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wembleyes big battle of the heavyweights opened with kee a presentation to Tommy Farr. Sir Noel Curtis Bennett handed to our champion a salver casket in recognition of his great bid for the world title. And then the gong went for Round 1. Walter Neusel, wearing striped trunks and a bandage on his knee, went in bald-headed to atone for his defeat by Farr. Maurice Strickland of New Zealand was giving away over a stone in weight but he had the advantage of five years in age. Both men were going all out from the start ---

Round Two --- fierce exchanges marked the beginning of the round, and in the close-range fighting both accred with heavy blows to body and head, but even as early as this it was evident that both had a tremendous capacity for absorbing punishment.

In the next few rounds there was no real highlight ---- only the spectacle of two men in the pink of condition, throwing science to the wind and battering away at a human punching bag. Each was kningx trying to land a killer, and each took it lived through it

In Round Seven Referee Jack Smith interrupted the fight to caution Neusel. On the resumption of play they were at it again, swapping thunderous walleps that would have skyrocketed lesser men into the crowd. Nearing the end of this twelve round fight both Strickland and Neusel began to slow up, and there was more holding than a little. But still there's plenty of power behind those punches although neither can deliver the final message of good-bye.



Round 10 --- again the referee held up the fight for a word, and then once again they went into their dance, with both hands working like trip-hammers. Neusel forced the New Zealand boy back on to the ropes and he seemed to be in a tough spot, but strength and courage brought him safely out.

two young giants are pounding away with tireless energy. This time strickland gets Neusel on the ropes, but he can't put over the K.O.

battering ram is out to take anything that comes him if only he can get near enough to dish it out too. Neusel misses

bettering then with a colossal right to the jaw puts Strickland down. The New Zealand boy was up after a count of six and mental went in to kill. The trains fight finished in a whirl of battering fists. Neusel was the winner --- the referee gave him the verdict but the crowd roared disapproval. What do you think?

