

# Merry-Making Features Marrying In Palestine

Jerusalem.—The marriage customs of Palestine demonstrated recently in the wedding of one of the prettiest girls of the city to a well-to-do merchant, are among the most interesting celebrations of this ancient city.

No person who is privileged to witness one will ever forget either the gorgeous costumes displayed or the thrill of music and dancing indulged in by the guests.

Not only the respective families of the bride and bridegroom, but also the entire neighborhood takes part in the merry-making which generally lasts for seven days.

The celebration begins always on Monday and the wedding ceremony itself, always occurs at dawn on the following Sunday.

Invitations are sent only to those from whom presents are expected. However, any person may attend who wishes. Presents are always in the nature of foodstuffs, such as rice, meat, sugar, coffee, flour, butter and vegetables. These are necessary to provide food for the hundreds of guests who flock to the bridegroom's house daily to take part in the singing and dancing.

Saturdays bring the climax to all joy-making. If the bridegroom's father is of even moderate circumstances, professional musicians are hired for the day.

Men and women in Palestine do not mix together, often due to the general belief that women are not mentally worthy of association. Consequently it becomes necessary to entertain women separately.

On Saturday evening at 8 o'clock there takes place the shaving of the bridegroom, a feature of the entertainment. Surrounded by scores of men and women who keep up incessant maddening yells, which may be heard for a mile around, the barber undertakes the operation.

This done, a procession is formed proceeding to the church with people marching two abreast. At the head come eight kawases (guards) followed by ten children carrying in their hands palm branches and long candles lighted. Immediately after, four priests dressed in their church robes and singing psalms. The bridegroom accompanied by his father and the best man, come next, followed by 200 or 300 men. At the end of the procession come the women and children.

A similar procession having started about the same time from the bride's place, the two groups meet at some appointed place and proceed jointly to the church. All along the streets men and women, wakened by the noise, lean out of their windows to watch the bridal party.

After the wedding ceremony is performed, a general rush is then made to the bridegroom's house where a breakfast is served (by this time it being early morning) to all.

### RADIUM RETURNS

Two Capsules Worth \$6,300 Stolen And Brought Back.

Florence, Oct. 18.—Radium valued at \$6,300, which disappeared from the Florence infirmary here last Sunday and which was believed to have been stolen, was mysteriously returned to that institution this afternoon, it was learned today. The precious metal was in two small capsules and all the usual tests had failed to locate it anywhere about the building. Officials declined to discuss the return of the capsules.

### WILL TAKE CHANCE

Legion Men Will Attend Convention Despite Strike.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 18.—Delegates to the National convention of the American Legion to be held in Kansas City, Mo., October 31, November 1 and November 2, will go to the convention city before the general railroad strike is scheduled to go into effect and will "abide by the fortunes of war when it comes to getting back" according to a statement issued at headquarters of the legion here today. It was not indicated in the statement whether the legion contemplated providing transportation for the delegates should passenger service on the railroads come to a standstill.

### TIGERS PREPARING FOR FURMAN GAME

Team, Coaches and Students Not Disheartened by Recent Disasters

Clemson College, Oct. 18.—The Tiger eleven returned from Auburn, where they played on Friday, Oct. 14 defeated but not downhearted. In spite of the fact that the Plainsmen handed them the worst defeat that they have had to bear in a long time, the coaches and players are not discouraged, neither are they seeking refuge behind alibis.

The corps of cadets gave the team a rousing welcome upon its return Sunday at noon. With an ovation of cheers and yells, they showed the grid warriors that they were behind them to the man.

With the Auburn-Clemson game a page in football history, attention now centers upon the Clemson-Furman game which will be played in Greenville on Friday, Oct. 21. Only a sweeping victory for the Tigers can wipe away the bitter memory of last year's game in which the Purple Hurricane handed the Tigers one of the few defeats that they have suffered from this breezy outfit.

Due to the intense feeling of rivalry which exists between these two teams, and to the fact that both have just suffered a heavy defeat, Clemson at the hands of Auburn, and Furman from Tech, the game promises to be one of the most bitterly contested of the season.

A special train has been chartered for the Clemson cadets, who will journey over to Greenville in a body to see the game and to cheer the Tigers to victory.

### AN EXAMPLE FOR FARMERS

The Atlanta Journal.

In an inconspicuous news story from south Georgia is found the demonstration of a fundamental principle which underlies Georgia's present and future prosperity. Here it is:

"Thomas Garrett, of Charing, Taylor county, has sold to the Planters' Products Company, which operates a curing house at Charing, 1,427 bushels of graded sweet potatoes, which were raised on eight acres of land. Mr. Garrett has 30 additional acres in potatoes."

This Taylor county farmer has grasped one of the essential truths that vitally affect agricultural operations if they are to be conducted on a satisfactory basis. Notice that he sold graded potatoes after they had been properly cured.

Sweet potatoes, easily grown in Georgia and particularly in the southern portion of the State, where sandy soil predominates, constitute one of the most profitable crops that can be produced. The very fact that their production requires comparatively little labor and financial expenditure has caused the lowly tuber to be regarded with something like contempt. Some farmers still persist in using sweet potatoes as hog feed rather than as a money crop to supplement cotton, or as a product to be utilized in carrying out the policy of "living at home."

Volumes have been written on the food value of the yam; other volumes to give the result of scientific research showing the best methods of making the tubers ready for market. The old-fashioned way of curing potatoes has been largely abandoned in favor of the more economical, more efficient method of curing now being demonstrated throughout the South. Until the advent of the curing house, the farmer buried his sweet potatoes in a huge mound, digging them as needed during the winter. If lucky, he had sweet potatoes for several weeks; if not, his potato supply, when uncovered, was found to be decayed beyond hope of salvage.

### Princess Chin Dies

Peking, Oct. 18.—Princess Chin, mother of the boy emperor, Hsuan-Tung, who was ousted from the throne on February 12, 1912, died on October 1, and it is reported she committed suicide by taking an overdose of opium. The reason for her suicide is attributed by reports from the imperial court of quarrels between Princess Chin and the empress dowager, Princess Chun.

### STATE FAIR OPENS MONDAY

Columbia, Oct. 17.—The South Carolina State Fair is but one week distant and the indications point to one of the best shows that has been put on at the fair grounds. Already the entries for the livestock department have exceeded the capacity and a large tent has been secured to make room for the animals which are to be shown. The agricultural exhibits will also be extensive. The amusement and entertainment features will be better than ever. A novel attraction this year is the auto polo game, something new in this section of the country. These are exciting and thrilling. The automobile races on Friday of fair week will be of professional caliber, well known drivers who are famous throughout the land being participants.

The railroads, as usual are offering reduced rates and will operate special trains to Columbia during the busy days.

The big event on the sporting card will of course be the Clemson-Carolina football game. There will also be horse races which give indications of showing some fine entries.

The midway will be of much better quality this year, a company being secured which is touring only the larger fairs. The fireworks display will also be a big feature.

Clemson and Winthrop will have attractive and educational exhibits. The government will have an exhibit and the women's department will be one of the big features.

The poultry show which is held in conjunction with the fair will be an exceptionally good display, according to advance information received from B. E. Adams of Charleston, manager of the show.

### HARVEST SWEET POTATOES

Early Frost Makes Early Harvesting a Necessity.

Clemson College, Oct. 18.—That the recent killing frost make it necessary to harvest sweet potatoes earlier than would otherwise have been necessary and that if potatoes can not be taken out of the ground at once after frost it is necessary to remove the vines to prevent the frost-sap from descending and contaminating the potatoes is advice that the Clemson College horticultural authorities urge every potato grower in South Carolina to give immediate attention. Prof. C. C. Newman, Chief of the Horticultural Division, issued this morning the following statement: "The Horticultural Division has advised sweet potato growers to harvest their potatoes before frost, if possible. The recent killing frost makes it necessary that the potatoes be harvested within the next few days, otherwise serious injury may result. The frost having come two weeks earlier than usual, it is necessary for many farmers to dig their potatoes before they had planned to do so. It will be necessary also for practically all of the growers in the upper half of the state to dig potatoes at the same time. We wish therefore to impress upon the county agents and farmers the importance of harvesting, grading, and storing potatoes at the earliest possible date.

"If frost has occurred and the potatoes can not be dug immediately, the vines should be removed to prevent the potatoes themselves from becoming contaminated by the frost-sap in the vines."

### STEEL CORSET FOR POLICE

Ten Bullet-Proof Garments Purchased For Detective Squads

New York.—Steel corsets for policemen have been tested by police officials and may become a part of the detectives' regular equipment, it was learned yesterday. The tests, it was said, have shown the corset to be absolutely bullet-proof.

Ten of the armor-plate undergarments have been purchased for distribution among members of the bomb squad, the Italian squad and the safe and left squad of the department. They will be especially valuable, the police believe, in the event it becomes necessary to go after a prisoner who has barricaded himself and is ready to fire at his captors.

The inventor of the armor is said to be Albert Schwartz of 197 William Street. The corset is not very heavy and not expensive, it is said. It weighs six pounds and is made up of silk, canvas and Norwegian steel. Whether New York's army of "blue coats" will become wholly an army of "steel coats" is a matter for future decision police officials said.

### A Poser.

Small boys often ask embarrassing questions. A preacher was addressing the Sunday School and explaining the significance of white.

"Why," he asked, "does a bride desire to be clothed in white at her marriage?" As no one answered, he went on: "Because white stands for joy, and the wedding day is the most joyous occasion in a woman's life."

Immediately a little fellow piped up: "Please, sir, why do the men all wear black?"—Boston Transcript.

### FREIGHT REDUCTION

Now Being Considered Despite Strike Now Ordered.

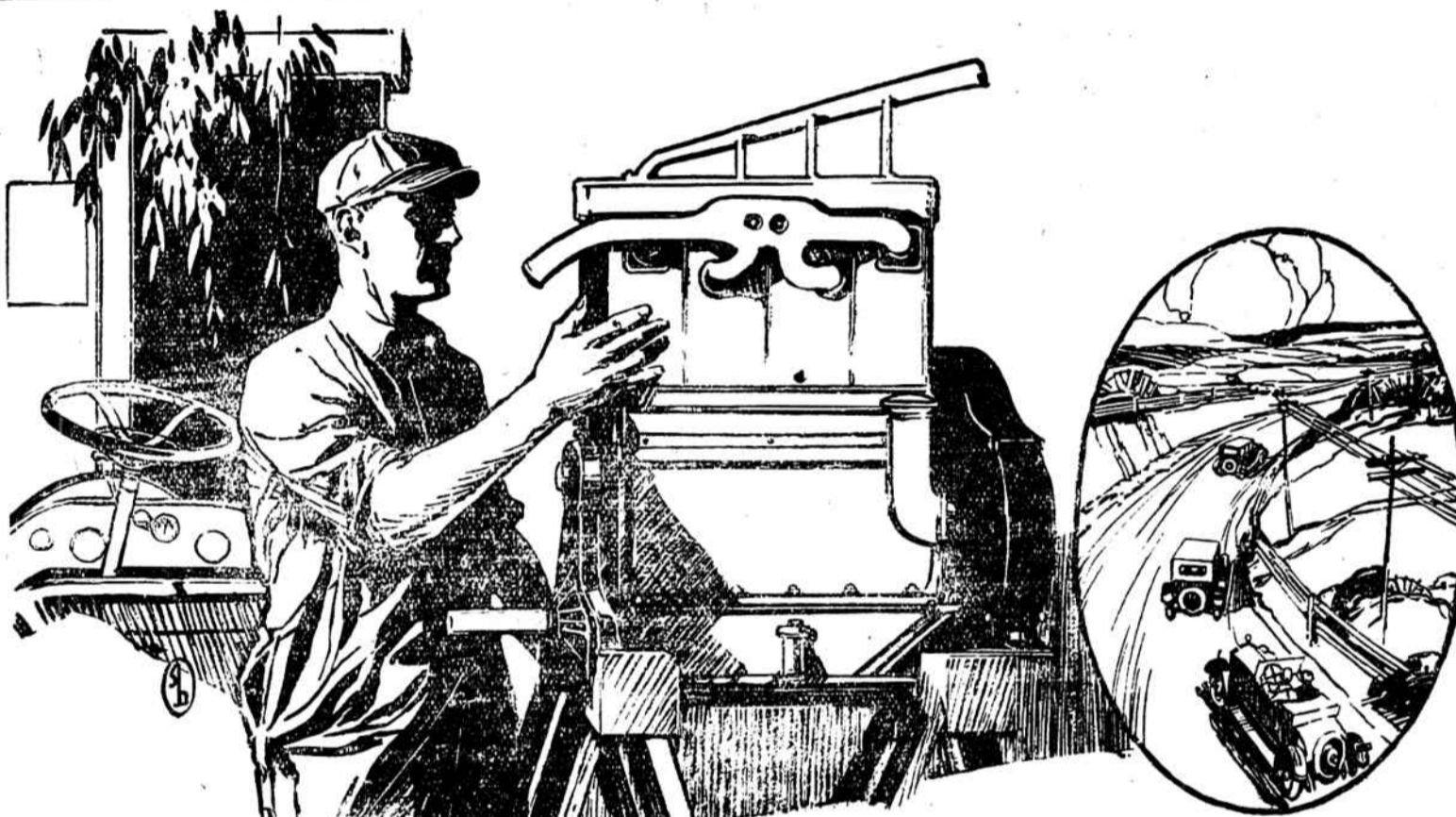
Washington, Oct. 18.—The impression was given in administration quarters today that a freight rate reduction was under consideration. There was no statement to indicate how soon a decision on the question might be reached but high administration officials vouchsafed the information that an announcement concerning the rate readjustment might come within a few days.

It was made plain that the consideration being given to the rate question was independent of the present labor wage tangle and the threatened walkout of the railroad employees.

Ground for the assumption that the rate question had been discussed between the President and the public group of the railroad labor board yesterday was given in several quarters. But official silence was maintained throughout the government as to the nature of the discussion and as to what lines a rate adjustment would follow should it be definitely decided upon by the government agencies having to do with the question.

### Market Falls.

New York, Oct. 18.—The stock market underwent heavy liquidation today as result of railroad situation. Rails of most sorts lost one to three points, oils broke one to three and a half and railway equipment shares sugars and tobaccos also fell. Minimum prices were made in the last hour.



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