



with Ed Brown

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## Rebels Bring Home Bacon

A crowd of 12,751 jammed Mackay Stadium in Reno last Saturday on a beautiful 90-degree afternoon to watch the 11th renewal of the battle for the Fremont Cannon between UNLV and UNR. UNLV Rebels brought the Cannon and "bacon" home winning one of the most dramatic of the series that began in 1969. The game was very much in doubt until the final minute when Richard Jackson's interception with 44 seconds remaining clinched the victory for UNLV, 26-21.

Throughout the game both teams were close statistically with UNLV holding a 381-351 edge in total offense; Rebels owned a 282-161 advantage on the ground, but the Pack had a 190-99 margin in the air; Mike Morton led UNLV rushing with 89 yards on 16 carries. Brett Davis added 43 yards on 12 carries; Sam Greene 50 yards in 3 carries, and Leon Walker 39 in nine carries.

Jackson, a 1976 Western High graduate who walked on the UNLV team last spring and earned himself a job in the secondary, knifed in front of UNR wingback Jeff Jones and intercepted Larry Worman's pass at the UNLV 25. He fumbled after getting hit by Jones but teammate Pat Cason alertly recovered the ball, ending UNR's drive and clinching the game for UNLV.

### ZEFERINO GONZALEZ READY FOR ROBERTO DURAN FIGHT

"I know Duran is a great fighter," said Zeferino "Speedy" Gonzalez. "But this is my big chance and I'm not looking at a defeat. This fight could be the answer to all my dreams," states the articulate Gonzales.

He was referring to the "Epic Explosion" or "Punchout at Caesars Palace" as labeled to by promoter Don King. This super-card is set for September 28 in the Sports Pavilion and will be shown live on ABC-TV from 5 to 8 p.m., with a Las Vegas blackout.

Roberto Duran, the No. 1 WBC welterweight contender will battle Gonzalez, a 23-year-old ambitious footer, on the card that King considers the greatest sports event of modern times.

Rounding out the total card will be undefeated WBC Heavyweight Champion Larry Holmes against devastating Earnie Shavers, the No. 1 contender; Sugar Ray Leonard, the undefeated marvel defending his North American Boxing Federation welterweight title against Andy "The Hawk" Price, now managed by popular singer Marvin Gaye; Michael "Dynamite" Dokes testing his skills with veteran Jimmy Young; undefeated Wilfredo "Bazooka" Gomez defending his World Super Bantamweight crown [WBC] against Carlos Mendoza, the No. 3 world contender and there will be a few other preliminary fights.

Shavers arrived in town during the weekend to continue his training for the big battle. He is very confident and looks forward to an early win.

### DUNES HOTEL SPONSORING AMATEUR WORLD PUTTING TOURNAMENT HERE

In the first of it's kind, the Dunes Hotel will be sponsoring a \$250,000 Mens and Womens Amateur World Invitational Putting Tournament at the hotel course Nov. 4 through 9. The matches will be televised.

The tournament director said that a record crowd of entries are expected in this tournament where the entry fee is set at \$1500.

The first prize is \$100,000; 2nd prize \$50,000; 3rd prize \$25,000; 4th-8th positions with new cars and 9th-200th positions win color television sets.

The entry fee includes roundtrip air fare for entrant and guest, room and accommodations for 5 nights, and banquet awards banquet. Deadline for entries is Sept. 30. For more information call 737-4110 or 382-2815.

### ED BROWN LEADS CASTAWAYS PRO FOOTBALL PRESS HANDICAP RACE

These were among some of the headlines that blazed the local dailies last week. This writer took the lead in the Castaways Pro Football Press Handicap contest where approximately 40 sports writers, reporters, editors are vying for top season awards.

The bulletin read: "Brown was the class of the field this week, winning on 11 of the 13 NFL games. His strong showing lifted him into first place with 18 victories on the season." I had missed the Pittsburgh-Houston and the Kansas City-St. Louis games...by a "hair."

Through that weekend, my over-all season record stood at 18-9. At this writing, the past weekend games were not completed so we'll lay back and await the results.

In a letter sent to me by Bill Friedman, President of Castaways, it stated, "Your 11 and 2 record was tops. This was particularly outstanding on this difficult weekend of upsets and when the best record in our Castaways World Championship Handicap was 10 and 4. This mark was tied by two persons and they had one pick this week than you did because of the Thursday night game."

### SANDS HOTEL TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS FOR U.S. NAT'L SENIOR GOLF CLASSIC

The Sands Hotel will be the Tournament Headquarters hotel for the 23rd Annual U.S. National Senior Golf Classic to be held Sept 23-29 and played over three courses---Dunes, Paradise Valley and the Tropicana.

Five-time winner E.J. [Dutch] Harrison, the popular "Arkansas Traveler" of the PGA tour in the distant past, aspires to a sixth victory in the \$100,000 Championship tournament.

Tournament officials expect a field of 150 senior professionals and 300 amateurs. Among them is expected veteran Charlie Sifford.

This is the third time Las Vegas has been the tournament scene and the third time the Sands Hotel has been headquarters hotel.

In conjunction with the men's tournament, members of the Ladies' Auxiliary will stage a 36-hole tournament at Winterwood Golf Course.

### HALEY WINS IN PHOENIX

Las Vegas "Irish" Leroy Haley scored a technical knockout over Modesto Conception of Los Angeles two minutes into the 10th round at the Celebrity Theater in Phoenix last week.

### SPORTS APPETIZERS


September 25 is the date set for Tony "Mr. T" Trudnich's LAS VEGAS SPORTS PROMOTIONS boxing card at the Sahara Space Center with the North American Boxing Federation 12-round championship between the No. 1 NABF rated Rocky Mosley, Jr., Las Vegas, and No. 4 NABF Melvin Dennis of Houston. Others on the card include a 10-round lightweight slugfest between "Kid Dynamite" Morales and Nigro Campo...and don't forget to listen to my program ED BROWN AROUND TOWN daily on 1280 Radio at 3:20 p.m.

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<p>VS.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HARRY KRAUSE</b> LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMP BEAT SAMMY ANGOTT LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMP OF THE WORLD TWICE</p>	
<p>VS.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>L. C. MORGAN</b> BEAT JOSE NAPOLES WELTERWEIGHT CHAMP OF WORLD</p>	

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VS.

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