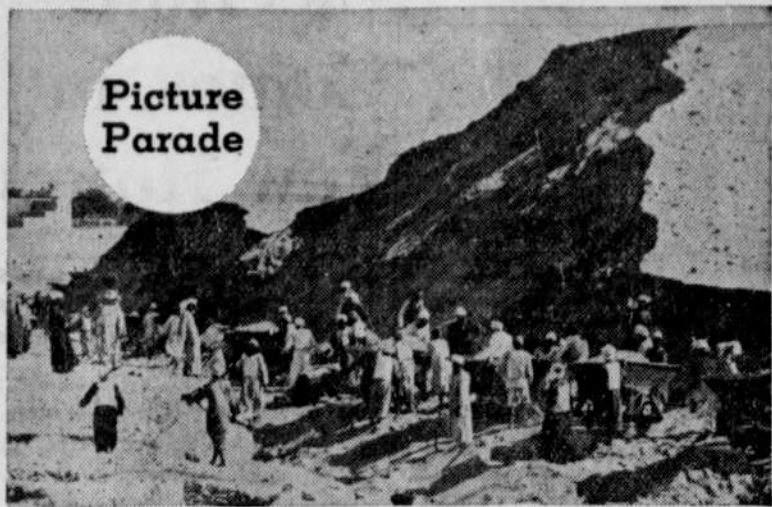
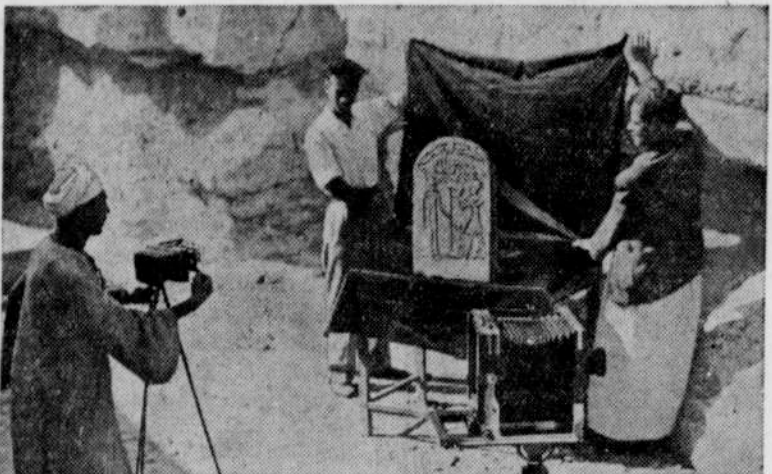


Servants in 'After Life'

Picture Parade

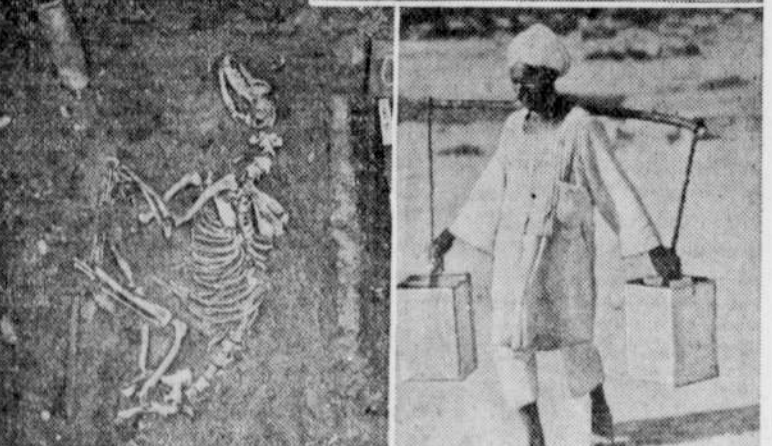
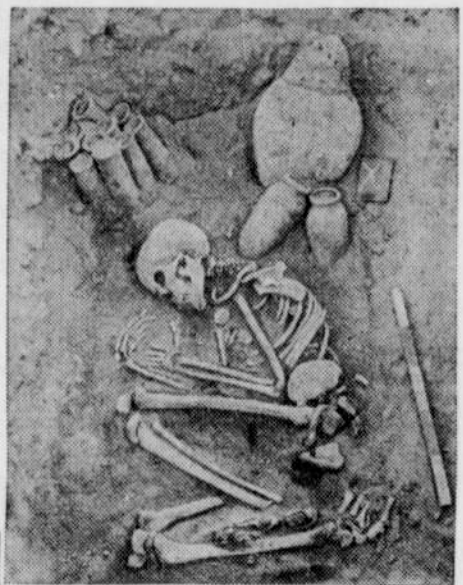


Not since the great King "Tut" was removed from his grave has the little world of excavators been so excited. In Egypt the government's department of antiquities has made investigations at Saqqara, uncovering the tomb of the wealthy Vizier Hewaka.

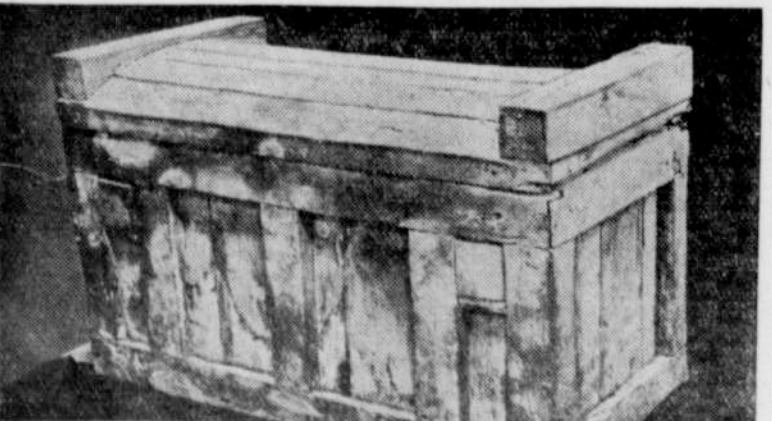


Plaques and carvings, always interesting because they tell a story when uncoded, were photographed carefully by the expedition's cameraman, then stowed away for future examination.

Shocked excavators were much more interested to discover that nine servants, three pet birds and seven dogs were slain when Vizier Hewaka died, and were placed in his tomb to "serve him in after life." Under the direction of Zaki Saad Eff, expedition leader, 18 small rectangular graves were unearthed, 14 of them in perfect condition. Nine of the graves were like that at the right.



Around each man's body had been placed pottery vases, believed to have contained some kind of drink. Two smaller vases and ten cylindrical containers, which may have been cups, completed the "after life" equipment. Five of the bodies were found with pottery bearing inscriptions mentioning the name of the fruit or grain each contained. Zaki Saad Eff is commanding a large expedition at the excavations, among them many superstitious natives (above, right) who prefer servant tasks to meddling with the tombs of their forefathers.



The birds were buried more carefully than the servants, each being placed in a separate coffin and wrapped in linen. The coffin containing the largest bird (above) was inlaid with a remarkable pattern of ivory and ebony. Since it is impossible to believe that so many people and animals connected with the household could have died simultaneously of natural causes, today's explorers readily confess that the only explanation is a mass slaughter which followed the death of every rich man. The master needed their services and company after death just as he did during life on earth—that, at least, was the popular belief.



The tomb where wealthy Vizier Hewaka was buried



WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK. — Leslie Hore-Belisha, British secretary of war, made himself somewhat of a national hero several months ago when he shook up the army command, upped the youngsters and sent the oldsters back to their club chairs. The report of his ultimatum demanding a change of foreign policy is a stand-out in the current news.

There was something like consternation among British conservatives early in 1937, when Prime Minister Chamberlain named the incidentally Jewish Mr. Hore-Belisha for the war post. There was no hint of anti-Semitism in their attitude, but just then certain optimists among them were trying to tool Britain into the German orbit, and there were alarmed predictions that Hitler would be enraged and seek quick vengeance.

That didn't come off, and the new war secretary started a whirlwind army clean-up and all-around reconditioning campaign, to the satisfaction of all hands. Seventy-nine-year-old Sir Ian Hamilton, who had been in command at the Dardanelles, said, "Thank God we are under a proper soldier and will not be shot sitting down."

He has spent a lot of time badgering his elders, and still has many of them to work on, as he is only forty-three. When, a brash young Oxonian, he ran for parliament, his opponent tagged him as "the nonentity of the college bench." He nailed this on his mast-head, spoofed the opposition cleverly, and romped in.

He was a dispatch carrier in the war, then a major, a reporter on a London newspaper, with convenient underground pipelines to the front page and the headlines.

He became financial secretary of the treasury in 1932 and later minister of transportation. He is a demon for detail and has swarmed all over England, inspecting equipment, barracks and army kitchens.

He is of medium stature, round-headed, with roached, graying hair, unmarried and given to night forays, checking this or that detail of the military establishment.

AT LEAST six times in the past 150 years, the Rothschilds have been counted out, and they have always come back—like John Barclaycorn and Old King Cotton. Now the arrest of Baron Louis von Rothschild is reported from Vienna. The era which founded their dynasty was disquietingly like this one. The Romanoffs, and the Hapsburgs, Matternich and Disraeli and all the other kings, conquerors and statesmen came to terms with them.

Baron Louis is the head of the house. The catastrophic fall of the Creditanstalt bank of Vienna in 1931 was supposed to have wrecked them.

A few weeks later, they were shoveling money into American securities, and, it was reported, snagging a stray million here and there by a fast overseas play on francs, an old family custom.

Louis and his brother, Alphonse, were living in regal splendor when the Creditanstalt failed. They had great estates and magnificent art galleries, shooting lodges, a huge Franz Lehar chorus of retainers, deer parks and a brace of medieval castles. Much of these holdings slipped away, as Louis, with somewhat less than the usual family zest and acumen in financial affairs, turned to a study of philosophy and the arts.

It is 132 years since Napoleon, after Austerlitz, made mince-meat of the Holy Roman empire and even more ruthlessly dismembered Austria. Nathan, James and Solomon von Rothschild, sons of Mayer Anselm, founder of the line, not only saved their holdings, but extended their dominions to the remotest corner of Europe.

These vast ramifications of their fortune, one of the largest in the history of the world, were in land, steel, coal, manufactures and munitions, and, in later decades, in oil and hydroelectric power.

Libraries have been written about them, one notable record being Zola's "L'Argent." Their continental money matrix has been a stabilizer at times. It is possible that the Vienna jail door clangs the end of a dynasty and an epoch—but not quite certain. History will tell.

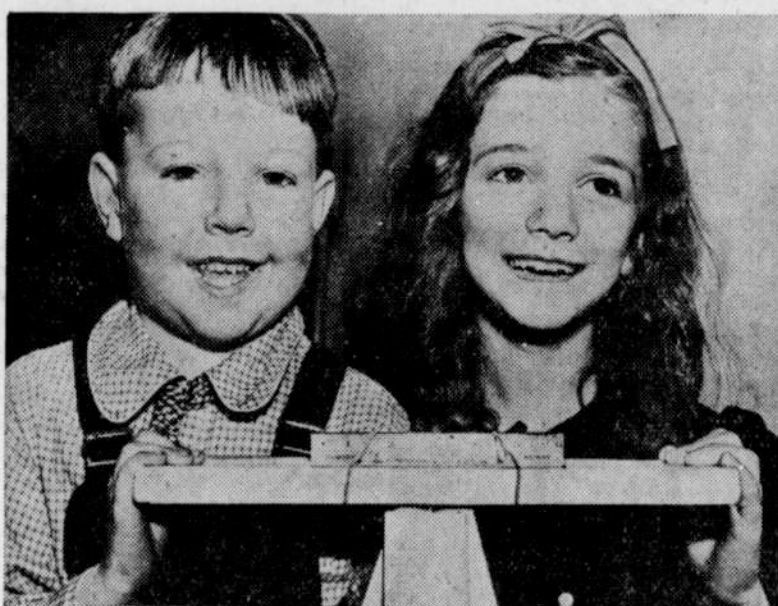
Consolidated News Features, WNU Service.

Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—Crowds like this besieged the foreign consulates seeking visas to enable them to leave Austria following the annexation of that country by Germany. 2—In training to become members of the police force in Pootung, China, these girls will soon be qualified to don their uniforms. 3—Patrick Cardinal Hayes of New York, who declared during an interview that he was praying for General Franco to win the Spanish civil war.

"Biggest Smile" Contest Winners



Their smiles were the biggest by actual measurements in the annual Boys' Athletic league's "Biggest Smile in New York" competition. Winners, Jimmy O'Brien, four years old, and Rose Rushit, seven years old, display their winning smiles, the biggest of the thousands of boys and girls throughout the city who entered the contest.

SHE'S A SEA CAPTAIN



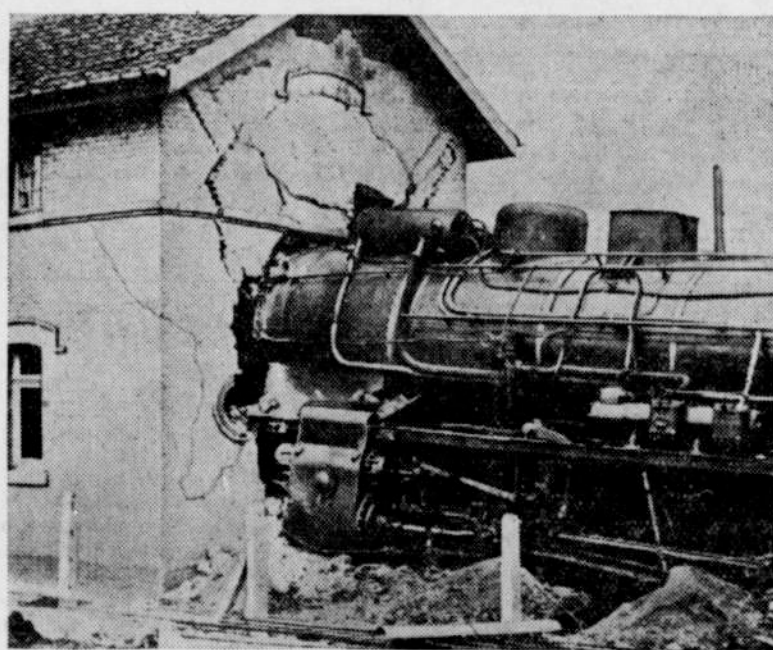
The first woman in the province of Quebec to receive a master's papers, Miss Francoise LeMay, twenty-three-year-old French Canadian, is shown at the wheel of her tanker, the Adelphic, in the St. Lawrence river. The tanker, owned by her father, who will retire this spring, will be placed in her sole command.

ORGANIZES GRANDMAS



Mrs. John Wesley Gray, lecturer and the only woman to run for mayor of Chicago, who was elected secretary of the newly organized Grandmothers' club. The organization comprises 39 grandmothers, each active in a business or profession, to prove that this is not exclusively a man's world.

Here's a Forced Entry



This unusual accident occurred near Braine L'Alleud, Brussels, Belgium, recently as the result of a faulty switch. The locomotive crashed into the side of a signalman's house in which he lives with his wife and two children. Luckily, no one was injured.

Barcelona Cleans Up After Air Raids



Citizens of Barcelona shown cleaning up debris after the fearful bombing raids the city was subjected to by insurgent airplanes. Hundreds of men, women and children were killed by the explosion of bombs which threw the civil population into panic.