

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Wilbert Robinson, Ideal Man For Manager.



Photo by American Press Association.

Great things are expected of the Brooklyn Dodgers this season. The club has been greatly strengthened by the acquisition of Wilbert Robinson as manager.

Breaks High School Record. In an intercollegiate track and field meet held at Stanford university...

Harry Liveridge of San Francisco broke the American javelin throw record, hurling the weapon 184 feet 9 1/2 inches.

Ty Cobb Picks Detroit. A manager and two stars assure Detroit's baseball public that the team of 1914 will be a winner.

Jay Gould Retains Title. Jay Gould, the world's open and national court tennis champion, successfully defended his American title in the challenge round of the annual tournament in New York.

Coaching Job For Matt McGrath. The University of Pennsylvania Athletic association is determined to do all in its power to make its field and track team a winner.

Panama Canal Race Planned. A feature of the international regatta to be held in connection with the Panama-Pacific exposition next year will be a race for motor cruisers from New York to San Francisco.

ROUND THE WORLD

There are 11,000,000 chickens in Minnesota.

In Burma women smoke cigars the same as men.

Valencia, Spain, yearly produces 200,000 tons of rice.

For a thousand unhusked coconuts \$25 is considered in the Philippines a very high price.

A plant to extract nitrogen from the air for fertilization purposes is being built in Iceland.

Twenty-six hundred Guernsey cows tested show an average milk yield of 5,465 pounds a year.

In Great Britain the percentage of insanity is increasing faster than the growth of population.

New York state consumes 370,550,000 feet of lumber annually in making packing boxes and crates.

Dwellers on the seacoast of one part of France claim to prevent seasickness by filling their ears with vaseline.

Women are employed in road building in Singapore, breaking up much of the material with small hammers.

Eggs shipped to the United States from Hamburg are not German eggs, but come from Galicia and Hungary.

In the course of one year more than 6,000 persons were identified by their finger prints in the London police court.

The United States' bill for diamonds the last decade has been just about enough to buy and build the Panama canal.

The washing of the towels and dusters used in the London public schools requires an annual expenditure of \$10,000.

San Pedro harbor, California, is to be improved by dynamiting out of existence the obstruction known as "Dead Man's Island."

There is said to be one rat to every acre of ground in England and Wales, causing a loss to farmers estimated at \$73,000,000 annually.

There is an Indian tribe in Bolivia which shuns the whites and lives as in the stone age, making tools and weapons out of stone, bone or wood.

Chinese jade is so successfully imitated by German manufacturers that experts of the far east frequently mistake the artificial for the genuine.

It is proposed to introduce the use of Esperanto into the Edinburgh police force, and pamphlets in regard to it have been distributed among the men.

There are fewer than 20,000 reindeer left in Lapland, and it has been pointed out that unless special measures are taken the animals will become extinct.

A native of Hertsford, Surrey, England, who is fifty-six years of age, has not once crossed the Thames, which is only a mile and a half away from his home.

So much greater is the demand for edible snails in France than the supply that artificial shells have been invented, the only genuine portions of which are the shells.

Göteborg, Sweden, now has some three wheeled taxicabs for special passenger traffic. The fares are 25 per cent less than those of the regular four wheeled taxis.

In order to become a physician in Turkey one must be able to pass the required oral examination in either the French or Turkish language. The requirements are strict.

Every twenty-four hours there are poured into the Harlem river 95,000,000 gallons, into the North river 132,000,000 gallons and into the East river 294,000,000 gallons of New York sewage.

Notwithstanding two decrees by the local Italian government in Tripoli ordering the Arabs to return and cultivate the gardens in the oasis about Tripoli, only a few have responded.

Italian farmhouses need improving, according to the opinion of the government, which has offered \$7,585 in premiums to be awarded for encouraging the construction of model farm buildings.

More than 100,000 members of the Salvation Army from forty-six countries will assemble in San Francisco between Aug. 15 and 22, 1915, for the convention of the International Salvation Army.

Quite recently a Parisian company made use of a lion in one of its films, the animal proving so tractable that it had the run of the studio and was stroked like a dog. The next day it killed its trainer.

The seven sons in the Burkholder family of Detroit, Mich., weigh 1,930 pounds. They are all between the ages of twenty-two and thirty-eight, are all married, and their average weight is hourly 230 pounds.

Tree planting on national forests is done at comparatively short intervals in spring and fall. In spring it starts when the snow melts and stops with the drying out of the ground. In the fall it comes between the fall rains and first snowfall.

British India, a writer in the Outlook for the blind says, leads all eastern countries in the number of its blind people, containing about 600,000. In China there are, it is estimated, 500,000, in Japan 100,000 and in Egypt 150,000 of these unfortunates.

The tonnage of the merchant vessels launched throughout the world in 1913 showed a large increase over the preceding year, and in fact over any previous year, being estimated at \$332,000 tons, as against 2,901,000 tons for the vessels launched in 1912.

The British Road Improvement Association has offered a prize of \$500 for an improved horseshoe which will afford the animal a sound footing on the modern smooth pavements and at the same time minimize the amount of damage done to the roadway by the sliding types of shoes.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES

Homemade Cradle That Has Several Good Points.



The cradle shown in the sketch can be made quickly and easily at home and will be found far more serviceable than any purchased. It is made of a clothes basket, an iron rod and two ordinary chairs. It can be taken down and the parts used for other purposes.

Perk and Onion Omelet. Fry to a brown, dry crisp, without a hint of scorch, as many thin slices of fat pork as you have people to serve.

Cottage Cheese Sandwiches. Chop young onion tops finely, mix one part of onion to four of cottage cheese. Put between slices of bread, either wheat, rye, graham or brown. If the two slices are cut from different kinds of bread it is still better.

Smoking Meat. Meat that is to be smoked should be removed from the brine a day before being put into the smokehouse. If it has been cured in a strong brine it will be best to soak the pieces in cold water overnight to prevent a crust of salt from forming on the outside when it is drained.

Potato Loaf. Mash the potatoes in the usual way but be rather more than usually generous with butter and milk. Beat with a fork until very light, then beat in an egg for every pint of potatoes and three tablespoonfuls of flour.

A Darning Winkles. For the woman who darns stockings and who does not—it is well to keep a supply of net on hand the color of the various pairs of hose.

Lentil Soup au Maigre. Soak one cupful of lentils twenty-four hours in cold water to cover; then put in a kettle with two quarts of water and cook gently until the lentils are tender, adding boiling water to keep up the same quantity.

A Bedroom Screen. An attractive and most inexpensive screen can be made from a clothes horse by staining it the color of mahogany, mission oak or walnut or using white paint and enamel.

Mashed Potatoes. A pleasing variety in the way of mashed potatoes is to add two teaspoonfuls of grated onion and juice and whip them in after the cream and other seasoning has been added as usual.

Clothes Cleaner. A mixture of one quart of rain water, two ounces of ammonia, one teaspoonful of saltpeter and one ounce of shaving soap cut up fine will remove grease from the finest fabrics.

NOTABLES IN THE LIMELIGHT

Arthur Woods, Police Commissioner of New York.



Photo by American Press Association.

New York's new police head, Arthur Woods, is no novice in the business, having previously served as deputy commissioner of the department.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

Vacation Will Come.

It's mighty nice that nine times nine makes eighty-one forever; but, oh, I know a place that's fine for bathing in the river—

Those noble streams, the Rhone, the Nile, The Rhine, the Amazon— They're great, of course, but all the while I keep remembering one Where minnows dart from June to June—

Geography, arithmetic And all the books are splendid, But you will see me shut them quick When school at last is ended

A Fortune in a Tree. The most valuable tree in the known world is the famous avocado or alligator pear, tree owned by Mr. Harry A. Woodworth of Whittier, Cal.

The tree is just eight years old and this year made \$5,000 for its owner. Mr. Woodworth has recently had a thirty foot fence erected around his tree to keep out miscreants and has had the tree insured against fire and wind with Lloyds of London for \$30,000.

A local nurseryman produced this tree from a seed sent from the Mexican highland. Several more of these seeds were planted at the same time and have grown into beautiful trees, but none has borne fruit.

This tree stands thirty-five feet high, and its trunk is forty-eight inches in circumference. Another peculiar feature about it is that it began bearing when only three years old, as the avocado seldom bears before the age of eight or ten years.

The fruit is the shape of a very large pear. It has a very dark green skin and contains one large seed, while the meat is of a creamy consistency. The tree bore 3,965 pears last year, which sold from six to eight dollars a dozen.—St. Nicholas.

Cinderella's Slipper. In 1780 a rich old French actor named Thenevart was walking along the streets of Paris when he saw in a shoemaker's stall a woman's shoe which he thought very small. He picked it up and admired it not only because it was so tiny but because it was so nicely formed.

He then returned to his home, but could not get it out of his mind, for he dreamed of it that night, and early next morning he went to the shoemaker to inquire the name of the woman. But this the shoemaker did not know.

Day after day for months the actor visited the stall, and finally one day a beautiful little peasant girl called for the shoe. She had left it there on a former visit to Paris. The girl was only sixteen years old and was very poor, but graceful and modest.

The actor fell in love with her and gave her many beautiful presents. Soon they got married and lived happily together for a long time, and when the old man died he left a large fortune to his pretty young widow. It is said that out of this true story grew the tale of Cinderella.

Riddles. If your uncle's sister is not your aunt what relation is she to you? Your mother.

What is an old lady in the middle of a river like? Like to be drowned.

Why were Adam and Eve a grammatical anomaly? Because they were two relatives without an antecedent.

Why is the figure 9 like a peacock? Because without a tail it is nothing.

Which are the most contented birds? Rooks, because they never complain without cause.

Why are birds in spring like a banking establishment? Because they issue promissory notes and rejoice when the branches are flourishing.

What is that which you can keep after giving it to some one else? Your word.

Give the three degrees of getting on in the world. Get on, get honor, get honest.

Victuals and Drink. To play this game make out some cards with questions on them. If you wanted to make the cards very "taking" you might sketch a dish and a glass on them and make some lines to suggest potatoes or a fried fish on the dish.

You can make it look as if some liquid were in the glass. Then write out questions like these on the card, the person guessing the most questions to receive a prize: "In what country did the potato originate? Who first used coffee? What country is famous for its muffins? What famous man in history let the cakes burn which he had been told to watch? In what book of the Bible is the verse beginning 'Better a dinner of herbs to be found? What poet wrote this: 'You can live without friends, you can live without books, but civilized men cannot live without cooks?'"

A Riddle. Here is a riddle which is very simple, but is understood by very few: If a train starts from Chicago at the rate of thirty miles an hour and another train starts from St. Louis going at the rate of forty-five miles an hour and the entire distance is 300 miles, which train will be the farther from Chicago when they meet?

Answer.—The train from St. Louis, of course, as the other train is between St. Louis and Chicago.

SIEGE OF A MAIDEN'S HEART

Strange Courtship Ends With Man's Victory.

"Walter," said Mrs. Bertha Turner to her artist cousin, who was painting her portrait, "why don't you marry?"

"Because, my dear Bertha, I cannot get the woman I want. I will tell you a secret. There is a young girl who occasionally looks out of that window facing my studio. I have fallen in love with her. She does not deign to notice me."

"If I were a man, with my knowledge of women, I could get any woman in the world."

"I wish you would get this girl for me."

Neither spoke for awhile. Then Bertha Turner said:

"I have a plan. For you, my favorite cousin, I will execute it, though I would not do so for any one else. Give me some of your clothes. There is a girl sitting at the window now. Is that she?"

"Yes, What are you going to do?"

"Never mind. Leave that to me." Ten minutes later Mrs. Turner, dressed from the waist up as a man, strolled to the window and looked out. She held some roses in her hand and, taking careful aim, sent them into the lap of the girl opposite. The recipient started and looked out just in time to see the sender disappear from the window.

The girl held the flowers over the all preparatory to dropping them into the court below; but before doing so concluded to enjoy their fragrance. Then she laid them on a table near by, arose and disappeared.

"There's a beginning for you."

The next day when Mrs. Turner arrived at the studio her cousin said:

"Your effort has been a failure."

"Why so?"

"I went to the window this morning. She came to her window at the same moment. As soon as she saw me she turned and walked away."

"That's very good. If she hadn't done that this morning she would have done it this afternoon. Now, having shown her condemnation of your assurance, perhaps she will be forgiving."

The sitting was cut short, for in the midst of it the girl opposite appeared at her window, with her workbasket.

"She expects you to appear and look very penitent. She must be disappointed. Give me your coat. There; now put your hat on my head."

Seizing a handglass, she sat near the window, with her back turned toward the girl opposite.

"Aha, little one!" she said. "Who is hurt this time? Smooth that wrinkled brow." She presently burst into a laugh.

"Look," she said to her cousin. "I see nothing unusual."

"She's putting that sleeve in wrong side foremost. Fix your mind on your work, my dear. Don't be thinking about the man opposite."

At the next sitting as Mrs. Turner entered the studio Walter Burne said excitedly:

"It's all up. Until today she has never failed to show herself at the window in the morning. I have not seen her since you left. I treated her very rudely."

"Splendid!" she exclaimed, clasping her hands with a childish delight.

"What is it?"

"Burne looked out and saw a flower on the window sill."

"She tells you," said his cousin, "that she appreciates your gift."

"How do you know?"

"That's what the flower she had placed on the window sill means in flower language."

"You don't mean it?"

"Yes. Having shown her that you were offended at her apparent want of appreciation, she has hastened to tell you that you were mistaken. Now I think you had better give her a forgiving reply."

Going to some pots containing plants in an improvised conservatory, she looked them over.

"Oh, dear! There is nothing to indicate forgiveness or forgive me. This forget-not will have to serve Go and lay it on the sill."

Burne was so moved at this successful step in his love affair that he made no end of blunders on the portrait, doing more harm than good. When his cousin arose to go, she looked at it and asked:

"Have you been working on the nose this morning?"

"Yes. Why do you ask?"

"Take it out. It is the nose of the girl opposite. I think you had better now arrange for an introduction to your ladylove. Do you know her name?"

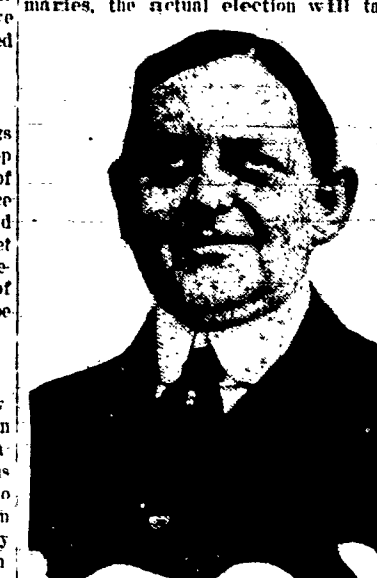
"No."

"Well, I will note the number of her house as I go by and find out for you. Then I will see what I can do."

Mrs. Turner's investigations led to the information that the girl opposite was the daughter of an acquaintance of one of her intimate friends. An introduction was arranged, and the proxy lover met the lady of his love. Shortly after this Burne received a notice from his cousin to appear at her house on a stipulated evening. There he was introduced to the girl opposite, who did not suspect that the meeting was not purely accidental.

"Now fight it out for yourself," whispered his cousin as she excused herself for a time, "and be brave."

Burne was brave and won.



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OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD.

place next November at the general election. This will be merely a ratification of the primaries.

A native of Kentucky, Mr. Underwood's boyhood days were spent in Minnesota, whether his parents removed at the outbreak of the civil war. Later he returned to Louisville, where he was prepared for college. In 1882, at the age of twenty, he entered the Law school of the University of Virginia and after his graduation went to Birmingham, Ala., to practice his profession. Ten years later he was elected to the Fifty-fourth congress and has since been regularly returned to represent the Ninth Alabama district. Mr. Underwood's paternal grandfather, John W. Underwood, sat in the United States senate as the representative of Kentucky and the colleague of Henry Clay. At the Democratic national convention at Baltimore in 1912 Mr. Underwood was a candidate for the presidential nomination.