

Match a hard-hitting fighter, (unbeaten Yolande Pompey of Trinidad) with a skilful boxer, (Bobby Dawson, a slightly-taller coloured American) and the result should be a grand fight. This one was - a ten-round middleweight battle-royal at the Ice Stadium, Nottingham.

Using his longer reach, Dawson scored freely in the opening rounds. Pompey, meanwhile, was pinning his faith on landing just one pay-off punch. Three, he sent Dawson down for nine. In the next round, Dawson was down

IN ROUND 4.

DAWSON WENT DOWN -

-looking in real trouble, but the bell saved him.

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During the next few rounds, Pompey slowed up - then the boxer took control - scoring telling points - yet always ready to get in close to avoid those hammer blows.

In the final round. Both boys desperately tired. Pompey trying to land that K.O. punch. Dawson content to score the points which made him the very narrow winner.

Over now to West Berlin, where Johnny Williams, (Britain's former Heavy-weight champion), really comes out fighting against Gerhard Hecht, Germany's cruiserweight champion.

Williams is starting the long road back to top boxing honours. He lost the title. And it seems that he's in a hurry, too, for in Round Two, Johnny (two, Johnny) put Hecht down three times.

The German staggered up, AND Johnny went in to finish things. This certainly was a new Johnny Williams - and down went Hecht, this time for keeps.

Gallantly, the German tried to get up; but no! The count is a mere formality.

Johnny HAD HIT the come-back trail with a vengeance. punch was all he needed, to...