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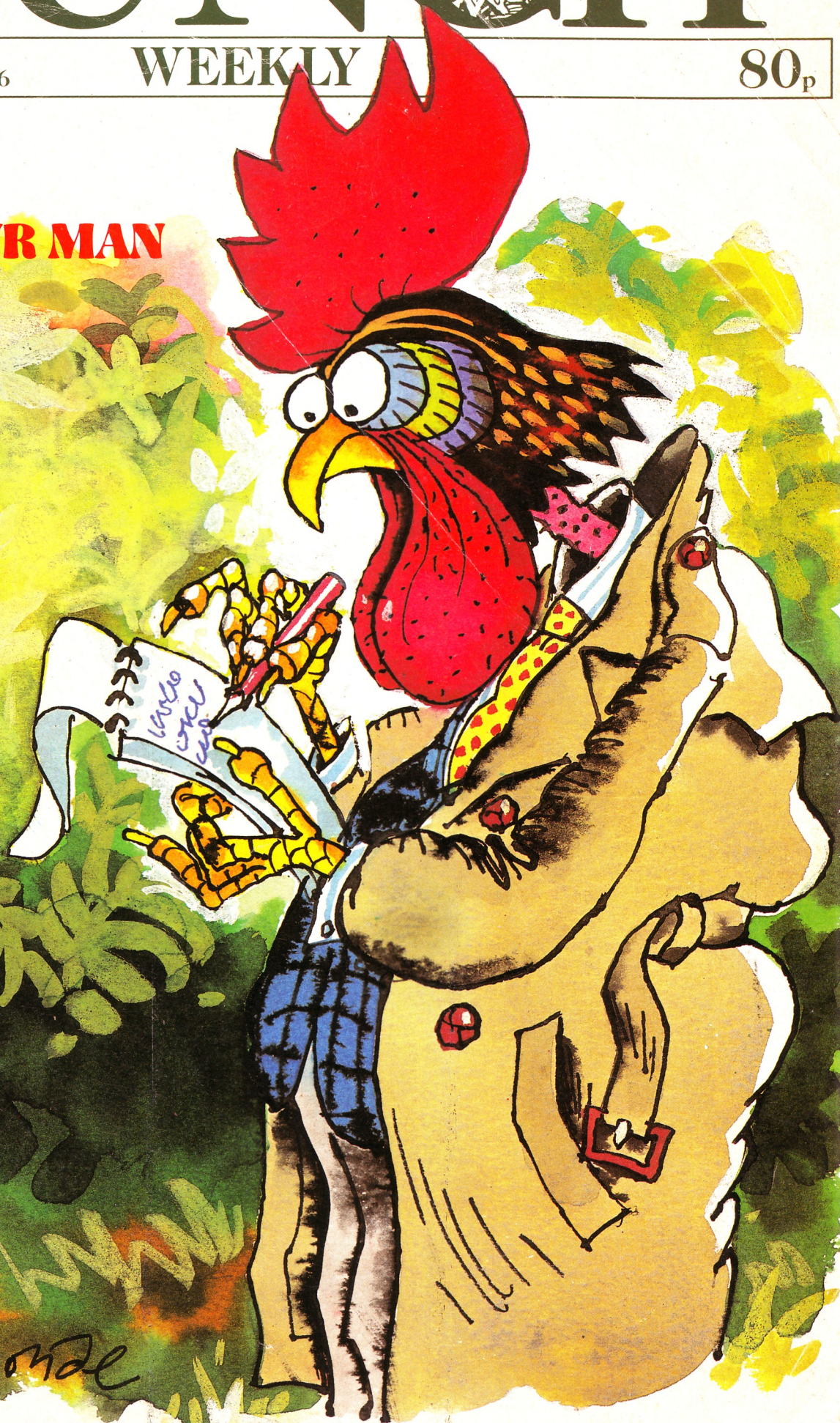


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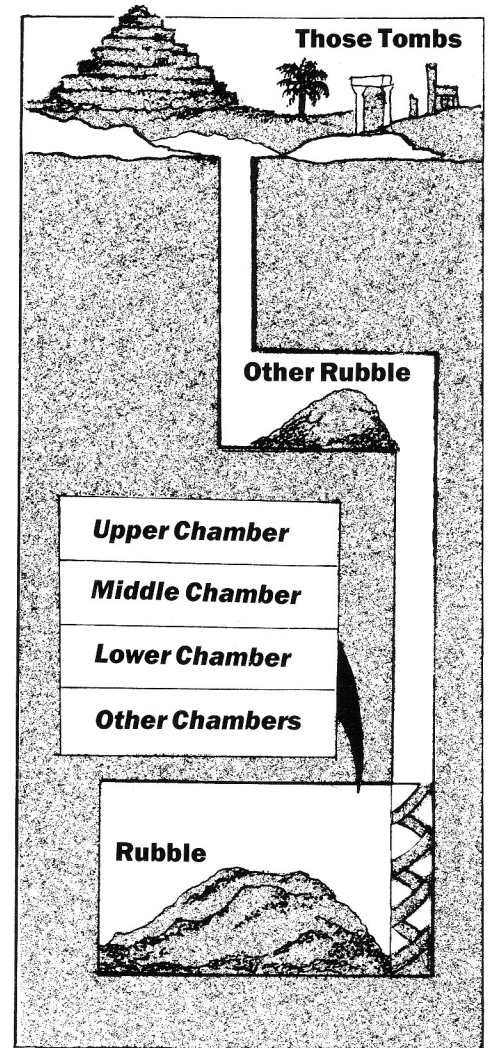
Treasures of Tutankhamun – Latest



TOMB AFTER TOMB OF AMAZING DISCOVERIES REVEALED!

DUST-encrusted archaeologists today abseiled gingerly down through the foetid air of an ancient spiral staircase into the ancient subterranean necropolis of Ben-Gazzara.

There for the first time since 1922 they shone sand-choked torches into what is believed by experts to be Tutankhamun's ancient Department of Trade and Industry, or possibly ancient DVLC.



FABULOUS WEALTH

Rumours quickly spread that there was absolutely no sign of any ancient solid gold sarcophagus or similar.

But as near-exhausted Egyptologists worked in shifts through the hot and stuffy night, a painstaking inch-by-inch search for ancient jewel-encrusted artifacts also drew a disappointing blank.

DRIPPING WITH GOLD

Then suddenly, in the rubble-strewn ancient burial chambers and mud-baked network of ancient tunnels which may once have linked The Boy King's DTI with his once-glorious ancient Office of Fair Trading in Luxor, one or two faded hieroglyphs turned up.

In hushed tones which belied almost hysterical excitement, sweating archaeologists suggested that these almost definitely would fill massive

historical gaps in our knowledge of where to find unlooted ancient treasure houses dripping with gold.

INCREDIBLE

Nearby, in the ancient Valley of the Fools, just yards from where the team could easily have stumbled across pile after pile of ancient ceremonial chokers inlaid with rubies, excitement was at fever pitch.

Incredibly, they had unearthed evidence of what once might have been the ancient Mayan DHSS centre at Cairo NE99 2LU.

TREASURES FROM THE TOMB

According to Egyptologist Mortimer van Dijk, mile after mile of ancient labyrinthine corridors, which criss-cross the stygian gloom deep beneath the hot swirling sands, could one day yield an unpre-

cedented ancient horde of rich fragments and/or Aladdin's Cave of fascinating shards.

UNBELIEVABLE

Meanwhile, an ancient piece of papyrus reed, over an inch long and more than likely crafted about 1361 BC into the shape of a vulture's knee, was carefully dusted off.

It stood as unbelievably mute witness to what perhaps were once the ancient workings of The Necropolitan Water Board or North Nile Gas.

Both probably worshipped richly painted vultures, or at any rate finely chiselled she-goats, and surely must have stashed their fabulous takings somewhere round here.

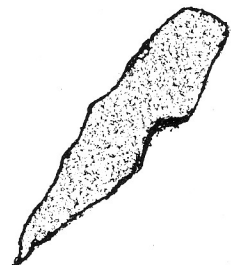
YET MORE MAY BE FOUND

Tomorrow archaeologists will clear ancient debris from an ancient archway, believed once to have soared above an

A fragment of ancient dust, shown actual size –



Another tell-tale ancient shard is unearthed.



ancient door.

No one knows for certain whether it will indeed prove to be the fabled Lost Door To Tutankhamun's Once All-Powerful VAT Sorting Centre.