

trained in Texas, dodged past the bad weather, got his team home in fair shape, and it looks fifty points better than it looked a month ago.

Cincinnati's team, when I saw it at Alexandria, La., early in March, was in better condition than it is today. Instead of staying there and coming up ready to start the season, it jumped north into cold, rain and snow, played on cold, soggy fields and went back. Chicago's Cubs, leaving Tampa, were in fit condition to meet anyone. Now they are wrecked as to condition. The Chicago White Sox, luckiest of all the clubs this spring, found the best weather they ever have had in California, came home by easier stages, and had only two days of cold weather before the season started. Callahan's present standing shows the value of having pitchers ready to work at top speed before the other clubs get started hitting.

Pittsburgh has the most uniformly well trained team of either league. They go to Hot Springs, work hard, and this spring they had a little better luck with weather than usual. They do not stay south nearly as long as many others, and the men are ready and not weary of the game before the season starts.

So far as actual effect upon the pennant races is concerned, the White Sox, the Pirates and Brown's St. Louis Feds have all the better of it, simply because their pitchers are in better condition than those of the rival teams.

STILL AFTER HOME RULE

London, April 28.—Ulster situation again occupied attention of parliament when Premier Asquith made statement in House of Commons declaring that the government was still determined to pass the Home Rule bill.

It is rumored that warrants for the arrest of Sir Edward Carson and Captain James Craig, Ulster leader, have been issued by the government.

ADVENTURES OF MR. MOUSE



The largest houseboat ever constructed is soon to float over Great South Bay, at New York, from Bayshore to Ocean Beach. The house consists of a casino and theater, formerly at Bayshore.