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Walter O'Malley met at luncheon meeting with Frank
Schroth and Charles Mylod today. Dyring conversations
about the progress being made toward a new Stadium in
Brooklyn, O'Malley went on record that the Brooklyn ball
club was ready, willing and able to build a new Stadium
either in Brooklyn or Los Angeles. He confided to Messrs.
Schroth and Mylod he was leaving on May 1st for a five-day
visit to Los Angeles to discuss the Los Angeles situation
with City officials and Civic leaders.

"The Brooklyn Dodgers will have a new ball park," Mr. O'Malley said. "We will play our schedule of games some-where. I will continue down the road toward that ball park until I reach a fork in the road. At that time I must decide which road to take, leading toward Los Angeles or to the new park in Brooklyn."

Mr. Mylod said there had been some confusion and delay in the Sports Center Authority activities but that he was happy to report a contract for the services of Madigan-Hyland, Consulting Engineers, with the authority was about to be signed. This contract was in connection with a financial feasibility study and report relating to a stadium in the area bounded by DeKalb Avenue, Vanderbilt Avenue, Sterling Place and Bond Street in the Borough of Brooklyn.

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It was further revealed that Chester Allen, one of the members of the Authority, had recently suggested a press conference which would be attended by the Authority Members, John Cashmore, Joseph Sharkey, John Crews and others to answer questions regarding a Stadium in Brooklyn. No date, however, had been set for such a conference.

During the course of the luncheon meeting a discussion of rental ensued and Mr. O'Malley said that the "more-than-a million" figure which was being handied about in some quarters was utterly out of line. Mr. Mylod said that Maidgan-Hyland was aware of the club's feeling in this matter.

Also present at the luncheon meeting was Arthur Patterson, of the Dodgers' staff.