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## TINKER MAY BE EXCHANGED FOR TWO BROOKLYN PLAYERS

Manager Herzog Is Trying To Make a Deal of This Kind.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 19.—Charles Herzog, newly-appointed manager of the Cincinnati Reds, today announced that negotiations were on for the exchange of ex-manager Joe Tinker for two Brooklyn players. Herzog said he made this proposition to the directors of the Reds:

"If the \$25,000 deal for Tinker can be cancelled without doing anyone an injustice, cancel it. Then let me trade Tinker for players, giving Brooklyn the first opportunity to bid."

Herzog said that he believed President Ebbetts, of Brooklyn, would trade two Brooklyn players who

would prove of far better value to Cincinnati than the cash which President Herrmann, of the Reds, agreed to accept. According to Herzog, the directors of the Cincinnati Club now form a big happy family, with no discord among them.

Herzog said today that he is confident of success in his new position. The contract of the new Red leader is for one year only and the stipend is the same as that which was paid Joe Tinker for filling the same position. The new manager, in discussing the outlook today, made no claims as to finishing high in the race, but simply said he was thoroughly familiar with the local situation, knew pretty well the calibre of the regular players on the club, and felt sure that he could make good as the leader of the team, if given time to develop his ideas.

## BATTERY FORMS INDOOR TEAM

Will Play Teams From Other Towns and Cities of Western Ontario.

### OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

Harry Tozer Will Manage the Club and Walter Dutton Will Be the Captain of It.

At a meeting held in the sergeants' mess of the Sixth Battery last evening, the Sixth London Battery indoor baseball team was organized. The battery has decided not to put a team in the Armories League this season, but instead will have an independent team that will meet all comers. It is the intention of the club to play a number of games with teams in St. Thomas, Hamilton, Guelph, and Brantford, and to also play exhibition games with a number of local teams. The battery has a number of good players, and a strong team will be formed.

A practice game was played in the Armories last evening with the Seventh Regiment team of the Armories League, the battery winning by the score of 7 to 1. Other practice games will be played next week.

**The Officers.**  
The following officers of the club were elected at last night's meeting:  
Patrons—Major W. Leonard, Lieut. F. H. Greenleaf, Lieut. H. Scandrett.  
President—Lieut. Blandford.  
First vice-president—Sergeant-Major H. J. Kerr.  
Second vice-president—Q. M. S. F. Brill.  
Third vice-president—Signal Sergt. F. P. McKay.  
Secretary—Sergeant G. S. Martin.  
Treasurer—Sergeant A. E. Ball.  
Executive committee—Sergeants R. Harding, F. Barclay, C. Brill and O. Russell.  
Manager—Sergeant H. R. Tozer.  
Captain—Sergeant W. A. Dutton.

## CHARLEY WHITE WON FROM AD. WOLGAST

Chicago Lightweight Was Given Decision Over Former Champion at Milwaukee Last Night.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 19.—Charlie White, of Chicago, shaded Ad Wolgast, of Cadillac, Mich., in the opinion of a majority of the experts at the bout here tonight. The contest was close, and well fought all the way.

No decisions are given here, the awards going with the opinions of a majority of the recognized newspaper authorities.

### CHARLES KINGSLEP'S PIPES.

[London Chronicle.]  
Charles Kingsley was an enthusiastic devotee of the clay pipe, and he was in the habit of keeping a supply of pipes concealed in the most unlikely places. A. G. Benson recalls a characteristic story. "My father," he writes, "used to tell how once he was walking with Kingsley round about Aversley, when Kingsley suddenly stopped and said: 'It is no use; I know you detect tobacco, Benson, but I must have a smoke,' and he had accordingly gone to a big furze bush and put his arm in a hole, and after some groping about produced a big churchwarden pipe, which he filled and smoked with great satisfaction, afterwards putting it into a hollow tree, and telling my father, with a chuckle, that he had concealed pipes all over the parish, to meet the exigencies of a sudden desire to smoke."

## Hicks Can't Box and He Can't Punch, But He Makes More Money Fighting Than Many Near Champions.



FREDDY HICKS.  
Without cleverness without a punch, without manager, without press agent—without anything but willingness to "take a beating," Freddy Hicks, the

Detroit middleweight, is making more money in the prize ring than George Chip, the closest approach to a champion the middle division boasts of.

Hicks is demonstrating there is plenty of cash for boys who will actually enter the ring and take punishment, even if they cannot administer it.

All Hicks says of himself is, "Well, if I can't knock them out, you don't see anyone knocking me out, do you?" And they never have. No fighter ever made Freddy take the canvas count; nor has he ever knocked out any fighter with a real reputation.

With nothing to gain fights for him but his willingness to take a chance, Hicks adds to his bank account by entering the ring and fighting, while others are hunting publicity and negotiating.

He doesn't get any big bouts, but those he does bring him a few hundreds and he fights as often as he can secure bookings. This winter he has met Tommy Teague, who was knocked out, Nov. 4; Young Leonard, who defeated him at Wilkesbarre, Nov. 14; Jim Borrell defeated him at Philadelphia, Dec. 1; and on Dec. 6 he defeated Jack Driscoll in New York.

Four fights in about one month, while the press-agented, managed fighter, boxes about as often in a year.

Hicks proves a defeated fighter need not quit. In the face of defeats he goes right along booking bouts.

Between his fight with Driscoll and Jan. 1, Hicks is booked to meet George Ashe, Buck Crouse and Frank Klaus, all tough nuts. His earnings for November and December will total about \$2,000, yet Hicks is a dub whose ability lies chiefly in the ability to take a beating.

## TEMPTING OFFERS BEING MADE LOCAL HOCKEY STARS

Professional Teams Are Trying To Land a Couple More London O.H.A. Players and May Be Successful in One or Two Cases.

[BY JINX.]  
The passing of Harry Lecky, the local O. H. A. star, to the professional ranks, may influence several other local hockey stars to make the jump. A considerable number of offers are being made to a couple of London's fast intermediate players by Toronto N. H. A. teams, and tempting offers are being made daily to them.

Teams in the Maritime League are also after local stars. The New Glasgow club before he finally accepted Jimmy Murphy's offer has been endeavoring to get in touch with a couple of men who started on last season's team.

The Toronto pros, have been after Dot Reid ever since the summer faded, while Andy McAvoy has also been approached. Even Cal Wardrobe, London's great little goal-tender, has received offers. One of them came from a Cobalt team, and Wardrobe was offered a position at \$25 per week and all expenses paid if he would accept. This offer came from

what is supposed to be an amateur team playing in an amateur league.

Despite the fact that hard times are threatened there seems to be all kinds of hockey money floating around, and some of the offers made to local players are exceedingly attractive. It is a great temptation to an amateur player to make the jump when he is offered \$700 or \$800 for two or three months' work on the ice. It looks like pretty soft money to most of them, and a \$15 a week job and all the glory that is realized by playing on an O. H. A. team doesn't stand out high beside it.

**Players After Money Now.**  
The time is coming when professional hockey will invade every city and town in Ontario big enough to support a team, mainly because of the money in it for the players. Amateur hockey is just as big a drawing card and even bigger in some cases, but the players don't get the money. The money goes to the men behind the club, men, who, for the most part, have little interest in the development of the game except from the money it puts in their pockets.

## WANDERERS GET ON ICE FOR FIRST TIME

Montreal Team Has a Number of Good Players to Pick From This Season.

[Canadian Press.]  
Montreal, Dec. 20.—Holding their initial practice this season on the ice, eight of the regulars of the Wanderers worked out for nearly an hour at the Coliseum rink last night. Sprague Cleghorn was the absentee from among those who have already signed their contracts, while Art Ross, one of the holdouts, watched the work from the side. The players showed remarkably good condition for the first turnout, and went at their work at a fast clip. Carl Kendall, who was secured by the club, made his first appearance on a Montreal team, and created a favorable impression with those in attendance.

Lahue, an amateur, who played last season with the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, turned out with the professionals. Lahue played as good a game as any of the men in the inter-provincial a year ago, and if he decides to turn professional he should make good in the National Hockey Association. Boves and Gicotte, who played with the team a year ago, took turns in defending the nets against a forward line, composed of Ernie Russell, Adie Cleghorn, and Gordie Roberts. The latter was also tried on the defence.

**BOY SCOUTS HAVE CHRISTMAS RALLY**  
Hear Words of Advice From Provincial Secretary on Scouting.

H. G. Hammond, of Toronto, provincial secretary of the Boy Scout movement, addressed a large number of the Scouts of this city at a Christmas rally held in Crown Hall Friday evening. A splendid series of slides, illustrating the doings of Scouts in other cities in Ontario was shown, and was the means of arousing much enthusiasm among the boys.

Following the rally a business meeting of the local association was held, and Mr. Hammond addressed the scout-masters on the necessity of training for scout officers. If good results were to be obtained from the boys, the rector of the cathedral, Rev. Canon Tucker, also spoke a few words of help and encouragement.

## TRAINED AVIATORS ARE BADLY NEEDED

[Canadian Press.]  
New York, N. Y., Dec. 20.—That more must be accomplished on land with flying machines before an attempt is made to cross the sea, is the statement made by Orville Wright, the Aero Club of America last night, where a reception was tendered him on the tenth anniversary of the first power flight made by him and his late brother, Wilbur. He added that he would not venture to predict that the Atlantic would be crossed in a flying machine within the next few years.

"What is needed now are more experienced aviators," Mr. Wright said. "Fully 95 per cent of accidents occur because the aviator has not been sufficiently trained."

## CHRISTMAS TRADE EQUALS LAST YEAR

Mercantile Agency After Canvass of Stores Finds Buying Fully as Good.

Mercantile conditions in London as reported by R. G. Dun & Co. are exceptionally good. Its weekly report has this to say:

A canvass of the principal retail stores shows that holiday goods have been sold fully as freely as last winter, but those lines known as seasonal winter wear have not moved off owing to the continued mild weather. The purchasing power of the people in this section, of which 25 per cent come in from the country, shows very little diminution; the demand for retail trade seems directly attributable to the unseasonable weather, and is confined to clothing, fur and shoe trade principally. Manufacturers are operating on short time in some lines, but few hands have been laid off. Collectors fairly good. One small failure this week.

London reports to Bradstreet's that business conditions are unchanged. People are buying early for Christmas needs, and sorting orders have been satisfactory at wholesale drygoods and grocery houses. Produce markets have been active and firm. London industries are in a healthy condition though not quite as active as might be desired.

## MEDICAL STUDENTS HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE

Each Year Has a Team and Schedule of Games Has Been Drawn Up.

The Western University Meds have formed a hockey league, each year being represented by a team. A schedule has been drawn up, and games will be played in the Simcoe street rink between 5 and 6 p.m.

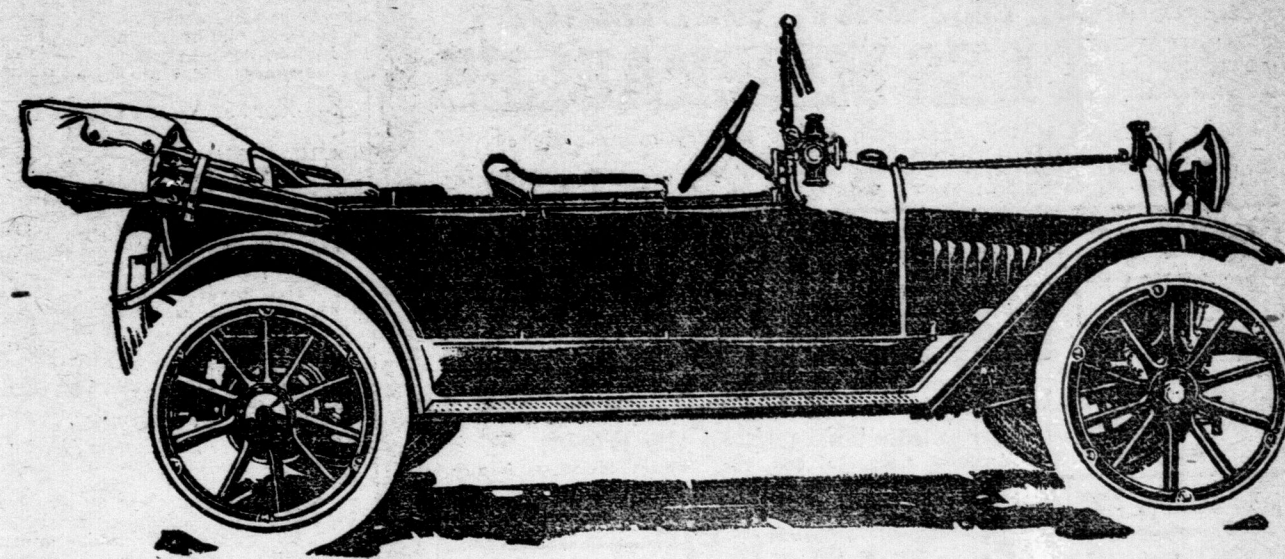
The schedule is as follows:  
Jan. 13—First vs. Second.  
Jan. 15—Third vs. Fourth.  
Jan. 20—Second vs. Third.  
Jan. 22—First vs. Fourth.  
Jan. 24—Second vs. Fourth.  
Jan. 29—First vs. Third.  
Feb. 3—First vs. Second.  
Feb. 5—Third vs. Fourth.  
Feb. 10—Second vs. Third.  
Feb. 12—First vs. Fourth.  
Feb. 17—Second vs. Fourth.  
Feb. 19—First vs. Third.

## REDUCTION ORDERED ON BILLS OF LADING

Railway Commission Makes New Classification to Lighten Express Charges.

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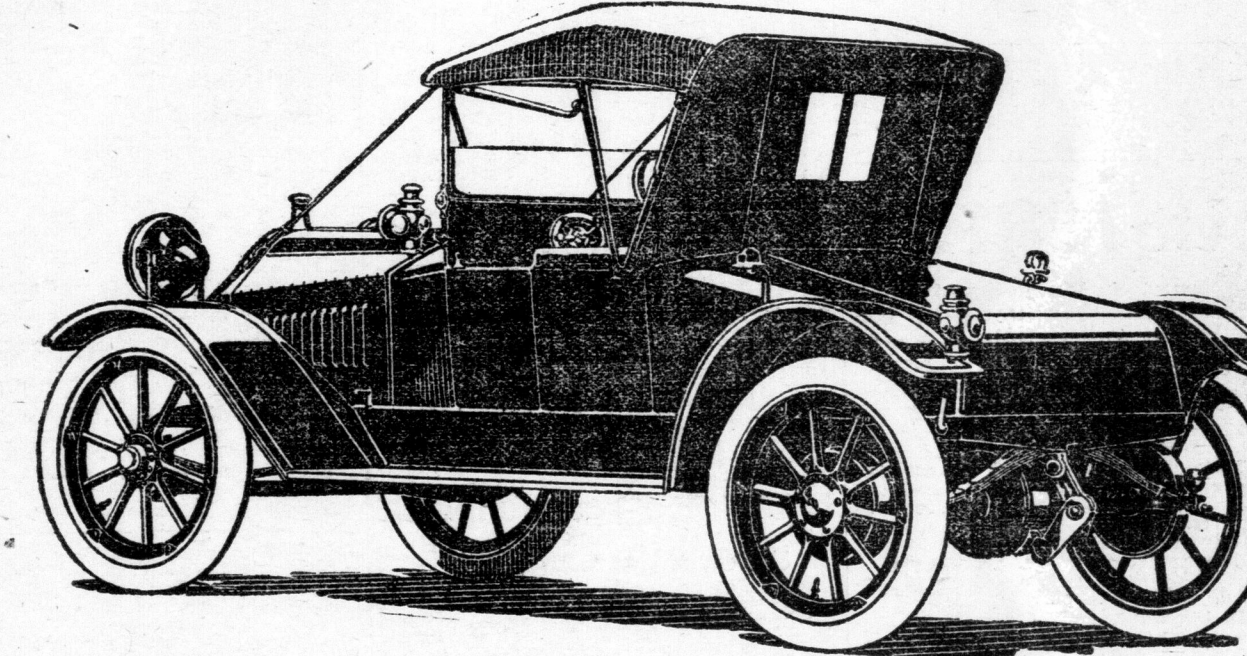
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By the order signed today a change in the express classification has been made. Under this a new rule provides for the charge of one-eighth of one per cent, with a minimum of one per cent on \$100 on one company's line, and one and one-half per cent

when carried by more than one company.

In practice the present and the proposed rules will work out as follows:  
On \$100—present, \$3; proposed one line, \$1; two lines, \$1.50; on \$300—present, \$3; proposed, one line, \$1; two lines, \$1.50; on \$500—present, \$5; proposed one line, \$1; two lines, \$1.50. On \$1,000—present, \$10; proposed one line, \$1.25; two lines, \$1.50. On \$2,000—present, \$20; proposed one line, \$2.50; two lines, \$2.50.

Lime was one of the earliest materials used to improve soil, being mentioned in the writings of Plato and Pliny.

Mrs. Dora Burden, whose death is announced, at the age of 58, was for the past 36 years connected with the teaching staff of the Dublin Metropolitan School of Art.