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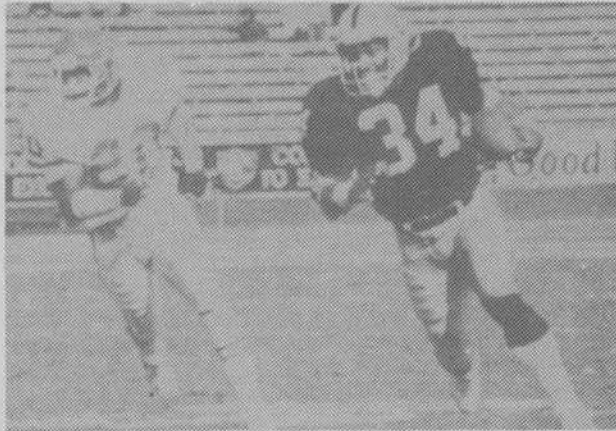


## Bo Knows Football

"Just another day at the office," is how L.A. Raider running back Bo Jackson explained his performance last Sunday as he led his team to a 28-7 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals.

the linemen and my fullback," Jackson said, while defensive end Howie Long admitted, "Having Bo around makes things a lot easier for us."

Jackson, who scored on a



Bo Jackson

Jackson, playing in his fourth game since the end of baseball's regular season (he moonlighted as a star outfielder with the Kansas City Royals) rushed for 159 yards on 13 carries and scored two touchdowns.

"The people really responsible for my runs are

Raiders' record 92-yard run, has gained 467 yards on 63 carries this season and has scored four touchdowns.

The Raiders, now 5-4, have won three of four games since Jackson rejoined the team and four of five since Art Shell took over as head coach on Oct. 3.

## Turkey Games '89 At Doolittle

The City of Las Vegas Doolittle Community Center, 1901 North "J" Street, presents "Turkey Games '89" Thursday, November 16. Beginning at 5:00 pm, events will include a turkey shoot, turkey bowling, and a turkey raffle. The games are designed for youth 8-18 years old. The cost is \$1.00 per person or bring a canned food item for the needy and get in free! Call 386-6374 for more information.

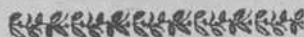
## Basketball Turkey Shoot Sponsored By Mirabelli Center

Win a turkey for your family Thanksgiving dinner by participating in the Basketball Turkey Shoot sponsored by the City of Las Vegas Mirabelli Community Center, 6200 Elton Avenue; competition begins at 5:00 pm. There will be specific times of play for specific age groups beginning with age seven. The cost is \$1.50 per player. Turkeys are furnished by Albertsons Supermarket. Call 386-6359 or more information.

## King: Tyson Won't Fight Foreman Yet

Heavyweight champion Mike Tyson probably will have three more fights before meeting former champ George Foreman, promoter Don King said Monday.

King, in London for Azumma Nelson's successful World Boxing Council super-featherweight title defense against Jim McDonnell Sunday night, said Tyson probably would first fight Canada's Razor Ruddock, James "Buster" Douglas and Evander Holyfield.



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## Art Shell, Head Coach

Congratulations to Art Shell. He has succeeded in becoming the first black head coach in modern National Football League history. I'm very happy for him and very happy that it finally has happened.

Al Davis feels that Art Shell has what it takes to restore his Raiders to their glory years of the 1970s and early 1980s, when Shell was an offensive lineman with the team. Shell won his first ball game as a head coach, and now he has a long road ahead of him. Not because he is black, but because the Raiders just don't have the players to be a winning team.

I hope that Davis gives Shell more of a chance to succeed than he gave the man Shell replaced, Mike Shanahan. Shanahan had proven himself a talented assistant coach with the Denver Broncos, but Davis gave him only a season and four games to prove himself as a head coach. Every NFL head coach deserves more time than that.

Shell was elevated to head coach from his position as the Raiders' offensive line coach. He has spent a total of 22 years with the team as a player and coach, but I'm convinced he won't be there much longer if he can't somehow make the Raiders a winner.

Aside from wondering if Shell can bring success to the Raiders, the big question is why did it take so long for a black man to be offered a head coaching spot? The fact is that there are many black NFL assistant coaches and college head coaches who are even more qualified than Shell to be head coaches. There have been for years, with men like Willie Wood, who was a head coach in the short-lived World Football League. When will their time come? Certainly a qualified black coach deserves as much of a chance to succeed or fail as a qualified white coach does.

Probably the biggest reason it took so long for this to happen in my opinion was the reluctance of NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle to address the lack of black head coaches as a real issue. He simply did nothing about it. It's no wonder that Al Davis, a man often at odds with Rozelle over the years, is the one who finally made the move to hire a black head coach.

Frankly, as a well-qualified person who tried to make it into the management side of NFL football and got nowhere, I didn't think I would see a black head coach for another 10 or 15 years. I am hopeful this break in the so-called "color barrier" will mean *everyone* who is qualified to be a head coach in the NFL will be considered when the positions become available.

Again, the main problem now for Art Shell is winning football games. If he doesn't, he'll be gone like Mike Shanahan. That's the bottom line, and the bottom line is colorblind. **ll**

Gale Sayers is considered one of the greatest running backs of all time. The former Chicago Bear is a member of the National Football League's Hall of Fame.

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## KLAV Sports Schedule

Nov. 10 - Lakers vs Charlotte	7:20 p.m.
Nov. 11 - UCLA vs Oregon	2:55 p.m.
SUSC vs Cal St. Northridge	TBA
Nov. 12 - Rams vs New York	12:50 p.m.
Lakers vs Washington	7:20 p.m.
Nov. 15 - Lakers vs Indiana	7:20 p.m.

## SPORTS REVIEW

### Tyson Will Seek High School Diploma

Heavyweight champion Mike Tyson has decided to seek his high school diploma through a program at Central State University and then pursue his college education at the school, university officials said.

Tyson, who dropped out of school at the junior high school level, hopes to pursue a dual major of business and physical education.

### Manning Cleared To Practice Soon

Los Angeles Clippers forward Danny Manning has been cleared to take part in team practices beginning Nov. 15. General Manager Elgin Baylor said Monday night.

Manning tore the left anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee last Jan. 4 and underwent reconstructive surgery Jan. 15. He has been working out on his own to rehabilitate the knee.



Danny Manning

### UNLV-UNR Football Game To Be Televised

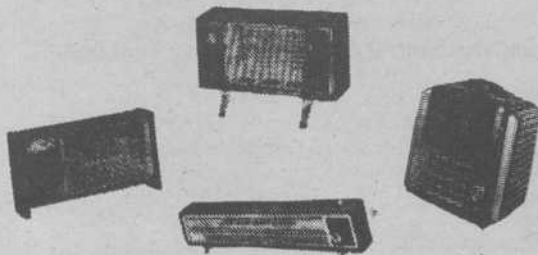
Up until Tuesday it didn't look like this year's UNLV-Nevada-Reno football game, set for Saturday in Reno, would be televised. Now it appears the game will be televised live at 1 p.m. on KRLR Channel 21 (cable channel 2.)

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