

WILL COMPLETE CANAL PROJECT

MARSEILLE, (AP)—A project that has been on foot 43 years will be realized October 1, when the last rocks that keep out the water of the Mediterranean out of the Rhone-to-Marseilles canal will be blasted. Then will have been finished a continuous waterway navigable by the largest canal barges from the North Sea to the Mediterranean, by way of the Rhine, Doubs and Rhone rivers and the Rhone to Marseilles canal. The work will have cost 216,000,000 francs and holds the record for time consumed in its realization. It will have surpassed all tunnels in Europe in rock and earth removed.

From the tunnel part of the canal, which is only five miles long, 2,160,000 cubic yards of earth and rock were taken, beating the record of the Saint-Gothard and Stimpson tunnels in Switzerland which are longer, but much smaller.

When Napoleon came upon the scene of European politics as emperor of Louis XII, he found the proposal for this canal in the archives of the state awaiting action. Religious controversies occupied the attention of France too much at that time to permit attention to such a broad scheme. Napoleon and Louis XII passed from the scene of action and all the rest of the French kings came and went before the proposition again came to light. It was resurrected in 1829 for a brief inspection and again forgotten until 1848, when a functionary of the public works department drafted a plan for the realization of the project. It took 29 years more to get it before parliament and 24 years more to get it voted. Finally, the creation of a canal from the Mediterranean to the river Rhone at Arles, a distance of 81 miles, was authorized by law in 1902. It took eight years more to complete the preparations for the work, which was begun in 1911, and has continued uninterruptedly since in spite of the World War.

The new waterway completed by the Rhone-to-Marseilles canal is the first to effectively cut what is called "The European Isthmus" composed of Holland, Belgium, France, Spain and Portugal and furnished a short cut from the North Sea to the west by water to traffic of importance.

Cinderella Dream Realized



ADOLESCENT BOYS HERE AND WESTERN BARTON, PLAYING WITH TWO BOYS AND A LONG TEXAS SHOOTER. GRANDMA SIMPSON, WHO HAS CARED FOR THEM IS AT THEIR RIGHT. BELOW IS THEIR PRESENT HOME.

WELLINGTON, Tex., (NEA)—Amid the splendor of a tiny shack on the broad plains of the Texas Panhandle, an old, white-haired grandmother, once told two little orphan girls the childhood story of Cinderella.

With poverty on all sides, the little girls, Essie Lee Barton, 6, and Jessie Barton, 4, never dreamed that some day they would suddenly have wealth and all it buys thrust upon them, almost in the fairyland fashion of Cinderella.

But a wealthy uncle back in North Carolina is making the Cinderella story come true for them. He is Buck Duke, son of Washington Duke, who made millions in tobacco. Buck Duke is a brother of J. B. Duke, who recently gave \$40,000,000 to a North Carolina College, and is said to be as wealthy as his brother.

Recently Buck said he intended to make all his relatives rich before his death. And he has just found that the two poor orphan girls out on the Texas plains are directly related to him by marriage.

So he has sent \$1000 to Grandma Simpson, who cares for the children, to gather information about them and to end their poverty.

More money is promised later. Already Duke has sent \$10,000 each to R. W. and James Duke, two second cousins, who have ranches near here.

One Grandmother of the orphans who died at Wellington several years ago, Mrs. Sally Barton, was related to Washington

Duke by marriage and used to help him pick tobacco on his North Carolina plantation before he amassed his huge fortune.

When the great migration to the west began, the Barton family and one branch of the Duke family resolved to seek their fortunes in Texas.

But while the Duke family was making millions in North Carolina their relatives out west were having a long, hard struggle for existence. Misfortune seemed in pile on misfortune, and a few years ago the two little Barton girls were left orphans.

Buck Duke has suggested that the girls be put in one of his orphan homes in North Carolina, but Grandma Simpson immediately wrote she wouldn't stand for that.

"I'll raise them here in poverty and give them a schooling myself before I'll send them to a home," she says.

Grandma Simpson is not the children's grandmother, but they always call her that because she cared for them since baby-hood.

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(From Charleston, S. C., Evening Post)
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PLACER GOLD FIND REPORTED

POHATELLI, Idaho, (AP)—At a desolate point at the junction of Clark, Little and Jefferson counties in northeastern Idaho, where three rivers sink into the sands of the Snake river basin, a gold placer which is expected to be as rich as that of the Boise Basin of early days has been discovered.

Announcement from Idaho confirmed the discovery and with the movement just started claims are being rapidly staked out.

The three streams, the Lost River, Little Lost River and Birch Creek, have in ancient times and up until the advent of irrigation in the early eighties, virtually merged their waters and disappeared in the sands on the same site of desert.

For nearly fifty years these mysterious rivers have been the despair of geologists, engineers and gold seekers because they have not apparently indication of the gold values that geologists insisted must be present.

D. T. Murphy, a Idaho civil engineer, sometime ago set out to locate the deposit. Concluding that the three torrential streams carried values but moved too fast to deposit them, the theory rapidly led to the staked where the theory was verified.

Besides gold and indications of platinum, some of the corundum quality of which emeralds and rubies are formed, have been found.

OFFICE LOCATION ISSUE
SALEM, Ore.—There is no doubt the legislature intended the main office of the state banking department should be located in Salem, according to Judge Shipworth of Lane county, who heard arguments in connection with the suit brought by George Burnam, local newspaper publisher, to compel the transfer of the banking department from Portland to the seat of the state government.

"The only question that I can see in this case," said Judge Shipworth, "is whether the court has authority to say what constitutes a main office and a branch office, and how much of an office must be maintained in Salem to make it a main office."

Judge Shipworth granted the attorney 20 days to file briefs, and indicated that an early decision would be forthcoming.

MORE COWBOYS COMING
PENDLETON, Ore.—The south end of Umatilla county and the north end of Grant county will be represented by a body of between 20 and 30 cowboys from the range district during the Pendleton Round-up, according to Albert Peterson of Ukiah. Plans are being made by the cowboys to come to the show in force and to ride in the parades that are a part of the show.

The cowboys from Ukiah and Cassia Prairie are not of the "stare" variety, Mr. Peterson explained, but are known as cowboys because they spend most of their time, except in winter, riding range. Some of them will take part in the competitive events.

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STRICT ECONOMY FOR GERMANY.



The German ambassador to the United States, Baron Aro von Maltzan, at his summer home in Magnolia, Mass. The finely woven straw hat which he is wearing has been worn by him for the last twenty years. Perhaps with the re-financing of Germany under the Dawes plan he may buy a new one.

Of Course
First Masquillo: "What happened to Cousin Swammy that he's all puffed up this morning?"
Second Masquillo: "He bit the Prince of Wales last night."

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