

IN THE SPORTING WORLD

George B. Whitted, a Smiling Player.



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George Bostock Whitted, utility player for the Boston Braves, is a great smile. He plays baseball seriously, but he grins while he is doing it. On his first appearance in New York against the Giants a year or so ago he was with the St. Louis Cardinals, a team that for some years has always given the Giants a hard fight. And one sporting reporter in describing the game told of another Cardinal making a hit while Whitted was on third, on which "Whitted smiled his way home."

In his first year in the big league, to which height he had jumped from the Jacksonville (Fla.) team of the South Atlantic league, a Class D organization, Whitted gained the reputation of being the "sasiest busher" in fast company. He jawed everybody but the umpires, and he jawed them a little when the occasion offered and there was no danger of being ordered out of the game. Older players who tried to scare him or roast him found they were wasting their breath. George has played every infield and outfield position, and the fact that he is the understudy for Johnny Evers and played second base much of the time during the bitter fight for the National league pennant shows what George Stallings thinks of him. He is twenty-four years old and spends his winters at his home in Durham, N. C., where he shoots quails and wild turkeys.

Automatic Pin Spotter. Chicago bowlers have been given the first demonstration of an automatic pin spotter which does all of the work that can be performed by hand. The machine is the result of ten years of effort on the part of Ernest Hedenskog of Muskegon, Mich. The machine gathers the ball and puts it on the return chute, while the bowler, by pressing a button on top of the ball rack, operates a frame, which passes over the surface of the alley, and sweeps all the deadwood into the pit. The balls and pins fall into the pit and slide into a wheel, which carries them up. The ball falls out to the chute, while the pins are carried higher and then are distributed through the same as the matrices are distributed in a typewriter. Three sets of pins are used. When standing pins are to be lifted to make room for the deadwood sweeper the frame, which is provided with magnets, comes down and lifts them up. After the deadwood is disposed of they are again lowered to their positions.

Hawk Carries Away a Golf Ball. One of the most unexpected incidents that have occurred in golf was witnessed recently on the Arcola Country club links, Arcola, N. J., during a match between Henry W. Runyon of Jersey City and Charles B. Rowe. Mr. Rowe was leading on the thirteenth hole, and Judge Runyon pulled his drive on the fourteenth hole. In following up his drive Mr. Runyon and those who were watching the match glanced in the general direction in which the ball was propelled and saw, to their amazement, that a hawk had swooped down from a nearby woods and was at that time flying away with the golf ball clutched tightly in its claws. This, naturally, created a discussion as to who lost the hole, but after a little arguing Mr. Runyon produced another ball and completed the match, which was won by Mr. Rowe.

ROUND THE WORLD

It is said forty coconuts will yield a gallon of oil. Railways are opening the interior of Nigeria to trade. Signs of labor unrest have been shown lately in Lapland. There are 20,775 Chinese and 3,474 Japanese in Australia. Gold Coast colony is the premier cocoa producer of the world. Minnesota's 1914 poultry and egg output is valued at \$35,000,000. British India's wheat crop is estimated this year at 3,385,000 tons. South Wales has 600 of the 3,250 coal mines worked in the United Kingdom. Turin, Italy, now has 440,000 people and seventy-six motion picture theaters. French and German fishermen can be compelled to serve in their respective navies. Austria had a population by the last census (1910) of 23,325,000 and Hungary 20,886,787. W. H. Thomas of Los Angeles, Cal., claims he has invented a lock which cannot be picked. A considerable number of well-to-do Chinese in Manchuria are able to read and write English. Austrian doctors prior to the war were so numerous that few could make a respectable living. Salvador has placed an import duty on educational books of about 6 cents per hundred pounds. In England it is said that the motorcycle is becoming very popular among women for shopping. Motor vans have been superseding horse drawn vehicles in the parcel delivery business of Scotch cities. One Berlin woman is the mother of twenty-six children. Another woman in Paris has twenty-one children. Joe Bartlett, a Philadelphia beggar, has been caught winding his arm in wire to stimulate paralysis of that member. Crews of British submarine boats are regularly drilled in the use of life saving helmets, with which they may escape should a boat founder. When Waterloo was fought both Napoleon and Wellington were forty-seven years old. Wellington's Prussian ally, Blucher, was seventy-three. A private train has been built for the khedive of Egypt that is composed of cars that get their current from motors driven by gasoline engines. Russia has 57,012 miles of navigable inland waterways: Germany, 11,203; France, 7,832; England, 3,098; Holland, 3,250; Sweden, 3,187; and Belgium, 1,440. The taxicab service of Ceylon consists of twenty American made automobiles. A unique feature is the issuing of books of twenty and forty ride taxi tickets.

Five hundred Spanish laborers are engaged in work providing better sanitation at Guayaquil, long notorious as one of the most unhealthy towns in South America. Despite the inroads of the typewriter the fountain pen industry of the United States has almost tripled in ten years and almost twice as many steel pens are being made. A new fireproof window shutter is made of a series of metal tubes rolled together like the top of a roll top desk and which can be dropped over a window by its own weight. What is believed to be the lowest type of humanity in the world today has been discovered in the interior of Sumatra, a people without property, religion, superstition or any idea of a future state. There is a family of six sisters living in the French village of Comellee sous Bouvron, of whom the eldest is eighty-five and the youngest seventy-five years old. Their total ages amount to 475 years. The New South Wales government has decided to supplement its enterprises by the creation of a state bakery at Sydney. The government will acquire a bakery and bake bread for its own institutions. It is not etiquette in battle to endeavor to shoot the commander of a force unless he persistently and unnecessarily exposes himself to fire. Still, every effort to capture a commander may be made. Some farmers in Germany use roosters for hatching eggs and raising chicks. They take better care of the chicks than the hens do, even fighting hawks to protect them and running with them much longer. England has twenty women inspectors of labor, and they are practically independent in their work and functions. France has eighteen women inspectors, Austria five, Belgium one, Prussia and Switzerland none. In the twenty-five years from 1887 to 1912 the number of human beings killed by snakes in India was 548,001, or an average of 21,700 annually, according to official reports. During the same time snakes caused the death of 187,436 cattle. Private banks are gradually being forced out of existence in Sweden by the large joint stock companies, which have made it a practice to become the sponsors for new enterprises of almost every description in the commercial and industrial world. The heating power of Swedish peat is such that one and an eighth tons of peat are equivalent to one ton of English steam coal. Pulverized peat is particularly useful. The Finnish government is now constructing four tallway engines to be stoked with peat powder.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES

Stocking Holding Device to Facilitate Darning.



A device to facilitate the labor of those who have many stockings to darn has been designed by a Minnesota man. It is a holder in which the stocking is held so the part in which the tear is drawn taut and can be darned much easier than ordinarily. One part of this holder is a wire ring with guards rising from it, bent inwardly near their bases. Another ring fits into these curves when sprung in place. The stocking is drawn over the first ring until the torn part appears stretched out inside it. Then the second ring is snapped into place and the stocking held taut, thus permitting of a much easier and stronger darn than can be made over a darning "egg" or a similar device. As will be seen, this apparatus is primarily intended for making repairs to the leg of the hose, though it can also be used in darning holes in the feet. At a pinch it could be used for fancy work, as it acts on the principle of the wooden rings women use for this purpose.

Waverly Ice Cream. Two and one-half junket tablets, two eggs, three parts of milk, one and one-half cupfuls of sugar, one-quarter teaspoonful of salt, one and one-half teaspoonful of vanilla extract. The junket tablets should be mixed with two tablespoonfuls of water and allowed to dissolve. Then pour the milk into a double boiler and heat it until it is lukewarm. Remove it from the fire and add the eggs, sugar, salt and extract, beaten together. Add the dissolved tablets and allow the mixture to stand for half an hour. Freeze in the usual way.

Roast Turkey, Virginia Style. Stuffing—Crumb one loaf bread; take one-quarter cupful beef suet shredded fine, little sausage meat or scraped and pounded veal, nutmeg, salt and pepper. Mix with three eggs and stuff. Bake one and a quarter hours in hot oven; baste frequently with hot lard. Sauce—Serve with sauce made of crumbs of one loaf bread, in cold water with a little salt, one onion and a few peppercorns. Boil until bread is soft; beat and add one-quarter pound butter, two spoonfuls rich cream and serve piping hot with the turkey.

Waldorf Salad. Take equal parts of tender inside celery and tart, juicy apple cut in cubes. Mix thoroughly with a French dressing and arrange on lettuce. Serve with roast pork or duck or as a separate salad course. For the latter, the salad may sometimes be served in a bright red apple after the core and pulp have been scooped out. The broad stem end of the apple should serve as the base, and with a little care the blossom end can be so cut as to have a handle. Pecan or walnut meats may be added if desired.

Snow Pudding. Soak one heaping tablespoonful of granulated gelatin in one-fourth cupful of cold water for ten minutes. Dissolve in one cupful of boiling water, add a cupful of sugar and a quarter cupful of lemon juice. Strain and cool. When cool and just ready to set beat until frothy and add the stiffly beaten whites of three eggs and continue to beat until the mixture will hold its shape. Mold in any desired form and chill thoroughly. Serve with custard sauce.

Hominy With Cheese Sauce. Mix three cupfuls of boiled hominy with two eggs, form into croquettes and fry a golden brown. Serve with this sauce: Put four tablespoonfuls of butter in a saucepan and when melted pour smooth with three tablespoonfuls of flour, add a dash of paprika, salt and celery salt and cook slowly while adding half a cupful of milk. When this has boiled for three minutes turn in a cupful of grated cheese.

Stuffed Celery. Work together equal parts of Roquefort and Neufchatel cheese. If too thick add a drop or two of olive oil or sherry and when smooth fill the hollow ends of large, fine celery with the mixture. Serve with cold meat for luncheon or as a dinner appetizer. Baked Apples With Nuts. Core the apples and fill the center with a stiff mixture of finely chopped nuts and sugar. These are really very much better than ordinary baked apples and possess a much greater food value.

SNAPSHOTS AT NOTABLE PERSONS

General Smith-Dorrien, Noted British Commander.



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When General Sir Horace Lockwood Smith-Dorrien was praised by Sir John French as the savior of the left wing of the allied armies in France it was not the first time that his worth as a soldier had been recognized. In fact it is quite an old story with Smith-Dorrien. He has been commended for meritorious conduct in many campaigns. In the present war General Smith-Dorrien commands one of the army corps sent by England to France to assist in repelling the German invasion. He is one of the favorites and most trusted lieutenants of Lord Kitchener, under whom he has served for many years. He was educated at Harrow and entered the military service in 1870 at the age of 18. During his career he has received many medals and in 1900 was made major general and knight commander of the Bath. He was promoted to lieutenant general in 1906 and general in 1912, when he was created grand commander of the Bath.

A German Field Marshal. Field Marshal Kolmar von der Goltz, who was appointed military governor of the conquered portions of Belgium after the invasion of that nation by the German troops, is one of the great strategists of the Kaiser's army. Born seventy-one years ago, he fought in the war with Austria in 1866, and in the Franco-Prussian war he was on the general staff of the second army. He made a reputation as an organizer while he was the commander of the First army corps on the Russian frontier between 1902 and



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1907. During this period he perfected a defensive scheme at Koenigsberg, East Prussia. In 1883 Baron von der Goltz went to Turkey to rehabilitate the army of Abdul Hamid. He remained there twelve years and brought order out of confusion in spite of many difficulties. The army, however, was not a success in the Balkan war. As a writer von der Goltz has distinguished himself. His first important work was "Leon Gambetta and His Army," published in 1877. He also wrote "A Nation in Arms," which has been translated into several languages.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Animal Snowdrops.

If you find snowdrops particularly lively and playful prepare for a beautiful storm. When rain is due you will find the cat lazily washing her face. If in the early morning you see some lying down, huddled with their tails to windward, look out for a storm. If a doxy lays lazily you will not have to wait long for the pattering drops. Sheep turn their heads to the wind when the day is going to be fine, but if it is a sign of rain, say the shepherds, when they graze with their tails to windward. The most dignified and sedate of pigs will become lively at the approach of rain.

Hard to Produce the "r" Sound. There is one sound of the human speech which it is practically impossible to perfectly reproduce by mechanical means. It is the sound of the letter "r." Neither the telephone nor the phonograph renders it properly. Lord Rayleigh, an English physicist of note, was the first to observe this and to subject the phenomenon to scientific investigation. He found that to produce the sound "r" the muscles of the mouth must exert only a slight pressure upon the air, but at the same time the breath must be projected with such force as to produce not less than 1,000 vibrations of the air waves per second. This is a higher number than in the case of any other sound of the human speech.

Campfire Handicraft. Chicago girls practiced a new handicraft at their campfire camp last summer. They made Indian willow beds according to directions furnished by Ernest Thompson Seton in his "Book of Woodcraft." They cut and peeled seventy willow twigs (thirty-two inches long and notched them at the ends. Then they bound them together with heavy twine and fastened them to a framework of heavier twigs. When the work was complete two campfire bonfire beds were awarded to each craftsman. Another Indian bed was made on the ground by arranging layers of leaves at the bottom and laying hemlock boughs upon them.

Boring Thin Glass. Everybody who has tried understands how difficult it is to bore a hole in a strip of thin glass. The following method is said to be very successful: Press a cake of wet clay upon the glass and then make a hole through the clay of the desired size, laying bare the glass at the bottom of the hole. Then pour melted lead into the hole, and it will drop through the glass, making a round aperture. The explanation is that the sudden application of heat cracks the glass in a circle corresponding in size with the hole in the clay.

Boy Seeks to Prevent Train Wreck. A train wreck was prevented at Kings Mills, O., through the prompt action of Troop O, Norwood Boy Scouts. The troop was hiking along the tracks when they found that a freight train had broken a switch. New York files were due in a few days, so the patrol divided, half of the boys to go to the station to notify the station agent while the other half ran out on the track to flag the approaching train. The boys attracted the attention of the engineer, and the train was brought to a stop within a few feet of the broken switch.

Catching a Melon Thief. A farmer was losing his cantaloupes, and he couldn't catch the thief. One day he hid his camera in a thicket, focusing it upon a fine melon just ripe enough to pick and attaching the shutter by a dark cord to the stem. When he visited his patch a little later his melon was gone, but upon developing the film a stooping figure he knew very well appeared. A print of the picture mailed to the chief actor in the incident stopped the thief's losses.

Old King Coal. Old King Coal is a merry old soul. And a merry old soul is he. He burns in the grate From early till late, And crackles so merrily. He weighs quite a ton, You can poke him in fun, And he'll laugh and burn brightly. But, my, how he'd pour, If you'd let him go out! What a sally old sinner he'd be!

Wanted Without Her Knowledge. My father and mother had a few months of each other and I was a few months old. I had been educated in the best schools and my father had made a fortune. One day he was taken ill and he died. My mother was left with a fortune and she was very kind and generous. She had a son and she was very kind to him. She had a daughter and she was very kind to her. She had a son and she was very kind to him. She had a daughter and she was very kind to her.

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"Poor child," he said, a word of sympathy in his voice, his manner, and especially in his kindly brown eyes. "Are you weaker?" I asked. "No," he answered. "I am not." "But you are," he said. "You are weaker than you are." "No," he said. "I am not." "But you are," he said. "You are weaker than you are."

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