

DICE FURNISH CLUE TO LIFE AGES AGO

They Prove Trade Flourished, Says Scientist.

Philadelphia.—Terra cotta dice used in gambling operations at Tepe Gawra nearly 50 centuries ago furnish evidence that international commerce flourished to a hitherto unsuspected degree in ancient Mesopotamia, according to Dr. E. A. Spelzer, University of Pennsylvania archeologist.

Describing in a new volume the excavations at Tepe Gawra, Professor Spelzer points out that although all numbers from one to six appear on the dice, the sum of the numbers on opposite sides does not total seven. Thus, he says, they are like dice found at Mohenjo-Daro, an archeological site in India, and indicate the existence of commercial relations between the two cities.

The dice are among objects found in the first eight levels of the ancient mound at Tepe Gawra by an expedition under Professor Spelzer's leadership. He cites also a toy four-wheeled wagon of terra cotta, figurines representing the Mother Goddess and other finds of pottery, stone and copper as evidence of a widespread international commerce there.

The toy wagon, drawn by an animal of terra cotta, belongs to a type unknown in Mesopotamia in that period but it closely resembles models of hooded chariots found above and beyond the distant Caucasus and the Caspian sea and constitutes tangible proof of trade with those regions, Doctor Spelzer contends.

Other Tepe Gawra finds, it is stated, have affiliations with cities in various parts of the ancient East, including Cyprus, Susa in Persia, and Ur of the Chaldees, Kish and Uruk in Babylonia.

Doctor Spelzer first investigated the ancient mound at Tepe Gawra in northeastern Mesopotamia in 1927 when he was field director of an archeological expedition sponsored by the University museum of the University of Pennsylvania and the American Schools of Oriental Research.

Doctor Spelzer returned to the university in 1932 to resume his work as professor of semitics, and Charles Bache became field director of the joint expedition.

During the season of 1934-35 the expedition led by Mr. Bache uncovered the oldest city in the world on Level 12 at Tepe Gawra. This month the expedition, which recently left this country for Tepe Gawra, will begin its campaign with the clearing of a still older level.

Weather Men to Speak

Language of Their Own Washington.—An international language for the weather, made up of signs and figures instead of words so as to avoid the confusion of varied national languages, is to become uniform for the world's weather men, W. R. Gregg, chief of the United States weather bureau, asserted.

Returning from Warsaw he reported that the International Meteorological organization at its eighth meeting there, with representatives of 42 countries present, adopted a program for unification of codes, symbols and units in the exchange of weather reports.

The maps on which daily weather forecasts are based will look alike the world over. A black dot will mean light rain or drizzle, a star will mean light snow, and a plain circle will mean clear, cloudless skies on every weather map, whether the observers supplying data for it speak English, French, Russian, Chinese, Arabic, or any other language.

Loggers Cut Down Giant

Spruce 405 Years Old

Cathlamet, Wash.—A gigantic spruce tree, one of the largest ever cut in Washington, was felled by Jacobsen Brothers, logging contractors, near here.

The tree was 11 feet in diameter where it was cut, 10 feet from the ground. The first sawing, 16 feet long, scaled 11,000 board feet. The top of the stump showed it was 405 years old. Jonas Larsen and Pat Jacobsen felled the forest giant after a day and one-half of work. It took John Ashley six and one-half hours to cut the log in two the first time.

Smallest Man in Orient

Is Only 32 Inches Tall

Kobe.—A Manchurian farmer, who claims to be the smallest man in the Orient is "celebrating" his thirty-second year of grass widowhood. He is Huang Chen Yu and he is only 32 inches in height. But in addition to this, he has two other claims to distinction, for he was married at eight and divorced at fifteen. Huang Chen Yu is not going to marry again. "How can a man my size command respect in a wife?" he asked reporters.

Deaf and Dumb See

Plays Acted Out

Moscow.—One theater for the deaf and dumb, believed to be unique, where the management, cast and audience are all deaf and dumb, is operating here. Instead of spoken words the lines of the plays are expressed by gestures and facial expression. Among the plays in the theater's repertoire are most of Shakespeare's tragedies. The theater has a seating capacity of 500. It is nearly always full.

Minutes Of Board Of Education

The County Board of Education met in regular session Monday, Dec. 2, 1935, at 10 o'clock in the superintendent's office with the following members present: Mrs. Geo. C. Wood, Mrs. E. L. Winslow, L. W. Belch, Isaac Byrum, and S. E. Morris, chairman.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and the treasurer's report was read and approved.

The following State and County bills were approved and ordered paid:

Table with 2 columns: Bill Name, Amount. Includes County Bills Payable (Wm. Welch Mfg. Co., N. E. Book Depository, etc.) and State Bills Payable (Superintendent's salary, Clerical Help, etc.).

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Total \$3,928.87

The Board of Education recommended that the balance of the 1934 Literary Fund with interest be paid immediately.

The Board of Education moved and seconded that if Bus No. 10 was replaced by the State School Commission with a new bus, that No. 10 be given to the Negro schools to operate at their expense.

The 1934-35 Audit was inspected and discussed, same being found in good form and accurate with information at hand.

There being no further business, motion was moved and seconded to adjourn.

S. E. MORRIS, Chairman W. J. TAYLOR, Secretary

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(Continued from Page One) Parker, E. W. Spires, Mrs. Ethel H. Boyce, Mrs. J. A. Moore, Mrs. W. A. Graham, Mrs. H. G. Wood, H. G. Wood, Miss Carrie W. Coke, Mrs. J. A. Woodard, Sutton's Drug Store, Louise D. Coke, John W. Graham, Dr. W. I. Hart, Gulf Filling Station, Mrs. Heywood Ziegler, Leila's Beauty Salon, Dr. W. S. Griffin, Hobowsky's Store, T. C. Byrum, William Privott, C. E. Byrum, Miss Zene Elliott, Bank of Edenton, George Wood, Chap's New Deal, Jenkins Motor Co., John G. Wood, Mrs. John G. Wood, Miss Sophia Wood, J. N. Pruden, J. A. Bunch, R. C. Holland, H. R. Leary, Mrs. H. R. Leary, Mrs. W. D. Pruden, Dr. L. P. Williams, Mrs. Jno. M. Reatty, R. D. Dixon, Mrs. George C. Wood, F. I. White, Dr. J. A. Powell, Mrs. J. W. Davis, Mrs. Lloyd Griffin, Mrs. Phillip McMullan, Mrs. H. M. S. Cason, Mrs. J. T. Satterfield, Mrs. J. A. Powell, Mrs. Walter S. White, Mrs. T. H. Shepard, Mrs. Geo. Mack, Geo. Mack, Mrs. J. N. Pruden, Mrs. M. F. Bond, Jr., Mrs. D. M. Warren, Capt. J. L. Wiggins, Miss Mary Pruden, Miss Margaret Pruden, Rev. C. A. Ashby, Mrs. C. A. Ashby, Mrs. R. C. Holland, Mrs. C. S. Vann, Miss M. Skinner, Mrs. O. M. Elliott, Mrs. M. G. Brown, Chowan Woman's Club

President Endorses Christmas Seal Sale

In connection with the Christmas Seal Sale, President Franklin D. Roosevelt lends his endorsement of the movement by having the following to say:

"The cooperation of every man, woman and child, every organized group and every governmental official is needed in order to bring this dread disease under control. It is properly the duty of each local community to raise the funds for its own protection. Christmas Seals give everyone an opportunity to do his part. The funds are spent in the communities in which they are raised for the protection of all. The need is great."

Traveling Around America



PLACE WHERE THE SUN WAS TIED

HERE is the giant sun dial which the Incas measured their seasons—the "Inti-huatana," or "place where the sun was tied." The shadow cast by the cone on the stone platform beneath formed the basis of the ancient Indian method of reckoning time.

The Inti-huatana in varying forms is found in many of the dead cities which have been unearthed in Peru—the one shown above is part of the ruins of Kenco scattered over a high hill east of Cuzco, ancient capital of the Incas. Cuzco is fast coming to the front as an archeological center and—particularly since it has been made so easily accessible by the weekly 29-day Peru cruises to Cuzco—is becoming a popular

mecca not only for scientists but for the globetrotters as well.

The outstanding characteristic of Cuzco is its walls made of huge stones cut and fitted together in some mysterious manner without the use of sharp instruments, mortar or cement. Other ruins include stone seats, remnants of baths, archways and staircases; the famous Rodadero, a steep naturally grooved rock used by the Incas as a toboggan slide long before the Spaniards arrived; and the "Throne of the Inca," a rounded-off rock with steps cut into it on either side—the vantage point from which, it is said, the Inca and his engineers directed the construction of the fortress of Sacsahuaman.

Large Congregation Hears Final Sermon Of Rev. W. F. Walters

Rev. W. F. Walters preached his final sermon Sunday morning to a large congregation in the Methodist Church preparatory to leaving Edenton for Warsaw, to which place he was transferred by the Annual Methodist Conference. In his farewell message Mr. Walters expressed regret at having to leave Edenton, where he has made many friends and where his work was made very pleasant by many co-laborers in the church's activities. He spoke very highly of Rev. George W. Blunt, who will replace him at the local church, coming here from the Warsaw church.

Mr. Blunt is said to be an interesting speaker and is a graduate of the divinity school of Yale University.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters and son, Franklin, left Edenton Tuesday for their new location, and the same truck used in moving their belongings brought Mr. Blunt's property to Edenton. He is expected to preach his first sermon Sunday morning.

Quinn's Leading In Free Cruise Contest

W. M. Wilkins, manager of the Quinn Furniture Company, has just received information from the Tidewater Electric Company, of Norfolk, Va., Philco radio distributors, that his store is leading in the Havana Cruise Contest put on among dealers in the Norfolk area. This Contest provides for a trip to Havana with all expenses paid and runs until May 1.

The Quinn store has 2370 points to its credit with the next competitor having 1310 points

MISS AVIS WARD HONORED AT DELIGHTFUL PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ward, of the sign Pine Section of Chowan County, entertained quite a large number of friends Saturday evening in honor of their daughter, Miss Avis Ward.

The guests spent a most delightful evening in playing games and enjoying other forms of amusement.

An assortment of delicious homemade candies and apples were served.

LEGION AUXILIARY TO MEET AT HOTEL JOSEPH HEWES

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the Hotel Joseph Hewes. The president, Mrs. Jesse White, is very anxious for a full attendance, as the Auxiliary must have the full cooperation of its members to function as it should.

SERVICE LEAGUE PREPARING TO SPONSOR STOCKING FUND

The Service League of St. Paul's Church met last week preparatory to making a drive for funds for the Christmas Stocking Fund. This organization will appreciate any donation, which should be given to Mrs. J. M. Jones or Mrs. R. G. White.

Mission School Held In Colerain Church

During the past week a mission school was held at the Colerain Baptist Church. Each evening the class was taught by a different teacher and various pastors in the Association brought very inspiring messages.

The school was well attended and much interest was shown in the study.

500 Pieces Property Are Sold For Taxes

Sheriff J. A. Bunch on Monday at noon held an auction sale when almost 500 pieces of property in Chowan County were sold for delinquent 1934 taxes. Despite the many pieces of property listed for sale, very few interested bidders were on hand, and aside from a few pieces, all the property was bid in by the County.

Mr. Bunch started his sale on the Court House steps, but a brisk cold breeze coming off the sound soon forced him to complete the sale inside the Court House, where he was just about alone when he finished crying out the "once, twice, three times and sold."

Edenton Loses State Title To Mt. Airy

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Successive plunges at the line and end runs by Paul Spencer, Worth Spencer and Melvin Layton netted two first downs, much to the delight of Edenton fans, who were still hopeful that Edenton would score. Wozelka was forced to kick, however, booting the ball to the 12-yard line.

A Good Place To Sell Your Peanuts

For twenty-six years The Edenton Peanut Company has been an active buyer of peanuts in your section. We feel that our record is ample assurance that you can depend on us for fair dealing and full market prices. Before you sell or store your 1935 crop, we believe it will pay you to get in touch with us or one of our buyers. Our storage rate is very attractive and our local bank will make Liberal Loans on Peanuts Stored With Us.

The Edenton Peanut Company

EDENTON -- NORTH CAROLINA

Upon Mt. Airy's return kick Edenton fought desperately to score which resulted in three first downs, one of which was a beautiful 25-yard run by Worth Spencer. The Aces were in possession of the ball as the quarter ended.

During the final quarter both teams resorted to passing, the most spectacular play being when Wozelka on a fake kick passed to Sexton for a gain of 20 yards. Wozelka also made a gain of 15 yards when instead of kicking he skirted left end. The Mt. Airy defense, however, tightened, forcing Wozelka to kick, with the western champions in possession of the ball as the game ended.

The lineup follows:

Table with 2 columns: Edenton, Mt. Airy. Lists players like Sexton, Smith, Elliott, Wozelka, Miller, Spruill, Byrum, Harrell, W. Spencer, Layton, P. Spencer and their counterparts from Mt. Airy.

Upward Trend Shows Progress In Chowan (Continued from Page One)

Speak of it, through magazine articles, as "wilful waste" and "needless extravagance," but in Chowan it is viewed as manna from Heaven.

And with the Christmas season soon approaching the report of all this is a happy effort. Edenton is already being festooned with the spirit of a new birth. Its store windows display the best the land affords. There are gaieties to tickle the hearts of the little ones and to restore life and hope in the hearts of the more elderly. There is much merriment in the air. Joyousness abounds and Christmas will mean to this neighborhood everything that Christmas should be.

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