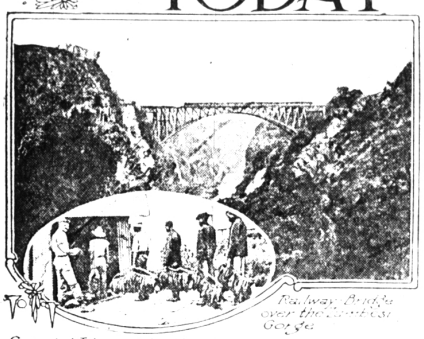
RHODESIA TODAY



Railway Bridge over the Limpopo River.

Carrying Tobacco into the Interior.

CONSIDERING the fact that there are huge areas of country in Rhodesia as merely a baby among the nations it has only just passed the thirtieth anniversary of its charter, it can certainly be described as a remarkably healthy infant and the curious anomaly of rule by a chartered company seems to have justified itself as fully in this case as in the historic instance of the East India company. It is, indeed, a remarkable feat to have taken a vast tract of country larger than France, Germany, Belgium and Holland together, the home of continual warfare between savage tribes, and in less than thirty years to have introduced there law, order and security for natives and settlers, and many of the refinements of a high civilization, says the Sketch of London.

Till the pioneer column crossed the country in 1890 such a thing as permissions which had been granted by the chartered company to prospect was so much as a possibility in the vast interior. Today there are 1,000 miles of good road in existence, 3,000 stretches north and south, and 2,000 connecting Rhodesia with the outside world through the Portuguese port of Beira. Railways of many kinds and lengths, for great Cape-to-Cairo railway, which Rhodes originated, has the Belgian territory on the Congo to its south, and the German territory to the north, which is also developing rapidly.

Has Overcome Severe Setbacks.

Communications were chiefly sought by Rhodes and his associates to be the key to the development of the country, and millions of money have been spent by the British South Africa company during these 30 years in improving them in order to render accessible to British settlers the mineral wealth and the wonderful fertility of the favored colony. The work was by no means without difficulties, and there were many disappointments and setbacks to be overcome. The country was found to be inhabited by a large population of savage natives, who were not easily induced to labor for the white man. The European habitation of the country is within the zone being counteracted by the high altitude level, the plateau which forms the bulk of southern Rhodesia having an average altitude of 4,000 feet. The winter months, June, July and August, are dry, most of the rain falling in January and March. Even in the hot season the nights are cool, the temperature in the shade rarely exceeding 100 degrees and 10 degrees below freezing sufficient frost to kill germs.

Fine Country to Live In.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating, the low death rate and the sturdiness, not merely of the settlers, but of their Rhodesian born and bred children. There is no need to send the latter home for separation, which makes India, for example so painful a place for parents, either for health or for education. There are between thirty and forty good schools in Rhodesia, wholly or partly maintained by the government, and several of these educate their pupils up to the standard of entrance to the University of Capetown, while three carry on education to the Oxford and Cambridge matriculation examinations.

There are plenty of opportunities for sport in Rhodesia, there being some twenty-five varieties of antelope alone. Large game, in the shape of lions, elephants, rhinoceros, etc., is also plentiful. Sport of other kinds is catered to by the provision of clubs for polo, golf, cricket and other games.

In addition to mining for gold, coal, chrome iron and other ores, the chief industries of Rhodesia are agriculture, in its various forms, and cattle raising, ostriches

Remedies for Cholera.

A [illegible] Turkish physician has been collecting remedies for cholera, and has published the list and a lesson is worth [illegible] the latter is advised to carry the pocket is regarded as worthy as in its various forms.

PUT OFFICER IN QUANDARY

That Boche Prisoner Claimed to Be Fellow Townsman Filled Him With Mixed Emotions.

There is a good story of an incident that happened in Lille recently to a group of officers from a division made up largely of cavalrymen, says a writer in the London Graphic. The officers were assembled in the estaminet. Then two high colonial officers came in, but never wear, from the ranks of prisoners rang a voice which said not only in good English, but also in the estaminet, "Where's the guy from Pittsburg, eh?"

Wondering and not knowing if in this day how news of the world's native town had penetrated the German lines, an officer replied stiffly, "I'm from Pittsburgh, Yukon."

"Remember Blanks [illegible]" the prisoner inquired.

"I've heard of it," the officer admitted.

"I was bartender there," said the prisoner.

It sounded like a voice from home—as indeed it came from a bocho. And as the officer later confessed to [illegible] shelter to shake hands with the fellow on shore him.

English Judges' Robes.

There is as much difference in the gowns worn by British legal lights as there is in their wigs. The robes of a high court judge are gorgeous red in hue, and are made of rich silk and trimmed with ermine. Then two high colonial judges carry but never wear, large three cornered hats. Judges who preside over lower courts wear much less gorgeous robes and do not carry this curious hat. A barrister's gown is made of black alpaca or some similar material known as "stuff." In the legal profession. It is only when a barrister has become a K. C. that he may don a gown of silk. For this reason a king's counsel is often referred to as a "silk."

Jed Tunkins.

Jed Tunkins says that in the old days a political office was a prize awarded to the man who could make the best speech.

FIRST PHOTOS OF REVOLUTION IN GERMANY

Street fighting in the Friedrichstrasse, Berlin, during the recent Kappist revolt. This is one of the first photographs to reach the public from Germany.

HEALTH CRUSADE BABIES BEING WEIGHED

HOW THEY LIVE IN MONGOLIA

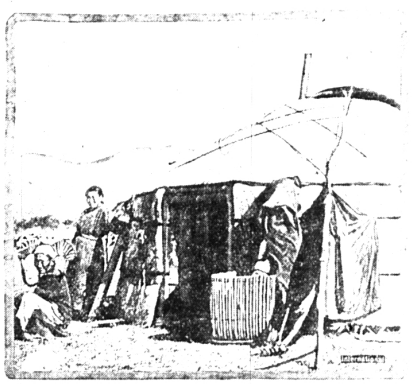


Photo shows a countryman lost on the great plains of Mongolia. Her tiny cart is inside which the lot seats of Ogpu traveling. The peculiar headdress worn by the old woman seated in front of the tent is also characteristic. This is one of the colorful and unusual pictures just brought back by Ray Chapman Andrews, associate curator of mammals of the museum of natural history, New York city. Mr. Andrews headed the party. Mrs. Chapman made notes and stills and was official photographer of the exploring group.

PERFECTS RADIUM PROCESS

Dr. S. A. Socolow, inventor of a secret process which has made it possible to develop and produce radium from Arizona carnotite at the headwaters of cancer and blood growths. The doctor is holding in his hand a tiny vial of the precious element, which though but the size of a pea is worth more than $5,000. In the cylinder on the table is half of the $25,000 worth which will be used in starting the first "radium bank," which will loan the element to doctors for medical use.

KIDNAPED BOY AND HIS HOME

Above is the home of L. B. Little, Lexington, Ky., where twelve-year-old son, Reid Caldwell, was kidnaped and a ransom of $2,000 demanded. He escaped and is believed to have been lost in the woods. The boy was found hungry, starved in a hotel bathroom where he had been locked for several days.

NEW BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR

Dr. Raul Fernandes, ambassador from Brazil, returning from a call on Baltimore Cross, the new secretary of state at Washington, D. C.

This Bird Is Friendly.

Ever try to feed a chickadee? He is a sociable fellow, says the American Forestry Magazine of Washington. If you whistle to the chickadee he will invariably respond, which is more than can be said of most other birds.

When the Storm Breaks.

Our observation is that a woman can get very tired of a husband who thinks his station in life demands more clothes than hers does.—Dallas News.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

To encourage cotton raising in Spain the government will give cash prizes to the farmers and laborers who most distinguish themselves in its cultivation.

One of the first medical schools for women was the New England Female Medical college, incorporated in 1856, but not really founded in 1848, when a class of 12 women began a course of lectures.

Spanish merchant steamers are beginning to be equipped with radio telephones, and if experiments under way are successful a station will be established at a port in that country to communicate with them.

The best briar root from which pipes are made comes from the borders of Italy and France. In the mountainous districts of these countries roots are found sometimes larger than a man's body.

USE CORN MEAL FOR FOUNDATION

Several Other Good Ways of Using It Besides Cereal for Breakfast.

SOME EXCELLENT RECIPES

Dishes Which Were Common Fifty Years Ago Are Worthy of Attention of Present Day Cooks—Protein Lacks Tenacity.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Although corn meal is now used chiefly as a breakfast cereal or in the form of bread, yet there are many other ways of using it to advantage. The particles of corn meal when mixed with water do not tend to stick together and form an elastic dough, as wheat flour does. This is because the protein of corn meal, unlike that of wheat flour, lacks tenacity, or toughness, allowing the somewhat granular particles of meal to separate. While this is a disadvantage for some uses, like bread making, it is an advantage in making waffles or griddle cakes as it renders them very tender. Some recipes for the use of corn meal recommended by the home economics kitchen of the United States department of agriculture follow:

Corn Meal and Wheat Waffles.

½ cups water
½ cup white corn meal
½ cups milk
2 cups wheat flour
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons baking powder
½ teaspoons salt
Yolks 2 eggs
Whites 2 eggs
2 tablespoons melted butter

Cook the meal in boiling water 20 minutes; add milk, dry ingredients mixed and sifted, yolks of eggs well beaten, butter and whites of eggs beaten stiff. Bake in waffle iron.

Corn Meal Puffs.

[illegible]

Cook the milk and meal together 5 minutes with the salt and sugar. When cool add the eggs well beaten, [illegible] Serve at once with [illegible] This serves six people.

Cheese Pudding.

1 quart boiling water
½ cup milk
1 cup yellow corn meal
1 tablespoon salt
½ pound cheese

Into the boiling salted water pour the corn meal slowly, stirring constantly, and allow to boil 10 minutes. Then add most of the cheese and cook 10 minutes more, or until the cheese is melted. Add one-half cupful of milk and cook a few minutes. Pour into a greased baking dish. Brown in the oven. This dish is improved by grating a little hard cheese over the top just before it is baked. A good supper or lunch dish.

This pudding can be cut into slices when cold and fried. This serves four to six people.

Indian Meal Doughnuts.

½ cup milk
½ cups very fine white corn meal
½ cups wheat flour
½ cup butter
1 cup sugar
2 eggs well beaten
2 teaspoons cinnamon
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 level teaspoon salt

Put milk and meal into a double boiler and heat together for about 10 minutes. Add the butter and sugar to the meal. Sift together the wheat flour, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. Add these and the eggs to the meal. Roll out on a well-floured board; cut into the desired shapes; fry in deep fat; drain and roll in powdered sugar.

Corn Meal and Fig Pudding.

[illegible] cup corn meal [illegible] cup finely cut figs
[illegible] cup molasses [illegible]
[illegible] cups milk [illegible] cup flour
[illegible] cup milk [illegible] 4 of cream
[illegible] cup suet [illegible] 2 of baking powder
[illegible] cinnamon [illegible] ½ teaspoon salt

Cook the corn meal with 1 cupfuls of milk, add the molasses, figs, and salt. When the mixture is cool, add the eggs well beaten. Pour into a lightly buttered pudding dish and bake in a moderate oven for 3 hours or more. When partly cooked add the remainder of the milk without stirring the pudding. The whites of the eggs may be saved and used as a meringue for the top.

This serves 8 or 10 people.

Corn Meal Recipes Tested by Federal Specialists.

BAKED OKRA IS TASTY DISH

Alternate Layers of Rice, Okra and Tomatoes and Then Baked Is Excellent.

Place a thin layer of rice in a baking dish, add a layer of sliced okra, then a layer of tomatoes; add salt, pepper, a little curry powder, a small bunch of butter. Repeat with alternate layers of rice, okra and tomatoes until the dish is filled. Cover and bake in the oven until the rice is thoroughly cooked. Remove cover and brown on top. Serve in a baking dish. The rice should be washed in cold water before using and the okra pods and tomatoes washed and sliced rather thinly.

KEEP PUMPKINS AND SQUASH

Vegetables Must Be Thoroughly Dried and Placed on Shelf; Well Separated.

Pumpkins and squashes must be thoroughly dried and ripened to keep well. They should be dried from time to time with a cloth and kept not on a cellar floor, but on a shelf and well separated from each other.

Fix Worm-Eaten Furniture.

For worm-eaten furniture peroxide of hydrogen is excellent and should be used without water for this purpose. As it has no smell it is more pleasant than paraffin and other remedies often used for old furniture and it does not injure the polish.

Substitute for Cream.

If there is no cream for coffee, beat an egg lightly, divide it among the cups and pour the hot coffee over it. A very rich, delicious beverage is the result.

USE OF SUMMER VEGETABLES

They Should Be Cooked as Soon After Being Gathered as Possible to Hold the Flavor.

Cook summer vegetables as soon after they are gathered as possible, in order to preserve the flavor. If they must be kept over, keep in the ice box or some other cool place.

Let wilted vegetables soak in cold water to freshen them. If vegetables must stand after paring, cover with cold water to prevent wilting and discoloration.

Household Questions

Apples and pears cooked together are an agreeable change.

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Coffee grounds have no value whatever and should never be used a second time.

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Hot pressed water-color paper can be used instead of parchment for canvas shades.

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It is a good idea to have a strong pasteboard box to keep the sewing in while you are working at it.

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Too much baking powder in cake causes large holes as soon as the dough is subjected to the heat of the oven.

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Uses for little "bits" of crepe are inside infants' bootees, quaint boudoir caps, collars on children's dresses, cases for toilet articles, book slip covers and any of the little trifles for the bureau.

PROFICIENCY IN KITCHEN

Arrange your kitchen equipment so that it will give you the most help and take the least work.

Choose things easy to clean and care for.

Try to locate the stove, sink, work table and storage places so there will be no unnecessary steps in moving from one to the other.

Have good light where your work the most.

Adjust sink and work table to the height most comfortable for the person who uses them.

Group your utensils so that you can reach them easily. Put those most frequently used in the most convenient places. Small racks may be hung on the backs [illegible] to the wall or the edge of a shelf.

Group those near the places in which they are most used and put those used together near each other.

Get rid of useless things.