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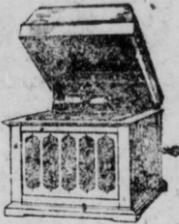
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**ANGORA.**

Land of Goats Traces Ancestry to European Celts.

A city founded by Midas of the touch of gold; overrun two centuries before Christ by far-wandering cousins of the Irishman of to-day; a great and wealthy community under Rome and Byzantium—and in spite of its checkered history and its past glory, known to recent generations in the West only because of a long-haired goat!

Such is Angora in Central Asia Minor, where Mustapha Kemal Pasha has set up "the Angora Government" which he claims to be the real Government of Turkey, and from where, supposedly surrounded by Bolshevik agents, he is issuing defiant messages to the Allies.

The remote kinsmen of the Irish who figure in the history of Angora were 20,000 Celts from central Europe, who, unable to push into Greece, decided to try their luck across the Hellespont. After harrying the country for half a century they were forced to settle around Angora, then known as Ancyra. Their country became known as Galatia. There St. Paul is supposed to have found a Christian church to the congregation of which he addressed his "Epistle to the Galatians." In the fourth century, the Celtic language was still to be heard in Galatia, according to St. Jerome.

The Celtic invaders were always in the minority and were finally absorbed, as the Norman conquerors of England were absorbed by the Saxons. Many observers profess to see the effects of Celtic blood in the people of Angora to-day, and describe them as lighter in complexion than the people of other parts of the near East, and "the most genial of the Mohammedans of Asia Minor."

Ancyra dwindled to a village under Celtic rule, but following the annexation of Galatia to the Roman Empire in 25 B.C. and during the hundred years in which it was maintained as the Roman frontier province, the city took on great importance. One of the most famous of the ruins of Asia Minor is that of a beautiful marble temple in Angora dedicated "to Rome and Augustus."

During the Byzantine period Ancyra became even more important, its position between Constantinople and Mesopotamia and Persia making it the metropolis of interior Asia Minor. The rising power of the Turks was indicated by the fall of Ancyra into their hands more than a hundred years before the fall of Constantinople. But Ancyra was captured shortly afterward by the Christian crusaders during one of their fiercest sorties inland and was held by them for eighteen years until 1260 when it again fell into Turkish hands.

Though marble reminders of its ancient glory are scattered about in the Angora of to-day, it is predominantly a dingy city of mud, brick houses and narrow streets. A mosque is built against one of the marble walls of the noble old Augustan temple. The walls and gates of the city are constructed of fragments of demolished Greek and Roman buildings, colonnades and other structures.

The city is 220 miles southwest of Constantinople. It has a population of about 30,000, approximately a third of them Armenians who speak Turkish. It is perched on a rocky plateau to the north of which are fertile valleys and to the south of which stretch plains merging finally into a great desert. On these southern plains are pastured large herds of sheep, and goats with long silky hair, which have made the name Angora familiar to western ears. Large quantities of wool and mohair are exported.

Cats, and to a less extent dogs and other animals in the neighborhood of Angora have unusually long silky hair. It is believed that the climate and perhaps the soil of the region are responsible for this peculiar development.

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**When Canada Became British.**

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