JACK JOHNSON AS A BASE BALL PLAYER

Chicago, July 23.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight pugilist, is about to become baseball player. Johnson last night made application for the first base position on the American Giants, "Rube" Foster's colored semi-professional team, and will be given a chance for the place.

Manager Foster asked Johnson to report for morning practice for a couple of weeks for the purpose of developing his batting powers. Johnson says he played a fair game of baseball several years ago and he has no doubt that he can "come back."

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