

KING LOUIS XIV. SUNK MILLIONS IN OZARK HILLS

Explorations For Gold And Silver Failed French Ruler—Lead and Zinc Later Provide Vast Wealth.

JOPLIN, Mo.—(UP)—King Louis XIV of France and John Law, master promoter, sank \$200,000,000 into extravagant mine explorations in the Ozark region, and went bankrupt.

Yet, in the tri-state area of Missouri, Arkansas and Kansas alone more than a billion dollars' worth of lead and zinc concentrates have been mined.

King Louis, gay and spendthrift ruler, granted letters of patent in 1712 to all of the Ozarks, then a part of the Louisiana territory owned by the French, to explore fully the region for silver and gold.

Renault Led Project. The Mississippi company, promoted by law, profits in which were shared by the king, undertook the exploration work. Phillip Renault, one of the king's master miners, accompanied by 500 black slaves from San Domingo, and a number of expert mineralogists, came to the Ozarks in 1719.

For half a century the French miners prospected through the hills searching for silver and gold. They found large quantities of zinc and lead.

Following the French debacle in Ozark mine exploring, the Spaniards came. They were better miners. They found deposits of silver in caves, but if they made any profitable discoveries history fails to reveal them.

First Discovery. The first real discovery in the Joplin field was made by an Indian, David Harland, half-breed Cherokee from North Carolina. Harland found lead along Shoal creek near the present site of Joplin in 1835.

However, William Tingle, Scotchman, generally is credited with having been the first miner in this field.

Since the discovery of the tri-state area, more than five times as much lead and zinc have been mined and sold as Louis XIV squandered in "locating" it.

MERCHANT CHIEFS SEE TRADE GAINS

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The National Retail Dry Goods association announced today it had sent to President Roosevelt the results of a survey showing that many leading merchants believe the recovery drive is gaining ground steadily.

The merchants praised the NRA and expressed confidence it will bring further improvement.

The association is headed by Low Hahn. His announcement said it is a trading group of 4,800 department and specialty stores.

P. G. Winnett, president Bullock's, Los Angeles, said: "If everything that is being done will serve as the old bucket of water used to do in priming the well, so that the water will respond to the pump—and natural breathing respond to this artificial respiration—then all will be well."

JOY RIDE IN ANCIENT CAR FOR ANNIVERSARY

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—(UP)—J. S. McCown and his wife recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary by going for a brief tour in a 1901 model auto.

When McCown courted his wife-to-be, he bought a similar car, a two cylinder model that would make 15 miles an hour. He found the 1901 model in a garage and rented it for the silver wedding. He and Mrs. McCown wore their marriage clothes of 1908.

Rogue Valley Life Underwriters association held their monthly noon luncheon at the Colonial club Thursday. R. C. O'Connor, president of the Portland Underwriters association, gave a very interesting talk.

Officers for 1934 were elected as follows: President, Ray E. Wright; vice-president, Charles Ray; secretary, Harold Brown; treasurer, Fred B. Sweeney.

A vote of thanks was extended to Henry Galcy, outgoing president, for his splendid work the past year.

Society and Clubs

Edited by Eva Nealon Hamilton

School Children Give Fine Program

The Daughters of the American Revolution were delightfully entertained Saturday evening with a Christmas play given by students of Roosevelt school, under direction of Miss Sara VanMeter.

Those taking part in the play were the Misses Mary Elizabeth Shreve, Ruth Nordwick, Mary Bruce Crane, Caroline Shreve, Carol Carlin, Joan Humphrey, Joan Elliott, and Nancy Wall. Masters Milton Schuhart, Richard McElhoose, Lewis Powell, Larry Wilson, Harris James, Jack Littrell, Hough Williams and Robert Grey.

Mrs. Lewis Ulrich reported that a well-filled Christmas box had been sent to Angel Island.

All members joined in singing Christmas carols, with Mrs. McElhoose leading and Mrs. C. A. Meeker at the piano.

The Christmas spirit prevailed during the distribution of the gifts.

Guests of the chapter were Mesdames Alice Ulrich, H. D. Powell, N. C. Howard and G. R. Carter, and Miss Lucille Murray.

Mrs. C. C. Murray, the hostess, was assisted in serving by Mesdames E. N. Vilm, A. E. Stratton, Glenn Taylor and J. O. Grey, with Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Stratton pouring.

Tomorrow Meeting Day For Church Circles. Several church circles will meet tomorrow as usual at the Loyal Women's class of the Christian church, for a Christmas party, in the recreational hall of the church.

The Women Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will meet in the church parlors at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for a program, which has been prepared by Mrs. Haggerty.

Queen Esther circle will have a covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. Flick and will use the Christmas motif in decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Norris Guests for Christmas Week. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Norris of New York, who have been spending some time on the Pacific coast, arrived here last Friday by motor to be guests over Christmas of Mr. Norris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Norris of Brookbank orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norris returned from New York by motor last Tuesday and will also entertain the Ralph Norris' during their stay here.

Rebekahs Hold Annual Homecoming Tonight. Annual homecoming of the Rebekah lodge will open this evening with supper at 8:30 o'clock, to be followed by a lodge session and roll-call. A Christmas play will be presented by the F. L. girls.

All members of the lodge are urged to be present and a cordial invitation is extended to visiting Rebekahs.

Lady Elks to Meet Tuesday Afternoon. The Lady Elks will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the temple for another social time. Cards, bowling and pool will be included in the afternoon's events with Mrs. A. F. Stennett, hostess.

Christmas Party of Guild Is Tonight. Mrs. L. F. Kuehnle will be hostess this evening to Grater Lake Guild of the Presbyterian church for annual Christmas party. Members are to arrive at 8 o'clock.

O. S. C. Meeting Set for January. The Oregon State College club has announced postponement of the December meeting, which will be held next month, in connection with the regular January session of the club.

Degree of Honor Plans Christmas Party. The Degree of Honor will meet in the women's clubrooms of the city hall Thursday, December 21, for regular session and annual Christmas tree party, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Reeds Entertain With Annual Christmas Party. The Christmas party at the H. D. Reed home in Gold Hill, which has become a tradition with a number of southern Oregon folk, was held last evening with dinner for seven, followed by presentation of the many humorous gifts, decorating the tree. The remainder of the evening was spent at bridge.

Present were: Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Logson, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Williams, Miss Orbie Natwick, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McDonald, Tom Swem, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fuhner, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Fish, Miss Fern Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. James Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Reed.

Elks' Dance Successful Event of Saturday. The pre-Christmas dance of the Medford Elks club was a successful affair of Saturday night at the temple, attended by a large crowd, which savored the anticipated arrival of Santa Claus in many homes in the Rogue River valley. The proceeds from the dance will go to the Elks' Christmas fund, which annually brings happiness to many people in need.

Music for dancing was played by Peter's orchestra, the whole affair being in keeping with expectations for the holiday season.

Sunday School Class to Present Plays, Central Point. The Sunday school class of Mrs. J. Sanford Richardson at the Central Point Christian church will present two one-act plays at the Grange hall here Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, to which the public is invited.

The titles of the two are: "Too Much Matrimony" and "Her Super-Intelligence."

The money realized from the small admission charge will be used in the purchase of new song books for the class.

Auxiliary Makes Change in Meeting. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Medford post of the Legion will hold regular meeting Tuesday evening, December 19, instead of the regular meeting night, which comes on Christmas.

The meeting will be in the form of a Christmas tree for the children. All children of Legionnaires or Auxiliary members are invited to be present from 8 until 10 o'clock, at the Armory.

Priscilla Circle to Meet Wednesday. The Priscilla circle will meet with Mrs. Sam Bateman at 302 Maple street, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The members are especially urged to attend the session.

Mrs. Bunch Invites Friends to Luncheon. Mrs. F. G. Bunch will be among hostesses of this week, having invited friends to luncheon Tuesday at her home. Covers will be arranged for 12 in a setting of Christmas decorations and bridge will follow luncheon.

The Bunches have as guests today

Singers Entertain Guests from North

LITTLE APPELGAATE—Mr. and Mrs. Sangera were hosts at a party for their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrieb of Hood River, last Saturday evening. Other honor guests were Mr. and Mrs. Barstow, also of Hood River.

Old time music was played for dancing and several feature dances added interest to the evening. They were danced by Lucile Chistman and Betty Sangera, Mrs. Stoeck, Oscar Wolf, Hazel Wolf, and Mrs. Barstow.

Oyster supper was served at midnight to 50 guests. Music for square dancing was then played by the Little Applegate Serenaders.

Swinsons Stop Here En Route to Portland. Mr. and Mrs. F. Leah Swinson and daughter, Barbara Leigh, of Napa, Cal., were guests here yesterday of Mrs. Swinson's sisters, Mrs. E. N. Edridge and Miss Edna Eifer, having stopped on their way to Portland, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Rose Eifer and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Schoonover.

Following Christmas they will continue to Seattle by motor before returning south.

WOODBURN, Ore., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Funeral service will be held here tomorrow at 1:30 p. m., for Joseph Huggill, 80, prominent Woodburn resident, who died suddenly Saturday while he was transacting business at the office of Judge Hiram Overton.

If your Fuel Oil Tank is in an inconvenient location Ph. 313. Eads for CAREFUL Oil delivery.

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Dance at the Rogue Elk Saturday night, December 23.

HOME TALENT STARS WILL HAVE PART IN BPW SHOW TUESDAY

Some of Medford's "most talented" home talent will be presented tomorrow evening, December 17, in the entertaining musical comedy, "The Rose Dawn" at the Holly theatre, for which rehearsals have been in progress for the past several weeks.

The play is a charming romance, interspersed with dancing and singing. The cast includes: Chick Buchanan, Ruby Stone, Leabelle Miller, Max Rae, Edna Eifer, Jerry Barr, and many other local favorites in dancing and chorus numbers.

Mr. Buchanan plays the role of the army officer, who finally unwinds the mystery of the Hindu temple, in which the play is laid.

Photographs of the members of the cast are now on display in the foyer of the Holly theatre through the courtesy of The Peasleys.

Sebastian Apollo, well known local pianist, and Bernice Morehouse Bolger, Medford violinist, will accompany the singing and dancing numbers.

Song hits from the show will be broadcast tonight in a program from KMED.

SKIPPER SUICIDES WHEN VESSEL GOES ASHORE

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(P)—The American Export Line received word today that A. T. Hickey, master of the steamer Erarich, committed suicide early yesterday after his ship had gone ashore on the coast of Cyprus.

Broken windows glazed by Trowbridge Cabinet Works.

Society Songbirds Picked For Opera

A glamorous career in opera, a pretty dream that came true for these two New York society girls. The director of the Chicago Grand Opera company heard Jane Ryan (left) and Madeline Smith rehearsing for a New York benefit performance and offered them contracts for next season. (Associated Press Photo)



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Former Missouri Governor Passes

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—(P)—Frederick D. Gardner, 64, war-time governor of Missouri and well known in national Democratic circles, died here early today of a toxic infection of the jaw which developed after extraction of a tooth.

Gardner held only one public office—that of governor for a four-year term 1916-1920—although urged many times by his friends to continue in public life.

Ends a Cold SOONER

Advertisement for Vicks VapoRub showing a person using the product. Text: "by STIMULATION and INHALATION VICKS VAPORUB PROVED BY 2 GENERATIONS"

DR. A. F. KRESSE has moved from Palmer Bldg. to MEDFORD CENTER BLD. Rooms 403 and 404

Advertisement for Medford Poultry & Egg Co. Text: "WE PAY CASH FOR TURKEYS Or Will Ship Your Birds and Guarantee Payment Medford Poultry & Egg Co. 128 No. Grape St. Phone 16"

Large advertisement for Camel and Prince Albert cigarettes. Features a cartoon character and text: "PERFECT GIFTS - CAMELS AND PRINCE ALBERT - IN GAY XMAS PACKAGES". Includes a list of books for sale.

Bottom section of the Camel and Prince Albert advertisement. Text: "CAMELS... made from finer, more expensive tobaccos" and "PRINCE ALBERT THE NATIONAL JOY SMOKE". Includes a list of books for sale.

Advertisement for RCA Victor Chest Type Radio. Text: "Beautiful RCA VICTOR Chest Type RADIO"

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Advertisement for Palmer Electric Store. Text: "Only \$35.95 with R. C. A. Radiotrons PALMER Electric Store EAST MAIN"

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- Wholesome Books for Boys and Girls of every age. Sturdily bound, at very reasonable prices. For Tiny Tots: Little Jack Rabbit Books... (35c), The Make Believe Stories... (35c), The Cuffy Bear Books... (50c), The Sleepy Time Tales... (50c), The Honey Bunch Books... (50c), The Bobbery Twins Books... (50c), The Bunny Brown Stories... (50c), Children of All Lands Stories... (50c). For Boys from 10-15 years: The Ted Scott Flying Stories... (50c), The Tom Swift Books... (50c), The Jerry Todd Books... (50c), The Andy Lane Flying Stories... (50c), The Pee-Wee Harris Stories... (50c), The Rex Lee Flying Stories... (50c), Garry Grayson Football Books... (50c), The Tom Blakey Scouting Books... (50c), The Tom Blakeley Stories... (50c), The Poppy Ott Stories... (50c), The X Bar X Western Stories... (50c), The Don Sturdy Adventure Stories... (50c), The Hardy Boys Mystery Stories... (50c), The Radio Boys Books... (50c), The Rover Boys Books... (75c), The Big Books for Boys... (\$1.00). For Girls from 10-15 years: The Blythe Girls Books... (50c), Lillian Garis Books for Girls... (50c), The Outdoor Girls... (50c), The Polly Brewster Books... (50c), The Marjorie Books... (50c), The Girl Scouts Stories... (50c), Jane D. Abbott Books... (75c). In Beautiful Editions: Juveniles of Distinction... (\$1.00), The Children's Hour Books... (\$1.00).

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