**NABF Middleweight Championship At Stake** 

Undefeated NABF middleweight champion Otis Grant will face Willie Monroe in a scheduled 12-round bout, October 5 at the Riviera Hotel and Casino.

The card, promoted by Banner Productions, as well as the six-bout undercard will take place in the Riviera's Convention Cen-

The championship bout will be televised on the USA Network as part of its "Tuesday Night at the Fights" series, and will

mark the 13th consecutive month the resort has held a sanctioned title fight.

Grant (21-0, 15 KOs) will defend his NABF title for the third time, the last being in August at the Riviera, when he stopped Brett Lally in the fourth round.

Monroe (19-1-2, 14 KOs) comes into the ring following a five-month layoff, last fighting in April, stopping Graylin Curry in the sixth round in Rochester, N.Y. This will be Monroe's title fight debut.

The six-fight undercard features undefeated heavyweight Samson Poucha with a 9-0 record, all victories coming by way of knockout.

Also featured on the undercard will be junior middleweights Paul Vaden (16-0, 8 KOs) and Greg Lonon (15-3-1, 10 KOs) in a scheduled eight-rounder.

Heavyweights Dan Dancuta, and Sean Fletcher, light heavy-

weight Youskezan Nishijima and middleweight Miguel Jiminez are also scheduled to fight on the card against yet to be named

opponents.

Tickets may be purchased at the Riviera Box Office located in the main casino.

For more information call (702) 794-9433.

The first bout is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m., with the main bout getting underway at approximately 7 p.m.

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### \*\*\* COED VOLLEYBALL **TOURNAMENT**

A coed volleyball tournament will be hosted Saturday, October 16 by the Chuck Minker Sports Complex, 275 N. Mojave Rd. The recreational competition begins at 8

Registration takes place continues through October 8, at a a cost of \$90 per team, based on ten players per team roster. Paymentmust accompany registration.

Players must have com-

peted on a winning City of Las Vegas team during 1993, prior to October 8, to qualify. Teams can consist of assembled qualifying players from various championship teams. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams.

The tournament is being sponsored by the City of Las Vegas, and is designed for teens and adults. Call 229-6563.

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## Jackson State v.s. South Carolina

While many consider the Bayou Classic as the ultimate black college football classic, the Circle City Classic is starting to be noticed as a major sporting event.

In nine years now, the Circle City Classic has never drawn fewer than 40,000 fans, to the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Hoosier Dome holds a capacity of a little over 60,000. The past two years the game has been sold out.

Each season the classic features different black colleges

pitted against one another, this year finding Jackson State squaring off against South Carolina State.

The Circle City Classic created classic madness in 1984 when Mississippi Valley State was led by Jerry Rice and Willie Trotten, met Grambling State.

The Classic is held annually in conjunction with Black Expo, which seems to attract a number of additional fans.

Although Indianapolis does not have a big black population, nor does it have a black college tie-in, the large city is located close to a number of U.S. cities with large black populations.

The Indiana Sports Corp. plays a big role in bringing major sporting events to the City of

Indianapolis, whose credits include: Pan-Am Games, the U.S. Olympic Track & Field Trials, the NCAA's Final Four, and of course the granddaddy of all auto races, the Indianapolis 500.

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In building up the momentum to challenge for league titles, both the Big West and Mid-

American Conferences are preparing for their respective football league schedules, which is a pathway leading to the season-ending battle between the conference champions in Las Vegas Bowl II.

In the past three weeks, in pre-league play, members of both conferences have been playing against many of the top teams in Division 1-A college football as they prepare for

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league which begins to formulate this weekend and

Defending Big West champion University of Nevada is atop the conference standings with

New Mexico State, both having an identical 2-1 record. In the



MAC, things look the same, as the University of Akron and Ball State University are also 2-1 overall. Akron's overall record is also their MAC record, after playing three season-opening league games.

In the Big West, pre-season favorite Utah State and Northern Illinois are both 1-0 in conference play.

Nevada, which lost 35-34 to Bowling Green in Las Vegas Bowl I, will begin conference play this Saturday, hosting Northern Illinois at Mackay Stadium.

In an inter-conference matchup last Saturday at the Silver Bowl, the UNLV Rebels crushed Central Michigan 33-20. The Rebels will visit Kansas State this Saturday before opening league play at Nevada on October 2.

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While the UN/NIU game is the only Big West league game on slate for Saturday, there are two MAC games scheduled for kickoff when Miami of Ohio visits Western Michigan and Ohio University travels to the University of Toledo.

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