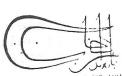
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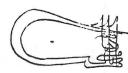




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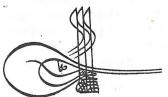
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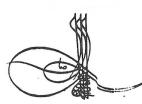
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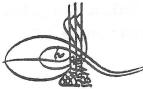
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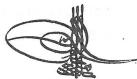
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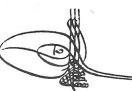
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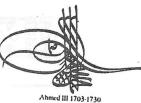
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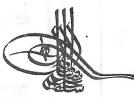
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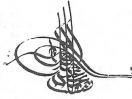
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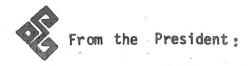


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Dear Friends:

On March 10, TACA participated at the Pacific Lutheran University Annual Intercultural Fair in Tacoma. Baklava, borek and Turkish coffee were sold to an enthusiastic gathering of students and their parents. I would like to convey my thanks to: Hanriette Basoglu, Mahide Beykozlu, Tulay Crosbie, Isik Doluca, Ziynet Giray, Aysu Moss, and Hatice Tyler for representing TACA and baking some of the food at no cost to our organization.

The first fund raising brunch meeting at Aysu Moss' residence was a great success. Not only was it well-attended, but it also generated remarkable ideas for future fund raising activities. We wish them continued success.

TACA General Assembly Meeting and the election of officers will take place on Sunday, April 8, 1984 at 5:30 pm at the Waterfront Activities Center of the University of Washington. There is more information in the following pages. Please attend and cast your votes. The nominees will be announced at the meeting.

I would like to express my appreciation to the officers of this Board and to our members for supporting the activities of TACA during the past year.





Mark your calendar.....

April 8 5-11 pm Election night and pot luck dinner

April 12 Fund Raising Committee Brunch, 10 am-4 pm

April 1, 15, 29 KRAB Turkish Radio Hour

April 22 Children's Day Celebration, UW Husky Union Bldg. Rm. 309A

April 26, 27, 28 World Cavalcade Movie: Turkey, Opera House



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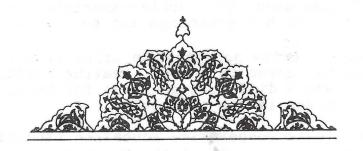
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- * The First National Bank of Boston and The Chase Manhattan Bank will open branch offices in Turkey.
- * 49 ülke foto muhabirinin katıldığı 27. Dünya Fotoğraf Yarışmasında Türk Fotoğrafcısı Mustafa Bozdemir "Yılın Fotoğrafçısı" seçildi.
- * Cumhurbaşkani Kenan Evren, Suudi Arabistan krali Fahd'in resmi konuğu olarak Suudi Arabistana gitti.
- * Turkish children won 5 gold, 12 silver, 21 bronze medals in the 13th International Children's Art Exhibition in Japan. The Ministry of Culture and Tourism reported that the successful Turkish children competed with 140 thousand children from 76 countries.
- * 32. Avrupa güzellik yarısmasında ikinci kez gene bir Türk güzeli Avrupanın en güzel kızı seçildi. *** *** A Turkish contestant again came first in the 32nd European Beauty Pageant.
- * It was announced that the Turkish Cypriot entrepreneur Asil Nadir and the Japanese Daihatsu firm have reached an agreement to form a partnership. The joint company will begin to manufacture cars within the next 3 to 4 years. *** *** Kibrisli Türk işadami Asil Nadir'in Japon Daihatsu firmasi ile kurduğu ortaklik sonucu Türkiyede otomobil üreteceği belirtildi. Türkiyede üretilmesi plânlanan otomobiller 3 veya 4 yıl sonra piyasaya çikabilecek.
- * Türkiyeye 21 çesit sigara ithal ediliyor. Amerikan, Ingiliz sigaraları 350 liradan, Fransiz, Alman, Avusturya ile yurt dışına pazarlanan Türk sigaralari ise 300 320 liradan satışa çıkarılacak.
 - * Turkey and Aeritalia, the Italian airline manufacturer are expected to agree in 2 3 months on the Turkish purchase of G-222 Transport aircraft, said Vittorio Orcese, Italy's Deputy Defense Minister.
 - * Turkey signed a \$300 million 6 yr syndicated loan with representatives from 36 commercial banks from the U.S., West Germany, and Persian Gulf countries.
 - * Iran, Sumerbank'dan satin aldigi kefen bezi siparisini arttirdi.
 Dort milyon metre kumasin bir milyon metresi Irana teslim edildi.
 - * The Turkish parliament authorized the government to sell state owned and operated businesses to private companies including foreign concerns. These businesses include Turkey's biggest bank, its petroleum company and its national airline.



COMMUNITY NEWS/ UYELERIMIZDEN HABERLER



- * Present TACA Board had its last meeting of the year and wishes to thank all TACA members and friends for their cooperation and participation in the events during its term of office.
- * A new TACA Board will be elected during the General Meeting on April 8, Sunday. Please attend this meeting and the following pot luck dinner, and nominate, lobby, and vote for the candidates of your choice.
- * The Fund Raising Committee had its first brunch and meeting at Aysu Moss' house on March 8, with 20 people attending. This was an opportunity for those interested supporters of TACA to combine their creative efforts and planning resources for a very worthy cause. Various experiences were aired and ideas suggested under the effective chairmanship of Isik Doluca. Aysu Moss, as the gracious hostess, and all the participants should be commended for their effort. See notice for next meeting in the following pages of Sesimiz. -- T.B.
- * FESTO '84: This is a fund raiser sponsored by the Foundation for International Understanding Through Students (FIUTS), on Saturday, May 19, 1984, at Nordic Heritage Museum, 3014 NW 67th, Ballard. Dinner at 7 pm, live entertainment following. For more information call FIUTS 543-0735.
- * More than 100,000 people are expected to gather at Seattle Center for the Northwest Folklife Festival, during Memorial Day weekend, May 25-28. The focus is on ethnic foods, folk arts and performances, among other events. Let's start thinking about planning and participating in this major event. New Board members, take note!
- * Wanted: Silk-screen expert to show T-shirt printing to a group of TACA volunteers. Call Aysu Moss: 632-6345.
- * On March 13, Naval Command Class of 1984 had a luncheon at the U of W. International senior naval officers, mostly captains from all over the world were visiting the University. Stationed at Rhode Island, they were in USA for a year during which they were to take short trips. Inci Atac and Cetin Toy were escorts for Turkish Captain, Orhan Guner and the Greek officer during this event. It was very pleasant to see senior military officers of all countries being good friends with each other, laughing and joking. Captain Guner only had four busy days in Seattle. However, he was informed about the Turkish-American community and TACA. He wanted to send his greetings and best wishes to all of you.--I.A.
- * Onol Bilkur recently accepted an offer from the Boeing Co. in Wichita and has moved to Kansas, leaving Seattle, his second home. This was a difficult decision for Onol. We wish him a successful career in the corn belt.
- * The International Cooperative Education students will start attending Turkish lessons at the North Seattle Community College.

 If you are interested in participating, call Tulin Baydar 783-4269.

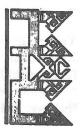
- * Galip Yurtsever and Mehmet Sahin have opened an import shop,
 Anatolia Imports, at 1504½ 1st Avenue (corner of 1st and Pike
 at the Pike Place Market) specializing in copper, meerschaum
 pipes, rugs, kilims, and gift items from Turkey. Galip has been
 in Seattle for a number of years. Mehmet, a new member of our
 community is currently studying English at the Seattle Central
 Community College. We wish them success. Hayirli ugurlu olsun!!!
 Their phone number is 467-0754.
- * Mrs. Nukhet Karaca, Debie and Ender's mother from Izmir, will be in Seattle on March 21st and will stay for about 2 months to help with the new baby they are expecting any moment now!



Turkish Hour on KRAB Radio - FM 107.7

Date: April 1, 15, and 29, 1984 Sunday, Hosts: Ali San, Sinan Karasu 6 - 7:30 pm.

Please call in your requests or comments on the Hotline 325-5110.



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TURKEY

Straddling the fabled Bosporus, Istanbul is still the exotic crossroads of Europe and Asia. Kemal Ataturk's majestic mausoleum overlooks dynamic Ankara, the modern capital he founded 60 years ago atop the Anatolian plateau. Only miles away stands legendary Hattusas, where mighty Hittites ruled an empire in 2,000 B.C. Turkish youths holiday, at popular Bodrum, a colorful Aegean resort, and tourists frolic in the ancient Roman baths at Pamukkale. Early Christians carved out myriad churches and cave dwellings at Cappadocia, where wind and water eroded soft, porous rock into an eerie, surreal landscape.

Seattle: Apr. 26, 27, 28, 1984

Portland: Apr. 18, 1984 Tacoma: Apr. 29, 1984





KIZILIRMAK KIYILARI

Kardaş senin dediklerin yok, Halay çekilen toprak bu toprak değil. Çık hele Anadoluya, Kamyonlarla gel, kağnılarla gel gayrı, O kadar uzak değil.

Çamı bitmiş, kavağı azalmış, Gamla örtülü bayırlar, çıplak değil. Yedi ay kıştan sonra, Yeşeren senin yaşamandır, Yaprak değil.

Yersin, içersin sofrasından, üç yüz senedir, Kuvvetlisin ama kuvvet hak değil. Bakımsızlıklarla göçüp gitmiş bir cihan, Mevsimler soğumuş, sular azalmış, Buğday, Selçukîlerden kalan başak değil.

Parça parça yarılmış öküz ardında, Parmağı üç pare, tırnağı ak değil. Utanır elin ayağın, Korkarsın yakından görsen, Eli el değil, ayağı ayak değil.

Gün doğar, tarla kuşları uçuşurlar, Ağır bir aydınlık, bildiğin şafak değil. Öyle dalmış ki asırlar süren uykusuna, Uyandırmazsan, Uyanacak değil.

Dertle, sefaletle yüklü, Siyah leşlerle kararmış, berrak değil. Çağlayan ne, Akan kim, Kızılırmak değil.

Kardaş, görmüyorum ama, hâlâ duyabiliyorum Geçmiş zamanlar geleceklerden parlak değil. Vakte şahadet edercesine yükselmiş, Akşam parıltısından, büyük zaferler üzerine, Dağlar dalgalanmakta, bayrak değil.

Banks of the Red River

Translated by Talat Sait Halman

Brother, what you say isn't so.
This is not the land where people dance and cheer.
Come out to Anatolia,
Come by trucks or by ox carts, but come.
You aren't far from here.

Their pine trees are gone, their poplars scarce. Hillsides are not naked, but covered with grief. After seven months of winter, Your life turns green, But not the leaf.

For three hundred years you fed on this land's food; Might is not right though your power holds sway. A world squandered by neglect.

All its seasons chilly, its waters dwindling, Its wheat not the wheat of the Seljuk heyday.

Trail the ox whose skin is in shreds. His toes are torn, his nails black with mud. Your hands and feet flinch with shame. Take a close look, you would shudder. His hands are not hands, his feet a thud.

The sun rises, the larks take wing, A heavy light, not your familiar daybreak. She has sunk so deep in her sleep of centuries, Unless you wake her up, She will not wake.

Darkened and muddled by black corpses, Grief and misery are her lot. Whatever cascades are, Or an easy flow, -The Red River is not.

Brother, I can't see, but I can still feel.

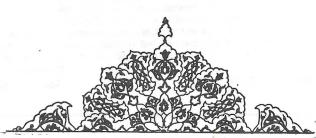
Neither the bygone ages nor the days to come glitter.

Rising like the affirmation of faith over time,

In the gleam of the night, upon all victorics,

Not the flag, but the mountains flutter.

Fazil Hüsnü Dağlarca



COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Sesimiz would like to announce an open competition for Turkish and American children in Seattle. Young adults are also invited to participate, there is no age limit. The topic is April 23rd, a special day designated by Ataturk to recognize the importance of Turkish Children. Since 1978, it has been declared to be the International Day of Children by the United Nations.

Accordingly, the competition topics will be as follows:

* Poetry

* Drawings and pictures

* Essays

Themes to include Children's Day, Ataturk, Freedom, Democracy, life in Seattle or America as a Turk, and the importance of children for a nation.

Please send your entries to TACA, P.O. Box 31258, Seattle, WA 98103 no later than April 15. A jury of five people including two young adults will judge the entries and the winners will be announced at the Children's Day Celebration, April 22, Sunday, at the UW HUB. The winners will have their work published in the April issue of Sesimiz in addition to their individual awards for recognition.



HOSPITALITY TO OUR AMERICAN STUDENTS GOING TO TURKEY

The Seattle-area college and university students bound for Turkey this summer with International Cooperative Education are already receiving a taste of Turkish hospitality. Many Turks greeted the students at the recent TACA doner kebab party and spent time answering their questions. Thank you for demonstrating one of Turkey's best traditions--genuine hospitality!

These American students are trying to learn about Turkish culture before they leave for their summer internships (approximately June 12). Don't be surprised if you are asked such questions as "How do you express no in Turkey without saying anything?" or "What should I say to my hostess after a meal?"

You now have opportunities to demonstrate Turkish hospitality in the next few months by getting to know these students on an informal basis. If you would like to invite a group or individual students to your home, please contact Karen Murphy (547-3400) or Ali San (743-6210) for names and telephone numbers.

One of the requirements for the summer exchange program is learning a survival amount of Turkish. Tülin Baydar has agreed to teach interested students before they leave. She can be reached at 783-4269.

by Karen Murphy

Greek-Turkish tensions remain after Aegean flare-up subsides

By Leigh Bruce Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Athen

One of the worst crises in Greek-Turkish relations in a decade eased over the weekend after Athens accepted Ankara's explanation that its ships had not deliberately fired at a Greek destroyer in the Acceptant last Thursday.

But the consequences of the crisis may take longer to subside, observers say.

The incident occurred when five Turkish warships on maneuvers fired antiaircraft guns in the general direction of a Greek naval vessel observing the exercise and of a small fleet of Greek fishing boats.

Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou initially called the incident "the most serious provocation since [the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in] 1974" and a "symptomatic act." Athens then recalled its ambassador from Ankara and put its armed forces on alert. These measures were subsequently revoked.

On Friday evening the Turkish government explained that its ships were engaged in an antiaircraft exercise and that only fragments of the shells fired into the air had fallen into the sea thus posing in threat to the Greeks.

As a result of this clarification, Yiannis Kapsis, Greek deputy foreign minister, told reporters Friday that "we have decided there was no intention on the part of the Turkish government to provoke such a dangerous episode."

Few observers here are willing to accept completely that the incident was a misunderstanding and not a deliberate act. This view has been underlined by government statements since the crisis began to subside.

Most view the incident as the logical culmination of several days of rising tensions between the two countries and an attempt by Turkey to test Greek resolve. Early last weeks Ankara warned Athens against upsetting the balance of forces on Cyprus after rumors began to circulate that Greece might dispatch an infantry division to the island to bolster Greek-Cypriot defenses.

Last Wednesday, the Turkish parliament passed a resolution warning Greece against "adventures" in the Aegean after another rumor surfaced that Greece was on the verge of extending its territorial waters to 12 miles, thus making the Aegean a virtual Greek lake.

Despite general relief that the crisis ended without other more dangerous incidents, many are troubled by what they consider Turkey's desire to increase tensions between the two countries. They believe Turkey wants to make progress toward a solution of the Cyprus problem impossible and at the same time further strain US-Greek relations.

I would not say this makes progress on Cyprus impossible," said one diplomat, "but tensions are so high right now, the two sides should find it very difficult politically to make the necessary moves."

Such a predicament could have severe consequences at a time that many officials in Western capitals, the United Nations, and the parties directly involved have repeatedly called "a crucial turning point."

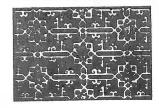
At the same time, Athens' intense, hair-trigger response to the incident and subsequent abrupt turnaround may damage its credibility and restrict its domestic room to maneuver. According to one diplomat here, "this will certainly make everyone think twice before accepting Greek cries of distress."

A pro-government observer who did not agree with charges that Athens mishandled the crisis nevertheless acknowledged that "although the Turks backed down, I am not sure that is how people abroad will see it. Maybe they will think we cry wolf too easily."

Other observers expressed surprise at the apparent apathy in Greece over the incident. There was no rush to withdraw money from banks and no huge anti-Turkish demonstrations as in previous confrontations.

These sources speculated that the government's aggressive, often alarmist rhetoric may be losing credibility with Greek voters. The result may pose serious consequences for the ruling PASOK Party's strength at a time when the country faces a crossroads in relations with Turkey. The incident may further complicate Washington's already delicate relations with Greece and its efforts to stabilize NATO's southern flank.

Even before last week's incident, Greek officials - including Papandreou had charged that the Reagan administration's unbalanced aid policies toward Greece and Turkey encouraged Turkish aggressiveness. intransigence and Papandreou himself hinted during a Cabinet meeting last week, shortly before the incident, that he would consider a US failure to redress the aid balance, a violation of the military base accord signed last year. "Greece does not threaten anyone, he said, "but it is not possible to face such a situation without consequences."



THE NEW YORK TIMES,

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1984

Martial Law Is Ended In 13 Turkish Provinces

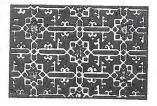
Special to The New York Times

ANKARA, Turkey, March 1 — The Government said today that it had decided to lift martial law in 13 of Turkey's 67 provinces. Martial law was extended for four months in the other 54 provinces.

Martial law was declared in all provinces in September 1980 when the army took over in a coup. Military rule ended last November after free elections.

Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said that care was still needed to protect public order in eight provinces in which martial law is to end. Military commanders will relinquish their administrative powers there, but extraordinary powers will be given the governors.

At a recent news conference, Mr. Ozal said that martial law would end "step by step when danger against public order is decreased."



Don't Forget to Vote

April 8, 1984

New Turkish Cypriot State: U.S. Editorial Comment

The Los Angeles Herald Examiner, a member of the Hearst Syndicate of newspapers, William Randolph Hearst, Jr., Editor-in-Chief of the Hearst Syndicate, in his Editor's Report, Nov. 20, 1983:

I simply don't know why so important an issue had to be left in the immediate instance to a State Department spokesman who asked for a Turkish reversal forthwith. If anything, I would like to see Turkey assume its proper role as a Moslem state of nearly 50 million with key frontiers adjacent to those of the Soviet Union, Syria and Iran among others. It guards the Dardanelles through which our Sixth Fleet passes as well as Soviet vessels. The strategic importance of Turkey is vital to the free world.

Only the other day, the Turkish military kept its word and allowed democratic elections. A new prime minister, a champion of free enterprise who was the earlier architect of the "Turkish economic miracle," Turgut Ozal, was elected handsomely. The military-supported candidate came in third.

[Greek Prime Minister Andreas] Papandreou, who professes to see CIA agentry in every U.S. act concerning his nation specifically or the world generally, has been obstinate and most difficult about re-negotiation of U.S. bases in Crete and elsewhere in the region of Greece. He has frequently sneered at President Reagan to his audiences and said that as soon as feasible he plans to withdraw Greece from NATO. He has never set a date.

Rauf Denktash, Turkish Cypriot President, has proclaimed that the new state will be non-aligned and is intended to facilitate a federation. I think that the last remark, in which he also insists that the new state will not "unite with any other state," is wide open to future discussion and negotiation. It's intended as a speed-up device, I suggest, rather than that old-time "enosis" bit, which provoked the invasion from Turkey and let us in for today's headache.

T.A.C.A. Board Elections

Don't Forget to Vote

April 8, 1984











Arkadaşımız Ziya nezle olmuş. Geçmiş olsun!!!





April 23, 1984

On April 23, 1920, Atatürk gave a very special gift to the children of Turkey. This gift is a free country run by a democracy.

This year, 23rd of April has to have a special meaning for all of us. Our parliament, Türkiye Büyük Millet Meclisi (TBMM) is re-opened and parliamentary democracy is re-established in our country. Atatürk's gift has been given again to the children of Turkey.

We have to use this occasion to announce once again how valuable it is for us to have our parliament and thus our democracy. The Turkish Students' Association of the University of Washington would like to celebrate the 23rd of April this year with the children of Turkish and other national backgrounds in Seattle. Therefore you are cordially invited to attend the:

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

at

University of Washington

22 April 1984, Sunday, 2 - 5
HUB Rm. 309A

Wear your national costume to make the day colorful and special.

Note: Children and young adults who want to help organize the party should contact Tulin Baydar 783-4269 or Inci Atac 525-6525.





Don't Forget to Vote



April 8, 1984

An educator once said, "Raising a child is very much like building a skyscraper. If the first few stories are out of line, no one will notice. But when the building is 18 or 20 stories high, everyone will see that it tilts." --Cinet Saday



Rena Reha

Turkish American Cultural Association

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

MEETING

University of Washington Waterfront Activities Center

Sunday April 8, 1984

5 pm. - 11 pm.

5:30 pm. Meeting called to order by TACA President, Ali San Nomination and election of the new Board of Directors Call for volunteers for Sesimiz Committee Nomination of representative on Ethnic Heritage Council

7:45 pm. Pot luck Dinner

For pot luck dinner, please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert: your own plus two extra servings. Tea, coffee, and soft drinks will be provided.

Children are welcome. TACA will provide baby sitting services.

MAKE A NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT DATE AND PLEASE BE THERE! TACA NEEDS US.

Note: UW Waterfront Activities Center is off Montlake Blvd., behind the UW Stadium. Parking is free.



... And now, for "A Moment of Absolutely Necessary Fund Raising...."

The Fund Raising Committee is meeting at Hanriette Başoğlu's house, on

April 12, 10 am to 4 pm.

3909 NE 157th Pl., Seattle, WA 98155 Phone: 367-5152

Cost: \$2.00
Please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert. Beverages will be available for sale. Call one of the members if you need transportation. No children please.

Işik Doluca 451-3640 Tülay Crosbie 874-4926 Ziynet Giray 883-2154 Aysu Moss 632-6345

TURKISH KAĞIT KEBAB (Baked Lamb Packages)

1 c. peas

1 tsp. dry mint
1 tsp. whole oregano
1 tsp. whole thyme
1 tsp. dill weed

½ c. parsley

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ lb. lamb, cubed, fat removed and saved

3 tbsp. butter (or margarine)
1 medium onion, grated

1 medium onion, grated 8 boiling onions, peeled

2 boiling potatoes, cut in large cubes

1 green pepper, sliced

2 medium carrots, scraped and sliced

1. In a heavy saucepan heat the fat from the lamb and the butter. Brown cubed lamb pieces quickly in this fat. Add the grated onion, sautee five more minutes. Remove to a bowl.

- 2. If necessary, add a little more butter and sautee the potatoes, carrots, boiling onions, and green pepper until the potatoes and onions are golden. Add the herbs and stir well. With rubber spatula, scrape all into the meat. Add the peas, stir well.
- 3. Make 4 large or 6 medium packages by dividing the meat mixture onto large squares of foil or parchment. Put 2 tsp. butter on top of each. Bring the sides up and seal well. Use staples on the parchment.
- 4. Place packages on cookie sheet and bake at 375 for 1 hr. 45 mins. Cut the packages open with a sharp knife when they are on the individual plates. The kebab is to be eaten right out of the packages. Serve with French or Turkish bread so that the juices are not lost!

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