

LOST LINK IN HISTORIC CHAIN BELIEVED FOUND

London (AP)—A lost link in the chain of civilization has been found. A riddle of history, which has puzzled the world for thousands of years has been solved. And it is through the efforts of an 80-year-old archaeologist, who has been directing excavations at Gaza, the ancient city of South Palestine, that the identity of the people who founded the seventh and eighth dynasties of Egypt has been established.

A bronze dagger and a gold pin are credited with leading to the discovery of the secret by Sir Flinders Petrie, who has returned on a holiday from the South Palestinian operations.

The dagger, although 5,000 or more years old, is wonderfully preserved, and has beautiful hand-worked raised veins running down the blade. The gold pins are an inch or two long, with remarkable workmanship on the heads, and were used to fasten ladies' gowns.

"At last we can say where these foreigners to Egypt came from," says Sir Flinders. "We discovered the dagger and then the pins at Gaza when we uncovered the earliest of the five palaces there. I was struck by the raised veins on the dagger blade. It could not, I thought, be the Copper Age men, the people who came after Neolithic times. Then a report of a discovery in the Caspian region was shown to me and in a flash I had hit upon the secret.

"These people, one of the six races to conquer Egypt, came from the Caspian shores. The dagger and the ladies' pins show their culture in arts. They were a powerful race and they must have had much skill in building, as their palace which we have uncovered shows. In it is a luxurious bathroom.

"We have made, as a result of our discoveries, a consolidation of history. We can now date back to Neolithic man in properly tabulated form. That, I think, is a great achievement."

New Steam Airplane Tested Out At Akron

Akron, O. (AP)—Way has been cleared for test flights of Harold S. Johnston's airplane propelled by a steam engine. The department of commerce recently gave Johnston permission to make experimental tests.

The plane, believed to be the first to be propelled by steam, now is under construction. It was inspected by department of commerce officials who gave their official sanction to the motor for flight tests.

The motor uses crude oil to generate steam.

Home Made Diving Gear Held Success

Breckenridge, Tex. (AP)—Young Charles Blair had a yen to walk on the bottom of a lake here. Factory built diving bells are not to be had for a song, so Blair devised his own. It consisted of an ordinary domestic water heater, which he altered to fit over his head and rest tightly on his shoulders. His air line was connected to an automobile engine, which served as an air pump.

Many spectators gathered quizzically to watch the initial test. It worked.

WED TO FOUR ALICES

Castro, Ill. (AP)—Willard Potts, 57, has been married four times, each time to girls whose first name was Alice. "It's a pretty name," he said in applying for a license to marry Mrs. Alice Browning, the No. 4.

WITNESS HAS WIG

Boston (AP)—The court wouldn't let Hyman Bergstein wear his hat while on the witness stand. But a kindly judge did adjourn court to give Bergstein time to go out and get a wig.

INDUSTRIES GO UNDER FASCIST RULE IN ITALY

Rome (AP)—The Fascist government has undertaken control of all the basic industries of the country in what in reality amounts to a complete nationalization of industry, but maintaining the principle of private property.

Delegates of the Ministry of "Corporation" have been named to a seat on the board of directors of all the basic industries. The delegates watch the progress of the particular industry and report to the ministry its condition.

The watchful eye of the industry, too, calls the attention of the management of a particular industry to make that industry successful. Before a new industry can be started or a new factory built, the matter must be referred to the ministry for decision. This is to prevent any too heavy extension of plants. The plan is to keep all industries

as healthy as possible and not to have any idle plants due to excessive building.

The government also has control over new plants for the production of electric energy and its distribution as well as the enlargement of existing plants for the same purpose. Special authority has been given to the Ministry of Corporations and the Ministry of Public Works for this branch of industry. Present regulations regarding the concessions of water-power stations remain unaltered, according to a previous agreement from the Ministry of Corporations.

Captain Says Gulls Are Weather-vanes

Boston (AP)—Sea gulls are natural weather-vanes, according to Captain Ralph R. McDonough, who speaks from years of experience as skipper of ships sailing between here and the Maritime Provinces.

If a flock of gulls, perching on a dock or a log, suddenly change their position and face away from the prevailing wind, it means that the wind, in an hour or so, will come from the direction they are facing, he says.

U.S. EDUCATION HEAD PRAISES OWN TEACHERS

Washington (AP)—Dr. William J. Cooper, retiring U. S. commissioner of education, sent a farewell message of commendation to teachers and school administrators of America for their "zeal and sacrifice in maintaining the nation's high standard of education" during trying times.

Dr. Cooper, who has accepted a position as professor of education at George Washington university, will be succeeded as commissioner of education by Dr. George F. Zook, formerly president of the University of Akron.

The retiring commissioner also praised communities which have stood for increased taxation rather than let their children go without proper schooling.

"Our standard of living always is increasing," he said. "Today, therefore, it seems even harder to make the necessary sacrifices for schools. The next school year will call for continued sacrifice, but I know that our teachers and administrators will carry on courageously, as they have in the past."

WASHINGTON FIRST

Cambridge, Mass. (AP)—When former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York recently received an honorary degree of doctor of laws from Harvard university, he probably did not know that the first such degree ever awarded by that institution went to George Washington.

CLARE NOYES, FAMED NURSE, GIVEN MEDAL

Chicago (AP)—The Saunders medal for "distinguished service in the cause of nursing" was presented to Clara Dutton Noyes, R. N., national director of the American Red Cross Nursing Service, Washington, D. C., at the annual banquet of the National League of Nursing Education convention tonight.

Miss Noyes is the fourth person honored with the medal, which is presented annually. She also holds medals from the French and Bulgarian governments and the International Red Cross.

committee and its local organizations the nursing personnel that responds to emergency and disaster calls is governed. Miss Noyes directs 58,000 Red Cross nurses, of whom 31,000 are on active call.

In these capacities and as a former president of the American Nurses' association, as first vice-president of the International council of nurses and former president of the National league of nursing education, Miss Noyes has accomplished three vital projects for nurses.

She established national nursing headquarters in New York, the memorial building to the American nurses at the Nightingale school, Bordeaux, France, and the schools of nursing, which the American Red Cross founded in Europe and which now are the basis of professional nursing in Poland, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and Turkey. She also established a nursing school in Haiti.

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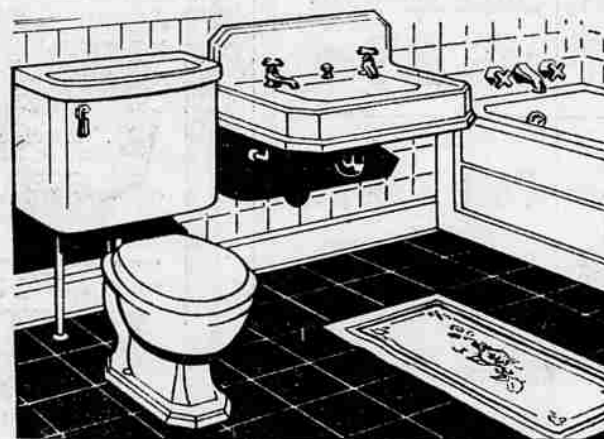
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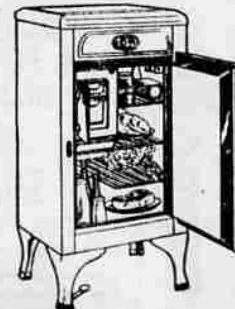
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