

for \$2,500,000. It would be a 90 day wonder made of pre-cast concrete.

Rap at Phoenix

John Lansing, vice-president of the Pacific Power and Light Co., appeared alone for Portland, Ore. He said he got the impression that the owners "were looking over their noses" at his presentation.

Lansing ridiculed the chances of some other bids and said Portland was willing to wait for the time when an 18th and 19th franchise was awarded.

Lansing rapped Phoenix, saying, "Nobody in his right mind would go there. You get on the freeway and make the wrong turn at Tucson and you could end up in Mexico without seeing any people."

In a surprising development, Bill Sullivan, owner of the Boston Patriots of the AFL, welcomed an NFL team to that city in a letter to Rozelle.

Rozelle said that three major league teams in one stadium (Fenway park) "may be undesirable." He meant the Patriots, the baseball Red Sox and an NFL team.

But Mayor John F. Collins of Boston quoted Red Sox Vice-President Dick O'Connell as saying that the Red Sox would leave Boston if a stadium were not built within five years.

Dressen Had Heart Attack

Journal Wire Services

Detroit, Mich.—Doctors at Henry Ford hospital confirmed Wednesday that Manager Charlie Dressen of the Detroit Tigers had suffered his second heart attack in 14 months and said he would be confined for at least three weeks and might not be able to return to his managerial post for several months.

Coach Bob Swift, who took over for Dressen when he suffered a heart attack in spring training in 1965, has been placed in charge of the club.

Dressen was not permitted visitors except for members of his immediate family or telephone calls until further notice but hospital officials said there was "some evidence of general improvement."

"It has been determined that Mr. Dressen has a coronary artery thrombosis," the hospital statement said. "He has rested comfortably and there are no new complications. His condition is stable, but remains serious."

Dressen, 67, in his 16th season as a major league manager, led the Milwaukee Braves to second place in the National league race of 1960.

Philadelphia Phillies, Wednesday was sent to the minor leagues by the Cardinals.

Johnson was optioned to Tulsa and outfielder-first baseman Bob Tojan was recalled from Tulsa to replace him. Johnson is batting .186 for the Cardinals, Tojan .319 for Tulsa.

Pitcher Tug McGraw of the New York Mets was placed on the disabled list because of a sore elbow.



—UPI Telephoto

If Ralph Neely wants to play pro football, he must do it with the Houston Oilers of the American Football league, the United States circuit court of appeals ruled Wednesday. Neely signed with the Oilers in 1964, but subsequently signed and played last year for the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football league.

court would have jurisdiction over Cosa Nostra because it has families in many states. Though the Braves' partners in other cities are discreet about what they say, the move to Atlanta, the moderate business the Braves are doing there and the legal trouble the carpet-baggers have made for them do not enchant the boys.

Atlanta Thinking

JESSE OUTLAR, in the Atlanta Constitution—Regardless of the outcome in Wisconsin state courts, the Braves are going to abide by the ruling of the Georgia courts. They're staying in Atlanta, where they have a contract for 25 years. As mentioned here multiple times, if baseball is violating federal law, baseball should be forced to comply with the law. The fact that Milwaukee has or doesn't have a baseball team has no bearing on the law. Offering to drop the case against the Braves, in exchange for another franchise, must rank as one of the most bizarre legal rulings of all time. The Braves intend to abide by the law—federal law and Georgia law—not Wisconsin's interpretation of the law.

New Headache

HERB LYON, in Chicago Tribune gossip column "Tower Ticker"—The Atlanta Braves owners have this new, heap big headache: Powerful Cracker-town biz, civic and political leaders are suddenly pressuring 'em to quit selling choice box seats to Negro fans. The Braves' big chiefs are totally ignoring this nonsensical pitch.

his normal ration before a fight.

Busy Schedule

Clay's manager, Angelo D. dee, explained: "This fight will be his third title contest in months."

Muhammed Ali — as Clay named on the fight posters told newsmen he expects to defend his title twice more this year. He said his next opponent could be Karl Mildner of West Germany.

"I think I have six years ahead of me to hold the title and you can always find challengers," Clay said.

Plans Short Speech

Clay also called a press conference for Thursday. He said

Turbine E

Indianapolis, Ind. — AP — Bill Cheesbourg of Tucson Ariz., main test driver of unconventional cars at the Indianapolis speedway this year, thinks rear engine Fords which have dominated the track the last two years can be beaten

"If we can get the turbine qualified," he said Wednesday: "we'll win the race."

He meant the 500 miler May 30.

Cheesbourg has been working with two cars, one owned by Norm Demler of Niagara Falls, N. Y., with a 1,400 horsepower General Electric turbo shaft engine, and a novelty dreamed up by Albert H. Stein of Orinda,

Car Owners Cross Fingers

Another in a series on a driver's view of the activities at the Indianapolis speedway leading up to the annual 500 mile race May 30.

By MARIO ANDRETTI

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The most nervous people at the Indianapolis speedway during the month of May must be the car owners. The drivers usually are pretty relaxed, at least until race day.

But racing has become a very expensive business. The men who enter cars here sometimes must feel like the man who is letting his son drive his new automobile for the first time. He tries to be calm and optimistic. But he keeps his hands in his pockets, to keep from putting them in front of his eyes.

He has invested consider-

ably more than \$50,000 in a shiny new race car. It is the pride of his life. But he has to stand by, acting unconcerned, while a driver wheels it around the track, in and out of traffic, at speeds of more than 160 miles an hour.

Mistakes Costly

If the driver makes a mistake—and is lucky—he can always walk back to the pits and say, "Sorry about that, Chief." But the only thing an owner can do is figure he has a head start on his own junkyard. Owners, therefore, are very careful in their selection of drivers and choice of equipment.

In the high speeds of auto racing, one mistake, a fraction of a second of hesitation at the wrong time can get a

driver into trouble — sometimes bad trouble. The owner wants a brave driver. But he also wants a careful driver. He wants to admire his car after the race, too.

The owner usually selects the kind of car he wants. But in this area, the driver also is vitally concerned. It is no exaggeration to say that a driver is betting his life on the car he is racing.

This year there has been a lot of talk about the different types of cars that will try to make the "500" field. I think this is a good thing for racing.

A few years ago the Offenhauser roadsters dominated the race. They were great race cars, durable and simple for mechanics to work with. But because of their domination, a lot of the sus-