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does and will happen when an individual is given a chance to enter a public institution," Spencer said.

In the past the basketball program has been scrutinized for the automobiles the players have driven and various other reasons that have brought a bad light to the school. Before

coming to UNLV Spencer played at the University of Georgia and Connors State (Okla.) Junior College and has seen many other big time programs not get looked at as much as UNLV has.

"That athletic program (UNLV's) is a welfare program compared to others around the

country," he said.

In finding an outcome to the problems between the university and the basketball program Spencer desperately hopes that it can be done in a professional matter, by professionals. He said that both Maxson and Tark had good track records and it would take the two to work it out.

BASEBALL

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the right hander like a Las Vegas Strip billboard. Third baseman Lino Diaz greeted Lynn with a single to score White and catcher Lee Reiber produced another score with a grounder to score Madsen. Diaz then scored on shortstop Steve Biermann's base hit to cap a four-run inning.

UNLV added a single run in the fifth inning and two runs

in the eighth to complete the scoring frenzy. The Aztecs halted Jarolimek's shutout bid at the top of the eighth inning with a Steve Dietz single to score pinch-hitter Steve Franco for their only score of the contest.

UNLV's Miran finished the day with a two-for-four performance which included a double and two runs scored. Diaz, Nick Kuster, Reiber, Madsen and

Biermann each drove in a run to help the Hustlin' Rebel cause.

The Western Athletic Conference Aztecs drop to 11-6 on the season. The Hustlin' Rebels, meanwhile, improve their overall record to 13-7.

The Hustlin' Rebels will host San Jose State Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

BASKETBALL

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ers with 18 points. Freshman guard Gwynn Hobbs canned three three-pointers and Teresa Jackson added 17 points to the triumph.

The Lady Rebels will journey to Long Beach, Calif., for the Big West Conference tournament this week as the second seed. The victory over South-

ern Utah may serve as a catalyst going into the tournament which runs Wednesday through Sunday.

Lady Rebs gear for Big West

by Tony Llanos

The Lady Rebels travel to the Long Beach Arena for the 17th-annual Big West Tournament which runs Wednesday through Saturday. Third-seeded UNLV plays the No. 6-seeded New Mexico State at 9 p.m. Wednesday.

The Lady Rebels are 16-9 overall and 13-5 in the Big West. The New Mexico State

Roadrunners finished 15-14 overall, 9-9 in conference play.

UNLV has beaten the Roadrunners seven of the last 10 times the teams have played.

Earlier this season, the Lady Rebs defeated the Roadrunners 97-79 on Jan. 4 in Las Cruces, N.M. In that game, Merlelynn Lange scored a career-high 34 points.

However, on Feb. 13, the Roadrunners beat the Rebels 99-95 in overtime at the South

Gym. In this scoring explosion, Lange and Teresa Jackson scored 26 and 23 points respectively.

The Lady Rebels will look to avenge their loss to New Mexico State in the first round of last year's Big West tournament. In that game the Roadrunners' Tracey Goetsch canned a desperation three-pointer to edge UNLV 90-89 at the buzzer.

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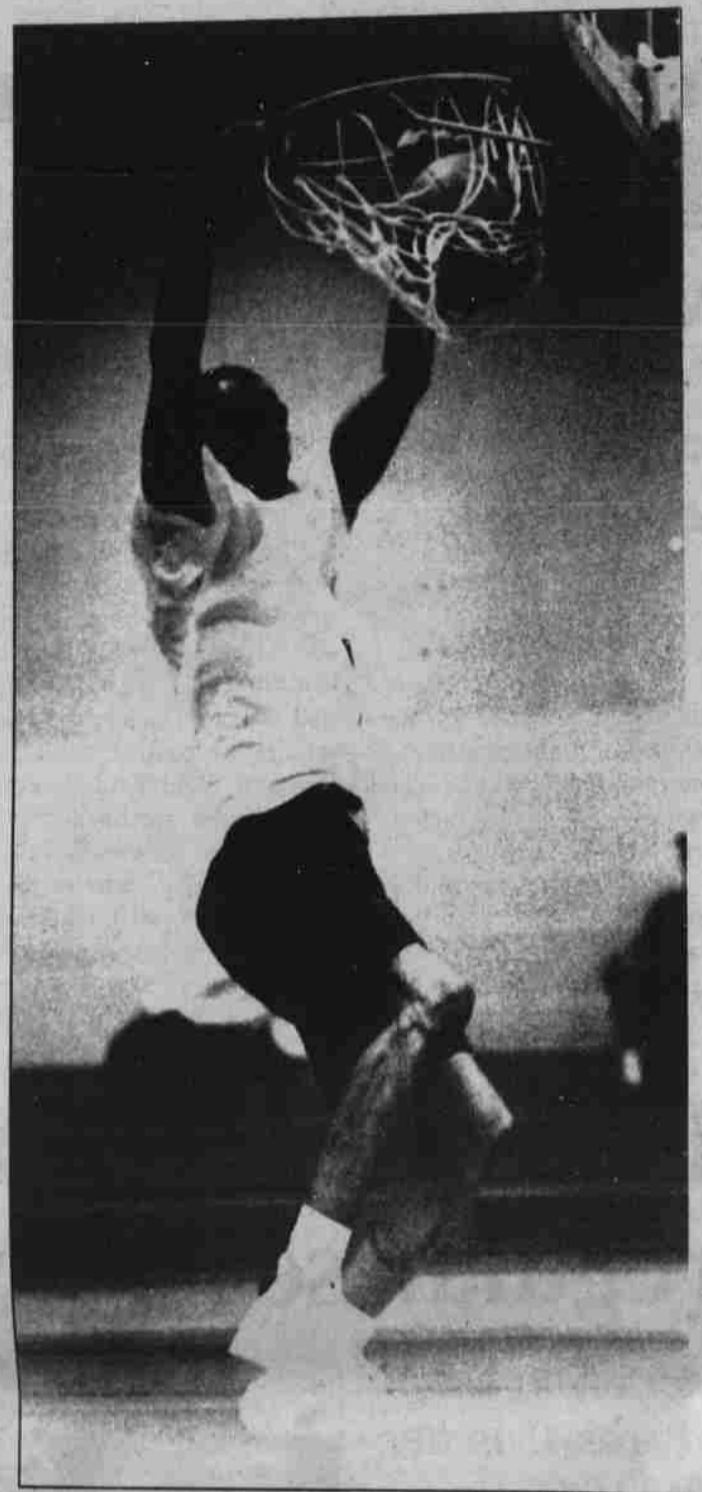


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Ambrus Price, a junior finance major, won the Sports Officials' Association & Student Government Slam Dunk contest Friday at the North Gym. Student body President Roderick Colebrook and Runnin' Rebel J.R. Rider were among the judges. Reggie Allen won the men's under 6-foot division.

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