

FERTITTA

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coaches' offices, a lounge and a team study room. The other building houses the ticketing office and will be used primarily for tournaments and club members.

Operation and maintenance of the complex will be the job of the four coaches. "We're all going to...run it," said assistant coach Rob Horsch. "It's kind of a team-type thing."

Much of the pavilion's construction was financed through a \$1 million donation from the Fertitta family, owners of the Palace Station, who wanted to see the gift used for athletics. Some claim President Robert Maxson was a key in utilizing the money toward tennis. Maxson, however, graciously steers all the credit to the Fertittas.

"This is not the first gift the Fertittas have given," said Maxson. "They've been very generous to the university. They wanted athletics to benefit, and I think we've built a facility that will benefit everyone—athletes, students, faculty and the community."

"We need to develop a greater sense of community. We

need to pay a lot of attention to intramurals, and not just athletics."

As a controlled facility, the building will lessen the annoying effects of the desert environment. "It takes away a lot of that dirt and refuse that was getting into the courts," said Easley.

Also, the building adds to the overall campus aesthetic, giving commuters along Swenson Street something to look at other than dirt fields. "That section of the university needs to be developed," said Maxson.

As for recruiting, Easley nearly swooned at the thought. "Just the fact that we have a lounge area, our own building, our own locker rooms..." he said. "We've got good coaches; we needed a top facility. It's the icing on the cake."

Maxson points to the attractiveness of the T&M in recruiting basketball players. "I see the Fertitta building as the T&M of Tennis," he said. "Like the T&M Center, it should be very attractive in recruiting players."

UNR gets LV Bowl bid

The NCAA decided to waive its rule requiring that bowl teams have at least six wins against Division I-A opponents thus allowing the University of Nevada, Reno to accept a bid to the inaugural Dec. 18 Las Vegas Bowl.

The Wolf Pack, 7-4 this season, had five wins against I-A teams (Nevada beat Texas Southern, a Division I-AA team, 38-14 Saturday).

The Wolf Pack, in its first year in Division I-A (and the Big West Conference), clinched the title when San Jose State was beaten by New Mexico State Saturday. Nevada finished with a 5-1 Big West record; San Jose State ended up 4-2. The Wolf Pack's only conference loss was a 39-35 shootout Nov. 7 at San Jose.

Nevada's Las Vegas Bowl opponent will be Bowling Green, champion of the Mid-American Conference. The 9-2 Falcons, 35-28 winners over Fresno State in last year's game (then the California Bowl), finished with an unbeaten conference mark for the second straight season.

—Ched Whitney

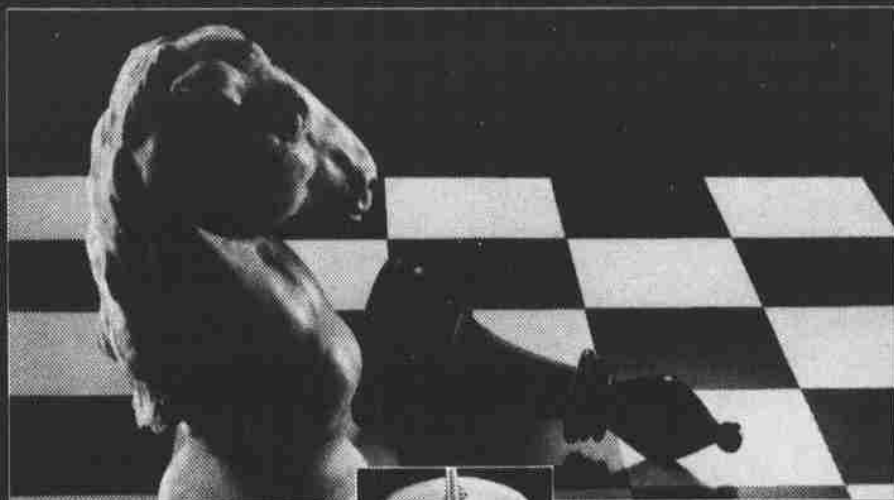
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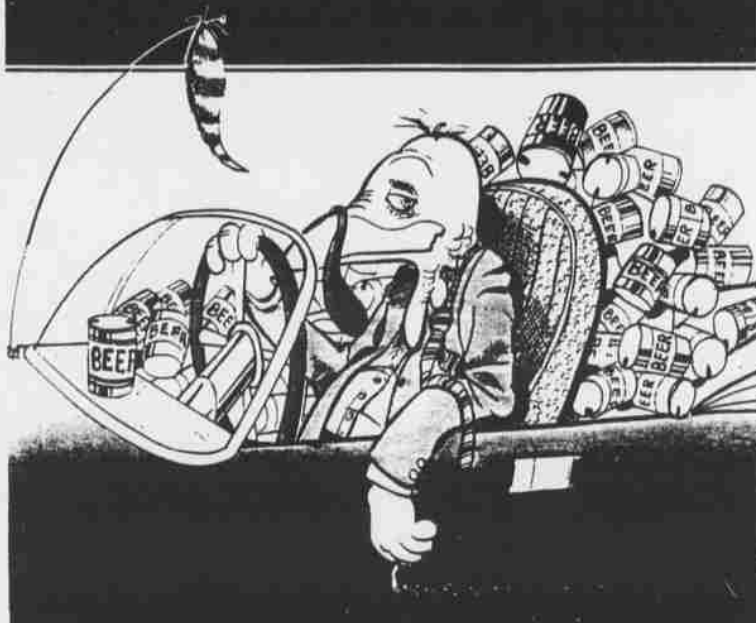
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