Scientists Find Remains Of Viking Settlement In America 500 Years Before Columbus

WASHINGTON (UPI) — At last scientists have found the remains of a Viking community in North America.

The settlement was founded nearly 500 years before Christopher Columbus sailed to the New World in 1492.

It may well be the Vinland which, according to the Icelandic sagas, was established around 1000 A.D. by Leif Ericson, popularly known in his day as Leif the Lucky. It is on the northern tip of Newfoundland near the fishing village of J'Anse Aux Meadows.

The discovery of what so far appears to be the only scientifically authenticated Norse remains in America was made by the Norwegian explorer Dr. Helge Instad, who reported his findings at a news conference here Tuesday.

Studies "Road Map"

He found it after years of misdirected effort by studying a "road map" made by Leif and reported in detail by the sagas. The sagas are legendary Norse narratives, handed down by word of mouth from generation to generation.

The sagas say Leif and his fleet of longboats sailed from western Greenland around 1000 A.D., arrived at the coast of Labrador, sailed down the coast until they passed a steep-sided island in a fairly large fiord, and wound up a short distance beyond at a sandy strand fringed by luxuriant grasslands.

According to modern linguists, the "vin" in Vinland meant grass. And according to Dr. Junius Bird of the American Museum of Natural History, if you follow the route described in the sagas to the site excavated by Ingstad, "you can't miss it."

Discovery Almost Miracle

Nevertheless, "it was almost a miracle," Bird said, that Ingstad found anything at all to unearth. The old Norse buildings, nine houses and a primitive smithy, were built of sandy sod which long since has crumbled, leaving only their outlines plus some typical Norse hearths and the rusty remains of Viking iron smelting.

If, in the nearly 10 centuries since the settlement was abandoned, somebody had planted potatoes or other crops over the old building sites, the evidence would have been destroyed forever.

Instad's findings, authenticated after three years of painstaking excavation, were reported at a news conference sponsored by the National Geographic Society, which helped to finance his 1963 work.

Rocky Sets Candidacy

ALBANY, N.Y. (UPI)—Governor Rockefeller will announce Thursday his decision to run for the Republican presidential nomination.

It also was learned that unless Rockefeller makes a sudden change in plans, he will not go to New Hampshire for the opening Friday of his campaign headquarters in that state. According to plans, Rockefeller will visit the first-in-the-nation primary state Nov. 21 or 22.

The first presidential primary in the nation will take place in March in New Hampshire. Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, currently the frontrunner for the GOP presidential nomination, also is expected to enter the New Hampshire primary.

Fish Eggs Collected

MOUNT SHASTA — Salmon egg collections at the Iron Gate Dam ended Wednesday with approximately 3,500,000 eggs gathered. They were brought to Mount Shasta for incubation.

More than 32,000 fish were counted ascending the Shasta River and allowed to spawn naturally. According to fish hatchery personnel, the Iron Gate Dam and the Shasta River counts were above average this year.

Salmon eggs collected and found not mature enough to be spawned now were taken by truck to nearby Bogus Creek and released to spawn naturally.

Hatchery officials said within a few years the hatchery provisions should be complete enough at Iron Gate to handle the entire salmon run without moving the eggs to another location.

LUNCH WITH EDITORS

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Kennedy plans to lunch Wednesday with a group of 25 Ohio newspaper editors and publishers. It will be the 23rd of a series of such meetings with editors from various states.

Disarmament Talks Pushed

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (UPI)—Thirty-nine nations today pressed for a quick resumption of the Geneva disarmament talks with emphasis on measures to ease East-West tension.

Neither the United States nor Russia, nor any major Western or Communist country participating in the Geneva talks, sponsored the measure in the political committee. It calls upon the 17-nation conference to give "urgent and sustained attention to the study of the various collateral measures which . . . seem promising of early agreement."

Specifically mentioned were measures to reduce the risk of war by accident or by surprise attack, and measures intended to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons to countries which do not now have them.

Although the resolution requests a progress report from the Geneva conference at an early date and a final reporting by next Sept. 1, the 17-nation parley was not expected to resume before January.

On The Records

DIVORCE ACTIONS FILED

SAMPLE—Shirley vs. Gary W.

COURT ACTIONS FILED

Clorinda Mirabel vs. Lynn J. Wheeler and Ruby D. Wheeler.

Louis Schneider vsh Clinton M. Patterson, et al.

Lavina Henry, administratrix of the estate of La Neva Henry Crain, deceased, Caledonia Jackson and Lorraine Allen vs. Francis Hutchinson.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Gary Craig McGregor, 22, Stead Air Force Base, Nev., and Caroline Hurley, 17, Klamath Falls.

Corbyn Roche Pomeroy Jr., 18, and Lorna Louise Pratt, 19, both Klamath Falls.

Clifford Morehouse, 24, Malin, and Katherine Barton, 16, Tulelake.

KLAMATH FALLS BIRTHS

BOYS

LANCASTER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lancaster in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 28 a boy weighing 9 lbs.

SCHRAKOFF—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Schrakoff in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 30 a boy weighing 6 lbs., 11½ ozs.

DANKS—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Muryl Danks in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 30 a boy weighing 7 lbs., 11½ ozs.

SMITH—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvis C. Smith in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 30 a boy weighing 8 lbs.

GRAHAM—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Graham in Klamath Valley Hospital Nov. 1 a boy weighing 6 lbs., 13½ ozs.

YOUNG—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Young in Klamath Valley Hospital Nov. 3 a boy weighing 8 lbs., 8 ozs.

KETEL—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ketel in Klamath Valley Hospital Nov. 3 a boy weighing 6 lbs., 6 ozs.

NEW—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth New in Klamath Valley Hospital Nov. 4 a boy weighing 6 lbs., 14½ ozs.

GIRLS

WILSON—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilson in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 29 a girl weighing 6 lbs., 9 ozs.

PETTYJOHN—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pettyjohn in Klamath Valley Hospital Oct. 29 a girl weighing 7 lbs., 9½ ozs.

CAVENER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cavener in Klamath Valley Hospital Nov. 2 a girl weighing 7 lbs., 12½ ozs.

1963 SUMMARY

Boys: 434 Girls: 384

Court Records

MUNICIPAL COURT
Nov. 1, 1963

Floyd Julius Hagenstad, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Lawrence Phillip Neister, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Ralph L. Gesivang, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Norman Ralph Thibault, drunk, $25 forfeited.

Arnold Graves, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Frank Farmer Jackson, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Robert Lee Hampton, vagrancy, $100 or 30 days.

Lawrence Morano Avila, vagrancy, $100 or 30 days.

MUNICIPAL COURT
Nov. 5

Robert Perry, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

William Orvic Chambers, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Jerald Jackson, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Blazier Paddy, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Charles Fred Johnston, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

William Bluecloud, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Joe Wahl, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Alvin Beal, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Lewis Chester Reynolds, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Raymond Townsend, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Hoyt Loudermilk, drunk, $25 or five or 10 days.

Arthur J. O'Banion, drunk, $25 forfeited.

Coffee Break

ACROSS
1 Coffee type
5 Hot beverage
8 Kind of cake
12 Moslem prayer call
13 Male sheep
14 Not working
15 Female name
16 Anger
17 Top man (coll.)
18 Escapable
20 Cupid
21 Ostrichlike bird
22 British military force (ab.)
24 Sponging; loafing
28 Tidal flow
32 Miss Merkel
33 Supreme Being (Latin)
35 Den
36 Sora
38 Merganser
40 Miss Hagen
41 Scuttle-butt
43 Coffee break back-biting
45 Ocean
47 Indo-Chinese language
49 Ditch
51 Snack with coffee
56 Type of fast horse
57 Failure
58 Othello's betrayer
59 Dickens character
60 Compass point
61 Miss Pons
62 Valley (poet.)
63 Color
64 Remarks

DOWN
1 Semi-precious stone
2 Arm. of Black Sea
3 Spanish length unit
4 Chaplet (poet.)
5 Popular defenders
6 Mr. Sande
7 Afghan noble
8 Munificent
9 Aroma
10 Besides
11 Heraldic band
19 Among
23 Northeastern states (ab.)
24 Rounded knot
25 Two-toed sloth
26 Disable
27 Flavored chicles
29 Trinket
30 Miss Hayworth
31 Epochal
34 Isolated
37 Expendable
39 Monkey
42 Musical note
44 Things of no value
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48 Bridge ——
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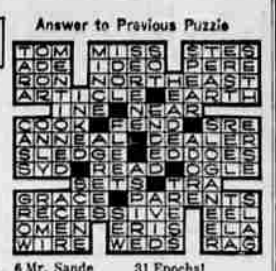
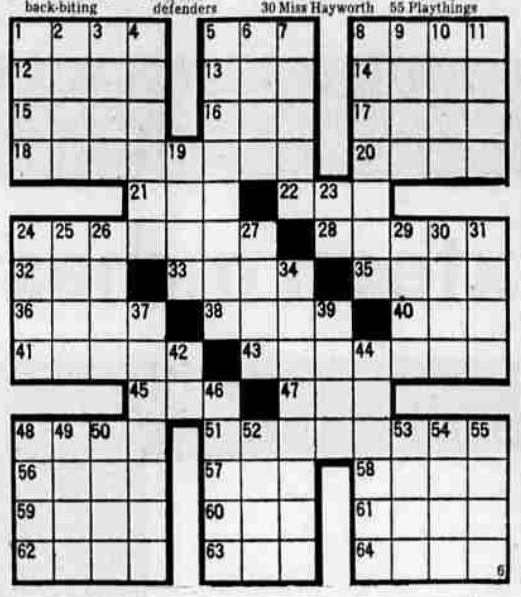
50 Assembly room
52 Stream in England
53 Cobra genus
54 Homely
55 Playthings

Answer to Previous Puzzle





Big Anti-Missile Weapon May Be Shown By Soviets

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Soviet Union's top secret "anti-missile missile" may be shown Thursday during Moscow's massive parade marking the 46th anniversary of the Russian revolution.

Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev once boasted it could "hit a fly in outer space."

A giant missile, covered by canvas on a truck bed, has been seen at midnight dress rehearsals for the annual military view in Red Square. It appears to be 50 to 55 feet long — much longer than the first and second generation surface-to-air missiles displayed in previous parades.

The Communists claim one of the earlier types shot down Francis Gary Power's U2 over the Soviet Union in 1960.

The canvas-covered model apparently has extra large fins, presumably for intricate maneuvering at high speeds and altitudes.

Almost nightly, tanks, rocket launchers and military hardware of all description have rumbled through the streets in preparation for the show before Khrushchev and other members of the Communist hierarchy.

Cancer Society Plans Session

The two-day 1963 Workshop Conference and annual meeting of the American Cancer Society, Oregon Division Inc., will be held at The Village Green Motor Hotel, Cottage Grove, beginning at noon, Thursday, Nov. 7, publicity chairman Maud E. Ferguson has disclosed.

Attending the meeting from the Klamath County Unit will be O. K. McCart, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Johanson, Mrs. William Georgesen and Mrs. Bernard McDonald.

A program combining work and inspiration has been planned for the two days.

Featured speaker will be Lane Adams, New York, executive vice president of the American Cancer Society.

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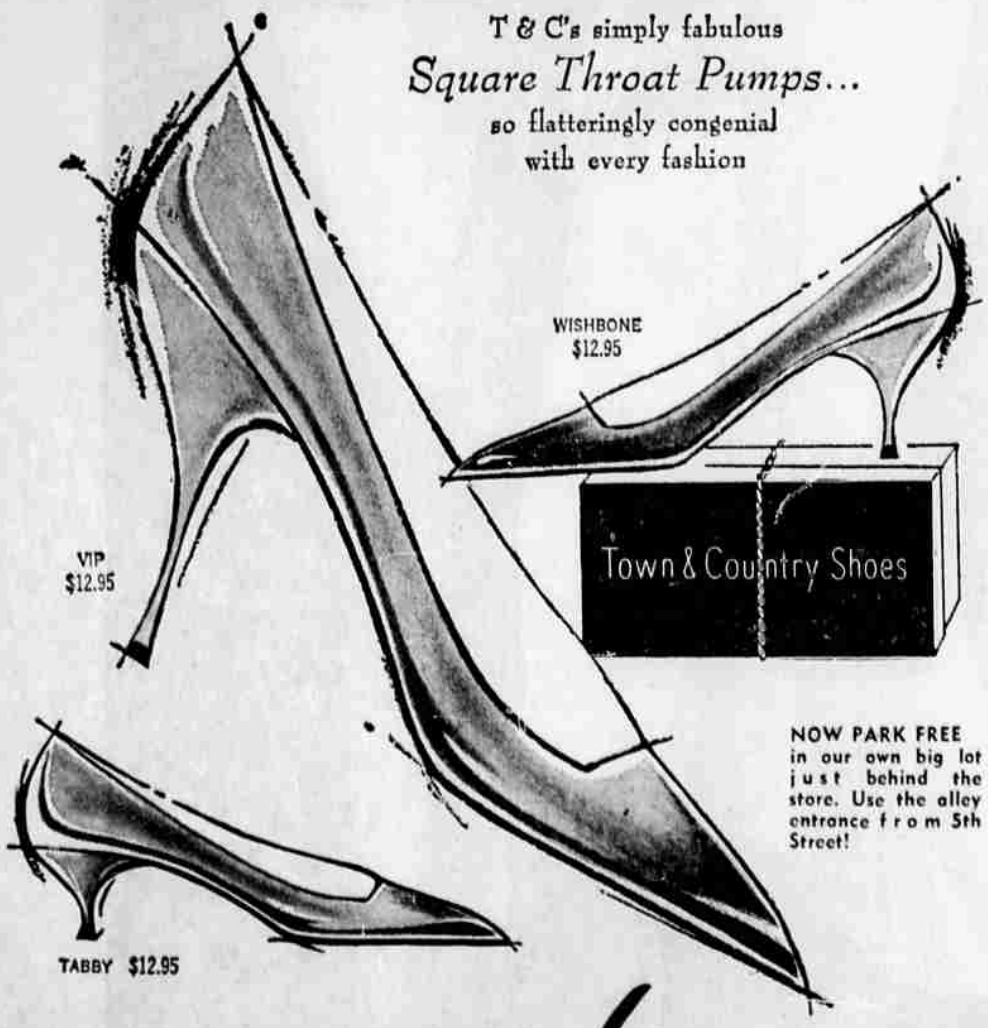

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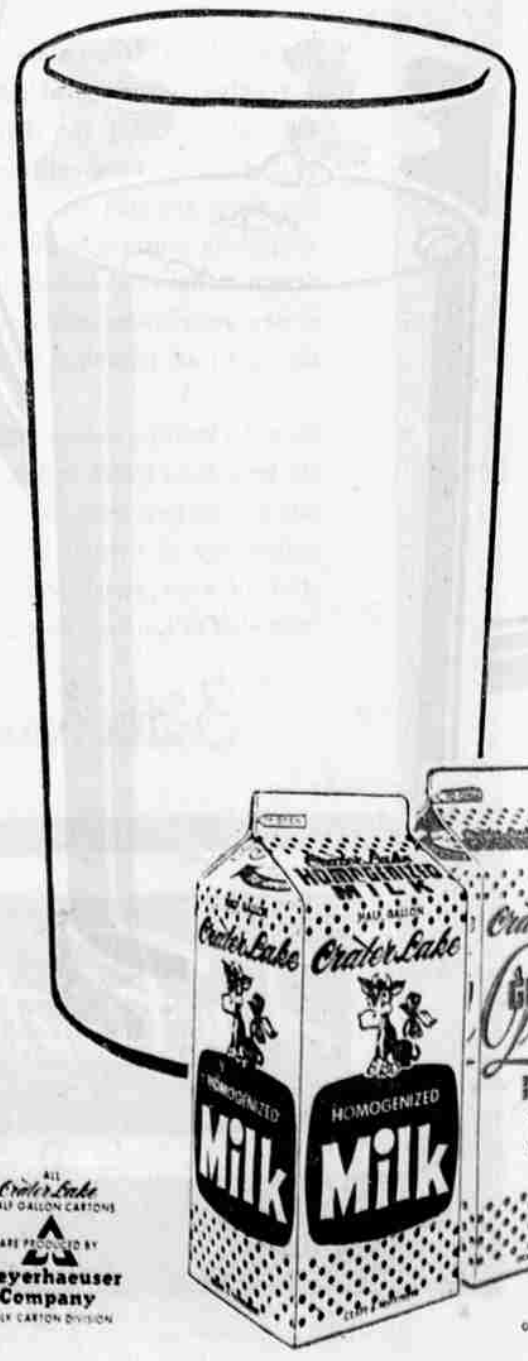

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