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BRITISH YOUTH OUTBOX AMERICANS

The spirit of British Youth created a surprise in the International Amateur Boxing contest against America at Wembley's Sports Arena. First of the eight Britons to run up the victory flag was 20 year-old Scottish flyweight champ Gallagher in the white pants. Up against American Golden-Gloves winner John Arduini, in black pants, Southpaw Gallagher proved himself a fly-weight with a heavy's punch.

Arab victory visitors took a good look as Gallagher added one more to his string of 35 wins. A shipyard apprentice, Gallagher slugs and boxes his way to a win for the honour of the Clyde.

In a ringside seat Freddie Mills takes a busman's holiday. End of Round 3 and a classic finish to a game battle, with loser John Arduini showing no hard feelings.

America's coloured heavyweight Charles Lester saved his team from too tough a defeat. His terrific Joe Louis chopping punch battered Derby policeman, W.H. Biddows round the ring. 19 years old, and 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ stone, Lester's record shows 45 knock out wins in 58 fights. All out to add another to his total, he just couldn't make it - in Derby, they breed their policemen tough.

What a pasting - and Biddows is still taking it. He's down on the ropes and with all that punishment you'd think he'd stay there - but no - he's up and fighting back.

Talent-spotter Mills watched the Joe Louis style of coloured-boy Lester. Almost out on his feet, Biddows gave a display that got him voted the night's gamest loser. Up against a fighter with sleeping drops in both hands, how he stayed on his legs was a boxing miracle. It was Lester's fight from the first gong, and winner and loser rated a big hand from the ten thousand onlookers. With a 5 to 3 victory, eight young British fighters gave sportsmen over here their best tonic in months.