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## Superstitions of the Cricket Field.

By J. H. HOBBS, Britain's Finest Batsman.  
(In Tit-Bits.)

Most cricketers are superstitious. Some have implicit faith in popular omens, both good and evil, whilst others cherish their own particular and peculiar fetich.

For a team on its way to the ground to meet a funeral is regarded as a sure sign of defeat, and most cricketers would walk a mile out of their way to miss it. A single magpie is almost as bad, though a pair are harmless. A pishad horse brings luck, and so does a humpbacked man, if you can manage to touch him.

A Century in Each Innings.  
To walk under a ladder is a fatal thing. Bobby Abel did it once with dire results. The "Guv'nor" at the time was at the top of his form, getting centuries in almost each match.

On his way to the Oval one morning he deliberately passed beneath a ladder in a spirit of sheer bravado, to see if it would change his luck. It did. He "bagged a brace" in that match; and some anonymous joker sent him a peck of peas "to go with the duck."

I used to believe implicitly in the ladder superstition, but my faith has been somewhat shaken recently. On the morning of the trial match at the Oval, at the commencement of the present season, I found two large ladders astride my path just inside the ground. I looked at them apprehensively, but as there were several people about, and I was afraid they would laugh, I crossed my fingers firmly and walked under them both.

I made two centuries in that match, and I have been wondering whether I ought not to purchase a nice-looking ladder to stand against my house, so that I could walk under it every morning. But if one day I forget to cross my fingers, I dread to think what would happen.

"Plum" Warner's Cap.  
Many cricketers find the figure nine a bigger bogey than thirteen. A careful examination of the scores in a number of matches will prove that a large proportion of batsmen are dismissed when this fatal figure forms part of their score. There are far more nines than hundreds scored every season.

Some cricketers cherish all sorts of queer fads in regard to dress. One man I know would no more think of putting his right boot on before his left than he would of going to the wicket in his socks. My own particular fad is for putting the left pad on before the right, and in walking out to the wicket at the commencement of a game, or after an interval, I must be on the right-hand side of my partner, or I should be very unhappy. Old caps are perhaps the most popular of mascots. Everybody knows the Harlequin cap which Mr. Warner has worn as long as I can

remember. Bobby Abel wore one for so many years that it faded from the deep, rich, Surrey brown to a pale dun colour. I have one which was once blue, and if I opened my bag one morning and found it missing, I am quite certain that the first straight ball would bowl me.

Red-Headed Umpires Are Lucky.

The first desire of one well-known but unlucky cricketer, on arriving at a ground was to get a look at the umpires. If one of them happened to be a red-headed man he was safe for a hundred. This may sound ridiculous, but the strange thing was that it used to come off. Unfortunately, there are few red-haired umpires, which explains why this particular cricketer, although skilful, was unlucky.

To borrow the gloves of a man who has just made a century is considered to be an excellent insurance against ill-luck. Personally, I have no faith in this. But I do know that it is terrible unlucky to leave one in the pavilion. It always means a badly bruised hand, and yet if you wear them religiously not more than one or two balls per season will rap your knuckles.

Merely Habits.

Bad luck may be brought upon a batsman by comrades in the pavilion. If the man, whose turn is to bat next has once put on his pads he should never take them off, even if he has to sit there all day. If he would only loosen the straps, a wicket will be certain to fall.

Many cricketers would no more think of going to the wicket without their pet mascot in a trouser pocket than they would of batting minus the garments themselves. I once knew a man who religiously carried dice in his trousers pocket until one day a particularly fast ball eluded his bat, hit him in the leg, and almost embedded one of his mascots in his thigh. After that he shifted them to the pocket of his shirt.

These fads and fancies are, of course, just as foolish as all other superstitions. When one comes to analyse them they are merely little habits, things we accustom ourselves to do, and unless they are done an unsettled frame of mind is the result.

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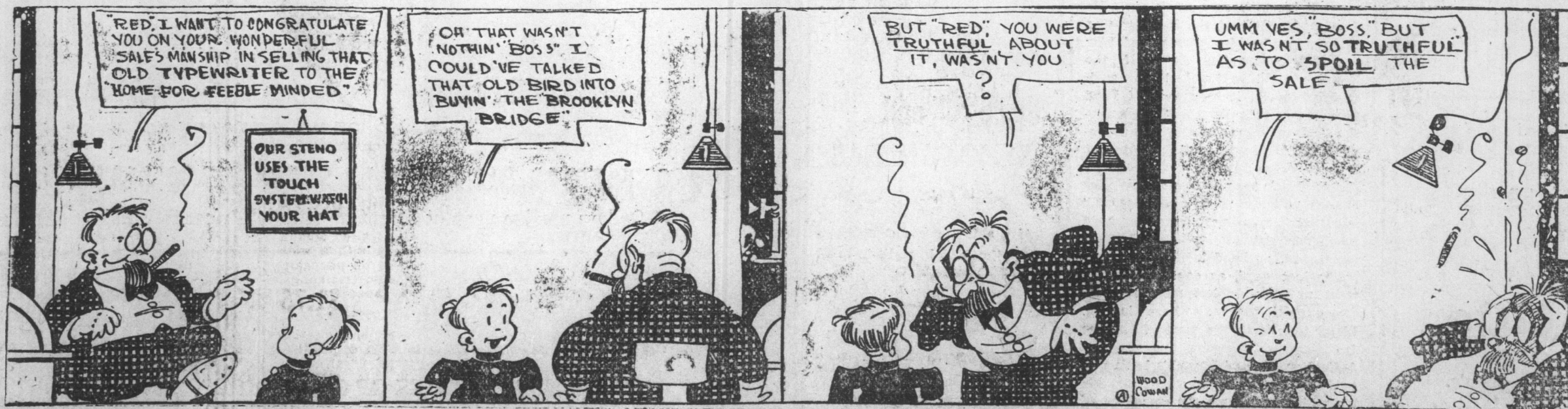
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