

WOMEN FROM HAREMS IN QUEST OF SOUL MATES

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PLURAL WIVES IS LUXURY

President Kemal's Order Released Hundred of Women Highly Trained in Social Graces

(Correspondence of the Associated Press) ANKARA.—Hundreds of beautiful women, highly trained in the social graces, arts of the toilette, dancing, music and religion, who have been freed from harems, now have the Turkish government seeking husbands for them. Most of them are wholly unfitted for the practical work of life.

Abandonment of the harem also placed on the hands of the government many eunuchs, but their disposition has not been so difficult. In the absence of regular employment in the cities, they have been sent to the provincial districts for work on the farms.

When President Mustafa Kemal assumed power in Ankara, one of his first official acts was to banish the harems and slave households of Sultan Mohammed VI, the prince and members of the royal court.

In order to set an example, most of the nationalist government officials have one, or at most only two wives. Indeed, Mustafa Kemal Pasha has no wife at all, having recently been granted a divorce. Economic conditions also serve to make it almost impossible for one to indulge in the old luxury of plurality of wives.

Obligated to Wear Veil Prior to the present social revolution in Turkey, every woman was obliged to veil herself from all except her father, brother and husband. If a man, either Turk or foreigner, entered the sacred precincts of the harem, he usually paid with his life, while the master also had the right to kill his unfaithful wife or concubine.

Only three foreigners, an American, a Britisher and a Frenchman, are known to have entered a harem when it was occupied, and they were disguised as Turks and spoke the Turkish language. By posing as government representatives, they escaped the usual penalty.

Any departure from the rules of conduct in the harems was severely punished by the eunuchs who maintained security of the places and who were euphemistically called "Masters of the Maidens," or "Chiefs of the Abodes of Felicity."

While Sultan Mohammed VI had only four legal wives, he had at his disposal several hundred "kibals" or favorites. Sultan Abdul Hamid was said to have had 1000 wives in his harem.

Madam Edibe Halilday Hanoun Bey, a Turkish woman trained in the American Girls' college at Constantinople, was one of the first to agitate a change in the status of Moslem women, insisting that the system was wholly inconsistent with any high ideal of womanhood.

WESTERN STATES PAY STANFIELD OPPOSES POLICY OF CONSERVATION

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1.—Objection that the 11 western public land states are expected by the federal government to pay the price of conservation for the entire United States, even for the entire world was voiced by Senator Robert N. Stanfield, chairman of the public lands committee of the United States senate, in an address before the Salem chamber of commerce Monday.

"I am not attempting," he said, "to promote any disagreement between you and the bureau of forestry, but this federal policy is really to cloak a policy of confiscation. The bureau speaks of these lands as 'our' lands, when in fact they are the state's lands."

Senator Stanfield quoted John Marshall and Abraham Lincoln as

having said that the lands are held by the government in trust for the states. He said the government estimated the value of the reserved area at \$200,000,000, but that in his opinion \$275,000,000 would be more nearly correct, and he declared that in the cycle of about 50 years which the forestry bureau estimates must pass before a crop of timber can be produced under the conservation policy, the government will have taken from Oregon \$225,000,000 that in reality belongs to the state.

FOREST STUDY PLANNED

THREE TIMBERMEN NAMED FOR WORK IN STATE

(By The Associated Press) SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1.—A committee of three was appointed today by the state forestry board to study reforestation in the state of Oregon. Those who will collect the data are George W. Peavy, C. M. Granger and George I. Gerlinger, all members of the state board.

The board will meet at Marshfield on December 18 and 19, and will discuss the problems of disposal of slashings in the Port Orford cedar district there. It is said where cedar only is cut it is impossible to dispose of the slashings without seriously endangering timber on the ground. The slash is now, however, said to be a serious fire menace.

CONSCIENCE FUND PAID

LABORER STEALS RIDES THEN PAYS COMPANY

(By The Associated Press) PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1.—A conscience fund of \$265 was rounded out here today by a Portland laborer, who sometime ago began remitting money to the Southern Pacific company to pay for rides he told of having stolen on the company's trains. The conscience stricken man informed company officials that his calculations showed that he had "steaten his way" \$803 miles on Southern Pacific trains, which he paid for at the rate of three cents a mile.

"In closing this account," ran the letter, "I have been guided by strict conscience and now am ready to start settling my accounts with other railroads."

NEW DISTRICT APPROVED

UMPUQA HIGHWAY APPROVED BY COMMISSION

(By The Associated Press) SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1.—The formation of the Umpqua highway improvement district was approved today by the state highway commission. The district is located in Douglas county. The purpose of the district is to secure funds for the completion of the Umpqua highway between Reedsport and Drain, and to meet the state on the Reedsport-Coos county line section of the Roosevelt highway. Five road districts were eliminated by the highway commission.

USE OF LASH PROPOSED

NARCOTIC DRUG PEDDLERS MAY BE WHIPPED

(By The Associated Press) VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 1.—The lash for narcotic drug peddlers in addition to present penalties at the discretion of the judge, will be authorized if a motion unanimously adopted today by the British Columbia legislature is accepted by the federal government. The motion asks for a change in the federal opium and narcotic drug act.

The Handy Creeper One of the handiest things about the workshop is a creeper. It can be used for getting under the car to make a repair or an adjustment. The frame is made from two-by-two ends and one-half-by-three boards about three feet long. A pillow is provided for a head-rest and the whole affair runs on casters rollers, the latter permitting one to slide under the car with it.

If the wash boiler is filled through a piece of old hose attached to a nearby faucet, wash day will be much less tiresome. This saves lifting or carrying water.

World's Champion Liar Awarded Medal

ENID, Okla.—The biggest liar in town, and probably in the world, is the distinction recently won by Frank E. Lorince, American Legionnaire here. Lorince excelled in a liar's carnival held by the local legion post and was awarded the title of "Champion Liar" and a "biggest liar's" medal.

Interviewed immediately after the contest, Lorince said: "I'm not a bit surprised that I won. I will be a fighting liar and risk my championship against all promising liars."

Here is the flawless fib that won the liar's contest:

"During the late world war I was first in the artillery. As I was an Italian the major always was picking on me by saying 'Italian, attention.' I was transferred to the infantry because I could not stop. First thing they did to me was to send me into 'no man's land' on a combat patrol by myself. I was bare-footed and bare-dusted. I only killed forty-eight of the enemy, captured nine machine guns and took 114 prisoners.

"Then the captain got mad at me, because I didn't get any am-

munition from the enemy for our machine guns so he put me on K. P. duty. Everyone but me got passed to Paris that night. I was left to hold the trenches against a whole German division. The captain told me to move the barb wire entanglements closer to the German trenches so the Americans could run and jump over the wire into the German trenches. When I looked around there were 1000 Indians!

"I didn't have a gun so I jumped on a trusty horse a friend of mine had given me from the air division. The Indians chased me until I came to a chasm 200 feet deep, the bottom was covered with rocks. I thought it was sure death. However, the horse was well trained, and leaped for the bottom. When we were six feet from the bottom I yelled 'whoo' and my horse stopped within two feet of certain destruction but there was facing us a regiment of Prussian guards, the best the Kaiser had. The Indians were behind me, the Germans in front of me. Now a lot of people ask me how I survived. I didn't. They killed me."

Malaria Is Foe to Paralysis

MOSCOW.—Inoculation with malaria germs as a cure for partial paralysis was used fifty years ago by a Russian physician is the claim Soviet doctors are making here.

This contention would wrest the honor for the discovery of this treatment—halted recently as the most important contribution to medical science in a decade—from Dr. Wagner-Yauregg, nerve specialist in the University of Vienna.

Russian physicians proclaimed Dr. Alexander Rosenblum, who died in Odessa in 1903, as the first to realize the possibilities of this treatment. As early as 1876 he mentioned malaria inoculation for paretic in an article printed by the society of Odessa physicians.

The craggy old doctor who talked of such a strange cure.

Paresis, which is a form of incomplete paralysis, affecting motion but not sensation, often follows in the wake of recurrent typhus, as well as developing in the third stage of one of the social diseases.

Wagner-Yauregg used his discovery as a cure for social disease, while Rosenblum made his investigations largely in cases of paresis following typhus.

Both physicians stumbled on the cure by accident. Both noticed that patients suffering from paresis would always show much improvement after a case of malaria, or any violent attack of fever. In some instances the malaria would completely rout the paresis.

Dr. Rosenblum did not live to see the far-reaching results of his remarkable discovery, but died a poverty-stricken old man.



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