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### CHANCE TO BE HIGHEST PRICED MANAGER IN GAME

Says He Did Not Ask for Twenty Thousand--Has to fix Terms With Farrel

Chicago, Dec. 14--Little new transpired yesterday in the case of Frank Chance, who is named to manage the Highlanders next season. It only remains for the Peerless Leader to agree upon terms with Frank Farrel, the New York owner, and once this obstacle is cleared the ex-Cub boss will proceed Eastward to take charge of his new berth.

"I cannot say what terms I will reach with Chance," said Farrel upon leaving for New York today. "I understand he desires a big salary before he will handle the club, and I expect to give it to him. It would be indiscreet for me to state how much I plan to pay him before he has signed his contract."

"You can say for me, however, that I think he will be the highest paid manager in baseball, and that will not bar John McGraw, who receives \$18,000 per year to manage the Giants. The American League is eager to secure Chance, and I am sure not trouble will arise to prevent us from agreeing upon terms."

According to the Highlander boss Chance will be back in Chicago shortly after the first of the year, but his stay here will be a brief as Farrel wants the big fellow to hasten on to New York to arrange plans for the coming campaign.

"I plan to open negotiations with Chance almost immediately after my arrival in New York," said Mr. Farrel.

"I have not communicated with him up to date, but I have been assured that he is willing to manage my team, and will talk business with me as soon as I am ready."

"I expect Chance to make the greatest leader we ever had. I will do all in my power to aid him to get a strong club. I will not stand in his way in anything. He will have full charge of everything, so far as selecting the players is concerned and also as to directing the club."

## SPORTS OF ALL KINDS

According to arrangements representatives of the Marysville Crescents and Fredericton are to meet tonight to talk over a schedule of hockey matches for the winter.

Bellamy the former Shamrock player is practising with the Tecumsehs.

The New Glasgow Chronicle commenting on the hockey situation remarks, "let every tub stand on its own bottom."

Rollie Norman has accepted a position as travelling representative for John Starr, Son & Company, Halifax. He has shown keen business acumen in hockey circles which augurs well for his success in his new business and which he has the best wishes of his many friends.

A despatch from Fort William states that one of the M.P.H.A. teams is negotiations with "Con" Corbeau a Western defence man.

Ice-makers are having hard luck just at present. At the Curling Rink last week there was the foundation of a fine sheet of ice but the rise in temperature spoiled chances. However there is every prospect for good ice for Christmas and the rinks for the usual President-Vice president matches will be published soon.

The Cleveland Naps will begin training on February 24 at their camp at Pensacola, Fla. The pitchers and catchers will be the first to report, the entire squad to be on hand March 4.

Talk of reorganizing the N.B.H.L. has died out. Lack of a rink at St. John has given the league a hard wallop.

The sporting editor of The Mail is in receipt of the annual list of records which is issued by Mr. James

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### ONLY TWO HOME RUNS OFF JOHNSON AND JOE WOOD

Harry Lord Made two Home-Runs and Ping Bodie and Frank Baker One Each

It is hard enough to get base hits off Walter Johnson and Joe Wood, and almost an impossibility to procure home runs off them. This last fact is driven home through inspection showing that each great box-man had only two circuit drives made off his delivery last season.

Harry Lord of the Chicago White Sox should feel proud of himself when he learns that he was the only American League player to get homers off these two stars of the firing line. Lord made his circuit clout off the Idaho phenom on May 8, and touched Smoky Joe for a hit for the grand tour on June 16.

Ping Bodie made the other homer off Johnson, and Frank Baker the other four-bagger off Wood, the dates on which these historic hits were manufactured being May 8 and October 3. It will be noted that the two four-play smashes off Johnson came in the same game, by the way, in which Johnson was knocked out of the box. Johnson must have had considerable speed, for prior to the time he was driven to shelter he smashed some bones in Lee Tannehill's arm by hitting him with a pitched ball.

Other star pitchers did not possess the skill (or luck) that Johnson and Wood showed in preventing the manufacture of home runs. Russell Ford, for example, yielded ten hits for the full distance, two of which were procured by Tris Speaker, winner of the Chalmers car voted to him as the American League's most valuable player. Ed Walsh was located for six homers, Speaker getting one such hit off the spit-ball expert and winning a game with it.

Five home runs were made off Jack Coombs, three off Bob Groom, four off Vean Gregg and only one off "Chief" Bender. The figures follow:

NEW YORK--27  
Off Ford, 10; Warhop, 4; Quinn, 4; Fisher, 3; Davis, 2; McConnell, 2; Vaughn, 1; Caldwell, 1.

CHICAGO--25  
Off Walsh, 6; Benz, 5; Lange, 4; Cicotte, 3; Mogridge, 2; White, 2; Jordan, 1; Bell, 1; Peters, 1.

WASHINGTON--22  
Off Hughes, 8; Groom, 3; Cashion, 3; Walker, 2; Johnson, 2; Akers, 1; Griffin, 1; Engel, 1; White, 1.

BOSTON--19  
Off Bedient, 6; Collins, 4; Hall, 4; O'Brien, 3; Wood, 2.

ST. LOUIS--17  
Off Powell, 5; Allison, 4; Mitchell, 2; Hamilton, 2; E. Brown, 2; Frill, 1; Baumgardner, 1.

DETROIT--16  
Off Lake, 3; Willett, 3; Mullin, 3; Works, 2; Dubuc, 2; Jensen, 1; Wheatley, 1; Moran, 1.

CLEVELAND--15  
Off Gregg, 4; Blanding, 3; Steen, 3; Baskette, 2; George, 1; Mitchell, 1; Kahler, 1.

PHILADELPHIA--12  
Off Coombs, 5; Brown, 2; Pennock, 1; Russell, 1; Plank, 1; Bender, 1; Houck, 1.

### CLEVELAND PITCHER GETS TEN YEAR SENTENCE

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 13--Roy Walker, the pitcher under contract to the Cleveland Club, who was arrested at Peoria, Ill., and returned here for trial with two other Nashville youths, on two charges of assault with intent to kill, was found guilty today and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. Motion for a new trial was made.

Roy Walker pitched for Cleveland in two games this year, both late in the season, in neither of which did he go the full nine innings.

M. Powers of Halifax, who needs no introduction to the sporting public of the Maritime Provinces. The list includes boxing, wrestling, etc., as well as some interesting data referring to the Maritime Provinces alone

Saturday's Rugby results in the old country were as follows:  
South Africans, 3; Wales, 0.  
London Welsh, 8; Richmond, 6.  
Harlequins, 31; Old Merchant Taylors, 8.  
Oxford, 23; Glasgow, Academicals, 13.

Northampton, 19; Blackheath, 0.  
Bedford, 6; Guy's Hospital, 5.  
Gloucester, 15; Cornwall, 11.

## MAINE STATE LEAGUE TO BE REORGANIZED

### HALIFAX OUTBIDS TORONTO PROFESSIONAL HOCKEY CLUBS

M. P. H. A. Decides on Fifteen per Cent for Visiting Teams--Exodus From Upper Canada Begins

Toronto, Dec. 15--Manager Murphy of the Halifax Socials, has landed Harry Scott, Marks and Freddy Landers, all of whom were out with the Tecumseh and Toronto professionals. Scott signed a \$1,100 contract, the Indians only offering \$1,000. Landers is the Ottawa boy who was given a tryout with Toronto. Marks was supposed to leave for Quebec on Monday but he is dissatisfied with conditions there and will probably go to the Maritime League. Marks is said to be sore because three other members of the champion teams got \$1,500 while his contract calls for \$1,400.

The Halifax man is also out for some of the local amateur stars. The signing of Marks may cause war between the N.B.A. and the Maritime League, the agreement having been signed between them.

#### FIFTEEN PER CENT.

Halifax, Dec. 15--At the meeting of the M.P.H.A. in Truro yesterday which was attended by representatives of the New Glasgow, Sydney and Moncton hockey teams, it was decided that the visiting teams should receive fifteen per cent. of the gross gate receipts at the games. Formerly the amount was twenty per cent. If Halifax should not come in on this arrangement it was decided to form a schedule for four teams from Moncton, New Glasgow, Sydney and Amherst.

#### EXODUS BEGINS.

(Canadian Press.)

Montreal, Q., Dec. 16--The exodus of hockey talent and near talent scheduled to entertain the fans and grow rich on the abundant shekels offered in the provinces by the sea-sets in this week in earnest. The advance guard of players who will largely compose the Maritime Hockey League has already hit the trail for the east and within the next few days fully a score more will be on the way, lured by the high prices which are being offered in Lower Canada. There are five teams in the Maritime League this year, two from Halifax, Socials and Crescents; Sydney, Moncton and New Glasgow, and large drafts upon the recruits of Upper Canada are being made.

Harry Scott left this morning for Halifax. He will play with the Halifax Crescents and the Fort William speed boy is commanding a big salary in the east. He turned down a \$1,500 offer from Lil Solomon of Toronto, while stopping off a day in the Queen City.

"I would rather play with a team that is going to win a few games even if I do get a little less money" quoth Scott.

Two other Middle West cracks are scheduled for the Crescents in the persons of Walker and McGregor, a pair of wing men. Both have been much sought by Upper Canadian teams. Norton and Smeaton, two Westmount defence players, are also being trailed by the Halifax manager, as well as Green, a Fort William defence player.

Fred Doherty is scouting in Ontario for the Moncton team, which last year won the championship and provided the comedy end of a burlesque effort for the Stanley Cup. So far Doherty has signed up Cross, a goal tender, and Foisome, an O.H.A. player who has had a try-out with the Toronto pros, but did not quite make it. Sydney has been seeking Tetreault, who was with the Wanderers last year.

Walter Miller, who was with New Glasgow last year, arrived in Montreal yesterday and will probably stay there. "Stole" Doran, the big defence player who has twice captained teams in the Maritime League, will be on the Wanderers' reserve list and may be the first choice spare defence man. Murphy of the Crescents is in Montreal today. He is determined to land the championship this year and make a bid for the Stanley Cup. He will try today to conclude a deal with Smeaton and Norton. Jack Marshall terms Norton "the best stick handler playing hockey today."

Northeastern League falls Through--New Organization to Comprise Portland, Bangor, Biddeford Augusta, Bath and Lewiston--Jimmy Bannion--Wants Bangor Franchise--New League Looks Good

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 13--At a conference in this city last evening by Michael Roach, James Bannion and other promoters of the Northeastern League, the question of changing the name and circuit of the league was discussed and practically decided upon.

It was believed to be best to confine the league circuit to Maine, the organization to be known as the Maine State League. The league membership will be confined to Portland, Bangor, Lewiston, Augusta, Bath and Biddeford.

It is expected that James Bannion, a former Binghamton manager, now a hotel proprietor in Rochester, N. H., and a member of the New Hampshire legislature, will be chosen president of the new league.

Mr. Bannion would like to manage the Bangor team, believing that to be the best in the circuit, but it is understood that Michael Roach of this city, will have the Bangor franchise. James Collopy, a former New York State League player, now a resident of Holyoke, Mass., has applied for the Lewiston franchise.

### H. R. H. AND BOB ROGERS

(From the Ottawa Free Press)

Following the return to Ottawa of H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Premier Borden The Free Press suggested that the startling accounts of the methods adopted in the McDonald bye-election by Hon. Robert Rogers, one of His Highnesses' ministerial advisers, might well form the subject of serious conversation between them.

Of course nobody knows whether such conversation did actually take place but if it did one can well believe from the conduct of Hon. Robert Rogers since that a very plausible explanation was given by the Prime Minister.

Hon. "Bob" is nothing if not plausible and among those who do not know him he can get away with that plausibility.

Hon. Charles Murphy very effectively exposed the methods of the Minister of Public Works by proving how, in a speech from his place in the House, he had added insult to injury by what were evidently deliberate misstatements. At the time these statements were loudly cheered by his followers, for there was no means of answering them. Last night Mr. Murphy had evidence which put Mr. Rogers in a very bad light.

One hesitates to call upon the Governor-General for action at any time but there are some cases in which it is his duty to interfere and it certainly looks as if this were one of them.

### MONTREAL CLUB GETS BIG LEAGUE PLAYERS

Montreal, Dec. 15--Announcement was made today by the management of the Montreal of the purchase from the St. Louis Nationals of Outfielder Fred Gilhooly and McGraynor of the Cincinnati Nationals.

#### AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Q., Dec. 16--Miller made a hit with the Wanderers at practice. He was put into check Odie Clegborn, one of the best men in the game and showed himself to be fit for fast hockey. He has plenty of weight and is fast on his skates.

Ernie Lifiton has gone to Toronto where he will report to Manager Nicholson of the Tecumsehs. Lifiton is a usual man and should make good. He played in Halifax a year ago.

#### WESTWICK OUT AGAIN.

Ottawa, Dec. 16--An old, yet new, face at the Ottawa practice Saturday night was that of "Rat" Westwick, the former brilliant rover of the Senators. He is younger and faster than some of the many candidates now trying for places on N.H.A. teams but it is not "Rat's" intention to "come back."