

PACKEY IS AT TOP OF CORBETT'S LIST

Ritchie Second-Best Lightweight, According to ex-Champion Heavyweight.

JOE RIVERS IS NUMBER 13

Shugrue-White Battle Does Not Alter Opinion of Them as Fifth and Sixth in Ring Ability. Jim Picks Up Stories.

Although he feels that a lot of critics will arise in angry wrath and pour him on the pan for many moons to come, James Corbett has given his opinion of the present crop of lightweights in the order of their worthiness.

The list of the best men in the 123-pound class, according to Jim's classification, is as follows:
Packey McFarland, No. 1.
Willie Hitchcock, No. 2.
Jack Britton, No. 3.
Freddie Welsh, No. 4.
Young Shugrue, No. 5.
Charlie White, No. 6.
Johnny Dundee, No. 7.
Joe Mandot, No. 8.
Young Saylor, No. 9.
Gilbert Gallant, No. 10.
Leach Cross and Joe Rivers are Nos. 11 and 12. The choice first appeared in an Eastern paper, and Corbett yesterday said that it still stood and that as yet he had no reason to change it. Asked about the recent Shugrue-White fight in New York, he replied: "Although, of course, I did not see the battle, I am firm in my belief that Shugrue is the better man, as you will see by my classification. I rate Shugrue above the Chicago boys."

Corbett Gathers Many Stories.

In his 25 years' experience as an actor, Corbett has gathered a wealth of humorous stories of his travels. Jim likes nothing better than to tell of his various experiences while touring the country as a thespian. It is not everyone who knows just how long James has been appearing behind the footlights. He himself is authority for the number of years mentioned above.

When the former heavyweight champion started out to follow the profession of amusing others by taking to the stage, he broke in a landing Jim Corbett yesterday. "I was one time a leading man for a stock company," said Jim. "The former champion has a keen sense of humor and tells a joke on himself now and then. Being with a number of stage celebrities nearly caused me to be chased out of the Washington Hotel in Seattle two years ago. I was on a trip out this way," said Jim.

"There were four of us in the party that went to secure room at the Seattle hotel. Each member of the party was a headliner at four different theaters in the Washington city."

"The party consisted of David Warfield, who has been a successful actor in the Hill; Dr. Cook, who was being headlined in vaudeville following his reported discovery of the North Pole; Lillian Langtry, the famous English comedienne, and Corbett."

Click Thinks They Are Jokers.

These four walked up to the desk and signed the register. The clerk gave them the "once over" and appeared very much inclined not to give the party accommodations. Thinking that it was a party of practical jokers trying to have some fun at his expense.

"I was standing in front of the theater this afternoon," said Corbett, much in the same manner he does when giving his turn before the footlights, "and I noticed two youngsters admiring the lawyer although myself on the side of the theater."

"Is that really Corbett?" asked one of the other. "You bet it is," answered the other questioner. "I saw the show." "What does Corbett do?" asked the questioner again.

"Oh, he just comes out and talks for a while," said the answerer. "Is the rest of the show any good?" the one doing the questioning inquired. "Why, sure; Jim don't hurt that any," the other replied.

Boxing Briefs.

The Dundee-Cross bout has been postponed until January 15.

Buffalo fans think that Jack Twin Sullivan should get a match with Jim Flynn and an endeavor is being made to bring these old gladiators together.

Sailor Burke, who has turned man-slayer since retiring from the ring, has 20 boxes under his wing.

Red Watson is scheduled to meet Willie Beecher at Columbus, O., the latter part of the month.

Arranging bouts in New York is proving easy for promoters these days. There are a number of boxers flocking in from the Coast.

Charley Mitchell, Jr., son of the famous British heavyweight, is reported as having joined the army.

"One-Round" Davis' match with Tony Ross at Rochester was called off when Flynn beat Davis.

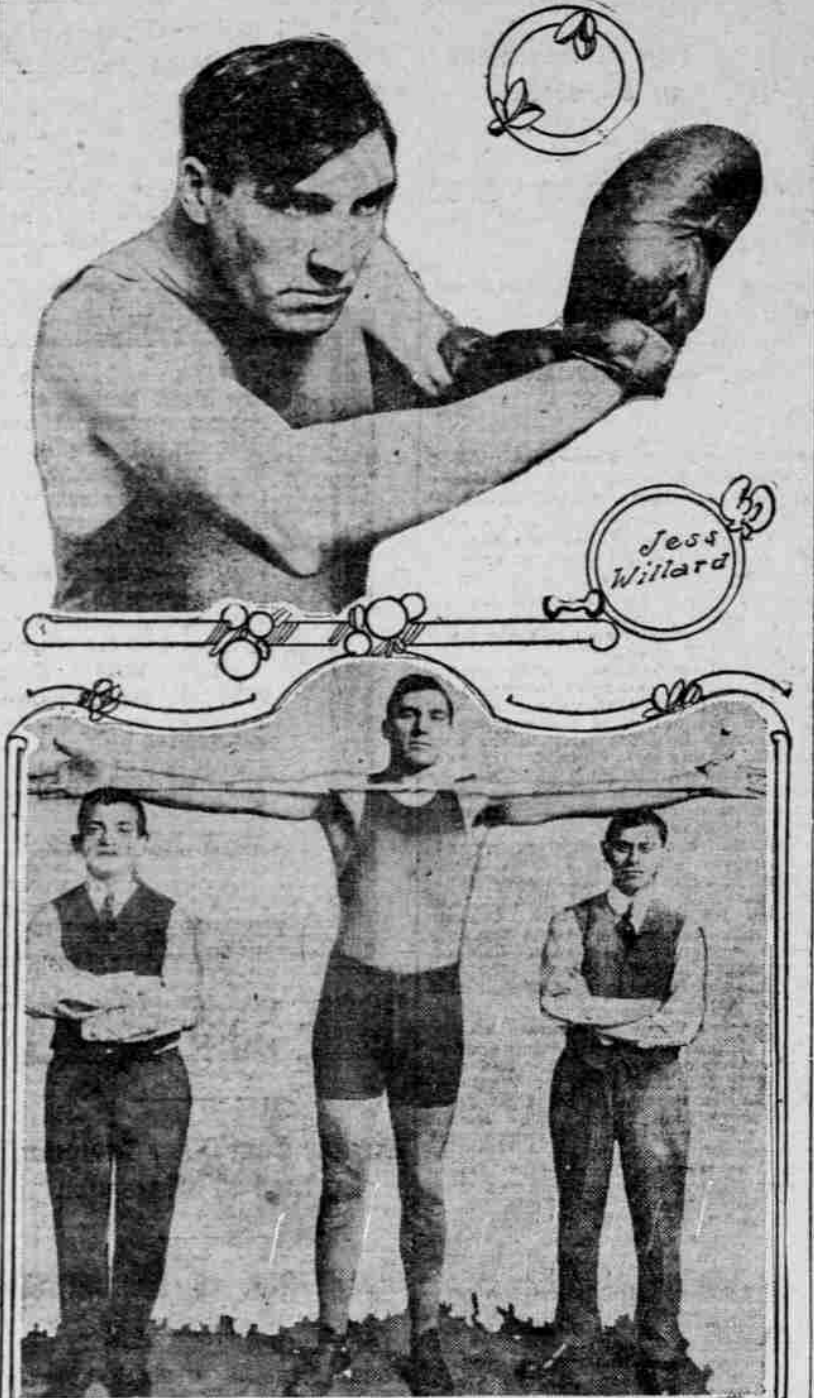
James J. Corbett is more than 43 years old, although he doesn't look a day older than 35.

The papers in Portland, Me., announce that a Boston syndicate is going to make an attempt to open the boxing game in Maine.

It is said that a Milwaukee promoter, whose name is not mentioned, intends to try to stage popular-priced boxing cards in that city in the future.

Jimmy Clabby's manager says a syndicate is anxious to have his boy meet young Ahern next month in New Orleans.

CHARACTERISTIC POSES OF GIANT "WHITE HOPE" WHO MEETS JACK JOHNSON IN JUAREZ, MEXICO.



Height 6 Feet 6 Inches. Reach 81 Inches. Picture Shows Comparison with Average Size Men.

2 TITLES AT STAKE

Westover and South Portland Juniors Meet Today.

LIGHTWEIGHTS THEN PLAY

Western Club and Albina Football Teams to Clash Third Time for Championship on Same Ground That Juniors Use.

Prompt Start Necessary.

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WILLARD NOT AFRAID

"White Hope" Sure He Can Get Title From Johnson.

EYES ARE ONLY ON BELT

Lesser Fighters to Be Ignored Till Negro Is Whipped and Honors Returned to Race—Early Part of Career Is Recalled.

Jess Willard, the Oklahoma giant, who is to battle with Jack Johnson for the heavyweight title, seems confident that he can wrest the title from Johnson. Once won Willard then will turn his endeavors to putting a "crimp" in a few of the boxers whose managers now are throwing slurs at him.

Recently the big "white hope" was asked to write a story about himself. The gist of it follows: "I believe that a white heavyweight champion of the world would do more to boost boxing than if the title were held by a colored man. Even Johnson will admit the truth of that argument and other good sports boxers, like Jeannette and Langford, have acknowledged that Johnson, being the champion, put a damper on the game. At present the slurs are being printed about me a lot of stories in which fight managers want to know why I will not fight their charges. Here is the only answer after one particular goal—Jack Johnson.

"It might be added, for the benefit of managers who are trying to get publicity through me, that their slurs have no effect on me. When I get through with the Johnson fight, and if fortune favors me, I will have no no trouble in getting engagements.

Much Expense Already Incurred.

"Turning to the question of taking an outside chance before I meet Johnson, it is easy to show how foolish such a move would be. In the first place, Jack Curley and Tom Jones were under heavy expense to arrange this match.

A few weeks ago Curley made a hurried trip across the ocean to get Johnson's signature to the articles. Jones has been getting up all the day, and Curley is working so hard that the time of the battle was definitely decided upon, the principal part of the program can be arranged without any time being lost.

"Then, again, I must impress that to stage this affair will cost at least \$50,000 and a syndicate arranged to furnish all the financial backing necessary. "When it is realized what a sum of money is being expended and what a sum will be expended one can easily see how foolish it would be for me to risk getting hurt by meeting heavyweights who are now yelling for a fight with me. I am sound in honor and the gentlemen who are risking their money and time to give me the chance of winning the title from Johnson. Few realize that the heavyweight mean to me, and I never obtained a penny for performing the feat, I would feel amply paid for bringing the title back to the white race.

Wanted Dared to Fight.

"I was in Oklahoma City about this time looking for a new start. I attended a boxing match, and while seated watching the boxers fight, I felt like I had stepped out of the game. I decided to tackle some of the boys who were knocking me around. I was introduced to Carl Morris, a newspaper reporter, and he gave me a chance to win the title from Johnson. I blurted out to him that he could not lick me, and I was ready to prove it. A fight was made up, and I went to the arena with Johnson.

Willard's Record Recalled.

Color, white; born, December 29, 1887, Pottsville, Pa.; height, 6 feet 7 inches; reach, 85 inches. Rds. K. Ed Burke, El Reno, Okla., 1913. K. Al Mendino, Oklahoma City, 1913. K. Bill Schiller, Oklahoma City, 1913. K. Bill Schiller, Oklahoma City, 1913. K. W. Frank Lyon, El Paso, Okla., 1912. K. John Young, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1912. K. George Bodin, New Haven, Conn., 1912. K. One Round Davis, Buffalo, 1912. K. Carl Morris, New York, 1912. K. Dan Daly, Buffalo, 1912.

Players' Union Cards Do Not Bear Labor Label.

Zinn Beck, of St. Louis Cardinals, Draws Attention of President of Fraternity to Oversight.

Zinn Beck, the St. Louis Cardinal

third baseman, who before turning to baseball for a livelihood, was a member of the Glassblowers' Union, is being asked to draw attention to an oversight of his local recently joined the Ball Players' Fraternity. On receipt of his membership card, Beck gave it the "double O" and was almost pleased with surprise when he found that the printing had been done by a firm which didn't stamp its work with the union label.

ONE MORNING'S CATCH BY THREE PROMINENT FISHERMEN OF PORTLAND.



LEFT TO RIGHT: DR. E. C. MCFARLAND, L. H. DART AND JOHN DRENNAN WITH THEIR 115 1/2 POUNDS OF STEELHEAD TROUT.

SANDY TROUT RUN

Three Anglers Land Eight Big Steelheads.

CATCH IS 115 1/2 POUNDS

Dr. E. C. McFarland, John Drennan and L. H. Hart Make Unusual Record—Best Place to Fish Reported Near Revenue Bridge.

Disciples of Isaac Walton in and about Portland now are in all their glory, as the steelhead trout are running in the Sandy River, as well as several other streams of the state. Ever since the first of the new year the fish have been sought after by the various fishermen, and last Sunday was the big day for three well-known local hook-and-line artists. Eight steelheads weighing 115 1/2 pounds were caught by Dr. E. C. McFarland, John Drennan and L. H. Hart on the Sandy River. The largest tipped the beam at 21 pounds and the smallest was better than seven pounds. They made this remarkable catch on Sandy River near the mouth of the Bull Run River. The same party has been made up and will leave for the same spot again today.

Among the various streams good for steelheads the Sandy and Nehalem are the best. Preference is given to the Sandy because of its proximity to Portland. When a fisherman wants to go to the Nehalem it requires two extra days to get one day's sport, and then one is taking a chance of not setting anything.

One day is necessary to get to a good place on the Nehalem and one day must be taken to make the return trip, but by making a journey a three-day affair. If the fish are running good a catch of six or eight steelheads is nothing.

The best place to fish on the Sandy River is located about 35 miles from Portland in an easterly direction. Most of the lovers of the sport get off at Bull Run station and walk about a mile and a half to what is known as Revenue bridge.

Heard on the Links

FRANCIS OULMET is playing hockey this Winter and is captain of a team in Brookline, Mass.

Oulmet believes that a golfer should take up some kind of outdoor exercise. He plays hockey and favors hockey as developing more golf muscles than any other game.

In England (the great Winter game for golfers) is curling. A great many clubs have ice ponds for curling in this country.

Not a word has been received from the English pros about their intended invasion of America this coming year. There is a disposition on the part of the English pros to refrain from making any plans for future golf either at home or abroad. Although when the open championship is staged next year, Vardon is almost a certainty that Taylor will be present and possibly Taylor will be present.

A well-known writer on golf in an endeavor to give his idea as to the number of golf clubs in the United States says that in his opinion there were 490,000 in 1913. The total error in this estimate was so great, so that it appeared 48,000. This estimate of the number of clubs in the country has for years been the basis for estimating the number of golfers.

Many golf enthusiasts are members of the United States Golf Association, about 400. They are of course only a small percentage of the total number of the smaller clubs. Of that class it is impossible to get an accurate count. Practically every Summer and Winter resort offers some sort of a golf course to its guests and it is not long ago placed the number of clubs in the States at 2500. Taking that number as a basis and figuring that each club has an active membership of 200 or more, it would result in 500,000 individuals. But that does not include players on public courses. The increase in golf is constant and the number of clubs is being abandoned because of real estate encroachments three new ones are laid out. But even where clubs do not close, as in the case of the one at Princeton, they promptly affiliate themselves with other clubs and continue to drive, fiddle and sometimes swear.

George Bouse, who was one of our best home-bred professionals, some years ago has announced his intention of applying to the United States Golf Association for reinstatement as an amateur.

It has now been five years since he has played golf professionally. He was pro for the Field and Marine Club and later instructor at the preparatory school at Lawrenceville, N. J., which is part of the Princeton University.

Bouse has been playing a great deal of late at the Stratton County Club, where he recently made a 535-yard hole in three. To get the three it was necessary to hole out with a long mashie shot.

PERMIT LAW REPEALED

VOIDED SAN FRANCISCO BOXING ORDINANCE WIPED OUT.

Promoters in Doubt as to Procedure to Arrange Amateur Bouts Under Terms of Act Recently Passed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.—(Special.)—An echo of the past came to mind this week when the supervisors repealed the ordinance relating to the issuance of boxing permits. The new law prohibiting anything more than four-round amateur cards rendered void the city ordinance, and the supervisors are anxious to have a few such measures as possible on the books.

This is probably a forerunner to some action that may be taken to regulate the four-round game. According to an opinion of the City Attorney the supervisors can impose a license for four-round bouts, but cannot otherwise regulate that sport. In brief, they cannot say how many clubs are to be permitted to exist.

There have been 1215 Olympic shows given as yet and the promoters seem to be in a quandary as to just how they are to proceed. There is a chance for some money to be made with the amateurs, but the promoters are inclined to await developments. In fact, it will be no surprise if they hold back until after the legislature has been through its session.

It is gossip that there will be a measure before the solons prohibiting Sunday baseball. This reform bill is said to emanate from Southern California. It is hardly likely that it will pass, but even the fact that such a measure is introduced is likely to cause the magnates some uneasy moments. Without Sunday baseball the Pacific Coast League would be in a tight tangle to get by.

There is also talk that there will be an effort made to permit a limited amount of racing as it exists in New York at the present time or by way of the pari-mutuel machines. The harness horse interests are said to be backing this scheme and will push it along if they get any encouragement.

College Chatter

A WINNING football team or proficiency in other sports cannot be classed as a valuable asset for a college. Disputing what he said was a prevalent belief that athletic success increased the number of students and thus a financial asset, President Drake expressed the opinion that it was "merely an incident pleasing to undergraduates and alumni, without appreciable effect on the student attendance."

Charley Brickley, Eddie Mahan, Westmore Wilcox, Jr., Dick Harte and Ernie Soucy are five of the Harvard men who may be graduated with the proud distinction of having attained the "H" in three major sports, as has "Back" Hardwick. If Brickley succeeds in making the position of catcher on the varsity nine in the Spring, and Harvard should then proceed to take two out of three games from Yale, Brickley would be a four-gold-ball man.

Charley Brickley, who has received several flattering offers to coach football teams, has declined them all, but he has accepted a position as coach of the Harvard basketball team.

BOYS WHO REACHED MOUNT HOOD FIRST IN 1915; SPORT ON SKIS AND SNOWSHOES.



WILLIAM W. EVANS AND FRED J. NEIDERMEYER.

To reach Mount Hood first in 1915, the distinction belonging to William W. Evans and Fred J. Neidermeyer, 20-year-old youths of Portland, outfitted with skis and snowshoes they left Portland New Year's day for Pleasant Home by rail. The 25 miles to Rhododendron was covered on foot.

The next day the boys proceeded to Government Camp. Here they skied and snowshoed until late in the day, when they returned to Rhododendron. A brisk 21-mile walk next day brought them to Bull Run, where they boarded a train for Portland. They report skiing at its prime in the vicinity of Government Camp, with snow from 10 inches to a foot deep.

PLAYER QUITS GAME FOR GIRL

Cy Young Refuses to Leave Home Even for Good Contract.

A shortstop named Cy Young who stood third in batting in the Michigan State League last season is going to give up baseball rather than leave the town of Cadillac, Mich.

Cy hit for .308 last season, and led all the shortstops in his league. At the end of the season he was sold to the Kansas City Club of the American Association. A liberal contract was offered to him, but as Cy is not yet 21 the natives of Cadillac predicted that he would make a name for himself in the National game.