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Storyteller Aşki Efendi reading a newspaper in a coffeehouse



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Object: Storyteller Aşki Efendi reading a

newspaper in a coffeehouse

Description: The well-known storyteller (meddah) Aşki

Efendi is sitting on a wooden bench in a kahvehane, looking at a newspaper he is holding with both hands. The text is in Ottoman script. Aşki Efendi is wearing a fes, a wide collarless jacket made of the same material as his trousers, a collarless white shirt, and a handkerchief around his neck. He is sitting between two marble-topped tables with his elbow propped on the one to his right, which is covered with

more newspapers.

Comment: The scene takes place in a kahvehane

in the Kadırga neighbourhood, Fatih. Ottoman script was in use in the Turkish

Republic until 1928.

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