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appearing to be the toughest division as Washington, Dallas, and a much improved St. Louis team will all have a chance at the title.

The NFC Central division could be considered a pick 'em, however some observers have tabbed Detroit to take the title while both Chicago and Green Bay will be in the hunt.

Motivated by the 1983 rushing champion Eric Dickerson, the Los Angeles Rams will have to do battle with the league's third ranked passer in Joe Montana to take the NFC West title from the San Fran-

cisco 49ers.

As the AFC takes form, the strongest contenders are in the East and West as the Miami Dolphins with Dan Marino at the helm have the biggest advantage in the AFC West.

The AFC Central could be one of the worst divisions in the league with the title up for grabs among four teams: Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and Houston.

In the toughest division in the NFL, the defending champion RAIDERS have the edge in the AFC West, while Seattle, San Diego, Kansas City, and Denver could all battle for playoff spots.

GREATER VOTES, GREATER POWER

Don King Sets Sights Here For Holmes-Coetzee

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Boxing promoter Don King revealed Saturday that he is negotiating with a downtown hotel-casino to promote the Larry Holmes-Gerrie Coetzee heavyweight championship fight in early November.

King said he has been and will continue to negotiate with Steve Wynn, owner of the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino, in hopes of staging the bout. The promoter said that while no contracts have been signed, the on-again, off-again title bout is tentatively scheduled in the 18,000-seat Thomas and Mack Sports Arena on the University of Nevada Las Vegas campus.

Prospects for the bout were revived last week when it was announced that King would again promote Holmes' fights.

Amateur Boxers Fare Well At 'Boat

Nevada Amateur Boxers fared well at the first Nevada Golden Gloves Summer Invitational Saturday afternoon at the Showboat Hotel, winning 12 of the 18 bouts in which they were involved.

Nevada boxers from Las Vegas, Reno and Carson City bested their counterparts from California, Arizona and Utah in a 21-bout card.

Open division winners from Nevada—all Las Vegans—were Tony Davi at 139, Leonard Munoz at 147, Ron Hashbrook at 156, John Turstead at 165 and Michael Beasley at 175. Davi and Munoz stopped their opponents early while the others won their matches in decisions.

The Nevada Jr. Olympic contingent was paced by 15-year-old Akeen Anifowosie, a 115-pound Nigerian

now living in Las Vegas. The talented youngster was especially impressive, showing good boxing skills and fine power before eventually stopping Armando Reyes of Calif. at 1:25 of the second round.

Other Nevada Jr. Olympic winners, also all Las Vegans, included Frankie Aveler at 115, Lee Osborne at 85, Orlando Diaz and Fernando Sanchez at 70 and Joey Smith at 60. Smith also halted his opponent.

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Gerry Cooney To Make Sept 29 Try In Anchorage

A local promoter says the come-back of heavy-weight boxer Gerry Cooney will begin Sept. 29 in Anchorage. Bill McConkey said Friday a contract has been signed for Cooney to fight undefeated Philip Brown in a scheduled 10-round bout at the Sullivan Sports Arena. It would be Cooney's first fight since he lost to world champion Larry Holmes in a 13th-round knockout June 11, 1982, in Las Vegas. It was Cooney's first loss in 26 fights. McConkey said the bout will be televised nationally by CBS, and he predicted all 9,000 seats in the arena would be sold out. Although he's not sure what ticket prices will be, McConkey said they will be "reasonable."

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