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"Rebels Open Fall Drills"

LAS VEGAS—UNLV new Head Football Coach Wayne Nunnely today officially opens fall football camp welcoming some 20 freshmen, junior college and walk-on players. The rookies will spend four orientation days before being joined on Friday by 85 veterans.

"We spend the first few days in shorts and basically that's a period of instruction and getting them acclimated," said Nunnely. "When the veterans come in, we have a couple days in shorts, and then the pads go on next Tuesday (August 19)."

The first two weeks of practice will lay the groundwork for the entire season, and the competition for positions begins here.

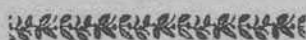
"The hot competitions should be at the tight end and linebacker positions. Those will be the ones to watch," Nunnely said. "We've got some real talented kids vying for the tight end spot and the linebacker positions are all basically up for grabs -- the inside linebackers are wide open and the outside is going to be competitive."

"Right now, what we'll be looking for offensively is how well the offensive line works together, not individually, but together as a unit. Defensively the key is the linebackers, and simply how well the young guys come in and develop. The development for the new people will be our key defensively."

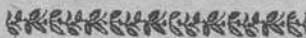
The 1986 Rebel team and coaching staff will officially meet the public on Sunday, August 24 with "Rebel Picture Day," which will be

held at Rebel Park from 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

Dates of Interest of the Media: Monday, August 11--Rookies Report; Coaches Press Conference/Noon, Showboat, Tuesday, August 12--First Rookie Practice/7:30 PM, Friday, August 15--Veterans Report, Saturday, August 16--Two-a-Day's Begin (8:30 AM/7:15 PM), Tuesday, August 19--Full Gear Practices begin, Saturday, August 23--Rebel Starburst '86 (at Thomas and Mack Center), Sunday, August 24--Rebel Picture Day (at Rebel Park), Sunday, August 31--Practice Sessions Closed/Washington State Preparation Begins, Monday, September 1--UNLV Football Labor Day Picnic (Sahara Country Club), Saturday, September 6--UNLV at Washington State (kickoff 1:00 PM).



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Gymnastics Classes Available

The City of Las Vegas Steward/Mojave Sports Center is offering a variety of gymnastics, including Parent/Tot, Tiny Tot, Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced classes. Classes are offered Monday through Thursday evenings. Fee is \$20 for each six-weeks class. Registration is ongoing. For more information call the Center at 386-6563 or stop by 275 North Mojave Road.

Second World Title Bout Added to Spinks-Tangstad Card Sept. 6

A second world championship fight--International Boxing Federation light heavyweight king Slobodan Kacar defending against No. 1

is making his first defense of the 175-pound crown he won last year while the top-rated Czyz, from Wanaque, N.J., is getting his long-awaited shot at a world

professional world title, following Mate Parlov, who was the World Boxing Council light heavyweight champion in 1978.

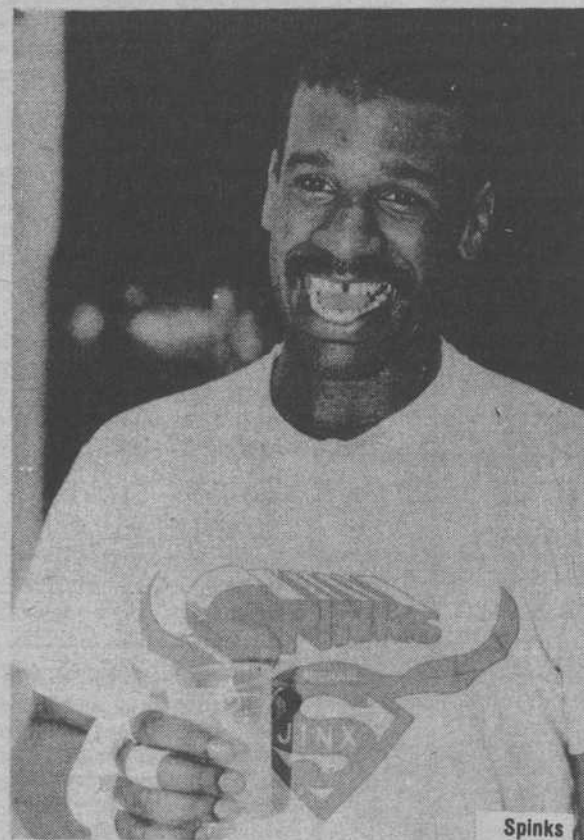
Czyz is attempting to become the first New Jersey native to win a world light heavyweight championship since Gus Lesnevich did in 45 years ago in 1941. Czyz was an outstanding middleweight before moving up to the light heavyweight ranks. He has win over former world champions Elisha Qbed, Oscar Alvarado and Murray Sutherland plus highly touted Robbie Sims. Spinks, the only man to win the heavyweight world championship after holding the light heavyweight title, has a record of 29-0 with 19 knockouts. Tangstad, trying to become the first European to hold the world heavyweight championship since Ingemar Johannson in 1959 and 1960, has a record of 24-1-2 with 14 knockouts. Tangstad, at 27, three years younger and at 220, 15 pounds heavier than Spinks, won the European championship in his most recent outing in April when he beat John Westgard.

Tickets, with prices starting at \$50, are on sale at the Hilton Special Events Ticket Office located in the lobby area of the Las Vegas Hilton from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Hilton Special Events Ticket Office telephone number is (702) 732-5320.

The card will be televised live nationally by Home Box Office (HBO) but will be blacked out in the Las Vegas area.

The 28-year-old Kacar has a record of 20-0 with 11 knockouts while Czyz, 24, has a mark of 28-1 with 19 knockouts. This will be the first defense for Kacar since winning the IBF light heavyweight championship on Dec. 21, 1985, in Pessaro, Yugoslavia, when he took a 15-round decision over former World Boxing Association 175-pound king Eddie Mustafa Muhammad.

Kacar had an outstanding amateur career, culminating with a gold medal at the 1980 Moscow Olympics. Now he is only the second Yugoslavian to hold a



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championship. contender Bobby Czyz--has been added to the Michael Spinks-Steffen Tangstad IBF heavyweight title bout card Sept. 6 at the Las Vegas Hilton.

This means the card, dubbed "Clash of the Continents" by Dynamic Duo, Inc., promoters of the world championship doubleheader in association with the Las Vegas Hilton, features Europe's finest fighters against two top Americans.

The undefeated Kacar, from Belgrade, Yugoslavia,

Spinks, from Philadelphia, of course, is the unbeaten IBF heavyweight champion while Tangstad, from Tonsberg, Norway, is the European title-holder.

Both world championship bouts are scheduled for 15 rounds and will be held in the Hilton Center, the 9,000-seat indoor arena at the Las Vegas Hilton.

The championship card starts at 5 p.m. (PDT) with doors to the Hilton Center opening at 4. The Spinks-Tangstad main event begins

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