

# Egypt of Today Is Little Known

World at Large More Familiar With Civilization of the Days of the Pharaohs.

## PEOPLE ARE MUCH THE SAME

Peasant of Today Might Have Stepped From Ancient Carving—Now Has First King Since the Ptolemaic Regime.

Washington, D. C.—King Fuad succeeds Cleopatra.

"When Great Britain abandoned its protectorate over Egypt, and the Sultan of the Nile country changed his title to king, he became the first king of Egypt since the Ptolemaic regime," says a bulletin issued from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society.

"The old Egypt of millenniums ago is in many ways more familiar to the world at large than the Egypt of today," continues the bulletin. "Pictures of its great pyramids and sphinxes, its columned temples and rock-hewn tombs fill histories and encyclopedias; and inevitably the reader's attention is centered, not on the problems of today, but rather on the evidences of a dead civilization.

"But aside from the fact that mummy hunting was for many years one of the leading private industries of the country; and that now convicts, instead of building roads, excavate tombs and temples for the government, the old monuments are merely a background for a life hard enough to center local thoughts mostly on daily bread-winning.

"Superficially Egypt seems a large country. The eye sees its color spread over a considerable part of the northwestern quarter of the map of Africa, and statistics credit it with an area of more than 350,000 square miles. But the real Egypt—the habitable part—is like a cord with a frayed end; the narrow valley and flaring delta of the Nile. Except a few scattered oases, most of the rest of the nominal Egypt is parched desert sand, gravel and rocky hills. Of its more than a third of a million square miles of territory, about 12,000 are estimated to be capable of cultivation, and considerable part of this has not yet been tilled.

Peasant Like Figure From Carvings.

"In comparing the Egypt of today with that of the dawn of history one is divided between wonder at the marked changes on the surface and the lack of change in some fundamentals. The Egyptian of today does not speak his old tongue, but instead, Arabic; his old gods are forgotten, and he has—with the exception of a small minority—adopted the religion of Mohammed. But in spite of numerous invasions, the blood of the great majority of the population has been altered hardly at all. Practically the fellah, or peasants, might be stepped from the ancient carvings; they are but a fresh generation of the men who dragged the great blocks of stone into place to build the artificial mountains of the Pharaohs.

"Egypt's resources are almost wholly agricultural, and in the agricultural scheme the millions of fellahen are the ultimate units. They work long hours scratching the soil with crude implements, or tediously raising water in skin buckets attached to pivoted poles that the thin stream may save their plants from parching. Taxes are heavy, and it is the lowly fellahen who keep the treasury supplied.

"There is little cause to marvel at Egypt's checkered history. A simple reason is that she began early. Here

is one of the earliest places in which man lived an ordered life and left records of his activities.

"After the long reign of the Pharaohs Egypt had its Grecian and Roman regimes which brought but few changes. Then in 642 A. D. came the invasion of the Saracens, from which time began Egypt's Mohammedan history. For a time the country was a province of the Arabian Caliphs; later it was independent, though still Mohammedan, under the Mamelukes; and finally, in 1516, it became a province of Turkey, which controlled it first through a governor and later through a sort of hereditary viceroy or khedive.

**Khedive-Sultan-King.**  
"For the third time Europe took a hand in the affairs of Egypt in 1798 when Napoleon won his battle of the Pyramids. The British drove the French out in 1801 and turned the country back to Turkey. In 1869 came the building of the Suez canal by De Lesseps, which has given Europe an ever-growing interest in Egyptian affairs. To protect European bondholders France and Great Britain made a joint intervention in 1879 and for a while controlled finances. The uprising of 1882 against the khedive was suppressed by the British alone, and after that they controlled finances without assistance. The government was in effect Egyptian with British assistance and with the nominal suzerainty of Turkey acknowledged.

"When the World War began Great Britain established a protectorate, abolished Turkey's suzerainty, deposed the Germanophile khedive, and appointed another prince of the family to be sultan. The British protectorate is now being withdrawn, but instead of the former Turkish interest being restored, Egypt is set up as an independent kingdom."

# America Leads in Air Traffic

Ahead of France and Most Other European Countries in Commercial Aviation.

## DEVELOP PRACTICAL FLYING

United States on Top in Mileage and Carried 1,279,000 More Pounds in 1921 Than Did France—Forced Stop Mastered.

Washington.—The United States is leading France and most other European countries in the practice of commercial aviation, it is shown in reports to the Commerce department throughout America.

More than 1,713,000 miles were flown in the United States in 1921 by air mail planes, which rank as commercial planes. Mail carried totaled 1,166,000 pounds. The record for France, just received by the Commerce department, is as follows: Miles flown, slightly more than 1,300,000; mail carried, 21,000 pounds.

In mileage the American planes lead France by nearly 25 per cent. In the mail record American planes carried 55 times as much weight.

It is customary for aviation enthusiasts to berate the development of commercial aviation in the United States in comparison with the use of

## BARS OWN INVENTION



Photograph of Alexander Graham Bell, taken at Miami, Fla., where he celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday recently at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. David Fairchild of Coconut Grove. Mrs. Fairchild recently said in a public address that the famous inventor never would have a telephone near his study and hence there is no telephone in the Fairchild home.

## Bellboys' Tips Bought Farm.

Joplin, Mo.—Bert B. Cox, bellboy at a hotel here, purchased with the tips he has saved in the last eleven years a farm lying in a fertile valley south of Joplin, paying \$8,000 for it. He intends to grow fruit and berries and raise chickens on it.

"Hard to save the money?" said Cox. "Why, no; it was a comparatively easy matter. Of course, you have to get the saving habit. Once that is done, your pile will grow."

# NEBRASKA NEWS IN CONCISE FORM

State Occurrences of Importance Boiled to a Few Lines for Quick Perusal.

Craig will celebrate July 4th on an elaborate scale.

Central City is organizing a building and loan association.

The state tuberculosis association will meet at Omaha, May 16.

Columbus will have its summer chautauqua from July 29 to August 3.

Business men of Ansley are having the main street paved at their own expense.

The state pond of the Order of the Blue Goose, will be held in Omaha June 1.

The \$60,000 school bond issue recently voted at Big Springs was sold for \$62,000.

Fairbury will begin at once the construction of a large amount of paving and sewerage.

A severe windstorm destroyed a number of farm buildings in the vicinity of Beatrice.

At the flower sale held in Omaha for the benefit of the Christ Child society, \$5,500 was collected.

An American Legion auxiliary has been formed at Sargent, with Mrs. John Grint as president.

Twenty-eight will be graduated from the Franklin high school this spring. Six boys are in the class.

J. A. Jimmerson, superintendent of the schools at Brock, has been elected superintendent at Stromberg.

A radio set has been installed in the Friend flour mills for the purpose of receiving daily market reports.

Ord's new city council has reduced the city payroll \$3,000 in order to lessen the burdens of the taxpayers.

Twenty men have been ordered from the fleets on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts to Omaha for recruiting duty.

Mrs. Joseph Richtarik, mother of five children, was trampled to death by a cow in the milk barn on the farm near Crete.

C. A. Hoffman of Grand Island was fatally injured when he was struck by an auto his wife was backing out of the garage.

Miss Mary Hutchings, for thirteen years public librarian at Falls City, has resigned, effective June 1. She will probably go to Georgia.

Two hundred volunteer firemen helped to fight a big blaze which started in 120 tons of alfalfa hay on the Otto Emrich farm near Tilden.

Business men of Imperial raised enough money to finance weekly band concerts through the summer and to erect a stand at that place.

Burglars who entered the T. C. Wilson hardware store at Cheney, carried off a cash register containing \$5,000 in store accounts and \$15 in cash.

At a shorthorn sale on the farm of Harsberger and son near Humboldt, fifty head of cows and calves averaged \$290 each, one cow bringing \$600.

The Farmers Bank of Crawford, capitalized at \$25,000, with deposits of \$100,000, has been closed by J. E. Hart, state banking commissioner.

Pawnee City has been listed in third place in the standing of southwestern Nebraska debating teams. Beatrice was awarded first and Auburn second.

A petition has been circulated and filed, with the Columbus city council for a special election issuing bonds for \$30,000 for waterworks improvement.

Registered Liberty bonds worth \$25,000, were found by three boys by the side of an overturned limousine at Omaha. The owner was located shortly afterward.

Wheat in Dodge county is particularly fine. Rain at intervals of about a week during the last month have served to keep the ground in fine condition for growing crops.

Rev. George Gundel is dead at his home at Smyrna of apoplexy. He had been in the ministry in Nebraska for 35 years and had his present charge the past nine years.

Burglars hurried a brick wrapped in newspapers through the window of Anderson's jewelry store at Fremont, and got away with articles valued at \$400 before being scared away.

Thomas Connolly, one of the original Irish colonists of O'Neill and Hot county, who settled there under the leadership of General O'Neill, May 10, 1874, is dead at O'Neill, aged 94 years.

What is believed to be one of the record trips for a sto' airplane was established when Royal B. Thomas, piloting a Lincoln Standard ship flew from Eldon, N. M. to Lincoln in five hours and ten minutes.

The good roads committee of the Alliance Chamber of Commerce is getting behind a proposition to construct a state highway from that place to the famous fossil beds on the Cook ranch sixty miles northwest.

The corner stone of the new \$100,000 parochial school of St. Cecilia, at Hastings, was laid with impressive ceremonies last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Foley celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, surrounded by a large number of friends and neighbors. The couple came to America from Ireland in 1830, locating near Meru.

A hub of yearling Shorthorn steers and heifers was brought to the south Omaha market by Ben Kretschmer of Snyder that averaged 750 pounds for which he received the top price of \$8.50 a hundred.

Nearly a hundred Kentucky horses have already been entered for the races to be held at Ak-Sar-Ben field at Omaha, June 3 to 17.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Laird, for many years residents of Pawnee county, have just celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Pawnee City.

A fire, thought to be of incendiary origin, was discovered on a bridge of the Burlington near York. It was extinguished before serious damage was done.

According to C. A. McCloud, president of the First National bank of York, Nebraska is again forging ahead in its agricultural activities with a rush.

Clifford Rees, of Carroll, a freshman in the engineering college of the State University, has been given an Annapolis appointment by Representative Reavis.

The three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Krekcek, near Woodlake was scalded when it fell into a bucket of water that had been left standing on the floor.

Mrs. Ira Vian near Broken Bow, had the shoe torn from her right foot by lightning, the bolt entering the house by way of a chimney. She was painfully burned.

Alvin Oberkötter, a farmer near Geneva, ploughed up a tin can while working in the field, that was found to contain \$1,000 in gold pieces of various denominations.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the Nebraska State Fair and Peace exposition at Lincoln, under auspices of state board of agriculture September 3 to 8.

Mrs. Rudolph Kops and daughter, Elsie, of Crofton, were badly burned when a can of varnish, which they were heating on the stove, caught fire and ignited their clothing.

An unoccupied brick house at Nebraska City owned by Calvin Chapman was badly damaged by fire. Evidence of incendiarism, firemen said, was found in nearly every room.

The new country club and golf links just dedicated at Auburn, are said by visitors in attendance from other towns to exceed in natural surroundings those of any other similar club and links in the state.

Fire of unknown origin committed damage estimated roughly at \$20,000 at Valley when several hay barns, and part of the stockyards were destroyed before help arrived from Fremont and neighboring towns.

Five gray wolf cubs were taken from a den on the Herman Wickhorst farm, near Nebraska City. They were about four weeks old. Efforts were made to kill the parents, but they were too wary and escaped.

A district checker tournament, comprising Fillmore, York, Madison, Merrick, Hall and Polk counties, will be staged in Central City at the Y. M. C. A. on May 23. Six representatives from each county will participate.

Plans for enlarging the yards at Falls City, Table Rock, Dawson, Munson and Humboldt have been announced by the Burlington. The improvement, which will cost more than \$25,000, will bring many laborers to this section.

Gene Benson, of Sterling, junior in the college of agriculture, was badly cut and bruised when a street car rammed into a tractor supporting a float in the Farmers' Fair parade at Lincoln, an annual event at the college.

The 1-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George French, farmers living near Rogers, was instantly killed when he wandered away from the home to the railroad tracks, where the little body was cut into three pieces by a fast train.

An inspection of the county poor farm herd of blooded shorthorns at Fremont revealed twelve head of cattle afflicted with tuberculosis. The herd comprises thirty-seven animals and it was supposed to be free from disease.

Valley county will have a record breaking fruit crop this year. The cool weather held the trees back and the old timers feel that the danger period has been passed. Never before, they say, have the blossoms on the wild plum trees been so thick.

A county band has been formed in Richardson county composed of 115 players from five towns—Stella, Verdon, Humboldt, Falls City and Rulo. Claude Crandall of Falls City planned the organization. Concerts will be played in the various towns on a schedule.

Kenneth McCandless, of Omaha, senior at the State University, will represent Nebraska in a group of fifty American college students who will sail on the Mauretania from New York, June 27, to spend two months in conferences with students in England and on the continent.

J. A. Marrow, a blacksmith at Day-espert, touched an electric transmission wire with a wrench while at work fixing a pump and was killed. He leaves a wife and three children, two boys and a girl.

A movement for the conservation of eyesight is being carried into schools and industries of Nebraska as a part of the national campaign of the Eyesight Conservation Council of America.

The excitement prevailing at Lake-side due to oil drillers having struck oil sand and pocket of gas is being felt throughout the western part of the state.

Building that will cost nearly \$1,000,000 is under way in Fremont. Three churches now under way will cost a total of \$300,000. Two new school houses will cost \$275,000. In addition one new business block and more than thirty-five residences are under construction and extensions on the water mains into three outlying districts are in progress.

Platte county's new \$300,000 court house will be dedicated on the sixty-sixth anniversary of the day that the little band of pioneers whose names appear on the walls laid the townsite for this city, May 28, 1836.

## HAS FIRST WELL DAY IN 6 YEARS

Huntington Citizen Could Neither Sleep Nor Eat With Any Satisfaction Before He Got Tanlac.

"Before taking Tanlac I had not seen a well day in six years," said W. R. Peoples, 328 22nd St., Huntington, W. Va.

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Meeting in front of the State House in Boston—Terry McCloskey, who enlisted at the age of fourteen in the One Hundred and First Infantry, Twenty-sixth division, for the World war, and Edwin F. Weyer of Woburn, Mass., ninety years old, the oldest G. A. R. member in the Bay state and probably the oldest war veteran in the state.