

49/21THE GLOVES ARE OFF!

The world's most famous amateur boxing contest lands its opening blow in Chicago as the best of 25,000 American fighters slug it out in the Western Finals of the Golden Gloves. Cruiserweight Joe Loudanski, in striped trunks, is pitted against Eddie Birdwell. Exhausted from a non-stop hammering, Birdwell suddenly crumbles and Loudanski is the winner.

The heavies lay on the fight of the night. Coffee-coloured Wesbury Bascom clashes with Pictre Jackson and do these Golden Glove contenders pack a punch! British boxing hopes, please note!

Battling Bascom is in no need for fancy stuff. A murderous right cross sends his opponent nosediving to the floor.