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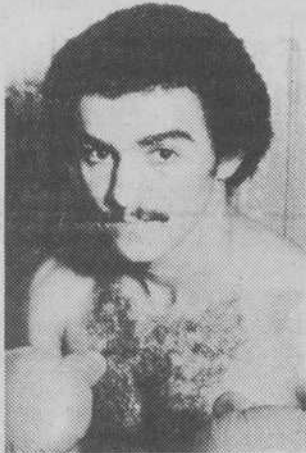


BOXING RETURNS TO HACIENDA, JUNE 19

Boxing returns to the Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino after a seven-month absence on Saturday, June 19, with a 10-round, nationally televised bout, the winner of which is expected to get a title shot against World Boxing Council super bantamweight champion Wilfredo Gomez.

The "Battle of the Bombers" matches two world-ranked sluggers — Jaime Garza with a 34-0 record and 32 knockouts and Carmelo Negron with an 18-1

mark and 18 knockouts. This important bout,



Negron

promoted by Don Charlin Productions, truly pairs the best of the West against the best of the East in the 122-pound weight division. Garza, ranked No. 2 by the WBC, is from Los Angeles while Negron, ranked No. 7 by the WBC, is from New York City.

Doors to the Metador Arena open at 11:30 a.m. Saturday with the first preliminary bout beginning at noon.

Tickets are priced at \$15 for ringside reserved and \$10 general admis-

sion. Tickets are on sale daily at the Hacienda

casino cage.

The 22-year-old Garza, originally from Mexico, is working on a string of 17 consecutive knockouts. His most recent victim, and his only fight of 1982, was Carlos Mendoza on February 4 in Los Angeles.



Garza

Garza, at 5-foot-7-inches, taller than Negron by a whopping five inches, has fought in Las Vegas three times. He halted Augustine Granados in the first in June, 1980; Fran-

co Torregosa in the first in June, 1982, and then Lupe Martinez in the second one month later.

Negron, also 22, has never fought west of the Hudson River. The Puerto Rican's lone bout this year was in New York on April 24, a knockout of Daryl Jones.

Either Garza or Negron is scheduled to be Gomez' next title challenger.

Saturday's bout at the Hacienda will be televised by CBS.

UNLV TO SPONSOR YOUTH PROGRAM JULY 6 - AUGUST 6

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas announces that it will again sponsor the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) for the economically disadvantaged children of Las Vegas from July 6 to August 6.

The five-week program will provide in-

struction for boys and girls ages 10-16 in swimming, basketball, volleyball, badminton, tennis, dance, wrestling, racquetball, gymnastics and new games.

In addition, a class for cultural enrichment will be conducted daily, a nutritious lunch will be provided through the

Summer Food Service Program for free and transportation will be provided at certain designated routes.

Each participant will also receive a free medical examination and a free NYSP T-shirt.

In sum, the National Youth Sports Program is See YOUTH, Page 11

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HOLMES PROVEN CHAMP AGAINST COONEY

By LeRoy Brown

After all of the hype and hoop-la things returned to normal in Las Vegas, and especially Caesars Palace, after Larry Holmes established himself, once

again, as the WBC heavyweight champion by defeating a tough but worn down Gerry Cooney last Friday.

Before a capacity crowd of nearly 32,000, the polished and poised

Holmes managed to shatter "Gentleman Gerry's" life-long dream of becoming heavyweight champion after 13 bruising rounds when the fight was stopped by Cooney's corner.

After Holmes landed several unanswered punches to Cooney's head, the challenger's trainer and long-time friend, Victor Valle, jumped in and put a halt to the bout. The official time: 2:52 of the 13th round.

However, despite suffering his first loss, not to mention the horrible beating he took near the end, Gerry Cooney fought an outstanding fight, and according to Holmes, "had nothing to be ashamed of." "I compliment Gerry," Holmes added. "He surprised me. He surprised a lot of people."

The only knockdown of the fight came late in the second round when Cooney took a right to the jaw from Holmes, which sent him to the See CEASARS, Page 11

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