

# Juan Marichal Attacks John Roseboro, August 22, 1965

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Following two other papers covering the narrative of the Marichal-Roseboro affair and its adjudication by baseball authorities, this presentation examined the media reaction to these events. In particular, it looked at whether newspaper coverage in Los Angeles differed from newspaper coverage in San Francisco and, if so, how.

This was a multi-media presentation, using slides to illustrate how various newspaper stories were laid out and how their headlines appeared. In the absence of the radio broadcasts of both teams, the session concluded with a short videotape of the incident itself.

In general, the Los Angeles newspapers surveyed tended to condemn Marichal, to excuse Roseboro and the Dodgers, and to criticize National League president Warren Giles for his lenient sentence. The San Francisco area papers tended to take a more objective stance. *The Sporting News*, in its role as a national publication, covered both sides of the incident. Reporters in both cities filed stories, *TSN* also excerpted commentary from columnists around the country.