

# Sports

## Shake & Rattle at the W. Series

Vibrations, shaking, dizziness... this is what the Santa Cruz and San Francisco area witnessed and felt when an intense earthquake of 6.9 on the Richter Scale occurred at five o'clock P.D.T. on October 18th.

While people were wondering what was going on another event was trying to take place, this being the 1989 World Series.

It started just as the announcer was finished announcing the players. As Mark McGuire of the Oakland A's said, "It seemed like the fans were just hitting their feet on the floor like they usually do." Everyone thought that was the case until one of the players looked up and saw the light towers swaying.

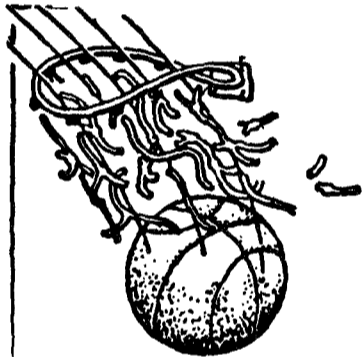
"As soon as I knew what it was, I looked for my wife and children," said pitcher Storm Davis, "I wanted to make sure they were safe, that's all I cared about at the time."

Because of what happened being the devastating tragedy that it was, baseball commissioner Fay Vincent decided to hold off the Series until things could be returned to some state of normalcy and until Candlestick Park could be declared safe for play.

Many sports writers, and even the players themselves has different opinions on whether the Series should be continued or cancelled altogether. Dave Parker of the A's said, "I don't think the same feelings about the Series will be there, I don't know if I'll have the drive." Jose Uribe said, "I don't know if I'd come as a fan, but as a player it's my job to be here. If it'll help the fans, I'll play. If it doesn't I'll still do it because it's my job."

Sportswriters also gave their opinions. "At some point you have the problem of giving the people something to cheer about. I think this will be one of the ways to do it," said Tracy Ringolsby of the Daily Morning News, "there is nothing to be happy about because of this tragedy. I think it's what the people need." Another writer disagrees, "It's no time for fun and games. The Series should be declared over and the championship given to Oakland. If anybody complains, let them complain to the relatives of those who died," said Dave Anderson of the New York Times.

COMING SOON!!!



## Retraction?!/Page 7 Maybe...

-by Tony Guzzardo

In the last issue, I reported that the Washington Redskins had lost three in a row and that they were all towards divisional foes. I also stated that the Redskins didn't have a chance at the divisional championship because of these losses. Let me make a correction on some of these issues.

One, the Redskins didn't lose their first three games, only their first two games, however I was correct in saying that those two losses were to division foes. Those two being the New York Giants and the Philadelphia Eagles. For the record, and as this article is being written, the Redskins are 4-3 and in third place in their division, the N.F.C. East.

However, I will not retract the statement I said last issue of the Redskins basically being out of the running for the divisional title. Come on you Redskin fans! You know as well as I do that the division record is more important than the overall record. For those who don't know I will explain. Let's say that your favorite football team has the same record as a team from another division and they both are vying for the one playoff spot left. The season end yet they are still tied. What happens?

Well, if your team has a better record than teams from their OWN division, they get the spot. If the other team has a better record in their respective division against teams from their own division, they get the spot. Now, if both teams have the same divisional record, and I'll never understand this, the decisive issue is made on how many points each team allowed during the season. My point being, the Redskins already two losses in their own division, that being the tough N.F.C. East. Both of these losses are to the first and second place teams. For the Redskins this is catastrophic. I think the Redskins will just be playing out the motions for the rest of the season. They have a slim chance, but one more loss in the division and they are definitely out of it.

## N.H.L see's RED!

-by Tony Guzzardo

Look out!! They're here! Invading not our land, but our local ice hockey rinks in the N.H.L. They are the Russians!!

The N.H.L. has welcomed eight players from the Eastern Communist bloc country of the Soviet Union with open arms. The following players have joined the league. Alexander Mogilny is playing for the Buffalo Sabres. The Calgary Flames introduced Sergei Priakin and Sergei Makarov. The Vancouver Canucks took Igor Larionov and Vladimir Krutov. Sergei Starikov and Viacheslav Fetisov are playing for the New Jersey Devils, the Minnesota North Stars drafted Helmut Balderis.

Though most of these Russian hockey players have many years of experience, mostly with the Soviet Red Army team, they will be up against some changes when they play for the N.H.L. Some of them have already commented that our play is rougher than that of the Soviet type hockey. Another is the fast paced game that we play.

Will the Russians fail well in the N.H.L.? Only time will tell.



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