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Holmes-Coetzee Plan June Fight In Vegas

NEW YORK—Larry Holmes and Gerrie Coetzee will meet either June 1 or June 8 for a unification of the International Boxing Federation and World Boxing Council heavyweight championships, a fight that is expected to produce record closed circuit and

pay television revenues.

The announcement was made Monday by Mike Cohen of Mike Cohen Communications in New York, representing JPD Sports with Murad Muhammad in association with the Cedric Kushner Productions,

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It is expected that Holmes will earn in excess of \$8 million and Coetzee more than \$3 million for this fight, which has been the object of much speculation and bargaining among promoters.

BASKETBALL DYNASTY in the DESERT?

The Rebels have been identified as a Dynasty in the Desert, but they may not be the only powerhouse in town.

In North Las Vegas, there is a group of young men who have been part of a dynasty, so to speak, in itself. The group to which we refer is the North Las Vegas Allstars.

The Allstars, led by coaches Jim Burns, Greg Franklin and Willie Henry, have compiled an impressive sixty-eight (68) wins, versus thirteen (13) tournaments and have finished in the top three in ALL tournaments during the past five years.

The team, which is made up of boys fifteen to seventeen years of age, has competed against nationally rated

prep teams such as the New York City Gauchos, South Coast (L.A. area), San Diego Allstars and the Victoria Park Allstars and have represented North and West Las Vegas in a manner in which we can all be proud.

The program has had limited success with furthering the athletes' education via scholarships and career counseling, as evidenced by the fact that the Allstars have three former players who play college ball and two in the semi-professional ranks.

The Allstars are currently gearing up for the San Diego Easter Bunny Classic. Led by Captain Greg Barlow (who is averaging 26 points per

game) and Co-Captain Fred Smith (who is averaging 18 point per game), they expect to pick up where they left off last year.

Last year the Allstars were beaten in the Championship game of the tournament by a feisty New York City, 66 to 61.

Head Coach Greg Franklin believes the stage is set for a repeat of last year's thrilling match-up and has stated, "We like to run the fast break and we are capable of shooting the outside shot. And so is New York."

In order to compete in this year's tournament, the Allstars have resorted to car washes and other fund raising activities. They are currently seeking individuals and/or businesses to help sponsor them on their trip to San Diego.

Athletic Director and Assistant Coach Jim Burns said, "These are critical times and all funds are cut off for organizations such as ours. Our budget averages approximately \$2,500 per year and for

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Bruins will let Farmer stick around

The local college basketball rumor mill ground to a surprising halt yesterday when UCLA named its 1984-85 head coach. Maybe you've heard of him: The name is Larry Farmer.



Larry Farmer

Athletic director Peter Dalis, whose repeated refusal to discuss Farmer's future fueled speculation the third-year coach might resign or be fired, said he's "not contemplating a change" — and never has.

Farmer, for his part, confirmed that he's not contemplating quitting and never has. But he said Dalis' statement, which came two days after UCLA ended its season in fourth place in the Pacific 10 and one day after the school was passed over for the NCAA Tournament, "makes me feel really good."



Peter Dalis

POLLS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

FINAL AP TOP 20
The top 20 teams in the Associated Press 1983-84 college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses; total points based on 20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1; record through Sunday and last week's ranking:

1. N. Carolina (51)	27-2	1227	1
2. Georgetown (8)	29-3	1169	2
3. Kentucky (1)	26-4	1080	3
4. DePaul (2)	26-2	1071	4
5. Houston (28)	4	1013	5
6. Illinois (24)	4	903	7
7. Oklahoma (29)	4	767	6
8. Arkansas (24)	6	732	8
9. Texas-El Paso (27)	3	689	9
10. Purdue (22)	6	659	11
11. Maryland (23)	7	634	14
12. Tulsa (27)	3	526	12
13. New-Las Vegas (27)	5	408	10
14. Duke (24)	9	389	16
15. Washington (22)	6	376	13
16. Memphis St. (24)	6	357	17
17. Oregon St. (22)	6	204	20
18. Syracuse (22)	8	161	—
19. Wake Forest (21)	8	128	19
20. Temple (25)	4	120	15

Other teams receiving votes and their point totals: Fresno St., 107; Auburn, 58; Louisville, 53; Indiana, 48; Kansas, 30; Lamar, 21; Illinois St., 20; Southern Methodist, 20; Miami, Ohio, 10; Marshall, 8; Stetson, 8; Northeastern, 7; Tenn.-Chattanooga, 7; S.W. Louisiana, 6; Georgia Tech, 4; Louisiana St., 4; New Mexico, 3; West Virginia, 3; Virginia, 2; Weber St., 2; Alabama, 1; Ala.-Birmingham, 1; Alcorn St., 1; Louisiana Tech, 1; Virginia Commonwealth, 1.

UPI TOP 20

First-place votes and records through March 12 in parentheses

1. North Carolina (27-2) (29)	500
2. Georgetown (29-3) (5)	476
3. Kentucky (26-4)	413
4. DePaul (26-2)	407
5. Houston (28-4) (1)	370
6. Illinois (24-4) (1)	298
7. Arkansas (24-6)	251
8. Oklahoma (29-4)	233
9. Texas-El Paso (27-3)	204
10. Maryland (23-7)	177
11. Purdue (22-6)	152
12. Tulsa (27-3)	147
13. Nevada-Las Vegas (27-5)	75
14. Duke (24-9)	57
15. Washington (22-6)	51
16. (tie) Syracuse (22-8)	36
16. (tie) Memphis State (24-6)	36
18. Indiana (20-8)	29
19. Auburn (20-10)	26
20. Oregon State (22-6)	20

Note: By agreement with the National Association of Basketball Coaches of the United States, teams on probation by the NCAA and ineligible for the NCAA Tournament are ineligible for Top 20 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. The only such team this season is San Diego State.

USFL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic						
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New Jersey	3	0	0	1.000	62	46
Philadelphia	2	1	0	.667	48	32
Pittsburgh	0	3	0	.000	45	64
Washington	0	3	0	.000	27	107
Southern						
New Orleans	3	0	0	1.000	63	24
Tampa Bay	3	0	0	1.000	68	59
Birmingham	2	1	0	.667	57	49
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	104	60
Memphis	1	2	0	.333	46	67

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central						
Michigan	3	0	0	1.000	75	42
Houston	2	1	0	.667	97	63
Oklahoma	2	1	0	.667	35	27
Chicago	0	3	0	.000	67	88
San Antonio	0	3	0	.000	24	62
Pacific						
Arizona	2	1	0	.667	89	34
Denver	2	1	0	.667	44	52
Los Angeles	1	2	0	.333	34	48
Oakland	0	3	0	.000	7	58

Monday's result
Arizona 37, Washington 7

This weekend's games

Saturday
Los Angeles at San Antonio, 3 p.m.
Oklahoma at Chicago, 4 p.m.
Memphis at Birmingham, 7 p.m.
Sunday
Tampa Bay at Denver, 2:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Houston, 2:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Washington, 2:30 p.m.
Oakland at Philadelphia, 2:30 p.m.
Arizona at Michigan, 3:30 p.m.
Monday
New Orleans at Jacksonville, 8 p.m.