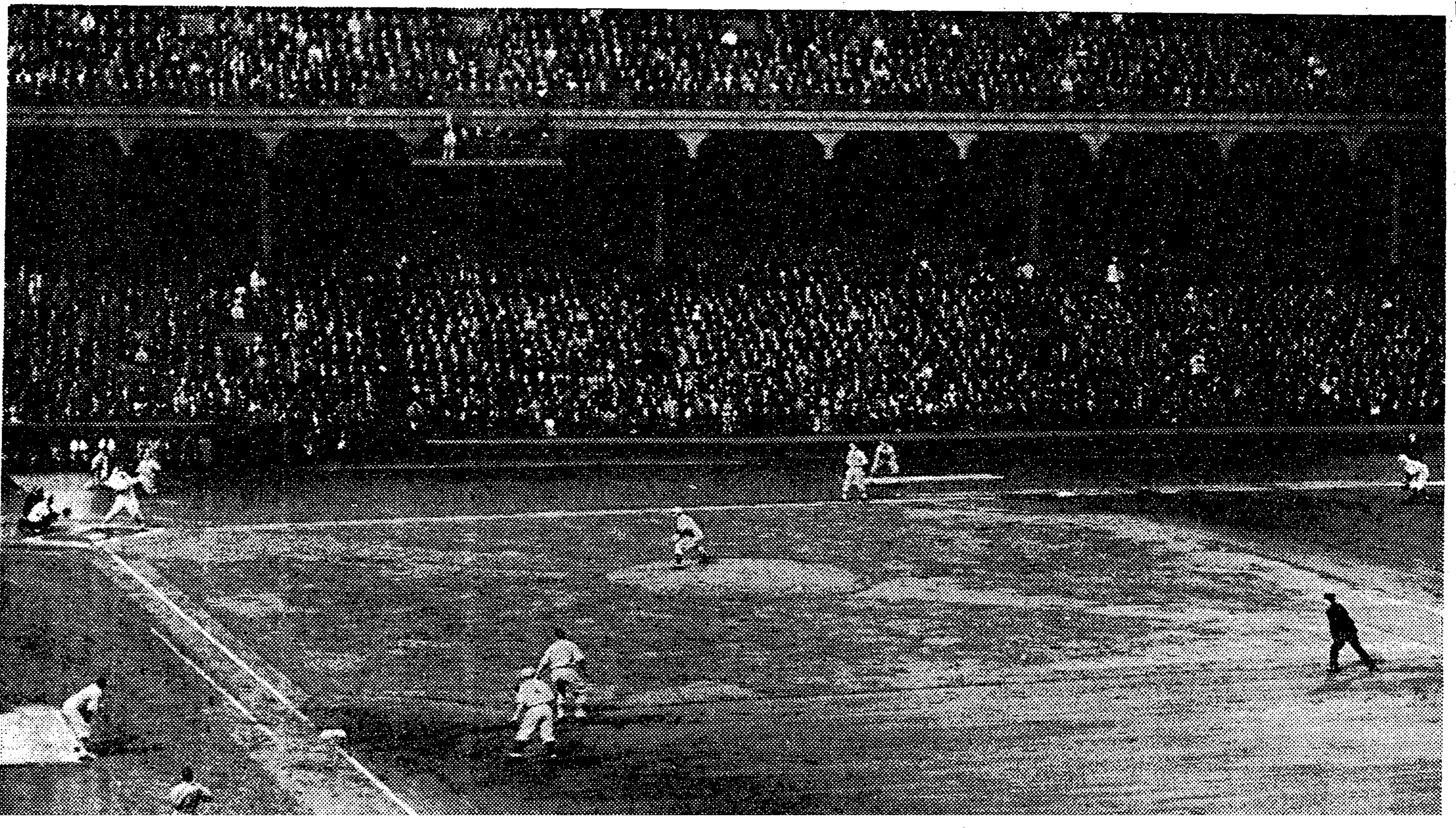


**DODGERS BOW, 6-0 IN NIGHT INAUGURAL**

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**EBBETS FIELD UNDER THE FLOODLIGHTS DURING ITS FIRST NIGHT GAME**

By ROSCOE MCGOWEN  
Last night they turned on the greatest existing battery of base lights at Ebbets Field for the inaugural night major league game in the metropolitan area. A throng for the season there, 40,000 of whom 38,748 paid, came to the fanfare and show that preceded the contest between the Reds and the Dodgers.

The game, before it was played, was partly incidental; the novelty of night baseball was the attraction.

But Johnny Vander Meer, handsome 22-year-old Cincinnati southpaw pitcher, stole the show by hurling his second successive no-hit, no-run game, both within five days, and making baseball history that probably never will be duplicated. His previous no-hitter was pitched in daylight at Cincinnati last Saturday against the Bees, the Reds winning, 3-0. Last night the score was 6-0.

The records reveal only seven pitchers credited with two no-hitters in their careers and none who achieved the feat in one season.

More drama was crowded into the final inning than a baseball crowd has felt in many a moon. Until that frame only one Dodger had got as far as second base, Lavagetto reaching there when Johnny issued passes to Cookie and Dolf Camilli in the seventh.

But Vandy pitched out of that easily enough and the vast crowd was pulling for him to come through to the end.

**The Crucial Inning**

Johnny mowed down Woody English, batting for Luke Hamlin; Kiki Cuyler and Johnny Hudson in the eighth, fanning the first and third men, and when Vito Tamulis, fourth Brooklyn hurler, treated the Reds likewise in the ninth, Vandy came out for the crucial inning.

He started easily, taking Buddy Hassett's bounder and tagging him out. Then his terrific speed got out of control and, while the fans sat forward tense and almost silent, walked Babe Phelps, Lavagetto and Camilli to fill the bases.

All nerves were taut as Vandy pitched to Ernie Koy. With the count one and one, Ernie sent a bounder to Lew Riggs, who was so careful in making the throw to Ernie Lombardi that a double play wasn't possible.

Leo Durocher, so many times a hitter in the pinches, was the last man to bat for Vander Meer, and the crowd groaned as he swung viciously to line a foul high into the right-field stands. But a moment later Leo swung again, the ball arched lazily toward short center field and Harry Craft camped under it for the put-out that brought unique distinction to the young hurler.

It brought, also, a horde of admiring fans onto the field, with Vandy's team-mates ahead of them to hug and slap Johnny on the back and then to protect him from the mob as they struggled toward the Red dugout.

The fans couldn't get Johnny, but a few moments later they got his father and mother, who had accompanied a group of 500 citizens from Vandy's home town of Midland Park, N. J. The elder Vander Meers were completely surrounded and it required nearly fifteen minutes before they could escape.

**Enhances His Record**

The feat ran the youngster's remarkable pitching record to eighteen and one-third hitless and scoreless innings and a string of twenty-six scoreless frames. This includes a game against the Giants, his no-hitter against the Bees and last night's game.

Vander Meer struck out seven Dodgers, getting pinch hitters twice, and of the eight passes he issued two came in the seventh and three in the tense ninth.

Added to his speed was a sharp-breaking curve that seldom failed to break over the plate and at which the Dodger batsmen swung as vainly as at his fireball.

On the offense, well-nigh forgotten as the spectacle of Vander Meer's no-hitter unfolded, the Reds made victory certain as early as the third frame, when they scored four times and drove Max Butcher away.

Frank McCormick hit a home run into the left-field stands with Wally Berger and Ival Goodman aboard, while a pass to Lombardi and singles by Craft and Riggs added the fourth run.

Craft's third straight single scored Goodman in the seventh, the latter's blow off Tot Pressnell's right kneecap knocking the knuckleballer out and causing him to be carried off on a stretcher. Berger tripled off Luke Hamlin in the eighth to score Vander Meer with the last run.

**The box score:**

CINCINNATI (N.)		BROOKLYN (N.)	
Fr.	Ab.	R.	Er.
Frey, 2b...	5	0	1
Berger, lf...	5	1	3
Goodman, rf...	3	1	3
McCormick, 1b...	1	1	1
Lombardi, c...	3	0	9
Craft, cf...	5	0	3
Riggs, 3b...	4	0	1
Pressnell, ss...	4	0	0
V. Meer, p...	4	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>

aBatted for Coscarat in sixth.  
bRan for Phelps in ninth.  
cBatted for Hamlin in eighth.  
Cincinnati.....0 0 4 0 0 0 1 1 0-6  
Brooklyn.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0  
Runs batted in—McCormick 3, Riggs, Craft, Berger.  
Two-base hit—Berger. Three-base hit—Berger. Home run—McCormick. Stolen base—Goodman. Left on bases—Cincinnati 9, Brooklyn 8. Bases on balls—Off Butcher 2, Vander Meer 2, Hamlin 1. Struck out—By Butcher 1, Pressnell 2, Vander Meer 7, Hamlin 3. Hits—Off Butcher 5 in 2-2-3, Hamlin 2 in 1-2-3, Pressnell 4 in 3-2-3, Tamulis 0 in 1. Losing pitcher—Butcher. Umpire—Stewart. Stark and Barr. Time of game—2:22.