

PORTFOLIO V



THE DAILY MIRROR ARCHIVES FROM MIRRORPIX - LIFE IN PICTURES SINCE 1904

Hello, and welcome to Portfolio V,

When I was first asked to pen a few introductory words I asked myself the same question that many publishers, authors and researchers undoubtedly do when coming face to face with our archives for the first time: "Where do I start?"

The question is hardly surprising considering the scale of what we hold in our vaults. Over 100 million images is a fantastically huge number and hard to visualise meaningfully. Perhaps a better way to imagine the breadth of our archives is as a pictorial history timeline from the earliest days of the 20th century right up to the present day, told from a uniquely British perspective.

Actually, that probably doesn't help either...

No, perhaps the best place to start is right here, with Portfolio. We've tried to capture a flavour of our collections, the themes and subjects we've covered over the past 110 years in just a few pages, liberally adorned with the work of some of the foremost photojournalists of the 20th century. Men and women who, in some cases - quite astonishingly given how talented and brave they usually were - you may not ever have heard of until now.

So, for those of you who haven't worked with us before, I hope Portfolio gives you a brief but enlightening taster of some of the many wonderful images you can find with Mirrorpix.

For those of you already acquainted with our collections, our aim is simply to remind you of the work we do in preserving and making available our extensive photographic archives. Along the way we'll hopefully introduce you to new areas of our collections that you haven't seen before and which might be of use to your current creative projects.

But regardless of how much you know about us, my hope is that anyone who picks up a copy of Portfolio finds something to interest them. Our collections are a wonderful, rare time-capsule of history. Being able to share them with publishers and the wider public through your publications and the work you do is an amazing and humbling privilege.

I look forward to working on our next project together.

Best wishes,

Fergus McKenna

Head of Syndication & Licensing



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THE GRANT BROTHERS



The unique Grant Brothers were at the forefront of photojournalism, but it is only now that their talents can be truly recognised

MIKADO

Below:
The funeral of the
Mikado, Emperor of
Japan in Tokyo, 1912.



Tom Grant - the eldest of the three - joined the Daily Mirror in early 1904 and became one of the early pioneers of press photography in the UK.

Tom was a seasoned traveller and enjoyed numerous trips to exotic destinations to photograph some remarkable events, such as The Emperor of Japan's funeral and the Coronation of the King of Siam. He is quoted as saying "Always get your pictures before you raise your hat" when photographing the rich and famous.

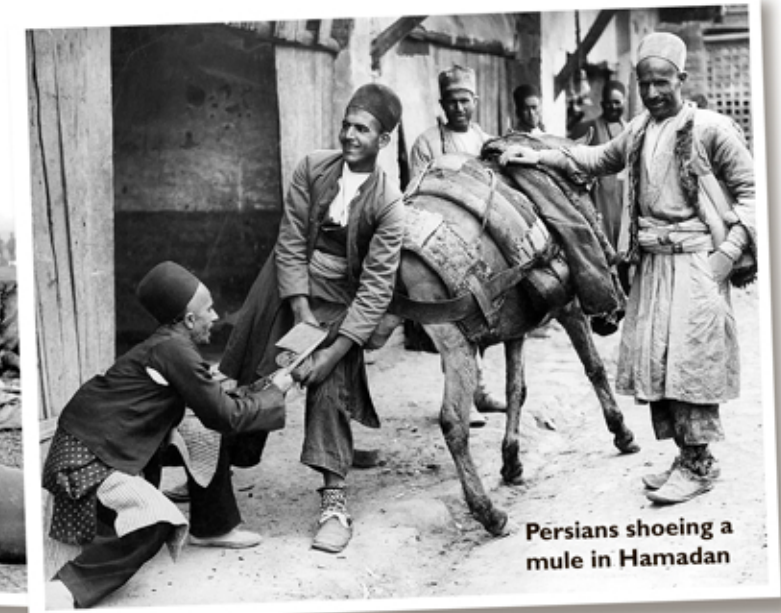
In 1917, Tom was the official photographer for the Allied Forces in Salonica. As he travelled home aboard the French transport ship, the Sontay, under protection of two gunboats, Tom's ship was hit by a torpedo causing it to rapidly sink.

Before the ship's ultimate demise, Tom, ever the professional, returned to his cabin, grabbed his camera and took an amazing series of photographs.

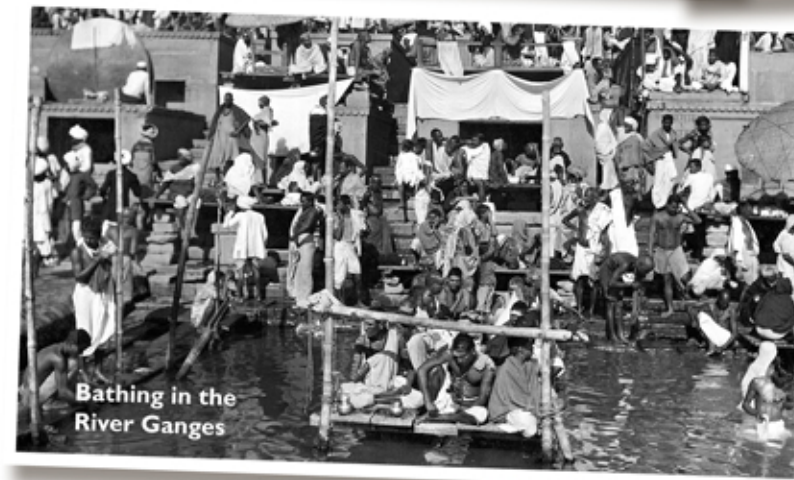
As well as photographing the British Forces in Salonica during The First World War, he also covered the 1912-13 Balkan Wars, as did his brothers, although capturing the action on different sides.



Platoon relax in Northern France



Persians shoeing a mule in Hamadan

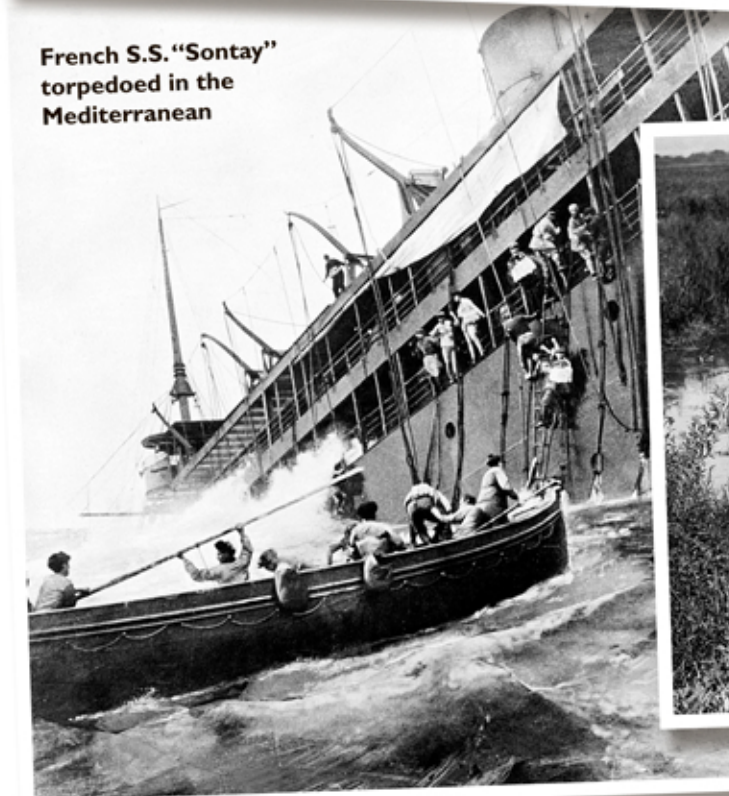


Bathing in the River Ganges

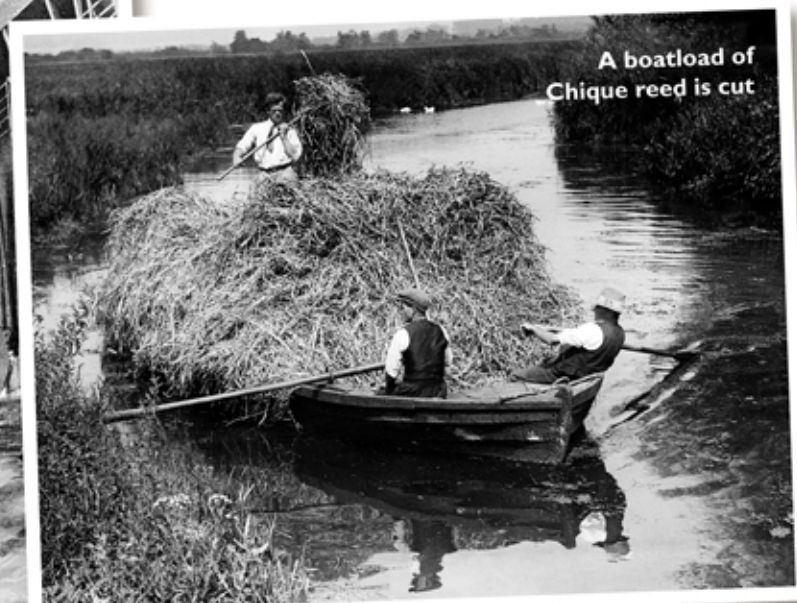
After the drama of the Balkans, Horace Grant returned to Fleet Street to maintain the family traditions.

He would occasionally write for the Daily Mirror, before going on to become the Picture Editor at the paper. His service to the newspaper would eventually end, but his appetite for photography carried on.

During his retirement, whilst living in Norfolk, Horace would regularly supply the newspaper with beautiful and scenic imagery of the Norfolk Broads.



French S.S. "Sontay" torpedoed in the Mediterranean



A boatload of Chique reed is cut



Dr Crippen's arrest

CRIPPEN'S EMBARKATION

Bernard Grant joined the Daily Mirror late in 1906 and was inspired to take up a career as a newspaper photographer by the globetrotting adventures of his older brother: "My own entry into Fleet Street came about through a journey my brother, Tom, made to Norway soon after he joined the staff of the newly established Daily Mirror."

"While there he took a photograph of King Haakon of Norway... and this duly filled the front page of the paper. I was greatly impressed by the picture and decided at once that I, too, would tour the world at someone else's expense."

On one assignment, Bernard was dispatched to chase the boat taking the captured murderer Dr Crippen out to the ship which was to return him to the UK for trial.

He also covered the very first Olympic Games to be held in London in 1908.



Belgian woman outside her burnt out home in Melle

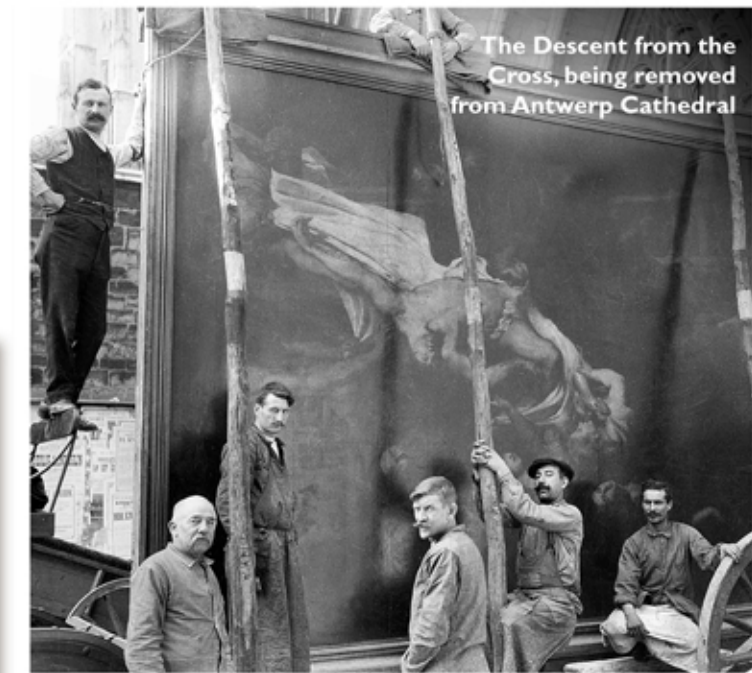
The Grant Brothers time during the Balkans conflict sharpened their photojournalistic skills and, unbeknown to them, would become vital to the horrors and drama that lay ahead in 1914

During the First World War, Bernard was conscripted into the RNAS as an official war photographer.

He followed the Battle of Jutland and travelled far and wide on all types of naval vessels, ranging from submarines to airships. After a brief stint in the RAF, he returned to the Daily Mirror where he concentrated on Royal tours and ultimately acquired the moniker of Fleet Street's most travelled photographer. His travels got him very close to the Royal Family - so much so, he even taught the Prince of Wales (Edward VIII) how to take photographs!



Duchess of York at Market Harborough, 1927



The Descent from the Cross, being removed from Antwerp Cathedral



Pietri Dorando collapses during the 1908 Olympics

BERNARD'S RACE AGAINST TIME



Bundu "devil dancers" dressed in wooden masks

In 1925, when the Prince of Wales toured Africa and South America, the *Daily Mirror* secretly dispatched two of its top photographers to cover the tour.

Bernard Grant was sent to Sierra Leone to capture the trip but then had the almost impossible task of getting his images back to London before his rivals. He caught the passenger ship, *Zaria*, back to London, and once the ship had set sail, presented himself to the captain and handed him a letter. It contained details of a secret plan.

Before Bernard had left for Africa, he, the *Mirror* and the Shipping Line had agreed that the ship would alter course so it could pass the Portuguese coast. The captain was now let in on the secret and, to avoid Bernard's rivals catching on, kept it to himself. He didn't even inform his fellow officers.

As the ship neared the coast, Bernard sealed his glass plate negatives in a barrel and attached a rubber inner tube. As the liner steamed up the Portuguese coast a tug boat approached.

Bernard's fellow photographers looked on in horror as he threw the barrel down to the tug, thinking he had finally succumbed to sunstroke. Little did they know the tug had been hired by the *Mirror* to collect the barrel from the liner and deliver it to the famous aviator, Sir Alan Cobham, and his aircraft at Lisbon airport.

Cobham then flew the glass plates to the UK in under a day as the liner made its way across the Bay of Biscay.

When the photographers left the ship at Southampton there, on the front page of the *Mirror*, were the pictures of the Prince's tour of Africa - a full day ahead of its rivals!



Bundu "devil dancers" await the arrival of the Prince of Wales

THE DAILY MIRROR, Thursday, April 23, 1925.

HOW THE PICTURES WERE BROUGHT TO LONDON

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SIERRA LEONE'S WELCOME TO THE PRINCE

Wonderful and Exclusive "Daily Mirror" Photographs of Freetown Visit



By utilising to the full the unrivalled resources which have made it the greatest picture-newspaper of modern times, *The Daily Mirror* is able to-day to take its readers, in a series of marvellous and exclusive photographs, obtained by *Daily Mirror* photographers with the Prince of Wales, to Freetown, Sierra Leone, for the Prince's visit there. Thanks to these pictures the wonders of the picturesque negro Protectorate, displayed for the edification of the Prince, can be shared by every reader. A triumph of

pictorial journalism, never before attempted on such a comprehensive scale, it is a significant indication of the tremendous interest which the Prince's tour has roused abroad. In the above unique photograph the Prince is watching Bundu girl dancers wearing petticoats hung with brass bells. Up-country Sierra Leone girls qualify for marriage by a three years' course, part of which is fantastic dancing. More of these remarkable photographs are on pages 5, 12 and 13, 22 and 24.

OUTBREAK OF THE GREAT WAR

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE START OF WORLD WAR I

July 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I. This politically turbulent and violent time in history was documented by Daily Mirror photographers both at home in the UK, and abroad within the trenches of war torn Europe and beyond.

A huge effort has been undertaken to digitise this collection which includes newspaper articles and cartoons, as well as unseen original glass plate negatives.

From documenting regiments and naval warfare on both sides of the conflict, to the technological weapon improvements and the human sacrifice that followed, we've highlighted our most recent finds from this historic collection over the following pages.



Ammunition shells under guard on the front in France, 1917

Australian contingent of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force



A cargo steamer hit by a u-boat torpedo



German troops in a trench attack the Allied forces



London Victory Parade, May 1919



Canadian troops on a tank



British soldiers stand in a flooded communications trench



Germans surrendering to French forces in Champagne



2014 NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES

July 1914

100th

World War I begins





August 1914 100th

Government releases all Women
Suffragette prisoners

June 1944

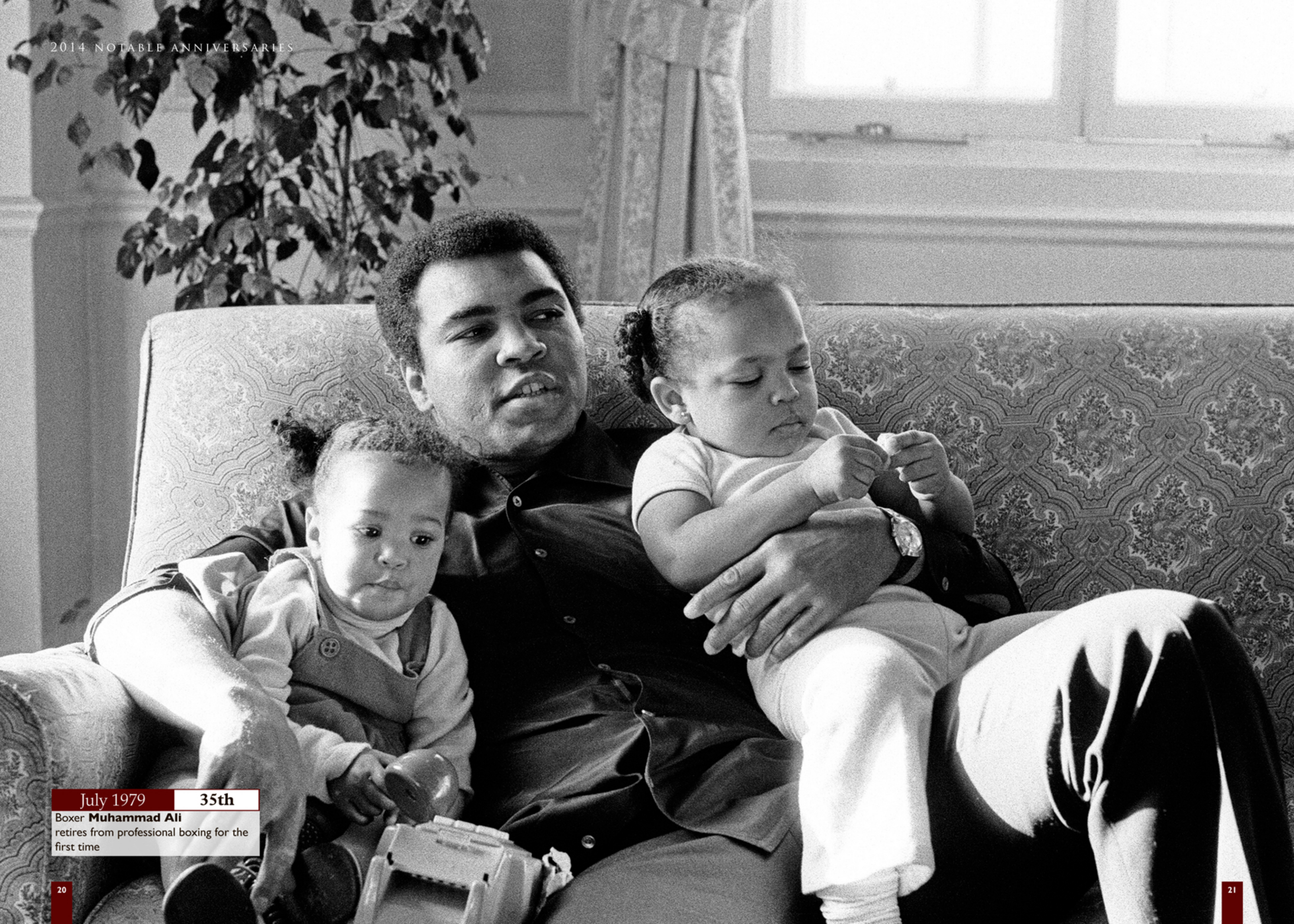
70th

D-Day: Troops land on the
beaches of Normandy



February 1964 50th

The Who rock group are formed



July 1979

35th

Boxer **Muhammad Ali**
retires from professional boxing for the
first time

2014 TIMELINE



Charing Cross railway station opens

JANUARY

8th January 1989 - A British Midland plane crashes at East Midlands Airport. 47 people are killed
8th January 2004 - The largest passenger ship ever built, the RMS Queen Mary 2, is christened by Queen Elizabeth II
20th January 1964 - 11 men go on trial charged in connection with the Great Train Robbery, five months earlier
22nd January 1924 - Ramsay MacDonald becomes the first Labour Prime Minister of the UK

FEBRUARY

February 1964 - Rock music band The Who are formed
1st February 1984 - The UK government signs an agreement with Nissan to build the first foreign owned car factory in Britain
7th February 1964 - The Beatles begin their first tour of the USA
14th February 1984 - Torvill and Dean win a gold medal for ice skating at the Sarajevo Winter Olympics
24th February 1994 - Police in Gloucester begin excavations at the home of Fred and Rose West
26th February 1839 - The first Grand National steeplechase takes place at Aintree Racecourse

MARCH

4th March 1969 - Kray twins are found guilty of murder and sentenced to life
10th March 1964 - Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, is born
12th March 1984 - National Union of Mineworkers begin strike due to job cuts
28th March 1964 - Pirate station, Radio Caroline, begins broadcasting off the coast of the UK
30th March 1964 - Violent clashes occur between Mods and Rockers at Clacton beach



Mods ride through Clacton beach

APRIL

2nd April 1914 - Actor Sir Alec Guinness is born
9th April 1969 - UK-built Concorde 002 undertakes its maiden flight
15th April 1984 - Comedian Tommy Cooper dies on stage from a heart attack during a live TV show
15th April 1989 - 96 fans are killed during the FA Cup Semi Final between Liverpool and Nottingham Forest at Hillsborough
16th April 1939 - British singer Dusty Springfield is born
17th April 1984 - WPC Yvonne Fletcher is killed by a gunman during a siege outside the Libyan Embassy in London

MAY

1st May 1994 - Brazilian F1 driver Ayrton Senna dies after an accident at the San Marino GP
27th May 1964 - Pirate station, Radio Sutch, begins broadcasting from the Thames Estuary
30th May 1914 - RMS Aquitania makes her maiden voyage
30th May 1984 - Queen Elizabeth II officially opens a new terminal at Birmingham International Airport



RMS Aquitania

JUNE

1st June 1974 - An explosion at a chemical plant in Flixborough kills 28 people
6th June 1944 - D-Day: Allied troops land on the beaches of Normandy for the start of Operation Overlord
13th June 1944 - Nazi Germany launches a V1 flying bomb on England during WW2
22nd June 1814 - The first cricket match is played at Lord's Cricket Ground, London

JULY

1st July 1939 - The Women's Land Army are re-formed to work within the agriculture sector during WW2
10th July 1964 - More than 300 people are injured when The Beatles are welcomed back home
11th July 1989 - British actor Sir Laurence Olivier dies
28th July 1914 - Austria-Hungary invades the Kingdom of Serbia, the first shots fired in WW1

AUGUST

4th August 1914 - UK declares war on Germany during WW1
4th August 1964 - The Kinks release their first number one chart hit, 'You Really Got Me'
5th August 1989 - Actor Richard Burton dies
10th August 1914 - The UK government releases all Women Suffragette prisoners
20th August 1989 - 51 people are killed after the Marchioness boat sinks on the River Thames
30th August 1939 - The evacuation of children from major UK cities begins during WW2

SEPTEMBER

1st September 1939 - WW2 begins when the UK and France declare war on Nazi Germany after their invasion of Poland
8th September 1944 - V2 rockets fired by Nazi Germany hit targets in London for the first time during WW2
9th September 1839 - John Herschel takes the first glass plate photograph
22nd September 1934 - An explosion at the Gresford Colliery, Wales leads to the deaths of 266 miners and rescuers

OCTOBER

12th October 1984 - 5 people are killed after the Provisional IRA attempt to assassinate Margaret Thatcher in Brighton
27th October 1914 - Poet Dylan Thomas is born

NOVEMBER

9th November 1989 - The East German government allows citizens to visit West Germany, which leads to the fall of the Berlin Wall
19th November 1994 - The first UK National Lottery draw is held
25th November 1984 - Band Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas? is recorded to raise money for poverty stricken Ethiopia

DECEMBER

9th December 1934 - Actress Dame Judi Dench is born
16th December 1914 - The German Navy attack the ports of Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby resulting in 137 deaths during WW1



Hartlepool hit by German shell fire

JANUARY

1st January 1985 - The very first mobile phone call in the UK is made by Ernie Wise to Vodafone
8th January 1935 - Singer Elvis Presley is born
8th January 1940 - UK introduces food rationing during WW2
15th January 1965 - Former UK Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill dies

FEBRUARY

6th February 1945 - Singer Bob Marley was born
6th February 1965 - Sir Stanley Matthews plays his final football match, at the record age of 50 years and 5 days
11th February 1975 - Margaret Thatcher is elected leader of the Conservative Party
26th February 1995 - The UK's oldest investment banking institute, Barings Bank, collapses after broker Nick Leeson loses \$1.4 billion
28th February 1975 - A London Underground tube train crashes at Moorgate station, killing 43 people

MARCH

3rd March 1985 - National Union of Mineworkers declare an end to the Miners strike
4th March 1890 - The longest bridge in the UK, the Forth Rail Bridge in Scotland, is opened
30th March 1945 - Singer Eric Clapton is born
31st March 1990 - Protesters take to the streets of London to rally against the newly introduced Poll Tax

APRIL

1st April 1990 - The longest prison riot in UK history begins at Strangeways Prison in Manchester
10th April 1970 - Singer Elton John releases a self titled album, his first album to chart and be released in the USA
15th April 1945 - The Bergen-Belsen Concentration camp is liberated by UK and Canadian forces during WW2
22nd April 1915 - The first use of poisonous gas in WW1 by German forces on the Western Front



Sir Elton John

MAY

8th May 1945 - Nazi Germany forces surrender to the Allies, marking VE Day
10th May 1940 - Winston Churchill is appointed UK Prime Minister
22nd May 1915 - Quintinshill rail disaster in Scotland: collision and fire kill 226, mostly troops
29th May 1985 - 39 fans are killed during the European Cup final between Liverpool and Juventus at Heysel Stadium, Brussels

JUNE

4th June 1940 - The evacuation of over 300,000 troops from the UK, France and Belgium from Dunkirk ends
19th June 1975 - Lord Lucan is found guilty in absentia of the murder of nanny Sandra Rivett
21st June 1970 - Brazil beat Italy 4-1 to win the World Cup for a third time



JULY

5th July 1975 - Arthur Ashe becomes the first black man to win the men's singles title at Wimbledon
7th July 1985 - At 17, Boris Becker becomes the youngest player ever to win the men's singles title at Wimbledon
7th July 2005 - Four explosions caused by suicide bombers occur on London's transport system killing 52 and injuring 700 people
10th July 1940 - The Battle of Britain commences with the British RAF and Allied Pilots fighting against the German Luftwaffe
13th July 1985 - The Live Aid benefit concert takes place at Wembley Stadium, London and venues across the world
23rd July 1955 - Donald Campbell breaks the Water Speed Record at Ullswater, recording a speed of 202.32mph
31st July 1965 - Author JK Rowling is born

AUGUST

9th August 1940 - The German Luftwaffe begin their Blitz of the city of Birmingham
15th August 1945 - VJ Day is celebrated in the UK
22nd August 1985 - 55 people killed when a fire breaks out on a plane prior to takeoff at Manchester Airport
25th August 1930 - Actor Sir Sean Connery is born

2015 TIMELINE



VJ Day Celebrations

SEPTEMBER

7th September 1940 - The Blitz - Nazi Germany begins to rain bombs on London during WW2
19th September 1945 - Lord Haw Haw, real name William Joyce is sentenced to death for treason
28th September 1985 - The Brixton race riots begin after police shoot Dorothy 'Cherry' Groce
29th September 1935 - The LNER first A4 class streamlined locomotive Silver Link makes its inaugural journey

OCTOBER

2nd October 1925 - John Logie Baird performs the first test of a working television system and later creates the first TV transmitter
5th October 1985 - PC Keith Blakelock is murdered as riots erupt in the Broadwater Farm suburb of London
12th October 1915 - British nurse Edith Cavell is executed by a German firing squad for helping Allied soldiers escape from Belgium
26th October 1965 - All four members of the band The Beatles receive MBE's from Queen Elizabeth II
31st October 1940 - The Battle of Britain ends, preventing any possible invasion from Nazi Germany during WW2

NOVEMBER

4th November 1940 - The city of Coventry is heavily bombed by the German Luftwaffe during WW2
22nd November 1990 - UK PM Margaret Thatcher withdraws from the Conservative Party leadership election, bringing to an end her premiership
24th November 1955 - Former cricketer Sir Ian Botham is born
29th November 1975 - Former racing driver Graham Hill dies in an air crash

DECEMBER

8th December 1980 - Singer John Lennon is shot dead in New York, USA
12th December 1915 - Singer Frank Sinatra is born
29th December 1940 - The German Luftwaffe fire-bombs London, killing almost 200 civilians during WW2
31st December 1970 - The Beatles announce they have officially split up

2015 NOTABLE ANNIVERSARIES

April 1915

100th

First use of poisonous gas by
German forces during **WWI** on
The Western Front

September 1940 **75th**

The Blitz

Nazi Germany begins
to rain bombs on London



May 1945

70th

VE Day - surrender of the armed
forces of Nazi Germany



July 1955

60th

Donald Campbell

breaks water speed record at Ullswater



July 1965

50th

The Beatles

release their second film *Help!*



February 1965 50th

Sir Stanley Matthews is carried from the pitch in his last game

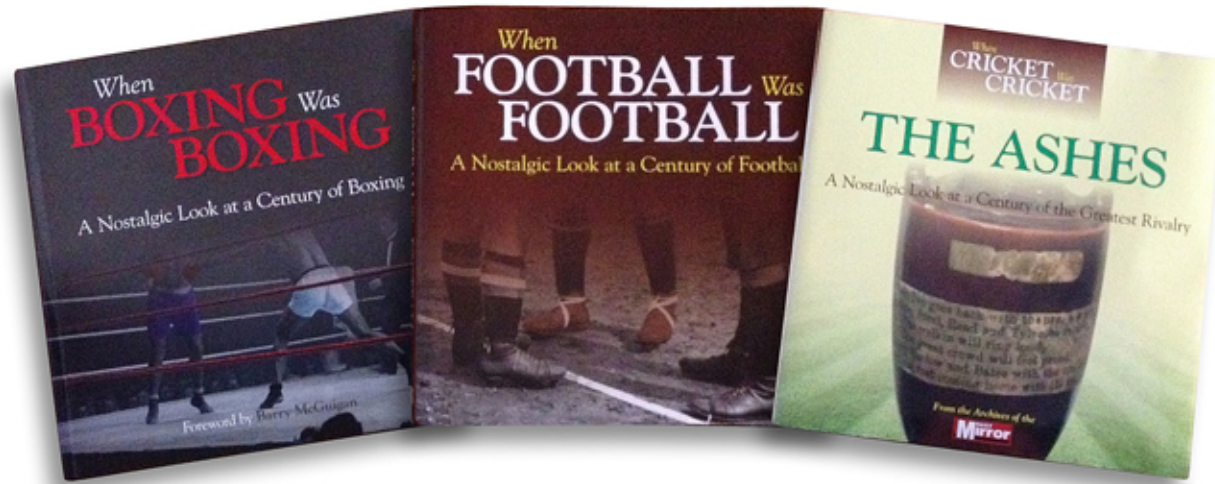


March 1985

30th

National Union of Mineworkers
declare an end to the miners' strike

SPORTS: ILLUSTRATED



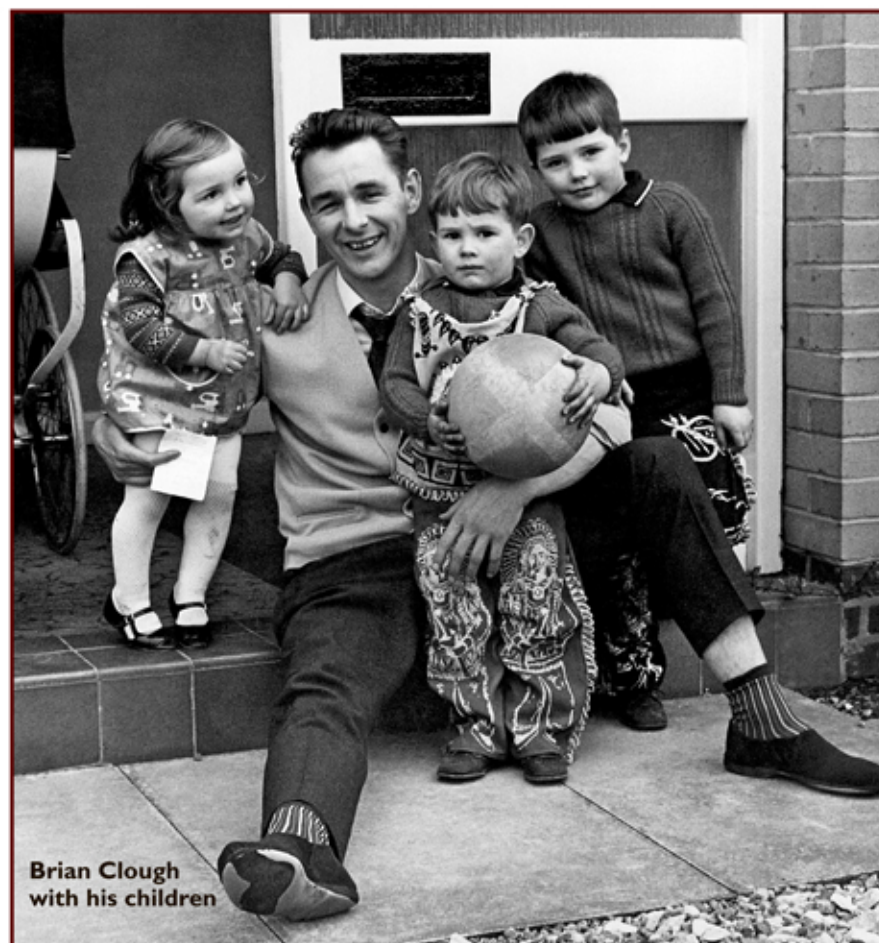
Sports journalist Adam Powley shares his experience of using the Mirrorpix archive and explains how the library has helped him produce stunning, nostalgic, illustrated sport books

As an author and journalist, I've been using the archive for a number of years and I've found its vast store of remarkable images an outstanding resource.

In providing photos for a series of books covering the history of a number of sports and clubs over the last century, Mirrorpix has delivered on its promise: superb images that have been invaluable in helping me re-tell some famous old sporting tales and shed new light on many lesser-known ones.

The old cliché that pictures speak louder than words so often rings true - and, certainly, the magnificent Mirrorpix archive provides a store of original material that is a genuine treasure trove.

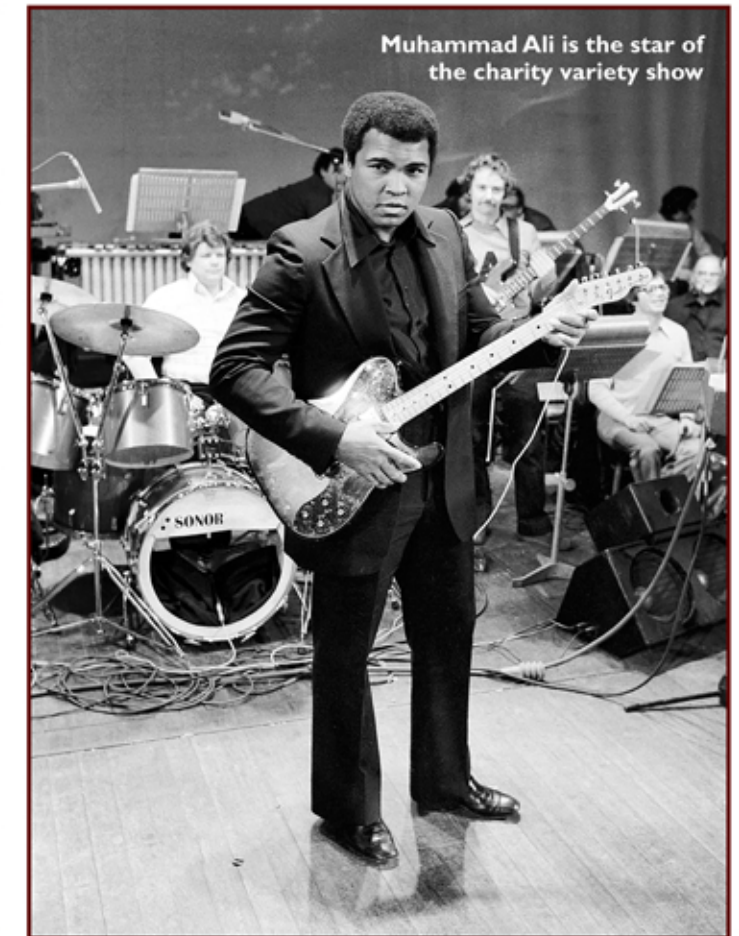
It's not just the thousands of images online that are a treat to explore. There are the almost countless contacts sheets, prints, negatives and even glass plates to amaze, enlighten and fascinate.



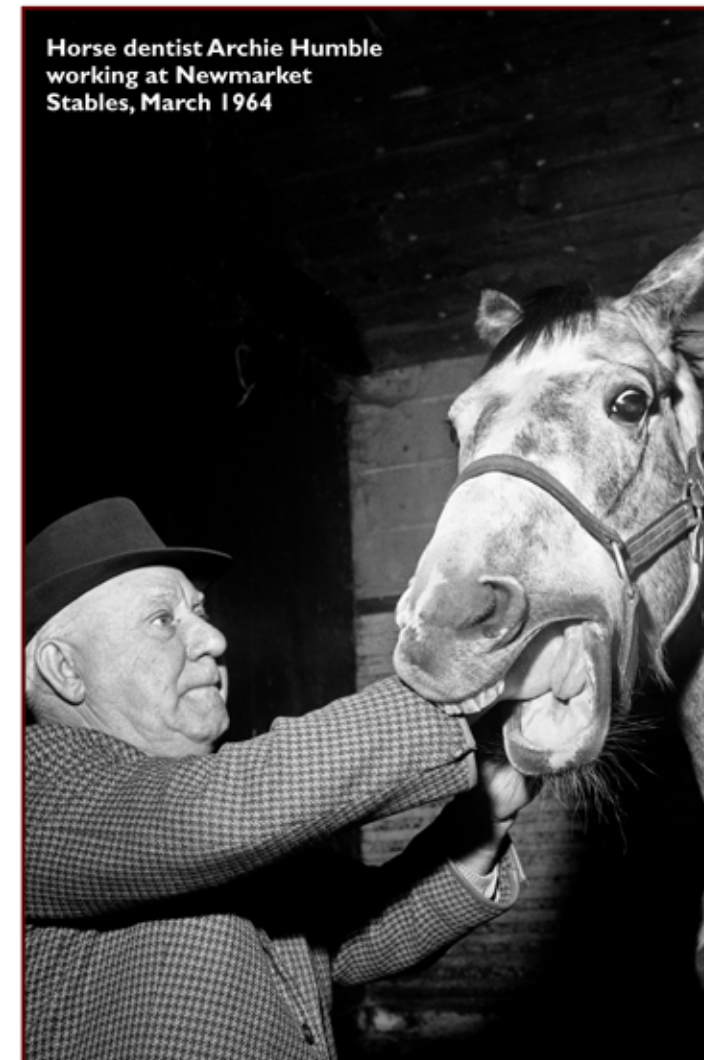
Brian Clough
with his children



England's Cyril Washbrook is
congratulated by fans, July 1956



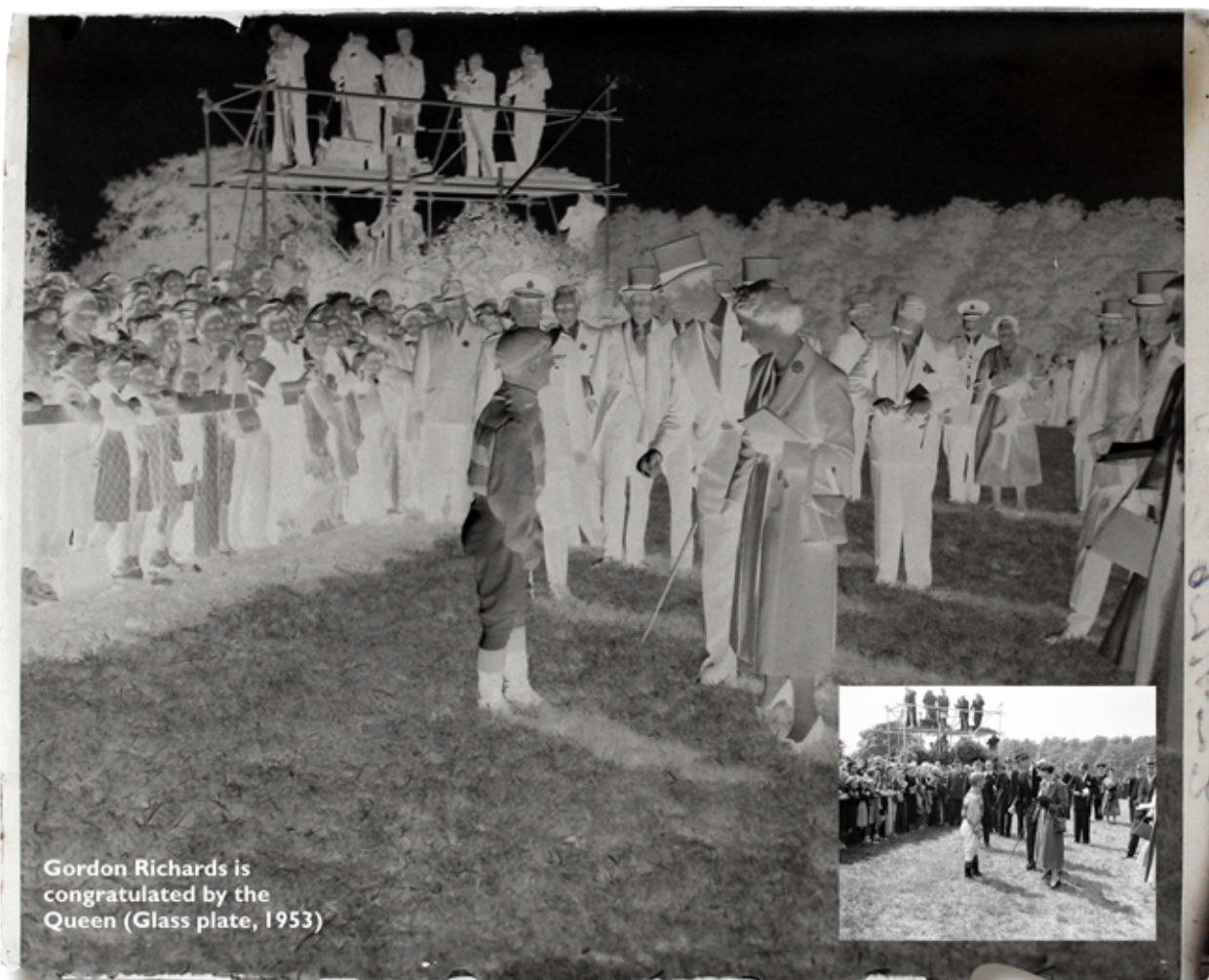
Muhammad Ali is the star of
the charity variety show



Horse dentist Archie Humble
working at Newmarket
Stables, March 1964



Boxing in the Shadow
of St Paul's Cathedral



Gordon Richards is
congratulated by the
Queen (Glass plate, 1953)



West Indies
players warm up



Australian
cricketers Graham
McKenzie (left) and
Grahame Corling



Derby Day betting
activity 1949



Stables at
Newmarket



Bill Shankly watching
a reserve game



Glass plate on a light box

After a few visits to the archive, I was treated to a tour of the inner sanctum - the store of images yet to be digitised. To pore through the boxes of photos, and carefully peel away the protective sheet on a glass plate almost a century old, is a rare and special treat. It really is history being revealed in front of your eyes.

After looking through thousands of images, I've only scratched the surface of what the archive has to offer. At the last count (I believe) there were approximately another 100 million images to get through. Mirrorpix will keep paying dividends for anyone privileged to use it for generations to come.



Crowd at Southampton
Football Club, 1963

Mike Tyson wearing a kilt



David Gower
celebrates with
Ian Botham



England v Wales
Rugby Union
International

"The old cliché that pictures speak louder than words so often rings true - and certainly, the magnificent Mirrorpix archive provides a store of original material that is a genuine treasure trove".

But it is the more intimate, hitherto unseen photos that, to my mind, have been more rewarding to discover and showcase.

The photographs that formed the basis of my award-nominated book, 'When Boxing Was Boxing', for example, are pure gold - revealing the stories behind the headlines, the personal dramas of this most testing of contests at a human and very personal level.

The image (right) of a battered Henry Cooper, his eyes puffed with stitches after a bout in 1959, provided a perfect illustration of the Mirror photographers' art: everyone who has seen the picture had the same response. This was an image that told its own, striking and dramatic story.



Sugar Ray Robinson
entertaining at a show
business party



Muhammad Ali v
Ken Norton, 1973



Louis Armstrong in concert

THE BIRMINGHAM POST AND MAIL

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

By bringing together all of our photographic collections under one roof, Mirrorpix are creating an unrivalled archive of British history

Along with this renovation work, we have added seven regional archives from around the UK to our central facility.

This includes collections from the Birmingham Post and Mail, Coventry Telegraph, Daily Record, Manchester Evening News, Newcastle Chronicle and Teesside Gazette.

The move allows us to protect and preserve the entire collection and, for the first time, make available high resolution digital images that have never been published before.

Work has already begun to digitise these new collections. The following pages contain a selection of the most recent finds.

DAILY RECORD



Liverpool and Scotland footballer Kenny Dalglish enjoys a drink in the pub, 1978

MANCHESTER EVENING NEWS



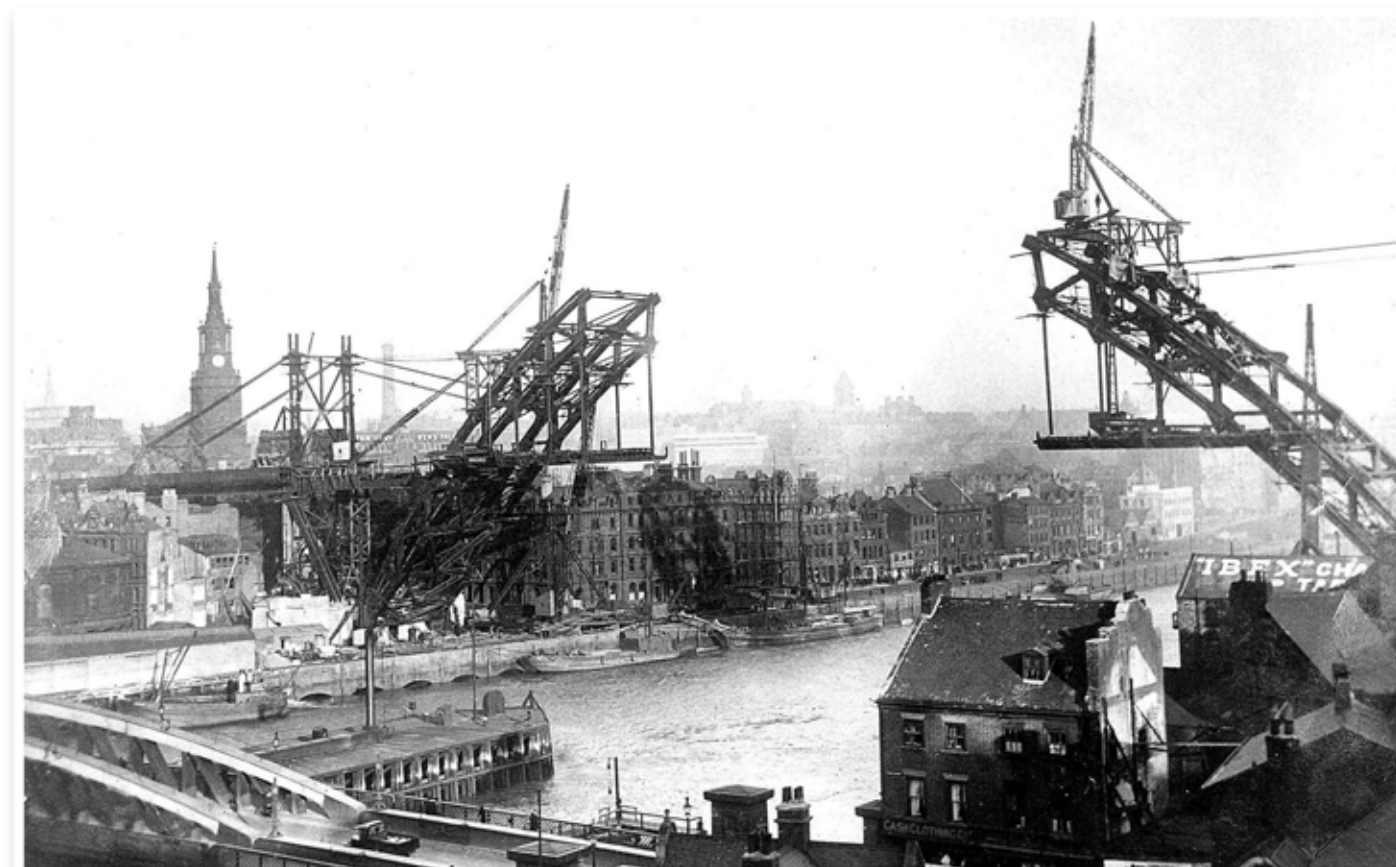
Prime Minister Winston Churchill sitting on the back of an open car on his surprise visit to Manchester during the Second World War, April 1941

THE WESTERN MAIL



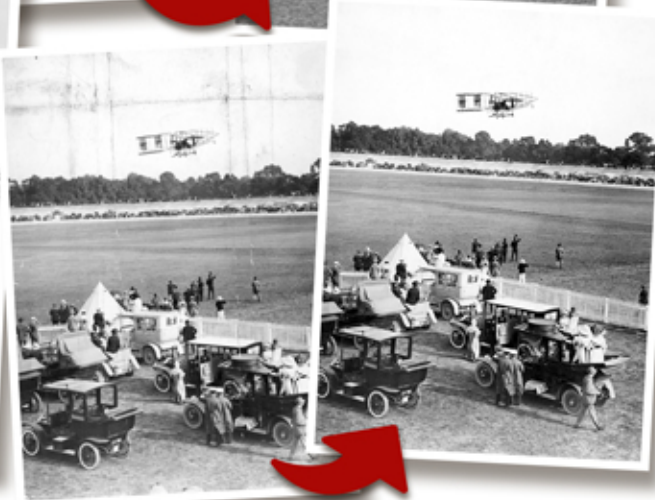
FA Cup Final - 1927 - Cardiff City v Arsenal King George V, watched by captain Fred Keenor, shakes hands with George McLachlan

NEWCASTLE CHRONICLE AND TEESSIDE GAZETTE



The Tyne Bridge under construction, 1928

PICTURE PERFECT

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