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Beaupre Again Loses Decision To Johnny Coe

Boston Fighter Gets 2-1 Verdict; Knockout Win Scored by Ward

Minus the full services of his powerful right hand which has always been his most destructive weapon, Buster Beaupre of Burlington failed in his attempt to even matters with youthful Johnny Coe of Boston last night at Memorial Auditorium as he dropped his second straight decision to the Hub belter.

Apparently favoring his lethal right, which he broke last summer, even though he passed the medical with flying colors, Beaupre was far from effective enough as he tried to pile the necessary points up with his left.

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Both Beaupre and Coe acted willing enough to slug it out, but time after time they ended up in clinches, continuing their body attacks from close in. Neither fighter was able to score a knockdown, even though both of them took several hard blows.


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The second preliminary went the full four rounds, but the decision was a unanimous for the cigar-smoking Cigar Kid, 133, of Montreal over Ossie Berry, 127, of Jonesville. Both men let loose with wild swinging attacks for the entire distance, but the Montreale's more damaging left gave him the advantage.

In one of the best bouts of the evening, young Paul Thibault, 128, of Montreal, came up with a fourth round knockout over Nick Roberts, 130, a colored boy from Boston. The Bostonian appeared to have a slight edge in the opening round, but the good-looking Canadian youngster evened it up in the second, went ahead with a punishing body attack in the third, and polished off his foe in 34 seconds of the fourth with a smashing right to the jaw.

Last night's show was the first one under the jurisdiction of the new Vermont Boxing Commission. Members of that body present were William Dailey of Bennington, chairman, and Joseph J. Brady of Burlington, secretary.