

Four of the veterans remain there is enough latent ability in some of the fellows who had no chance last season to make up the deficiency. Mackmen have wanted Joe Benz for a long time.

President Weeghman of the Chifeds showed good sportsmanship in congratulating Comiskey on securing Collins, though he knew it meant a slice in his own prospective gate receipts.

Ira Thomas is said to be in bad with the Athletics. One member of the team is understood to have said the captain was responsible for all the trouble in the team, but that Connie Mack had stuck to him. Thomas is blamed for the desire of Collins and Baker to get away from Philadelphia.

Mike Mitchell has been sold by Washington to the New York Yanks.

National league magnates in session at New York adopted a rule limiting the number of players a team may carry between May 1 and Sept. 1, to 21, a reduction of 4. I was also agreed that spring training should not be started by any team before March 1, except in the case of veteran pitchers.

This is in line with the policy of retrenchment in finances to meet the results of Federal league competition.

Johnny Dundee won a decision after twenty hard-fought rounds with Joe Rivers in Los Angeles. The battling was furious in every frame and Dundee did most of the leading. He was on top of Rivers continually and several times the little fellows stood toe to toe and slugged it out. Dundee had the better of nearly every exchange. The fight marked the passing of the game in California.

DISCUSS DRUG HABIT

The fast spreading use of drugs was the subject of a talk given by Major Funkhouser last night before the Chicago chapter of the American Institute of Banking in the Northwestern "U" bldg.

Of the habit-forming drugs heroin was found the most dangerous as its victims liked company and urged others to use it.

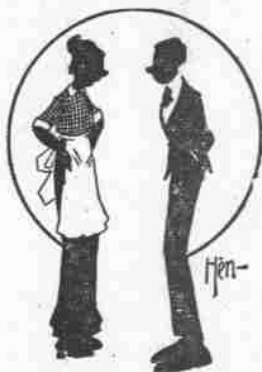
SOME "BUSINESS" DOPE

H. P. Nelson, pres. Nelson Piano Co., testified before referee in bankruptcy yesterday that he gave 45 per cent of the company's stock to L. B. Patterson and Frederick Porter in return for floating a \$400,000 bond issue.

L. B. Patterson, former pres. of the Nat'l Packing Co., was appointed vice-president, and Fred Porter, who recently resigned from chief clerkship of the banking department of State Auditor James Brady after a quarrel, was appointed secretary.

The question of appointing a receiver will come before Judge Landis tomorrow.

NO CHANCE



"Look here, Mr. Shortchange, how about that two months' board you owe me? Have you forgotten it?"

"No—but I hoped you had."

There are 77 men who have worked for the Pennsylvania railroad fifty years or more and are young enough to be still working.