

UMPIRES BELIEVE WHAT CLYDE MILAN SAYS.

Clyde Milan, the Washington American's clever outsider, is one of the few players in whom the umpires have implicit confidence. This was illustrated in the sixth inning of a recent game with New York. Milan was barely touched by a pitched ball and ran down to first. The New York players protested. Evans called Milan back to the plate, and, thinking that Evans was not going to allow his claim of having been hit, Milan started to pick up his bat. "Did that ball hit you, Clyde?" inquired Umpire Evans. "Yes; it just touched my shirt," was the reply. "Well, then, take your base," ordered Evans.

JEFF CAN'T COME BACK.

So Says Billy Delaney, His Old Manager.

Billy Delaney, the veteran manager and the man who made Jeffries the heavyweight champion of the world, does not believe that the big fellow can come back. Although he has not seen Jeffries in his recent workouts, he has watched his movements very closely since the former champion started out on his theatrical tour, and now Delaney has about come to the conclusion that Jeff has bitten off a larger hunk than he can chew.

"Those severe sweating spells are bad for the big fellow, and, in my opinion, they show signs of internal weakness," said Delaney. "Jeffries never can come back and fight if he stiffens up and sweats, fails to respond to rubbing and treatment, as they tell me he does. It's too much to think that a man of his build can stay out of the game for five years and then expect to come on and regain his lost speed. I may be mistaken, but I have had forty years of experience with the best of them, and I can't see where Jeff is an exception."

"This statement coming from me may not be taken seriously by men who know that Jeff and I have split up, but nevertheless I am giving my candid opinion of the big fellow. When I had him he was like a bull, and he never stiffened up. His perspiration was natural, and his excess weight always came off slowly, but surely. He never worried while in training camp. He was a hard man to manage, but what I said generally went, although I used to have many a tough old time trying to make him do as I wanted. "I have not seen Jeff in training, and I don't want to. We have parted forever."

WELSH FEELS CONFIDENT.

Britain Believes He Will Have No Trouble Defeating McFarland.

Freddie Welsh, England's lightweight champion, is so confident of defeating McKay McFarland of Chicago at the National Sporting club of London the night of May 30 that he has announced his intention of meeting young Josephs, the British waterweight champion, in a bout for the latter's title. As a matter of fact Welsh has already laid claim to the waterweight title for the reason that he whipped Josephs in eleven rounds at Mountain Ash, in Wales, last July. Josephs was not the waterweight champion at that time, and, besides, Welsh won on a foul. Since then Josephs has beaten the recognized title holder, while Welsh has secured clear right to be called lightweight champion, having received Lord Londale's belt.

Jim Jeffries is Three Men, Says McCloskey.

"Jeffries is three men in one," is the comment of Kid McCloskey. "He has the strength and vitality to it out half a dozen fighters like myself. What the man who knows nothing about fighters fails to realize is that Jeffries is wholly unlike any fighter within the recollection of any living man. He is so tough and hard that blows that would end another heavyweight's career have no effect upon him, while with his enormous strength and vitality he can slam home a punch that will win him his fight after he has been fighting for hours and when another man would be so exhausted that he couldn't hit hard enough to dent a chocolate éclair. "That retirement for five years hasn't done any harm, either. He has been doing some drinking in all likelihood, but not enough to affect that wonderful vitality of his, and, unlike other fighters, he hasn't been knocking around indulging in all sorts of dissipation. He is married and domestic in his tastes, and the quiet sort of life he has been leading has kept him just as fit for a fight as he was when he retired."

CURRENT SPORT EVENTS

Philadelphia and Baltimore rowing associations want to hold this year's middle states regatta on Labor day.

Johnny Hayes, the famous Marathon runner, contemplates touring South Africa and Australia. Dorando, the Italian, is going to South America.

F. E. Beaupaire, the present Australian swimming champion, has arrived in London for the season of swimming in Europe. He may visit America.

Outlook For the Baseball Season In the Minor Leagues....

OPENING AND CLOSING DATES OF MINOR LEAGUES.

Table with columns: Opening date, Closing date. Lists dates for Eastern league, American association, Southern league, Pacific coast league, Western league, New England league, Northwestern league, Tri-state league, New York State league, Three-I league, Western association, Pennsylvania league, California State league, United States league, Mo.-la.-Neb.-Kan. league.

By TOMMY CLARK.

While the prospects of the teams in the major leagues will be a subject of interest to baseball enthusiasts even if as far removed from the games as is New York from San Francisco, the possibilities of the season of 1910 can not be reviewed without the minor league situations being sized up.

In the smaller organizations managers of the teams have a harder task than those in the big circuits. The manager of a club in the major leagues can stand pat on his team if he chooses to, but such is not the case within the minors. Every year big crowds are made in nearly every club, and the stars are gobbled up by the big leaguers. When the time comes for the manager of the minor league club to make up his team for the season he has to do some great scouting before he can get together a winning combination. Every year intense interest is displayed in the fights for the much coveted gonfalon in the smaller circuits. In the some thirty odd minor leagues in organized baseball there is represented an invested capital of \$20,000,000, and last season over 24,000,000 people attended the games.

In spite of the scattered distribution during the winter to the effect that the American association might put up a firebrand and toss it into organized baseball, there is nothing which would indicate that the minors will not enjoy more prosperity than ever before.

American Association. In the American association another grand struggle is anticipated. From present indications the second division teams of last season will be heard from this year. St. Paul, Toledo, Columbus and Kansas City have all been strengthened up so much that the first division is beginning to get nervous as to its welfare.

Manager Carr of Indianapolis has succeeded in gathering together an imposing array of baseball talent and by many is looked upon as the one best bet for the flag this season. His material, judging from the records, is classy, but it is on the field and not on paper that strength counts.

The Minneapolis club appears to be just as strong a hitting club as that of last season and a far better fielding aggregation. Columbus has landed many good ones, and Manager Friel figures his



JOE KELLEY, MANAGER OF THE TORONTO TEAM.

team will be in the heat this season. Manager McCloskey of Milwaukee, whose team finished second last year, has a formidable aggregation to handle this year and says he will make them all hustle to beat it out. Toledo fans are placing their hopes on "Ducky" Holmes, the new manager of the team. Many changes have been made in the St. Paul team since last year, and on paper the club appears stronger than last season.

Many critics figure that Danny Shay will give the Kansas City fans a pennant winning team this season. Lou Saville, last year's pennant winner, looks good on paper. Judging by present indications the hottest race this season in the history of the association is expected.

Eastern League. As is the case every year, many Eastern League clubs have parted

late on our schedule. We reached this port safely but the storm was still unabated. Here we were anchored for five hours and against the warning and advice of the ship's commander, John B. Kelk, about thirty-five passengers took the small canoes and were rowed ashore one mile from our ship; among the number was The News reporter and one of his party, Mrs. H. F. Daily. Canton, O. This was a dangerous trip as it was raining very hard and the breakers tossed our little canoe like a feather, but I ventured for the benefit of the readers of The Norfolk Daily News.



WILLIAM COGOLIN, PILOT OF WILLIAMS PORT CLUB.

team since the men started training. Joe tried his best to get Willie Keeler to sign a contract at a fat salary, but "Willie the wee" figures he has many more major league seasons in him. Kelley has many veterans on the team and will surely make a good fight for the banner. Buffalo and Providence are sure to be much stronger than they were last year.

Manager Jack Ryan of Jersey City says he is confident that he will have a first division ball club this season. Ryan has had twenty-four years' experience in baseball and should be able to look out for himself in any deal pulled off.

Although Baltimore made a very poor showing in 1909, Manager Dunn is sure that the Orioles will make a much better showing in this season's race.

Another hot fight is expected in the Southern association. Last year's fight was a good one, and another is in order. The four leading teams of last season have not been weakened to any great extent by the major leagues; Atlanta, winner of last year's banner; Nashville, the runner up; Montgomery and New Orleans, that finished third and fourth respectively, are ready to put up a strong fight.

The outlook for the season in the Tri-state league is most promising. Owners and managers declare that this year's race will be every bit as interesting as the one in 1909. Marty Hogan and his Lancaster team are out to make two straight, but will find strong opposition from Reading and Williamsport.

Utah Horse Racing Meet. The Utah Jockey club has arranged for a forty-four day meeting beginning May 14 in Salt Lake City. Seven stakes worth \$1,000 or more are guaranteed. The Utah Derby is guaranteed to be worth \$1,200 to the first horse. The ring will be open to all reputable bookmakers.

Dr. Ray Has Stormy Trip. On board S. S. "Cretic," April 25.—The steamship the Cretic battled against a very stormy voyage; for six days the northeast wind blew a constant gale so that we have had a very rough passage, the ship's crew said it was one of the worst voyages that they had ever had. After nine days we were anchored at Azore islands at the capital, Ponta Delgada, being one day

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A word about these islands: The Azores or Western Islands are in mid-ocean, 2,250 miles southeast of New York City. They are nine in number and we were nine days in reaching them. The largest of the group is St. Michael's, which is thirty-five miles long and nine miles wide, and has a population of 129,956 inhabitants. These islands are out of the beaten path of tourists and so are more interesting. They have a total population of 257,462, and were discovered in 1439 by Goncalo Velho Cabral who was under orders from Portugal. St. Michael's was settled in 1413 or 164 years before the United States. The islands are mountainous, the highest peak, Pico da Vara is 5,000 feet high. The climate is mild and temperate. The lowest temperature is 54 degrees Fahrenheit and the hottest is 88 degrees Fahrenheit.

Hotels range from \$1 to \$2.50 per day, but are not modern or convenient. Here are a few prices of food products: Bread, 5 cents per loaf; eggs, 18 cents per dozen; milk, 27 cents per gallon; sugar, 19 cents per pound; beef, 19 cents per pound; butter, 44 cents per pound, and petroleum, 76 cents per gallon.

These islands are very fertile and productive and every foot of the soil is farmed and produces corn, wheat, flax, beans, potatoes, figs, peaches, pears, oranges, bananas, and in 1909 they exported 1,352,527 pineapples, the most of these being sold in Hamburg and London. The chief imports into the islands are sugar, coffee, rice, tea, salt, coal, leather, flour, glass, tobacco, petroleum and linen goods.

I met the American consul, G. H. Pickrell, who is a polite and fine gentleman. The principal churches are the Matriz and the San Jose. This latter has very fine wood carvings which would be a credit to any community. These two are Roman Catholic churches; then the Protestants have a fine beautiful church largely supported by many who do not adhere to the Catholic church.

Ponta Delgada is as good as the average oriental city. The streets are paved, but are narrow; the buildings are of stone and brick and the prevailing colors are red, yellow and white; the streets are clean but, alas, for the people, the most of them, are so very poor; as we drove about we saw so many men, women, boys and girls who were barefooted, even at services in the beautiful churches.

There are a large number of public parks in the city, but the Botanical gardens are among the most beautiful in the world. The plants, flowers, trees and drives cannot be fully described because of their rich foliage, and the air is flavored with ambrosial fragrance. There is some manufacturing such as beer, soap, linens, household utensils and terra-cotta jars.

The Collegio Acorianio is a very flourishing educational university. One commendable institution for the poor people is the Sopa Economica, which furnishes soup to the destitute at 20 reis (two cents). It is maintained by private contributions, which are liberal and always sufficient. I count myself most fortunate that I have seen these tropical oriental islands, for as soon as the Panama canal is completed Ponta Delgada will become one of the important ports of the world, for it will be on a direct line west and east for a coaling station and changing for other steamers.

Last night we had a song service in the dining room, which was much enjoyed. Up to the 24th of April, when we reached the Azores, the weather was very cold, but now it is quite warm and the sun shines brightly. Our ship carries a fine orchestra, which gives five concerts every day, which helps to keep people both happy and cheerful. Leaving the Azores thousands of sea gulls followed our ship, hungering after what food may be thrown off the ship, but I am persuaded that the land gulls, in the United States, that prey upon the unsophisticated people, are far more ravenous and more to be shunned than all the sea gulls of all the oceans. Our next stop will be at Funchal, the capital of the Madeira islands. These are 528 miles southeast of the Azores and 2,778 miles southeast of New York City. We shall no doubt reach the above port one day late, on April 26. With best wishes I am, the foreign correspondent for The Norfolk Daily

News. Charles Wayne Ray. On Cretic, 2,500 miles from New York city. On Board S. S. Cretic, April 21.—It has been very exciting during the last two days, for our steamship, the Cretic, has battled against a terrible northeast gale and the passengers have about all been sick.

We are in mid-ocean, that is, 1,486 miles from New York city, but are late on account of the very rough sea. Last night the wind swept the upper deck and one life saving boat was smashed into smithereens while today a constant rain has followed us. Well may we sigh as the poet, "Far from the shore, far from the trembling through I am borne darkly, fearfully afar."

Thus we recall another's idea of a storm at sea— "Down came the storm and smote amain The vessel in its strength; She shuddered and paused like a frightened steed, Then leaped her cable's length." But this is ocean life. One day the waves are unblemished and look like a sheet of glass; the next it appears like a vast region of mountain peaks, each one snow capped and frosted, crowned. And then the bounding breeze and rushing billows send forth a musical strain that is peculiar to the ocean. Many of the passengers have been seasick; among the first class cabin passengers are fifty-five men and 181 women. This is our fifth day out, and on two quiet days the games of cricket, billiard and shuffleboard have been popular amusements. We have as passengers lawyers, doctors, teachers, bankers, newspaper correspondents, ministers and other noted professional people.

I think I have a very pleasant party of tourists, the most of whom are young people, full of life and vigor, just on the verge of taking up life's responsibilities. From Canton, Ohio, is Mrs. J. B. Brothers and her daughter, Miss Louise. Mr. Brothers owns the largest hardware store in Canton and is a man of large affairs. Also Mrs. H. F. Daily, whose husband is the most prominent insurance man in the city, and Mrs. J. F. T. Walker and her two daughters, Misses Justine and Merian. Mr. Walker is with the largest banking house in Canton. Then I have five from El Paso, Tex.—Mr. and Mrs. Hogan Myles and children, Ernest and Misses Alice and Kathleen. Mr. Myles is a banker and millionaire cattle king of Texas.

This outline will show my friends what a very fine class of people I am conducting; they are cultured, agreeable and pleasant. Just a word about our big ship: It is 692 feet long, sixty feet wide, forty-two feet deep and has a tonnage of 13,518. She is the steadiest steamer of the White Star Line, which is now owned by J. P. Morgan.

There are two other tourist parties on board, the University Travel Bureau and the H. W. Dunning & Co. of Boston, which is conducted by Mr. Henry Wood, who two years ago was the chief reporter on the Omaha Daily News, but now is on the Cincinnati Post. Last Sunday we had the Episcopal church service, as this is an English manned ship, and I attended the service, as did most of the passengers, and got real sick, but of course I did not attribute this to the Episcopal service.

Other prominent people on board are Dr. F. J. Kellogg of Detroit, who is the patent medicine man who spends \$250,000 yearly in advertising his medicines; Vicomtesse Benoit D'Azy, Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Kurtz of Cleveland, the humorist-lecturer Prof. Ralph Bingham and his wife. Other noted people are on the Cretic also. Then there are a great many business men who are off for a short trip to rest and recuperate. I met one man who said he would remain aboard only five days, going especially for the sea voyage.

The service on the ship is good and all the dainties of the season are furnished for the guests. Among those that attracted me is spring chicken. This big steamer is really like a floating city, with all the conveniences of most modern homes. A fine library is at the service of the passengers. We have the use of the Marconi wireless telegraph and have had messages from other ships. We more readily get an idea of how large the world is and how wide the ocean when you have traveled for ten days and have not even sighted land. On our ship are people from almost every land and clime, with their various costumes and different manners, so that there is always something new and strange. Then the people in the steerage ever and anon present a constant study for the sociologist and economist, for among these you will see the poor, ignorant, the gambler, the anarchist, the foreigner who has made his fortune in the United States and is returning to his own native land to live in ease and luxury and live like a king. I met a young man who was born in the Azores who has been in the United States and has worked up to a salary of \$20 weekly, who told me that it would have taken him twenty years to work up to such a position in the Azores, but in the United States he has worked up to this within two years. This shows the remarkable opportunities to be found in America.

Mrs. H. F. Daily of Canton, O., has just favored us with some beautiful vocal selections. She is a member of the choir of the First Methodist Episcopal church, the McKinley church. She often sang for the martyred president when he was a member of the above church. Although the storm has been fierce and our ship has been terribly tossed

and wind-driven, yet the people are cheerful and seem unconcerned about the great dangers that may be near them yet unknown. How is my little home town of Norfolk and her pleasant and generous people? The treasures of the trip before me lure us on and we all hope for a better day and voyage from tomorrow on. I will close this epistle with these lines: The Sea, Thou hast not here the limit of a shore, No wing, no star hints of a beating heart, No sail, or near or far, thou seest more Alone with two infinities thou art."

Letter from Cretic on a rough sea. Norfolk Daily News correspondent in mid-ocean. Charles Wayne Ray. SATURDAY SIFTINGS. Walter Savidge of Wayne was here. Miss Nettie Korh went to Creighton. Ray Gleason of Hoskins was in the city. George L. Bayha of Niobrara was here. M. D. Tyler went to O'Neill on business. Mrs. Julius Winter of Hadar was in the city. M. K. Reeson of West Point was in the city. Theodore Anderson of Bristol was in the city. C. P. Fulmer of University Place, Neb., was here. A. E. Stubbs of Tilden was in the city on business. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Blair of Gregory were in the city. Fred Zelmer of Hoskins was in the city on business. A. W. Freeman of Decorah, Ia., is in the city on business. A. A. Cerkle of Omaha was in the city calling on friends. Mrs. G. A. Miller and daughter of Hadar were in the city. S. R. McFarland, county clerk of Madison, was in the city. A. A. Ahlman of Omaha is here for a visit with his parents. Mrs. J. Hamilton of Stanton was in the city calling on friends. Mrs. August Deck and Miss Lizzie Deck of Hoskins called on friends here. I Meyer of New York city is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sol G. Mayer. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Snyder of Omaha are in the city visiting at the M. C. Hazen home. Mrs. Rex Bailey of Ainsworth is visiting at the home of N. E. Pender, 407 South Ninth street. Mrs. Hattie McBride of Los Angeles, Calif., is in the city visiting with her sister, Mrs. George Risor. Mrs. N. C. Pratt of Omaha and Mrs. J. C. Emery of Seattle are in the city visiting with their sister, Mrs. W. R. Hoffman. Mrs. Barbara Becker of Beemer is in the city visiting with her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Simmons. This is Mrs. Becker's first visit to Norfolk in a long time. Mrs. W. H. Munger, who has been here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Rainbolt, has gone to Dallas where she will visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Jackson. Mrs. Charles Kramer of Winona, Mrs. Frank Kramer, son Francis and Miss Elizabeth Zeches of St. Charles, Minn., who were here visiting with the E. J. Schorregge family, have returned to their homes. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snyder, a son. The Royal Neighbors request all members to be present at their regular meeting tonight, as important business is to come before the camp. Gow Bros. report the sale of the J. H. Conley property on South Thirteenth street from W. B. Donaldson to C. C. Crouch, who has recently moved here from Crawford, Neb. Ernest Raasch has purchased 1,900 acres of farm land in Cheyenne county. Fred Braasch and Obed Raasch have also invested in 1,100 acres of the land, which is located near the town of Sidney. The Jenny Wren club met at the home of Altaena Chambers, Irma Spear assisting. The next meeting will be held with Catharine, Margaret and Edna Booth at 1110 Koenigstein avenue, on Wednesday. On Friday evening Mrs. George N. Beels surprised her husband with a birthday party composed of gentlemen friends of early day acquaintances, who sat down to an elegantly prepared dinner and spent a pleasant evening. Arthur Saunders, who was arrested and fined \$5 and costs on charges of being drunk and disorderly and assaulting a woman on the street, pleading guilty to having blackened one woman's eye, was turned loose after paying his fine of \$10.10. L. E. Peugeot, the piano salesman whose leg was broken some time ago and who has been threatened with a second operation, fearing that the bones were not knitting, reports that the cast has been taken off and it was found that the bones have knitted satisfactorily. Bets are now being made by many Norfolk Woodmen on the number of Woodmen who will be here May 25, to participate in the rally day celebration. Estimates have been reaching the 5,000 mark, but most of the bets contend that there will be at least 3,000 people here on that day. The entertainment committee, who have been busy arranging the chautauqua grounds for the afternoon celebration, say that they have reason to believe that the figures will reach the 5,000 mark. Arrangements have been made by the entertainment committee of the Modern Woodmen of America for au-

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tomobiles to carry the visiting Woodmen officers from the special train which arrives from Columbus at 1 o'clock on June 25 to the chautauqua grounds, where J. O. Davis, national lecturer, will open the rally day celebration with an address. Head Consul A. R. Talbot will deliver an illustrated lecture on the tubercular sanitarium, one of the greatest institutions of its kind. State Deputy E. E. Kester will also appear on the program. Prospects for a city baseball league are looming up. The railroad boys are taking an interest in the recent games of the clerks and high school players, and some have already expressed their wish to organize a baseball team. The local crews who can be in the city occasionally will probably make up the team, the trainmen on the long runs seldom being here to get enough practice. The firemen and the clerks are greatly elated over the prospects for the city league and are ready to work in harmony with the railroad boys, should they need any assistance. Mrs. Claudine Adler, wife of Paul Adler, died Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from blood poison and lung fever. She was sick only two days. The funeral will be held Monday at 2 o'clock at the home and at 2:30 at St. Paul's Lutheran church. Rev. Mr. Witte will officiate. Burial will be in St. Paul cemetery. The deceased was 21 years of age and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Dreesen, who live near St. Paul's church. She came from Germany with her parents about a year ago and was married last summer. She leaves, besides her husband, a 6-weeks-old child, her parents, one brother and one sister. Chris Dreesen is a brother of R. Dreesen. According to the annual report of Cleo Lederer, secretary of the Madison County Sunday School association, to the secretary of the state association at Lincoln, which he has just sent in, there are ten organized classes of the association in the county and thirty schools, which have a scholarship of 1,775 students not counting the cradle roll, to which there are 492 enrollments. Fifty-eight teachers have graduated in the training courses; forty teachers are studying in the training course. Six schools have home departments in which there are 180 enrollments. Three schools have missionary libraries; all towns but two in the county have saloons, of which it is estimated there are twenty-five in the county; 500 scholars have signed the pledge and \$1,000 has been contributed to the church, county and state associations, local work and foreign missions this year. Big Increase in Internal Revenue. Washington, May 21.—Internal revenue receipts continue to show a big increase over last year. In April the receipts were \$21,397,137, which is \$2,209,057 more than in April of 1909. There were increases of \$1,020,305 in spirits; \$682,651 in tobacco; \$493,522 in fermented liquors, and cigarettes, \$200,628. A Phonograph Trick. A number of people gathered at the door of a Norfolk music store yesterday afternoon, being attracted there by a noise which sounded as if two parrots were talking to each other. Investigation, however, unearthed the mystery, which proved to be an experiment with two phonographs running simultaneously, on which similar records were placed.