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season. San Francisco will retain Claude Berry and Schmidt, the clever pair who officiated back of the bat for that team last season, and has added a backstop named Melford, from the New York State League to the staff. Dakland is justly satisfied with the work of Carl Mitne and "Bunny" Peacee Mitne was the regular catcher Mitne was the regular catcher

with that club during the past two seasons, and is one of the cleverest and inricest working catchers seen in this league for several seasons. Pearce in a big, awkward fellow, who can throw well and also hit the ball, and is a good second catcher. Happy Hogan asserts that he will do

little or no catching for his club next season, and ascorts that he will dend upon Drummond Brown and Jack

season, and assorts that he will de-pend upon Drummond Brown and Jack Suffivan to handle his pitchers. Suffi-van comes from the American Asmocia-ilon, where he is rated as a fairly good catcher, and if he is, he will help the Yemon team considerably, for Brown gave several-exhibitions of catching hast leason that would disgrace a bush suggregation and it is latiness and un-teadhess which are his bad points. He may ginger up if forced to compete against a live catcher, and Hogan may have obtained such a man in Suffivan. The Angels have imported a catcher mended, and it is to be hoped that Hen-ry Barry has not been handed another leason in this man. The Los Angeles of the bas been out of the running for several seasons, principally because of several seasons, principally because of the inability of that club to obtain the the inaddity of that chief doctain the nervices of a high-class catcher, Hughey Smith, the husky youngster who has been used back of the bat most of the time by that club, is not cut out for a catcher. He cannot think quick trip of that season he saw Peters in enough to make a good catcher, but his batting and base running ability ought to make him a good man in the out-

Smith Natural Ballplayer.

smith Natural Ballplayer. He is a natural ballplayer and is fast on his feet for a big man. His batting has halped the Angels greatly, and be-cause of his good points it would seem that Dillon might try him out in some other department than back of the bat. Brooks is only a fair catcher; is af-flicted the same as Smith, so it is up to Boles to make good or the Angels will once more he out of the running despite the influx of a siellar pitching isspite the influx of a stellar pitching

is aff for next season. In the case of Sacramento, that club is without a catcher at all at the pres-ent time, unless this man Cheek, from the New York State League shows abliity. The Senatorial aggregation also has claim to Rex De Vogt, who played in the Northwestern League last season, in the Northwestern League last season, and he displayed ability of no mean va-riety, which may gain him a chance with Charley Graham. Sacramenio ex-pects to get a catcher from the Boston Americans, and Patsy O'Rourke will see in it that this man will be a real catcher or he will recke him quickly. However, good catchers are scarce and it is a bucky manager who is able to draw one at any time of the year. This department guually means the making of a baseball club, for, if a club possesses a good catching staff, and is

making of a baseman chub, jor, if a club possesses a good catching shaft, and is equally balanced in the other depart-ments, there is no chance for it to be-come a lesser if handled by, a manager who knows his men and the game as mail

to have come to Portland from Cleve-land, but too many big longue clubs seemed anxious to secure his services and Cleveland decided to retain bim Golden Rule Dealings in Cincininstead.

Instead, "I guess it will be up to me to take a chance on some of these youngsters, and it may be that I will have to use Walter Doane as a pitcher," said Mo-Credis in discussing the situation yes-

CANTILLON TRIED SCHEME

Credie in discussing the situation yes-terday. "Doane is such a good sticker that it seems a shame not to use him regu-larly in the game, and I may not have to pitch him after all, if Byrd, Green-well, Hirsch or some of the others show they have 'the goods.' In case I have to use Doane as a pitcher I can send Harry Peters or Bill Lindsay to the outfield, so that department will not be weakened at all, as both these men can play the patch, and both are good hitters and baserunners." Veteran Umpire's Plan to Treat Indicator-Handlers With Due Re-

McCredie has not heard a word from Peters, who is supposed to be studying law at Salinas, and this has puzzled the leader of the Beavers. Peters is one of McCredia's fondest hopes, for he has been "sweet" on this speedy young player for two years. 'Mack' intends to try Peters at third base at BY W. J. PETRAIN. Hank O'Day, the veteran umpire who has been signed by Garry Herrmann to manage the Cincinnati team, announces

manage that be circlination and any any any set of the in-his dealings with the umpires of the National League next season. In other words, Hank will conduct himself to-ward the officials in the manner he tried to enforce towards himself when the training quarters, and it is more than likely that this speedy youngster will give Bill Lindsay a hard tussle for the job as regular guardian of the "difficult corner." Peters was a member of the San Jose

tried to enforce towards himself when he was an official. O'Day's announcement that he would give the umpires no trouble is taken with a grain of sait by the fans, for Joe Cantilion, also a former umpire of note, made the same statement before he took charge of the Washington Americans a few years ago. If O'Day makes as good in this ex-pression of determination to introduce managerial reform in the matter of dealing with umpires, he will be fired team in the California State League in 1910, and when McCredie took his Beavers to that place on the training trip of that season he saw Peters in action. The youngster impressed the Portland man so highly that he tried to get him when that league blew up in 1919, but Harry Kraume beat the Portland leader to it and signed him for Connie Mack's Philadelphia team. Philadelphia turned him over to Tran-ton for seasoning, and McCredie drafted him from that team last Fall. Superstition may swing the Portland

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Interest by Baseball Men.

ted States Baseball Association is being welcomed with open arms by the fans of that city. The situation in Rich-mond is much the same as prevailed in Portland in 1962, when the Portland on Football Field Again. magnates cast off allegiance to the Northwestern League at the end of that season, and joined hands with the Paseason, and joined cific Coast League, The Richmond fans object to being linked forever with the smaller cities of the Virginia Lengue, and would like to "hook up" with cities like Wash-ington, Cleveland and other places where the United States Association proposes to invade with independent

In Richmond, Va., the proposed Uni-

teams

Eastern writers and baseball dope magtern writers and pasenal hope sters do not seem to pay much heed to the United States League, and it is possible that the assertion of some of its chief organizers to the effect that the organization would not countenance

the organization would not countenance contract-jumping may be the reason for the lack of interest. The promoters of the new league say they can secure enough good baseball material without having to induce any players to jump their American or

bioral League contracts, which state-ment is not given much credence. A new organization butting into major league territory cannot possibly compete with those organizations major league territory cannot possibly compete with those organizations without introducing high-class players, and performers of this caliber are not to be picked up at leisure. The United States League will have to carry on a war to the knife in order to make good, and such a battle will cost the pro-moters millions of dollars. It is not generally believed that the new league has the backing.

to get him when that league blow up in 1910, but Harry Kraume beat the Portland leader to it and signed him for Connie Mack's Philadeiphia team. Profiladeiphia turned him over to Tren-ton for seasoning, and McCredie drafted him from that team last Fall. Superstition may swing the Portland training camp to Santa Maria once more, for the leader of the two-times champions is a firm believer in fate. Having won two pennants in succession after having trained at Santa Maria Walter McCredie will be loath to solect another point for fear of breaking his lucky streak. However, as his friend, John St. John, has already predicted that the Beavers will be three-times swinners at the smid of the coming sea-on, McCredie may take a chance and change quarters. George "Admiral" Schlel, the ex-Ch-cinnatic catcher who worked alternately with Loce Liarre McClean for seasoning change for the tare of the two-times wonther point for fear of breaking his lucky streak. However, as his friend, John St. John, has already predicted that the Beavers will be three-times en nule" thing in Cincinnati, for losing change quarters. Beorge "Admiral" Schlel, the ex-Ch-cinnatic catcher who worked alternately with Loce Liarre McLean for service of the timp in concentrative and walter workeed alternately change quarters. Beorge "Admiral" Schlel, the ex-Ch-

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on Football Field Again. FAST GAME IS EXPECTED At Graduate Managers' Conference

Here Matter of Allowing College Men to Play Against Multno-

mah Tomorrow Is Settled.

Because the graduate managers of Northwest colleges in session here yes-terday declared that they would not protest Coyle and Wand for Spring sports if they played with the Seattle All-Starsagainst Multnomah New Year's day, the premier college quarterback

of the Northwest and his teammate, in all probability, will be seen in a Senttle uniform against the winged "M" contie unitorin against the winged 'A' players. Graduate Manager Zednick, of the University of Washington, pre-sented the case of his two stellar sthietes to the conference delegates and they declared they had no objec-tion to Coule and Wand tables tion to Coyle and Wand taking part

tion to cover and want want in the game. Coyle is a baseball player and last year was the leading slugger of the Northwest intercellegiate league. Wand was a member of the crew and both athletes are figuring on taking both athletes are figuring on taking part in Spring sports again the coming season. The noticeable defect in the Seattle team against Multao-mah Christmas day was the quarter-back position and if Coyle is there to run the team the Puget Sound ag-gregation will be 50 per cent stronger than it was in the last game. "Our conference agreement provides that no athlete shall be eligible to represent his institution in any sport

represent his institution in any sport during the college year if he repre-sents any other institution or athletic club during that period," said Zednick yesterday. "I pointed out to the other managers that the Seattle players are

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LEST WE FORGET

What Former Portland Players Are Now Doing No. 57 Matt Stanley.

which there were a few, was the vet-eran catcher, Matt Stanley. Matt was a long ways from being in his prime when he played with Portland, but despite the fact that he was getting into the "has been" class, he caught good hall when he was not injured. Stanley had been catching for the Seattle team in the Pacific National League, which practically dishanded when the Pacific Coast League entered the organized fold and Stanley was a free agent. Dug decided he needed the services of Stanley and he forthwith brought the veteran to Portland "Matt"

brought the voteran to Portland, "Matt" brought the voteran to Forland. Mait played out the 1904 season with Port-land, and in 1905 he went back to his old love, the Northwestern League. About three years ago Stanley re-tired from haseball and is doing well as a merchant in Seattle.

Now this same player standing in his livery. The result is a strike-out, a pop

livery. The result is a strike-out, a pop fly or a weak grounder to the infield. "Of course, all twifers do not have the uncanny control of the ball that Mathewson possesses and cannot exer-cise the power he does over the bat-ters. The great twirlers must have control, and thus the really great twirlers always take into consideration the position the batter assumes at the plate.'

## Walter Johnson in Need of Coaching.

Walter Johnson is unquestionably one of the greatest pitchers the game has ever produced. With a second di-vision club Johnson has always been a hard man for even the leaders to beat. Johnson's speed is terrific and No. 57 Matt Stanley. W HEN Dugdale found he could not gation of disgruntled talent left him when W. Fred Ely was frozen out by his brother, Ben, in 1904, he began lop-ping off the "heirlooms" and supplant. Ing them with former Northwestern Leaguers. One of the best importations, of which there were a few, was the vet-tran catcher, Matt Stanley. Matt was a long ways from being in his prime when he played with Portland, but despite the fact that he was getting was from the plate, and make it next to intimidate the batter, drive him away from the plate, and make it next to impossible for him to hit a curve to impossible for him to hit a curve broken over the outside corner. Such a ball is invariably used by the pitcher under such conditions. He is very likely to convince Johnson Such and the such the such as the

that there is nothing wrong in driving those batters away from the plate every now and then, just to make them re-spect him. If Johnson does make up his mind to use the "bean ball" every now and then during a game, he is how and then during a game, he is bound to be more effective. Batters will not continue to take the toe-hold they ordinarily do against him, and some of the fellows who have been murdering his speed will find it a triffe harder to bit.



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