

SPORT NEWS OF A DAY; HOME AND ABROAD

SKATING Ends His Life Fitchburg, Dec. 11—Joseph S. Petin, a professional skater of New York, who had been here for two months, was found dead in his room today. The police said that he had killed himself by asphyxiation and that dependency probably was the cause. Petin was fifty-four years old. He had appeared in skating contests in New England cities.

BASEBALL Evers To Stay J. C. O'Leary writes in the Boston Globe that Johnny Evers will play with the Boston Braves next season and the rumors of his being traded to Cincinnati for "Buck" Herzog were exploded by President Gaffney in a letter to Business Manager Haggood. The owner of the Boston club, in unmistakable language, declared not only that there was no foundation for the report, but said that no such trade had ever been contemplated by him; and further still, that no owner or manager in the National League had suggested to him a purchase or trade in which Evers would be involved, for the reason that they knew he would not consider it for a moment.

Larry Gardner Signs Larry Gardner has signed with the Red Sox for next season at the same salary for which he worked last year. His signed contract was received at the headquarters of the Boston club last week.

Baker Denies Report Philadelphia, Dec. 12—The Chicago yarn is a pipe dream, said Frank Baker over the long distance phone when asked if he had accepted terms with the White Sox. "I have not seen or talked to any representative of the Chicago club and don't expect to, I expect to play in the American League again and am now considering an offer from New York."

Leagues May Amalgamate Bangor Commercial—It seems very probable that there will be an amalgamation of the New England and Eastern baseball leagues in order to form a strong association. If the amalgamation is perfected according to the present plans, Portland will have a franchise in the new league but Lewiston will not. Portland has proved one of the best financial cities in the New England League.

Will Stahl Manage Cleveland? Chicago, Dec. 13—Club owners of the American League are here to attend the annual meeting of the organization on Wednesday. Col. Jacob Ruppert and Captain T. L. Houston of the New York club with their manager, William Donovan are expected to open negotiations for a trade with President Connelley of the Chicago team for the services of Third Baseman Stahl.

The New York club, it is reported, plans to purchase Frank Baker, who is still under contract to Philadelphia and if the deal is arranged probably will consent to trade Stahl to Chicago.

B. B. Johnson, president of the league, said the affairs of the Cleveland club probably will not be settled until after the league meeting.

It was reported that Jake Stahl, former manager of the Boston club, is under consideration as the new leader of the Cleveland club. Neither Johnson or Stahl, however, would discuss the report.

National League Meeting New York, Dec. 13—Winter baseball activities began here Monday with the gathering of club owners to attend the annual meeting of the International and National leagues.

"I shall continue at the head of the International League," said Mr. Barrow. "I have every reason to believe that the coming season will prove more successful than the past. I think we have successfully passed the worst part of the roads."

August Hermann, president of the Cincinnati club said he thought the time had passed when club owners of the national league would have favored a clause to sell their franchises to the independents. Discussing economy in baseball, he said the players were getting all the money since the last baseball war started. "The cost of the operation along last year's standard was so great," he said, "that none but prominent pennant contenders had a chance to make both ends meet."

Murphy Outfought Welsh Freddie Welsh, lightweight champion, was outfought in a six round bout in Philadelphia last night by a local lightweight named Jimmy Murphy. Welsh frequently clinched.

BOWLING City League. The Tigers took three points from the C. P. R. team in the City League last evening. Both teams bowled well and the game was very interesting. The score follows:—

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4-PART NUTURAL MASTER PICTURE AND 2 VAUDEVILLE ACTS "The Wolf Man" GREAT MYSTERY DRAMA ELLIOT DUO—Two Pretty Girls in Vocal and Instrumental Numbers HOLLY SMITH Colored Comedian, Singer and Dancer

The All-Mutual Program Today! MUTUAL WEEKLY 3 INTENSE REELS "MR. MEESON'S WILL" LATEST AND BEST NEWS IN MOTION PICTURES Featuring FLORENCE LABADIE Graphic Adaptation of Rider Haggard's Famous Story

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TRIBUTES PAID TO DR. BRIDGES

Superintendent of Schools Completes 20 Years in Office and is Reappointed—School Trustees Want Control of Boys Industrial Home

A high tribute was paid to Dr. H. S. Bridges, superintendent of schools, by the board of school trustees at their meeting last evening when he was reappointed for his fifth term of five years. Trustee Coll drew attention to the fact that the superintendent's term had expired and that he has completed twenty years service. He moved that he be reappointed. The members of the board spoke in the highest terms of Dr. Bridges' success as a superintendent and of his splendid personal qualities. Requests were expressed that their appreciation could not be shown at present by a substantial increase in salary, but this was deferred until after the war. The board expressed the intention of arranging a real vacation of two or three months for Dr. Bridges during the coming year. The appointment was authorized unanimously. When informed of the proceedings Dr. Bridges expressed his sincere appreciation of the attitude of the members.

Supt. Bridges, Trustees Russell, Ingraham, Day and Emerson were appointed a committee to confer with the governors of the Boys Industrial Home regarding the control of that institution which, it was thought, should be in the hands of the school board. It was decided to erect a memorial to the late Lieut. C. M. Lawson, formerly a teacher in the High School, killed in action in France. Dr. Bridges and Mr. Emerson are arranging the memorial. Elmer J. Alexander was appointed to the staff in the High School, grade X, at a salary of \$850. An application from James A. Edmunds was filed. Miss Elizabeth Kierstead was granted leave of absence. An application from Reverend B. Steves, principal at Aberdeen school for salary increase was filed. His complaint that the janitor of the school was not spending sufficient time in the building will be investigated. Dr. Melvin, chief medical officer, wrote recommending sanitary improvements in Winter street school which will be referred to the visiting committee. Regarding the finances of the board

Value—not price—determines the worth of shoes or diamonds, or any product. Good judges find economy in buying the best THE BEST GOOD SHOE



It was informally stated that about \$12,000 would be necessary for next year's assessment for repairs. An audit report prepared by Comptroller McIntyre was adopted.

VALLEY RAILWAY TENDERS CALLED

A call for tenders for the construction of the unfinished section of the Valley Railway was authorized at a meeting of the new directors of the railway at a meeting held in the Royal hotel last evening when the directors were in consultation with the premier and the attorney-general. The sections to be built are those from Centerville to Andover, twenty-six miles and from Gagetown to Rothsay, thirty-three miles. An optional route to Jubilee instead of to Rothsay is under consideration, but the cost of tunnels on this road may offset other advantages. The tenders will close on December 30 and it is hoped that construction will start in the spring. The bridges over the St. John and Kennebec rivers are in the hands of the Dominion government and the directors have no announcement to make regarding them.

PREDICTS INCREASE IN CITY ESTIMATES OF \$100,000 An increase in the assessment of \$100,000 for the coming year was predicted by Commissioner Russell at the meeting of the board of school trustees last evening. He estimated that the additional amount will be required to pay the city's share of the expenses of the new county hospital, the patriotic fund contributions, the additional \$20,000 for the schools and other unavoidable expenditures.

You May Pay More. You Cannot Get Better! Remember This About STEEL'S SALE!

Don't you think that little girl of yours would like a pair of beautiful Wool-lined Rubber Boots. We have them—best qualities. Sizes 6 to 10.....Now \$1.75 Sizes 11 to 2.....Now \$1.95

OVERBOOTS will keep their feet comfortable while coasting. Sizes 6 to 10 only.....\$1.15 Sizes 11 to 2 only.....\$1.30 Patent Colt, Dull Calf Ankle Button Boots. Sizes 8 to 10—Regular \$2.25. Now \$1.65 Sizes 11 to 2—Regular \$3.00. Now \$2.20

These Gifts are useful; they last; they delight. Now it is a paying proposition for you to visit our sale every day for a month. Our store has been visited by delighted crowds who have received better boots than they thought of for less money. But the strong feature is this, they came back later, bringing their friends with them.

Galters Ladies' Black Galters, 55c, 75c and 95c. These are regular 80c, \$1.00 and \$1.35 qualities. A pair will keep the ankles warm for two winters. They are worth more than they cost.

Xmas Presents mean more if they show the giver studied the tastes of the recipient. It is the thought that makes the present.

For the Father You have bought him a pair of House Slippers every Xmas for many years. He expects them just like he expects his tax bill. Why not give him a surprise. We are selling fine Walking Boots, \$6.00 qualities.....For \$4.85 Beautiful \$5.00 qualities For \$3.65 \$4.00 patterns.....For \$2.98

Skating Boots Lightning Hitch—Sizes 6 to 10. Regular \$3.50 goods.....For \$2.35 Black Galt, tan trimmed, Regular \$3.00 goods sizes 6 to 10, \$2.35 Black Hockey Boots—Sizes 6 to 10. Regular \$2.25.....Now \$1.65

A Special Ladies' Storm Rubbers—Made of water-proof cloth, fast color. Regular \$1.25.....Only 85c. a pair

For the Mother A nice, warm, comfortable House Slipper makes a nice present. The floors are cool these mornings. She can buy Slippers for herself, but she would like you to think of them.

Ladies' House Slippers (Felt), 90c. You cannot get these Slippers for less than \$1.25 to \$1.50 anywhere. We have Ladies' Regular \$5.00 Dress Boots.....For \$3.85 a pair Ladies' Walking Boots—Regular \$4.00.....For \$2.85 a pair

Rubber Goods Our reputation for the finest Rubber Goods obtainable is justified. We have them. Men's One-Buckle Overboots—Regular \$1.85 line.....Only \$1.35

People have come from all parts of the city for this Overboot. It has paid them. Men's Four-Buckle Overboots. Only \$2.45 a pair Ladies' Overboots, best quality. Regular \$2.80, \$2.25, \$1.95. Prices \$1.55, \$1.80 and \$1.95 Our Ladies' High Heel Rubbers at 45c. a pair is giving wonderful satisfaction. Bring or send the boot. We can fit it.

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