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Time machine

Remember when... those are words we use more and more, the older we get, right?

Wouldn't it be nice to remember the Dempsey-Gibbons fight in Shelby? It sure would — to be able to tell about all the wheelings and dealings, the quick-built stadium or the fight itself.

But wait, that fight was in 1923, so that would make you at least 70.

Yes, it's nice to remember when, except for the fact you had to be around way back when.

But wouldn't it have been nice to see some of the great moments in sports? If only we had H.G. Wells' time machine.

I'd go back to 1951 and watch Bobby Thomson's home run to sink the Brooklyn Dodgers to win the National League playoff.

I'd go back to 1940 and watch the New York Rangers win the Stanley Cup — it may never happen again.

I'd set the dial for 1810 and fly back in time to watch black heavyweight Tom Moulieux battle Tom Gribb in the vicious bare-knuckle days of boxing.

I'd love to have been there on March 2, 1962 when Wilt Chamberlain, a 76er then, slammed home 100 points against the Knicks, or when Bob Cousy, the immortal Celtic, had 28 assists in one game, Feb. 27, 1959, against the Minneapolis Lakers.

I'd love to have watched some great Kentucky Derby runs, such as the day in 1941 when Whirlaway won, or War Admiral's big run in 1937, followed by their Preakness and Belmont victories as well. I would have liked to have seen the Ice Man, George Woolf ride, along with Johnny Longden's 6,000th win.

I'd love to have been there for Babe Ruth's 60th; Louis' KO of Schmelling in one; Johnny Weismuller's gold-medal swim; Bill Vukovich's back-to-back Indy wins; Marty Wood's classiest ride; bowler Don Carter in his prime; the Bannister-Landy miracle mile; Jesse Owens in Berlin; figure skater Barbara Ann Scott; Olympians Fannie Blankers-Koen and Babe Zaharius; and the list goes on and on.

Folks today do have their time machines — they can jet away to events around the world if they have the bucks, or watch it on TV live or on replays.

But nothing beats being there — except maybe reading about Ruth, Gehrig, Dempsey, etc. as told by people like Runyon, Gallico or A.J. Liebling.

I've been to a few memorable events — like Dave Winfield's first game with San Diego Padres; Bill Buckner eating five egg rolls while in the whirlpool after the game-winning single; an Andy Messersmith shutout; Daley Thompson's Commonwealth Games decathlon win; the Commonwealth Games themselves; and Hank Aaron striking out twice and walking twice, only two homers short of Ruth's record.

Locally, I've seen some exciting events. I've seen the Tollestrups play; Jocko Tarnava steal second; Mike Seaman hit a home run; Gene Scully bait a hook; Ben Brooks, Cliff Walters, Bob Gibb and Jim Whitelaw coach; Earl Ingarfield play; Guyle Fielder glide through a team as well as shoot pool; Carmen Rinke and Rick Duff box; and Perry Mirkovich and Frank Willis win basketball games.

I've seen Trotter skate; Andre Dawson swing; Stan Walker bulldog; Kai Yip and Max Gibb box; Malcolm Jones and Marty Wood ride and Jim Gladstone rope; Don Green and Katie Wilson golf; the Lettingwells shoot; the Warriors play; the Sutter brothers in action; and the New York Rangers play.

I've seen the Lethbridge Maple Leafs, Native Sons, Miners, Rams, Pronghorns, Kodiaks and Comets, Takacs, ELL, May, Tokariuk, the Maxwells, Courts, Baldreys and the Coalhurst Tigers.

Major world events are great, but really, there's nothing like home.

Tigers streak ends

SEATTLE (AP) — The red-hot Detroit Tigers' bid for a major-league record 18th straight road victory was ruined Friday night as the Seattle Mariners, behind home runs by Alvin Davis and Bob Kearney, posted a 7-3 triumph.

The Tigers, who had not lost on the road this season, had to settle for a share of the big league record of 17 consecutive road victories set by the 1916 New York Giants.

Detroit tied that mark with a 5-1 triumph in California Thursday night, a victory that upped its road record to 17-0 this

season and broke the American League mark of 16 set by the 1912 Washington Senators.

Detroit, now 35-6 this season, had won its last four games on the road last year, but those victories did not count toward the record.

Milt Wilcox, who was hammered for nine hits and six runs in a 2-3 innings, suffered his first defeat in seven decisions in 1984.

Reliever-turned-starter Ed Vande Berg, 4-2, halted the sizzling Tigers, who entered the game with nine straight victories.

Ontario top bowlers

SASKATOON (CP) — Ontario captured the gold medal Friday in the mixed event at the Carling O'Keefe Canadian fivepin bowling championships with 105.5 points.

Saskatchewan took the silver medal with 98 points and Alberta the bronze with 81.

Top five qualifiers in men's singles were: Red Brochu of Nelson, B.C., Ken Norris of Calgary, Bill Kowey of Yellowknife, N.W.T., Don Betts of St. Catharines, Ont., and Jim Bracey of Dartmouth, N.S.

In the women's event it was Lori Grieder, 18, of Minnedosa, Man., Bev Meyer of Calgary, Diane Charlebois of Hull, Que., Dianne Harrison of Toronto and Terry Stewart of Saskatoon.

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Miss Rodeo Canada busy girl

By GARRY ALLISON
Herald Sports Editor
Busy is the word to describe Miss Rodeo Canada.

Susan Hargrave of Brooks earned the title last year, and since then has been busy cross-country promoting professional rodeo.

In Lethbridge Friday as part of a Marquis Hotel, Champs Tavern promotion, Susan said she's enjoyed her reign and is hoping her travels will extend to Australia in October.

"For me, being queen has been a chance to travel and to promote rodeo in Canada," she

said. "It has also been a growing year for me personally, meeting people and being in different situations."

"I hope to be able to go to Australia — the queen two years ago made the trip, but last year's queen didn't. They have their Australia rodeo finals at the end of October — Miss Rodeo Australia usually comes up here too."

Susan travelled to Oklahoma City for the pro rodeo finals last year, thanks to people like Bob Corbett of the Marquis who stepped in to help out when the original sponsor of the trip backed out.

"The whole time there



SUSAN HARGRAVE

was just crazy," she laughed. "You can't help but come back without an accent."

Though she doesn't compete in barrel racing,

she has tried the event in the past. She was raised on a farm and has ridden all her life, more in horse shows than rodeos. She also played basketball — in high school and with the University of Lethbridge women's junior varsity team — and was a figure skater for 11 years, earning her gold medal in dance.

Being a woman, it's not unreasonable her favorite event in rodeo is barrel racing, the only one for women on the pro tour.

"After that, it's the bull riding — it's the goriest event," she said.

Though her role is one of representing the cow-

boys, she is not supposed to have too much contact with them. She goes into towns two or three days ahead of a rodeo to promote the event in malls and through interviews. This summer, she says, she'll be "gone all the time".

Susan was rodeo queen at the Brooks rodeo, placed second at Jenner and won the Medicine Hat queen contest before entering, through Medicine Hat encouragement, in the Miss Rodeo Canada contest.

From Lethbridge, she's off to Ponoka and then Craven, Sask. for pro rodeos this coming week.



CANADIAN CHAMPION RICK DUFF

Duff wins title bout

Rick Duff did what he had to do.

Duff beat Darrel Flint of Nova Scotia by a unanimous decision Friday night in a tough bout in Burnaby, B.C.

The bout was a special challenge box-off under the Canadian Amateur Boxing Association rules. The victory puts Duff on the national boxing team as the Canadian middle-weight champion.

His chances of going to the Olympic Games have been greatly enhanced by the win, but no decision has been made as yet.

In the first round Friday, Duff was hit hard by Flint and stopped for a standing eight count as the bell rang, said trainer Kai Yip. Despite the bell, Flint was allowed to hit Duff twice more and again Duff was given a count, Yip added.

"We nearly lost because of that error," Yip said in a telephone interview with The Herald right after the fight.

"But Rick won the second round and then wiped the guy out in the third, forcing him to take a standing eight count. I

think we're on our way to the Olympics."

Duff said he was rusty in the first two rounds because of a long layoff, but in the third round he was himself again.

"The guy was a powerhouse — he threw lots of sucker punches," Duff said.

"The Olympics are very close now — I can't see why I can't participate."

Two other Southern Alberta fighters didn't fare as well in the junior nationals.

Wes Black Rabbit of the Lethbridge Native Boys Boxing Club was not allowed to fight. He left his medical card at home, due to a mix up with transportation and the Canadian rules won't allow an amateur to box without his card.

Leonard Pitre of the Labor Club Boxing Team lost a unanimous decision to a Quebec fighter and was eliminated.

Today, Robbie Kovacs of the Lethbridge Boxing Club will fight a Nova Scotia boxer in his first elimination bout in the junior national competition.

Blue Jays, Expos register victories



By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Toronto Blue Jays' George Bell doesn't drag any scientific hitting theories with him when he steps into the batters box.

"I don't look for anything, man," said Bell who doubled in two runs in the first inning to help Toronto to a 5-1 victory over Cleveland Indians on Friday night.

"I go to home plate and Pow — swing — you know what I mean?"

Bell's two runs-batted-in were more than enough for Toronto's Dave Stieb who went eight innings before giving way to Dennis Lamp in the final inning.

Darryl Motley drove in five runs with a bases-loaded triple and a tape-measure home run, and Dan Quisenberry earned his 12th save of the American League baseball season as Kansas City Royals stopped Boston Red Sox 8-5.

Charlie Hough pitched a three-hitter and struck out nine and Larry Parrish and Mickey Rivers drove in three runs apiece as Texas Rangers trounced Tom Seaver and Chicago White Sox 11-0.

Kent Hrbek and Gary Gaetti drove in two runs each as Minnesota Twins beat Milwaukee Brewers 7-4.

In other American League night games, Detroit Tigers played Seattle Mariners, New York Yankees were in Oakland against the A's and Baltimore Orioles met California Angels.

In National League games, Tom Hume pitched five strong innings in his first start in five years and Brad Gulden rapped a two-run single during a three-run first inning as Cincinnati Reds beat Chicago 3-0, halting the Cubs' six-game

winning streak in a rain-delayed contest.

Miguel Dilone did not get the ball out of the infield in four at-bats but he was the catalyst in Montreal Expos' 3-2 National League victory over San Francisco Giants.

Dilone left his biggest imprint in the eighth inning, when the Expos ended a 2-2 tie. He led off the inning by hitting a slow bouncer to shortstop Joe Pittman, who, mindful of Dilone's speed, hurried his throw to first base and fired the ball into the dugout.

Dilone was awarded second on the error and then moved to third on a ground out and Tim Raines followed by chopping a grounder to third baseman Tom O'Malley, who glanced at Dilone speeding toward home plate but finally decided his only play was to retire Raines at first base, while the go-ahead run scored.

Gerald Perry had three hits and scored three times and Dale Murphy hit his 10th home run of the season as Atlanta Braves shelled St. Louis 8-4.

Graig Nettles drilled a home run and three singles, and Tony Gwynn tripled and added two singles, helping San Diego Padres defeat Philadelphia 7-3.

Dwight Gooden tied Nolan Ryan's team record by striking out 14 batters in eight innings as New York Mets downed Los Angeles Dodgers 2-1. Gooden had allowed just two hits before Pedro Guerrero homered to lead off the ninth, finishing the 19-year-old hurler.

Dale Berra drove in three runs and John Tudor scattered nine hits as Pittsburgh Pirates defeated Houston 6-2.



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WADE FRENCH OF COALDALE BLUE JAYS Weatherman kind to Little Leaguers

By BRYAN GOULDING
of The Herald

The weatherman must be a Little League fan. About 15 minutes before the annual Lethbridge Little League tournament was to begin at Dave Elton Park Friday, the sky opened up and this object giving warmth appeared — the sun — causing most organizers to say Friday was the best night so far this year for baseball.

They are hopeful it continues today and Sunday, when 28 teams, including 24 local clubs, play in three age divisions.

Friday, a pair of slugfests opened proceedings with Coaldale Blue Jays hammering Woodwards Yankees 19-5 and Legion Royals stopping Burger King 19-15.

Action was to begin this morning with four games at the Dave Elton complex. Games were also scheduled for 10:30 a.m., 1, 3:30 and 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

John Toker, tournament director, said this year's tournament involves more local teams than past years. "In the past, we had four teams from Norcrest and Lakeside but that left a lot of teams on the sidelines. This year, every team of 13-year-olds is local and all but two teams in the other two divisions are local.

"There seems to be more interest this year because of more local teams and because you can never ever tell what's going to happen at a Little League ball tournament."

He was almost a prophet Friday when Burger King failed to say die against Legion, coming up with a nine-run fifth inning to all but erase the eventual winner's lead.

A grand slam home run over the left-centre wall by Steve Isele, who also had a double and single, was the big blow in the rally but Troy Sheets came on and slammed the door in the final inning. He struck out the last batter to preserve the win in relief of Tom Rodzinyak and Tony Chilton.

Sheets also contributed a pair of doubles from the plate.

Doug Schow started and Rob Roy relieved for Burger King.

A seven-run fifth inning highlighted Blue Jays win over pitchers Shandi Toker and Tyler Demers as Jerry Tymensen towered a home run which cleared the centre field fence by at least 30 feet.

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