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## REGIMENTAL BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP

### New Blood Proves Good

Again Mr. Harvey proved his worth to the Regiment on Wednesday night. The boxing was of a very high standard and the contests most evenly matched. Mr. Harvey admitted he worked hard in bed working it out, but results more than justified his efforts.

Although many of our old boxers have departed to uphold the honour of our Regiment in other units, the new blood was of a very high standard, they are a distinct asset to the grand sport of men.

The audience showed its appreciation in no uncertain terms and there can be no doubt that this type of entertainment is most popular.

The officials were: M.C., Major G. Nelson; Timekeeper, Major H. G. Flux; Judges: 2nd. Lieut. Kidd and 2nd. Lieut. Reed; Referee: Mr. B. Harvey; Recording Steward: Capt. Mitchell. Bouts: Three one-minute rounds; no draws. Medal presented by the Regiment for most scientific boxer was presented by the Colonel.

Guests of honour were Mrs. D. and Miss O. Honare, Lt.-Col. J. G. Nolan, Lt. Robertson, Lt. D. Muir and Lt. D. R. Graham.

#### FEATHERWEIGHT.

Gnr. Bent, 9st (4th) v. L/Bdr. Lewis, 9st. (R.H.Q.).—These two put up a very spirited bout, the first round being full of action, L/Bdr. Lewis doing useful work. In the second round, Bent made really good use of his right and took the fight to Lewis, who appeared to tire.

From the clash of the gong, Lewis led the fight to Bent and chased him round the ring. The bout was a very willing one. Lewis was given the decision on points.

#### LIGHTWEIGHT.

Sgt. Closey, 9.8 (6th) v. Dvr. Thistle, 9.8 (Dental Corps).—At the opening, both men sparred, feeling each other out. A really clever piece of scientific boxing was presented. Closey forced Thistle to the floor.

The second round was fast and furious, Closey making use of a very powerful hook with disastrous results for Thistle. Again Thistle was forced to the floor. Within a few seconds of the opening of the final round, Thistle was noored and the round was definitely in Closey's favour. He was given the decision.

#### WELTERWEIGHTS.

L/Bdr. Wilson, 10.2 (4th) v. Gnr. Anderson, R. N., 10.2 (4th).—Wilson gave an exhibition of a dangerous left which, if it had landed, would have resulted in a K.O. The first round was winning with plenty of footwork. In the second round, Anderson was quick to take advantage of the opportunities offered by Wilson's over swing. Both men gave of their best.

The final round was more than willing and just on the gong, Anderson knocked Wilson to the floor. Wilson was adjudged the winner.

Gnr. Whelan, 10.6 (4th) v. Gnr. Anderson, G. H., 10.7 (5th).—Whelan put up some pretty work and soon sent Anderson to the boards. Both men fought well and gave a good exhibition. The second round was fought in silence, the audience expecting big things. Neither man had the advantage, but both fought well. The third round was fast and willing, Whelan being given the decision.

#### MIDDLEWEIGHT.

Sgt. Fairgray, 11.2 (6th) v. Gnr. Mullaney, 11.2 (6th).—Pretty one, two, three were the order of the day in this round, Fairgray sending them over fast, Mullaney covering up well and giving as good as he gave. The second round was fought all round the ropes, both men mixing it freely. At one second, one was landing heavy blows and the next, taking punishment. A pretty round. In the last round, Fairgray let Mullaney parade round him. Both men enjoyed their round. The bout went to Fairgray.

Gnr. Clark, 10.9 (4th) v. Gnr. Treacy, 10.10 (R.H.Q.).—Treacy took the fight to Clark from the first and soon drove him to the ropes. Clark put up a good defence. A willing round. Early in the second round, Treacy drew blood

and had Clark worried. Had Treacy made contact with one of his upper cuts, the fight would have finished in this round. The third round saw some pretty fighting, Clark rallying. Both men put up a good fight. Treacy's win was a popular one.

L/Bdr. Lindsay, 11.1 (5th) v. Bdr. Larson, 11.5 (5th).—Neither of these two contestants had been in the ring before, but put up a fine showing. No damage was done and yet a good round. In the second round, both men kept their audience in good humour with wit and clever action. The final round was a repetition of the other two, Larsen being awarded the decision.

Gnr. O'Connor, 10.11 (R.H.Q.) v. Gnr. Cardiff, 10.12 (5th).—This fight was keenly looked forward to and both men lived up to expectations, although the referee had to break them frequently. The first round was willing on both sides. The second round was very even, both men taking plenty of punishment and giving a good account of themselves. Early in the third round, O'Connor's glove gave trouble. The round was really fast and O'Connor won the decision.

#### LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT.

Gnr. Shuker, 11.11 (6th) v. Gnr. Wilde, 11.13 (5th).—Wilde took the fight to Shuker, who appeared to be waiting his chance. The round ended before any damage was done. The second round was much faster, Wilde still leading the fight. Twice Shuker was knocked to the ropes from which he rebounded asking for more. Early in the third round, Wilde drove Shuker to the ropes, making use of a wicked right to good advantage. Wilde won the bout.

Sgt. Burborough, 12st. (5th) v. Gnr. Ornberg, 12.5 (6th).—Both men mixed it freely in the first round, giving a good exhibition of scientific boxing. In the second round, it was one, two, three, from both men. Ornberg maintained his position in the centre of the ring. The third round was even faster, some pretty exhibition being given. Ornberg's win was a popular one.

#### SEMI FINALS.

#### MIDDLEWEIGHTS.

Bdr. Larson, 11.5 (5th) v. Gnr. O'Connor, 10.11 (R.H.Q.).—O'Connor led the fight all the way, although Larson put up a good showing and a magnificent spirit. In the second and third rounds, both men fought well. The fight went to O'Connor. A good exhibition fight.

#### LIGHTWEIGHT.

Sgt. Closey, 9.8 (6th) v. Gnr. Taylor, 9.7, (R.H.Q.).—Closey drove Taylor to the ropes with some very pretty fighting and twice forced him to the floor. In the second round, both men gave and took plenty of punishment. From the opening of the third round, Closey forced the pace, frequently driving Taylor to the ropes. Both men fought a good fight. A difference of opinion called for another round. In a fast

## OBITUARY

HON. LIEUT. W. H. BOWMAN

It is with very real regret that we report the death in Wellington of Hon. Lieut. W. H. Bowman. The news of his death came as a distinct shock to the Regiment. Lieut. Bowman at the time of his death was still conductor of the 2nd. Field Regimental Band. He was an old gunner of the Petone Navals, in later years of the 7th Medium Battery, and now 6th Battery. He was always interested in musical circles and his ready help and advice were always at the service of any young bandsman.

He was a prominent member of the Wellington Garrison Band under Capt. Herd, V.D., and when Capt. Herd died, succeeded to the conductorship.

Two of his sons were Sergeants in this Regiment and only recently left us to take up duties with other units. To them and the relatives of the late Lieut. Bowman the C.O., officers, n.c.o.'s and men of this Regiment extend their sincere sympathy.

The Regiment was represented at the funeral by Capt. I. H. B. Dixon and Bandsman F. Gamble.

rush, Closey almost threw himself out of the ring. Both men gave an excellent exhibition, Taylor being given the decision.

#### WELTERWEIGHT.

L/Bdr. Wilson, 10.2 (4th) v. Gnr. Whelan, 10.6 (4th).—The first round was very willing, both men fighting well and making a fast pace. In the second round, Wilson made the pace. An even round. The third round was a popular one with the audience, as was Whelan's win.

#### FINAL.

#### LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT.

Gnr. Wilde, 11.13 (5th) v. Gnr. Ornberg, 12.5 (6th).—This was a fast fight between evenly matched men despite difference in weight. The second round was a fine exhibition of scientific boxing, both men fighting well. The third round was the best exhibition given during the evening up to that time, and was fought with that willingness that betokens good boxers. The decision went to Ornberg.

#### FINAL.

#### MIDDLEWEIGHT.

Gnr. Treacy, 10.10 (R.H.Q.) v. Gnr. O'Connor, 10.11 (R.H.Q.).—In the opening of the first round, Treacy made the pace and O'Connor showed the effects of his previous two fights, although fighting doggedly. O'Connor forced the pace at the start of the second round, but was floored breaking from a clinch. A fast willing round. The third round was all fight from start to finish with Treacy having the advantage. Treacy was the winner.

Lt.-Col. Nolan selected Gnr. Whelan as the most scientific boxer of the evening. Col. Lowe presented the medal.

## ANSWER TO QUIZ

Some people have had difficulty in answering their "Quiz" forms. Here is a sample which should be useful for future reference:—

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ADDRESS: SECURITY HOTEL, Palmerston North.  
AGE: 100 years (still going strong.) DATE OF BIRTH: 31/4.  
HAVE YOU A RADIO: No — Have you?  
PROFESSION, TRADE, OCCUPATION: Alcoholic Chemist. RELIGION: Metho.  
MILITARY EXPERIENCE: Very Sticky.  
MARRIED OR SINGLE: Yes. CHILDREN UNDER 16: Not Known.  
SPORT ) SUMMER: Country Walks, 1st. Grade.  
( and )  
GRADE ) WINTER: Indoor, Low Grade. RIFLE No.: A Thousand Times, No!  
WHAT QUALIFICATIONS HAVE YOU? EDUCATIONAL: Kindergarten Certificate.  
ENTERTAINING: Very.  
HAVE YOU A DRIVING LICENSE: No. TYPE OF ENGINE: Beer Engine.  
CAN YOU SWIM 50 YARDS: Easy. NEXT-OF-KIN—NAME: Jno. Walker.  
ADDRESS NEXT-OF-KIN: White Horse Inn, Knocksem.  
HOW MUCH DO YOU ALLOT PER DAY & TO WHOM: All of it — to myself.  
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HOW MUCH DO YOU WISH TO DEFER PER DAY FROM YOUR PAY: I Wish I Could Defer £1.  
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