Farmer Burns Says He Will Back Gotch Against the World on Wrestling Mat

SHOULD PLAYERS BUY SUITS?

Club Owners Cannot Agree on the Debated Proposition.

PENNSY ELEVEN SEEKING GAME

Because of Its Policy in the Past It Now Secures Games with Great Difficulty—Prefers Harvard or Princeton.

Gracious goodness, what a fuss is being made about ball players paying for their uniforms! There's nothing new to it. That clause has been in the base ball contract for the last fifteen years and more.

It has been the custom of the players when driving a sharp or good-natured bargain, as the case might be, for a succeeding year, to induce the club owner to waive the clause about uniforms. If the owner figured that the player's services were worth much to him, and that the player had increased in general ability, very often he was shrewd enough to propose "right off the reel" that the uniform should be thrown in, thereby making the player look through rosy spectacles.

If the player happened to do some particularly brilliant "stunt" he often found the owner in a mood to waive the uniform clause.

As a result some of the clubs were paying for the uniforms and some were not. The players discovered it and made a lot of complaint. It doesn't take much to bring complaint out of a ball player.

Mr. Hermann of Cincinnati and not Mr. Murphy of Chicago suggested in the National league meeting that for the sake of harmony the owners either agree to buy the uniforms or to make the players pay for one, and stick to it, and he was quite right.

There is no particular reason why a ball player should not purchase one uniform. He gets almost everything else without cost, including his board for three months.

This One Is Better.

John E. Bruce of Cincinnati is secretary of the National commission. He says that in 700 cases, which have been heard by the commission, there are but two instances on record where ball players have not told the truth.

There's a great feather in the cap of the professional ball player. He may do things which he shouldn't do, and which will react on him in the long run, but when it comes to going before the most important body with which he has to deal in his public career, he doesn't balk at the truth.

Ball players are fond of their jokes, and as most of them have the boyish side of their natures developed to a large degree, they are fond of practical jokes.

Sometimes it is hard to tell when they are fooling and when they mean what they say. When it comes to a business proposition, in which their dealings with a thousand and one owners throughout the United States are "on the carpet," the ball player is "on the level."

If it isn't a tribute to the honesty of base ball it isn't anything.

Did It Pay?

Everywhere in the east Pennsylvania seeks a game with another eleven from one of the larger universities. No game appears to be forthcoming.

Once Pennsylvania was a friendly ally of Harvard. Then came the season when the players on the Pennsylvania team began to be questioned by Harvard, and when there were photographs in the possession of Boston and Harvard men showing some of the Pennsylvania players engaged in professional games in the west.

"Pennsy" stuck to its open door policy of amateur standing, and lost its game with Harvard, and since then Pennsylvania has had no game with Harvard, Yale or Princeton.

It is true that about the same time Harvard was involved in the famous Cutts affair, but Harvard cleaned up in a hurry, and Pennsylvania was more willing to defend its actions than to concede that a point or two might have been strained.

Pennsylvania would like mighty well now to get a game with Princeton or with Harvard.

It didn't pay.

PHYSICIAN STOPS BOXING BOUT

Authority Under New Police Regulation in Philadelphia Exercised.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—The new police regulation empowering the club physician to stop a boxing bout when he deems it necessary was enforced for the first time today at the National Athletic club. Phil McGovern of Brooklyn was prevented from continuing in his match with Eddie O'Keefe of this city after McGovern had been knocked down in the fifth round. In the judgment of the referee, both men were in condition to continue the full six rounds, but the physician at the ringside thought otherwise.

In the main bout between Frankie Madole of Pittsburg and Eddie Murphy of Boston, the former, although outweighed, put up a good fight and got a draw.

HORSEMEN TO HOLD CONVENTION

H. K. Devereux Issues Call for Meeting to Better Conditions.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 27.—H. K. Devereux, president of the Grand Circuit, today issued a call for a national convention of all horsemen to meet in Buffalo January 9. The object is said to be "the betterment of all trotting interests, whether track managers, owners or trainers."

Mr. Devereux also issued a call for the annual meeting of stewards of the Grand Circuit, to be held in Buffalo January 10.

Capitol Pool Tourney.

Shepard defeated Fralick, 100 to 64, and by beating him so decisively he captured fourth prize by seven balls. Shepard also made the highest run of the tourney with forty-one, which was previously held by Riley with forty. There are but two more games to play and they are between the three highest men. Reynolds leads with only eighteen balls short of a perfect score. Riley is second with thirty-two short, and Porter is third with thirty-eight short, or just twenty-behind Reynolds, whom he plays tonight, and he will have to beat Reynolds by twenty-one balls to have a chance for first money and then Reynolds will have to defeat Riley by seven balls. Score of game:

Shepard	2	9	15	11	1	7	6	15	10	10	7—100
Fralick	6	6	0	4	14	8	9	0	5	5	8— 64

Scratches—Fralick, 1.
High Run—Shepard, 41.

STANDING.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Balls.
Reynolds	6	3	2	483
Riley	6	3	3	568
Porter	6	3	3	562
Shepard	7	4	3	646
Swanson	7	4	3	641
Fralick	7	4	3	638
Motz	7	3	4	635
Bunnel	7	2	5	546

Sprinting Race is Spoiled.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Dec. 26.—A 100-yard dash between the South African sprinters, Jack Donaldson and R. F. Walker, was spoiled today when Walker at sixty yards stumbled and fell. Donaldson's time was nine and five-eighths seconds, only a quarter of a second slower than his world's professional record. The race was for the professional championship and the holder had a slight lead when Walker lost out.

Plans for Big Bout of Giant Grapplers Nearing Completion

Pospisil and Smith and Breedlove with Some Other Lightweight Will be Curtain Raisers

Preliminary bouts for the big Hackenschmidt-Westergaard match are occupying Manager J. M. Gillan's mind. The most likely looking pair for the three fall preliminary of the big bout January 3 are Raymond Smith of Council Bluffs and Pospisil of Omaha. The men are fast and will weigh about 165 pounds each, Smith being slightly the taller. A second match, one fall, probably will be put on with Young Breedlove, one of the popular local wrestlers, and some other lightweight.

Interest in the Hackenschmidt-Westergaard contest is growing daily and the advance sale of out-of-town tickets will be considerably larger than usual, says Mr. Gillan. Iowans, who are proud of their man Gotch, are anxious to get a view of Westergaard, the big man who will certainly be matched with Frank if he returns to wrestling.

PUT CURB ON ATHLETES

Missouri Valley Schools May Rule Against One Man in All Games.

ATHLETES NEGLECT OTHER WORK

Argument in Favor of Limitation Based on Contention that Athletic Enthusiasm Defeats Real Object of Schools.

The old question of limiting the number of sports in which a student may participate in one year is coming up again in the schools in the Missouri valley. The discussion does not include the big state universities, but applies more to the high schools and small colleges.

The argument of those who wish for reform is that with the many and varied college sports of today the student who is given to athletics gives up his whole time to them for the honor of his school and to the detriment of his personal interest in his studies. A further charge that teachers are inclined to favor the athletic men in order that they may keep up in their studies is made.

Beginning with the school year in September the foot ball practice is started, and from then until Thanksgiving there is very little time for anything else. Immediately after Thanksgiving basket ball looms up and, as in small schools and colleges there are but few athletes, the foot ball men make up the basket ball squad.

Basket ball is continued until far into March and really covers the indoor track season and ends just before the spring track work begins. Strange to say, the same men who appeared on the foot ball eleven and on the basket ball squad are right on hand for places and honors in the track team. The base ball season finds the same men on hand.

In many cases the parent objects and allows his son to work in only one sport, but in recent years the school authorities have taken a hand and have made rulings which do not actually forbid the student's playing on more than one team, but which in practice make it impossible.

At present Creighton university, which for years has not had a track squad and never has had a basket ball five, is going to try these sports this season, but with misgivings on the part of many parents that it will take up too much time in the spring season. At the Omaha High school several parents have forbidden their sons to work on foot ball team, basket ball five and the track. Bellevue has had no basket ball team for some years. The Omaha university contemplates having no track team. Lincoln and other high schools in Nebraska and many of the small colleges in Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri will drop one sport and still more have men whose parents refuse to allow them to shine in all lines of athletics.

Hackenschmidt Works Hour to Throw Roller

Russian Gets First Fall in One Hour, Seven Minutes and Second in Fifteen Minutes.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 27.—George Hackenschmidt, the Russian wrestler, tonight defeated Dr. Ben F. Roller of Seattle, by winning two straight falls, the first in one hour, seven minutes; the second in fifteen minutes and twenty-three seconds, with an arm grab and a body roll.

PREPARE FOR SPOKANE EVENT

Extensive Prize List for Western Bowling Tourney March 7 to 17.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 27.—When the Western Bowling congress has its fifth annual tournament in Spokane, March 7 to 17, the largest cash prizes ever guaranteed at a bowling meeting will be offered in contests for five-man and two-man teams and individuals. In the event of 140 entries in the first named the grand prize will be $1,000, other purses making a total of $3,035. Six hundred dollars of a total of $2,175 is offered as the chief prize for two-man teams and $450 of a total of $1,822.50 as first prize for the best individual score. A. L. Jenkins, secretary of the tournament, has secured the state armory, where six regulation alleys will be installed.

OAK PARK WINS GAME ON COAST

Chicago Lads Victors by Score of Twenty-two to Nothing.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 27.—The Oak Park High school eleven defeated the Wenatchee, Wash., eleven, 22 to 0, today.

Wenatchee was outclassed at every point by the Chicago boys, but the game was made interesting by the brilliancy with which the Oak Park team unfolded play after play that had never before been seen on a Pacific coast field.

Oak Park scored three touchdowns, kicking one goal and made two place kicks. Wenatchee never got nearer Chicago's goal than the twenty-five-yard line, and that only once. Wenatchee, hitherto undefeated, had a slight advantage in weight, but their team work was poor.

LANGE-BURNS FIGHT IN LONDON

Californian Badly Punished in 12-Round Bout in London.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Bill Lange, the former heavyweight champion of Australia, severely punished Jack Burns of California in a go at the Olympia today. The match was for twenty rounds, but the referee stopped the fight in the twelfth to save Burns from further pounding and declared the Australian the winner. Lange sent the American to the floor several times. A big crowd witnessed the bout.

NO MORE TURKEY DAY BATTLES

Question, However, Is to be Brought Up at Next Meeting.

THANKSGIVING DAY GAMES PAY

Annual Foot Ball Contests at Kansas City Have Helped Carry Athletics at Both Missouri and Kansas for Years.

Among the questions that will come up for discussion at the meeting of the representatives of the Missouri Valley conference schools in Des Moines on January 6 will be one relative to the Thanksgiving day foot ball contests. By an edict of the faculty delegates at a meeting in Kansas City last spring the Turkey day contests were ordered off the menu after 1910, so none of the managers of the conference schools are scheduling games for next Thanksgiving.

Through this new ruling Kansas, Missouri, Ames, Drake and Nebraska all were dealt severe blows. The Kansas City game between Kansas and Missouri, has always been the sustaining pole that has kept the athletic departments of those schools on easy street. This game has each fall netted both schools large sums, and has given them a large profit in the treasury at the end of each athletic year.

Now, with the Turkey day game stricken off the list, these schools must suffer greatly. Columbia, where the University of Missouri is located, affords a poor place for a foot ball contest. It is a small town, difficult to reach by railroads, and not favored as a place for games by other schools in the valley. Lawrence, the home of the Jayhawkers, is much better located as regards railroad facilities, but it also is a small town, and would not produce a crowd that could be compared favorably with the masses that rushed to the games of the two schools in the city on the Kaw.

Nebraska has always made several thousands off its Thanksgiving day contest. The last season was a great success financially because of the large crowd which was in attendance at the game with the Haskell Indians in Lincoln. Ames and Drake, who have been playing in the Stadium at Des Moines on Turkey day for several years, have attracted large crowds, and they will be losers by several thousand dollars as a result of the action of the faculty men.

Strong Protest Looked For.

Though a strong protest will be registered by both Kansas and Missouri at the conference meeting, it is unlikely that the rule will be rescinded. The faculty representatives made the law and it must stand until they see fit to change it. The conference representatives might request the faculty cohorts to change their mind, but even among the conference delegates there are some men who are opposed to the Thanksgiving day contest and they will fight a change to the old regime.

It was at the suggestion of Iowa, abetted by a Nebraska man, that the Thanksgiving day game was abolished. These same delegates will be present at the Des Moines meeting and can be relied upon to fight against the proposed change.

Iowa, being a member of the Chicago, or western, conference, is not permitted to play on Thanksgiving, and it was instrumental in getting the same regulation affecting the Turkey day game shoved upon the Missouri valley schools. So long as the Chicago conference schools are kept from playing on Thanksgiving, Iowa will oppose a rule which will allow the Missouri valley schools this privilege.

It is certain, though, there will be a warm discussion over the change to the old rule, and the Des Moines meeting will probably bring out an acrimonious flow of words. The Missouri and Kansas delegates will go to the Iowa city primed for a heated debate. Nebraska would like to have its delegate make a fight, but for the last two years the students have been tied hands and feet by the fetters of a delegate who is one of the staunchest of the staunch "purity" men. He fights against the broader things in athletics and refuses to consent to any of the liberal policies that made Missouri valley athletics powerful eight or nine years ago. Since he came into a position of control, Cornhusker athletics have declined. The foot ball success of this fall was an exception to the rule of poor athletic teams at Nebraska, but it was only ephemeral, as the result of the next few seasons will doubtless show.

Coles Has High Score and Gets Dozen Balls

Chooses Fifteen in Country Club Blind Bogey Contest and Makes Course in One Hundred.

Isaac A. Coles won the golf tournament for one dozen golf balls at the Country club yesterday. The following players won one ball each: George M. Ribbel, Frank J. Hoel, Fred Montgomery, George C. Smith, Thomas A. Fry and T. J. Mahoney. The prizes were given by Z. T. Lindsey.

The blind bogey system of contest playing was used. The blind bogey was eighty-five. Each player selected a number for his handicap. Mr. Coles selected fifteen and made the course in 100.

"Mike" Daly Found Dead in Cell.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 27.—"Mike" Daly, former lightweight pugilist, was found dead in a cell in the police station here at 8 o'clock this morning. City Physician Burgess turned in "sudden death, no autopsy," on the certificate. A coroner was called in, but it was decided an inquest unnecessary. Daly's longest fight was with Austin Gibbons of Paterson, N. J., in New Orleans, Daly being knocked out in the thirty-first round.

Swimming Match at Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 27.—The annual swim of the Multnomah Athletic club in the Williamette river was won by Lewis Thomas of the M. A. A. C. in one minute, two and three-fourth seconds. David Welch of the same club won second place and H. Ware of Vancouver, B. C., won third honors. The distance was 100 yards. An immense crowd witnessed the contest. Thirty-three swimmers participated.

Wheeler May Gain Release.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 27.—It is expected the formal release of Manager Eddie Wheeler of the South Bend club, which won the Central league championship this year, will be announced tomorrow. Wheeler will arrive in the morning to confer with Owner Annis, and as the difference between the two men is only $200 it is likely they will get together.

White Beats McGovern.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 27.—Jack White of Chicago all but knocked out Gene McGovern in a ten-round bout today. McGovern was substituted for Johnny Schultz of Toledo, who was taken sick. The bout was an uninteresting one, it being a slugging match in which White did the slugging.

When given as soon as the croupy cough appears Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will ward off an attack of croup and prevent all danger and cause of anxiety. Thousands of mothers use it successfully. Sold by all dealers.

Grahame-White Pulls Out of Channel Trials

Admiralty Refuses to Allow Torpedo Boats to Accompany in Their Flights.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Asserting that he is acting on the instructions of his medical adviser, Claude Grahame-White, who had a narrow escape from serious injury a week ago, and whose aeroplane was burned Sunday, has decided to forego further attempts at flights across the English channel for distance in competing for the Baron de Forest prize of $20,000.

Because it would interfere with the Christmas holidays of the men, the admiralty has refused Baron de Forest's request to have torpedo boats accompany aviators in their cross channel flights for his prize.

Only five days more of the competition remain, and two competitors are still in the field, Robert Laraine, an actor, and Captain F. S. Cody. It is likely, however, that Young Sopwith, who, in a flight from Sheppy, crossed the channel and covered more than 170 miles, landing in Belgium, will prove the winner.

It is not unlikely that Grahame-White's withdrawal from the contest was in part due to the refusal of the admiralty to lend its aid to the aviators.

There is still no news of Cecil Grace, nephew of the late Mayor W. R. Grace of New York, who was lost last week in a return flight across the channel from Calais.

GOTCH WISHES TO COME BACK

Farmer Burns Will Back Him Against the World.

PREFERS THE RUSSIAN LION

Also Says He Will Undertake to Throw Westergaard or Roller for a Two Thousand-Dollar Bet, Winner to Take All.

Farmer Burns of Omaha will back Frank A. Gotch for $20,000 against any man in the world, George Hackenschmidt preferred, winner to take all of the wrestlers' share of the gate money or purse.

Mr. Burns makes this challenge on the authority of Frank Gotch, champion of the world, from whom he has received word that he will re-enter the arena if Burns arranges a match for him. The Farmer also makes a sweeping challenge to several other wrestlers for himself or Fred Beell.

He makes this statement:

"I have deposited $250 with The Bee and $250 with another paper, and will leave it there until January 10. If any one means business let him put up $1,000 forfeit, and I will put up the remaining sum. If I fail, they get my $500. On January 17 I will put up $5,000 more. If they cover that I will put up the remainder of the $20,000. Let the Associated Press pick a referee.

"The match must be catch-as-catch-can, two best out of three, by modern rules, and any reasonable time to train; match to be pulled off anywhere in America where they give biggest purse. Here's a chance for Hackenshmidt, as there have been several boasts of his ability and he and his promoters have circulated reports about Gotch that are not true.

"Here is another challenge to Roller or Westergaard. Fred Beell or Farmer Burns will wrestle either one for $1,000 to $2,000, winner to take all. Either one of us will weigh under 168 pounds and I am 50 years old. Here's a chance for all these champions.

"I leave today for Davenport, Ia., to straighten up my financial affairs, and go from there to Chicago to see my mother and sisters. I will be back here January 6 to cover all forfeits.

"I consider Mahmout, the Turk, the best wrestler in the world, barring Gotch.

"FARMER BURNS."

Metropolitans Take Two of Three Games

Quartermasters Are Defeated in Mercantile League—Storz Malts Win Three Times.

In the Mercantile league last night the Metropolitans won two from the Q. M. D's, R. Zuckmeister rolling high totals for the evening with 545. Mersig of the Q. M. D.'s got high single game with 205.

In the Booster league the Storz Malts won three from the Rod and Gun club. Durkee of the Malts made high single game for the season with 246.

The Omaha Bedding Co. won three from the Mazeppas. Willey rolled 533 for high total.

The scores

METROPOLITANS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Johnson	149	107	135	391
R. Zuckmeister	158	188	199	545
Shaw	147	121	147	415
Totals	454	416	481	1,351

Q. M. DEPARTMENT.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Martes	147	166	147	460
Mersig	155	121	205	481
Straw	138	107	135	380
Totals	440	394	487	1,321

STORZ MALTS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Storz	131	140	124	395
Hall	161	114	185	460
Eastman	129	153	149	439
Drummy	167	134	134	435
Durkee	246	146	148	539
Totals	834	686	749	2,269

OMAHA ROD AND GUN CLUB.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
G. Bierman	135	153	102	390
Whittemore	112	144	166	422
Hatch	171	102	141	414
Straw	145	121	131	397
Sutter	165	159	149	473
Totals	728	679	...	...
Handicap	4	4	...	...
Totals	732	683	689	1,596

MAZEPPAS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Matthes	167	147	102	416
Lantz	109	150	185	444
Hawley	143	147	167	457
Straw	124	154	150	428
Schmidt	176	131	194	501
Totals	719	729	798	2,246

OMAHA BEDDING CO.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	Total.
Eidson	183	184	159	526
Moore	145	154	166	465
Willey	178	170	185	533
Changstrom	177	202	150	529
E. Johnson	124	176	199	499
Totals	807	886	859	2,552
Handicap	20	14	21	55
Totals	827	900	880	2,607

Missouri All-Stars Defeated.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27.—The Notre Dame team of Indiana defeated the Missouri All-Stars here today. Score, 12 to 9.

A Fortunate Texan.

E. W. Goodloe, Dallas, Tex., found a sure cure for malaria and biliousness in Dr. King's New Life Pills. 25c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

CHANGE IN IMMIGRATION LAW

Secretary Nagel Says Need is Vital in This Direction.

FAMILIES SHOULD STAY TOGETHER

Coming Year, Mr. Nagel, Believes, Will Almost Equal Record in the Number of Aliens Admitted to United States.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27. — Secretary Nagel's annual report, sent to the president today, contains many important recommendations for changes and improvements in the various bureaus and branches of the Department of Commerce and Labor.

Great popular interest attaches to the immigration and naturalization of aliens, and much of the secretary's report is devoted to that subject.

One of the hardships of the present immigration laws, Secretary Nagel believes, is the separation of families. In many instances a father is admitted and his wife and children are barred out after the pioneer has made a home. The secretary believes that a more equitable system could be found, and says he assumes it is the purpose of the law to keep families together and not to separate them. The secretary suggests that some system by which inquiry should be made about the families of immigrants before fathers and sons are admitted, should be put into practice.

Unless immigration can be diverted from Ellis Island or reduced, there is need for additions to the facilities there. At no port is there any adequate provision for handling immigrants, declares the secretary, although at most places sites have already been bought by the government for buildings to be used for these purposes.

Steamship Companies Lax.

Stricter regulation of steamship companies in the immigrant traffic is urged in the report and a system of fines for companies which bring insane immigrants or those afflicted with contagious diseases is proposed. The secretary declares that the immigration officials even find it unwise to allow alien employes of steamships to land on American soil without applying the usual examination to them.

While the fiscal year 1910 brought a total of 1,198,027 immigrants to the United States, the prediction is made that the coming year will approach the banner year 1907, when more than 1,285,000 aliens came in. Of all those who came this year more than 274,000 admitted they had been assisted by friends. All the immigrants brought a total of $28,197,745 with them, a per capita of about $27. The bulk of the immigration continues to be drawn from southern and eastern Europe. Two per cent of all who applied for admission were turned back. They numbered 24,270 in all, as against 10,411 in 1909. Though no increase in attempts to import contract labor is apparent, 1,700 aliens were deported as such during the year. Stricter legislation to govern that class of immigration is recommended.

Secretary Nagel refers briefly to violations of the white slave law and declares that immigration officials are able to cope with only a fraction of the violations. If the trafic is to be stamped out, he says, the state and municipalities must take a more active interest.

Promotion by Merit.

Promotion of employes by merit and not entirely by scholastic examination is treated at length by Secretary Nagel, who believes scholastic examination may be proper, when an applicant enters the government service. The conditions within the service, however, he thinks, call for an entirely different test for promotion.

"Employes work under the direction and observation of chiefs of bureaus and divisions and their capacity, efficiency and resourcefulness are judged by them," says the secretary. "In the final analysis their rights to advancement should be wholly determined by the opinions of these supervising officials, provided such opinions are well informed, judicious and conscientiously reached."

Secretary Nagel puts himself on record in favor of some sort of superannuation or retirement for clerks. He believes compulsory retirement for age or disability would be an economically measure for the government and expresses the opinion that if salaries of clerks are to remain as they are, the government can afford to provide a straight pension without contribution from employes.

The work of the bureau of corporations has been highly important during the year, and probably this month a comprehensive report on its investigation of the lumber industry will be completed. The bureau now has underway investigations of the International Harvester company, the steel and tobacco industries, concentration of water power ownership, and corporate taxation.

Likes Corporation Publicity.

Secretary Nagel believes the value of corporation publicity has been proved.

"There should be," he says, "an active and permanent system of publicity under the federal government, by which all important industrial corporations engaged in interstate commerce shall report to one federal agency the essential facts of their business. Federal action of this sort is necessary because no state system can comprehensively cover the subject. Thus, with a central agency of business information in continuous operation, the country would have reliable information on the management of our commercial forces, public opinion would be afforded a basis of intelligent action, unjust prejudice would be removed and business interests would have a source of information on corporate facts covering the entire country. There would be a permanent and recognized point of contract between the government and the managers of corporations. The relations of corporate action to public interest could be considered, co-operation could be increased and uniformity of corporate accounting could be secured."

In reviewing the work of the bureau of fisheries, Secretary Nagel proposed a protected zone for all fur bearing animals and would have it located on the Aleutian islands. Fox and other fur bearing animals have been generally slaughtered there, the bureau of fisheries has found, and many of the animals have been poisoned by aliens who wanted their skins. The secretary recommends that some part of the islands be made a reservation and that a wireless station be installed at Dutch harbor, or Unalaska and also on the Pribilof islands. Revenue cutters would be able to operate to greater advantage against pelagic sealers if they had wireless equipment, the secretary says.

Other portions of the report review at length the year's work in the bureau of the census, bureau of labor, bureau of manufacturers, bureau of statistics, bureau of standards, lighthouse service and coast and goodetic survey.

Secretary Nagel recommends laws which will permit a closer inspection of steamships and a stricter regulation of their operation which would be conducive to the greater safety of passengers.

English Speaking Miners are Leaving Anthracite Fields

Father Murphy Says Places They Vacate are Being Taken by Foreigners.

SCRANON, Pa., Dec. 27.—That the small towns of the anthracite coal regions are swarming with Hungarians, Slavs, Poles and Greeks and Italians and that English speaking workers are abandoning the mines is the statement made today by the Rev. P. J. Murphy, rector of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church at Oliphant, Pa., near here. But it is not with regret that Father Murphy notes the aabndoning of the mining towns to the foreigners. "Let there be no tears over the disappearance of Americans from these infernal regions of the mines," he said.

"A large percentage of the young men of Irish, Welsh and Scotch descent, when they arrive at age, leave for the cities," said the priest, "and we must not regret seeing the young Americans fleeing from the hazardous work in the mines, where men carry their lives in their hands every time they descend to the catacombs filled with gas, fire damp and falling roof."

Veteran Meets Death on Railroad Track

Charles Tracey, While Running to Catch Train, is Killed by One He Seeks to Board.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Charles Tracey, a member of the state soldiers' home and an old prospector, was killed by a train near Mystic Friday night, and his body was brought to this city for burial. At the time of the accident Tracey, who had been up in the hills prospecting, was walking down the railroad track toward the depot in order to catch the very train which later killed him. In some manner he fell down on the tracks and was struck on the head by the train. He was picked up, still living, and put on board, but died before reaching Hot Springs.

Worse than an alarm of fire at night is the metallic cough of croup, bringing dread to the household. Careful mothers keep Foley's Honey and Tar in the house and give it at the first sign of danger. It contains no opiates. Sold by all druggists.

BOY KILLED IN THE PRIZE RING

Johnny Parmentier Dead, Following Blow on Adam's Apple—Over Exertion Said to be Cause.

GREEN BAY, Wis., Dec. 27.—Johnny Parmentier of Green Bay, 18 years of age, died in the prize ring tonight while fighting a six-round bout. He suffered a hard jolt on the Adam's apple, it is said. He went to his corner and after sitting down, became weak. He died a short time later. Hemorrhage of the brain from overexertion, it is said, caused death. A coroner's jury will investigate.

Attell to Meet Allen.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Abe Attell, featherweight champion of the world, and Billy Allen, featherweight champion of Canada, will meet in a ten-round, no-decision bout in this city January 23.

BLACK & WHITE
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