

COFFROTHIN CHARGE TO-DAY

California Promoter Arrives in New York to Direct Big Drive

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

New York, Oct. 21.—Tremendous impetus has been given to sport by the appeal of the United States War Work Council to the thousands of athletic associations throughout the country to aid in raising \$170,000,000 for American soldiers in France. Although for a time it was evident that sport would have to close the shutters and go out of business for the duration of the war, it is now obvious that it is again coming into its own.

From every section of the country come reports of athletic activity that leaves the success of the proposed "Week of Sport" beyond any doubt. According to the present program there will be big football games, track meets, boxing carnivals, billiard tournaments and match games of golf and tennis. In fact, every sport will be called upon to do its bit.

Jim Coffroth, the boxing impresario of the Pacific coast, arrived here to-day to complete arrangements for staging a monster tournament in Madison Square Garden. Fred Ruben, Secretary of the Amateur Athletic Union, is perfecting a national organization that will conduct an Army-Navy football game, and the chances are that representative teams from Yale, Harvard and Princeton will meet in a three-cornered series on the gridiron. When completed it will be the most elaborate sporting program ever arranged anywhere. Sport is ready to once more go over the top.

AL. THOMAS DIES AT CAMP DODGE

Fast English Lightweight Falls Victim to "Flu" in Cantonment

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New York, Oct. 21. Al. Thomas, one of the best lightweights England has sent to this country, is the latest boxer to fall a victim of Spanish influenza. While boxing in this country, Thomas gave a good account of himself against such stars as Benny Leonard, Willie Jackson, Harry Pierce, Young Brown, Harry Gordon, Eddy Wallace and other good boys.

Thomas died at Camp Dodge, Iowa, after he had won the lightweight championship of that camp by defeating three men in succession.

TOMMY BURNS STRICKEN WITH SPANISH INFLUENZA

FORMER BOXER, NOW SER- GEANT-INSTRUCTOR IN ARMY, VERY SERIOUSLY ILL

Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 21.—Sgt. Tommy Burns, ex-champion pugilist of the world, and now instructor for the 1st Depot Battalion at Hastings Park, has been attacked by Spanish influenza and was taken to the hospital Sunday afternoon.

It is reported that his condition is serious, the malady having attacked him in its most virulent form.