

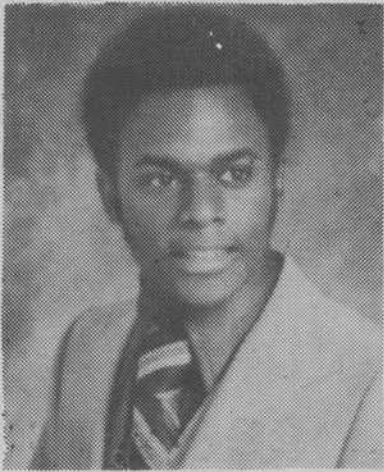
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KEN'S COMMENTS



By Ken Wilson

Las Vegas' own professional baseball team, the Stars, is currently in the midst of a successful maiden voyage, one of which the entire community can be proud.

The stars continue to cling to a slim lead in the Southern Division of the Pacific Coast League, while battling last season's champion, the Albuquerque Dukes, to maintain a slight edge in the race for a playoff spot.

Much of the Star's achievements thus far this season can be attributed to timely hitting and consistent solid pitching performances from both starting pitcher and bullpen relief.

The recent calling up of former Star Kevin McReynolds to the parent club, the San Diego Padres, represents the quality of the Las Vegas organization. In the future, the community can look forward to more Stars heading for the major leagues in addition to some excellent baseball at Cashman Field.

Recent stories confirming the fact that professional basketball may be making regular stops in Las Vegas next season, further indicate that our fair city could be on the verge of something big.

Community support has been great for recent boxing spectaculars and the return of pro baseball, giving outsiders the opportunity to view what may possibly be the next great sports mecca.

If indeed the Utah Jazz share the Thomas and Mack Arena with UNLV athletes next season, Las Vegas could be next in line for even bigger and better things.

Showboat Offers Moore-Duran Closed Circuit

A boxing "doubleheader" is set for Thursday, June 16, when the Showboat Hotel, Casino, Country Club and Bowling Center offers both the Davey Moore - Roberto Duran World Boxing Association junior middleweight championship bout on closed circuit along with a live fight card.



Louie Burke

The 15-round Moore-Duran title battle plus the five live fights--the main event a 10-rounder featuring undefeated ESPN junior lightweight champion Louie Burke against Martin Galvan--is in the Showboat Sports Pavilion.

Doors to the Pavilion open at 5:30 p.m. with the live closed circuit telecast from Madison Square Garden in New York beginning shortly thereafter. The Moore-Duran title bout comes

on at approximately 7:15. Following Moore-Duran the live card starts. The bouts are presented by Don Chargin Productions in association with the Showboat.

Ticket prices for the entire doubleheader is only \$10 for general admission. Tickets can be purchased daily at the Showboat Sports Pavilion Ticket Office.

The relentless Duran is attempting to become only the seventh person to win world championships in three weight divisions. The former world lightweight king and World Boxing Council welterweight champ earned a shot at the 154-pound crown by knocking out former WBA welterweight champion Jose Pipino Cuevas.

The undefeated Moore, a young slugger from New York who is willing to take a punch in order to land one, captured the championship in February of 1982.

Also undefeated is Burke. The Albuquerque native has a 14-0 record

with 11 knockouts and is coming off his biggest



Roberto Duran

young slugger's sixth fight in Las Vegas. In December of 1981 he decisioned Jose Pozos.

In 1982 he stopped Carlos Barbosa in the second in early January, halted Rich Beeman in the first later that month and dumped Aurelio Martinez in the fourth in March.

Galvan, from Los Angeles, is coming off an impressive 10-round, unanimous decision win over Jose Resendez on May 26 in Los Angeles. Galvan lists a record of 14-5-1 with wins in 13 of his past 16 fights.

This will be Burke's third fight this year: on Jan. 29 in El Paso he decisioned Robert Garcia in a 10-rounder.

Set For Sept. 9

Cooney-Brown Fight Again Postponed

Heavyweight contender Gerry Cooney's scheduled July 24 bout against undefeated Phil Brown has been postponed until Sept. 9, a spokesman said Tuesday.

Bob Hallaron, vice president of Caesars World, said he was in New York Monday and the boxer's inflamed knuckle on his left hand prevented him from sparring effectively.

He said the Cooney-Brown bout, scheduled to be held at Caesars Palace, has been rescheduled to Sept. 9 as part of the undercard of the Aaron Pryor-Alexis Arguello World Boxing Association junior welterweight title fight, also at Caesars Palace.

UNLV MAGIC SHOW

The Las Vegas Wrestling Club will present "AN EVENING OF PURE IMAGINATION", a fund-raising magic show for the benefit of the UNLV Wrestling Team. The show will be held at the Judy Bailey Theatre on the campus of UNLV. Dates and times are, June 25th and 26th, 1983 at 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM with a matinee at 3:00 PM on the 26th. Ticket prices will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

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