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Would Not be a German Farmer's Wife for The World

By YVONNE LOSH
A Maryland farm girl who hiked through Germany

After a few months in Germany, I about concluded that woman's place is not only in the home but also hitched to a cart, side by side with a dog pulling a heavy load. This is the case especially on the smaller farms, where nearly all work is done by hand and horses are rare. I have also seen sheep and goats used in hauling potatoes from the fields.

The human being seems to be considered the less valuable, for rather than make a horse work overtime, every man, woman, and child would fall in to do the work by hand. If a hired man or woman is caught beating a horse or cow, they are severely punished by their masters, but no one thinks it worthy of notice when the farmers beat their hired hands. In Germany the hired hands are considered part of the family, so they, too, receive a share of the blows which the well-meaning farmers deal out to their wives and children.

One woman told me that a man who was not man enough to beat his wife was no man at all, but just a plain "siss." It was evident that the man was lord and master of the house.

The country girls in Germany have very little chance in life compared to us American girls. When they have finished grammar school they are either put to work on the home farm or hired out to another farmer. They have to work as hard (if not harder) as the men, and to the very limit of their strength and endurance. It is not unusual for hired girls to pitch hay all day and then come home and help prepare the evening meal, and after that get their recreation by churning butter, sewing, or probably washing.

Tired? Why, they wouldn't dare utter such a word. They work on and on, day in and day out, milking, plowing, cutting grain by hand, cleaning out stables, hoeing (the cultivator is practically unknown on the small farms), carring buckets of fertilizer far out into the fields, carrying water to the cattle, sowing grain, and cutting feed for the stock with a huge hand cutter. No work is considered too hard for them.

SOMETHING ABOUT MYSELF

The first fifteen years of my life I was on the old home farm in Caroline County, Maryland, about four miles from Henderson. Most of my time I spent alone, for none of our neighbors had children of my age; but as Daddy had no little boy I took the part of one.

I loved to help with all the farm work, and I often manipulated riding plows, cultivators, and other farm implements that were not too heavy.

I almost died of homesickness the first time I left the farm. However, I wanted to see something of the world before settling down.

My family helped me through one year of school. I was determined to work my own way after I had got a start, so the second year I started to normal school with exactly five dollars. By doing everything, from peeling potatoes to painting campus scenes, I managed to get my diploma. I next went to college, earning my own expenses.

In 1921 I took a hike across the continent. That was equal to a year at college. Last autumn, with my few savings, I bought a ticket to Europe, and spent eight months there. I hope to complete a round-the world tour in the next two years. Yvonne Losh.

M. P.s WELCOME NEW PASTOR MON.

Members of the Methodist Protestant Church gave a reception to their new pastor, Rev. G. J. Hooker, and Mrs. Hooker, in the Sunday school room on Monday evening.

A goodly number appeared before the receiving line, which included Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rutter, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Moore and Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hooker. Afterwards Mr. T. Pliny Fisher, who was the lay delegate at conference, gave a little speech of welcome to Mr. Hooker and family, as the first event on the program for the evening. The rest of the program included three numbers by the quartette, composed of Messrs. Hinderer, Fleetwood, Baxter and Rutter; a short speech by Mr. Cecil Blake, president of the Loyal Sons Bible Class; two songs by Misses Grace Hubbard and Esther Dunham, with Miss Esther Statum at the piano; two solos by Mr. G. H. Rue; a short speech by Rev. C. N. Jones, ukelele solo, Miss Hubbard, two solos by Miss Adeline Fisher, and a speech by Mr. Hooker. Ice cream and cake were served later.

The room was very prettily decorated with flowers, and everyone enjoyed the chance to get better acquainted with Rev. and Mrs. Hooker.

SPRING SHOOT TO BE HELD HERE SATURDAY, MAY 10

The Denton Gun Club will hold its annual spring shoot on its grounds in Denton on Saturday, May 10 at 12 noon at which time 100 targets will be shot in the Lewis class there being three classes, with four prizes to each class. Shooters from all over the Shore are expected to be present.

Entertained at Mah Jongg

Miss Caroline P. Redden entertained at Mah Jongg and bridge on Saturday afternoon in honor of her house guest, Miss Rita Rich, of Chicago, at her home at "Ellerslie".

The guests were: Mrs. John W. Stowell of Fedealsburg; Mrs. Clayton Horsey and Mrs. Olin Barton of Greensboro; Mrs. Roland Fisher, Mrs. E. E. Pippin, Mrs. Roland Chaffinch, Mrs. Harvey Cooper, Mrs. Alan Goldsborough, Mrs. Howard Pastorfield, Mrs. Frederick N. Nichols, Mrs. Dawson O. George, the Misses Hobbs and Miss Stephanie Ford.

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TRI-COUNTY W. C. T. U. CONVENTION MAY 7TH

All workers and sympathizers in the cause of community betterment as sponsored by the many departments in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are invited to attend the Talbot-Dorchester-Caroline Tri-County Convention of that organization to be held in Hurlock next Wednesday, May 7th. Mrs. Haslup and Mrs. McCullough will speak at the afternoon session and Mrs. DeSilva at the evening session will interest the young people as well as the adults. It is hoped that a large delegation from this county will be present.

Illustrated Lecture Very Good

Rev. V. C. Finnell, of North Manchaster, Ind., Field Secretary for the General Temperance and Purity Committee of the Church of the Brethren, who has been making a speaking tour of the churches on the Eastern shore, visited Denton Church on last Sunday.

In the afternoon a fair-sized audience greeted him, when he spoke on "Some New Battle Front." He pointed out in a convincing way the moral dangers connected with the liquor traffic, the drug habit, the modern dance, the very prevalent social sins and the like.

In the evening the main room of the church was well filled and the speaker gave his famous illustrated lecture on "The Brown God and His Little White Imps." In the lecture he gave an amazing amount of facts to impress his hearers with the subtle dangers of the tobacco habit, principally, the use of the cigarette.

On Monday morning, upon the invitation of Prof. Leary, Mr. Finnell spoke in the high school. His work was very highly appreciated here.

Entertainment Tonight

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. P. Church are holding an entertainment in the Sunday school room this evening for which the admission price is to be "twice the size of your sock." This sounds interesting, though it may be a bit personal, at that!

Bentztown Bard to be in Greensboro

Folger McKinsey, better known as the Bentztown Bard, will lecture at the high school Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All Marylanders know Mr. McKinsey through his column in the Baltimore Sun. He has endeared himself to the people of Maryland by the beautiful sentiments and innocent mirth which are to be found in his column. This is a rare opportunity to hear a man who is nationally famous for his poetry and humor.

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BUSINESS MEN TO MEET RAILROAD MEN

Representatives of the new M. & D. C. Railroad company were in town today and have arranged for a meeting of the business men and shippers of the Denton territory for Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All persons who are interested are urged to be present at this meeting as it is the purpose of the members of the company to explain their plans for the rehabilitation of the old M. D. & V. railroad from Denton to Lewes.

CO. FEDERATION TO MEET IN DENTON FRI.

The Denton Community Club will entertain the Caroline County Federation of Women's Clubs in the Sunday School Room of the Denton M. P. Church, on Friday, May 2, 1924. The program will be as follows:

9.30, Clubs Assemble.
10.00, Call to Order.
20 minutes singing led by Mrs. Kemp Stevens.
Roll Call.
Minutes.
Business.
Discussion—"Should we have daily devotional exercises in our public schools."
12.30, Luncheon.
1.30, Call to Order.
Singing led by Mrs. Stevens.
Instrumental Solo "Caprice Viennois."
Kreisler by Miss Addie Nuttle.
Vocal Solo "Roses of Picardy"—Miss Pauline Nichols.
Address: — Folger Mc Kenger, "Bentztown Bard."
Singing, Federation.
Adjournment.

PLAN DRAINAGE OF WEST LAND IN COUNTY

Mr. R. W. Carpenter, State Engineering Specialist, was in the county on Friday of last week at the request of County Agent L. M. Goodwin. Mr. Carpenter and the County Agent spent the afternoon and evening at Henderson on Friday looking over two drainage ditches which the farmers of that section are interested in organizing as tax ditches under the Maryland Drainage Law. Mr. Carpenter was of the opinion that good drainage for a considerable area of wet land could be secured and maintained at slight expense to the land holders affected. At an informal meeting in the evening Mr. Carpenter explained the necessary steps in organizing a tax ditch. Those present were favorable impressed by the plan and have decided to proceed with the organization.

There is much low wet land in this county that could be easily and cheaply drained under this plan. The organization also provides for maintaining the ditch for a period of twenty years.

HOBBS

Mr. Burt Smith, of Baltimore spent the week end with his family here.

Mrs. Thompson, of Baltimore, is spending a few days with Mr. and Ms. Larrimore, near Hobbs.

Mr. Howard Pippin, of Henderson, was a week-end guest of his aunt, Mrs. Louis Butler and family.

Mrs. A. W. Betts, of Felton, Del., spent Monday afternoon calling on friends here.

On Friday evening quite a number of our village folks met at the parsonage and were very pleasantly entertained by the new minister and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Cummings.

Mr. Byard Robinson, of Newark, Del., was the guest of Mr. William Hubbard and family on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cahall, of Hillsboro, were Sunday guests of Mr. Burt Smith and family.

Miss Mary Butler was a week-end guest of Miss Rubbie Lister of near Greensboro.

Mrs. O. J. Chaffinch entertained the Ladies' Aid Wednesday last.

HARMONY

Mr. Elmer Donoho and family spent from Saturday till Monday visiting relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Todd and two children, Catherine and Carl, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Todd.

Mr. Lloyd Messick, Jr., of Henderson, spent Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thomas.

Mrs. Dural and Mr. and Mrs. Diette and child, of Talbot, were visitors at Mrs. Carrie Collins on Sunday.

Brooder House Burned

Shortly before 7 o'clock Monday evening, fire was discovered in the brooder house of Mr. C. J. Kern, of near Thawley's church and resulted in the complete destruction of a new brooder house and implement shed and the loss of about 300 small chicks.

The Denton Volunteer Fire Company answered with its truck and assisted in a bucket brigade which had been formed, the fire being under control and the engine not needed.

Boy Killed at Ridgely Fire

The canning plant of Saulsbury Bros. Inc., covering about three acres of ground, was totally destroyed by fire last Thursday night. The fire was first discovered by Mr. Shaw, night watchman for Swing Bros., and was burning in the garage, which is used as the storage room for oil. Mr. Shaw gave the alarm by blowing the factory whistle. The five companies were speedily on the scene, but water had little effect on the great conflagration. Fearing that the whole factory section was doomed, urgent calls were sent to Easton, Denton, and Dover. Denton was first to respond but owing to a mis-matched coupling on the engine they found themselves powerless to render assistance. Easton made the run in 30 minutes and 10 minutes thereafter were coupled to the water system. The Saulsbury plant was beyond control, but the adjoining factories were saved.

The origin of the fire is uncertain but it is thought that some one was stealing gasoline and accidentally started the blaze. Mr. I. T. Saulsbury, senior member of the firm, who was in California, was notified and boarded the earliest train for home. The management have made arrangement to pack the pea crop and will rebuild at once. The value of the plant including 5 trucks destroyed, is estimated at $40,000. The insurance is $30,000.

A horrible accident occurred in the death of Howard Betson, 15 year-old son of Mrs. Ida Betson, proprietress of the Ridgely hotel. Young Betson kicked in a window and entered the building to open a door and was overcome by smoke. Although his cries were heard, it was impossible to locate him owing to the stifling smoke and fire. The young man was burned to a crisp, the remains being taken out after the fire had been gotten under control. Funeral was held at the hotel Sunday afternoon. Interment was in Greensboro.

Auto Accident at Double Hill

Last Sunday night what might have resulted in a various seious accident occurred at the Double Hill, south of town, when the automobile driven by Mr. Roland Satterfield was run into on one of the curves and turned over several times by an automobile driven by a colored man.

Mr. Satterfield's car was turned over several times, the top demolished and the car otherwise put out of commission. Luckily for Mr. Satterfield he was only slightly hurt in comparison to what might have happened, he receiving cuts on his head and right wrist.

ONLY THREE ROADS TO BE BUILT THIS YEAR

It has been decided by the County Commissioners to ask the State Roads Commission to aid in building only three sections of road this year which are as follows:

Approximately 1½ miles from the end of the concrete road at Sevenson's gate (near Ridgely) to Long's school house corner via Downes Station.

Approximately 1¼ miles continuation west of the mile built in 1923 to the town limits of Federalsburg. (On Bridgeville road)

Approximately 1½ miles to build gap of post road through Burrsville on the Denton-Harrington road.

GOLDSBORO

The Caroline County Sunday School Institute will be held at Goldsboro May 14. All delegates are requested to bring their lunch. The ladies of the Church will serve coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Seaman are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a fine big boy.

The many friends of Mrs. C. T. Griffin will be glad to know that she was able to leave the hospital and return to her home last Sunday.

Mr. T. H. Cahall attended the Council of Imperial Order of Red Men held at Baltimore as representative of Hopi Tribe No. 178.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Johnson and son, George, from Harrington spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Mr. J. C. Kinnamon will entertain the Ladies' Aid Society, Wednesday, May 7th.

Mr. Mitchel Bush and Mr. Courtland Saunders motored from Wilmington Sunday and spent the day visiting friends.

Electric Generator Purchased

The Caroline County Farm Bureau has purchased a portable generator to be used with the county moving picture machine at meeting places in the county where electric current is not available. It is hoped that this will prove a valuable means of education as well as increasing the attendance at the local meetings.

NOT FOR PAY

By THE CRACKER

Amassing great wealth is the goal of the greedy, to bask in affluence they seek, and ruthlessly scorn they the rights of the needy, and trample the foolish and weak. They mistake their cunning and shrewdness for wisdom, believing that power is fame; but where among great men has history listed the ruthless exploiter's name? While shining supreme in the archives of glory, with honor and reverence fraught, stands the hero whose pathway of ease was devoid, and honors with sacrifice bought. The liberator, the martyr, unflinching and brave, in the annals of righteousness stands, who from despot and tyrant posterity saved and died for the cause he advanced. Tho' no stone marks the spot where his form became clay, his deeds are in memory writ; for the soul of the great stand in scorn of all pay, and gifts we can never forget. Tho' the grafter collossal, the vain profiteer, may occupy headlines today, 'tis but for a moment—he soon disappeas, in oblivion passes away. Tho' he sit in high places by reason of wealth, and the rights of his brothers he shuns, and adds to his hoard by wrong doing and stealth, remembered he shall be by none. For the great law which rules in the great universe is as plain as the sunlight of day, that the deeds which will live in anthem and verse are the deeds which are done without pay.

REPUBLICANS TO HOLD PRIMARY MON.

Presidential primary election will be held on Monday, May 5th at all voting places in the state. The ticket for Caroline county carries only the name of Calvin Coolidge for president of the United States and a space for voting for uninstructed delegates.

The polls will be open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

PURE BREDS FOR PRESTON BOYS CLUB

A party of farmers from the vicinity of Preston and the County Agent took an automobile trip to Wilmington the past week for the purpose of securing pure-bred and grade Guernsey calves for the members of the Preston Boy's Club. The party from Caroline county was met in Wilmington by O. C. Jones, Field man for the Eastern Guernsey Breeder's Association, and taken to a number of the best stock farms near that city. Three pure-bred Guernsey calves and seven excellent grade calves were purchased by the party. The calves were brought down by truck on Wednesday and were distributed to the boys on Thursday from the farm of Walter Taylor near Preston. Two of the pure-breds were purchased by members of the party for their use the other animals were for the members of the Boy's Club. Those making the trip were W. R. Dulin, William Gadow, Walter Taylor and Theo. Schmick. The Preston Bank is assisting the boys financially in securing the calves.

The members of the club are as follows:

Roland B. Lane, Alvin Gadow, Robert Dulin, Rudolph Schmick, Nelson Schmick, Frank Gadow, John Taylor, W. R. Dulin the local leader.

This work is being promoted by the county agent in cooperation with the Preston Farm Bureau Local and is the first of its kind oganized in Caroline county. This phase of Boy's Club work has been very popular in other counties and some very remarkable results have been obtained both in training the boys along the right lines and in general dairy improvement work.

DO NOT BLOCK THE FIRE ENGINE

On Monday evening when the Denton fire engine was on its way to the fire in Tuckahoe Neck, at two different times other automobiles blocked its path, which is in violation of law.

In one instance a colored man in a Ford blocked the passage of the engine for approximately two minutes, while at another time two cars were racing side by side, neither one would give in for the engine to pass.

As this is against the law to block an engine or any car which signals for the right of way, the members of the fire company have been instructed to take the numbers of all cars which do not turn out at the first sound of the siren or bell and give as much roadway as possible for the passage of the engine. In one case on Monday night the number was taken and reported to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

Within the past month or so, a serious accident happened as a result of blocking the passage of the Talbot county fire engine and as a result, one fireman was killed and four others were sent to the hospital and the the engine badly damaged. The Denton firemen do not want a like occurance and will have the law enforced where persons insist on blocking the way of the engine.

M. & D. C. LINE TO START NEXT WEEK

Jesse Rosenfeld, President of Company, Explains Plans To P. S. C.

BOND ISSUE RIGHT SOUGHT

The Maryland and Delaware Coast Railroad will begin operation next Monday or Tuesday, Jesse Rosenfield, its president, said yesterday. Harry E. Karr, vice-president and general counsel, will go to Washington Friday to present the company's plans before the Interstate Commerce Commission, according to Mr. Rosenfield.

Financial plans of the road were submitted to the Public Service Commission yesterday. It is proposed to issue $300,000 in 20-year 6 per cent bonds to sell at 80, bringing a return of $240, 000.

Working Capital Put At $50,000

The company, it is said, will pay $70,000 cash and 17,500 shares of no par stock to holders of the option on the line. For new equipment $95,000 will be spent and $25,000 will be expended in getting the roadbed into first-class shape, leaving a working capital of $50,000 with which to begin operations, it was explained.

The commission withheld its order authorizing sale of the bonds pending receipt of information regarding details.

Mr. Rossenfield said the company has been elected to membership in the national railroad associations.

To Use Gasoline.

The road will begin operations with two transportation units, consisting of a combination motor car and passenger car and a passenger trailer, it was said. Gasoline will be used as fuel.

Running time will be based on the summer schedule of the Baltimore Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company boats plying between Baltimore and Love Point.

LESLIE WALLS NOW TOWN COMMISSIONER

At the annual town election on Monday afternoon, C. Leslie Walls was elected to the office of Town Commissioner, succeeding Ernest G. Cooper, whose term had expired. Mr. Cooper was president of the town board for the past year.

Mr. Walls is a local merchant and it is thought will make a very good commissioner. He had no opposition.

Final County P. T. A. Meeting

The last of the meetings of the county Parent Teacher Association is scheduled for tonight in the Court House. Dr. Albert S. Cook, state superintendent of education, is to be the speaker of the evening. A very interesting program has been arranged, and the meeting has been arranged for the evening in order that many more of the parents and patrons may be able to attend. It is sincerely hoped this last meeting for this year may be well attended.

BURRSVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Coursey Hammond of Milford, were guests Sunday of her sister, Mrs. H. A. Porter.

Mrs. C. N. Fountain visited her parents at Henderson last week.

Mr. Clarence Rowe, of Harrington, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Satterfield on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Collison and daughter, Ellen, of Hobbs, were the guests of relatives in town Sunday.

Messre. Richard and Lee Cohee, of Easton, visited here on Sunday.

Some of our town folk visited the scene of the Ridgely fire on Sunday.

Rev. C. F. Cummings will preach at Union M. P. Church this Sunday morning at the usual hour.

LESTER HARRISON

Lester Harrison, aged about 30 years the son of Eli and Ella Harrison, died Wednesday afternoon of a complication of diseases, leaving his parents, his wife, nee Ella May Pollard, and son Elmer to survive him. Funeral services will be held from the Church of the Brethren Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m., Rev. Levi K. Ziegler, officiating. Interment in Denton cemetery.

AWARDED $22,500

After several hours deliberation, the jury in the case of Catherine Francks, infant, by father, vs. Victory Sparkler Co., of Elkton,, handed in a verdict for the plaintiff of $22,500 damages, the suit having been for $100,000 damages for alleged injuries to the young lady while working for the company from fumes originating from the chemicals used.

P. T. A. to Meet Monday

The last regular monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher Association of Denton, will be held next Monday evening in the school building. Every patron is invited to attend.

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