

May Need To Call It Quits

SUGAR RAY'S CAREER ON THE LINE

World welterweight champion Sugar Ray Leonard underwent surgery last Sunday for a deteached retina in the left eye. The two-hour operation on Leonard, 25, forced postponement of Friday night's scheduled title bout against Roger Stafford at Buffalo, N.Y., said Mike Trainer, the cham-

pion's agent and attorney.

It's too early to say, but we are definitely hopeful he will have full recovery," said Dr. Ronald Michels of the Wilmer Eye Institute of John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Md. "This is a condition that is serious and can affect vision, and must be treated."

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ARGUELLO DEFENDS AGAINST GANIGAN

World Boxing Council lightweight king Alexis Arguello, one of only six persons to ever win professional world championships in three weight divisions, tries again to defend his title against No. 1 contender Andrew Ganigan on Saturday, May 22, at the Aladdin Hotel.

Tries again because the 15-round bout originally was scheduled for April 3. The fight was postponed when Arguello developed upper respiratory congestion, a condition that also was complicated by a virus.

But now Arguello, who has been training at the Aladdin since early May, says he's 100 percent healthy and ready to defend his 135-pound crown for the fourth time.

The nationally televised championship bout is a co-promotion between Aladdin vice president Ash Resnick and Bob Arum, president of Top Rank, Inc. This is the second world title bout that Resnick has brought to the Aladdin in two weeks.

Resnick brings the Aladdin yet another world championship fight on Saturday, May 29, when Rolando Navarrete defends his World Boxing Council super featherweight crown against No. 1-ranked Rafael "Bazooka"

Limon.

The Arguello-Ganigan title card begins at noon in the Aladdin Theatre for the Performing Arts. Doors to the Aladdin



Arguello
Theatre open at 11 a.m.
Tickets are on sale 24
hours a day at the Alad-

din casino cage priced at \$100 for ringside reserved, \$50, \$30 and \$15 for general admission.

The Arguello-Ganigan bout will be televised live by CBS but will be blacked out in the Las Vegas area.

Arguello's latest defense could be his most difficult. Ganigan is a slugger, and it's expected he'll start fast in an attempt to disrupt the rhythm of the more methodical Arguello.

Arguello, born and raised in Nicaragua but now living in King's Bay, Fla., enters with a 74-4 record with 60 knock-outs. Ganigan, from Honolulu, has a 34-3 mark with 30 knockouts.

Arguello's last fight was on Feb. 13 when he

stopped James Busceme in the sixth round in Beaumont, Texas. His first two defenses were against Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini,



Ganigan
who fell in the 14th, on
Oct. 3 in Atlantic City
and Roberto Elizondo,
who went in the
seventh, on Nov. 21 in
Las Vegas.

Arguello won the WBC lightweight championship by decisioning James Watt on June 20 in London.

The dapper and articulate Arguello won his first title, the World Boxing Association featherweight crown, by stopping Ruben Olivares in the 13th on Nov. 23, 1974. He took his second championship, the WBC junior lightweight title, by halting Alfredo Escalera also in the 13th on Jan.

28, 1978.

Former UNLV Great Sam King Signs With Hamilton

Sam King, a two-time honorable mention All American quarterback at UNLV, has decided to sign with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League.

Playing as a graduate student in 1981, King set 22 school records and led the Rebels to a 45-41 victory over Brigham Young. He was not selected in last month's NFL draft but was offered a free agent contract by the Seattle Seahawks.

"I thought Hamilton would be the best place for me to make the team," King said. The Tiger-Cats start Notre Dame alumnus Tom Clements at quarter-back and have two experienced reserves at the position.

King said he is to report to Hamilton next week after signing a two-year contract. "It's a new challenge — something new to look forward to," he said.

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