

FRENCH RECLAIM LOUIS XIV BATH AS ART OBJECT

PARIS (UP) — The 263-year-old marble bathtub of King Louis XIV has been bought by the ministry of fine arts and returned to the palace at Versailles.

Originally installed in the palace in 1773 when the monarch was 35, the bath cost 9,000 pounds—an enormous amount in those days—according to records carefully kept at Versailles throughout generations. The bath is made from a single block of marble, reddish violet in tone and veined with creamy white. Octagonal in shape, the bath weighs 10 tons and it measures 10 feet 6 inches across. To aid the royal bather, four little steps and a ledge were cut from the inside of the tub.

At the top of the steps were two holes through which the water was piped. It is believed these holes originally were covered by bronze or gold dolphins' heads in the style of that period, but these ornaments have disappeared.

When Louis XIV died in 1715, the bathroom at the palace were rearranged. This marble tub was not moved because of its great weight, but was filled with sand and left under a floor. In 1750 there were more alterations at the palace, and when the floor was taken up the tub was discovered. Louis XV, great grandson of Louis XIV, presented the marble tub to his favorite, Mme. de Pompadour, who had it removed to the Ermitage, her country house. At this time it was placed in the midst of an ornamental flower garden. It is not known what became of Mme. de Pompadour, but some time later it came into the possession of Anne-Pierre de Montesquiou, French man of letters, who lived at the Paris suburb, Le Vesinet. Many years later, still at Le Vesinet, it was found on the estate of the Countess Casati.

RULE LEAP YEAR CIRCUS



These two pretty co-eds were Leap Year royalty at the University of California "Sirkus," held every four years to provide funds for the letterman's "C" club. Billie Withers (left) was queen and Jeanne Smith-Wild, princess. (Associated Press Photo)

HE FLEW THROUGH THE AIR



This rare action photograph caught Bobby Sall of Patterson, N. V., sailing through the air (right) after his racing roadster overturned in the soft sand at Daytona Beach, Fla., during a speed trial. Though Sall was tossed many feet from the car, he escaped serious injury. (Associated Press Photo)

HUNGER, DISEASE AND PANIC STALK STRICKEN REGION

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forces against fire hazards and threats of disease. A water shortage also menaced the steel city, and the 700,000 residents had been without light, gas or power for three days. In Harrisburg, located in the east-central Pennsylvania area ravaged by the Susquehanna and other streams, an explosion of three chemical tanks wrecked a warehouse in the flooded industrial district. Williamsport, with estimated damage of \$3,000,000 and its central business area in ruins, cared for more than 3500 persons in schools. Wilkes-Barre estimated that perhaps 2000 Wyoming valley residents still awaited rescue. Army bombers took off from the Aberdeen-Maryland proving grounds to ferry food and medical supplies to the suffering areas.

4. President Roosevelt again delayed his southern vacation departure to stay in command of federal rescue relief mobilization. The New Deal considered spending close to \$400,000,000 for food sufferers and to guard against repetition of this week's disasters.

Death toll by states: Pennsylvania, 95; West Virginia, 19; Vermont, 5; Connecticut, 1; Virginia, 4; Massachusetts, 4; Maine, 1; Maryland, 4; North Carolina, 2; Georgia, 2; and New York, 1.

Property damage and homeless were estimated as follows from the worst-hit sections: Pennsylvania, \$150,000,000 damage and 80,000 homeless; West Virginia, \$20,000,000 and 9600; New England,

\$100,000,000 and 10,000,000.

Dismal Picture The whole flood scene, over New England, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York and the Potomac and southern regions, was a dismal picture of rising rivers or destitution in the wake of falling ones.

The U. S. weather bureau at Washington said that "The Potomac and all its tributaries are falling, and the rate of fall will increase tonight and tomorrow."

The Wheeling area, with 17 dead, still was suffering from falling waters. Brilliant, O., was completely submerged. Its railroad station floated away. The water fell at Wellsburg, W. Va., where it had been 22 feet deep in the streets. Thousands were inoculated against typhoid in the Wheeling-Stuebenville, O. region.

Downstream, near-crooked waters of eight to ten feet deep poured through Marietta business streets, forced a college to close and flooded homes. At historic Harper's Ferry, on the falling Potomac, the mayor commended grocery stocks and ordered the entire population of 705 persons inoculated against typhoid.

Sleet Storms Hamper Stinging sleet storms hampered the flood reconstruction work in the Rochester area of New York state. Power lines and communication wires, weakened by the floods, crashed to the ground in many sections, severing service.

Company officials hastily set up short-wave communication from Rochester to Canandaigua, where workmen were frantically working to restore light and power to the U. S. veterans' hospital, housing 600 patients.

Typhoid serum was rushed to Birmingham, as an epidemic was feared as a result of the two-day water shortage.

Under orders from health officials, housewives boiled all water, but the danger of spreading disease lurked in sopping cellars and mud-piled streets. Some Massachusetts cities were under military-police protection against vandalism. Large parts of the Spring-

field, Lawrence, Lowell and Haverhill, Mass., cities with a total population of 400,000, were under water. The New England homeless were estimated at 100,000; the three-day toll at 11.

National guardmen were on duty in all six states; dozens of localities had no light or gas; the Connecticut menaced Hartford with a new crest; the Merrimack, rising, tore down bridge after bridge.

In Maine, guardmen were called to quell a panic caused by false "dam broken" reports.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20.—(P)

World religion "is at a critical point," Dr. Robert M. Hopkins told interviewers here.

Dr. Hopkins, who is secretary of the world's Sunday School association, said "We are fighting lethargy in some quarters and active opposition in others." He is on a nation-wide tour in the interests of the International Sunday School convention at Oslo, Norway, in July.

LAWS PRESERVING BEAUTY OF STATE URGED AT PARLEY

EUGENE, March 20.—(AP)—

Describing Oregon scenery as a "heritage that should be preserved for posterity," Robert W. Sawyer, publisher of the Bend Bulletin, urged full support for a program that will preserve a fringe of timber along highways in an address to members of the Oregon commonwealth conference at luncheon here today.

The noted Oregon publisher and former member of the state highway commission pointed out that Oregon

scenery was a valuable asset in attracting tourists and urged support for measures that would prohibit "tin signs and cloth snipes" and regulate placing of billboards and painted panels along road sides. He also advocated zoning so that unsightly buildings may be kept away from principal roads.

Governor Martin urged creation of a state mining and geology bureau to assist in the development of the state's great store of natural resources.

Dr. Frederic Hunter, chancellor of the Oregon system of higher education, stressed the need for developing career men and women for government and C. W. Hamm, of the American Municipal association, urged a coordination of relief and administration.

5 Midget Photos 15c. PEASLEYS.

Be correctly corrected in an Artist Model by Ethelwyn B. Hoffmann.

Hints To Gardeners

by Lyman White, Flower Expert, Ferry Seed Institute



For Early Flowers

EARLIER blooming of some of the popular garden flowers may be obtained by planting them indoors about six weeks before they are to be set out in the open. They should be placed outdoors, of course, only after the ground has warmed and all danger of frost is past.

A few of the flowers which may be planted early indoors include the delphinium, pink, galliardia, lobelia, myosotis, pansy, Iceland poppy, salvia, stock and verbena.

The following may be planted indoors a week or two later: Agrostis, snapdragon, aster, dahlia, nicotiana, petunia, phlox drummondii, salpiglossis, scabiosa and vinca rosea.

Seed of these flowers may be obtained at your favorite store at a sufficiently early date to allow you to give them an inside start.

Seed of other favorites, which may be procured at the same time but which should be saved for later outside planting, include the sweet alyssum, calendula, calliopsis, candytuft, four o'clock, marigold and nasturtium. These are earlier and faster growing than the others.

For the inside planting, fill a cigar box or florist's "flat" with good, rich loam, covering the seeds with a thin sprinkling of soil. The boxes should have small holes (about quarter-inch in diameter) in the bottom so they may be set in water and the soil moistened by absorption.

If the small plants are too thick, some should be picked out. The boxes should be placed in a sunny window and kept at a temperature of around 70 degrees.

If desired, the small plants may be transplanted to pots or other larger containers. Before setting outdoors they should be "hardened off," placed outdoors in the shade six or eight mild days.

Weather

Northern California: Cloudy tonight and Saturday, becoming unsettled; cooler in the interior Saturday; moderate changeable wind off the coast, becoming southerly.

Oregon: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Saturday; unsettled west portion, cooler west Saturday; increasing southerly wind off the coast.



Mrs. Webb has changed to SUNSHINE KRISPY CRACKERS

GERMANY'S HONOR BEFORE PEACE IS DICTATOR'S HINT

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into the Rhine zone must be suspended while French and Belgian government suspend sending forces into zones adjoining their frontiers. "I venture to think the common sense will consider the proposed arrangements to create a sense of security during the period of negotiation are fair and reasonable," Eden said to the members, "and indicate the spirit in which the question has been approached by the French and Belgian governments."

The proposals are subject to ratification by the four governments participating. The British, French and Belgian cabinets have already approved.

Wait German Reaction

London diplomatic quarters are awaiting official reaction from the German government. In an annex, the four powers agreed that should Hitler spurn the plan, Great Britain and Italy, as guarantors of the Locarno pact, immediately would inform France and Belgium that they would come to their assistance in a manner jointly approved.

This duty, however, would be reciprocal and would oblige France and Belgium to come to the assistance of Italy and Great Britain to resist unprovoked German aggression.

The general staffs of the nations concerned would be instructed to take immediately such measures as the circumstances dictate. The arrangement, in effect, becomes a super military alliance, since the Locarno pact provided guarantees only for Germany, Belgium, and France, in case of attacks.

France, Belgium, Great Britain, and Italy affirm that the Locarno pact still remains in force and stipulate that the general staffs of the four countries make immediate contact to arrange technical conditions for carrying out obligations in case of unprovoked aggression.

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