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Oloye Awolọwọ fi gborọ se'bẹ, ẹgbẹ Afẹnifẹre pẹgede!

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Itan Awon Odu Ifa

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Iku ye mi lo, oye, Iku ye mi lo, oye,
Arukumadagba, Ojo-nikun-niwonran,
Ojo-peruku-teruku-mole, oye o
Iku yemi, lo o, oye e,
Iku a ye gbogbo wa sile o, amin Ase o.

Nigbati Oyeku-meji dele, ni iya re wa nso fun pe, kilo o wa kakiri se mo ti so fun o pe owo wa nile, nigbana ni Oyeku meji wa nkorin ti o si nlo oruko iya re ninu orin na bayi:

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Alapa-a moja o, Alapa-a moja,
Omo wa nile Alapa-a-moja,
Alapa-a-moja o, Alapa-a-moja,
Aya wa nile Alapa-a-moja,
Alapa-a moja, o, Alapa-a-moja,
Ire gbogbo wa nile Alapa-a-moja,
Alapa-moja o, Alapa-a-moja.

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Ni ode Igbodo ni awon gbe bi Iwori-meji si. Oruko iya Iwori-meji ni Kolalu. Ajibulu ni oruko baba re lode Igbode, Oba si ni. Iwori-meji lo bimo poju gbogbo awon odu yoku l. Eran ni iya ati baba re fi to o dagba, Ojojumo ni Ajibulu npa eran fun. Nigbati o dagba, o ni Ifa ni on yio ma ki. Nwon ni ki o to awon Osan-fori-sede, o fi ese meji se yoye nile. Orubo efun ti o ba ile ti o ro kandiri-kandiri. Oo lo difa fun Ase ti nse omobinrin Orun, on na lo difa fun Ato to nse omokunrin Orun. Iwori-meji wa bere si korin bayi wipe

O lawo lase, o domo o,
O lawo lase, o domo
Ato ti e le ku, ti e o ri mo o,
Olawo lase, o domo.

Nibi ti o wa di olomo pupo, o tun wa bere si korin bayi wipe,

E wole ayo, e womo o,
A ki ba le ayo lai ko kun o,
E wole ayo, e womo.

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Awon ile daradara jona, awon apo obi nlanla ti Ogbeni Alhaji Jambali ti Yinusa Isola ati Madam Anike jona.

Ofo ati adanu ni owo paper ati dukia ti o jona pelu ni a gbo wipe o to iwon egberun meta poun. Awon olopa si nwadi ba wo ni ina yi ti se sele ati lati owo tani.

Olorun ko fi ofo r'emi.

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Niwọn ogun ọdun sẹhin, bi a ba gbọ wipe nwọn bi ọgọrun ọmọ ninu oṣu kan nṣe ni gbogbo enia yio ma yọ ṣẹṣẹ.

Ṣugbọn loni, ogidinleje ọmọ ti ambi larin ọsẹ kọkan latigba ti a ti ṣi ile Abiyamọ ni Ita Ẹlẹiyẹ.

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Omuti gbagbe ise!

Awọn opitan sọ fun wa wipe nigbati Kọiti si Kereni ti o le mu enia sọda si Oke-Odo ọkọ ni awọn enia ma nwọ ni ebute Idunmaibo bi nwọn ti nṣikọ Ikorodu bẹni nwọn nṣikọ Oyingbo nigba na.

Irohin na sọ wipe, lọjọ kan Olorin Eko kan ti a npe ni Danmole lọ ṣere orin kikọ ni ... kan ti a npe ni Ilọ... ọpọlọpọ awọn ... a ... ko lo lọ wọ...

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Bi o ti wọkọ, lo nwọ gan ọpa. Iyawo rẹ wipe ṣẹ o de, o ko iṣe rẹ de, iwọ yio fi ara rẹ han araiye nisisiyi. Ọmuti da lohun pe, yo ba ipọri rẹ, o ha nṣe oni ni mo ti nwa kọ lọ si Ebarin ndae?.

Ẹ fimi silẹ, ọlọkọ ni emi paapa. Iyawo rẹ nkebosi wipe, ẹ jọwọ o, ẹ maṣe jẹki o mu ọpa, ọmuti ni, o ti yo ayo ọti, ko si mọ ọkọ wa.

Ọkunrin omuti na dahun pe, awọn tani o mba wi? Bi mo ba tun gbọ ohun rẹ ngo na ọ lọpa lori. Wọn ṣikọ nwọn nlọ, bi nwọn ti de ibu odo Ajaye, bẹni Ọmuti yi re lu omi, o di gbabu, lo ba tẹ ibosi enu. Iyawo rẹ kigbe, ọlọkọ jọwọ gbami, nigbati nwọn yọ sinu ọkọ wai ni ọti da loju rẹ. Nigbati Danmole gbọ ọrọ yi on la fi korin hayi pe, oi ijẹkujẹ oka omuti jẹ jẹ loyinbo ata ọti rọ lai koro.

BI, BI, BI, BIYE

Ko si bo ti ri ni irohin idibo ti a di kọja lọ yi, nitu eyiti Ẹgbẹ Afẹnifẹre moke ninu Ibo ti awọn enia meji lo mu ibanujẹ wa fun apakeji.

Nigbati nwọn gbọ pe Awolọwọ wọle, gbogbo enia sala rẹ wipe Awo! Awo!. Ekeji ni ti Ọgbẹni Benson eniti Ọgbẹni Gbadamosi gbe lulẹ ni Ikorodu.

Western Region Production Development Board Upper Ogun Settlement Scheme

In our article last Wednesday we mentioned how the Board had experimented at Upper Ogun, firstly, to make the best use of the Savanah land and secondly, to develop land which was remote from big towns and which was therefore left unfarmed and under-developed. We also told you how our experiments in large-scale mechanised farming were not as successful as we hoped but our eff rts were not in vain.

After careful thought, we decided upon a scheme in co-operation with the Department of Agriculture of the Western Region Government whereby we would encourage young men to settle in the area and farm it after a period of training with Schools of Agriculture. The plans were made in late 1953 and it works as follows: Young men first serve a period of training with the Oyo Farm School and as they reach the end of their training course, a team of twenty-two men are allocated a plot of about 400 acres of land which is suitable partly for farming and partly for pasture. This land is in the Upper Ogun area and the young men settle there.

The settlers are provided with cattle partly to help them to obtain farmyard manure to keep the farmland fertile and also to get additional revenue. The Board's tractors are available for the purpose of ploughing and other cultivating operations before planting and for weeding. During the period while the farm is being established, the settlers are given a subsistence allowance and the Board has provided the land for buildings and tractor and transport services for which the settlers pay at economic rates.

The first team of twenty-two settlers started with sixty-five heifers and one bull. A few months after they settled at Upper Ogun, the Oyo Native Administration to encourage them gave them eight heifers and one calf on the understanding that either these should be returned after five years of breeding or else that the settlers give them the third calf of each of the heifers given to them by way of repayment. Other gifts were made by the Agricultural Department of the Western Region Government who presented the settlers with two work-cows (both of them steers) for weeding.

The settlers also run a small poultry farm and part of their harvest of maize is set aside to feed the farm throughout the year.

The farming plan for the settlers was that they should grow food for themselves but at the same time grow other crops which they should be able to sell to provide them with some sufficient income to enable them to enjoy the same standard of living as, say, Junior staff in Government service. Last year their crop gave maize to the value of £410 as well as yams and cassava. In 1955 the settlers had their record season at Upper Ogun and all of the twenty-two original settlers are still on the Scheme. They have done extremely well with their cattle. The seventy seven brought in here have yielded ninety-six more in two years making one hundred and seventy-three in all. This excellent result have given rise to the plan to let cattle breeding play a more important part in the Scheme.

That the settlers are healthy and happy can be seen from these photographs of them in their village.

The settlers when they first came were not of marriageable age and for the first two years, the housing arrangements were for single men living as a community. Now, however, some of them have married and we are building quarters for married men and their families.

Altogether, the Board expects to spend about £37,500 on providing the above buildings and facilities for the settlers which will be recoverable from them over a priod. Among the buildings erected were fifteen quarters, a dining room, a tools store, a cattle shed to house sixty-eight beasts, a sheep hut and poultry houses, as well as water supply, electric fencing, etc.

We also found at upper Ogun that cashew with a valuable crop of nuts could be grown there satisfactorily.

The investigation we have made into cashew indicates that it will be a most profitable crop and we plan to plant 1,000 acres in all. We have already planted 250 acres and we plan to plant another 250 acres this year.

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NEXT WEDNESDAY: OUR HEADQUARTERS.

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O njẹki ehin funfun, ẹnu ko si ni run mọ.

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Itan na lọ siwaju wipe, lọjọ kan, ọba Şango de abule kan ti o jẹ wipe awọn alalebu-ara ẹaia lo ngbe ibẹ bi awọn Asuke, Atiro, Arọ, Afin, Afọju, Aditi, ati Odi. Nwọn ko si mọ Şango, Şango bere lọwọ awọn ẹnena rẹ awọn tani wọnwọyi? nwọn si dahun, awọnyi ko mọ ọba, bẹni nwọn ko si ti ri ọba ri.

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OUR HEADQUARTERS (1)

The centre of the many activities of the Board is the Headquarters at Ibadan, where may be found the top executives and where regular Board and Committee meetings are held to decide upon the policies and plans.

Until now, the Board's Offices have been a number of temporary buildings situated near the Secretariat of the Western Region Government. Some years ago, however, a well - known firm of German architects was asked to design a Headquarters building for us and this is now practically built.

It will be a very fine building of unusual design. Many fine buildings have been erected on this part of Ibadan and the Production Board offices will maintain the same high standard as the others.

All the activities of the Production Board are directed by the Board members, and to assist them with the detailed work of the projects, are six committees. The Board and the Committees are, in turn, served by a number of expert staff whose work is directed and co-ordinated by the Board's Chairman, Mr. R. A. Crofts, and the Deputy Chairman, Mr. A. O. Rewane.

The organisation at Headquarters is broken up into the following departments:

(a) Agricultural schemes,
(b) Industrial schemes,
(c) New Projects,
(d) Accounts,
(e) Engineering,
(f) Personnel,
(g) Medical.

while the general administration of the Headquarters is supervised from the Secretary's department.

All these departments are headed by qualified expert staff, of whom three come from the United Kingdom and four are Nigerians.

The following will give you some idea of the work of some of our departments.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

The Agricultural Manager is responsible for all matters relating to all our plantations, farms and other agricultural projects. He arranges for these projects to receive expert advice when necessary and he ensures that they are supplied with the labour, money, materials, stores and equipment they require to carry on with their work. It is he who fixes the amount of work to be done at each project each year and decides the best way of doing it.

INDUSTRIAL SCHEMES DEPARTMENT

Most of our industries are managed on our behalf by technical experts whom we call Managing Agents. It is the duty of the Industrial Manager to perform similar work with regard to Industries as the Agricultural Manager does with regard to our plantations; thus, he must find money for the factories when they need it and represent their interests at the Board's Headquarters.

NEW PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

We receive a large number of suggestions as to new projects we might undertake and we are always ourselves thinking about them carefully. We would be unwise, however, if we were to go into a new venture without finding out whether what we would like to do is possible and is likely to be successful. The New Projects Manager and his staff are responsible for finding out these facts before the Board makes up its mind to go ahead with any new scheme. Very often they are assisted by technical experts who may come from overseas especially to advise us.

The sort of things we need to know are whether there is a market for the goods we intend to produce; the best place for situating the new project, which, in the case of plantations, would depend on the quality of the soil and, in the case of industries, would depend on whether such things as electricity, water and transport were easily available. In every project that we undertake, we must be satisfied that we can get the labour to do the work.

These are just a few of the problems which have to be investigated by the New Projects Department, and eventually, they prepare a report which is submitted to a special committe which has been set up to advise the Board as to whether or not it should go ahead with the new projects we have in mind.

ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Most of the detailed work in connection with the accounts of our schemes at present is handled by the Accounts Department at Headquarters, although we have seven sub-offices which prepare their own accounts and submit them to Headquaters every month. The duties of this department are not limited to preparing accounts quickly, but also to making sure that our money is profitably invested until we require it, but at the same time making sure that it is available to our projects when needed. This calls for a lot of detailed planning.

Not only this, but the Chief Accountant must prepare regular reports to the Board on its financial position and this means trying to estimate what we are going to spend several years ahead. He also prepares financial reports on our new projects which accompany those of the new Projects Manager and thus enable members to decide whether we should proceed with the suggested new projects or not.

The most important duty of this department is to ensure financial control throughout the Board and this is done by first obtaining forecasts from every department as to what they would require to spend during the coming year and then getting the approval of the Board members to the proposed expenditure. Thereafter, statements are prepared every month and accounts are prepared every quarter to show whether the actual expenditure is the same as has been approved by the members. This can only be done when we are sure that our acounts throughout the Board are accurate and in addition to the normal Accounts office, we have an Internal Audit Department whose duty it is to check the records of the schemes in detail and continuously throughout the year.

Next Saturday: Our Engineering, Personnel And Medical Departments.

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