

ARCHAEOLOGY'S BOON PICTURED

Man's Material Wealth, Historic Lore Greatly Increased, W. G. Paul Says

By LEROY INMAN

A "pot of gold" exists at the foot of the rainbow for many archaeologists who pursue their quest to the end, Walter G. Paul, himself an archaeologist, told Lions Club members last Thursday night. Paul, who will leave this week for Southern California and go thence to Mexico, Central America and Peru, reviewed archaeological finds and told of the vast intrinsic wealth, not to mention the wealth of historical knowledge these discoveries have netted.

He described discovery of a temple in Mexico which netted \$12 million, finding of the tomb of Ghengis Kahn, which netted wealth in excess of \$20 million, and of the nine cities of ancient Troy, whose wealth is estimated in excess of \$110 million. He summarized the vast remaining exploration which may prove a "pot of gold" for enthusiastic archaeologists. At least 800 cities in the Tigris and Euphrates valleys mentioned in the Bible remain undiscovered, he said. Man, from the earliest primitive days, has lived and died by the sword, and their plunder remains.

"But in all man's findings, revealing the secrets of the past, his analysis of the stars, his conquering of time and space, the releasing of energy stored in the tiny atom—with all these discoveries, man has failed in one thing: The problem of living in harmony with his fellow men," he stated.

Discussing what he termed "the Romance of Archaeology," he told of his travels all over the world in the last 45 years.

Temple's Wealth Cited
Mt. Alburn in Mexico, explorers found, covered a magnificent temple, with gold and silver stones valued at \$12 million. Three temples in Guatemala contained jade found previously only in Asia and carved ivory thought to exist only from elephants in Africa. How it got there is a question, he stated.

Weathering of stones of ancient cities of Peru, from where the Spaniards stole vast wealths of gold from the Incas, date back 5,000 to 6,000 years.

Paul told of a visit 45 years ago to Lake Titicaca, highest lake in the world, on the border between Bolivia and Peru. At this 13,000-foot elevation, where neither grain nor grass can grow, has been found evidence of a civilization of temples and cities. He saw a rock weighing 351 tons, cut from a quarry 17 miles away, and a second stone cut, but never moved, from the same quarry. The most powerful cranes today lift only 650 tons.

On Easter Island, 2500 miles out in the Pacific off the shores of Chili, where there is no arable land, statues appear carved on

jade, worth its weight in silver, were discovered.

Priceless Art Found

Paul said he visited caves found in Spain which housed the skeletons of the cro-magnon man 6000 years ago. Found there were art works the like of which has never been duplicated at any time in history. The life-like motion of animals of that day are unparalleled in works of art. The race was a fine specimen, and it is believed the Basques of Spain are direct descendants.

Troy's Discovery Told

Seventy-four years ago, a German archaeologist, reading Homer, concluded the city of Troy, believed a fable, actually existed. His many months of search brought fruit, when a shaft came down directly upon a huge copper

kettle, which contained treasures valued at \$110 million. He had discovered the ancient city, and the removal of the mountain revealed the ruins of the city and its marble statues.

Below the streets of the first city he found a second, which contained less wealth but some gold, silver and jade. He uncovered in all nine cities, one below the other, revealing the treasures, of less intrinsic value, but nevertheless of great historical wealth, of each city. The cities dated back to upwards of 11,000 years, and each revealed its own source of information of the past.

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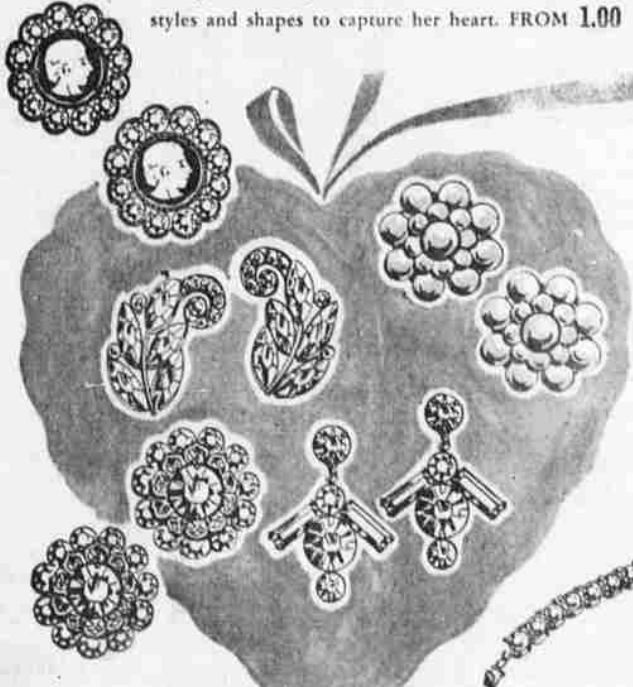


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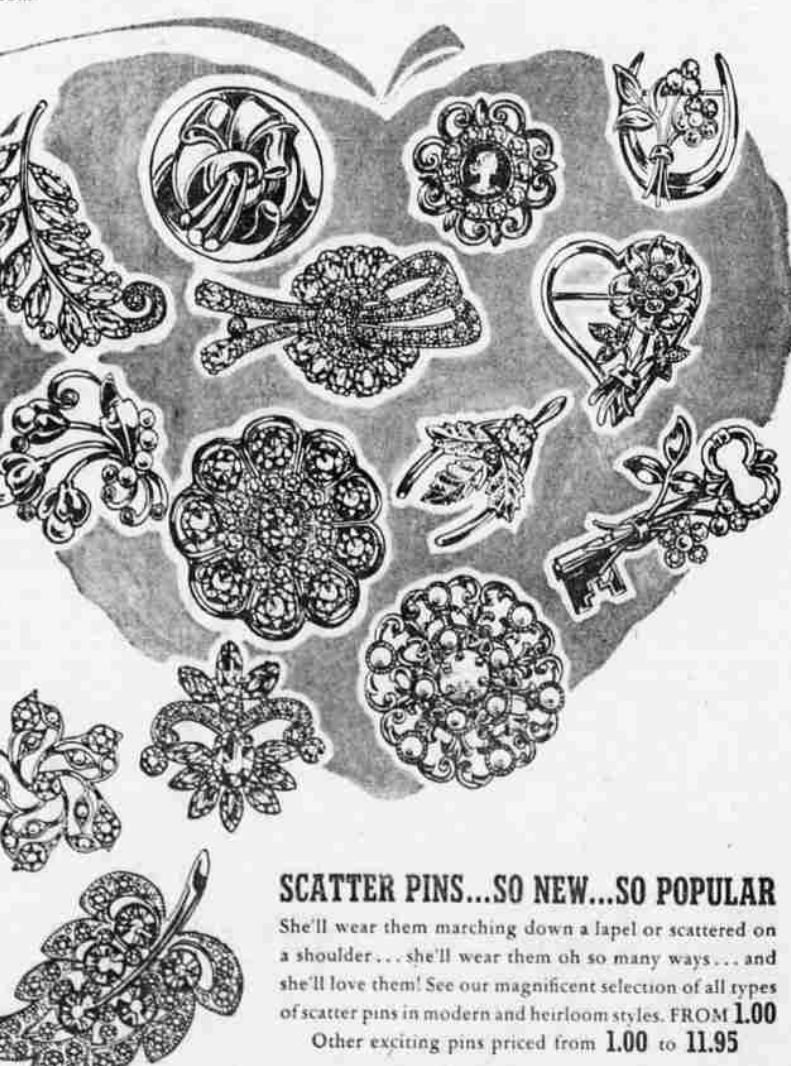


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