Sports

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Wynn nears 300-victory mark

Pitches White Sox to 6-1 victory

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Early Wynn was one triumph nearer today to his 300-victory goal but the veteran Chicago White Sox pitcher was still three behind Warren Spahn in their spirited race to see who gets there first.

The 41-year-old righthander, after three failures, finally notched his 285th major league success pitching the White Sox to a 6-1 triumph Thursday over Washington Senators. Spahn, the brilliant Milwaukee Braves' left-hander, was slated to try for his 289th victory in Pittsburgh tonight in the National League.

It was the first victory of the year for Wynn. He made two unsuccessful tries for win No. 285 last year and failed to last four innings in the 1961 season opener at Washington April 10.

New York Yankees, idled since Monday because of foul weather, swept a doubleheader from Los Angeles Angels 7-5 and 4-2 to surge into a second place tie with Detroit. Minnesota, due to open its home season today, leads the American League race by one half game.

The Tigers pounded out an 11-4 victory in Cleveland. Kansas City, Baltimore and Boston, along with Minnesota, were not scheduled.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Charlie Dressen has a tendency to pop off, but even his detractors admit he usually knows what he's talking about.

The outspoken Milwaukee Braves manager has maintained that all his Braves need to win the National League pennant is a strong bullpen. He blames last year's failure to win the flag on the flop of relief pitcher Don McMahon.

Dressen's claim received strong support Tuesday night when the Braves, using five pitchers, overcame a 6-1 count with five runs in the ninth inning and one in the 11th to nip Philadelphia Phillies 7-6.

St. Louis Cardinals and San Francisco Giants climbed into a three-way tie with Pittsburgh Pirates for second place, a half game behind the league-leading Cincinnati Reds. The Cards belted Los Angeles Dodgers 11-2 and the Giants edged the Reds 2-1. Chicago Cubs shut out the Pirates 3-0.

Hawaii downs Vancouver 4-3

By The Associated Press

Professional baseball made its debut in Hawaii Thursday night and the Islanders got off to a winning start in the opening game of the 1961 Pacific Coast League season.

A crowd of 6,041, described as disappointing, watched as Chuck Harmon rapped a pinch single in the ninth to give the Islanders a 4-3 win over Vancouver Mounties.

Pony League registrations available

Registration forms for Pony League players are now available at the Sports Shop or the Civic Centre. There is a registration fee of $2 which is used to pay for an insurance policy for the players.

Deadline for returning the entries is May 6. Practices will be starting shortly and it is time to start thinking seriously about the baseball season which is rapidly approaching.

All boys with Renaults uniforms are asked to turn them in as soon as possible.

Sports Events

TONIGHT
Badminton
7:30 p.m.—Badminton club's annual tournament gets underway tonight.
Stag Party
8 p.m.—Prince Rupert Rod & Gun Club's stag at the club house.

SATURDAY
Junior Floor Hockey
7 p.m.—Van's Bakery vs Philpott Evitt (first game of championships)
Senior
8:30 p.m.—Sports Shop vs Bob Parker's (first game of championships.)

Stag party tonight

Men, don't forget the Prince Rupert Rod & Gun Club's stag which gets underway at 8 tonight at the clubhouse.

There will be entertainment galore and everyone is urged to attend.

Los Angeles (AP)—Jim McCarter, 222, Los Angeles, outpointed Floyd Joyner, 198, Phoenix (10).

Parker's whip Savoy in semi-final series

Bob Parker's senior floor hockey team closed out the season for Savoy Hotel last night at the Civic Centre.

Parker's, bolstering a lineup of game youngsters, fought back from a 4-2 first-period deficit to whip Savoy 13-10 and take the best-of-three semi-final series two games to one.

The garagemen will now meet Sports Shop Saturday night in the first game of the senior championship.

Parker's had won the opening game of the series by a wide margin but lost the second battle by a narrow 12-11 score.

They had finished in last place in the regular league standings but fought their way back to the brink of the championship.

The Sports Shop club ended up in third place in the standings but also fought back to eliminate league-leading Prince Rupert Hotel.

With Ray Windle playing a solid defensive game in goal for Parker's the garagemen roared back from the first-period setback to pump in six goals and hold an 8-6 margin at the end of the second period.

Parker's power attacks were led by the one-two scoring punch of Skip Cronck with four goals and Jack Martin with three.

Martin, playing his first game since an injury earlier this year, displayed excellent form.

Cronck, however, was the big playmaker. All of Martin's goals came from Cronck passes.

Skip passed the puck with precision and racked up a standout performance for the Parker club.

Windle handled a total of 59 shots while Savoy goalie Norm Mierau handled 62. Both netminders played excellent games.

Parker's boasted a bulging lineup of 15 players for last night's game while Savoy Hotel listed 12.

Savoy collected 12 penalties while Parker's received 16.

Bill MacLeod was the big gun for Savoy with a trio of goals.

Goal Scorers

Bob Parker's (13)—Atchison 1, B. Johnston 1, Cronck 4, Wilc 1, Martin 3, Gurney 1 and Specht 1.

Savoy Hotel (10)—Paolinelli 1, Logan 1, MacLeod 3, Gurney 2, Alger 2 and Holder 1.

Shuttle tourney draws

Here are the preliminary mixed doubles draws in the City Badminton Tournament which gets underway at 7:30 tonight and winds up Sunday night.

Friday

7:30 p.m.—H. Stevens and J. Stevens vs M. Poffenroth and G. Poffenroth; A. Murphy and D. King vs D. Jeffry and D. Hartwig; J. Paul and V. Wells vs M. Perry and V. Smith; R. Trainer and J. Roberts vs E. Holder and R. Smith; A. Madge and D. Mah vs R. Sharpe and E. Knight; L. Rowe and D. Burnip vs T. Symington and C. Etzertza; and N. Horner and A. Garrett vs M. Duffy and H. Cleland.

8 p.m.— J. Schubert and S. King vs L. Stuart and A. McLeod; winner Stevens vs Poffenroth game vs D. Ratcliff and D. Ratcliff; winner D. King vs Hartwig game vs B. King and E. Pierce; winner V. Wells vs V. Smith game vs R. King and B. Mills; winner D. Burnip vs C. Etzertza game vs A. Smith and B. Lum; winner J. Roberts vs R. Smith game vs M. and B. Tough; and winner D. Mah vs E. Knight game vs E. Houchen and D. Bown.

8:30 p.m.—Winner S. King vs A. McLeod game vs L. McKay and H. Holkestad.

All those entered in mixed doubles, men's or women's singles, are asked to be at the Civic Centre by 8:30 p.m. to check the remaining draws.

Teams posted in the above draws must be present within 20 minutes of the times posted or be defaulted.

Thomson leading

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — Peter Thomson, an Australian who has won the British open four times, began the second round of the $40,000 Houston gold classic today with a one-stroke lead over Chick Harbert of the United States.

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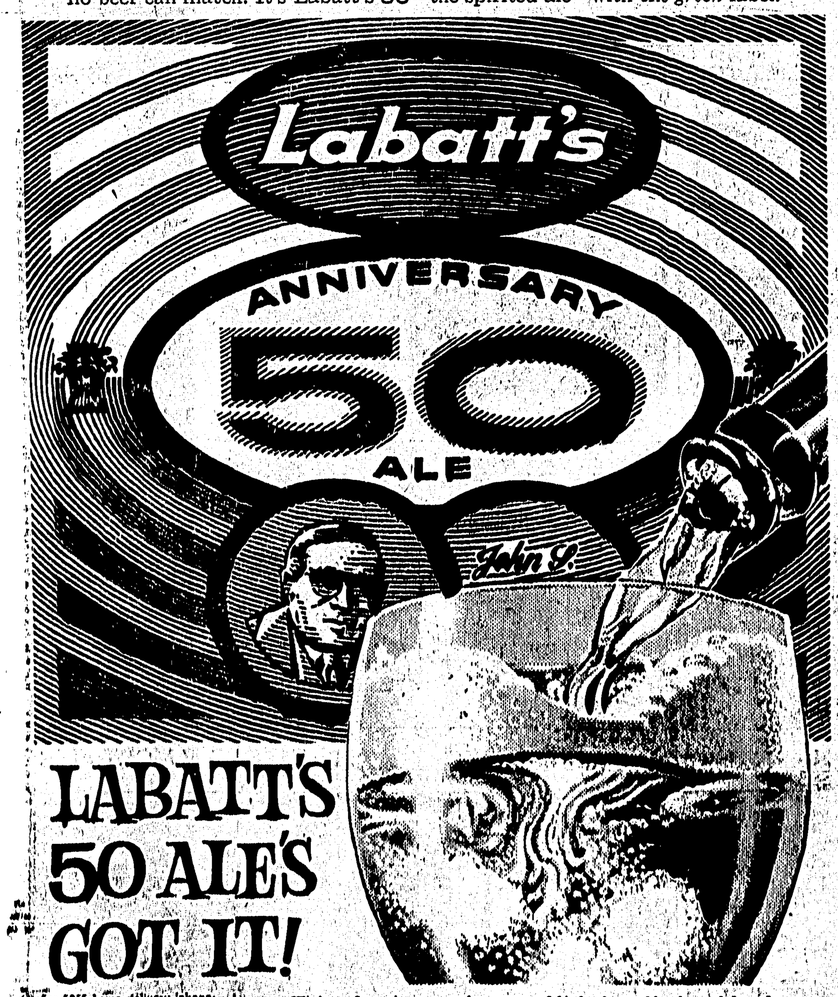

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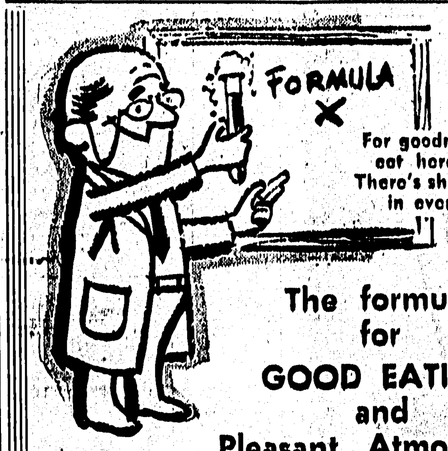

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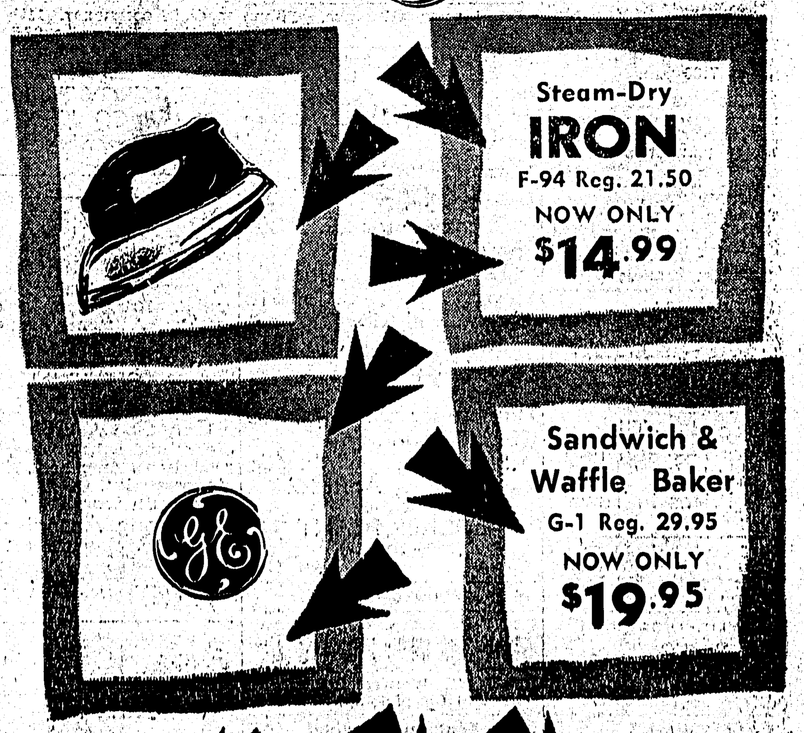

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