

WOLGAST KNOCKS RIVERS OUT IN 13TH

Lightweight Battle Ends in Confusion but Referee Welsh Picks Champion.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Cal., July 5.—Ad Wolgast retains the lightweight title today by virtue of the verdict of Referee Jack Welsh of San Francisco, who declared that Ad knocked out the challenger, Joe Rivers, in the thirteenth round of their scheduled 20 round fight at Vernon yesterday.

Never in the history of the fight game in Los Angeles has such confusion marked the termination of a battle. The scene when the fighters were engaged in a fierce rally against the ropes and were fighting head to head. Suddenly Rivers sank to the floor, his hands over his groin. Wolgast, almost at the same instant, pitched forward to the canvas, his hands clasped about his stomach. While both boys lay on the floor Referee Welsh counted. Ringside spectators aver that at the count of five the gong sounded ending the round. Welsh continued to count. Rivers' handlers maintain their boy dragged himself to his feet at the count of eight and some persons even declare that Wolgast still was on the floor when Rivers left his knees. Welsh maintains that Wolgast was on his feet before Rivers; that he counted ten over the prostrate challenger, and that the gong did not end the round until after Rivers had been declared out.

Scene Was Wild One. The scene that followed the decision was the wildest disorder. Not one spectator in a hundred knew Welsh's decision. Others, nearer the ring, were crying "Robbery!" Meanwhile the crop of country constables of Vernon were making puerile efforts to clear the ring which was filled with raving fight bugs. Rivers, tears streaming

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STATEMENTS MADE BY PARTIES INTERESTED

Referee Jack Welsh. Rivers was on the floor the full ten seconds. I counted him out before the bell rang. That's all there was to it. Timekeeper Harder. I rang the gong ending the thirteenth round before Welsh signed to Wolgast that he was the winner. Rivers had been down about nine seconds when the bell sounded. Joe Rivers. Wolgast struck me a foul blow. Even at that I was on my feet before ten seconds were up. Welsh never reached ten at all. Wolgast quit. He was dogging it when he went to the floor. Ad Wolgast. Rivers knew he was whipped. He knows it. He struck me with his knee when he fell. The pain of that blow was awful. I thought my legs were five feet apart when I got to my feet. Joe Levy, Rivers' Manager. Joe was not knocked out. He was put down by a foul blow and even then he was on his feet at the count of eight. I do not think the referee was competent. Tom Jones, Wolgast's Manager. It was a clean knockout. A stomach punch did it. Welsh's ruling was the only one possible.

down his bloodstained face, begged for the bout to go on. Wolgast, after being assisted to his corner, had fallen back in his chair, half-conscious. Welsh slipped from the arena during the commotion, and Wolgast, soon as he could be moved, was taken to his training quarters at Doyle's camp nearby. Rivers was given a relief treatment in his dressing room at the arena, and then hurried to Los Angeles, where doctors who examined him declared that he had been badly hurt. The Wolgast contingent indignantly denied that Ad fouled his opponent. Tom Jones, the champion's manager, asserts that the wallp which put Rivers to the canvas was a hard right swing following a left to the pit of the stomach. Wolgast himself determinedly stated that he knew the moment the blow landed that Rivers was out. His explanation of the general scramble on the mat is that Rivers, instinctively drawing up his knee when the blow landed in his stomach, prodded the champion, unintentionally, in the groin.

Counted Out After Bell. Timekeeper Harder, whose statement was anxiously awaited by the Rivers camp, asserted that Rivers was counted out after the bell had ended the round. Charles Byton, official referee of McCarey's fight club, who was at the ringside, gave his opinion that Wolgast was winning handily at the time the mixup occurred. He further declared that if Harder's contention that the gong rang before Rivers was counted out is correct, both boys, under the Queensbury rules, should have been sent to their corners and the fight resumed. He declared that Welsh probably was a victim of unusual circumstances. Rivers is resting today at his home. He is suffering acutely from the alleged low blow. His manager, Joe Levy, said that doctors who examined Rivers

declared that had it not been for the aluminum cup the Mexican were he would have been ruptured. Wolgast spent the night at his camp. He showed few marks aside from facial cuts. He has no definite plans for the immediate future. Promoter McCarey stated that he will try at once to rematch the boys. It is probable that he will try to bring them together on Labor day. Says He Didn't Foul. After the fight, Rivers said: "I didn't foul Ad, but he did foul me. I went down from a hard right, low in the groin. I had just traded punches, swinging flush to his jaw. We fell to the floor together." Rivers declared positively that he was down but 8 seconds, and that he had turned to assist Wolgast to his feet when Welsh waved him to his corner. Tom Jones threw his hands in the air and cried: "There was nothing to it. It was a clean knockout. The punch that did it was a straight right to the stomach. It landed fair." Joe Levy, Rivers' manager, believes his boy was robbed of a just victory. He refused to criticize Welsh other than to say: "Joe went down from a bad groin blow. He should have won. Wolgast was clear out."

Rivers in First Six. In the first six rounds of the fight Rivers was clearly the winner, while Wolgast got the last seven rounds by forcing, but it is doubtful if he had the slightest shade on the whole. Rivers certainly was not seriously hurt, but Wolgast received heavy punishment and only his apparent ruggedness gave him a shade, if shade he had. When the two went down the crowd swarmed into the ring and in minutes before it was possible to obtain Welsh's verdict.

When the boys went to the floor it looked as though it was simply a pull down. Rivers arose and struggled through the crowd to his corner. Wolgast did the same, having to make his way clear across the ring. Apparently he was uninjured. When he reached his corner he dropped on the stool, and leaning back he nearly fell out of the ring through the ropes. Welsh, as Wolgast went across the ring, held up his hand, but the crowd was so dense that no decision could be heard and four fifths of the 12,000 spectators had no idea of what the result really had been declared. For some minutes the crowd kept their seats and a report was current that the men would reenter and fight it out.

Some of the rounds follow: Round 3. Rivers stabbed with left and fought Wolgast clear across the ring in clinch. Rivers uppercut to stomach; Wolgast put hand left to head. Rivers landed stiff right to stomach and then measured Wolgast with a hard right. Wolgast swung wild with the right. Wolgast bored in but Rivers danced away. They fiddled. Wolgast cut loose with right and left and Rivers was right there, staggering the champion. Wolgast laid his head in and Rivers walloped the kidneys again. Wolgast missed high left. Rivers put left to head, Wolgast left to stomach. Wolgast face stopped many lefts. Clinch. Rivers uppercut on the break. Wolgast fought Rivers to the ropes and with a shower of uppercuts but got a hard right in return. They were fiddling at the bell. Rivers had a shade. Wolgast so far has received much the worst punishment. Round 12. They sparred in the center of the

ring. Wolgast landed left to stomach, Rivers a right to the head. They exchanged lefts to the head. Rivers put right left to the nose. Wolgast swung right and left to the head to stomach and put over his loop blow to the jaw. They clinched and Wolgast got very busy. Rivers stepped back and measured Wolgast with a right but Ad ducked. Wolgast put left; hard to the stomach. Ad nearly fell backward on the slippery ring. They traded lefts to stomach and Joe landed right to the jaw. Welsh broke them and Rivers led twice with the left to the face and uppercut. A fierce left followed Wolgast fighting Rivers all over the ring. They clinched and broke as the bell rang. Wolgast's round. Round 13. They danced out and Rivers stuck his left glove in Ad's face, but did not let go with the other. They fell into a clinch. Head to head, they swapped punches. Wolgast put left to stomach and Rivers two hard lefts to the head. Ad hid behind his shoulder. Wolgast put right to the stomach in a clinch. Joe danced away. They exchanged light lefts. In a clinch Wolgast put hard uppercut to the jaw and repeated. Ad missed swing and they fought to a clinch. Wolgast landed with hard right to stomach. In the center Rivers put hard right and left to face and Ad covered up. Rivers landed hard left to face, ducking a left swing. Rivers went down from hard left to the stomach. The bell prevented a decision. Rivers carried to his corner writhing in pain. Both claimed a foul. Great confusion. Wolgast nearly fell backward in the ring. Break Even at San Francisco. San Francisco, Cal., July 5.—The Tigers won the morning game from the Seals by the score of 5 to 4. The Seals' outfit Vernon in the morning but their suits were not timely. The afternoon game was played before 12,000 people and went 10 innings before the winning run was scored. The scores: Morning game—R. H. E. Vernon 3 8 0 San Francisco 1 11 3 Batteries—Stewart and Agnew; Delhi and Berry. Afternoon game—R. H. E. San Francisco 5 10 2 Vernon 4 6 4 Batteries—Miller and Berry; Brackenridge and Agnew. Spokane Blanks Tacoma Twice. Spokane, Wash., July 5.—Spokane shut out the Tigers in both games yesterday by the scores of 7 to 0 and 1 to 0. The scores: Morning game—R. H. E. Tacoma 0 2 3 Spokane 7 8 1 Batteries—Criger, Melkie and Crittenden; Kraft and Ostidiek. Second game—R. H. E. Tacoma 0 5 0 Spokane 1 2 0 Batteries—Hall and Crittenden; Noyes and Devout. American Association Results. At Louisville—Louisville, 9; Columbus, 2. (First game postponed; rain.) At Milwaukee—Milwaukee, 2; Kansas City, 7. (First game postponed.) At St. Paul—St. Paul, 9; Minneapolis, 6. (First game postponed.) At Indianapolis—Indianapolis, 0; Toledo, 2.

BERLIN LANDS 1916 OLYMPIC CONTESTS Stockholm, July 5.—The next Olympic games meet will be held in Berlin in 1916. This was unanimously decided yesterday. The Swedish committee yesterday rearranged the heat drawings so that no two men from the same country would compete in the same trials. The American athletes spent the fourth on board the steamer Finland and entertained 3000 people during the day. England defeated Denmark in the soccer football game, which was viewed by the king and other royal family members. The score was 4 to 2. Western Tri-State Games. At Pendleton—R. H. E. First game—Walla Walla 3 8 2 Pendleton 1 6 0 Batteries—Kelly and Brown; Stanfield and Pembroke. Second game—R. H. E. Walla Walla 2 4 2 Pendleton 3 4 5 Batteries—Pittman and Brown; Garrett, Osborne and Pembroke. At Boise—R. H. E. Morning game—Boise 5 12 1 La Grande 9 11 0 Batteries—Blackmer and Fox; McIvor and King. Afternoon game—R. H. E. Boise 5 12 1 La Grande 9 11 0 Batteries—Mays and Fox; Fox and King. National League Games. Afternoon results—R. H. E. At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh 2 8 0 Cincinnati 2 0 0 Batteries—Hendricks and Simon; Suggs and Clark, McLean. At New York—R. H. E. Brooklyn 5 11 1 New York 2 15 1 Batteries—Steck and Miller; Wittke and Meyers. At St. Louis; first game—R. H. E. Chicago 2 10 2 St. Louis 0 6 1 Batteries—Brown and Archer; Sallee and Bresnahan. Second game—R. H. E. Chicago 3 9 1 St. Louis 2 7 3 Batteries—Riehe, Lefield and Needham; Willis and Bliss, Wingo. At Boston—R. H. E. Boston 4 10 2 Philadelphia 0 6 1 Batteries—Brown and Kling; Brennan, Schulz and Killifer. Seattle Takes Two More. Seattle, Wash., July 5.—Seattle beat the Bees in both games yesterday by the scores of 12 to 6 and 1 to 0. The scores: Morning game—R. H. E. Seattle 12 15 2 Victoria 5 8 0 Batteries—Schulder and Wally; Narverson and Grindle. Afternoon game—R. H. E. Victoria 0 5 1 Seattle 1 5 0 Batteries—Kaufman and Meek; James and Whaling.

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Divide Games at Los Angeles. Los Angeles, Cal., July 5.—The Oaks and the Angels broke even in yesterday's double bill. The Oaks had a walk away in the forenoon contest. Killian, former Spokane pitcher, twirled his first game for the Oaks. In the afternoon game, the Angels recovered their batting eyes and again pounded Pernoll and Pope to all corners of the lot. Morning game—R. H. E. Los Angeles 2 6 4 Oakland 14 17 0 Batteries—Nagle, Halla and Brooks; Killian and Rohrer. Afternoon game—R. H. E. Los Angeles 9 15 2 Oakland 5 9 1 Batteries—Slagle, Levens and Smith; Pernoll, Pope and Mitza. American League Games. Afternoon games—R. H. E. Chicago 4 12 0 Cleveland 9 13 1 Batteries—White, Gordon, Mogridge and Sullivan; Gregg and O'Neill. At Detroit—R. H. E. St. Louis 0 0 3 Detroit 7 4 1 Batteries—Adams, Hamilton, Mitchell and Stephens; Mullin and Stange. At Washington—R. H. E. New York 1 5 2 Washington 12 15 1 Batteries—Quinn and Street; Groom and Henry. At Philadelphia—R. H. E. Boston 6 11 3 Philadelphia 5 9 8 Batteries—Bedient, Hall and Carrigan; Brown, Bender and Lapp.

AFTERNOON GAME ALSO TO VISITORS Clark Boosts String of Victories to Thirteen Pitching Against Tonneson. Vancouver made it two straight yesterday by taking the afternoon game, 4 to 2. The Canadians won the morning battle by the one-sided score of 11 to 0. The details and box score of which were published yesterday afternoon. Jimmy Clark boosted his season's record to 13 victories and 1 defeat, although he was pretty lucky to get away with the afternoon game, for two runs were scored when Harris, in attempting to complete a double play at first, unfortunately hit Lewis in the back in the second inning and two runs scored before the ball could be recovered. The bases were full when this happened, Kippert, James and Scharnweber being aboard the cushion. Lewis hit Coltrin, who cut Kippert off at the plate and then tried to get Lewis at second. The bases were cleared and Lewis reached third on the error. Menson was hit by a pitched ball in the first inning, took second on Fries' sacrifice and scored on Cruikshank's single to right. The Colts stayed it up in the fourth when Speas was safe on Scharnweber's error, took second on Harris' sacrifice and scored on Kibble's two-bagger down the first base line. Brashear's single, an error on Frisk's attempted sacrifice and Kippert's sacrifice fly to Cruikshank gave the north-erners another run. They made their fourth tally on Brashear's single and Kippert's double in the eighth. Score: VANCOUVER AB. R. H. PO. A. E. Brinker, cf. 5 0 1 1 2 0 Bennett, 2b. 6 0 1 1 2 0 Brashear, 1b. 4 2 2 7 0 0 Frisk, rf. 3 0 0 1 0 0 Kippert, lf. 3 0 3 3 1 0 James, 3b. 4 1 0 2 1 0 Scharnweber, ss. 4 1 0 2 1 0 Lewis, c. 4 0 0 7 2 0 Clark, p. 3 0 2 1 2 0 Totals 34 4 10 27 10 1

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