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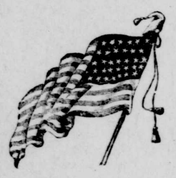

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TURKS' "FEAST OF BAIRAM"

Day That Is Observed by Moslem Corresponds With the Christmas of the Christians.

The Turk takes his pleasures pretty sadly; about the only time he publicly relaxes is during the feat of Bairam, which in the way of gift giving, feasting and good will to man corresponds to our Christmas. On that day every good Moslem kills a lamb, its fleece dyed a bright orange with gold or silver leaf, says the Christian Science Monitor.

When the lamb has been sacrificed on the morning of the festival, its flesh is divided into three portions, one being given to the poor, another to relatives, the third being kept for the household. On that day the sultan goes to the mosque which is nearest the Yildiz Kiosk—the vast assemblage of buildings which go to make up the imperial residence—thousands collect to watch the bent, frock coated, yellow faced, blackeyed, red fezzed little man driven sadly by, in a plain black barouche; followed by regiments of cavalry, infantry and marines; also—a quaint custom—by a half-dozen led horses—beautiful, graceful Arabians.

The month-long fast of Ramazan is held by the Moslem to be a divine institution. Its observance is strictly enjoined on all true believers over the age of fourteen, invalids and travelers only excepted. Ramazan is held in the ninth month of the Mohammedan year. The Moslem year being lunar, Ramazan makes in the course of time the round of the seasons. But through the winter days, from sunrise to sunset, the pious Mohammedan does not take a bit of food or sup of drink; he also abstains entirely from coffee, tobacco and sweets. But the moment the echoes of the sunset gun have died he is at liberty to break his fast.

ATHLETES OF INSECT WORLD

Compared With the Ant, Man Cannot Be Considered as Other Than a Puny Creature.

Ants are the athletes of the insect world, easily carrying ten times their own weight. The edifices they rear by conjoint labor render the pyramids ridiculous, for the common wood ant will build structures as large as a haycock, all of mere fragments. If others are content with small domiciles it is because their needs are sufficed, but all alike dwell beneath their underground galleries and halls with the order and activity of a busy, well-governed city.

No nonsense is taken in ant land about everybody being as good and great as everybody else. They nurse with infinite devotion the ant babies, putting them in the warm upper galleries by day and at night tucking them up in the snuggest lower chambers. They bring home stores of food to the ant city, for those are wrong who say that the little creatures do not lay up winter provisions.

Gautier and His Cats.

One of Gautier's peculiarities was love for cats. As soon as he could conveniently do so he afforded himself the luxury of twelve of the handsomest felines that money could purchase. It was an interesting sight to behold this Hercules in his writing room playing with his regiment of cats, whom he had taught to love one another as they did himself. When some of them broke a valuable object of art—his study, by the way, was a curiosity shop—he seriously deliberated upon getting rid of them; but when the man he had engaged came to remove the obnoxious pets, he relented and sent him away. He named each one of them after some well-known person to whom he fancied it bore resemblance, physical or otherwise. He seldom wrote anything without a cat or two in his lap.—Maurice Mauris.

Arctic Circle Flower Garden.

A flower garden in Spitzbergen sounds like an anomaly, Spitzbergen being within the arctic circle. A party of British travelers, struck with the beauty of a plateau, called it the Flower Garden ever after. It was in the nineties of last century and the party that of Sir Martin Conway. Landing in midsummer on one of the headlands by Dickinson bay, they were impressed with the deep water, clear as crystal, the marvelous wealth of seaweed, the splendor of a great glacier and the sharp blue peaks of the mountains separating glacier from glacier; while in another direction, over Advent point, coiled wreaths of ragged clouds. Added to it all was a carpet of flowers—andromeda, saxafrages and dryas; so the Flower Garden was actual after all.

The Preferred Sort.

"What do you think of the circular letter sent out to its patrons by the accused corporation?"

"I think the public would prefer a square deal."

BOYS' CLUBS TEACH THRIFT AND INDUSTRY AND HELP TO MAKE PROGRESSIVE FARMERS

Club Members Learn More Than Principles of Agriculture.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Agricultural production is not the sum total of achievement by members of boys' clubs in the South. Those youngsters below the Mason-Dixon line raise good crops; also, they raise fine baby beeves and standard pigs. Their sheep are of accredited breeds; their poultry is of the better types; and the gardens they cultivate are model gardens, many of them yielding very worth-while produce. In dollars and cents, the result of those boys' efforts annually mounts up to many thousands; in food supply it is of incalculable value to the 15 Southern states.

But this is only part of the story—a bare enumeration of some of the activities of those Southern lads. The other part is, or should be, more interesting, for it deals with intangible commodities—character, high ideals, educational aspirations, civic pride—evolved from and developed through the training received in boys' clubs. In its effort to strengthen the agricultural extension organization the United States department of agriculture cites some instances to show the benefits of the boys' club work in the South.

Bonds and Bank Accounts.

In Texas there are 1,000 boys receiving higher education—the direct result of club membership. There are 20,000 club boys in that state who bought Liberty bonds, War Savings and Thrift stamps. The same number belong to the Red Cross, and 2,000 have bank accounts. Members of the boys' clubs in Oklahoma, over 13,000, own war securities amounting to $112,818. Their bank deposits total $67,931.86. Also West Virginia has 1,500 club members who have bank accounts. Many own lands and several hundred are in colleges, Arkansas has a record of hundreds of former boys' club members who are in college, and what is more to their credit, paying their tuition with money earned from the sale of of their agricultural products and prizes won in agricultural contests.

A number of the Southern clubs have developed college professors, instructors in agricultural schools—men who learned the scientific method of farming and gained their experience in boys' clubs. Many club members are in the military service. "We have hundreds of club members that are officers in the United States army," writes a Mississippi state agent. Nor have modern business methods been overlooked by those young husbandmen. In some of the states co-operative buying, selling and marketing is the regular practice of boys' club members, and the use of banking facilities, a common custom—the kind of banking, by the way, where the character and industry of the borrowers form the major part of the security. In this connection the testimony of the president of a bank in Mississippi is corroborative. Says he: "So far as my information goes, there is not a single piece of bad paper in the state as a result of loans to club boys." These instances are taken at random.

The influence club boys exert upon their fathers and upon the farmers in their neighborhoods is very marked, state and county agents say. It is the kind of influence that, through practical demonstration, turns skeptics into converts; that makes progressive farmers out of "the-old-way-is-good-enough-for-me" types.

Influence of the Clubs.

But extension agents are not the only ones who note these transformations. Men of affairs have observed them, and right ready are they to tell of civic improvements, better schools, more active churches, marked increase in the demand for better merchandise, new business enterprises, pride in the appearance of their buildings, home grounds, the family acres, and a higher type of community morale—all brought about by boys' clubs and community co-operation.

Increased production, stimulation in every line of agricultural endeavor for the immediate and continued prosperity of their section is one of the important functions of boys' club work in the South. This is being accomplished by instruction and demonstration in correct agricultural methods by the extension service of the United States department of agriculture and the state agricultural colleges. And it is being done in the only way possible—through the organized efforts of the very boys who are to develop into progressive farmers and become the substantial producers of the future. However, quite as important a function of this work is the all-round development of the boys themselves. Great stress is laid upon this. Through the agency of these boys' clubs, the members are taught habits of thrift and industry. They are shown the real value of high character, the advantages of education, the possibilities of leadership, the dignity of labor, the importance of co-operation in civic affairs and respect for others' rights. The creditable desire for independence, for land ownership and beauty and orderliness in land possessed is inculcated in them, that they may have the privilege of remaining upon the very soil that nurtured them and become important factors in their country's development.

JOINTWORM IS MOST DESTRUCTIVE ENEMY

Pest Ranks Next to Hessian Fly in Eastern States.

Small Grub Lives in Stems of Wheat, Sucking Juices of Plant—May Be Controlled by Plowing Stubble Deeply.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

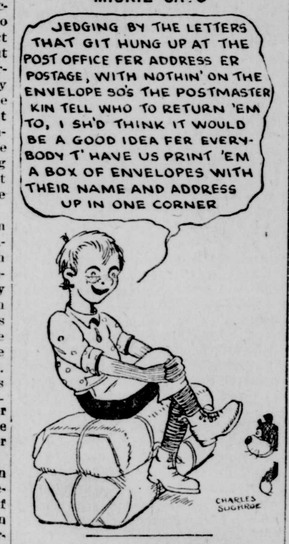
The most destructive enemy of wheat, next to the Hessian fly, in the wheat states east of the Mississippi river and in parts of Missouri is the wheat jointworm. It is a very small grub which lives in the stems of wheat, sucking the juices of the plant and causing a swelling in the stem. Although this insect is sometimes more serious than the Hessian fly, occasionally causing complete destruction, very little is done at present to control its depredations. The insect has a number of natural enemies, but these should not be relied upon. Fortunately the jointworm attacks only wheat, which fact suggests one of the most reliable control measures, that of substituting crops. In the southern part of the Eastern wheat belt the insect may be controlled by plowing wheat stubble deeply after harvest when this does not interfere with the growing of red clover and grass.

The egg from which the jointworm hatches is laid in the stem by an insect resembling a small black ant with wings. When a wheat plant first becomes infected no outward sign may appear. The presence of the worm can be detected when the plant is nearly mature by examining the inside of the stem, usually just above the second or third joint from the ground. Sometimes the point of infestation is very noticeable, there being wart-like swellings on the stem. Another very good indication is the presence in the field of a number of fallen or lodged plants.

The larvae of this insect remain in the old stubble until November or December, when about 90 per cent of them change to the pupa stage. In this form large numbers are winter-killed in the Northern states, but severe weather also kills their natural enemies. Without the assistance of numerous parasitic enemies of the jointworm, wheat growing in the Eastern states of necessity would have been abandoned or the growers forced to adopt effective control measures, say department specialists.

When fall plowing is practiced the stubble containing the pest is buried deeply, thus preventing the insect from emerging the following spring. Whenever this method is adopted the badly infested wheat should be cut high, so that the greater majority of the jointworms will be left on the field in the old stubble and may be turned under and destroyed. In southern Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee and other Southern and Southeastern states where double-cropping systems are in general use, it is possible to plow under the stubble without interfering with the cropping system. Where this is not practicable, as is sometimes the case in the more Northern states, substitute crops, such as rye, barley or buckwheat should be grown on heavily infested areas.

MICKIE SAYS



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A world that can survive the pneumonic and Teutonic plagues can stand anything.

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Buy your thermometers now—indications are that they will be much higher next summer.

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Did you know there is trouble in Paramakkapool and in the suburb of Kadi Keui? Well, there is.

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If the terms of armistice were agreeable to Germany they could not be the right kind of terms.

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One civil strategist insists that the antiaircraft guns should be brought home to shoot down high prices.

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Wonder if the senators who objected to the President going to Europe will object to his coming back.

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As a "harmonizer" Paderewski, the famous pianist, is now called upon to demonstrate his powers in Poland.

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Patience—Do you believe the war was one of conquest? Patrice—Well, I know a lot of girls who got husbands by it.

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Some of the submarine men who got desk jobs in Berlin are now inclined to regard their "safety first" program as a failure.

French Girls Will Conquer.

The following is from the New York Morning Telegraph:

Yvonne Gall, Parisienne and soprano of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, in speaking of the Americans, declared that American girls will be the losers eventually as a result of the war, because most of their sweethearts—the doughboys, in other words—will decide to take French girls to be their wives and helpmates.

Mlle. Gall says that the American boy will return, but that later he will return to France to the girl he found "over there." She declares that the Yankees have made a big hit over in France by their style, their snap and energy, and that they have won their way into the hearts of all the people of the French nation.

"The American soldier carried in his heart the ideal of the American sweetheart and to that ideal he was true," continued Mlle. Gall, "but he learned to know a different sort of girl—the daughter of France.

"Our girls are not as clever, perhaps, as your American girls, but they are more lovable, more appealing to the heart of brave and good men. The French girl follows her husband; the Americrn girl wants to lead him.

"The French girl is happy in doing for the man she loves; the American girl demands that the man who loves her do for her. French wives are the helpmates of their husbands, not their slave drivers. French daughters obey their parents; do not dictate to them. French mothers are the teachers of their children; not the servants of them."

Tile Drainage Boosts Values.

Sheboygan County, Wis., farmers received much benefit in 1918 from community tile drainage project conducted by the farm bureau and the county agent. Over 40 farms were visited, 88,000 feet of levels were run, and 70,000 feet of tile was laid, which reclaimed 75 acres of land. It is estimated that as a result of the land drained, the value of farm lands in the vicinity has increased $12,000. The project will be continued in 1919, and it is planned to reclaim 500 acres of land.

Notice to Creditors.

This is to give notice that the subscriber, of Caroline county, has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Caroline county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of

CLAYTON E. CLARK,

late of Caroline county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are warned to exhibit the same to the subscriber, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 8th day of August, 1919, or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 14th day of January, 1919.

FRANK P. COVEY,
Administrator of Clayton E. Clark, deceased. [1-16,19.

Order Nisi.

Albert G. Towers, Assignee,
vs.
Jacob E. Ellwanger and Viola C. Ellwanger, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Caroline county. In Equity. No. 1932.

Ordered, this 31st day of December, 1918, that the sale of the property mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by Albert G. Towers, Assignee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 4th day of April, 1919; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline county, once in each of four successive weeks before the 7th day of February, 1919.

The report states the amount of sales to be $650.00.

LAWRENCE B. TOWERS,
True copy—Test: Clerk.
LAWRENCE B. TOWERS,
Clerk.

Order Nisi.

Martha Thomas,
vs.
Israel Thomas, et al.

In the Orphans' Court for Caroline county. In Equity.

Ordered, this 31st day of December, 1918, by the Orphans' Court for Caroline county, in Equity, that the sale of the property made and reported by W. Brewster Deen, trustee in the aforesaid case, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 3rd day of March, 1919, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline county once in each of four successive weeks before the 31st day of January next.

The report states the amount of sales to be Four Hundred and Ninety Dollars.

EDWARD W. LIDEN,
J. VIRGIL MOORE,
LEONARD F. COVEY.
Judges of the Orphans' Court for Caroline County.
True copy—Test:
Z. POTTER STEELE,
Register of Wills.

Notice to Creditors.

This is to give notice that the subscriber, of Caroline county, has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Caroline county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of

WILLIAM H. WRIGHT,

late of Caroline county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are warned to exhibit the same to the subscriber, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, on or before the 2nd day of August, 1919, or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

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T. PLINY FISHER,
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