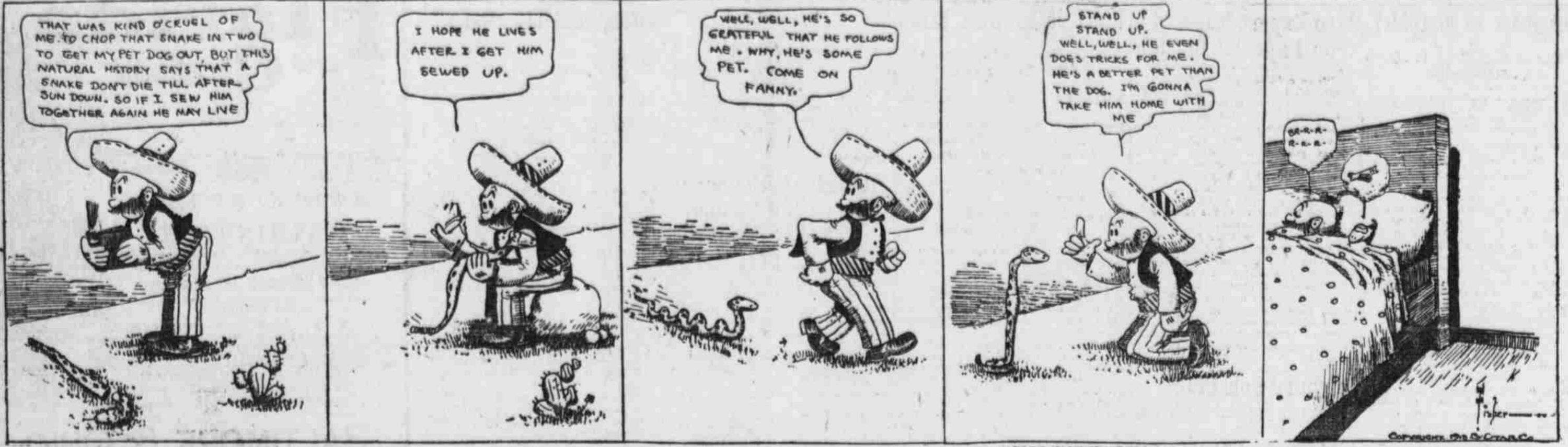


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TINKER DEAL IN A TANGLE

Cincinnati Directors Refuse to Ratify Sale of Shortstop.

NEED PLAYERS INSTEAD OF CASH

President Ebbets Says Sale Was Regrettable and That Tinker is Now Property of the Brooklyn Club.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 15.—The board of directors of the Cincinnati baseball club today refused to ratify August Herrmann's sale of Joe Tinker to Brooklyn for \$25,000. Immediately after this decision was reached President Herrmann sent a telegram to President Ebbets of the Brooklyn club, telling him that the deal, insofar as cash alone was concerned, was off.

Another deal that would include Tinkling or Ragan and Moran or Stengel, with a cash consideration might be considered, Herrmann told Ebbets.

Herrmann made a private agreement with Ebbets last week, which allowed Brooklyn to have Tinker for \$25,000 in cash, with the understanding that the Cincinnati club should give Tinker \$50,000 for signing with Brooklyn. Some of the directors openly stated that they believed that players and not money should have been obtained for Tinker.

The telegram from President Herrmann to President Ebbets follows: The board of directors absolutely disapprove of the agreement to sell Tinker for cash. They want players in exchange. If you can make a deal with Tinker to play with Brooklyn, submit to us a proposition which will include either Pitchers Vining or Ragan, or Outfielders Moran or Stengel, with cash equivalent for difference.

President Herrmann, when informed that President Ebbets of the Brooklyn club considered Tinker the property of the Brooklyn club, regardless of what action the board of directors of the Cincinnati club had taken, said:

"I will have nothing to say, until I hear personally from Ebbets."

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—President Ebbets of the Brooklyn club, when informed of the refusal of the board of directors of the Cincinnati club to ratify the sale of Joe Tinker, said he considered Tinker already the property of the Brooklyn club.

"No action of the directors of the Cincinnati club can rescind the sale of Tinker to Brooklyn," said Ebbets. The contract drawn up between Mr. Herrmann and myself is just as binding on one club as on the other. We have nothing to do with the action of the Cincinnati club.

Fifteen Base Ball Fatalities in Year

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Fifteen deaths constituted the toll in base ball games during the 1913 season, according to figures compiled and published here today. The report shows that the greatest death toll was in Chicago, where three persons were killed by pitched balls.

Twelve of the victims were killed by being hit in the head by the ball direct from the hands of the pitchers. Foul tips were responsible for the other three deaths. The report points out that all of the players killed were unskilled in the game and than none of the major league players received fatal injuries.

Following is a list of the fatalities:

- May 18—H. Farrow, Chicago.
- May 22—E. V. Faught, Coald, Neb.
- May 24—J. Baushkewitz, Baltimore.
- May 26—F. Greenwald, Holland, N. Y.
- June 1—C. Brown, Chicago.
- June 3—Wiggins, Kearney, N. J.
- June 5—P. Smith, Anacostas, Wash.
- June 8—F. C. Whittemore, Jr., New Haven, Conn.
- June 23—J. J. Gillespie, Chattanooga, Tenn.
- June 25—J. H. Whetstone, New Orleans.
- June 26—M. Ruth, Jacksonville, Ind.
- June 27—F. W. Hood, Harvey, Ill.
- June 28—M. McCoy, Chicago.
- August 20—L. Root, Philadelphia.

THORPEIANS PUT ONE OVER ON THE JINX CLUB

Saturday evening the Thorpeian Athletic club basketball team defeated the Jinx club in an exciting game by the score of 33 to 24. The game was played on the Jinx' floor at Twenty-seventh and Pratt streets and was witnessed by a large number of the Church of the Covenant's congregation.

Root and Schantz of the Thorpeians played a great game and were responsible for twenty-four of the points made by their team. The team work of the Thorpeians was greatly superior to that of the Jinx and was perhaps the most noteworthy fact of the game. The shining light for the Jinx was J. Orr.

Line-up:

Jinx:	Pottion	Thorpeians:
Bilke	R. F.	Schantz
J. Orr	L. F.	Root
E. Orr	C. G.	Abrahamson
Talmage	R. G.	Davidson
Erickson	L. G.	Rubin

Summary—Field goals: Jinx, Bilke, 2; J. Orr, 2; E. Orr, 2; Talmage, 2; Thorpeians, Abrahamson, 1; Schantz, 5; Root, 7. Free throws: Bilke, 1; Talmage, 2; J. Orr, 5; Abrahamson, 1; Schantz, 4; Root, 2. Substitutes: Adams, 1; Erickson, 1. Time of halves, 20 minutes. Umpire, Adams; referee, Miles.

IOWA ANNOUNCES ITS BASKET BALL SCHEDULE

IOWA CITY, Ia., Dec. 15.—(Special.)—Iowa's basket ball schedule was announced today in completed form by Manager Kellogg. The season will open with Leander Clark college here next Wednesday evening, December 17, and close with a game with Northwestern at Evanston on March 7. The schedule follows:

- December 17—Leander Clark at Iowa City.
- January 1—State Teachers' college at Iowa City.
- January 12—Chicago at Chicago.
- January 18—Minnesota at Iowa City.
- January 20—Grinnell at Grinnell.
- January 25—Cornell at Mount Vernon.
- January 30 or 31—Ames at Iowa City.
- February 11—State Teachers' at Cedar Falls.
- February 13—Minnesota at Minneapolis.
- February 15—Carleton at Northfield.
- February 18—Chicago at Iowa City.
- February 22—Northwestern at Iowa City.
- February 24—Ames at Ames.
- February 27—Grinnell at Iowa City.
- March 7—Northwestern at Evanston.
- March 20—State high school tourney at Iowa City.

MICHIGAN TO SECURE A GAME WITH HARVARD

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 15.—Harvard's foot ball team will meet the University of Michigan in the Harvard stadium October 23 next year, according to information received here tonight. This falls on the Saturday filled by Cornell this year, but it was not announced what college Michigan would displace on the Harvard schedule. The Crimson management in its recent invitation to Michigan suggested October 24 as a date.

Record to Babe

When Veau Grege, the Naps south-paw, fanned nineteen pirates in thirteen innings he did not break a world's record, according to base ball historians. The records show that Rube Waddell, with the Athletics in 1904, struck out sixteen New York batters in twelve innings, while Glade of the Browns the same year fanned sixteen Washington hitters in nine innings. Glade, therefore, did the best work with an average of 1.77 men an inning. Grege's average being 1.56.

Memorial to Foot Ball Player

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 15.—A movement is on foot by members of the University of Minnesota alumni to erect a memorial to Lisle Johnson, a former Minnesota foot ball player who died a few weeks ago from an attack of typhoid fever. The plan is to erect a bronze pedestal on the Northrup field.

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