

HISSAR WOMEN'S LEAGUE.

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April 9, 1940.

The Schorr House and Kiosk.

The last time we shall meet in this house Historic property. A place in the history of Bebek. Houses have personalities and its is pleasant and profitable to recall some of the things that have happened here.

The Red House--the Hill--the Kiosk.
Built about 1740

The Schneider family bo't it about 1850.
Father Schneider and his enthusiasm for cold water.

Improvements of property.

The Hill. firs and pines. German

The kiosk made out of the old stable.

The roof --came from America, either brought out or ordered out by Dr. Hamlin
Three corrugated iron roofs in Bebek.
must have been in the early 1850s.

The Schneiders that I knew--Mrs. Schorr,
Mrs. Rowell and oncle Ferdinand.

Old house demolished in 1906.

Christmas festivities. Larsen engagement
announced at last Christmas in old house.

People who have lived in the Kiosk.

Thomsons 1885-1888

Barnums-spring of 1896

J.K. Greenes 1897-1910.

Mr . and Mrs. Angus Swan 1910-1912

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Schorr

Officers of the Goeben during the war

Sellars April-May 1919

First Community School.

Some of the pupils.

Theodore Greene, Kenneth Rowell, Haluk
Fikret, Sehma Riza, Heizers, Seagers etc.

Conclusion: From

Old Homes.

Old homes among the hills! I love their gardens
Their old rock fences that our day inherits:
Their doors, round which the great trees
stand like wardens:
Their paths down which the shadows march
like spirits:
Broad doors and paths that reach bird-
haunted gardens.

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Old homes! Old hearts!. Upon my soul forever
Their peace and gladness lie like tears and
laughter:
Like love they touch me, through the years
that sever,
With simple faith: like friendship draw me
after
The dreamy patience that is theirs forever.

Madison Carver

Who does his duty is a question
Too complex to be solved by me,
But he, I venture a suggestion,
Does part of his that plants a tree.

J. R. Howell

ADANA- TARSUS--MERSIN

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Intro:

Do not feel competent to talk about Anatolia, especially this important corner of it. But will tell my own experience.

Three cities 1) Adana the most important now--the one on the great highroad to the east since Roman times and before. 2) Tarsus, the oldest and most interesting because it was at one time a great and prosperous port 3) Mersin, the new port a comparatively modern development.

I. Adana-----a little of its history

Geography--the Cilician plain, the Taurus mountains. The Cilician gates. Cotton fertility. Two important rivers Cyndus and Seyhan. *Ceyhan*

Adana. flat country--gateway to the East. remains--fine stone bridge part of which dates from Justinian. Ruined castle built by Haroun-al-Rachid. 782

Military road to Persia and the East. Mixture of races for many years.

Tarsus. first mentioned in 850 B.C. probably an old Ionian colony.

Importance due to

1. excellent and safe harbor

2. possession of fertile territory.

3. Command of first wagon road made across the Taurus mountains which was cut thru the Cilician gates a narrow gorge 100 yards in length

Many armies passed thru gates and into Tarsus
 Cyrus the younger
 Alexander the Great
 Septimus Severus
 First Crusade

After 104 B.C. one of the greatest of
 Roman cities.

Meeting of Anthony and Cleopatra.

Quote:

Ene: When she first met Mark Anthony, she
 pursed up his heart upon the river of Cyndus
 Agr. There she appeared indeed, or my reporter
 devised well for her.

Ene: I will tell you.

The barge she sat in, like a burnished
 throne,

Burn'd on the water: the poop was beaten
 gold:

Purple the sails, and so perfumed that
 The winds were love-sick with them; the oars
 were silver,

Which to the tune of flutes kept stroke and
 made

The water which they beat to follow faster,
 As amorous of their strokes. For her own
 person,

It beggar'd all description: she did lie
 In her pavilion, cloth of gold tissue,
 O'er-picturing that Venus where we see
 The fancy out-work nature: on each side her
 Stood pretty dimpled boys, like smiling Cupids
 With divers-colour'd fans, whose wind did
 seem

To glow the delicate cheeks which they did cool,
 cool,

And what they undid did.

Her gentlewomen, like the Nereides,
 So many mermaids tended her i'the eyes,

And made their bends adornings: at the helm
 A seeming mermaid steers: the silken
 Tackle
 Swell with the touches of those flower-soft
 hands,
 That yarely frame the office. From the
 barge
 A strange invisible perfume hits the sense
 Of the adjacent wharfs.

Tarsus in ancient times depended on
 commerce
 peace
 good government.

Arabs conquered it in A.D. 660

In 787 capital of Arab power.

"All the raids which were made in Asia
 Minor regularly, year by year, through the
 Cilician Gates and past the fortress of
 Loulon issued thru the north gate of
 Tarsus which was called the gate of the
 Holy Wars. The western gate is still
 standing and is misnamed "St. Paul's Gate"

Ottomans came here about beginning of
 16th century.

Ruins Tomb Of Sardanopulos.

Mersin Modern city after Tarsus had vanished
 as a port. shallow water. founded 1832
 many Christians lived here before the war.
 traders and shippers.
 bad summer climate. Poor city, now.
 conquest of malaria.

My Own Journey to this Region

Start from Stamboul morning - evening of
 second day Yenice. Via Eskişehir-Konia
 Karaman, Ülkışla, Yenice
 Railway 1887 Adana-Tarsus-Mersin.

Americans in this part of the world
Chambers, Christies, Haas-etc.

Visit to Mersin

RR first camels two old Greek
churches, one a cinema, one still used
development
hotel Speak Turkish

Visit to Adana

RR Karadgli Engineering works
American Hospital
American Mission House
Museum Ancient and Modern
Yeni Hotel
Halk Evi
Bazaars
No great mosques

flat roofs.

mosquito nets

Tarsus itself

River Cyndus

Turkish bath

tomb - Ancient mosque

Future of the Cilician Plain

Cotton Institute The Clarks. 1931.
Plans for raising of cotton
Egyptian replaced by Cleveland seeds.
Our own engineers-one of the many tasks
ahead of them to use the great natural
resources of Asia Minor. Opportunities.

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