

Braves' fate still undecided

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DALLAS — Buffalo Braves' owner John Y. Brown, apologetic for delays in announcing where his NBA club will relocate, Monday said it could be two more weeks before league owners hear his transfer suggestion and expressed concern

about the prospects of competing with the Dallas Cowboys for fans' approval.
"I'm not really procrastinating in moving the team, but there no reason to own a team unless I could really be involved," Brown said.
Brown stopped in Dallas en route

to the NBA Board of Governors meeting which began Tuesday in San Diego and said he would have recommendations for both the city of his choice — which he would not disclose — and alternatives in case that city was overruled.

Brown and Braves President Norm Sonju met with Dallas Mayor Bob Folsom for more than an hour and both sides agreed the basketball team won a few concessions in the city's proposed 37-page rental arrangement for the Convention Center Auditorium which would serve as Braves' home court until completion in 1980 of an 18,000-seat arena.

"I can't really say it (announcement of the Braves' new home) is imminent," Brown said at a news conference at the site of the new arena. "But we are prepared for the league meeting. It is important that we make the right decision."

During the conference, Brown said he would go before the NBA advisory committee Tuesday and

determine if there is room on the league's two-day agenda for consideration of his franchise switch. If not, he said it would not be "uncommon" for a special meeting to be called in from 10 days to two weeks.

"I've really struggled with this decision and once you move, it's got to be right," the Louisville businessman and former owner of the ABA Kentucky Colonels said. "Frankly I've had three concerns about Dallas."

"First is the temporary arena. Also, I've been more of a cold-weather advocate for pro basketball. Your colder weather markets have been stronger, but Dallas is not as warm in the winter as, say, San Antonio or New Orleans."

"Third is where are we going to fit in the Dallas sports market with the Cowboys and even Mr. (Brad) Corbett's baseball team (Texas Rangers.)"

"But I feel all the elements are here for a successful NBA franchise. The only other towns I've really looked into were Minneapolis and Long Island, Nassau."

"I've worked hard during the last six weeks and believe we'll be prepared with an intelligent presentation. We didn't get everything we wanted, like parking and concessions but I think we've done about all we can here."

Folsom said he was prepared to fly to San Diego today in case the NBA officials wanted a show of civic support from Dallas.

"I really am more encouraged (after meeting with Brown), perhaps falsely so," said Folsom, a part owner in the ABA Dallas Chaparrals which moved to San Antonio and survived the merger with the NBA.

"Brown is a delightful guy that I cannot pin down," Folsom said.

Cross country meet

The Intramural Sports Office will have a cross country meet this summer session. Men and women runners are encouraged to enter. Entries will remain open until June 23 to allow all interested runners a chance to enter. Individuals as well as teams are encouraged to try the 3.1-mile course. Maps are available in the Intramural Office, DeWare Fieldhouse.
Men's and women's teams

consist of a maximum of five participants, with the top three finishers scoring for the team. Co-rec competition consists of a maximum of six persons on a team (three men and three women) with the top two men and two women finishers scoring for the team.

The event will take place June 29 at 7:30 p.m. Any currently enrolled students, faculty or staff member may enter.

Golfers in humorous mood

No tension at Open, yet

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DENVER — The tension that will pervade the final days of the U.S. Open, the most coveted of professional golf's four major tournaments, hadn't settled in Tuesday,

the second day of official practice rounds.

Spectators swarmed the Cherry Hills Country Club course, jamming every available vantage point on the manicured 7,083-yard layout in an effort to watch their favorite players.

A carnival atmosphere prevailed and infected many of the players, who are feeling out the course prior to the start of tournament play Thursday. Many took time from their rounds to chat with fans and sign autographs, and several showed a sense of humor that doesn't often come across on the television screen.

Lee Trevino apologetically declined to sign autographs during the practice, explaining he does so only after he finishes for the day.

"Somebody comes up and shoves a Magic Marker in your face and the next thing you know, your shirt looks like you've been playing tic-tac-toe on it," Trevino said. "Hell, I bet I throw away 30 shirts a year."

One sunburned lady couldn't believe it when her companion said that was Trevino about to tee off.

"He's not as chunky as he looks on TV," she said. "I guess I'm going to have to have my set adjusted."

Chi Chi Rodriguez, the clown prince of professional golf, attracted a large gallery and told a pretty, young fan he would autograph her program "only if you swear you love me and I am your favorite golfer." She swore and he signed.

Perpetual favorite Arnold Palmer and Andy Bean exchanged banter on one of the practice greens, where Bean was chasing balls for another player practicing out of the sand.

"That has to be the most expensive shag-boy in golf," Palmer said, referring to Bean's two straight wins at the Kemper Open and last week's Danny Thomas Memphis Classic.

"Talk about making money in golf," Bean quipped to the gallery. "That's old moneybags himself."
"Oh, I don't know," Palmer retorted, indicating his caddy, who married his daughter last week.

Open is wired

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DENVER — Beneath the rolling greens of the Cherry Hill Country Club, 10 million feet of wire lie in readiness for the U.S. Open, according to a Mountain Bell spokesman.

Plans for laying the cable, which would extend to the Westchester Golf Club in New York if stretched out, were drawn up last year with engineers and installation crews surveying the fairway for the extensive communications network required.

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