

COHEN v. HAMIA,

World bantamweight champion Robert Cohen takes some heavy punishment when he meets Cherif Hamia, featherweight champion of France, in Paris. Lucky for Cohen that this isn't a title fight! It's only the second of ten rounds, and he's down for a count of nine already.

Cohen is ready to take some more, but the bell gives him a rest.

Round seven, and Hamia seems as fresh as ever as he batters the champion against the ropes.

A blow while Cohen is down earns Hamia a talking-off from the ref but Cohen decides to take a seat, so the ref starts counting.

Up again at the count of nine - but though Cohen's got plenty of guts his eye is bleeding badly. He lashes out at Hamia in a last desperate effort.

But that eye's too far gone, and the ref stops the fight. And although Cohen and the crowd don't like the verdict, Hamia wins on a technical knock-out.