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INSPECTING THE BEST CIGARETTE TOBACCO IN GREECE

Picked in August, each leaf is threaded by hand and dried in the open until late winter. It is then carried in a bullock cart to an American warehouse in Xanthi or Kavalla, where the tobacco is re-sorted, graded, and baled in goat hair for shipment to the United States. There are "years" in tobacco as in wine, but so small a percentage of oriental tobacco is used in American blends that the finest crops are not often treasured separately.

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GREEK GYPSIES ARE JACKS OF MANY TRADES

Veterinarians and exhibitors of dancing bears fill in their spare time with wood-turning or small blacksmithing jobs.



AN OUTDOOR OVEN IN MACEDONIA

Fired with thorn bush or light brushwood, these outdoor ovens, sometimes shared by several families, are common throughout Greece. Loaves ready for baking are spread on a cloth in the foreground and the oval wooden mixing bowl is in the corner.



EVEN PASTORAL NOMADS HAVE INSULATED OVENS

There is no danger of overheating the kitchen, for this portable oven is set up anywhere outdoors. The thick layer of sand on the metal cover prevents the top from cooling off too rapidly. A few twigs heat it, and the flat loaf of bread is well baked and palatable.



A KUTZO-VLACH CAMP NEAR XANTHI

The nomads themselves do not use the word Kutzo-Vlach or "lame Vlach," but call themselves Rumani. The woman is using the distaff and spindle, slight variations of which are common throughout the East as far as China.

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A VLACH WOMAN WEAVING HOMESPUN ON A PORTABLE LOOM

The Kutzo-Vlachs, or Rumani, gave their name to Rumania, where they were dominant in the 13th century. Perhaps 10,000,000 Vlachs of Latin race are now scattered over Europe. The roving tribes in Greece are conspicuous because of their homespun dress, often decorated with distinctive patterns.