

Down South Folk Know How to Idle

Vacation Trend Turning Towards Section of Real Resting.

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NEW YORK, July 10.—Are New Yorkers becoming a race of salaried idlers?

One man of our acquaintance has just returned from Tennessee and reports a most delightful time. Another is en route to Texas. Half of the staff of a certain evening newspaper have announced intentions of setting sail for the tropics during their two weeks off. The blanket industry must be in a bad way. Without going completely Oswald Spengler on you, it is our idea to point out that this may be a very, very significant mark of the times.

The man who takes his vacation in the Maine woods or on Cape Cod is reverting to the habit of his Anglo-Saxon ancestors. He is getting good and cool and encouraging that mood of a run around the reservoir before breakfast. The man who investigates the countries to the south of us is doing no such thing.

He is turning his back, rather abruptly, upon his heritage and on the traditions of the strenuous life. You may go to the northern states for a daily thirty-six rounds of golf. But you go to the south to learn how to waste time gracefully.

The man or woman who ventures to the Caribbean may chat about the virtue of dying in harness for the first few days; he will discover soon that the sleepy-eyed natives do not know what he is talking about. When he boasts of never having wasted a minute, after the manner of Poor Richard's almanac, they will discover him with a simple, "Why not?"

For the southern races are the past masters of the art of living with a minimum of industry. They do not apologize for the fact that their shops are closed during the siesta; they wonder why any one should trouble himself to be abroad when he might be sleeping.

Unashamed of Idleness

They do not ask your clemency for the fact that they spend much of their day on boats and beaches; they point to the abundance of their cool, uncooked luncheons and to the restorative powers of their fragrant drinks and inquire why they should exert themselves, if you please, to earn any more.

The idleness and industry and the accomplishment of very arduous things, we have been told, are the marks of character. It is, perhaps, an idea that we got from our Puritan ancestors, who had the bad judgment to land on a rugged and infertile coast and made a virtue of necessity. But surely the time has come for us to abandon the early American idea of bustle.

Copybook Maxims Fail

If keeping ceaselessly busy were the secret of a happy life, we should see fewer drawn, unhappy faces in the north. If being profligate and lazy is the road to damnation, why are there so many gay and charming and quite contented men and women in the countries to the south of us?

Being soft has long been a reproach hurled by the business man at any one who took his eyes off a stock ticker for more than seven hours a day. But it turns out now that many of these hard-working gentry might have been better off if they had worked a fifth as hard and cut their losses. The copybook maxims do not stand up very well in 1934.

The NRA threatens us with considerable leisure, for which we will require a brand-new philosophy of work. The old values, which upheld frugality, went down to the count when we were urged to be patriotic and spend. The old virtues of industry surrender to the five-day week.

It is a very good thing for the American people to take a few weeks off to study the way in which residents of the tropics pass their days. They have studied the art of leisure for some centuries.

Aboard the S. S. Juniata, cruising the Great Lakes, are Misses Mary Braden, Edna Olsen and Eva Olsen.

Miss Mary Gertrude Gregor, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Gregor, has gone to Valparaiso to visit relatives before going to Chicago.



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ADKINSONS RETURN FROM HONEYMOON

Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Adkinson have returned from a wedding trip in the south and are at home at the Arlington-Washington court apartments.

Before her marriage Friday morn-

A Day's Menu

Luncheon—

Cherries, cereal, cream, poached eggs on toast, milk, coffee.

Breakfast—

Vegetable soup, lettuce, gingerbread, waffles with whipped cream, milk, tea, and sardine sandwiches.

Dinner—

Tomato and celery cocktail, planked Hamburg steak, stuffed baked onions, radishes and carrot straws, strawberry sherbet, milk, coffee.

ing at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Ireland, 106 North Drexel avenue, Mrs. Adkinson was Miss Jean Ireland. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Adkinson.

The Rev. William E. Bell read the service before a greenery-banked altar and Mrs. Herbert Adkinson played bridal airs.

Mary Elizabeth Donnell and Marilyn Behmyer were flower girls. They wore white and pink frocks and carried daisy chains.

The bride wore a blue silk ensemble and carried a shower bouquet of Premier roses and ferns.

Mrs. Ireland wore shell pink crepe and Mrs. Adkinson was gowned in blue crepe with embroidered polka dots.

Miss Georgia Young will entertain Alpha chapter, Phi Tau Delta sorority, Friday night at her home, 4134 Parks avenue.

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Mrs. Stucky Entertains at Luncheon

Miss Mary Railey, Guest From Florida, Feted at Party Today.

Two parties are scheduled today to honor Miss Mary Railey, Miami, Fla., who is visiting Miss Jane Finley Moore, daughter of Mrs. Josephine Smith Moore, 18 West Thirty-fourth street.

Mrs. Edward W. Stucky entertained at an attractively appointed luncheon, at her home, 3746 North Pennsylvania street, for her niece, Miss Moore, and Miss Railey, who were classmates at Florida State College for Women at Tallahassee, Fla., and members of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Other luncheon guests included Miss Anna Marie Dungan, Miss Barbara Oakes and her house guest, Miss Mary Louise Shink, Muncie; Miss Mary Elam and Mrs. H. H. Everett, Miami, Fla. Mrs. Everett, daughter of the hostess, is visiting in the city for several weeks.

Miss Moore and her house guest will attend a bridge party tonight at the home of Miss Mable Espey, 647 East Forty-eighth street. Miss Espey and Miss Helen Bonnell will entertain.

Party appointments will be carried out in green, white and yellow, and summer blooms will decorate the rooms.

Guests with Miss Moore and Miss Railey will include Miss Luana Lee, Miss Lucy Jane Baker, Miss Betty Warren and her house guest, Miss Virginia Carlisle, Los Angeles, Cal.

WEDDING LATE IN 1933 ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Wilson, Southport, announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Jeanne Wilson, and Frederick E. Shick, son of Mrs. Irene E. Shick, Indianapolis.

The ceremony was read Dec. 16 at the Presbyterian manse in Spencer by the Rev. D. R. Hutchinson.

The bride, a graduate of Butler university, is a member of Delta Gamma sorority and Mr. Shick, also a Butler graduate, is a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and a graduate of Indiana university law school.

A Woman's Viewpoint

BY MRS. WALTER FERGUSON

THE dieticians only have augmented the worries of the housewife. A husband's very life, we are told, rests in her hands. More and more often we read that woman's chief duty is to select the right foods, that the health and disposition and consequently the earning power, the very life span of the household, depend upon how ably she fulfills this task.

The responsibility, we must presume, begins with one's husband. For this reason a knowledge of calories, c a r b o h y d r a t e s, proteins and fats is not adequate. You also have to master the art of selling that knowledge to your husband.

A wife may have the best intentions in the world. She may possess expert ability to select, prepare and serve the right sort of food, but how to make a man eat it will still be an unsolved problem.

What, I ask you, is the good of diets if we can't break down the stubbornness of men? The chances are that whatever the books say your husband should have, he will resist to the death. Men who need carrots invariably howl for gravy. If their systems lack fat, they demand lettuce.

Wives have so many illusions to lose that it seems something of a crime to lead them to think they can alter the eating habits of their spouses by recitations, persuasions, arguments or tears.

Could we not induce the doctors to cease experimenting with foods for a while and turn to husbands? We need desperately some research into the psychology of the male who seems forever bent upon eating, drinking and doing the things harmful to health.

Learning diets—that's easy. It's husbands we have to deal with, and so far science has done nothing to help solve their deep, dark mystery.

Card Parties

Altar Society of St. Philip Neri church will entertain with a card party at 8:30 tomorrow night in the school auditorium. Mrs. Joseph Loehle is chairman.

Guild Assumes Project to Aid Hospital Unit

The White Cross Children's Cheer Guild, a branch of the White Cross Center of the Methodist hospital, will undertake the selection and making of new draperies, bed spreads, dresser covers and screen covers for the Thomas Taggart Memorial children's department of the hospital.

Announcement of the project was made following a recent meeting of the guild at the nurses' residence. Mrs. George E. Hoagland Jr., president of the guild, has named Mrs. Kenneth Wolfskill, chairman.

Assisting Mrs. Wolfskill will be Mrs. James R. Bowen, Mrs. Arthur Vehlring, Mrs. Herman Cox and Miss Julie Weir.

Club Meeting Scheduled

Daughter of Isabella Study Club will meet tonight at the home of Mrs. Anna King, 2244 North New Jersey street.

GROTTO AUXILIARY WILL HOLD PICNIC

Annual picnic of the women's auxiliary to Sahara Grotto will be held tomorrow at Brookside park. Mrs. Mary Williams, chairman, will be assisted by Mrs. Esther Arnold.

A picnic dinner will be served at 12:30. Games in charge of Mrs. Blanche Beauchamp and Mrs. Edna Wurz will be conducted in the afternoon.

Club Will Meet

Mrs. Lilly Fraul, 528 Woodlawn avenue, will be hostess tonight for the meeting of the Indianapolis-to-Baltimore Club.

A picnic meeting will be held by Alpha chapter, Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, tonight at Riverside park.

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