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## FIGHTER MICHAEL DOKES CONVICTED ON POLICE OBSTRUCTION CHARGE

Heavyweight boxer Michael Dokes, considered the leading contender in both the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Council, was convicted Tuesday of obstructing a police officer and fined \$100 in Las Vegas Municipal Court.

The fine was issued by Municipal Judge Donald Mosley after a one-hour trial.

Dokes has 30 days in which to pay the fine. He may also file an ap-

peal within 10 days.

Dokes was looking at the maximum misdemeanor penalty of a \$1,000 fine and six months in jail.

The Akron, Ohio, fighter was accused of grabbing the arm of a Metropolitan Police officer while the officer frisked him for weapons as a result of an incident June 14.

Dokes reportedly was involved in a fight with Las Vegas attorney Robert Archie behind Archie's law of-

fice, 431 S. 6th St.

Upon arriving at the scene, Officer Rod Harris told Dokes to put his hands on a tree and initiated a pat search.

When Harris reached for the boxer's left pocket, Dokes reportedly grabbed his arm.

At that point, Harris reportedly struck Dokes with his nightstick, prompting the fighter to punch Harris in the shoulder and face, knocking the officer into the street and giving him bloody nose.

He was taken to Clark County Jail, but was released after posting a \$3,500 bail.

A separate charge of battery with a deadly weapon, pending in District Court since June, has been dropped. Because of his status as a prizefighter, Dokes' fists are considered deadly weapons.

A civil complaint filed by Harris the day after he was punched by Dokes is still pending in District Court.

## Local Sports Roundup

The San Diego Clippers placed reserve guard Robert Smith on the injured reserve list. Smith played his college ball for the UNLV Rebels.

The San Diego Clippers acquired veteran guard Lionel Hollins of Las Vegas from the Philadelphia 76ers for two draft choices. The Clippers announced they would give Philadelphia their fourth-round draft pick in the 1983 draft and their 1984 second-round choice for Hollins.

San Diego also agreed to pay half of Hollins' \$360,000 annual salary.

Hollins started for the Sixers until he broke his hand late last season in a fight with Atlanta's Tree Rollings.

Hollins and Clipper center Bill Walton both played on the Portland Trail Blazers 1976-77 NBA championship team.

Willfred Benitez will defend his super welterweight championship against Tommy Hearns at the Louisiana Superdome on Dec. 3, matching two fighters whose only losses came at the hands of Sugar Ray Leonard.

Promoter Don King said the Benitez-Hearns World Boxing Council championship bout was earlier scheduled for Las Vegas, then Caracas, Venezuela, but fell through each time.

Nevada State Athletic Commissioner Ed Brown left for Copenhagen, Denmark on

Wednesday to supervise the World Boxing Association's flyweight championship bout to be held on Nov. 5. Following the bout, he will fly to Venice, Italy to be on hand for the World Boxing Council's convention. Other Nevada commissioners attending the convention will be chairman Sig Rogish, Art Lurie and Bob Fermele.

World Boxing Council heavyweight champion Larry Holmes will defend his title Nov. 22 in Houston's Astrodome against challenger Randy "Tex" Cobb, promoter Don King announced Monday.

King had also considered bringing the fight to Las Vegas but last minute negotiations fell through.

## Sugar Ray To Fight Hagler?

According to the New York Post, it has learned that world welterweight champion Sugar Ray

Leonard will delay his scheduled retirement and will fight Marvin Hagler for the undisputed middleweight

crown.

It had been reported in recent weeks that Leonard, who had undergone eye surgery for a detached retina last May, would an-

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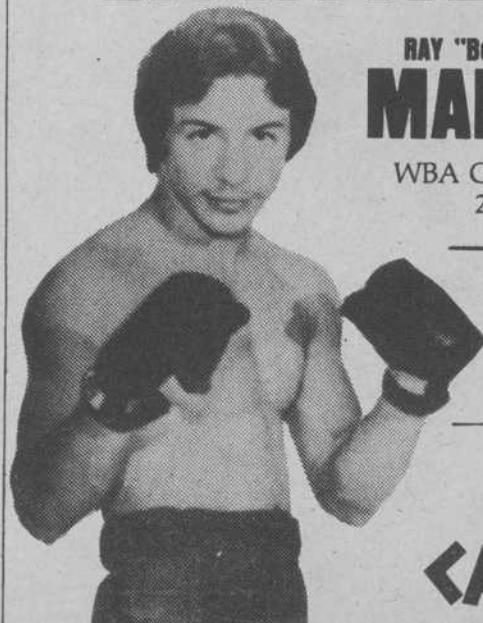
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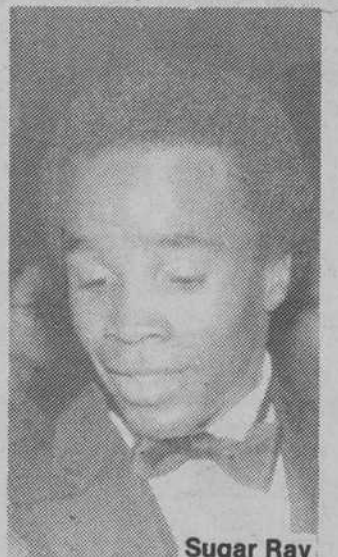
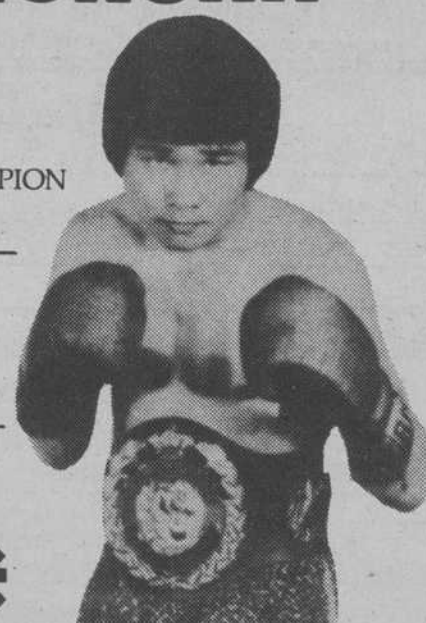
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Sugar Ray

announce his retirement from boxing at a gala news conference in the Capital Center at Landover, Maryland On Nov. 9.

According to the paper, the 15 round bout will be held in the Memorial Stadium in Baltimore early next summer.