

Fast Climbing Irishman Hopes For Shot at Pep

By OSCAR FRALEY
(United Press Sports Editor)

New York, Feb. 17 (AP)—The Irish are fighters and dreamers, so little Jimmy Rooney was angling today for a title go with featherweight champion Willie Pep—a bout his mind told him he couldn't win but his fighting Irish heart told him he might.

Little Jimmy goes against George La Falgo at Madison Square Garden on Friday night and if he wins the hustling Hibernian is expected to get a shot at Pep. That's moving fast for a young fellow with only 38 fights under his belt, but Rooney, his round, baby face serious, explained:

"Okay, maybe I'm not ready for the likes of Pep. But I'll fight anybody—and if I can hit him, I can win it." That's enough for the fighting orphan from Bridgeport, Conn. And his record of 21 knockouts in those 38 fights indicate that this 125-pound 21-year-old just might lay a clincher on the elusive Pep button.

Jimmy, despite his comparatively few bouts, is no novice. He has been fighting ever since he can remember and those in which he engaged "for the fun of it" and ruined his dream of becoming a jockey don't show on the record. Not on the boxing record, anyhow.

Orphaned as a baby, Jimmy spent his youth in Norwalk, Conn., county home. As a youngster he was sent to various farms to work and six farmers in a row fired him swiftly.

"Too many fights," Rooney laughs.

Rooney's swift rise in the featherweight ranks points up the comeback of the clouting Celts and brings back memories of the old days when the Irish ruled the ring. Not all of the present crop possess the punching prowess of the five-foot, six-inch Jimmy but for the first time in years the Irish are making a respectable overall showing.

Among the featherweights, in addition to Rooney, you have such sons of the old sod as Glen Flanagan and Tommy Collins. Rinty Monaghan of Ireland is the flyweight king and the chief challenger for bantamweight honors is Danny O'Sullivan.

Moving up in the heavier divisions, lightweight standouts

include Dennis Pat Brady, Jimmy Warren and Del Flanagan. Among the leading welters are Billy Graham, Jackie Keough and Paddy Young, and the middleweights have such sharpshooters as Jimmy Flood, Jimmy Herring and Roger Donaghue. Even the heavyweight division is bringing forward wearers of the green in Bob Murphy of San Diego; Rex Layne, out of Utah, and Curt Kennedy of Wichita, Kans.

Baseball Season Opens March 24 For WV League

The Willamette Valley league, comprising Dalles, Woodburn, Canby, Silverton, Molalla, Sandy, Mt. Angel and Estacada high schools will open the 1950 baseball season March 24, according to a schedule released Friday.

The season will consist of nine rounds of competition with two clubs drawing byes for each round to permit of play with non-league schools.

The March 24 games include: Sandy at Dallas, Mt. Angel at Woodburn, Estacada at Canby, Silverton and Molalla byes.

The 1950 football season schedule has been compiled for the W. V. L. with the first games slated for September 22. The season will end Nov. 3.

Williams Expects Mild Workout in Non-Title Clash

New York, Feb. 17 (AP)—Lightweight Ike Williams expects little more than a mild workout in his 10-round non-title bout tonight with Sonny Boy West of Washington, D. C., at Madison Square Garden. West is substituting for Bernard Docusen, New Orleans welterweight who is bed-ridden with influenza.

The odds are definitely against West, who will be making his first New York appearance. Bookies were offering as high as 5 to 1 on the champion from Trenton, N. J.

West, regarded as a fair puncher, has lost only four times in 42 bouts. However, he was expected to be at the mercy of the hard-hitting, more-experienced Williams.



Japanese Women Take Up Baseball Two Candidates for Battery Positions Warm Up at the First Tryouts for the Women's Professional Baseball League in Tokyo.

SCORES IN THE ALLEYS

(Complete Results)

Capitol Alleys
SEARS MEN'S LEAGUE
Harmen House (3)—Piscor 422, Davey 469, Hill 449, Paulson 401, Craftsman 601
—Krusa 376, Barker 400, Klein 358, Morris 382
Kensmore (1)—Wenzer 426, Adams 398, Carver 476, Jensen 398, Caldwell (2)—Bevens 470, Salstrom 479, Bierp 350, Oakland 525
Hornart (2)—Forbes 521, Roach 558, Cooper 474, Cook 585, All State (1)—McGuire 379, Clark 481, Riehl 580, Olliar 509
Pierim (1)—Gough 485, Christianson 302, Letofsky 523, Forstram 441, Coldpad (2)—Drys 465, Quenell 469, Halser 458, Patton 349
High team series, Hornart 2138, High team game, Hornart 735, High individual series, Cook 585, High individual game, Roach 523

Duck Pin
COMMERCIAL LEAGUE
G.M.C. Truck Co. (2)—Darby Sermon 323, John Fullenwider 428, Joe Brooks 284, Darwin Sermon 377, Mill Thomas 446
A. L. Cummins's Heating (1)—Mac Larson 377, Lester Woods 380, Tom Klossiah 281, Bob Haterburg 337, Dave Spaulding 487
Quality Used Cars (4)—Royal Pawley 488, Bill Campbell 516, B. B. Sniderome 281, Moore Van Dell 466, Emil Scholtz 483
Willamette Valley Bank (6)—Carroll Meeks 376, Keith Kaye 425, Bob Junstine 370, Garret Weidner 318, Al Flicker 351

University Alleys
COMMERCIAL LEAGUE NO. 1
VFW (2)—White 412, Miller 381, Parkes 418, Vallee 390, Woodworth 421, Judson's Plumbing (3)—Angove 445, Simonson 388, B. Judson 320, Little 428, Jeffries 366
Cushing's Union Ser. (1)—Pena 537, Parley 541, Rinne 382, Scott 240, Comstock 477
Yester Appl. Co. (3)—Frank 477, R. Bell 483, Mohman 468, Hillerich 480, A. Bell 477
Naval Air Pac. (2)—Haworth 441, Roberts 423, Baal 473, J. Knedler 419, Brown 444, Panillie (2)—Wood 417, Bolser 499, Sheridan 350, Kelley 459, Duncan 509
Western Paper Contr. Co. (1)—Gadach 444, Andersen 397, J. Kuebler 411, Luke 446, L. Kuebler 470; R&N Clothiers (2)—Slicks 508, Barker 465, Peckar 523, Kaneko 428, Nagley 467

1st Nat. Bank (2)—Driggs 442, Kotke 477, Marr 405, Marshall 348, A. Morris 400; Interstate Tractor Co. (2)—Morris 452, Robinson 411, Shackman 502, Tanqueray 464, Pearl 454
Dyer & Sons Ins. (1)—Schroeder 485, Cherrington 485, Brought 498, Plautz 422, Perman 421; Eagles (3)—Peterson 587, Reid 487, Ritsman 479, Pero 501; Knedler B. 417
High ind. game, Pease 314; high ind. series, Peterson, Eagles, 587; high team game, Eagles 749; high team series, Yester Appl., 3768

WILLAMETTE U. INTRAMURAL LEAGUE
Baxter Hall No. 1 (4)—R. Halliday 465, G. Halliday 455, Jole 420, Stauffer 412, Smith 494; Independents (6)—Simonson 326, Shannon 422, Peterson 342, Straton 328, Calbraith 328
Sigma Chi No. 2 (3)—Mallory 420, Pearson 491, Ross 339, Hartley 463, Bolton 328; Sigma Alpha Epsilon No. 2 (1)—Eklms 441, Olson 457, Duval 398, DeFord 270, Quinther 173, Dummy 326
Baxter Hall No. 3 (3)—Collier 451, Malasamba 405, Gordon 378, Payne 340, Boothby 411; Phi Delta Theta No. 1 (1)—Collins 428, Phillips 448, Card 398, Ryan 340, Adams 469
Sigma Alpha Epsilon No. 2 (3)—Lawrence 362, Nelson 362, Edward 398, Pugh 412, Shangle 428; Sigma Chi No. 1 (1)—Olson 457, Southworth 431, Maudlin 322, Lahey 448, Joseph 364
Sigma Alpha Epsilon No. 1 (3)—Lorenz 408, Norvell 428, Kerr 411, Coen 482, Valdez 270; Beta Theta Pi (2)—Harris 405, Straumford 385, Ousey 422, Hedeen 438, Washburn 410
Baxter Hall No. 2 (2)—Davies 429, Stevens 388, Paddock 378, Johnson 405, Graham 353; Phi Delta Theta No. 2 (2)—MacGregor 464, Patterson 370, Merriam 402, Hillmer 409, Hearn 378
High team series, Sigma Alpha Epsilon No. 1, 2773; high team game, Phi Delta Theta No. 2, 815; high ind. series, Blackie Valdes 570; high ind. game Shoes Olson 218

Boxing Game Bragging Is Sign Louis Quit for Good

By HUGH FULLERTON, Jr.

New York, Feb. 17 (AP)—Judging from the sounds, the guys in the fight mob must be pretty certain Joe Louis is going to stay retired. . . Jake Mintz, Ezzard Charles' manager, has been hollering that Joe owes it to boxing, to the public, and to Ezzard to come out of retirement and give the NBA champ a chance to show how good he is. . . Now Joey Maxim is back from England with the light heavyweight title and (he has) a burning desire to fight Louis rather than Charles. . . If those guys aren't careful, they may get Joe mad enough to go into serious training and belt their ears off. . . And, speaking seriously, it doesn't make Charles and Maxim look any too good when they proclaim loudly they can't attract a big enough crowd for a real payday without Louis to help them.

Quote, Unquote

George Sauer, new Baylor football coach: "As soon as spring practice is over, I'm going to give a picture of myself made and give it to my wife. Then I'm going to take off for 40 days and meet all the alumni I can find." One-Minute Sports Page

After listening to a certain number of walls about "Homer" officiating, National Basketball association statisticians checked up. Results of 363 games show the home teams incurred 49.5 per cent of the fouls and won 67.5 per cent of the games. In nine of the 17 cities, the home clubs averaged more fouls than the visitors. . . Johnny Vander Meer finally broke down and bought a house in Tampa, Fla., Cincinnati's training base, this winter. So, of course, a short time later he was shipped to the Cubs, who train in California. . . That loud cheer from Texas Tuesday night was raised by McMurray College basketball fans when their team beat Southwestern, 44-40, after losing 20 straight games. . . Iowa folks say Len Raffensberger inherited the best football material Iowa U. has had in 25 years from

Dr. Eddie Anderson. A sophomore named Bill Reichardt is the subject of special raises. Round Trip
Bill Chambers, who'll play tackle for the N. Y. Bulldogs next fall, started his higher education at Alabama before the war. Then he went to Georgia Tech as a naval trainee and finished his undergraduate work at U. C. L. A. after hostilities ceased. He played for the Yankees a couple of seasons, and now he's back at U. C. L. A. working for a master's degree, nine years after he entered Alabama.

Physical Culture Dept.

Communique from Bogota, Colombia, reports that only 5,000 customers turned out for a bullfight on a recent Sunday but 12,000 attended a wrestling show in the same bullring on Wednesday. . . "Wrestling is the same as in the states," our informants adds, "except the wrestlers carry terrifying Spanish names and grunt and groan with an accent. . . And the advertisement reads: 'Wrestling—the cultural sport preferred by ladies.'"

BASKETBALL

COLLEGE SCORES
(By the Associated Press)
Eastern Washington 86, Whitworth 81, Pacific Lutheran 38, Central Washington 34, Pepperdine 80, Fresno State 84, Eastern Montana 81, Western Montana 50, Ricks 83, Southern Idaho 80, Duquesne 60, Long Island 51, Niagara 68, CUNY 51, Vanderbilt 60, Mississippi 47, Western Kentucky 43, Miami (Fla) 47, William and Mary 70, Washington and Lee 57, Virginia 71, Virginia Military 64, Chicago Loyola 85, Western Michigan 71, Indiana State 71, Canterbury 66, West Texas 70, New Mexico 61

HIGH SCHOOL SCORES
(By the Associated Press)
Grants Pass 46, Southern Oregon College Fresh 41, Jackson County "B" Tennyson 37, Rogue River 36, Gold Hill 26, Butte Falls 27, Jacksonville 31, Talent 41, St. Mary's (Medford) 21, Phoenix 53, Prospect 23, Lima-Benton "B" Tennyson 41, Alsea 42, Shedd 32, Harrisburg 66, Selc 34, Brownsville 53, Halay 81, Lane County "B" Tennyson 37, Madawt 48, Lowell 23, Coburn 55, McKenzie 28, Lorain 46, Crow 28, Pleasant Hill 84, Triangle Lake 37.

City Loop Scores

CHURCH LEAGUE
'C' Division
1st Methodist (80) (14) 1st Baptist
Hall 12 F 4 Helms
Kimball 8 F 7 Wilson
Cooking 8 C J. B. Loveland
Carsten C G. Winn
Green 4 G Bothman
Subs: 1st Methodist—Goddard 1.

1st Presbyterian (17) (35) Deaf School
Bisanz 8 F 3 McCann
Ramp F 11 Fehman
Bower 7 C 2 Wells
McCumblich G 8 Ementiner
Gibbens G 7 Walker
Subs: 1st Presbyterian—Colson 2; Deaf School—Mayard 2, Hyatt 2.

Cal. Baptist (8) (32) Knight Mem.
Bishop 2 F 10 Hot
Wolff 2 F 9 Hushes
Thompson C Brown
Wells C 1 Hall
Gentman 8 G 1 Hall
Wells G 1 Hall
Merrill G 5 Fluke
Subs: Calvary Baptist—Payne 8.

St. Mark (60) 'B' Division (14) L.D.S.
Stewart 12 F 3 K. Brown
Rea F 3 K. Brown
Block F 3 K. Brown
Thompson C 3 K. Brown
Gentman 8 G 1 Hall
Wells G 1 Hall
Merrill G 5 Fluke
Subs: St. Mark—Walker 10, Holmquist 1; L.D.S.—B. Brown 7, L. Veltio 2, Johnson 2.

First Christian forfeited to Presbyterian; First Baptist forfeited to Leslie Methodist.

SMOOTH AS "OCEAN-ROCKED" WHISKEY

Swiss Ski Winner Calls Yank Course Schoolboyish

Aspen, Colo., Feb. 17 (AP)—Good-looking Georges Schneider is a man of utmost confidence in his skiing ability, but he is not boasting about the world slalom championship he won here yesterday.

"The course was much too easy," the blond Swiss athlete complained through an interpreter. "In Europe, our small schoolboys would run such a course. I am accustomed to something more difficult."

There were 40 gates on the steep, 3,000-foot Aspen mountain run where 60 men from 30 nations competed for the world's slalom title. In Schneider's opinion, this was an unthinkably small number.

"In Switzerland," he explained, "we would have 50, maybe 65, and it would be much harder. We had courses like this one

in Switzerland 10 years ago until they became too simple for all but our schoolboys. Then we began making them more difficult. We do not like them so easy."

Aspen mountain itself, Schneider said, offers as stern a challenge as anything in Europe. If there had been more gates on the slalom course, and sharper turns, he declared, it would have given the Europeans a delightful test.

The confident Schneider, who negotiated the slalom journey twice in a combined time of two minutes, 6.4 seconds to beat out favored Zeno Colo of Italy for the world championship, said he knew all along that he would win.

"If the course had been harder," he grinned, "I would have won by more seconds."

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