

Jim Corbett Will Come At Times' Invitation

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Griffmen Have Chance To Seize Fifth Place

CORBETT ACCEPTS INVITATION TO BE AT LEONARD BOUT

James J. Corbett, conqueror of the famous John L. Sullivan for the heavyweight championship, has accepted an invitation from The Washington Times to appear as master of ceremonies at the great free boxing exhibition of Benny Leonard, world's lightweight titleholder for the entertainment of the citizens of Washington and all soldiers, sailors, and marines able to attend.

Benny Leonard will give his sparring exhibition on Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The place for the great entertainment has not yet been finally chosen, but it will be within a day or two.

Jim Corbett, as he is familiarly known to hundreds of thousands of theatergoers who have seen and heard him in his popular monologues, is delighted to be able to come here at the invitation of The Washington Times, as his letter to the Sporting Editor shows, as follows:

"Sporting Editor, Washington Times, Washington, D. C. "Am delighted to accept your cordial invitation to act as master of ceremonies at your great free exhibition of Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, before the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the United States. I shall be there without fail, for I am only too glad to be able to assist at such an undertaking. "Leonard, an American, stands today at the head of his ranks in the boxing profession. He has no equal and only one or two even approach him in skill. "I feel sure that Washington will turn out en masse to see Leonard in action. At Plattsburg the student officers crowded around him at the close of his exhibition to praise him for his victory over Freddie Welsh that brought back the title to America. Very likely Washington will do likewise.

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Here Are Some Views of Benny Leonard at Work, and What Corbett Looks Like



GEORGETOWN STARS WOULD TRAIN FOR AVIATION GLORIES

Pelle Wall, captain-elect of the 1917 Georgetown football eleven; Johnny Gilroy, the Hilltoppers' great running halfback; Larry Greene, end on the 1916 team, and Johnny Murray, varsity pitcher on the Blue and Gray nine, will be in Washington tomorrow seeking admission to the aviation corps. All four have been drafted in Massachusetts and prefer the flying corps to hiking in the infantry. "I am going to Boston tonight," said Charles R. Cox, graduate manager at Georgetown University, "and so shall not see the boys when they come, but judging from the word they send, we shall lose them from our eleven next season. I'm sorry and I'm glad. We could use them on the team, but if they go out and do their duty, they'll be doing it for Georgetown, as well as for their country. Georgetown will never forget them."

Cox has no data on the exact number of athletes Georgetown will lose, but he does admit that it will be large. Neil Cronin, varsity end, is an aviator. Frank Green, Prendergast, Jim Sullivan, Showalter and Supple, all members of the 1916 eleven, have received commissions and will be lost. The addition of Gilroy, Wall and Greene means a hard blow to the eleven, while Murray was the nine's leading twirler. "However, Georgetown will have football and track athletics and baseball," concluded Cox. "Georgetown is striding along with those universities who are with Uncle Sam, trying to build up strong young men to replace those lost in battle against the enemy."

DODGERS DEFEATED AS RUSSELL PULLS BONER

AKRON, Ohio, Aug. 12.—Bert Gallia might have been hit harder than Russell, the Dodgers' pitcher, but he didn't pull bone plays. That's what defeated Robbie's National League champions here yesterday by 4 to 1. Russell and Gallia sailed along at a 1 all the after the third. In the eighth Gallia singled to left. Leonard tried to bunt and Jake Daubert failed to get Gallia going to second. Shanks laid down an infield roller and as McBride saw Gallia come into third he hollied to Russell to throw there. Russell held up long enough to unsteady his throw to first, and as the ball went over Daubert's head Gallia scored. Horace Milan pushed one inside of third and Leonard was nabbed after a run down. Shanks and Milan moving on up. Rice smashed one at Daubert, who flailed to Shanks out at the plate. Henry's sacrifice fly scored the third run.

FRED TONEY GETS HIS BONUS ON TWENTY WINS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 12.—Fred Toney is richer by one thousand iron men today. Pitching against the Cards yesterday the veteran hurler of the Reds blanked them by 7 to 0. It was his twentieth win of the season. "Toney is the first pitcher in either big league to grab of twenty wins. His contract called for a thousand dollar bonus which he earned yesterday.



CAPITAL WANTS LEAD IN TRI-CITY BASEBALL LEAGUE

Young Men's Hebrew Association baseball players representing this city expect to grab off the lead in the inter-city championship series when they journey to Norfolk next Sunday for a double bill with the players from that city. Richmond was a visitor here yesterday and lost 7 to 4 game. Every one of the Washington players made one or more hits. Molly Roberts, of Central High School fame, and shall be the leading hitters for Washington. Each player got three hits. Washington is now second in the tri-city league, but can gain the leadership by winning out both times next Sunday.

VISITING YANKEES ARRIVE FOR GAMES WITHOUT .300 MAN

The visiting Yankees, like the Griffmen, are without a regular .300 hitter. Allen Russell, the young Yankee hurler, has a mark of .313 and he has participated in thirty games, having gone to the bat 32 times for ten hits. Russell is the only Yankee with a .300 mark. Next among the Yankee batters and the real leader is Home Run Baker, the Trappe, Md., farmer lad. Baker has been busting them for 299 for some time, but has fallen out of the charmed circle lately and has a mark of only .295. Hendryx is tapping 'em out for 269 and Leslie Nunamaker has the same average. The marks of the other Yanks with the team above the .200 mark are as follows: Shawkey, .255; E. Miller, .248; Bauman, .242; Caldwell, .232; Marans, .230; High, .215; Fisher, .211, and Maisel, .205.

POTOMAC OARSMEN WIN MANY HONORS FOR CLUB IN ARMY

Potomac Boat Club oarsmen are boasting a great showing made by their crack athletes in the awards of commissions for the national army and the regular army today. Eight Potomac crew men stationed at Fort Myer in the Officers' Reserve Corps will receive commissions today. Joseph Hinwood and Raymond Clark, two members of the crack crew, are to be admitted as second lieutenants in the regular army. L. K. Ashford, William Ashford, William McKay, Thomas Farnsworth, Jack Farnsworth, and Allan Garner, all crew men, will receive second second lieutenancies in the national army. Andrew Hutterly and Albert Baker, who have been on winning crews for the Potomacs during the past two years, recently passed successful examinations for the aviation corps.

HALPIN STILL IN GAME. Tom Halpin, captain of the Boston A. A. track team, and the 440-yard national champion, has not retired as has been reported, but instead is training hard with his eye on the national championship at St. Louis and the New England title meet a week earlier. In order to carry out the policy of the Boston A. A. Halpin will run unattached, but will retain his membership in the Unicorn Club.



JAMES J. CORBETT

THERE'S A ONE-HIT BATTLE TO BE GIVEN SOMEWHERE

Who pitched the one-hit game? The official scorer, who sits next to us all day, doesn't know. In the White Sox-Griffmen game of Saturday Jim Shaw, Doc Ayers, and George Du Mont officiated on the mound for the Griffmen. Jim Shaw allowed the one hit, but didn't finish the game. Neither Doc Ayers nor George Du Mont allowed a hit while they pitched.

Chicago curvers have worked in twenty-seven one-hit trays, the figures for the other teams being as follows: Eighteen for Cleveland, twelve for Detroit, eleven for St. Louis, ten for Philadelphia, 10 for Boston, and 9 for New York. Men who have pitched one-hit games in the American League from 1901 to date are as follows: Seven One-Hit Games—Joe, Cleveland. Five One-Hit Games—Walsh and White, Chicago. Four One-Hit Games—Smith, Chicago. Three One-Hit Games—Crosby, Chicago; Waddell, Philadelphia and St. Louis, and Johnson, Washington.

Many One-Hitters. Johnson has many two-hit and three- and four-hit games to his credit, but not a single no-hit battle. The one-hit pitchers for the year are: April 11—Borahon, St. Louis, against Cleveland. Hit (single) made by Chapman. May 29—Gould, Cleveland, against Philadelphia. Hit (single) made by Bates. Athletics scored one run. June 1—Morton, Cleveland, against Boston. Hit (single) made by Bush. July 11—Harris, Detroit, against Detroit. Hit (single) made by Lewis. July 12—Crosby, Chicago, against Washington. Hit (single) made by Morgan. August 4—Boland, Detroit, against New York. Hit (single) made by Schick. August 18—Shaw, Ayers, and Dumont, against Chicago. Hit (single) made by Fish, Shaw pitching.

Joe Has Seven. The late Addie Joss, of Cleveland, had more one-hit games, to his credit than any other American League pitcher. He hurled seven before his career was cut short by the Grim

Reaper, breaking into the American with an effort of this kind. Ed Walsh and Harry White each pitched five one-hit games, while they were with the White Sox and Frank Smith turned in four. Eddie Cicotte has three one-hit contests to his credit now and many have a record like Walsh or White before he quits. Joss' figure seems safe for all time. Chicago curvers have worked in twenty-seven one-hit trays, the figures for the other teams being as follows: Eighteen for Cleveland, twelve for Detroit, eleven for St. Louis, ten for Philadelphia, 10 for Boston, and 9 for New York.



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By LOUIS A. DOUGHER. With the Griffmen but five and a half games behind the Yankees, who are rapidly falling to pieces as a result of injuries to outfielders and the inconsistent work of their pitchers, Clark Griffith's boys have an excellent opportunity of closing the gap and climbing into fifth place before their coming Western trip ends.

Today a three-game series opens between the Griffmen and the Yankees. It is sure to be bitterly fought, for the Yankees hate to slide any farther down and the Griffmen are intent on battling their way into the first division.

When Armando Marsans, the Cuban outfielder, fractured his leg last week, the final blow had fallen upon the doomed heads of the Yankees. Their story has been one of injury after injury for the past three years. They are getting used to it now.

Marsans, though not murdering the ball, was the only one of the outfielders holding his own. Hughey High and Tim Hendryx have been tumbling all over themselves. Elmer Miller was not hitting his weight when he gave up to Marsans. Now Miller must go back to the line-up and do his best.

Gilhooley Is Gone. Frank Gilhooley, the outfielder who was injured early in the season at Philadelphia, when he fell and broke a collar bone, is gone for the season. To make matters worse, he was drawn in the draft. He has to get to baseball within a few weeks.

Bill Donovan brings nine pitchers with him on this trip. Of the bunch Brockway's arm is weaker. Monroe, Caldwell, and Love are in-and-outers, and Caldwell pitches when in the mood. What was considered a wonderful twirling corps last spring has become a lotusland around Bill Donovan's neck.

Roger Peckinpaugh, a grand shortstop; Frank Baker, Walter Pipp, and Al Walters are the only members of the team up to Marsans. Dependence can be placed. They are not numerous enough to give Bill Donovan any cause for smiles.

Griffmen Will Fight. For one thing, the Griffmen can be counted upon to make a fight for first division honors. They may just fall short and finish at the head of the second division, but they'll give the other fellow a battle before the curtain goes down.

The Griff close their home stay tomorrow with a double-header against the Athletics. On Monday they will open their final swing around the league, which will be as follows: At Detroit, August 17, 18, 19. At St. Louis, August 20, 21, 22. At Cleveland, August 23, 24, 25. At New York, August 30, 31, September 1.

Few New Ones Coming. So far as known, few new players are to join the Griffmen this fall. Pitcher Lynch, picked up in the Iowa scrub by that peerie slouch, Migue Martin, is expected to report to Detroit next week.

Ram Crain is under a \$200 option to the Minneapolis club, but will hardly get another trial, unless the Old Fox goes crazy, which isn't expected.

Meritt Acosta, out on another \$200 option to the Baltimore club, may be taken back for a minute or two, but it is well known that he is not expected to become a regular here, or even a substitute.

In the minor league draft brings any players to the Washington club, they may be tried out next spring, but thus far no new ones have been purchased for trial this fall, with the single exception of Lynch.

BEST PITCHING IN GRIFFS' WINNINGS DURING THE WEEK

The Griffmen were away out in front last week. If the week's record could measure the season the Griffmen would be so far ahead that the other teams would give up. Six games were played by the Griff and five of them were victorious. As a matter of record the Griff are getting the best pitching of their career at present. Incidentally the team is playing a crack-a-jack fielding game and is taking advantage of every blunder made by opponents. The measure of the Griff's success in pitching is seen by the fact that all last week opponents got but seven runs off the Griff pitchers. Only four errors were recorded by the Griffmen, and while the team scored but fifteen runs in the six days, next to Chicago the lowest scorer for the week, the team has fewer left on bases than any other team.

Cleveland and the Athletics won five and lost two. The Yankees led in hits in scoring with thirty-five, but had fifty-eight left on bases.

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