Slugger Haugen Goes For North American Championship Friday, May 23, At Showboat



Undefeated puncher Greg Haugen goes after the North American Boxing Federation Lightweight champion when he meets Edwin Curet in the 12-round main event on the monthly ESPN card Friday, May 23, at the Showboat Hotel, Casino, Country Club and Bowling Center.

The bout, for the vacant title last held by current World Boxing Council lightweight champion Hector "Macho" Camacho, originally was scheduled for March but was postponed when Curet came down with the flu.

Also on the card, promoted by Bob Arum's Top Rank, Inc., in association with the Showboat, are two ESPN National Championship Tournament Western Region welterweight semifinal bouts.

The six-bout card, assembled by matchmaker Mel Greb, begins at 6 p.m. with doors to the Showboat Sports Pavilion opening at 5.

Tickets, priced at \$10 for general admission and \$15 for ringside reserved, are on sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the Showboat Sports Pavilion Ticket Office.

The hard hitting Haugen is one of the most highly regarded lightweight prospects in the world, and capturing the NABF championship surely would put him in the world rankings.

However, the 25-year-old from Auburn, Wash., won't have an easy time since Curet is a slick boxer and comes from the same Brockton. Mass., stable as World middleweight champion

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Marvelous Marvin Hagler.

Haugen has a record of 16-0-1 with nine knockouts and is coming off a win over Kenny Willis, Curet's last minute replacement, on March 26 at the Showboat.

Haugen became a popular figure among Las Vegas boxing fans with three exciting knockouts. In August, 1985, he stopped Freddie Roach in the seventh round, in November he halted Chris Calvin in the sixth and in January, 1986, he dumped Charlie "White Lightning" Brown in the first. All bouts were at the

Curet, also 25, has a record of 20-4-2 with nine knockouts. Always a stylish performer, Curet now is improving his power; he's stopped his past two opponents, Reno De Callo in the fourth round in December in Atlantic City and Gary Williams in the eighth in October in Atlantic City.

Curet's losses all have come to world-ranked contenders or world champions. He's dropped decisions to Tyrone Crawley, Ken "Boom Boom" Bogner, Robin Blake and World Boxing Association lightweight champion Livingstone Bramble in a 10-round, non-title bout on October 24, 1984, in Atlantic City.

Teenager Javier Suazo of Tucscon, Ariz., faces Kenny Lopez of San Jose, Calif., in one eightround ESPN tournament welterweight bout while Reggie Miller of Lake Charles, La., meets Jason "J.J." Watters of Lafayette, La., in the other.

Suazo has a record of 14-2 with five knockouts and has stopped three of his past four foes while Lopez has a record of 14-3 with six knockouts.

Miller, who impressed fans at the Showboat by beating Luis Santana in 1984, has a record of 16-4 with 11 knockouts while Watters has a record of 10-1 with four knockouts. Miller is coming off a win over Timmy Rabon, alternate at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics to eventual gold medalist at 139 pounds Jerry Page.

Also on the card will be Las Vegas light heavyweight Danny Lindstrom in a six-round bout.

Court Upholds Deportation Of Nazi War Criminal

NEW YORK (WNS) -A three-judge panel in federal court here has unanimously upheld the deportation order against Karl Linnas, an alleged Nazi war criminal who was sentenced to death in absentia in the Soviet Union for his part in the execution of 12,000 people, including 2,000 native Estonia during World War II.

Linnas, 66, was stripped of his U.S. citizenship in 1981 and was ordered deported to the Soviet Union in 1983 by the U.S. Im-

migration **Naturalization Service** (INS). He lives in Greenlawn, N.J.

The deportation order was affirmed by the Board of Immigration Appeals last year. Linnas took his case to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit of Manhattan where it was rejected by a 3-0 vote. Jews at the Tartu con- He may still ask the full centration camp in his Second Circuit Court to reconsider the panel's decision or he could appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

> Linnas lost his citizenship in 1981 after a federal court in Westbury, L.I., ruled that he had concealed his past activities when he entered the U.S. in 1951 and again when he was naturalized in 1960.

The court upheld government charges that Linnas served as commandant of the Tartu camp from 1941-43 and that he had personally participated in killing inmates.



E. Edward Crispell Promoted To Managing Director Of Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino



E. Edward Crispell promoted to Managing Director of the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino.

The Imperial Palace Hotel and the Imperial Palace Casino have merged corporations as of May 1, 1986. With this change, came the promotion of E. Edward Crispell from executive director of hotel operations to managing director of Imperial Palace, Inc., it was announced by president of the Imperial Palace, Ralph Engelstad.

Ed Crispell joined the executive staff of the then new Imperial Palace, taking charge of sales, conventions, publicity, advertising, public relations and special events in 1980. He was promoted to executive director of hotel operations a year later in 1981.

Crispell initially became interested in the hotel industry after spending several summers with relatives in Florida who owned a lodge.

He left his hometown of Monticello, New York, to attend the highly acclaimed College of Hotel Administration at the University of Nevada, Las

Graduating at 20, Crispell's hotel career was off to an early start. In 1973, he began as a sales representative for the Las Vegas Hilton. One year later, he was promoted to director of sales and moved to the Flamingo Hilton.

"That was quite an experience for a 21 year old," he recalls. "I was the youngest director the Hilton ever had. At that time, I was the youngest sales director in Las Vegas in any major resort."

Five years at the Flamingo Hilton were followed by two years at the Tropicana. Then he made his move to the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino.

As managing director of the Imperial Palace, Inc., E. Edward Crispell is directly responsible for the supervision and direction of all hotel and casino departments, services and functions.

His concern for the hotel industry extends beyond the doors of the Imperial Palace. He actively represents the hotel resort community by serving on the Board of Directors of the Greater Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce. He also sits on the Board of Directors of the Nevada Hotel and Motel Association as vice president and chairs the committee for continuing education throughout the hotel and motel industry.

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