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Vom Schauplatz des europäischen Völkerkrieges

Sechs hundert Tage, nachdem Ferdinand von Rumänien, dem Tränen der Alliierten nachgebend, sich ihnen angeschlossen hatte, sah er die Frontstadt Ioneskows in den Händen des Feindes und die Trümmer seines Heeres so gut wie abgetreten von jedem Schlachtfeld, in dem die letzten Rettung vor gangbarer Vermassung finden konnten. Der Traum eines Großmachtens ist weiter von der Verwirklichung entfernt, als je zuvor, vielleicht auf immer vernichtet. Die Trümmer des Hauses Hohenzollern kann hier verblichene Mauer nicht beim Friedensschlüsse auf die Waagschale stellen, die möglicherweise dem anderen Herrscher, der den Ausgang tragender Verordnungen verleiht, sich verleiht ließ, in dem Krieg einstritten, während zu Teil werden mag. Es lag für ihn um kein Haar nicht die geringste Veranlassung zur Aufgabe der Neutralität des Landes vor. Wenn im Gegenlage zu Griechenland, hätte diese Trümmern Rumänien gegenüber mit nur Rumänien gebracht werden können, weil sie das durch seine geographische Lage so leicht verlor. Abgesehen davon, daß die richte Schicksale in ihm nicht aufgehört waren, die eine amerikanische Nation, von vornherein auszufüllen, hätte Rumänien den obigen Plänen der Alliierten gelehrt werden die durch die Belegung von Konstantinopel mit seiner Hilfe einbringend an das Ziel ihrer Wünsche zu gelangen hoffen. Das unermessliche Verderben Rumänien hat die ihm sonst nicht hätte nicht zu erlauben vermocht, und schon vor Wochen hatten die Alliierten eingesehen, daß sie mit der Vertreibung Rumänien zum Eintritt in den Krieg den größten strategischen Fehler des gegenwärtigen Krieges gemacht haben. Die rumänische Frage konnte und mußte die Alliierten nur noch weiter verschärfen. Die Verlegenheiten der Entente haben sich jedoch vermehrt, ihre Positionen im Friedensschlüsse noch empfindlicher gemacht. Das unermessliche Verderben Rumänien hat die ihm sonst nicht hätte nicht zu erlauben vermocht, und schon vor Wochen hatten die Alliierten eingesehen, daß sie mit der Vertreibung Rumänien zum Eintritt in den Krieg den größten strategischen Fehler des gegenwärtigen Krieges gemacht haben.

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Berlin, drahtlos. (Uebersee Nachrichten - Agentur.) Die Geleitschiff für das Entsenden der sozialistischen Abgeordneten in Kopenhagen; hat die bisherigen Gesamtverluste der Alliierten auf 15,000,000 Mann geschätzt.

Von dieser Zahl hat Großbritannien 1,200,000, Rußland 8,500,000, Frankreich 3,700,000, Italien 800,000, Serbien 480,000, Belgien 220,000 und Rumänien 200,000 Mann verloren.

Diese Zahlen lassen ferner die Verluste der Belgier, Serben und Rumänen drei Viertel der britischen, und da sich die rumänischen Verluste nur auf zwei Monate beziehen, haben diese drei kleinen Nationen tatsächlich die großen Opfer gebracht, als das britische Reich. Italien hat bereits Verluste in der Höhe von einem Drittel der britischen erlitten, obgleich es erst zehn Monate später als Großbritannien in den Krieg trat. Die französischen Verluste sind dreimal so groß als die britischen und bilden fast ein Drittel der Gesamtverluste aller Alliierten, während die russischen Verluste siebenmal größer sind als die britischen, die nur 8 Prozent des Gesamtverlustes betragen, obgleich die Verluste der Kanadier, Australier, Neu-Seeländer, Südafrikaner, Dänen, Japaner und anderer eingeschlossen sind.

Da England befehlsmäßig seine Hilfstruppen in die erste Linie zu senden pflegt, kann mit Sicherheit angenommen werden, daß die Hälfte dieser englischen Verluste auf das Konto der Truppen aus den Kolonien und den Dominionen zu setzen ist. Die Gesamtverluste der Briten selber dürften kaum diejenigen Serbiens übersteigen, während die französischen Verluste fast fünfmal größer sind als die jenseitigen Englands.

Ausfuhr von Nahrungsmitteln für Alliierten nimmt bedeutend zu.

Washington, im Mona. Oktober wurden für rund 54 1/2 Millionen Dollars Waffen und Munition exportiert, außerdem 44,809 Pferde und Maultiere, 6024 Autos, Säuren im Werte von über 3 Millionen Dollars zur Herstellung von Explosivstoffen, leere Patronenbüchsen im Werte von rund 16 1/2 Millionen und leere Granatenbüchsen im Werte von beinahe 18 Millionen. Der Export von frischem Fleisch betrug 2,000,000, jener von Schinken 4 1/2 Millionen. Außer dem aber die Unterseeboot-Kampagne in demselben Maße an wie bisher, sieht sich England vor die Alternative gestellt, entweder seinen Waffen- und Munitionsexport einzustellen oder sich den Gürtel enger zu ziehen. Der Hunger, den England, wie gegen die Deutschen so auch gegen die Centralmächte zu mobilisieren dachte, ist heute deren härtester Alliierte. Die Handelsflotte der Welt reicht nicht mehr aus, Kriegs- und Handelsbedarf zu decken. Die Zeit im alten Umfang zu betriebligen.

Das Friedensbedürfnis wächst.

Berlin, drahtlos nach Sanville. In fast allen größeren Zeitungen erschienen Zeitartikel über die gegenwärtige politische Situation, wie sie durch die jüngsten militärischen Ereignisse in Rumänien und die wirtschaftliche Lage in den Entente-Ländern beeinflusst wird, und alle blättern erklären, daß das Friedensbedürfnis in diesen Ländern wächst. Die Befriedigte Zeitung sagt: Wir alle fühlen, daß das Ende des Krieges durch die Ereignisse der jüngsten Wochen bedeutend näher gerückt wurde. Selbst Staatsmänner scheinen das einzufühlen, wenn auch ihre Worte noch der Klarheit ermangeln.

50,000,000 Goldstücke in einem Monat.

Philadelphia, im Monat November sind in der hiesigen Münze 9,850,000 Gekleinmünzen, 8,266,200 Nickel und 28,975,450 Pennies geprägt worden. Dieses Ergebnis bildet einen neuen Rekord für die hiesige Münzstätte für einen Monat der Ausgabe von kleinen Wertgegenständen. Der Gesamtverbleibswert der Münzen belief sich auf \$1,688,064.50. Außerdem wurden noch zwei Millionen silberne Gekleinmünzen für die Republik Ecuador geschlagen.

Rumänien's Getreidevorrat.

Ein Bericht des Internationalen Ackerbau - Instituts schätzt Rumänien's gesamten Weizen - Vorrat auf 109,000,000 Bushels, von denen 30,000,000 den letztjährigen Ueberschuß bilden. Die Abhängigkeit der diesjährigen Ernte von Regen, Gerste, Hafer und Mais ist 153,000,000 Bushels. Ein großer Teil dieser Ernte ist den fleißigen Deutschen in die Hände gefallen.

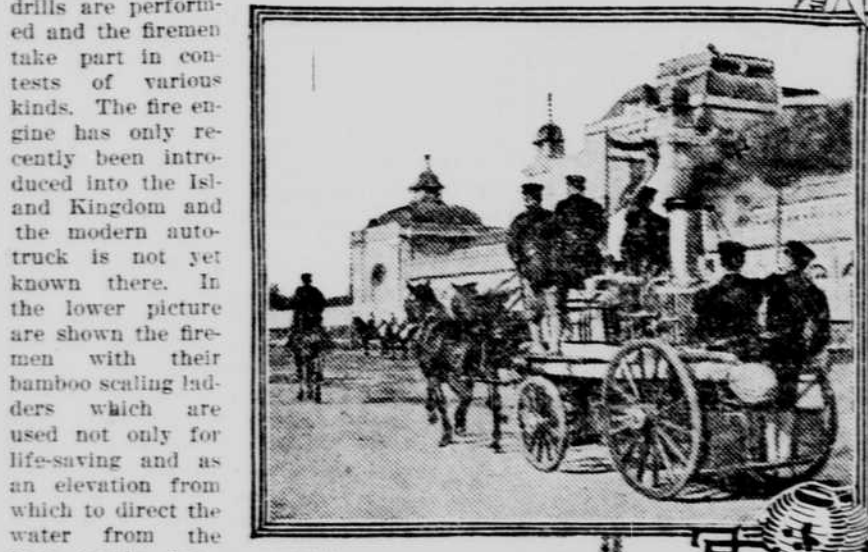
NEW YEAR'S DAY IN JAPAN



New Year's day has come to rank as one of the most popular of the Flowery Kingdom's holidays. As in America it is a day of feasting and good cheer, though oddly tempered by religious observances. The above picture shows three Japanese belles on their way to the temple for prayers before starting on a round of New Year's balls.



Have you seen a parade of Tokyo firemen on New Year's day on their way to the drill grounds for the annual inspection, one of the big features in the way of celebrating the first day of the year in every Japanese city of any size. Fire engine and equipment pass in review before the city officials, after which drills are performed and the firemen take part in contests of various kinds. The fire engine has only recently been introduced into the Island Kingdom and the modern auto-truck is not yet known there. In the lower picture are shown the firemen with their bamboo scaling ladders which are used not only for life-saving and as an elevation from which to direct the water from the hose nozzle, but as a ramp with which to knock down buildings too far gone to save and so prevent the spread of the conflagration. The Japanese firemen are wonderful acrobats and perform truly remarkable feats on the tall ladders, scaling them with the agility of monkeys. Men, women and children turn out to watch the exhibitions. Note the odd costumes of this brigade from Tokyo.



NEW YEAR SUPERSTITIONS

When the master enters the house for the first time in the new year he must take something in which he did not take out. A piece of money placed on the doorstep on New Year's eve and brought in the moment the clock strikes will insure plenty throughout the year. Never go out on New Year's day until someone has come in. Throw out all peacock's feathers before New Year's day or you will have bad luck. When the clock strikes 12 on New Year's eve open both the front and back door of the house, so that all evil spirits may pass out and the good ones pass in. But be sure to close the door as soon as the clock has finished striking, so that the good spirits may not escape. On New Year's eve take a little money, bread, salt, wood and coal, tie them in a bundle and lay them on the doorstep. If the first person who comes to the door possesses a name whose initials are made up of straight lines, allow him to pick up the bundle and bring it in. Give him a gift, and let him pass out through the back door. Then you will have good luck for another year. Looking Backward. I have stood in the bow forecasting the course, not in the stern watching the log. Throughout my life I have been interested not in abstract science or philosophy, but in the application of scientific and philosophical principles to the conduct of life. I sometimes wish that a part of the feminine energies which are now being directed to the determination of political issues could be directed to deciding aright the more important question how so to adjust and administer the home as to make domestic service a recognized and honored vocation. I will never teach a doctrine in the pulpit for evangelistic purposes which I am not willing to reaffirm in the parlor by the side of a mother weeping for her son.—Dr. Lyman Abbott. "The three W's my maxim: plenty of work, plenty of wittles, and plenty of wages."—Thackeray. Today is a king in disguise. Let us unmask the king as he passes.—Emerson. There is no failure for the firm in which Christ is a co-partner.

VALUES OF CHEESE

WIDE RANGE IN FOOD PROPERTIES TO BE NOTED.

Presence of Cream is Main Factor in Deciding the Degree of Nutriments Contained—As Prepared by Wise Chef.

Cheeses range in food value from a little over 400 to 2,585 calories. This latter food value is that of the cream cheeses, but the ordinary cream cheese has only 910 calories per pound.

This wide difference is due to the fact that a great deal of water may be dried out of a cheese, and also a great deal more cream be present in some cheeses than others. There is practically no cream in cottage cheese, and the water content may be extremely high, as much as 77 per cent.

For this latter reason a cottage cheese with butter and cream and nuts has only the food value of a moderately rich cream cheese, but because a larger quantity of it is eaten as a portion there may be some danger of getting too much food for the body to care for, although the digestion itself is not so overworked.

Formerly flavor was put into cheese by different types of curts. Today the practice is to put all sorts of flavors in just before the cheese is served. When this leads to overeating it is bad practice. But notice what the chef does. When that final course of coffee and cheese comes to you, perhaps you will have served you something the size of a silver dollar, made like the old-fashioned small tart. In a thin little disk of cottage cheese he has made a little outer wall by putting the cheese through a pastry syringe, or "spritzer," and in the center is about half a teaspoonful of currant jelly.

Recently I chose from a public menu what proved to be a particularly palatable and filling conclusion to a light luncheon. Cottage cheese had been worked smooth with a little cream or rich milk, and to this had been added pecans chopped so fine as to be unrecognizable to the eye, and thoroughly mixed.—Exchange.

HELPFUL HINTS

Raisins and such things sometimes get dry and hard and lose a good part of their goodness. They would not do this if kept in glass jars.

Do not leave a spoon in anything you are cooking; it conducts away some of the heat and besides, is not good for the spoon.

If you cannot go to sleep at night, try holding a hot-water bottle to your stomach. It draws the blood to it and away from the brain.

Do not have hats and coats hung in the kitchen. They give out odors and impurities, as well as absorb odors from the cooking.

When the lower ends of your window shades get soiled and cracked, take them off the rollers, turn them the other end up and tack them on nicely, and they will last for a long time.

Warm potatoes grated in a basin of warm water give better results than soap in washing delicate flannel or woolen goods, ribbons, etc.

Piano keys can be cleaned, as can any old ivory, by being rubbed with muslin dipped in alcohol. If very yellow, use a piece of flannel moistened with cologne water.

Tea Baskets.

Make a short sweetened pie crust, roll thin and partly bake in sheets. Before it is quite done take from the oven, cut in squares of four inches or so, take up two diagonal corners and pinch together, which makes them basket-shaped. Now fill them with whipped cream well sweetened and flavored and return to the oven for a few minutes.

Chicken Patties.

Cold chicken, milk, corn flour, pepper, salt and butter, puff paste. Mince cold chicken, stir it into white sauce made or milk thickened with corn flour and flavored with pepper, salt and butter, line small patties with puff paste, bake first, then fill with the mixture and set in a hot oven for a few minutes to brown.

Coffee Custard.

Two cups milk, two tablespoonfuls ground coffee, three eggs, one-quarter cupful sugar, one-eighth teaspoonful salt, one-quarter teaspoonful vanilla. Scald milk with coffee and strain. Beat eggs slightly; add sugar, salt, vanilla and milk. Strain into individual molds, set in pan of hot water and bake until firm.

Nutmeg Toasties.

Whole wheat or white bread, butter, nutmeg. Slice bread thin, cut in triangles, and toast. Paint each piece generously with melted butter, using a flat pastry brush. Sprinkle lightly with nutmeg. Set in hot oven three minutes. Serve with grapefruit marmalade.

For Wicker Furniture.

For cleaning wicker furniture make ready a painful of warm soapsuds to which has been added about three tablespoonfuls of liquid ammonia. Scrub well with a stiff brush, rinse with a cloth dipped in clear warm water and place out in the open air to dry.

To Prevent Eggs Bursting.

To prevent eggs bursting while boiling, prick one end with a needle before placing in the water. This makes an outlet for the air, and keeps the shell from cracking.

The "Best" China.

Place pieces of flannel or of blotting paper between fine china plates. This will prevent them from being scratched.

Some May Like It.

The taste of mackerel dishes may be improved by a few drops of onion juice, but not enough to give a strong flavor.

CANADA AGAIN A PRIZE WINNER

Highest Premiums Awarded at Many Exhibitions.

The Fall fair season is past and a retrospect of them shows that Western Canada is stronger than ever in the matter of exhibits, and has taken more than her usual share of the prize money. From Western Canada to Texas is a long look, from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to the southwestern corner of Texas is several days' journey, but the enterprising farmers from this new country to the northwest were wide awake to the possibilities that waited them at the International Dry Farming Congress held at El Paso, Texas, a few weeks ago, to bring to the attention of those in that far-off corner what the land of Western Canada could do in the production of grains and roots from its soil. And what did these farmers do? The first thing was to carry off the first prize and sweepstakes for wheat. That was a foregone conclusion, for it has now become an established fact that nowhere else in the world is there grown wheat of the high character and market value of Western Canadian wheat. The same may be said of oats, of barley and of rye. But when it came to notice that Western Canada took first prize for alfalfa, it was then that more special attention was given to the products from Western Canada. It showed that in that country there lies the opportunity for supplementing the wonderful native grasses, so full of nutrition that with the tamed variety, among them being alfalfa, the cattle with no other food were fattened and firmed for the shambles. Western Canada's worth was proved as probably the greatest mixed farming portion of the continent. When the steers from the Western Canadian prairies reach the Chicago stockyards they bring the top price and outweigh those from other places where grass fattening is the process. But it was not only in grains that Western Canada carried off the highest honors at the El Paso exhibition. Potatoes, parsnips, beets, carrots and rutabagas also took the highest honors. In root production this country is becoming favorably known.

The question often arises as to markets. There is always the highest price awaiting the producer, and as soon as the Hudson Bay Railway, now about completed, reaches the Bay, there will be an additional outlet for the product of the farm. The Pacific coast route, via the Panama canal, will give another outlet of which full advantage may be taken. With virgin land selling at from \$15 to \$20 per acre, and improved farms at reasonable prices and on easy terms, there is no better opportunity for the man with limited means and a desire to secure a home at the least cost in a country where he can soon become wealthy, as thousands of others have done, than in Western Canada. To the man with less means and who is prepared to accept a farm of 160 acres free, the Dominion Government offers him his choice in districts that have land of the highest type, but at present being from ten to twenty miles from a railway. The Peace River Country, now being opened for settlement and reached by railway affords excellent opportunity to the homesteader. To secure information as to Western Canadian lands write the Canadian Government agent, whose name appears elsewhere in this paper.—Advertisement.

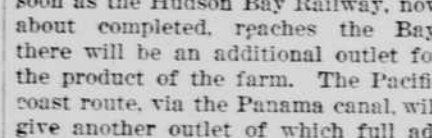
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HIGH COST OF LIVING

This is a serious matter with housekeepers as food prices are constantly going up. To overcome this, cut out the high priced meat dishes and serve your family more Skinner's Macaroni and Spaghetti, the cheapest, most delicious and most nutritious of all foods. Write the Skinner Mfg. Co., Omaha, Neb., for beautiful cook book, telling you to prepare it in a hundred different ways. It's free to every woman.—Adv.

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