

oracle, because John Collins will go to first base and Liebold to the outfield.

The only difference will be about 70 points lost in batting and somewhat less perfection in fielding around first base.

Fournier isn't a star man defensively at the first corner. He never will be, but dogged determination and a hearty desire to learn all there is to know about the position has made Jack a fairly good guardian of the first stop. Coming at this time, when the local Sox are in a death grapple with the Red Sox, the injury is serious to Rowland's chances. The New York series comes next, and it was hoped in that set a surge forward would be made, but it is doubtful now if Jack will be in commission before the Donovans leave town.

Fournier was injured when Barry collided with him at first base in the eighth inning. He was stretched out for Blackburne's wild throw. His arm was snapped back of him by the force of the impact, but was not broken. Being the left arm, it will not affect his throwing, and this may allow an earlier return.

Charles Jackson, the slugger from Bloomington of the Three-Eye league, has reported to the White Sox. He is an outfielder and small, but stood up to the plate well in practice. Bobby Roth is under three-day suspension for arguing with the umpires in St. Louis.

Manager Bresnahan has a good effect on Hippo Vaughn. The portly backstop inspires his equally portly battery mate, and Jim pitches better ball to Roger than to Jim Archer.

And yesterday's game was the first Jim has dragged through for some period. There were moments when the Dodgers got to him in bunches and appeared ready to send him to the shower, but each time the left-hander rallied and stopped the hostilities. He was nicked nine times and issued three passes, 13 Dodgers being stranded on the bases.

The game was a fine illustration of this season's National league brand of pastiming. On recent exertions the Dodgers have won back their old name of Superbas and the Cubs have been reckoned out of the race entirely. But in this first game of the series the Dodgers did everything wrong and looked as if they could never win a ball game, while the Cubs were world's champions.

Today conditions may be absolutely reversed. The Cubs may look like Class Z athletes. Or both teams may look like Class Z squads. That is quite likely. There isn't any dope for this National league dash and the winner will be known somewhere along the forepart of October.

Manager Bresnahan has recalled Outfielder Jimmy Johnston from San Francisco of the Pacific Coast league and the youngster may stick this time. He has speed and can hit enough to keep warm against the present brand of National league pitching. A young man who can't make good in the National this year need never hope to come up again and stick.

Whales open today in Buffalo their final series of the eastern trip, and will then come home to provide some ten-cent baseball for North Side fans. Though defeated easily in Baltimore yesterday, the Tinks are still leading the race and have an excellent chance of being on top at the finish of the year. Pittsburgh and Newark, the leading rivals, must both take another jaunt on the road before winding up the season's affairs, and therein lies the chief hope of the local crew.

Tinker went through with his shift in the line-up, though it was not made until late in the game. Zwilling went to first base, Mann to center field and Hanford to left. That combination should be productive of results. Fred Beck is a remarkable fielding first baseman, but he can't hit a lick and is slow on the bases. Attacking strength is needed with such powerful crews as Newark and