

Barnes takes decision

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Mount Vernon's Larry Barnes remained undefeated last night with a unanimous four-round decision of Glover Washington.

The 23-year-old Barnes, now 7-0 with four knockouts, scored repeatedly with short left hooks but couldn't drop Washington. A 29-year old New York City resident who hadn't boxed in five years, Washington's record went to 7-7.

"He hit me with some real solid shots. He's like a little Tyson," Washington said.

"Little Tyson" is Barnes' nickname because he's only 5-foot-5 and fights — like heavy-weight champion Mike Tyson — with black trunks and shoes and no socks.

The only mark on Barnes was a cut on his left eyelid, which he said came on a head butt.

The scoring, on a 10-point must system, was 40-36 by judges John Stewart and William Kostrub and 40-35 by judges Vinnie Rainone.

— Bill Varner