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### **Jack Burns Earns Decision Over Tim O'Neil**

JACK BURNS, the Salinas heavyweight and conqueror of "Gunboat" Smith, punched, pushed, fought and chased himself to victory over Tim O'Neil last night in the. Ten round main event scrap of the Oakland Wheelmen show. To say that the contest was highly interesting from the standpoint of boxing would be wrong. It was really too one-sided to become very interesting from that angle for Burns had the better of every round, with the possible exception of the first one.

The contest became a very absorbing one from an angle that had not been figured on, however After the bout had gone a few rounds and O'Neil had been floored with a stiff straight right-hand punch to the body, the Chicago lad evidently came to the conclusion that he was over-matched and his efforts from then to the end of the battle were devoted to lasting the ten rounds.

Burns tried in every conceivable manner to land the finishing punch on the stalling O'Neil, but his efforts were a bit ungainly and the fact that he -missed often with the well-meant punches he sent out for the head of the smaller man made the crowd take sides with O'Neil, and round after round the lad from the windy city was found on his feet and doing his best the spectators cheering as if he were winning.

#### **O'NEIL GAME AS PEBBLE.**

O'Neil certainly did put up a game battle and all during the last six round he displayed an ability to stall that would have done justice to an older an more experienced fighter . At times Burns hit him so hard on the head an body that he became dizzy and almost collapsed.

Each time Tim would reach out with both hands, however, and as Burns crowded in with the hope of landing another and finishing blow, O'Neill would clinch him and before the men could be parted the hazy feeling would have left the Chicago man and he would be ready for another round of stalling.

Burns was at a great disadvantage last night for it is exceptionally hard to show well with a fighter whose objective is to stick the limit and who continually backs away from the firing line.

When the men entered the ring both looked fit. Burns gave his weight a 185 pounds and O'Neil announced his at 170 pounds This gave Burns the best of the weight by fifteen pound: and he made use of it from the very first by going on the aggressive and keeping right at his man in

every second of the going .

In the first round O'Neil started out with a will and showed well. In fact it looked as if Timothy was to be the aggressor and that he might win the contest on points.

### **LEFT RIP HURTS BURNS.**

Tim reached in with a left rip for the body that landed with force several times during the first spasm and it looked as if Tim had discovered the right spot. Burns plodded on all the time and near the end of the round he landed a few stinging blows that steadied O'Neil and made him a bit careful.

In the second and third rounds Burns forged ahead and took a slight lead by his continual rushing, and by landing an occasional punch.

In the fourth round O'Neil was holding his hands high to block the swings of the taller man, who seemed to be devoting all his energy to punching O'Neil's head.

The shrill voice of Harry Foley calling, "Drop a few to the body" reached the ears of Burns and without much warning the Salinas man lowered a straight right punch to the midsection of the smaller man and quicker than it can be told Tim flopped to the floor.

It did not look as if he had a possible chance to get up and as the seconds rolled away the spectators began to leave their seats and rush for the door. At the count of nine O'Neil reached his feet and for the remaining thirty seconds of the round showed his gameness and ability by stalling the round out.

### **STALLING CONTEST.**

From that time on O'Neil seemed willing to admit that he was no match for the husky lad from Salinas and the contest reverted into a match wherein one man was trying to put another out and the other had only one object, which was to stick the limit. O'Neil played the part so well that he soon had the house with him. and at the end of the contest some of the fans had worked themselves up to such a point of sympathy for the red-headed lad that they remarked: "Well, he should have had a draw on general principles," when they knew full well that Timothy believed himself lucky to have lasted the ten rounds.

The contest was the most Interesting affair for a one-sided contest which we have seen in many days, and although beaten O'Neil proved that at 165 or 170 pounds he can beat a great many more men than will beat him .

Burns will go right back to Alameda were he will continue on in his Schooling in the art of boxing. The Salinas man is determined to reach the top of the ladder if possible and He will spend every cent he earns in the attempt to acquire knowledge of the game.

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**VICTORY WILL START THE SALINAS MAN UP LADDER**

**Barry Has Had His Chance and Is Regarded As Second Rater  
Big Offer To Ketchell and Langford**

**By Eddie Smith**

TOMORROW night at the Dreamland Pavilion in San Francisco Jack Burns and Jim Barry -will meet in a twenty round contest that means much to both, but especially to Burns. Barry and Burns are in a class that, should It be labeled, would be called the best of the second-raters.

Neither man has shown anything that would entitle him to a ranking with the best of the big fellows, and Barry has been proven to be lacking in the qualities that go to make champions in his fights with Al Kaufman and Sam Langford.

Barry has had a chance at the first-rate heavyweights and was Beaten. For this reason the winning of the match that is to be held tomorrow night will not mean that Barry will be looked upon as a championship possibility.

It will simply mean that he "will be able to get more matches, and that he will get more money for his end as a winner than he would as a loser With Burns it is different. Should the fast-coming young fellow win from Barry he will be looked upon as a championship possibility, and should he be fortunate enough to score a knock-out this impression would be so strong with the fans that a match between the Salinas man and one of the best of the heavyweights would prove a great card.

**BURNS NO NOVICE.**

The belief that Burns Is a novice is wrong, for he has had at least 18 contests and should know the tricks of the game by this time, the trouble with Burns has been that he had little chance of improvement during his early start. owing to the fact that he had no one to point out to him the right way to accomplish the tricks known to the game.

For the battle of tomorrow night Burns will enter the ring in the best condition that he has been in and will be at his best in the matter of knowledge. He is confidence itself regarding the outcome of the battle and with the realization of what it means to win this fight the fans can expect to see the Salinas man fighting with a determination to win that will force the going to be fast from the first tap of the bell.

Burns figures on being bested for the First ten rounds of the battle, but he believes that the pace he will set during these rounds will be so fast that Barry will be all to be had during the last ten and then he will come on and win.

To do this Burns will have to show more speed than he has shown in any of his contests around the bay . For Barry is some pumpkins at stalling when tired and is fairly quick with either hand.

