

"IRON DOOR MINE" SEARCHER PASSES

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 25.—(AP)—The long search of C. W. McKee for the fabulous "mine with the iron door" was ended in death today.

The 64-year-old Arizona pioneer, who had devoted 14 years to hunting for the legendary treasure store, died last night, a week after suffering a heart attack.

When death came, McKee believed himself near to solving the secret of the hidden mine which, since the 16th century, has lured treasure hunters. Members of McKee's family said he recently expressed conviction the "mine with the iron door" was close to the center of his operations, near Oracle, Ariz.

McKee claimed to have found the original dump of the mine. In his possession were many maps, gathered in Arizona, California and Mexico, which he said showed the location.

According to the mine legend, its veins were worked in the 16th century by Spanish padres, who shipped the riches to Spain. It was sealed by the last of the missionaries before his return to Spain.

McKee said his information was that the hidden tunnel contained 2,500,000 ounces of gold.

The mine was the subject of a novel, "The Mine With the Iron Door," by Harold Bell Wright.

Associated with McKee in recent months was Nathan Sturdy, Pittsburg, Pa., engineer and member of the Smithsonian Institution.

SERMON GIVEN FOR CAMAS VALLEY CLASS

CAMAS VALLEY, May 25.—Baccalaureate services for the high school and grade school graduates were held at the church Sunday evening, May 22 at 8 o'clock.

The program was as follows: Processional—Camas Valley Orchestra.

Invocation—Rev. Glen P. White. Song by congregation. 100th Psalm—Rev. Walter Duff. Solo, "Sail On,"—James Baughman.

Address—Rev. Walter Duff. Song by Congregation. Benediction—Rev. Glen P. White. Recessional—Camas Valley Orchestra.

Chino-Japanese War Creates Problems For American Missions and Aid Units, With Investments Totaling 43 Million

By ELMER PETERSON
SHANGHAI, — (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—To the American missionary movement in China, the greatest organized endeavor of its kind in the world, the Chinese-Japanese war has brought serious problems, both present and future, and an abundance of hard work and danger for individual missionaries.

Many of the 6,000 missionaries have been directly involved in war risks and hardships. Mission property has been bombed and shell-barricaded against fighting just outside their walls. Some missionaries have seen their towns change hands more than once.

A few missionaries have met violent deaths since the war began but nearly all these were due to isolated affairs well behind the battle lines. This is in contrast to the Boxer uprising of 1900, in which more than 200 Occidental missionaries and members of their families were slain.

New Problems Loom
The end of the war is sure to bring new problems, no matter who wins. Victory for the Japanese would see the extensive foreign missionary influence tested against Japanese controls and Japanese plans for spreading their "new culture" in China.

A Chinese victory, experienced observers believe, may see the spread of anti-foreign sentiment as part of a great revival of Chinese national consciousness. Manifestations of this spirit, seeking a China free of foreign interests and failing to distinguish between the foreign missionary and the foreign business man, brought missionary killings in 1927.

Either way, therefore, the \$43,000,000 investment in China of United States missionary and philanthropic societies, with an expenditure of millions of dollars annually, is sure to be vitally affected by policies of China's post-war masters.

Should the Chinese win, however, the missionary movement can hope for help from Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's support of Christianity and from a widespread appreciation of the manner in which missionaries have coped with the tragic problem of providing food and shelter for millions of the war's destitute.

Thousands Saved
Medical missionaries have saved thousands of lives and inoculated scores of thousands against infectious disease. Relief committees have labored at Shanghai, Nanking and other centers of suffering without attention to creed. Catholics and Protestants working side by side for the stricken populace.

In some instances American missionaries, safeguarding mission property and their native followers, have dealt with Chinese regulars, guerrillas and bandits and the Japanese army, in quick succession.

Japanese military leaders have paid tribute to the courage of American missionaries, many of whom have remained at their posts in beleaguered and ultimately captured cities.

Millions Invested
American Protestant missionary activity can be said to have begun in China in 1807. In 1900 there were 1,000 missionaries in the country, representing 30 societies. In 1937, there were over 6,000 American workers of 107 societies. In 1935 total American holding in China were estimated at \$240,000,000, of which the property of missions and philanthropic organizations came to \$13,000,000.

The first Catholic mission was founded in China at the start of the 14th century. In 1936 the Catholic movement included 16,197 schools, 415 orphanages, 236 hospitals and asylums, in addition to churches.

Protection of missionaries and their safe withdrawal from danger zones has been a major concern of various occidental governments concerned.

NOTICE

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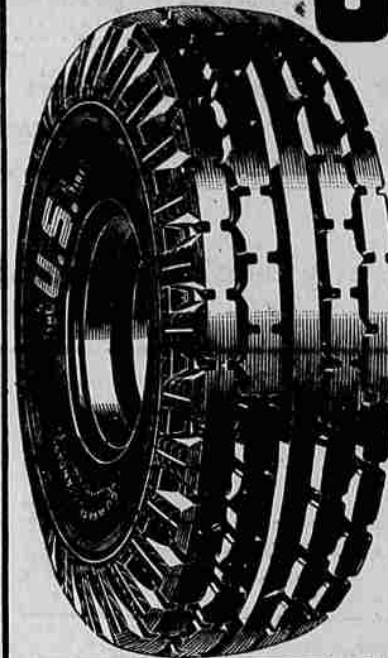
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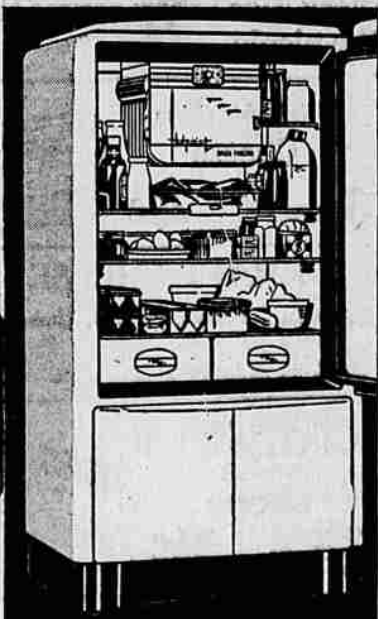
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