

NEW "HOPE" A MOTORDRIVER

JIM COFFEY COMPARATIVELY NEW TO RING.

Defeat of Gunboat Smith Brought Him Prominence.

James Coffey, the big Irishman who recently won a victory on points over Gunboat Smith, is called the Dublin Giant, though he never saw Dublin. But he is a true native of the old sod and his battle cry is "Faugh-a-baugh," which means clear the way, and Coffey implies thereby that it will be dangerous for any one to interfere with his ambition to become the heavy weight champion of the world.

Coffey's recent defeat of Gunboat Smith in New York brought him into the public eye. While many patrons of boxing know that the big Irish champion has steadily climbed up the



Photo by American Press Association
JIM COFFEY THE DUBLIN GIANT

pugilistic ladder, very few are aware of this fact—that he only arrived in America on April 14, 1910, and that in less than three years he has fought all of the important boxers except Jack Johnson and Jess Willard.

Coffey is twenty-four years old. He was born in Castleroa, Roscommon, Ireland. He stands six feet two and one-half inches and weighs 198 pounds in fighting trim. His reach is eighty-two inches—an unusual length.

It is not often that a policeman serves as tutor to a boxer. But it was a cop who was directly responsible for Coffey's advent into the game of fist-cuffs. How Coffey became a ring gladiator is best told in his own words.

"I landed in Boston on April 14, 1910," said Coffey. "I had some friends in Pawtucket, R. I., and that was my reason for taking the route to the Hub of culture. I was a big, green Irish lad at the time, with youth, health and strength as my chief assets in the struggle for a livelihood. I worked in a bleachery in Rhode Island until January, 1911, and then went to New York. In March of that year I obtained a job as a motorman on the Broadway trolley line. I worked as a motorman without the slightest thought of any other job until after Carl Morris and Jim Flynn had their memorable battle in Madison Square Garden.

"Jumbo Wells was the first fighter I ever boxed with in a gymnasium. We put the gloves on at the New Polo A. A. Wells did not know much about the game, and I knew less. All I knew was to swing my arms and bang away. I was so wild I nearly smashed my fingers. Then I put on the gloves with Carl Morris, who was training there, and he poked me in the face so often that I thought my head was on a swivel. But Newman liked my work, and he agreed to give me a bout with Nick Muller on Jan. 26, 1912. This was my first match in the ring.

"The New Polo club was packed the night of the bout. The tip had been passed around to come up and see a wild Irishman in action. Everybody took it as a joke, and it was one. I used my arms like flails. In one wild rally Muller and Referee Billy Moore were close together, and I knocked them both down with a fierce swing. Moore on top. The fans went wild, and some of them yelled 'Count them both out, Jim.' I didn't even know enough about the game to do that. I won in six rounds.

"Mind, all this time I did not know the least thing about boxing. But Newman was satisfied with me, and on March 15 he matched me with Soldier Kearns, a tough, hard hitting Brooklyn soldier, who was then at his best and one of the climbers in the heavyweight division. I lasted only a short time with him.

"That knockout proved a good lesson to me. I began to spar with men and tried to teach myself something about boxing."

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WALTER SMITH, HUNTER, KILLED BY CANADIAN SOLDIERS.



Walter Smith is the young man of Buffalo, who was shot to death by Canadian soldiers while he was hunting ducks on the Niagara river near Fort Erie, Can. International complications with Great Britain have been suggested as a result, but officials of both governments insist there will be no serious consequences.

Smith, with a friend Charles Dorsch, according to accounts of the affair, were out early in the morning. They took their boat over into the Canadian side of the river. The Fort Erie chief of police rushed to the bank to warn them off because it was closed season for hunting ducks in Canada. Later he called members of a military company from the fort. They fired on the two men in their boat, instantly killing Smith and wounding Dorsch.

GOSSIP OF THE WINTER LEAGUE.

Willbert Robinson will take his rookies and regulars to Daytona, Fla., next spring to get into shape to catch the Braves. Augusta was turned down by the Dodgers.

Unquestionably the farmers will not be able to make their annual complaint of the dearth of hands next summer if the different leagues keep cutting down the limit of players on their clubs.

Now that Jimmy Austin has jumped to the Federal league, Branch Riekey of the Browns will be under the painful necessity of finding another slinger who is willing to manage a baseball team on the Sabbath.

Eleven men in the American league were acutely unhappy for protracted periods during the race last season. One has only to look under the hit batsmen column of Walter Johnson's pitching average to confirm the fact.

The White Sox will start out on their training trip to the coast on Feb. 12. Comiskey wishes his charges to get an early start, so as to be in good playing condition for several exhibition games which he hopes to arrange for the beginning of the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Harry Howell, one of the best pitchers in the American league when he was with St. Louis, has signed to umpire in the Federal league. Jeff Johnston of the American association staff and Louis Fife of the Western league will also umpire for the Feds next season.

George Stallings, speaking of the March 1 training camp rule, said that he had extended invitations to most of the Braves to visit his southern plantation early next spring and that he could not prevent any of them limbering up with a baseball if they felt so inclined.

There is a possibility that George Stallings may give Jack Coombs a trial next spring. The "miracle man" was the only manager in the big show who did not at once waive claim to the once formidable Athletic twirler. Coombs, who is a free agent, is anxious to come back with the Braves.

May Get Gotch to Wrestler.

Emil Klank, for several years Frank Gotch's trainer and chief adviser, is spending some time in Humboldt, Ia., visiting the champion. He declares that it is merely a visit, but those who know the habits of Klank believe that he has some choice offer up his sleeve to present to Gotch in hopes of coaxing the big wrestler back for some more big money. Gotch has done no real active wrestling for some time though constantly keeping him in physical shape.

Jack Burke is Suspended.

As a result of the recent bout between Mike Gibbons and Bob Mohr at Hudson Wis. The state boxing commission has suspended Jack Burke (nicknamed) Mohr with a child when the referee named Gibbons. He was notified to appear before the commission, but failed to do so. The suspension followed.

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CONVICT HELP IS ASKED FOR

AUTOMOBILE FRATERNITY HAS ROAD PLAN.

See in Convict Labor, Solution for Old Oregon Trail Road.

Union County's Automobile club is proposing that Governor Withycombe's plan to work state convicts on the roads of the state be accepted in promoting the Lincoln highway through Eastern Oregon. The Automobile club will confer with the Commercial club in a few days and attempt to get before the present legislature a small tax levy to cover the convict labor expense.

It is understood here that the Multnomah delegation is in favor of such a tax in spite of the fact that Multnomah county has already built its share of the Lincoln highway up the Columbia river. The Old Oregon trail is to be followed by the highway when it is built through Eastern Oregon, and maps showing the location of the road through Union county have already been filed with the state highway commissioner.

The automobile people believe the license fees will be collected and retained in each county hereafter, and these funds thus accruing, coupled with a small state tax levy, could pay for construction of the permanent Lincoln highway from Huntington to The Dalles with convict labor.

Members of the Commercial club are cogitating on the scheme and admit it looks feasible. No final action has been taken to date on the proposition by that organization however.

The map, already filed, picks up the road where Baker county leaves off at North Powder and brings it to Union, then to Union station, follows the foothill road to the mouth of Ladd creek, then across the valley to the McKennon ranch, then west to the Maccaam on East Adams avenue, then up Adams to Second, North to the Rivera school, then up the canyon Kamelaward.

GIRLS PLAY BALL.

M. I. A. Girls to Contest Haines Asgregation This Evening.

The girls' basketball team of the M. I. A. association left today on No. 6 for Haines where they play the Haines high school team this evening. The lineup of the locals will be: Irma Geddes c; Grace Carbine and Cella Burns, guards; Jennie Ains-

QUIT MEAT WHEN KIDNEYS BOTHER

Take a glass of Salts before breakfast if your Back hurts or Bladder is troubling you.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which excites the kidneys, they become overworked from the strain, get sluggish and fail to filter the waste and poisons from the blood, then we get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, dizziness, sleeplessness and urinary disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

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—Adv.

worth, Nellie Kennedy and Blanch Black forwards. Those who know the efficiency of the M. I. A. girls at basketball do not expect defeat for the team tonight.

Duck Season Closes Today.

Today, January 15, is the last day of the open season for ducks. Under the federal law the migratory water fowl will be given protection from the hunters after January 15.

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