

Fighters show different styles in pre-fight press conference

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LAS VEGAS — As Sugar Ray Leonard shadow-boxed his way through his final workout before Wednesday's welterweight showdown with Thomas Hearns, a man with a microphone cautioned photographers to stay off the ring because Leonard might damage the cameras.

Leonard was made for cameras. Not since Muhammad Ali has boxing been graced with such good looks and dynamic personality.

But unfortunately for the World Boxing Council champion, Hearns isn't really concerned with how Leonard looks or what he says.

"I have no bad feelings towards Ray at all," Hearns, the World Boxing Association champion, said Monday in the fighters' appearance before the more than 500 media representatives at Caesars Palace.

"I don't really know what Ray's feelings are towards me, but in all honesty, right now I don't care what his feelings are."

The news conference showed off the tremendous contrast in styles. Leonard appeared first, dressed in a sailor suit complete with cap, and laughed and joked his way through 30 minutes of questioning. Hearns was next, clad in a business suit, white shirt and tie. He didn't show anything remotely resembling a smile.

But while the two fighters' moods seemed light years apart, their predictions were identical — victory in the fight, the richest in the history of boxing.

Leonard maintained his versatility would be the deciding factor.

"The main thing I'm going to do is hop on Tommy Hearns right away," said Leonard, who enters with a 31-1 record and also the WBA junior middleweight title. "I'm going to be there but I won't be a stationary target. I want to make him think. When he has to think, that's when he's in trouble."

Leonard's fight plan appears to be based on movement — side-to-side to blunt Hearns' awesome punching power and in-and-out to take away his tremendous height and reach advantage.

"Hearns' reach (78½ inches) is unreal — let's face it, he's a freak. I've got to keep him tied up and outmaneuver him, keep him off balance."

Hearns, unbeaten in 32 fights, 30 of them ending by knockout, said Leonard is going in over his head.

"Ray has never fought a man as big as me," he said. "This is the first fight in which he will not be able to dominate his man. He'll have to fight totally different from any way he's fought before. He won't be able to throw punches the way he's used to."

Hearns said he was pleased with his conditioning and felt totally confident entering the bout.

"I'm very relaxed — I feel very good," he said. "There are no problems. I'm ready to go and I'm very confident. Actually, this is going to be the easiest fight I've ever had. My training has been great and everything I tried has been working perfectly."

Leonard did gain one victory Monday — a coin toss. Boxing protocol calls for a champion to

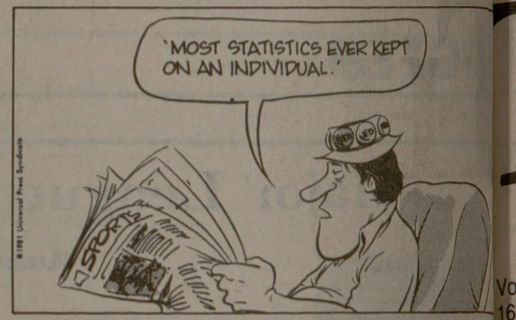
enter the ring last and be announced last but since both Hearns and Leonard are champions there was a coin flip.

Leonard won and chose to enter the ring last. Hearns will be announced last in the prefight introductions.

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Aggies finish third in weekend skiing

By RICK STOLLE

The Texas A&M University ski team finished in third place behind Northeast Louisiana University and the University of Texas at a tournament sponsored by Baylor University this weekend. The tournament was held at Hillsboro, with several of the area's top teams competing.

"We had some individuals who did not ski up to their potential but we had a good tournament overall," said Brett Stevenson, team captain. "We are looking and hoping for better showings in later tournaments."

The men's team top finishers were Joe Dockery with a sixth-place finish in slalom, Rance Richter with a 16th-place in the trick division and Craig Janek, who finished sixth with a jump of one hundred-sixteen feet.

"We finished third in slalom and jump for a third place overall," Stevenson said. "Hopefully, we will be able to improve our trick placing and raise our finish."

Melanie Jarrel was the top woman skier for Texas A&M in the tournament. She placed seventh in the slalom, sixth in tricks and sixth in jump to help the women's team to a third place finish.

"Melanie really carried the women's team," Stevenson said. "She had a great tournament."

Stevenson said a partial team will travel Sept. 18-20 to Blanchard, Okla., to participate in a tournament sponsored by Oklahoma State University. However, most of the team will remain and train for the regional championships to be held Sept. 26-28.

Should the team finish first or second place at the regional championships, it would qualify for the national championship to be held in Sacramento, Calif. Oct. 2-4.

"We have a really good chance to go the nationals," Stevenson said, "but we have to have a great tournament and improve on this weekend's finish."

SWC golf tourney shortened by rain

Despite heavy rain, the first half of the Southwest Conference fall golf tournament was completed Monday at the West Columbia Lakes golf course near Houston.

After 18 holes, the University of Houston and TCU are tied for the lead with totals of 223.

Following the leaders in the annual event are the University of Texas at 225, Texas A&M at 233, Arkansas at 237, Texas Tech at 240, Baylor at 241 and Rice at 242.

The tournament has been an alternate shot event in which each of the six-man school teams is divided into two-man teams. Due to a course-drenching rain, the best ball portion of the tournament was cancelled.

The tournament will resume today with stroke play for the final 18 holes. Each of the players will count his own shots in the remainder of the tournament competition.

Individual leaders of the tournament are Bjorn Svedin-Jeff Heminez of TCU at 71 and Billy Tueteng-Donnie Burwell of Houston at 72.

A&M team scores are Brad Jones-Danny Briggs at 79; Gary Kruegar-Bart Cobb at 77; and Jackie Lee-Ronny Byrd at 77.

Water polo team wins tournament

The Texas A&M water polo team, under the direction of player-coach Pat Yates, won a seven-team tournament in Austin the past weekend.

Yates, an All-American player from the University of California at Santa Barbara, led the Aggies to an 11-8 victory over SMU in the championship match Sunday.

"We are really fortunate to have a player the caliber of Pat," teammate Mark Robeck said. "We have a very inexperienced team but were able to play a lot better with him at the controls."

Robeck said the team has only practiced for a week but is still allowing anybody to participate.

"No tryouts are necessary and we have all levels of swimmers out from beginners to experts like Pat," he said.

The Aggies defeated high schools San Antonio Holmes, San Antonio Jay and San Antonio Alamo Heights, in the first three matches before defeating SMU in the finals. The other teams in the tournament were the University of Texas and St. Mark's High School from Dallas.

The next tournament will be held Sept. 26 when the Aggies travel to St. Mark's in Dallas. The tournament will include a men's 18-year-old and under division, as well as another division for women.