

Brooklyn Bums In Sharp Collapse



CRASHING TOGETHER and bouncing the seven foot rubber ball will be typical scenes at the fairgrounds tomorrow night at 8:00, as Moto-Polo makes its debut in Klamath Falls in an hour and a half to two hour show. Motor-Polo is a fairly new sport and has swept Southern California sport fans like a wave.

Moto-Polo To Make KF Debut Tomorrow Night At Fairground

The fastest growing grandstand sports attraction in the nation will take over the local spot light tomorrow evening at the fairgrounds as Moto-Polo makes its debut in Klamath Falls starting at 8:30.

This is something definitely new to the Basin sport fans except for shorts that have been shown at the local theaters on this dare devil rough and tumble sport.

Moto-Polo which originated in Southern California has taken that part of the country by storm and is making a road trip through the Northwest with the exciting show.

The game is just the same as regular polo except it is played with specially constructed cars instead of horses. Six of these egg-shaped buggies will move, bump and ride a seven foot two hundred pound rubber ball through goals at each end of the arena during the hour and a half to two hour show.

Roll bars and other special efforts that are put into the construction of these little speed buggies makes it easy for one another to either roll their opponents over or knock them out of the way.

Three of the six cars will be on one side and the remaining three will make up the number two squad that will put on a show that will keep the grandstand drivers on the edge of their seats at all times.

According to a nationally known magazine this new sport is "a violent and uninhibited form of polo" mixed with a bit of Sunday driving that gives the sport fans a thrill-a-minute performance.

These are not local drivers, but professionals that travel over the country making appearances at nearly every town or city interested in moto-polo.

Tickets are on sale down town at Herman's Store for Men, Joe's Sport Shop and Oregon Woolen Store. General admission for adults is \$1.25, children between 6 and 16 50 cents and all children under six will be admitted free.

Scores

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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Toronto 12, Richmond 2

Montreal 12, Syracuse 1

Rochester 4, Havana 1

Only games scheduled

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Minneapolis 5-1, Indianapolis 3-2

Toledo 6, Columbus 3

Kansas City 3, St. Paul 2

Louisville 10, Charleston 3

TEXAS LEAGUE

Oklahoma City 1-1, Tulsa 0-7

Dallas 9, Fort Worth 2

Houston 14, Beaumont 2

Shreveport 4, San Antonio 1

PIONEER LEAGUE

Pocatello 7, Magic Valley 1

Ogden 4, Great Falls 3

Balt Lake City 9, Billings 1

Idaho Falls 12, Boise 5

Sal Maglie Gives Credit To Grissom

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK (AP)—Sal Maglie of the Giants sat shaking off his soggy uniform the other night, having just scored an important victory over Brooklyn at Ebbets Field, when a member of the assembled press asked the veteran right-hander how many wins he thought he might notch before the season's end.

"If Grissom holds out," he said, grinning, "there's no limit." It was Maglie's way of paying tribute to the 35-year-old relief artist who twice within a week had pulled him out of jams against the Dodgers, once going four brilliant innings to win a 13-inning thriller and again retiring three batters in quick succession after Sal had filled the bases with none out in the ninth.

If the Giants do go on to win the

flag, an appears more probable every day, the job that Grissom, the American League castoff, did on the Dodgers in those two tense situations will loom large in the over-all story of the comeback of Leo Durocher's club. In case one is inclined to forget, the Giants finished fifth last year, 35 games behind Brooklyn.

It was just a year ago on July 1 that the Giants, their pitching staff shot, bought Grissom from the Boston Red Sox for the waiver price of \$10,000. After less than two full seasons in the big leagues at the end of a long minor league career, Grissom was considered to be washed up.

The Giants, though, had nobody else who could pitch any better at the time, and Durocher used him freely through the latter part of the season, both as a starter and in relief. Although the veteran finished with an over-all record of 6-8 for the season, he was so plainly giving it all he had that he won himself a new home and was taken along with the Giants' squad that toured Japan last October.

There, in the land of the pagodas, Grissom really found himself. When the club returned, the man Durocher and President Horace Stoneham insisted upon talking about when they discussed prospects for the current campaign was their new pitching phenom, going on 36 years. Many thought this very funny.

To know how well Marv has repaid his bosses for their faith in him one needs only to look at the record—and at the standing of the Giants. As of this writing, the man who came back from nowhere had pitched in 25 games, 19 of which had resulted in Giant victories.

The Polo Grounders had won 9 of the last 16 games in which the veteran had come on from the bullpen. He had wrapped up five games in which Brooklyn, the main foe, had been beaten. His won lost record is 8-3.

Grissom has not succeeded Hoyt Wilhelm as the National League's best reliever. He merely has complemented his brilliant 11-1 as a young teammate, made it possible for Durocher to wave in the knuckle ballers less often and not wear him out with 60 appearances, as he did last season.

Mays After HR Mark

NEW YORK (AP)—Two weeks ago when Willie Mays was first made aware that Babe Ruth once hit 60 home runs in one season, he found it difficult to believe. Today, the spectacular "Say Hey Kid" of the New York Giants is being given a better than even chance to break the Bambino's 28-year-old mark.

With 30 home runs already to his credit, the slugging centerfielder is three home runs ahead of Ruth's record 1927 pace. Barring injuries or a protracted slump, the 25-year-old phenom should give it a good battle.

Back on June 21, after Mays had bashed his 20th home run, Marv Grissom, his teammate, kiddingly remarked to Willie:

"If you keep it up, Willie, you're liable to break Babe Ruth's home run record of 60 homers in one season."

Mays gave Grissom a questioning look.

"Nobody can hit that many home runs," he finally declared emphatically.

Mays is not the first to be ahead of Ruth's pace at this stage of the season. Jimmy Foy, Hank Greenberg, Hack Wilson, Johnny Mize, Ralph Kiner and Eddie Matthews had more homers than the Babe at the midseason mark, but none of them could match Ruth's killing September pace.

That's the month that killed them all off—September. It was during that final month of the campaign that the Babe was at his best—slamming 17 home runs, including three in the final two days.

But Willie may pile a big enough lead to offset the Babe's September pace.

A check of Ruth's 1927 season shows that he hit only nine homers in July and none in August. Thus he entered September with 43.

Mays, with 11 homers in May and 10 in June, already has hit six in the first eight days of July. He walloped his 29th and 30th yesterday in his 80th game. Ruth did not have 30 homers until his 83rd game. Then he followed a 10-game drought. He didn't get his 31st until his 84th game.

How does Mays feel about his homers?

"Don't ask me that," he replied. "I don't want even to think about home runs. All I do is go up and swing. Every time you start thinking about home runs, you stop getting them."

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By JOE REICHLER

AP Sports Writer

Collapse or slump? Take your pick. It depends upon whether you are anti or pro Brooklyn.

Not since they "blew" the flag in the dog days of 1951 have the Dodger fortunes been at such a low ebb. Within a space of 10 days the tired and dreary Dodgers fell from the National League lead to a poor runner-up spot, 6½ lengths off the pace.

Old age, injuries, weak hitting, spotty pitching, sloppy fielding and bludgeoning Giant bats all contributed to the Dodgers' sharp decline.

Whether the Dodgers can right themselves is anybody's guess. Only once before in the last six years have the Brooks been so badly off. That was in 1950 when they trailed the Philadelphia Phillies by eight games in September. They came on with a rush then only to lose a chance for a tie on the final day of the season.

The outlook is much gloomier now. First of all, this time they have to contend with a "hot" New York Giant team that is rushing

through the league like wildfire instead of a weary Philadelphia club staggering to the finish line.

To add to their confusion, the Dodgers, meek as lambs against Giant pitching, reportedly are doing all the battling among themselves.

After Brooklyn had dropped its sixth straight to the Giants yesterday 11-2, pitchers Russ Meyer and Don Newcombe reportedly almost came to blows in the clubhouse and had to be separated by teammates. Both players denied it, however.

Newcombe admitted he questioned Meyer about a pitch Russ threw which hit Monte Irvin of the Giants in the seventh inning. Irvin, who barely had escaped being hit with the previous pitch, became angered at what he called a "deliberate" duster and called Meyer several uncomplimentary names, among them "gutless." It took some fast interference by the umpires to avoid further complications.

"What does he (Irvin) think he is?" Meyer growled. "Does he think he is a privileged character that we can't throw at him? They throw at our fellows. This is baseball, not tea and crumpets."

Once again it was Willie Mays who led the Giant charge. The spectacular center fielder smashed his 29th and 30th homers to drive in five runs. It gave him four homers in the three-game set and nine in 12 games against Brooklyn pitching this season.

Ruben Gomez, the Puerto Rican screwball pitcher, limited the Dodgers to seven hits and fanned eight for his eighth triumph. Hours later, Gomez registered at a hospital for a tonsilectomy to be performed to-day.

Only four other games were played yesterday. Cleveland's American League-leading Indians boosted their margin over the idle New York Yankees to four games, defeating Baltimore 4-1 behind the seven-hit hurling of Bob Feller. Homers by Jim Hegan and Wally Westlake were all the runs Feller needed.

Detroit's Steve Gromek dropped Chicago seven games behind Cleveland, shutting out the White Sox 2-0 on seven hits. The Tigers' Ray Boone drove in one run with a double and scored the other. He also had two singles.

The St. Louis Cardinals bunched

Sons, Merrill Post Pony League Wins

The Sons of Norway and Merrill Pony League teams started the season off with wins in the first night's action at Conger Field.

Sons of Norway tripped Malin by a 13-11 score and Merrill blasted Tulelake by a 14-2 count in the two games played last night.

Kenny Dixon homered for the winning Sons of Norway team, and John Hunnicutt pitched the Merrill team to their win.

BOXSCORES
Sons of Norway 13 8 6
Malin 11 7 6
Hannon and Munson; Harmon, Oliva and Johnson.

Merrill 14 5 0
Tulelake 2 4 12
Hunnicutt and Johnson; Moore and Parker.

TONIGHT'S BALLFARE

EXHIBITION SOFTBALL

at Conger Field

6:30 Suburban vs. Bill's Place

8:00 Err Lind Florists vs. Klamath All-Stars

IN BRIEF

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GOLF

SOUTHPORT, England—England's Bill Spence took a 1-stroke lead at the halfway mark of the British Open Championship with a 141.

TENNIS

DUBLIN, Ireland—Maureen Connolly of San Diego, Calif., reached the finals of the women's singles in the Irish Lawn Championships by defeating June Fitzpatrick of Dublin 6-1, 6-0.

BAASTAD, Sweden—Sven Davidsson of Sweden, U.S. indoor champion, scored the second upset in the Swedish International Championships by defeating Tony Trabert of Cincinnati 6-4, 6-4, 6-2 in the quarter-finals.

INDIANAPOLIS—Fifth-seeded Barnard Barzen of Dallas, Tex. defeated second-seeded Straight Clark of Philadelphia in the quarter-finals of the Western Championships 7-5, 6-3.

BIRMINGHAM, England—Drobny defeated Australia's Roy Emerson 6-4, 6-1 to reach the semi-finals of the Midland Counties Tournament.

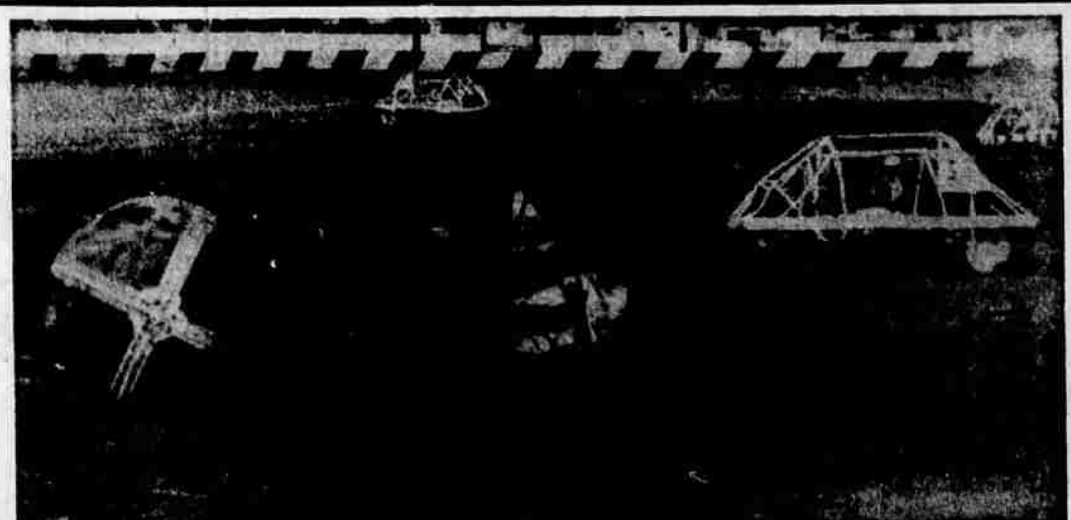
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