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Tut's Royal Gems Dazzle Explorers

John L. Balderston in New York World.

Luxor, Nov. 12.—The mummy of Tutankhamen is that of a boy-king, who died at an age of probably not more than sixteen.

This information came at the end of a strenuous day's work by the archaeologists, during which jewels and treasures were revealed in such quantities that even Howard Carter and the other experts grew surfeited at the sight of them.

This was the day of all days in the valley of the Kings. Secretly the inner coffin of Tutankhamen had been carried on a covered stretcher to the tomb of Seti, the second tomb in the extreme corner of the Royal Necropolis, and today, with only two tourists venturing through the deathly heat to the valley—there snaphotting each other in apparent solitude, ignorant of the drama being enacted underground a few yards away—the supreme moment of all archeological research was reached.

Untold Splendors Revealed.
Tutankhamen had been X-rayed, but privately, so that some hint of what was to come was known to a privileged few.

But the dark splashes on the photographic plates taken through the burial clothes could give but the merest hint of the splendors, dwarfing all that has gone before, and that so excited the world three years ago, which met human eyes for the first time in 3,273 years, when the crown jewels of ancient Egypt were revealed today to an awed little group.

"No living man ever dreamed of such a find as this," declared one of the spectators at the close of the day's work. And there is more to come.

Howard Carter and his assistants began their work with the mummy's feet. The head is still wrapped in hundreds of feet of fine linen. The most fascinating question of all, whether upon the brow rests the crown of upper and lower Egypt, is therefore still unsolved.

Indications of Crown.
A protuberance on the brow indicates a diadem if not a crown, that considering the splendor of the other jewelry and royal regalia already discovered, must indeed be marvelous.

It had been hoped that this secret unwrapping, which Egyptian officials who enforced their will upon Carter and his assistants sought by every means possible to conceal from the world, could be completed last night. So careful were the measures taken, that this morning I was still the only newspaper correspondent present in the valley. Later one befezzed Egyptian journalist turned up.

I was met with scowls and black looks from the native guards on duty, who sprang out of the tomb of Seti when I approached. Two soldiers carrying rifles joined the guards, a proceeding which led to apologies later from the excavators.

Yet the excavators, working under Egyptian direction, were afraid to disobey the childish edicts of secrecy which their Egyptian masters seek to enforce. The penalty of disobedience might be the loss of one of the treasures which the Egyptians have promised to the excavators should their procedure during the remainder of their work meet with Egyptian approval.

Put Ban on Publicity.
Monsieur Lacau, the French director of antiquities, told me tonight: "There is to be no publication of any facts or photographs relating to these discoveries by any newspaper in

the world. The newspapers have been told so badly that we decided not to permit them to print anything excepting those items which the lay public is fit to understand, and these items will be given out in official communiques from Cairo. We shall permit Mr. Carter to write serious articles for serious students in serious archeological or scientific journals, and he may write books. But he must not sell any photographs."

This attitude explains my reception at the tomb. I was told that no facts would be given out here and that I had no business to come. Then I was advised that I had better go back to Cairo and ask the press bureau for the communiques to be issued tomorrow or Saturday or Sunday.

Howard Carter and his photographer, Harry Burton, of the Metropolitan Museum, are in no way responsible for these conditions, although, of course, they are unable, if they wish to continue their marvellous work, to make or endorse any complaints regarding their treatment.

The above personal digression explains the impossibility of describing precisely the royal regalia and state robes of the dead Pharaoh at present.

Vast Wealth in Gems.

The wealth of bracelets, jewel-covered clothes and the contents of royal jewel chests, sewed into the mummy's clothing left the excavators and spectators at last blasé, as these objects were taken out four after four in handfuls. Any one of scores of these articles would, in the past, have been regarded as the gem of any national collection.

Tutankhamen's removal in his magnificent inner coffin, the most remarkable mummy case ever found, was accomplished with such secrecy that Carter's own workmen were given to understand and believed that Carter had discovered only a life-sized statue of "Kingska," or the second self, often placed in these tombs.

The exact object of this secrecy is impossible to ascertain. When the inner coffin was opened yesterday, Mr. Burton was busy all day photographing various objects. Moreover, I gather that the amazingly rich finds are not confined to the inner coffin, but many were discovered inside the Sarcophagus since the work began on October 17th, which were not mentioned in the 600 words which have been given out by the Cairo Press bureau since that time, purporting to record the main facts of the principal work done since the discovery was first made.

Tutankhamen's embalming, it was found yesterday afternoon, had not done so as to permit the mummy being unwrapped in the usual fashion. Embalming fluid had so soaked through the bandages that it caused them to adhere to the body, and they have to be cut away in chunks, an operation of supreme delicacy if injury to the flesh is to be avoided.

Royal Body Is Denuded.
All previous arguments to the effect that the body would not be denuded of its last coverings and that the scientific aims would be attained solely by X-ray examination, went by the board when it was discovered that many jewels were sewn into the mummy clothes.

Over the body of the King rested a jeweled enameled gold framework. I hear, but cannot confirm, that some metal work in the inner casket was badly rusted, indicating some damage by the embalming fluid or other liquid.

JARDINE SAYS HIGHWAY ROUTING ISSUE CLOSED

Too Late For Any Further Changes to Be Made in Federal Map Designation.

Washington, Nov. 13.—The North Carolina senators today received a letter from Secretary Jardine with reference to the Mount Airy road matter.

"This was formal notification of the inability of the road officials to give the Mount Airy road from Wytheville, Va., a place on the federal road map at this time."

Copies of the letter follow: "Honorable F. M. Simmons, "Dear Senator:

"I have received your letter of November 10th, together with Senator Overman's telegram of the 8th to you. Since talking with you yesterday the matter has again been up for consideration.

"Senator Overman telegraphed me regarding this same matter on November 7th, and after a conference had been had at the bureau of public roads with Mr. Frank Page, chairman of the North Carolina commission, who was then passing through Washington, I was able to make full reply to Senator Overman with knowledge of Mr. Overman's recommendation in the matter.

"As I understand the telegram from Senator Overman, it probably originated by a delegation headed by Mr. Carter from Mount Airy, N. C., to secure a second route southward from Wytheville, Va., among the routes selected for interstate marking by a board which has been functioning in co-operation with this department since last winter. This delegation called at my office several days ago. The State highway department approved a route suggested by its representative from Wytheville, through Sparta to Statesville, and thence southward, and the whole matter has been twice considered officially by the State highway commission of North Carolina and favorably acted upon. In view of Mr. Page's final conference at the bureau of public roads, at which time the whole matter was reviewed, I do not see how I can delay action on the report of the joint board. To do so would make it impossible for me to meet my obligations to the board, and, furthermore, it would set a serious precedent and make progress on the report difficult. I regret that circumstances make it impossible for me to do otherwise.

"I am taking the liberty of enclosing herewith a copy of the telegram which has been sent to Senator Over-

erman. "Sincerely yours,

(Signed) "W. M. JARDINE, "Secretary."

The following is a copy of the telegram to Senator Overman from Secretary Jardine:

"Honorable Lee S. Overman, "Salisbury, N. C.

"Referring to your telegram November 7th State highway officials of United States who in annual meeting last year requested that work of joint board be undertaken have also requested that I refer report to them at their annual meeting November 19th, next, at Detroit, and as this work has been carried out predominantly by the states I feel it very inadvisable to withhold report from forth-coming meeting on the basis of a somewhat questionable detail in one state. In any event I understand all action by board has required concurrence of states affected and action by North Carolina highway department regarding Mount Airy route will not alone be sufficient to secure consideration. Harmonious action of Virginia highway department also necessary. I understand Virginia has already once refused request for additional mileage. North Carolina has twice confirmed action of joint board. Report was delayed and not submitted to me until second confirmation had been received from state and I do not think it advisable to reopen case after report has been completed and submitted.

(Signed) "W. M. JARDINE."

Displaying no traces of emotion, Mrs. Clara Hareq, above, and her youthful-appearing step-father, Arthur Holt, below, went on trial in Waukegan, Ill., for the murder of Mrs. Lillian Holt, her mother and his wife. The state charges they were enamored of one another. On trial with them is Albert Hareq, Mrs. Hareq's husband, who is held to have had knowledge of the alleged plot.

Little Marion and her next-door neighbor were engaged in an absorbing conversation. "What are anarchists?" asked Little Marion.

Then Donald swelled with wisdom. "They want everything anyone else has got, and they never wash themselves," he replied.

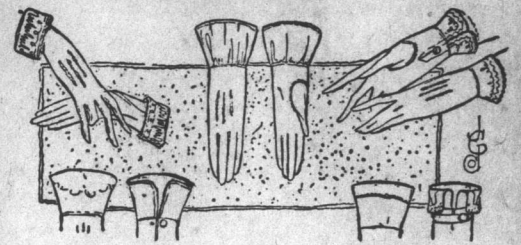
"Oh, yes!" cried little Marion, with enthusiasm. "I see—they is just little boys growed up!"

"Excuse me, but are you a relation, then of Goldbags, the rubber king?" "Yes—I'm his cousin—some hundreds of thousands of dollars removed."

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