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BLACKPOOL BOXER READY FOR WORLD HONOURS

The boxing spotlight switches to Blackpool, where "hammer-blow" Ronnie Clayton, British and Empire featherweight champion, tunes up for his European title clash with France's Ray Famechon. A crack at the world title will be Clayton's reward if he can overcome the tough little Frenchman, who is finishing off his training just outside Paris. It was Famechon - youngest of a family of boxers - who won the European crown from Clayton early last year. Their long-awaited return meeting takes place at Belle Vue, Manchester. Lancashire will be there in force to cheer the county lad in his fistie battle with a champion from across the Channel.