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N.O.H.A. PRESIDENT ALARMED BY LOSSES

Deplores Transfer of Many Players From the North Country.

A North Bay despatch says: Officials of the N.O.H.A. are giving serious consideration to the question of checking the bidding of Western Ontario O.H.A. clubs for hockey players.

President D. M. Brodie made emphatic statement that, so far as he is concerned, no transfers will be granted to these players.

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One feels rather sorry to see the N.O.H.A. robbed of players but the implied threat concerning "yelled" amateurism comes with poor grace from that body.

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great deal more investigation than the northern body.

COBB REMAINS IDOL

Dixie's admiration for Ty Cobb is as warm now as when the Peach was the flying Georgian who thrilled hundreds of thousands of fans during the years he was the peak of his career.

Though Cobb's legs have lost much of their suppleness and the splendor of his triumphs is considerably dimmed he still is the idol of the south.

Hotel clerks declare a respite from all toll and the lobbies become crowded with worshippers who regard it an achievement of a lifetime if they but for an instant gaze upon the greatest player the national pastime ever produced.

Even Pullman porters stop work to peer into a car where the Peach might be seated, while dining car waiters scramble for the favor he could bestow on them by sitting at their tables.

Years of this idolatry has become irksome to Cobb, but he cannot escape it down here where the people work in the morning and reserve the afternoon and evening for excitement.

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Experienced Signal Thief Says Art Is No More Use

Danny Murphy, champion signal stealer of the big leagues, is disconsolate.

Murphy, now coaching the Athletics, laments the passing of this most intricate, and interesting phase of the game, as it was practised in the days gone by.

"Very little signal tipping goes on in the big leagues to-day," declares Murphy. "It isn't that the coaches are unable to discover the signals, the other fellows are using. That is no more difficult now than it was in the past. The drawback is that the players don't care to use them."

Murphy recalled, with a reminiscent smile, how the old Athletics used to pilfer Gabby Street's signals.

"Gabby used to catch for Washington," reminded Murphy. "He would take his signals with his hands and give the real ones with his eyes. When he closed his eyes it was a fast ball. Open eyes meant a hook. We won a lot of games by watching Gabby's eyes and he never knew it."

"We used to beat the old Tigers in a single way. Oscar Stanage would give his signals with his mouth. When he wanted a fast one he'd open his mouth, a hook he'd close it."

"Oscar thought the wire on the mask protected him from detection, and it did. But we never watched Oscar's mouth. We always watched the mask, and we noticed whenever he opened his mouth his chin would force the mask down about two inches."

"That was our tipoff, and as far as I know Oscar never found us out. At any rate, he never changed his system and we followed it with effect for several years."

Erstwhile at the Bat. Manager Lee Fohl is confident Dudley Lee will fill the gap at shortstop for the Red Sox.

George Grantham, second baseman of the Chicago Cubs, had a peculiar year of it at the bat last season. He finished with the healthy average of .280, batted in 70 runs, yet led the league in the matter of strikeouts.

Sabe Ruth, in the American League, went back to the bench 93 times on strikes during the 1923 campaign.

FROM THE OUTSIDE—LOOKING IN.

To-night the Intercounty Baseball League delegates will hold forth in the Whig building to decide their programme for the season.

Newcastle and Aston Villa will meet in the English Cup final and again we'll hear the old familiar cry: "Ow's odds for the cup final at 'ome?"

Canada and Cuba will be matched in the preliminary rounds of the Davis Tennis Cup competition.

If we may be pardoned for premature suggestions—it's time the yachmen and dinghy enthusiasts got poking around boat houses and lockers in preparation for the summer.

Four hundred and fifty members of the Catarqui Golf and Country Club will be allowed—and to think that some people said that the club would never make things go when it was first started.

With the professional finals just over, we find Ottawa already signing up young players and regulars for next year.

Prescott Lawn Bowlers Hold Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Prescott Lawn-Bowling Association was held with about 25 members being present.

An invitation has been extended the Victoria Lawn Bowling Club, Ottawa, to visit Prescott, May 24th.

The following officers were elected for 1924:—President, H. P. Bingham; vice-president, Henry Dowley;

secretary-treasurer, C. H. Davis; greens committee, H. P. Bingham and C. D. Shannon; management committee, T. W. Stone, William Byrne and A. C. Casselman;

Vale and Harvard Tennis Teams to Tour Europe

Cambridge, Mass., April 1.—Plans for a tour of England, France and possibly Spain, the most extensive ever undertaken by the tennis teams of Harvard and Yale, are being made by manager Harry Eldridge of Harvard.

In the proposed trip to the continent tentative matches with the French and Spanish Davis Cup teams in their respective countries already have been arranged.

Courts will be provided for the players on shipboard to enable them to keep in training.

Some men are always trying to get something for nothing. And the worst feature of it is some of them do.

PILOTS SOON WILL LEAVE COACH LINES

The time is not far distant in major league baseball when only the fortunate and observing fans will catch a glimpse of the team manager on the coaching lines.

We raise the old question concerning George Sisler of St. Louis, and do not include the once peerless first sacker, Tyrus Raymond Cobb of the Detroit Tigers.

Connie Mack and John J. McGraw, who set the pace in winning major league pennants, do not get into uniforms at all.

Most of the managers, however, get out on the coaching lines for part of the game.

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HAWAIIAN GOLFER TO PLAY IN BRITISH OPEN

Francis H. I. Brown, member of the Oahu Country Club, Honolulu, has requested the officials of the United States Golf association to forward his entry for the British amateur championship and for the British open event.

Brown, who is the first notable golfer to come from Hawaii, has taken part in a number of events on the Pacific coast during the last few years and is rated as one of the foremost players on the coast.

He is a tremendously long hitter, some of his long driving tests calling

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MANITOBA FISHERIES—Communities near the Manitoba lakes are giving increased attention to the catching of fish through the ice. Includes a map of the region.