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POMPEY SCORES K.O. WIN

Perfect punch finishes Dawson in fourth round

YOLANDE POMPEY, the Trinidad light heavy-weight, took a swift and decisive revenge over Bobby Dawson, the American here tonight.

He knocked out Dawson with a terrific right-hander to the chin in the fourth round to reverse the result of their meeting last January.

Pompey was outpointed on that first occasion but only because he had to make a weight which weakened him considerably. This time they came in at 12st. 2lb.—an ideal poundage for Pompey—and the outcome of the fight stamps him conclusively as one of the best of the cruiser-weights in Europe.

Dawson is one of the most awkward fighters in the game, possessing as he does an inordinately long reach and a powerful punch with his left.

From the start it appeared as

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though these advantages would carry him once again to victory.

Pompey, however, was a different man from the boxer of 12 months ago. There are few fighters in this country who can equal Pompey's ability to ride a punch and meet a counter.

Dawson is an unorthodox, but, at the same time, most effective boxer. He throws his punches from every conceivable angle and in the first two rounds he stabbed his left into Pompey's face.

Pompey always looked very confident. He came back to his corner at the end of the first two rounds smiling and self-possessed. I think that by that time he had gauged the measure of Dawson. At any rate, in the third round Pompey lured Dawson into missing badly with a left hook and a few moments later Pompey, for the first time in the fight, really cut loose.

He stepped inside Dawson's guard to rip in two rights and a left to the chin.

In the next round it was Pompey who started the attack. He blocked several of Dawson's tentative leads and punished him about the head. When he had Dawson set he sent over a beautiful right hook which caught Dawson flush on the jaw.

Dawson fell to the boards flat on his back. He managed to raise himself into a sitting position but was unable to beat the count.

No chance missed

HOGAN KID BASSEY (Nigeria) outpointed Percy Lewis, the former R.A.F. man from Oxford, in an eight-round feather-weight contest.

Bassey won clearly but he did not have matters all his own way. Lewis has a compact defence but he has yet to learn the value of the quick counter. He was inclined to score a punch and then wait to watch the reaction of his opponent.

Bassey never missed a chance to land a punch.

LIGHT-WEIGHT.—Frank Parkes (Beeston) outpud Mickey Flanagan (Birkenhead) 8 rnds.

FEATHER.—George Clay (Nottingham) outpud Stan Gee (St. Helen's).

MIDDLE.—Abe Quartey (Gold Coast) bt Ron Duncombe (Channel Islands), stopped 6th.

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