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Roy (Swede) Nelson Wins Decision Over Vernon Of Vancouver

Those who witnessed the 8 round main event last Saturday night between Roy (Swede) Nelson and Bobby Vernon, have no cause of bellyaching about not seeing a real scrap.

Vernon of Vancouver Barracks, who has been fighting for a number of years won a decision over Nelson at Forest Grove a few months ago when the boys met at the Legion smoker in a 6 round event.

But last Saturday evening Swede Nelson, was the master, putting Vernon on the defensive for the majority of the rounds.

The first round, would not have caused any ones blood pressure to play. It won't be long now, for this round was rather tame, with Nelson taking the offensive and Vernon playing a careful game, studying his man who he had previously beat.

In the second round Nelson landed a wicked left to Vernon's jaw, but with the exception of this hit, the balance of the round lacked much action, both boys sparring and still feeling about for the right opening.

At the start of the third round Vernon rushed out of his corner backing Nelson to the ropes, but Nelson a second later turned the tide and shot a wicked left to Vernon's head, followed with a right to the chin.

Vernon let loose a gob of blows which missed their mark by a wide margin, and like the previous other two rounds, the third round, was not over-exciting.

The fourth round, showed signs of having more action and thrills and all those rounds previously fought, and at the start of this round, Nelson put over a wicked right hook over Vernon's heart, which staggered the Vancouver boy, and slowed him up for the balance of the fight. From this point on Vernon kept fighting with his back close to the ropes, never venturing out towards the center of the ring, with Nelson doing all the leading, trying for a lucky shot, and Vernon dodging about attempting to keep out of reach.

Nelson's nose started to run, dago-red, at the end of the fourth which ended with Vernon practically beaten after that terrific right over the heart.

In the fifth round Nelson started the fireworks, with a series of bangs, shooting a mean left to Vernon's jaw, which shook the boy for a full second, but the Vancouver scrapper who had weather many a ring skirmish, weather this round badly beaten, but managing to stay and last the round out.

Leaping out of his corner at the start of the sixth round as though someone had been trying to feed him castor oil, Nelson fairly whizzed across the canvas meeting Vernon near the center of the ring, with a straight right to the jaw, which knocked the soldier against the ropes, covering up, and backing away. In this round Vernon tried to stage a comeback but time after time missed, apparently unable to land a solid blow on the crafty speedy Nelson.

During the entire seventh round Vernon stayed close to the ropes, not once venturing towards the center, with Nelson forcing the fight, smacking fast ones to the body and head.

Towards the end of this round Vernon again attempted to stage a comeback, taking the offensive for a few seconds, but was met with a right hook to the stomach that fairly paralyzed him for the balance of that round.

Managing to pull through another round even though he



Roy (Kid) Nelson

knew that his only chance of winning now would be by a knockout, Vernon came up for the eighth, with a fine show of speed and action but the younger boxer cracked the Vancouver fighter about the ring at will with Vernon retreating, covering up, Nelson soaking here and there fairly laying a barrage of gloves over the now defenseless boxer.

Judges and referee awarded the decision to Nelson, who won by a wide margin, the width being with the entire 8 rounds in his favor.

A wonderful comeback for a man, who a few months ago lost the decision to this same man.

Clatskanie Ball Team May Play Here 4th

G. W. Ford, General chairman of the stampede committee is trying to arrange for a baseball game here on July fourth between the Clatskanie Chiefs, and the Vernonia team, the game to be played in the morning.

It is predicted that a large crowd from Clatskanie will attend the celebration and with an added attraction of a baseball game between the two cities Clatskanie citizens should spend their Fourth here where their Legion and baseball are assisting in putting the celebration over with a bang.

Vernonia Wins From Eastern and Western Baseball Team Sunday

The local ball club got back into winning form again last Sunday and walloped the Eastern & Western Lumber company aggregation to the tune of 8 to 2 to increase their average to .667. This makes three wins against two losses for the home guard and if they keep playing the same brand of ball they demonstrated they can play Sunday, they will win many more.

Lyons for Vernonia was in nice form and had the situation well in hand at all times. Once or twice he was in rather bad holes but bore down hard when the occasion demanded and pulled himself out nicely. This fellow retired eight members of the opposition via the whiff route and in the third inning turned back all three batters that faced him by striking them out in order.

Taylor in right field played a nice game in right field accepting a couple of chances without bobbling, one of them being a shoe string catch of a line drive out of the grass. McGregor and Greenman also played bang-up games. The former held down third in nice fashion, going far

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Joe Fisher, Vancouver Wins By Knockout Over Jim Watts Here

The fight last Saturday night at the smoker, in the local Legion hall between Joe Fisher, of Vancouver Barracks, and Jim Watts, (Colored) of Vernonia was short lived.

An introduction of Watts to the fight fans, gave the facts that this was the local boys first appearance in the ring.

As for Fisher, that boxer has been trailing the dusted canvas for the past 7 years.

Squaring off after the sound of the gong in the first round, it was plainly noticeable that Watts, was a novice at the game, not that the lad lacked grit, (even though some of the usual loud mouth broadcasters, who attempt to insult everyone possible, its a privilege you know, they paid one smack to enter, can't insult your patrons, yelled at Watts when he hit the canvas in the first round, calling the boy yellow. Starting the round Watts rushed Fisher to the ropes, with Fisher awkwardly covering, not being use to these rushing tactics, but within a second recovering and air-mailed a fast left to Watts chin followed by a right to the colored boys nose.

Right then the local lad sank to the canvas, taking the count of nine, amidst many yells from the poor sportsmen, of yellow. Slaggering to his feet, Watts again attempted to carry on, but Fisher let loose a left to the head followed by another left to the chin, which floored Watts for the count.

Even the volunteer second in Watts corner was absent, his opponent had to assist the helpless beaten fighter to his corner requesting a chair for the man.

Joe Fisher of Vancouver Barracks, won from Jim Watts, (colored) of Vernonia in the first round by a technical knockout.

Watts, who made a good showing with those who train at Bert Tisdale training club, was encouraged to try his hand in the ring last Saturday night, and the lad deserves credit for the gritty fight he made against an experienced old time boxer.

Big Smoker Here During Stampede

Meeting last Monday night the stampede committee decided to sponsor a smoker here on July 4th, which will feature many of the local boys and should if plans mature, contain 32 rounds of real fighting.

The main event will be 8 rounds, with the semi and special events at 6 rounds each. Three other bouts at 4 rounds each will add to the attractive card, which should draw the crowds.

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who will be in the city that day attending the stampede and celebration.

Some Object To Younger Lads Boxing

Much criticism is heard on all sides, regarding the kids who fight before the regular card starts.

No doubt it passes the time until the bout is scheduled to start, but some of the complaining fans advise that in the first place the kids of recent, do not even know how to box, and the boxing commission should prohibit children boxing, stating that the majority of those who pay admission to see a smoker, come with the intentions of seeing pugilists hammer away at each other, and not witness a few kids who just recently discarded their diapers for a set of boxing trunks.

Cancel Scott-Taao Fight Last Saturday

The 6 round special event scheduled to come off last Saturday evening at the smoker, was postponed, on account of the failure of Young Taao, to appear. Kid Scott, trained and in good shape to battle cantered down from Westimber, steamed up like a greyhound full of gold fish, and aching for someone to push boxing gloves towards his mug, but had to content himself later in the evening by taking a few swift smacks at himself while noticing himself in a looking glass at a barber shop.

Unavoidable, but too bad that the fans were cheated out of six rounds, which again makes us state that unless a man who follows this game of fighting can prove by a doctors certificate that he is unable to fight that Please turn to page 7

Young Nelson Puts Up Wonderful Battle With Vancouver Boxer

The semi-windup at the smoker last Saturday in the Legion hall was fought between Young Nelson of Vernonia 142 pounds and Dick Snaithie 142 pounds of Vancouver Barracks, Snaithie fighting from Spivey's stables.

Both lads entered the ring, looking physically perfect, and at the sound of the gong, started the battle with a rush, Nelson taking the offensive, with Snaithie after a second of fighting apparently covering up, backing away, leaving the impression that he was being chased around the ring, but after a few seconds of these tactics, snapped out of it, and took the offensive away from Nelson, and at the end of the first round, both lads were mixing freely.

The first round honors appeared evenly divided with Nelson apparently having a wee bit the best of it on account of th number of wild blows which he made Snaithie miss.

Rushing out of his corner at the start of the second round, Nelson forced Snaithie to the ropes, but Snaithie opened up with a swift return of blows, landing a snappy punch to Nelson's head, which forced the local boy to the opposite side of the ring.

The second round took on additional action both lads battling for all they were worth, and Snaithie passed a long left to Nelson's jaw, knocking the local boy down, but before the count of five was registered, Nelson was saved by the bell.

Nelson tried to come out of his corner at the beginning of the third, but his manager and seconds, seeing the condition of the Vernonia fighter, urged him to discontinue.

Following the fight, which ended in the second round by Snaithie winning by a technical knockout, Nelson advised that he would have been unable to battle another round, or in other words, was unable to come back after that round.

This young lad who has just reached his eighteenth birthday, fighting against a veteran scrapper who has seen the best of



Young Nelson

his fighting career, put up a wonderful fight against a man who knew all the ropes, was a general in ringcraft, better experienced on saving of strength and effort and nearly 9 years the senior of the local boxer.

Young Nelson in his last two battles has been matched against men who the cooperating matchmaker at Portland seen fit to bring out regardless of experience, etc. but no alibi is being offered, only that all should remember that Young Nelson has only fought six fights to date

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winning four by the K. O. route, losing one on a decision and one by a technical knockout, and also remember that a growing lad, has a darn harder time to develop himself than an old timer.

Jack Sweeney, Canadian Boxer to Locate Here

Jack Sweeney, pugilist, who fought Young Nelson in this city last May 31, has advised Bert Tisdale that he will arrive in this city in about one week, secure work and join Tisdale's stable of fighters.

Sweeney will be a credit to the boxing world of our city. Clever, a promising looking boxer, Sweeney's decision to locate here and box under the

Vernonia banner, will bring prestige to the boxing commission as those who are now fighting from this city are classified as among the best boxers in the county.

Jack Sweeney left Portland June 8, for Powell River, B. C. where he will spend a week visiting with his mother, and when leaving will come direct to this city.

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