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JIM CORBETT STILL IN FAVOR

THE ACTOR-FUGILIST TALKS ABOUT HIS NEW PLAY CALLED "FALS," WHICH WAS WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR HIM—HAS NOT RETIRED FROM RING.

Jim Corbett, who is doing a monologue act at Boston this week, says that he is a better attraction as a loser than as a winner of a fight. His popularity is certainly greater than ever. He says: "It seems to me as though the people take to me more after I have suffered defeat than they did when I became the world's champion. You would hardly believe it, but it is a fact that managers of the better class of vaudeville houses would rather play me as a loser than a winner of a fight."

When asked if he had given up the boxing business, he replied: "There is no fun in prize fighting, but I haven't retired from the ring yet. Now I fight only for what advertising there is in it, and that is my explanation to many people who ask me why I haven't retired. I have been getting as high as \$1,000 a week in vaudeville, and can make more money on the stage than I ever could by fighting. Whether I win or lose a fight I am well advertised, and it is the advertising I need. It keeps me before the public and holds up my name in the vaudeville line."

Just now Corbett is "doing" the cities large and small preparatory to throwing up the vaudeville sponge next June at the St. Louis exposition. He will then come to New York to engage a company and begin rehearsing a "new comedy drama." He will be the star of "Fals."

"Fals" is a "scrapping" play, and it is the "scrapping" scene that is expected to give Corbett his opportunity. Corbett tells the story thus: "Two college chaps, great friends, are in love with the same girl. One marries the girl and lives happily. The other fellow continues to love her. One night the friends dine together at the married pal's home. The husband leaves his friend and wife for a time. He returns to hear his wife upbraid his friend for making love to her. He strikes his former friend, and then follows a 'terrible fight.'"

"I shall play the part of the husband, and have to select a man to play the part of the false friend. He must be a husky fellow, for he will have plenty of work."

"Well, as I was saying, I strike my friend and he defends himself by grabbing an empty champagne bottle off the diningroom table. He throws it at me and I dodge it. The bottle strikes the electric chandelier and shatters into a thousand pieces more than 50 electric light globes. We clinch and I give him a few punches, when he breaks away and rushes once more to the diningroom table, picking up another empty champagne bottle. This he hurls at me the same as he did the first bottle."

"Being a good dodger, the bottle misses me, but lands in the center of a mirror over the mantelpiece. The mirror is broken and the pieces of glass cover the stage. We come together in a clinch, and, roughing it around the room, overturn the furniture. The diningroom table is overturned and everything on it goes to smash. The chairs receive our attention next and away they go."

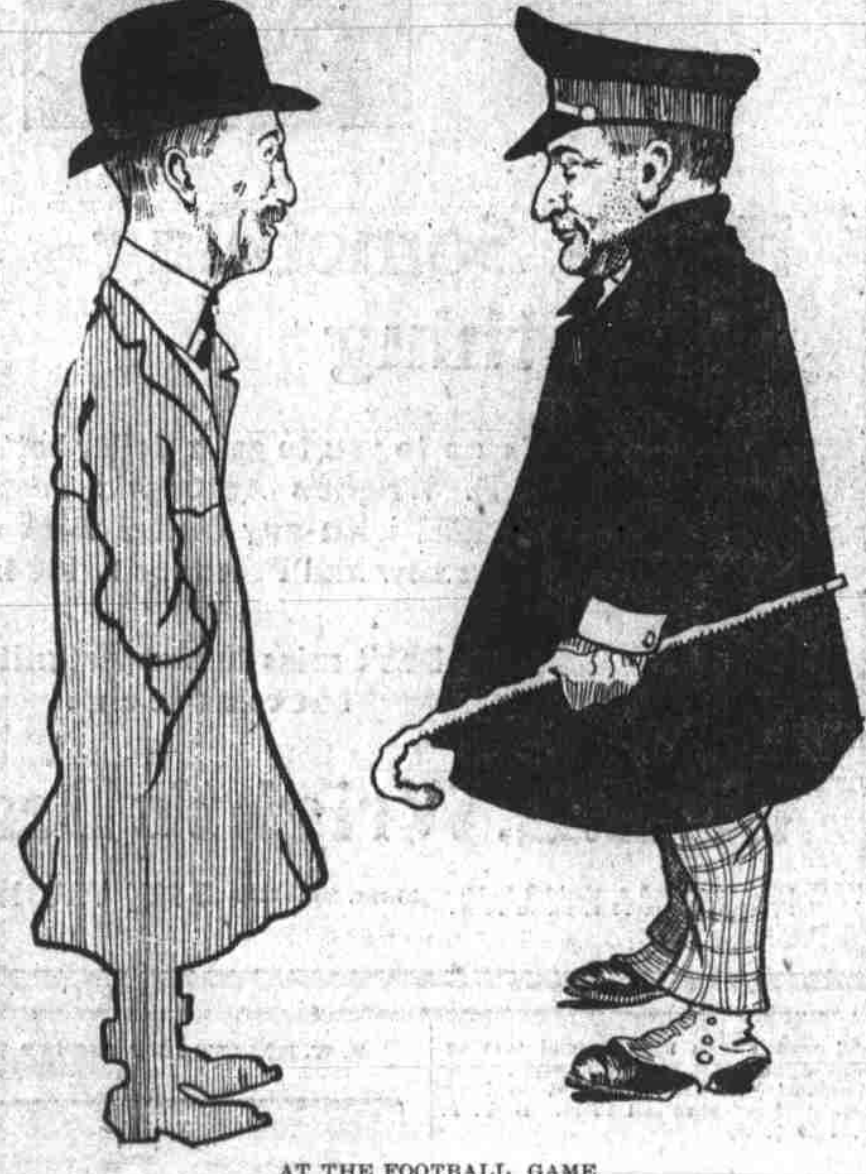
"We fight along until we reach the stairway, and in our struggles the balustrade gives away. We fall to the floor, and the fight continues until I have conquered my pal, and he is downed. This is the end of the act. I expect this scene, which is an expensive one in breakage, will cause a sensation, and I believe it is strong enough to carry the play."

YOUNG PETER JACKSON WINS

Baltimore, Jan. 2.—Young Peter Jackson, of this city, knocked out "Cyclone Hill" Larry of Philadelphia last evening in the fifth round of their contest.

McGOVERN TO MEET JACK O'NEILL

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 2.—Jack O'Neill, of this city, is to face Terry McGovern in a six-round bout tonight at the National Athletic club. O'Neill is considered one of the toughest men for his weight in Philadelphia. He is a clever hitter with both hands and his followers and admirers among the Quaker City sporting element expect him to put up a stiff argument before the ex-champion.



AT THE FOOTBALL GAME.

BALL PLAYERS ON THE "WATER WAGON"

Philadelphia, Jan. 2.—Only a few weeks will elapse before all the ball players will be singing that classic which Frank Daniels has made famous, "I'm on the Water Wagon Now." That doesn't imply that all ball players, or even any ball player, ever is seen on any chariot except that of the water wagon, but then as the training season approaches the occasional glass of malt extract is dropped for ice cream soda and saraparilla.

"Don't believe that ice cream soda story? queried the New York Evening Telegram. It's a fact, nevertheless. When the Cincinnati were in the South last season for their spring training such liquids as beer and similar compounds were out of the question owing to the heat. The water didn't happen to be very good in several of the cities which they visited and they contracted the ice cream soda habit."

It is said that it was one of the most inspiring sights of the South to see "Jake" Beckley and "Cy" Seymour charge the soda water fountain at the same time. "Cy" went through all the gamut of flavors. He tried everything from pineapple to ginger. Finally he fell back to saraparilla because it came out of the faucet brown and reminded him of the days in Albany when he was accustomed to squander his boyhood nickels on brown pop.

Beckley was very fond of strawberry flavor. One night he drank half a dozen ice cream sodas and the next day found him delivering a lecture to the others of the Cincinnati team on the foolishness of men wasting their substance on liquors that might intoxicate, when by drinking ice cream soda they were nourishing the system as well as quenching their thirst. It is said, however, that when Beckley returned North he postponed his lectures on "Why Soft Drinks Are the Proper Things" until the players shall get South again this year.

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MAINTAINS ITS UNBROKEN RECORD

THE MULTNOMAH ELEVEN DEFEATS THE ALL-STAR AGGREGATION FROM RELIANCE ATHLETIC CLUB BY THE SCORE OF 18 TO 0—CLUBMEN ELATED.

Multnomah, 18; Reliance, 0. The New Year's day crowd which assembled at Multnomah Field yesterday afternoon to witness the struggle for the gridiron supremacy between the local clubmen and the crack California aggregation representing the Reliance club of Oakland was treated to a surprise at the ease with which the locals defeated the visitors.

At only one time during the entire contest was the local's goal in danger, and that was shortly before the end of the first half, when California managed to work within 12 yards of Multnomah's goal. For a team of individual players the visitors are certainly one of the finest that has played here this year, but they displayed but little team work or concentrated defense or offensive plays. Costly fumbles were also in evidence, especially those of Holt, who officiates as quarterback. This player is really an end and his mistakes at the responsible position he occupied yesterday are therefore to be condoned.

The bright and shining feature of the Californians' play was the work of the Giant Cavanaugh. Right Tackle Hamilton, and Fullback Heitmuller. The others played well, and had they had the advantage of a few weeks' more practice together their showing would have been much better.

Murphy the Star. Of the locals, Chester Murphy was the bright particular star, while Dolph, Pratt, Corbett, Valentine, Ross and Kirkley gave him a close run for the honors. The tackling of the Multnomah ends, Hamilton, Jordan and Kerrigan, who succeeded Jordan, was especially brilliant. Gile is a star player of no mean ability as he easily proved in the early part of yesterday's contest.

The officials, Messrs. Downs and Baby, gave excellent service, their decisions being eminently fair and rendered without prejudice.

DETAIL OF GAME

When the teams lined up on the field the majority of the spectators expected to see the Reliance team walk away with the local clubmen, but it was soon apparent that Multnomah had the edge. The play that started the Multnomah enthusiasts' hopes to rising was when Pratt went through the California line like a catapult for the necessary yardage on the first down, after Multnomah had secured the ball on Graves' fumble of the sphere when Reliance was plunging toward the local's goal shortly after the kickoff. The ball frequently changed hands after it was secured by Multnomah, and Murphy and Heitmuller delighted the spectators by some splendid punting.

Multnomah Penalties. Multnomah tried a quarterback run when inside the distance limit, and the ball was brought back to where the play started, Murphy having made a 15-yard run.

It was shortly after this penalty that Heitmuller made a beautiful punt and Murphy carried the ball back to the 40-yard line before being downed. Murphy then tried the quarterback run successfully, gaining 11 yards.

Cavanaugh's Great Work. Here splendid defensive work by the giant Cavanaugh, assisted by Hamilton, New and Gaffey, the visitors held the clubmen for downs. Goshen went through for 10 yards, right off the reel, but the clubmen braced, splendid work on the part of Gile, Ross and Kirkley. Reliance again secured the ball, and with successive gains, Gile, Pratt, Corbett, Dolph and Valentine carrying the ball.

Local Clubmen Gain. They brought the ball to California's 7-yard line, where the visitors made a strong defense, but the clubmen got together and forced Corbett over for the first touchdown. Murphy then kicked goal successfully.

Reliance, by a series of excellent plays, succeeded in getting the ball as far as Multnomah's 15-yard line, when the whistle blew for the first half.

Second Half Starts. The clubmen started the second half, when after Murphy's return punt of Cavanaugh's kickoff was blocked they secured the ball and sent Pratt through for three downs, which netted some 18 yards.

Reliance secured the ball shortly after a fumble and Hamilton went through for eight yards, but another fumble by Holt cost the visitors the ball, and Murphy punted to Holt, who marked the catch and was awarded 15 yards.

The clubmen braced themselves and on two successive attempts at yardage by Hamilton and Graves were thrown back for losses, and Heitmuller's attempted punt was blocked by Ross, who secured the ball. Then Multnomah started in and by a series of slung and end runs succeeded in sending Dolph over for the second touchdown. The Multnomah rooters went wild at this stage and pandemonium reigned.

Holt's Costly Fumble. The third touchdown was made when Holt fumbled on the Californians' 18-yard line and Dolph picking up the ball went over for a touchdown without opposition.

There remained 10 minutes' more of play after the local's last score, and after an interesting struggle the contest finally ended with the ball in Multnomah's possession. Reliance's 20-yard line. The final score was 18 to 0. The teams lined up as follows:

Table listing player names and positions for Reliance and Multnomah. Reliance: Position, Multnomah. Bacon, L. E. R., Jordan, Kerrigan, Martin, L. T. R., Gaffey, L. G. R., Gile, Van Voorhies, Cavanaugh, R. T. L., Grieve, New, Smock, R. G. L., Ross, Hamilton, R. E. L., Kirkley, Lewitt, R. E. L., Blanchard, Holt, L. H. R., Murphy, Goshen, L. H. R., Corbett, Graves, R. H. L., Dolph, McMillan, Heitmuller, F., Valentine.

Score—Multnomah, 18; Reliance, 0. Touchdowns—Corbett and Dolph (2). Goals—Murphy 3. Umpire—Frank J. Raley. Referee—Arthur Dwyer. Time—Thirty-minute halves. Timekeepers—Smith of Reliance and Ed C. Johnson of M. A. A. Club.

THE WEBBER STUDIO

Banjo, mandolin, guitar instructions, 173 West Park, Phone Main 2933.

TOM SHARKEY ANXIOUS TO MEET MUNROE

New York, Jan. 2.—That Tom Sharkey intends to be in shape when he tackles Jack Munroe is evident by the manner in which the sailor has plunged into his training. Having signed articles and posted forfeits, Sharkey immediately decided that the next best thing to do was to begin work, and yesterday he took a laund around Central Park, accompanied by his trainers, Tom Riley and Kid Grillo.

It was the first road work that the sailor had taken in some time, but he seemed to have his old-time burst of speed, which made it difficult for those who had accompanied him to hold the pace.

Sharkey does not intend to lose any valuable time between now and the battle, which is to take place within two months. It is not his first experience in city training, having done preparatory road work around the park in several of his previous matches.

This afternoon he will add to his training schedule by taking up his gymnasium exercise. He will do his work at Riley's gymnasium on Twenty-third street, after which he will take up his quarters at Sheepshead Bay, where he will remain until a battle ground is selected for his go with Munroe.

Sharkey, although confident that he will defeat Munroe, intends to take no chances with the minor, as a victory will give him an opportunity to meet Jeffries for the championship.

'VARSITY TEAM DEFEATS MILITIA

Eugene, Jan. 2.—Yesterday afternoon the University of Oregon and Comby C basketball teams played a fine exhibition game at the armory. The 'Varsity team won by a narrow margin of two points, the score being 16 to 14. There was a large holiday crowd present. The contest was exciting and the many brilliant plays were loudly applauded.

The teams lined up as follows: U. of O. Co. C. Jasper, C. Ford, R. Thayer, J. Ford, W. Hogg, R. L. Muthersbaugh, McClain, J. Farrington, Bean, G. Callison.

PREPARING FOR COMING RYAN-O'BRIEN BATTLE

Philadelphia, Jan. 2.—The bids which have come in for the Tommy Ryan-Jack O'Brien fight will be opened between the first and fifth of January. So far offerings for the fight have come from Conside's club, Metropolitan Athletic club of Detroit; a San Francisco organization and the National Sporting club of London. The Philadelphia bid and the man from London are looking for big money, and the club offering the best price will get the bout. Some time ago it was reported that the National Sporting club of London will hang up a \$7,000 bid. But before the fight comes off it is likely that the purse offered will be even larger.

RACING RESULTS

San Francisco, Jan. 2.—Proper won the New Year handicap at Ingleside yesterday from Fossil, who led until the last lap. Proper and Dainty were the heavy favorites. O'Connell, the second choice, captured third place. Summary: Five and one-half furlongs, selling—Lady Bimbo won, Optimo second, Cardwell third. Time, 1:14 1/5.

Six furlongs, selling—Atwood won, Corbett second, Instructor third. Time, 1:16 1/5. Five and a half furlongs, selling—Double Six won, Quiet second, Mimo third. Time, 1:07 1/4.

New Year's handicap, mile and a furlong, value \$2,000—Proper won, Fossil second, Garman third. Time, 1:52 1/4. Six and a half furlongs, selling—Chorus Boy won, Lurele second, Velmar Clark third. Time, 1:21.

One mile and 70 yards—Pierce J. won, Derot second, Frank Wood third. Time, 1:47.

At Ascot Park. Los Angeles, Jan. 2.—A great crowd witnessed the New Year's day races at Ascot Park yesterday. Haviland won, in an exciting finish, the Pasadena handicap, value \$1,000. Summary: Six furlongs, selling—Guthrie won, Madame Bishop second, Taxman third. Time, 1:15 1/2.

Seven furlongs—Ell won, Neko second, Durbar third. Time, 1:30. Mile, selling—Silver Fizz won, Platonius second, Myl third. Time, 1:25 1/2.

Mile and an eighth, Pasadena handicap—Haviland won, Bragg second, M. F. Tarpey third. Time, 1:54. Slauson course—Golden Rule won, Americano second, Ocean Dream third. Time, 1:10.

Six furlongs, selling—Ragat won, E. M. Brattain second, Best Man third. Time, 1:14.

At New Orleans. New Orleans, Jan. 2.—Crescent City summary: Five and a half furlongs, selling—De alfo won, Shirokaka second, Any Day third. Time, 1:08 1/5.

Six and a half furlongs, selling—Toga won, Sly Boots second, Begone third. Time, 1:21. Six furlongs—Morning Star won, Frank Bell second, Hands Across third. Time, 1:13.

New Year's handicap, mile and 70 yards—Excelsior won, Aggie Lewis second, Wreath of Ivy third. Time, 1:47. Mile and three-sixteenths, selling—Bard of Avon won, Ginspray second, Felix Bard third. Time, 1:02.

Mile—Cabot won, Ethel Wheat second, Edward Hale third. Time, 1:41.

BLOOD

On account of its frightful hideousness, Blood Poisoning is commonly called the King of All Diseases. It may be either hereditary or contracted. One of the greatest dangers of this disease may manifest itself in the form of Scrofula, Eczema, Rheumatic Pain, Stiff or Swollen Joints, Eruptions or Copper-Colored Spots on the Face or Body, Little Ulcers in the Mouth or on the Tongue, Sore Throat, Swollen Testis, Falling out of the Hair, Erythema, and finally a Leprosy-like Decay of the Flesh and Bones. If you have any of these or similar symptoms, get BROWN'S BLOOD PURIFIER immediately. Treatment is practically the result of life work. It contains no dangerous drugs or injurious medicines and it goes to the very source of the disease and forces out every particle of poisons, completely and forever. The blood, the tissues, the flesh, the bones and the whole system, the nerves and the patient restored to perfect health, and the patient restored to the duties and pleasures of life. BROWN'S BLOOD PURIFIER. Write for a month's trial. For sale in Portland only by Frank Nau, Portland Hotel Pharmacy.

POISON

Advertisement for New York Central Lines, featuring the slogan "IN THE HEART OF THE CONTINENT" and "11,126 Miles". It lists agents W. C. SEACHREST and W. B. JEROME, and provides contact information for tickets and more details.

Advertisement for Roseburg High School, titled "ROSEBURG HIGH DEFEATS GRANTS PASS". It reports on a football game where Roseburg won by a score of 7 to 0, highlighting the performance of the team and the school's efforts.

Advertisement for Dr. Miles Medical Co., titled "Feel Your Pulse". It promotes a cure for heart ailments, stating that if the pulse is fast, thin, slow, or skips beats, it is a sign of weakness and should be treated.

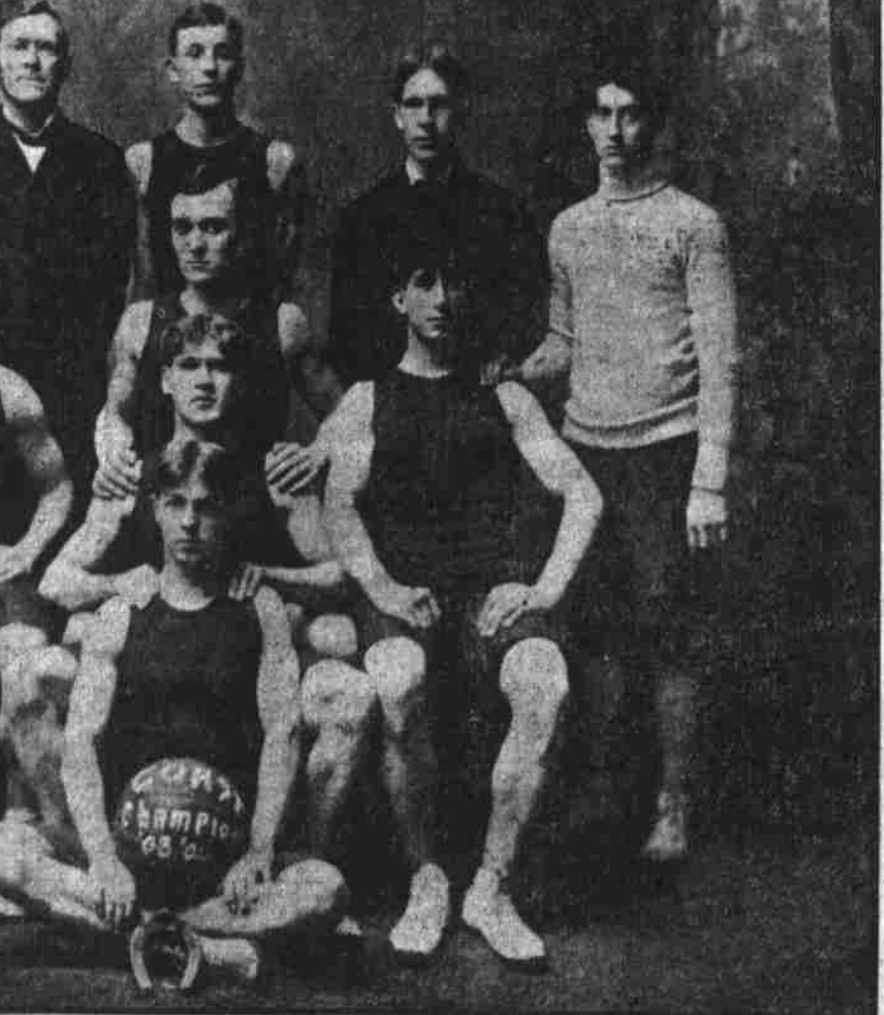
Advertisement for Dr. Talcott & Co., titled "Specialists for Men". It focuses on treating "Weakness" and "Contracted Disorders", offering a cure for various ailments related to men's health.

Advertisement for Stewart's Gasoline Gas Lamp, titled "STEWART'S PERFECTED Gasoline Gas Lamp". It describes the lamp as giving universal satisfaction and burning the lowest tests of gasoline perfectly.

Advertisement for T. L. Stewart, titled "T. L. Stewart Inventor and Manufacturer". It promotes his "Perfected Gasoline Gas Lamp" and provides contact information for his office at 243 Ash St., Portland, Or.

Advertisement for A Boynton Furnace, titled "A Boynton Furnace". It describes the furnace as being in your house soon as you pay for it, offering comfort and saving of fuel.

Advertisement for Schwab Bros. Printing Co., titled "Schwab Bros. Printing Co.". It lists services such as best work, reasonable prices, and contact information at 247 1/2 Stark Street, Phone Main 171.



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