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Commentary

**Real World** 

Experience

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## **Rebels Blow Away Aggies**

Baseball: No. 1 Cal State Fullerton in town with first place on the line

## BY SEAN DEFRANK

Battling 30 MPH winds, as well as its opponent, the UNLV baseball team swept three games from New Mexico State (13-12, 15-6, 11-9) last weekend at Earl E. Wilson Stadium.

The Hustlin' Rebels pounded out 48 hits, including 10 home runs, to improve their record to 25-12, 6-3 in the Big West.

"One of the key factors was that the elements were bad for both teams," UNLV coach Fred Dallimore said. "But the team that survived the elements was

this weekend between UNLV and No. 1 Cal State-Fullerton for the conference lead.

"We needed to win (the NMSU) series before this series, having the impact on the conference that it does" Dallimore said. "We've battled ourselves right where we want to be. Our future and our destiny is in our own hands."

attack versus the Aggies, with no starter getting more than six hits, or less than four. Every starter also scored and knocked in at least two runs.

FRIDAY: Ryan Hankins' two-

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the team that won."

The sweep set up a showdown

The Rebels featured a balanced

sey both had three-run homers for UNLV. Brian Anthony had three hits, including his ninth homer, and two RBIs.

SATURDAY: The Rebels slammed 19 hits, including four from Plughoff, and scored in every inning except the first, in the 15-6 triumph.

Casey went 3-for-5 with three RBIS, while Vincent went 3-for-3 with two RBIS for the Rebels.

UNLV spanked four homers, from Anthony, Kleiner, Crosby and Casey, to highlight the offense.

Denny DeMartini pitched 7 2/ Please see Baseball-12 **Recruits** Runnin' to UNLV

BY SEAN DEFRANK STAFF REPORTER

New UNLV men's basketball coach Bill Bayno appears to have begun rebuilding the one-time national power.

According to sources, the Runnin' Rebels received commitments from four recruits Wednesday, the first day of the month-long spring signing period.

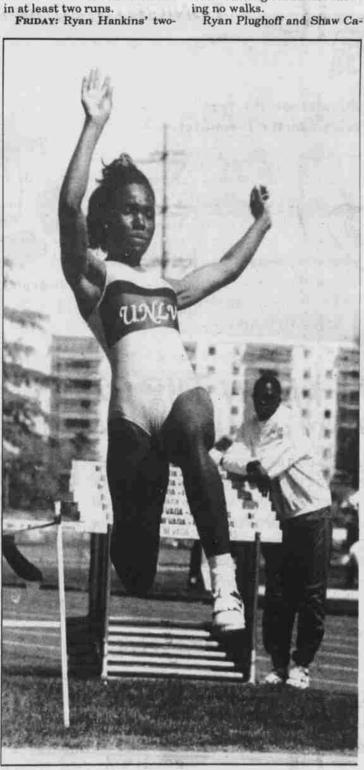
The players include two junior college transfers, Warren Rosegreen of Chaffey(Calif.) College and **Chancellor Davis of Dixie** (Utah) College, and two high school players, Ben Sanders of Westchester (Calif.) High and Norris Bell of Hempstead (N.Y.) High.

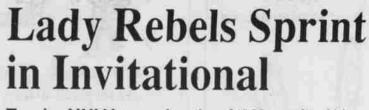
-Rosegreen, a 6-5 power forward, is considered a rebounding specialist, having led the California juco ranks in rebounding the past two seasons.

His height may give him some problems at the Division I level, but he is considered a good leaper and has had no off-court problems

-Davis, a 5-10 point

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Track: UNLV travels to Mt. SAC this weekend

BY KEVIN C. LEWIS STAFF REPORTER

time of 46.98 seconds, which established an NCAA Provisional Qualifier mark.

Three-time All-American Fraser, also finished in thirdplace in the 200-meter race with a time of 25.15.

Senior sprinter Burnside has run the fastest time in the Big West Conference in the 100meters so far this season, with a

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woes. Yet his on-court game was excelling. "What do I ask him?" I

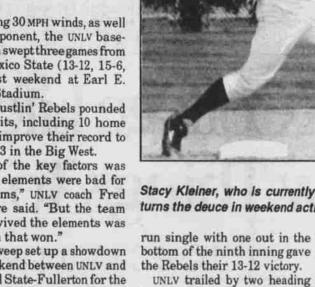
nervously said to myself as I wiped my sweaty palms on my pant legs. "How do I ask it?"

I was standing outside the Thomas & Mack Center in the tunnel area, waiting for Rider to emerge. You see, Rider wasn't talking to the media and he was staying in the locker room so he wouldn't have to deal with

any questions. I had covered him since his junior college days at Antelope Valley College when he played against my alma mater, Barstow College. With that in mind, I hoped he would remember me and recognize me as a fellow UNLV student. He'd talk to me, I hoped. After all, a potential lead story hung in the balance.

It was scary. "Rider on the Storm" appeared in the March 1, 1993 issue of The Rebel Yell and was my first story as sports editor.

This is my last.



into its final at bat, but Hank

Crosby and Ted Wilkes led off

the inning with singles before

Scott Vincent was hit by a pitch.

After one out, Stacy Kleiner ex-

tended his hitting streak to 17

games with an RBI single.

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Nate Yeskie (9-2) went the dis-

tance for the Rebels. He allowed

12 runs, 10 earned, on 19 hits

while striking out 12 and allow-

game-winning hit.

PHOTO BY MICHAEL LACY Stacy Kleiner, who is currently riding a 19-game hitting streak, turns the deuce in weekend action at Wilson Stadium.

I will be leaving in less than two weeks to take a job in New York City as a reporter with Sports Illustrated.

They say change is the only thing certain in life. And right now, change is staring me point-blank in the face.

Talk about scary.

I hope I'm ready for that all-encompassing void out there we refer to as "The Real World." With the real world-type training I've received here at UNLV in my two-plus years at this institution of higher learning, I should be.

UNLV has proved to be a working lab for students studying sports journalism with its seemingly constant basketball controversy.

I arrived on campus for Rollie Massimino's first season as coach. That year started out innocently enough until the Rider scandal exploded onto area papers and television sets.

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PHOTO BY HYUN-HO HAN

Junior Tangelia Russell placed fourth in the triple jump last weekend. It was her first time competing in the triple jump.

The Lady Rebels jumped past a strong field in the UNLV Track & Field Invitational last Saturday at Myron Partridge Stadium.

LeAnn Kazmer and Sh-"I just don't feel comfortable right annon Brick placed first now. Maybe I'm not being fair to and second, myself either, so I guess things respectively, in the womwill run their course." high en's jump with marks of 5-6 and 5-4.

"I just don't feel comfort-

able right now," said Kazmer, whose basketball season ended last month. "Maybe I'm not being fair to myself either, so I guess things will run their course."

The 400-meter relay team of Judy Fraser, LaTasha Prothro, Andrea Burnside and Tamara Archibald finished third with a

time of 12:04 in the Fresno Relays two weeks ago. She finished in fifth place in the 200-meters race (25:17) but also has the third-fastest

time this season in the conference in the event. Freshman Sarah Feliz

finished in third place in the grueling 5,000-meter race with a time of 19:00.96 and

in fourth place in the 3,000-meter race with a time of 11:11.41.

-LeAnn Kazmer, whose basketball

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season ended last month.

UNLV's lone home meet this year was non-scoring and fielded participants from USC, Michigan State, Southern Utah University and track clubs. UNLV next travels to the Mt. San Antonio College Relays in Walnut, Calif., this weekend.