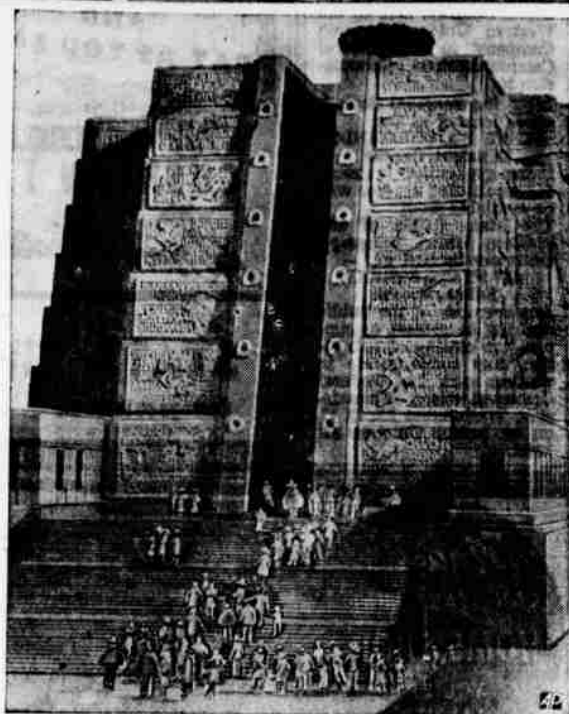


Tomb for Columbus Being Built



Lighthouse Memorial — A tomb for Columbus is now being built in Cuidad Trujillo, capital of the Dominican Republic. These views of the concrete and steel structure are taken from a plaster model. The real building will be a kilometer long and 120 feet high in the form of a recumbent cross. The 21 American republics are working together on the \$5,000,000 building to be completed by 1952. It will be a lighthouse, a museum and library, besides a tomb. History of each of the 21 republics will be carved on the front of the structure by sculptors from the countries involved. The work was started April 14, 1949, Pan American day. The design was made by J. L. Gleaves of Scotland to symbolize the international brotherhood of the Western Hemisphere. The sponsors of the project say it will be the biggest memorial to a single man since the building of the pyramids. The light on the top will be designed to guide both ships and planes.



AP Newsfeatures

Aga Khan Conferred Title of 'Highness'

Tehran, Iran, Oct. 12 (AP)—Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi has conferred the title of Highness on the Aga Khan and congratulated him on his request for confirmation of his Iranian citizenship, it was revealed today.

The Shah cabled the Aga Khan Saturday that the Iranian government always had considered him an Iranian.

The Aga Khan, spiritual leader of 12,000,000 Ismaili Muslims and father-in-law of Rita Hayworth, was born in India of Iranian ancestry.

Grangers Meet Again

Webfoot — The Dayton-Webfoot Grange's first meeting for this season following several months adjournment was held at the Webfoot Grange hall. There were 12 members present. A short program followed the regular business meeting. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Roosevelt Observed Birthday

Lake Success, Oct. 12 (AP)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt observed her 65th birthday "on the job" at the United Nations Tuesday and disclosed that she is on a reducing diet.

Top officials of the UN congratulated her and praised her work in the organization when she took her place in the social committee room.

Despite Columbus, Some Still Believe the World Is Flat

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS

Washington, Oct. 12 (AP)—If you look around the world, you'll find a lot of folks who hold that we live on a flat surface. Christopher Columbus, among others, believed otherwise. We'll bring it up to the minute, by reminding one and all that today is Columbus day.

It was back in 1492 that Christ got a yen to travel. He contracted the Queen of Spain. According to available information, she hooked her jewels or dug into the royal sock and got the old boy started, complete with ships and men.

He landed on our shores on Oct. 12, 1492.

Eventually the man we honor wound up in the pake with his legs in chains—still crying that the world was round.

There are many who, despite the evidence, still claim it's as flat as a cocktail table.

The National Geographic Society, which knows almost everything, raised the question after almost 457 years of debate. There is still debate.

I went over and fished through the records.

People in the Ethiopian hills believe the earth is like a pancake. That's according to American oil drillers who are working in Ethiopia and keep in touch with National Geographic.

These oil men reported that the natives of Ethiopia are concerned "lest recent deep-drilling operations puncture the earth's plane, letting oil leak into the void underneath."

As a matter of fact, the primitive people on earth still regard it as flat.

Take the Waduman tribe in the north territory of Australia. The people follow the sun. When it sinks, the folks duck into a hole—and they find darkness. Which to them means an even keel and something that won't roll them in the middle of the night.

Tsimshian Indians of British Columbia live on what they consider a flat earth—surrounded by the rolling sea—and supported by a man who lies on his back and supports a pole on which the earth turns—straight-wise.

In olden days many fathers of the church, including St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas, accepted the theory that the earth

was a vast plane. They relied on the words, translated, of Isaiah, Job, and Moses, which appeared to describe the earth as flat. "Greater in length than in breadth, with heaven embracing the universe, as a vault joined to the earth."

Columbus was quite a churchman. He followed religious writings which led him to believe he might reach land east of India—by sailing West about 8,900 miles. As you know, if you'll look into the books, he actually sailed 2,230 miles.

Anyhow, our man Chris blazed the trail. He made it easy for others to follow.

A few years later, American Vesputius made a turn around

Nickles Assure Boy's Education

Del Mar, Cal., Oct. 12 (AP)—Five-year-old Renwick Nickols got rid of all his nickels today—60,287 of them to be exact.

Renwick's father, Owen W. Nicholls, manager of the Del Mar hotel has been saving nickels for him since the boy's birth. Today, on his fifth birthday anniversary, Renwick presented \$3,014.35 in nickels to R. E. Anderson, vice president of the Solano Beach branch of the Bank of America. The nickels purchased an insurance endowment policy to be used for Renwick's education.

The nickels were saved in coin bags and milk bottles.

The Gulf of Mexico and steered northward nearly to Chesapeake Bay. The makers of maps put his name on the land.

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