

Marciano Defends Boxing Crown

New York Assured Of Pennant Tie

Moore KOed In Ninth, Rock Eyes Retirement

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NEW YORK (UPI) — Rocky Marciano, battered and worn after his ninth-round "million dollar" knockout of Archie Moore, may follow in the footsteps of Gene Tunney and Joe Louis and retire as undefeated heavyweight champion.

"Yes, it's true that I'm considering retirement," admitted the Brockton, Mass., fighter, who had to get off the floor in the second round before flooring Moore four times and knocking him out at 1:19 of the ninth round of their title bout Wednesday night.

Richer by about \$472,700 — the biggest purse of his career — Rocky realized that his handlers were planning another title defense for him in June.

"But I just don't know," Marciano said. "I'll take some time for me to make up my mind."

By his manager, Al Weill, who was in the champ's corner Wednesday night, angrily denied that Rocky would retire.

"He'll make his next defense in June," Weill promised.

He named Bob Baker, Hurricane Jackson and Nino Valdes as possible challengers.

Marciano, who had appeared off-form in the latter stages of training, was not impressive Wednesday night. He suffered the second knockout of his career in the second round, but kept hammering away at his 36-year-old opponent until the knockout.

Their weather — postponed fight was a good one and it drew the biggest gate in nine years — \$948,117.95 — largest since the second Joe Louis-Billy Conn extravaganza attracted \$1,925,564 in the same stadium on Sept. 19, 1936.

Theatre Network Television drew an estimated \$1,125,000 from some 320,000 fans in 129 theatres in 92 cities. And the radio fee for home sets was \$35,000. Total receipts before the movies are distributed — approximately \$2,100,000.

Moore's 175-pound crown was not at stake — only Rocky's, because each weighed well above the light-heavy limit. Marciano, the first first perfect-record heavy champ, weighed 188½ pounds. Moore, who hoped to be the first light-heavy king to step to the heavy throne, registered 188.

Fighting grimly in the white patch of ring-light in the cavernous and roaring stadium, Moore dropped Rocky with a "sneaker" right to the chin for a count of four in the second round. And he bloodied Rocky's tender nose and

knicked his left brow in that same session.

But Rocky kept marching forward with his short-armed hooking attack against his back-pedaling, and bobbing-weaving opponent in round after round. Rocky missed his experienced and elusive opponent with almost as many punches as he landed until the years and the punches began to catch up with Moore in the sixth session.

Then Rocky dropped him twice — with a right for a count of two, and with a series of punches for a count of nine. Dr. Vincent Nardello examined Moore in his corner, and permitted him to continue.

In the seventh, a right to the chin dropped the challenger to one knee for what would have been a four-count, but Referee Harry Kessler, wealthy steel industrialist of St. Louis and New York, ruled it a "slip" and not a knockdown. The bell saved Archie at the count of six as the eighth round ended.

In the ninth, Moore still was fishing desperately with his back against the ropes in his own corner, and had landed four good rights; but Rocky's barrage ended with a right-left to the chin that dropped him on his haunches for the full count. The finishing punch was the left hook that followed the right.

It was Moore's 20th defeat and fifth knockout in 145 professional bouts, and it was Rocky's 49th straight victory as a professional and his 43rd kayo. And it was his sixth successful defense of the title he won from Jersey Joe Walcott in 1932.

Moore Captures Trapshoot Wins

Golf Beach trapshooters were given a lesson last weekend on how to win the tough-windy shoots by one of the Klamath Basin's leading gunners, Vern Moore.

Moore entered into the annual fall Gold Beach Trapshoot and walked away with the two largest trophies on the prize table to add to his already bulging list of gun honors.

The Klamath smoothbore artist shattered 98 out of 100 in the handicap to capture the win, and 93 of 100 birds in the 16-yard event.

The score of the 16-yard shoot explained the tough shooting in the coastal winds. In the handicap shoot, Moore won a shoot-off with Gordon Miller of Eugene, one of the state's leading gunners.

TIME OUT



Yanks, Nats 'Cousins' In Pennant Race

WASHINGTON (AP) — When the New York Yankees get around to clinching the American League championship, it would seem only fitting and proper that they cut the Washington Senators in for some of the World Series cash.

For when you come right down to it, the Senators just about gave the Yankees the pennant.

They did it by clobbering the rubber-up Cleveland Indians 13 times during the season while rolling over and playing dead against the Yankees, whom they managed to defeat only six times.

Had they played the same kind of ball against Cleveland that they played against New York, the Indians already would have hoisted the American League championship flag.

No one can offer a reasonable explanation of how the last-place Senators contrived to play a reasonable facsimile of championship baseball against the Indians.

On his last trip here, the Indians' manager, Al Lopez, said he couldn't understand why Washington was deep in the second division. "They play like champs against us," he said.

Against the Yankees, the Senators looked more like chumps. They blew a sillion scoring chances in dropping a 7-3 decision to the Yankees last night. They were given eight bases on balls and collected seven hits, but managed to score in only one inning.

Five times the Yankee infield pulled off double plays to cut down a budding Washington rally.

Julius Boros, 1952 U. S. Open golf champion, ran his 1955 earnings to \$61,971 when he won the world crown at Tam O'Shanter.

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Indians Fall To Sox, Yankees Bounce Nats

By FRED DOWN
United Press Sports Writer

There's only one question left today in the once-buzzing American League race: Will the New York Yankees have enough champagne to go around?

For, the relentless Yankees' "magic number" was down to "one" and it'll be cork-popping time sometime during the four-game weekend series with the Red Sox in Boston. The Yankees need only one victory in the series to wrap up Manager Casey Stengel's sixth pennant in seven years.

The Yankees, rolling to their eighth consecutive triumph and their 15th in 19 games in a magnificent September stretch drive,

clinched at least a tie for the flag when they beat the Washington Senators, 7-3, Wednesday night while the Cleveland Indians bowed to the Chicago White Sox, 7-2.

FORLORN
The Indians' forlorn hope is that the Yankees will lose four straight and that they will sweep their three-game series with the Detroit Tigers and go on to beat New York in a single-game playoff next Monday. The only betting on this possibility is that you can't get a bet on it.

The Yankees rolled out their siege guns to win Wednesday night's game. Billy Martin blasting a homer and Bob Cerv and Bill Skowron belting triples.

It was the New York Giants who broke the Indians' bubble in the 1934 World Series and it was an ex-Giant pitcher who dealt them Wednesday night's mortal blow. Jack Harshman, who has only a 6-5 record against the rest of the league, beat the Indians for the fifth time this year with a five-hitter embellished by seven strikeouts.

WINS AGAIN
The Baltimore Orioles scored their seventh straight triumph when they shaded the Boston Red Sox, 8-7, in 13 innings and the Detroit Tigers defeated the Kansas City A's, 10-1, in the other American League games.

In the National League, the Giants clinched third place with 7-2 and 7-3 victories over the Pittsburgh Pirates but may have lost the services of Willie Mays in their last three games. Mays, who leads the majors with 50 homers, crashed into the center field wall in the first inning of the second game and suffered a bruised left hip and stiff back.

Ted Klusowski slammed his 47th homer and Gus Bell knocked in eight runs with a grand slam homer and two other hits in leading the Cincinnati Reds to a 14-5 rout of the Milwaukee Braves. And the Chicago Cubs rallied for four runs in the 13th inning to down the St. Louis Cardinals, 7-5, in the other NL game.

Major League LEADERS

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American League

Player & Club G. AB R. H. Pct.
Kalinine, Det. 149 580 120 198 .341
Power, K.C. 144 583 89 186 .319
Kell, Chicago 128 421 43 132 .314
Mantle, N.Y. 145 515 121 158 .352
Kuenn, Det. 142 508 99 186 .306

National League
Ashburn, Phila. 137 522 90 180 .345
Campbell, Bkn. 120 438 81 140 .320
Mays, N.Y. 149 568 121 181 .319
Musial, St. L. 151 551 96 175 .318
Kluszki, Cinl. 151 602 115 190 .316

Home Runs — Mays, Giants 50; Klusowski, Redlegs 47; Banks, Cubs 44; Snider, Dodgers 42; Post, Redlegs 39; Matthews, Braves 39.
Runs Batted In — Snider, Dodgers 134; Mays, Giants 124; Ennis, Phillies 119; Banks, Cubs 116; Boone, Tigers 114.

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Hits — Kaline, Tigers 198; Klusowski, Redlegs 160; Fox, White Sox 188; Bell, Redlegs 187; Aaron, Braves 186; Kuenn, Tigers 186; Power, Athletics 186.

Batting — Newcombe, Dodgers 30-5; Byrne, Yankees 16-4; Labine, Dodgers 13-5; Ford, Yankees 18-7; Loes, Dodgers 10-4.

Eddie Waitkus, veteran first baseman, batted .259 for Baltimore this season. After being released he signed for a second hitch with the Phillies.

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The STANDINGS

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	94	56	.627	
Cleveland	91	60	.603	3½
Chicago	88	63	.583	6½
Boston	82	68	.547	12
Detroit	78	72	.517	16½
Kansas City	63	88	.417	31½
Baltimore	54	95	.362	39½
Washington	51	98	.342	42½

Wednesday's Results
New York 7, Washington 3
Chicago 10, Cleveland 2
Detroit 1, Kansas City 1
Baltimore 8, Boston 7 (13 innings)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Brooklyn	97	53	.647	
Milwaukee	84	67	.556	13½
New York	79	72	.523	18½
Philadelphia	75	76	.497	22½
Cincinnati	74	78	.487	24
Chicago	71	80	.470	26½
St. Louis	66	85	.437	31½
Pittsburgh	58	93	.384	39½

Wednesday's Results
Cincinnati 14, Milwaukee 5
New York 7-7, Pittsburgh 2-3
Chicago 7, St. Louis 5 (13 innings)
Only games scheduled.

Mays Okay After Run-In With Wall

NEW YORK (AP) — Willie Mays, the New York Giants' flashy center fielder, had only a stiff back and a bruised hip today to show for his run-in with the bleacher wall at the Polo Grounds yesterday while attempting another of his sensational catches.

The 24-year-old star crashed the wall in full flight trying to stab a 450-foot triple by Pittsburgh's Dale Long.

Willie, who leads the majors with 50 home runs and who matched a major league record by hitting seven in six consecutive games Tuesday, was carried off the field. X-rays proved negative and Mays is expected to play tomorrow. The Giants are idle today.

Flag Race At A Glance

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Team W. L. Pct. GB GR
New York 94 56 .627 4
Cleveland 91 60 .603 3½
Games remaining:
New York (4) — Away (4) — Boston, Sept. 23 (2), 24, 25.
Cleveland (3) — Away (3) — Detroit, Sept. 23, 24, 25.

Saturday Marks Gr Opener For Ore Tech

Oregon Tech will open what is shaping to be the most promising yet the toughest football schedule here Saturday night as the Owls go against the power-packed Seattle Ramblers on MODOC Field.

This year's Tech games will open play one-half hour earlier than in the past. Kickoff time for the home encounters that are played Saturday evenings will be 7:30.

Head coach Rex Hunsaker and his assistants, Jim McGowan, Dr. George Miller and Corky Van Lee have been sending their charges through stiff defensive and offensive drills this week in hopes of surprising the semi-pro power of the Northwest and possibly the entire Pacific Coast.

Injuries have been the key word for the Tech coaching staff during the past week's workouts, but only two have Hunsaker worried at the present time. Quarterback Dave Thomas, a 1934 letterman, may miss the Seattle fray because of a leg hurt, and fullback Frank Dunn is back in practice sessions after suffering a hip injury last week. Thomas is working out without pads this week and Dunn has taken part in some scrimmage sessions, according to Hunsaker.

Working in the quarterback spot left vacant by Thomas has been Don Stonehill, a non-letterman from last year's club, who is showing lots of promise. Besides Stonehill, the Tech mentors have moved Cal "Sugar" Jet" Smith into the field general's job as well as running from his regular halfback position. Hunsaker said Thursday that he may use Smith at quarterback and move Willie Stinson into "Sugar's" halfback spot.

Others making a strong bid for starting backfield positions are halfbacks Mike Campbell and Jerry Juhl of Salem, Simon, a Soles of Medford. The picture seems to be shared by Dunn and big Bill Ferrell of the Ramblers on MODOC Field.

The Seattle Ramblers are talented, with the coming and Hunsaker figures on the pros to be stronger than the 1933 when the two clubs in the MODOC turf. The Owls beneath the Ramblers by count in the closing minutes of the game. This year both seem to be strengthened so and another rough and tangle is expected to unfold Saturday evening.

Led by former little All-American Eugene Fitzgerald, er Bakersfield Junior College standout, and line bust Larkin a two-year griddle at Washington, and two stars in "C" Bill Castrow and 6' Buckley. Bergh and Castrow standouts on both offense (ense for the Ramblers, Buckley is the team's offensive end. Castrow returned down an offer from Francisco 49ers to play pro football.

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