, on his lips clearly framed these words:

"Are you okay, Joe?"

"Nice fight, Joe."

Sez who?



Big Three Conference — When the Phillies stopped hitting, and Curt Simmons (right) was twice flattened, Robin Roberts (center) called an emergency meeting of the Philadelphia Nationals' Big Three. The other member is, of course, Karl Drews.

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Bowl Pact Okay Looks Lasting

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP)— A top ranking Big Ten official said Friday he sees a "permanent Rose Bowl marriage" between the Big Ten and Pacific Coast Conference.

He predicted representatives of the two athletic conferences will continue to play each other in the annual Pasadena football classic Jan. 1 "indefinitely."

These observations by a man who would not allow use of his name but who has spoken authoritatively for the Big Ten in the past followed Thursday's Big Ten approval of a three-year extension of the Rose Bowl contract with the PCC.

In his opinion, this year's vote was the "big test" of the series, now in its eighth year.

"We're over the hump now," he declared. "I don't think there will be any concentrated opposition in the future."

He based the statement on a belief that the officials of the two

conferences, and particularly the various college presidents, now "are very much alike in their thinking."

Asked why the renewal was only for three years, and not for a much longer period if the two conferences envisioned "permanent Rose Bowl marriage," the official replied:

"The three-year stipulation resulted, I think, from a belief that public opinion, possibly aroused by recent investigations of college athletic malpractices, might be against a longer period."

"However, a recent survey by the National Collegiate Athletic Association shows that post-season games like the Rose Bowl contest do not seriously affect recruiting and subsidization problems."

"The conference undoubtedly will bear this in mind in the future."

The official said he didn't think there would be any difficulty about the manner of selecting represent-

atives. In approving the renewal, the Big Ten said it wanted a free hand in choosing its team.

Some Big Ten schools want their conference to revert to the method in effect during the contract's first five years. This limited any one Big Ten team to one appearance every three years.

The Pacific Coast Conference, in extending the recent invitation, specified a once-every-two years limit, as in the current pact, which expires after the Jan. 1, 1954 game.

Commenting on this, the Big Ten spokesman said:

"The Big Ten would prefer the one-in-three rule but I believe if there is any reluctance by the Pacific Coast Conference to go along with this the Big Ten is prepared to accept one-in-two."

The matter will be decided at a meeting of representatives of the two conferences within the next several weeks.

BOWLING

MATCH GAME

Top flight Klamath Falls bowlers will pick a match game champion next week to meet the national match game champion, Don Carter, due for a Lucky Lanes appearance June 18 in an exhibition showing.

So far eight bowlers have signed up for the tourney that will run Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

Thirty-two games will be rolled by each legler, based on the Peterson style of scoring.

The winner, in addition to earning the chance to face Carter, will receive a handsome trophy. Starting time Monday, Wednesday and Friday is 7 p.m., Sunday's starting time hasn't been established.

Bowlers signed are Roy Harris, Leo Glickman, Al Hakenwerth, Charles Booth, Mel Robinson, Frank Beard, Dave Robb and Red DeLap.

CITY LEAGUE

	W	L
Coca Cola	66	38
Rickys	64	40
Underwoods	61	43
Safeway	60	44
Tule Crater Lake Mch	52 1/2	31 1/2
Beeher Food Sales	52 1/2	31 1/2
Hercules	49 1/2	28 1/2
Klamath Lbr & Box	47 1/2	26 1/2
Herald and News	34 1/2	69 1/2
Juckland's	29	75

Scores Last Night
Crater Lake 4 Hercules 0
Underwoods 3 Beeher 1
Rickys 4 Juckland's 0
Klamath Lbr 3 Herald-News 1
Safeway 2 Coca Cola 2

With one more session left — next Thursday night—Coca Cola leads the City Bowling League by two points with two teams, Rickys and Underwoods, in a position to catch the leaders.

Tulelake Crater Lake Machinery rolled an 855 game and 2465 series for team honors last night. Underwoods had an 840 game and Rickys a 2443 series for runner-up laurels.

Tom Thomas, Safeway, rolled a 214, the high single line. Frank Ramsey, Rickys, had a 207 and added 190 and 157 for the top three-game total, 554.

Two bowlers—Clarence Gansberg, Rickys, and Bob Victorin, Crater Lake, had 542 totals. Gansberg put together games of 202, 150 and 190. Victorin had lines of 183, 188 and 171.

LADYBUG LEAGUE

	W	L
Schneck's	60 1/2	43 1/2
Hilltop Cafe	57 1/2	46 1/2
Schoop-Schulze	56 1/2	47 1/2
Schoop-Schulze Wildcats	52 1/2	51 1/2
Howard's Cleaners	48 1/2	55 1/2
Volatore's	48 1/2	55 1/2
Beacon's Service	45 1/2	62 1/2
Walker's Vending	45 1/2	62 1/2

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Howard's 2 1/2 Walker's Vending 1 1/2
Schoop-Schulze 4 Volatore's 0
Beacon's 3 Hilltop Cafe 1

The Schneck's five lost four points to the Schoop-Schulze Wildcats last night but still lead the Ladybug Bowling League by three points when second-place Hilltop Cafe took a 3-1 trimming from Beacon's Service.

High individual honors went to Sally Hitchcock of Walker's Vending with a 202 game and Doris Benedict of Howard's Cleaners with a 529 series on games of 177, 183 and 169.

Howard's Cleaners rolled the top team game, 925; the Schoop-Schulze Wildcats had the high series, 2557.

TODAY A YEAR AGO — Maj. David Blair knocked defending champion Dick Chapman out of the British Amateur Golf championship, 3 and 2.

FIVE YEARS AGO — Frank Strannahan, Toledo, Ohio, won the British Amateur Golf title, defeating Charles Stowe, 5 and 4.

WEATHER OUTLOOK GOOD FOR CLASSIC

By WILL GRIMSLEY

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)— The fabulous good weather luck of the Indianapolis 500-mile Speedway is expected to hold again tomorrow for the 37th death-defying edition of America's premier auto race.

The weatherman predicts rain clouds drifting east from Illinois won't hit this area until well after a new king of the nation's steering wheel jockeys is crowned in what officials say will be record time.

The forecast for the 200-lap grind around the brick and asphalt

horseshoe, scheduled to start at 11 a. m. (EST), is cloudy and humid with the temperatures in the high 80's.

Should thundershowers strike sooner than anticipated, the event will be put off until Monday at the same time. But in all the years since the race began in 1911 there's only been one postponement—1915—and two curtailments—in 1926 at 400 miles and in 1950 at 345—because of bad weather.

33 CARS

Thirty three of the fastest machines American ingenuity can devise, each manned by a race-hardened driver, will compete for a total purse of approximately \$240,000. The crowd, traditionally the largest to pay for an American sports event, is expected to hit between 175,000 and 200,000. There will be no television but the race will be carried on a special 38-state radio network.

Everything points to a record-breaking performance — which would be the sixth in a row—if conditions permit.

Bill Vukovich, a 34-year-old descendant of Slovenian immigrants, won the pole position with the near record qualifying time of 138.392 in the field to better a qualifying speed of 136 mph.

Vukovich was the hard luck guy of the 1952 race, leading until the last 25 miles when his steering gear failed. That opened the door for Troy Ruttman, who came churning home in a record 128.992 mile victory. Ruttman is out with an injury this year and won't defend.

Oldtimers around the pits predict it'll take 131 or better mph to prevail tomorrow.

Vukovich, of Fresno, Calif., and driving an original Kurtis-Kraft 500, may find his steepest opposition in two past champions, Johnny Parsons of Sherman Oaks, Calif., 1950 victor, and Bill Holland 45-year-old veteran from Indianapolis who triumphed in 1949.

FURGOL, HAAS IN FRONT

ST. LOUIS (AP)— Freddie Haas and Marty Furgol, showing unconcern for Bellevue's stubborn pay-off, lead the field Friday as the 50th annual Western Open Golf Tournament moves into second round play.

Haas, a New Orleans pro who doubles as a maker of golf clubs, and Furgol, the 1951 Western winner from Lemont, Ill., broke par with 68s, giving them a one stroke lead over Art Wall Jr., a youngster from Ponca Manor, Pa., after Thursday's first round competition.

They were the only players to get the best of Bellevue's billy, narrow 6,376-yard course, although nine entries tied for fourth with par-matching 70s.

Les Slattery Jr., a 26-year-old St. Louisan, led the amateurs by posting a 70 that led for a while. Then Al Bessellink of Grossinger, N.Y., Ed Furgol of St. Louis, no added 190 and 157 for the top three-game total, 554.

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HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Charley Green, 181 1/2, Los Angeles, outpointed Esau Ferdinand, 161 1/2, San Francisco, 10.

DETROIT — Carl Coates, 134, Baltimore, stopped Dave Rollins, 127 1/2, Detroit, 5.

NEWARK, N. J. — Bobby Fenty 65, New York, outpointed Jimmy Watkins, Jr., 138 1/2, New London Conn. 8.

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