

La Grande Evening Observer

GANS AWARDED DECISION ON A FOUL AFTER FORTY-TWO GRUELING ROUNDS

(Scripps News Association)
 La Grande, Sept. 3.—This is the great fight day. To use a well known local sports remark, "This is the day when Goldfield will be placed on the map with markings indicating that it is the greatest sporting city in the nation."
 The sun is out in all its glory today and such a thing as a cool sport could not be found in the town.

Early this morning special trains began to arrive and the camp by noon had assumed a truly busy aspect.
 Most of the betting is being done at ten to eight in favor of the boy with the duck skin.

Fighters were up early this morning, but neither did any work, beyond a few limbering up stunts. Nelson seems confident and happy and says his smile is "one that won't come off." The colored boy wears that old time worried look, but claims to be confident that he will be able to clean up the Dane in proper shape. He looks lean, but his friends claim that he is in the very pink of condition.

There is beginning to be some activity displayed around the camps of the two fighters. Gans has selected Jack Walsh to be his time keeper, and he announces that Frank McDonald, Jim Griffin, Bob Turner and Kid Sims will also accompany him to his corner when the battle begins. Nelson will be found Nolan, Bob Lund, Johnny Reid, Kid McCoy and Tim McGrath.

Referee Siler, who will referee the fight is in splendid condition and seems to be taking little or no interest in the final arrangements. When questioned he only says, "I will be on hand all right."

THE CLUB CAME THROUGH
 At the final moment the club came through with the additional three thousand three hundred dollars. This additional lift brings the purse up to thirty three thousand three hundred dollars. Both the fighters stood for the holdup declaring that they would not fight if their demand was not complied with. The manager of the club balked a little at first but came through as soon as he saw that the fighters meant business. Under the new deal Nelson will get twenty-two thousand and Gans eleven thousand.

At noon the betting was not as heavy as was expected. A strange condition exists, in as much that both bettors, and non-bettors are unanimous in picking Gans as the winner.

MANY WOMEN PRESENT
 Looking out over the crowd as the preliminaries were about to begin there appeared to be about two hundred women present. They did not seem to be of the sort which one would naturally expect to be in evidence at a prize fight. On the contrary they appeared to be women of refinement and were in most instances accompanied by escorts and conducted themselves as though they were witnessing a presentation of some theatrical performance.

BOTH MEN WEIGH AT NOON
 Promptly at noon both men weighed in with full ring costume. Neither man tipped the scales which were set at one hundred and thirty-three pounds. It was announced at this time that the preliminaries would be pulled off promptly at two o'clock and that the big fight would begin at three sharp, Pacific time.

PRELIMINARY STARTS
 The first preliminary pulled off promptly at two o'clock. This was a bout between Bob Lundie of San Francisco and Jack Clifford of Montana. This was supposed to be a ten round contest for one thousand dollars. The first round of this fight was satisfactory, but Clifford succeeded in landing a knock out blow in the second round.

A SLIGHT HITCH
 At two thirty-five the time keeper selected by the club had failed to put in an appearance and another man had to be selected. This gave Billie Nolan an opportunity to make another grand stand play. He entered an objection to any California man being chosen. Bart Ulmer of Goldfield was selected.

FIGHTERS ENTER RING
 At two fifty the fighters entered the ring. Battling Nelson was the first to

step within the ropes. He was closely followed by Joe Gans. Both were covered with heavy bathing robes. Gans addressed the newspaper men saying that he wanted it understood that he did not want any of his men to enter the ring or throw the sponge for him. The only thing that would go would be if Siler asked him if he had enough or was counted out. He did not want to take a chance of a foul by any of his men in his corner. On the tossup Gans won the toss and secured the south corner.

Nelson made a few remarks in which he stated that he held the same views as Gans regarding action of his men entering the ring and throwing up the sponge. He said that all that Gans said applied to him as well.

ROUND ONE
 Gans led off with two light lefts for the face and they clinch. Nelson received a right on the body and Gans quickly shot right and left to face, he then followed with a right to face and let Nelson miss three left and right swings for the jaw. In the mix up Gans shot his right twice to the face and out boxed his man at every point in the game. Gans jarred Nelson with two rights to the jaw and followed it with left to the face. After breaking the clinch Nelson walloped his right hard to the jaw and followed with left to the same place. Gans then peppered Nelson's face with triphammer with his rights, and lefts to the face and jaw and kept this up until the gong rang.

ROUND TWO
 Both men came up quickly with Nelson the aggressor. Gans uppercut twice with two terrible punches to the jaw. He then followed it with a straight right to the jaw. Nelson seemed impervious to punishment and came in all the time. Gans measured the distance and time and time again shot his short arm right to the Dane's face. He then went to close quarters and got upper cut to the jaw and again a stiff right on the same spot. Nelson fought to a clinch and landed a terrific right to the face. In the mix up Gans rocked

Nelson's head with two wicked right punches to the face and followed it with a short arm jolt to the ear. As the gong rang Gans worked a hard left to the jaw.

ROUND THIRD
 Nelson tried to get in close and Gans whipped his right to ear. At close range Gans landed twice with right to the chin and as they fought at close range Gans swung right and left to the head and got a straight right over the ribs. Gans hooked a wicked right to the stomach and Nelson shot a straight right to the face. Several of Nelson's swings went wild. They went to a furious mixup in the center of the ring in which Gans drew blood from Nelson's nose with a straight left. Nelson is being out pointed but he never gives ground and seems to stand punishment. This was decidedly Gans' round.

ROUND FOUR
 Nelson missed left for the body. Nelson chased Gans about the ring but his blows invariably fell short. In a clinch Gans worked his right and left to face. Nelson went after Gans body and bored in with his head, the black man backing steadily away at the same time peppered his man with right and lefts to the face. Nelson caught Gans with a terrible right swing to the jaw. Nelson cutting loose drove Gans against the ropes landing with both hands on the side of the head, Nelson bleeding from the nose kept after Gans but this time Gans shot a straight right to the face which he duplicated a moment later. Gans put a strong right to the stomach as the gong rang. Nelson brought the great crowd to its feet as he went to his seat in the corner with a faint smile on his face. Nelson had the best of this round.

ROUND FIVE
 Gans quickly shot left to nose as Nelson rushed in and they went to close quarters. Nelson swung his right to the ear, forcing Gans to the ringside drove his right to the blackman's kidneys but Gans rocked Nelson's head with a series of left and right punches.

Nelson swung back wildly and Gans swatted him on the sore nose, and with a terrific drive Gans brought the blood from Nelson's nose again with a stinging punch to that organ. In the mix which followed Gans uppercut with right to jaw and not for a moment did Nelson break ground. He swung heavily to Gans face with a left. He was rebuked with a stiff right in the face. Nelson went to his corner spitting blood. Nelson was badly punished in this round.

ROUND SIX
 Nelson rushed Gans but the colored man smashed him on the face three times with his right, and easily avoided Nelson when he attempted to land. Nelson bored in and forced Gans to the ropes. The crowd objected to Nelson's boring tactics, in punching his head against Gans. After breathing from a clinch Gans planted a right to the gall and followed it with several right drives to the face sending the blood from Nelson's mouth in a stream. Gans sent Nelson's head back and hammering his man all around. Nelson was in bad shape when he went to his corner. His face was cut into ribbons. Gans has a big lead and looks like a sure winner unless Nelson gets in a chance blow.

ROUND SEVEN
 They stood shoulder to shoulder in the center of the ring and Gans walloped the Dane with right and left, to face. Nelson tried desperately to break two right swings to the body and for his pains received two short arm swipes on the jaw at close quarters.
 Gans had no trouble in averting Nelson's onslaught and let Nelson swing over the kidney, he then swung right and left at Nelson's face and found no trouble in keeping away from Nelson's swings. Gans played with his man sending rattling right to jaw and then worked his left to the face. Nelson swung desperately for Gans' face but seldom if ever found the black man's anatomy.

ROUND EIGHT
 As usual Nelson rushed Gans contenting himself with watching for an opening Gans met Nelson with a right to the face that staggered Nelson. Gans received a right punch as the men worked to a corner. Gans swung his right twice to the face and Nelson swung back wildly. Nelson neatly ducked two left swings and Gans kept up a merciless hammering on Nelson's face. In spite of all punishment Nelson will not give ground at any time. Nelson went to his corner with blood streaming down his face.
 Gans swung his right and left hand Nelson slipped to his knees. Nelson got up in a jiffy and Gans went at him like a demon and smashed him almost at will. The gong was a great relief to Nelson and

he appeared groggy when he went to the chair.

ROUND NINE
 Nelson swung his left twice to Gans' jaw and a moment later swung right in the same place and Gans landing four punches to Nelson's one. Nelson swung right and left hard to Gans' jaw but the latter more than evened matters by sending stinging blow with right to left jaw. Gans was bleeding slightly from the mouth as the gong rang. This was Gans' round.

ROUND TEN
 Gans met Nelson's rush with a stinging left to the face. "Stay with him and don't let him get away" was the injunction from the Battler's corner. They went in close and Gans smothered Nelson with two rights and following it with left to face. Nelson bored in and with his right and left to the Negro's jaw. Nelson then brought blood from Gans' mouth by a stream of successions of lefts and rights to the mouth. The mix resulted at close quarters. The fighting arena is red with blood and resembles a shamble. Both men fought at a nervous pace and the bell rang with Nelson having the better of a most vicious round.

ROUND ELEVEN
 They closed in with Gans fighting hard and requesting by Referee Siler that Nelson stop battling with his head. Nelson apparently realized that his only chance was to fight breast to breast and judging from the preceding round he is the better man at this style of the game. Nelson started a stream of blood from Gans' mouth by two wicked upper cuts. They broke from a clinch and Gans immediately whipped in two nice ones to Nelson's jaw. Gans was cautioned to keep away by his seconds but Nelson kept at close quarters and finally swung a light left to the mouth as the bell rang. If anything, Nelson had the slight lead in this round.

ROUND TWELVE
 Nelson rushed in and they fought shoulder to shoulder for an advantage Gans getting Nelson away from him and whipped a stiff right to the face. Nelson forced Gans against the ropes and slipped to the floor. Gans held out his hand to assist him to his feet and they immediately resumed hostilities. Gans rested himself and seemed content to permit Nelson to do the leading. They fought breast to breast like two bulls and Nelson butted Gans on the head with his head. They went very low, head to head fashion, and then in a monotonous fashion each sought to fight according to the style best adapted to their different styles. The bell rang. Gans had a slight lead in this round. Siler said that he believes Gans was resting up.

ROUND THIRTEEN
 Nelson rushed in and sent Gans back with two left hand and two right hand swings to the ropes. Nelson uppercut with left and right and a moment later reached Gans' mouth, bringing the blood. He again landed on Gans' mouth. Both men resorted to wrestling tactics, Gans being chief offender. They exchanged right swings to the face in the center of the ring, and then went to a clinch. The men again fought breast to breast and at these close quarters Gans worked his right and left several times to the jaw. They went to close quarters, and Nelson worked in two left uppercuts to the jaw (Continued on Page 5)

BANKER STENSLAND CAPTURED

(Scripps News Association)
 Tangier Sept., 3.—Paul O. Stensland president of the Milwaukee Avenue bank of Chicago, was arrested here this morning, on complaint of Assistant state attorney Olsen who pursued Stensland from Chicago through England and Spain. Stensland travelled under the name of Polsen, of Norway.

Stensland chose Morocco as his permanent residence, thinking it is safe there because there is no extradition treaty between the United States. Stensland's capture was due to a woman whom he scorned who gave attorney Olsen the first hint of his whereabouts.
 The banker left Chicago July 12, for New York, sailing for Liverpool where he remained for two days when he boarded a steamer for Gibraltar. Definite clues of his whereabouts being found there where he has established a bank account of \$12,000. He was not careful in preserving his identity and left a wide open trail. He lived in a inconspicuous hotel but a frequenter of cafes and associated with dancers. It is not likely that he will quibble over extradition.

NOT A CANDIDATE
 (Scripps News Association)
 Chicago Sept., 3.—William Hearst telegraphs the Chicago Tribune denying that he is a candidate for the vice presidential nomination on the Democratic tickets in 1908, as reported in the paper.

MONSTER RECEPTION
 (Scripps News Association)
 Boise, Sept. 3.—A monster patriotic reception is to be given Vice-President Fairbanks, who is attending the National Irrigation Congress this evening.

NORTHERN PASSAGE IS FOUND

(Scripps News Association)
 London, Sept. 3.—The Northwest passage which has been searched for, for centuries has been discovered, according to a Christiania dispatch, stating that the Norwegian Polar expedition under Amundsen. Amundsen arrived in Behring Sea.

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