

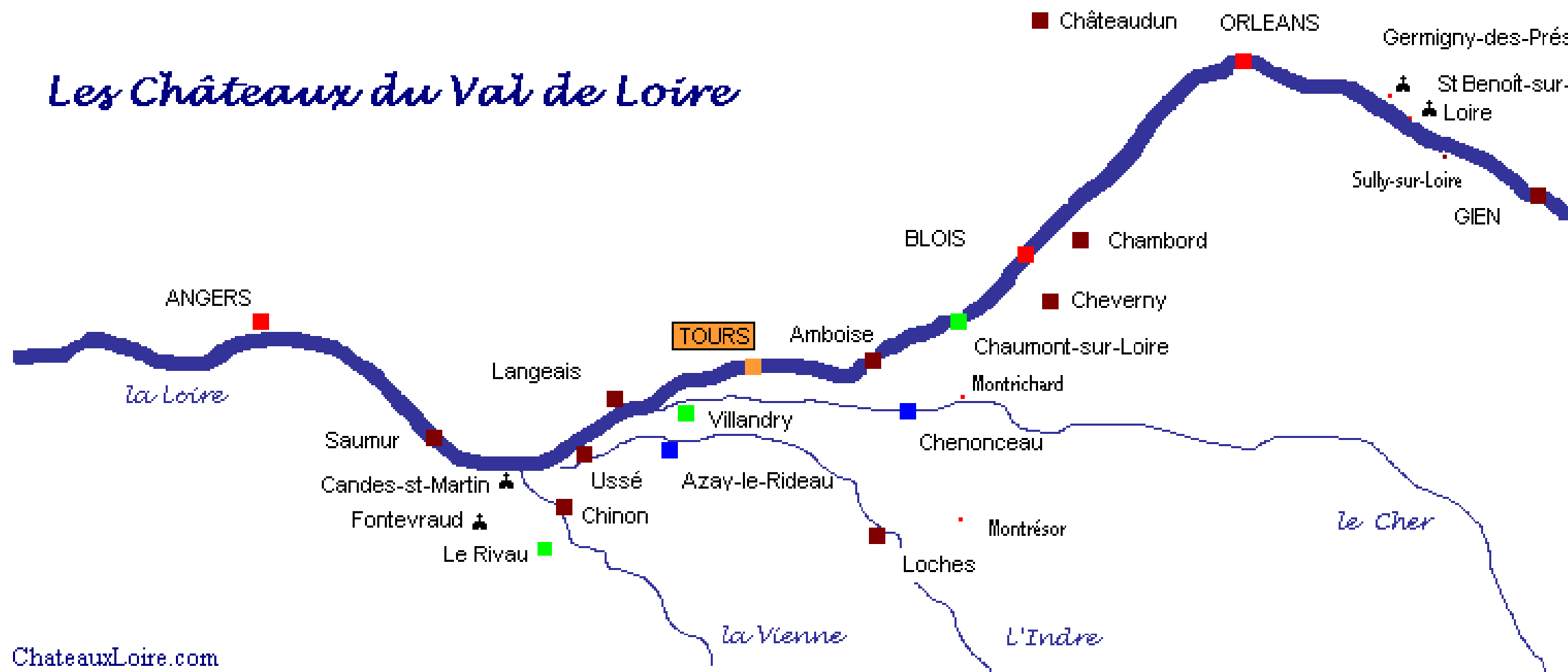


The Renaissance: a golden age for the cities of the Val
de Loire

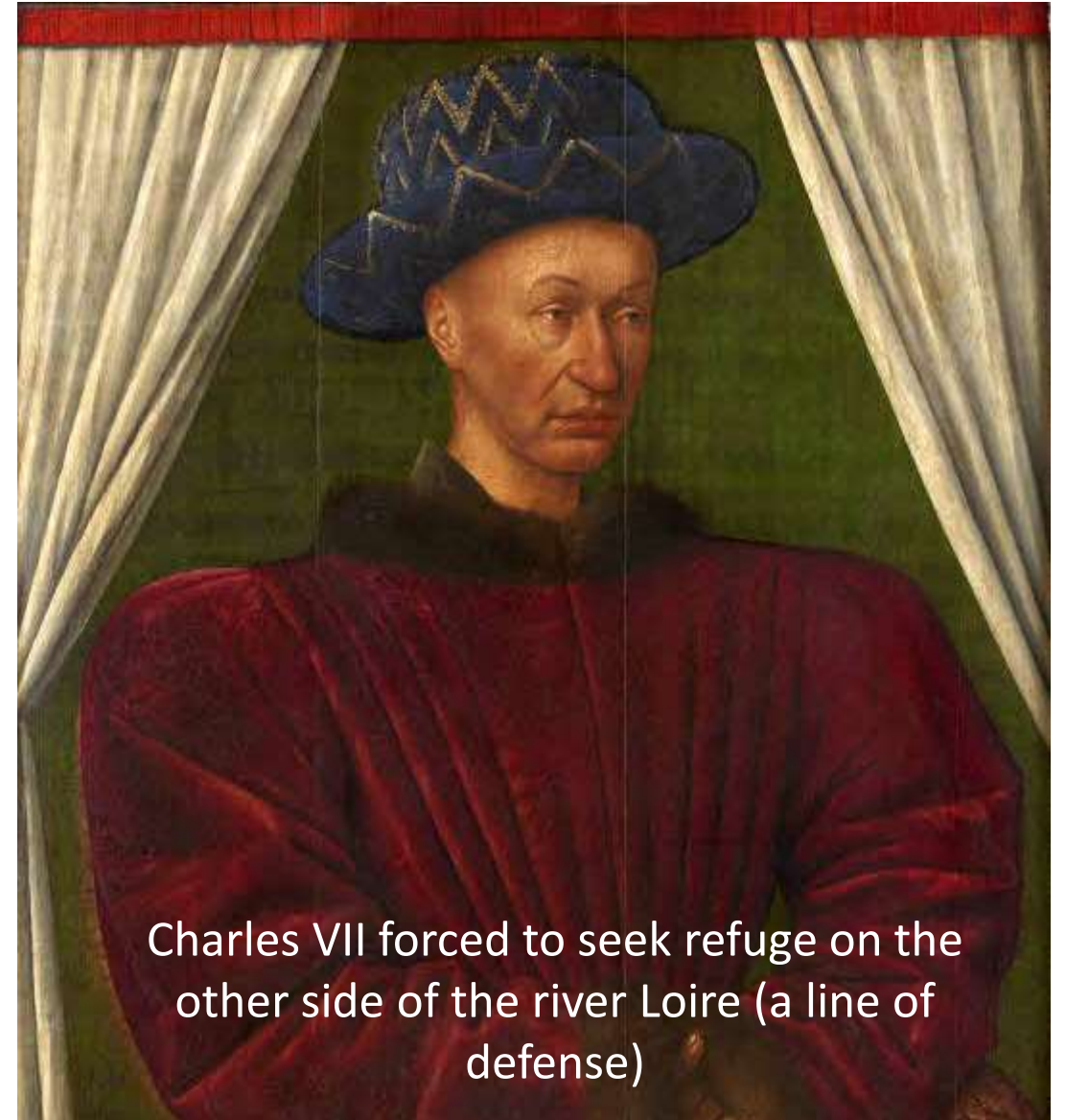
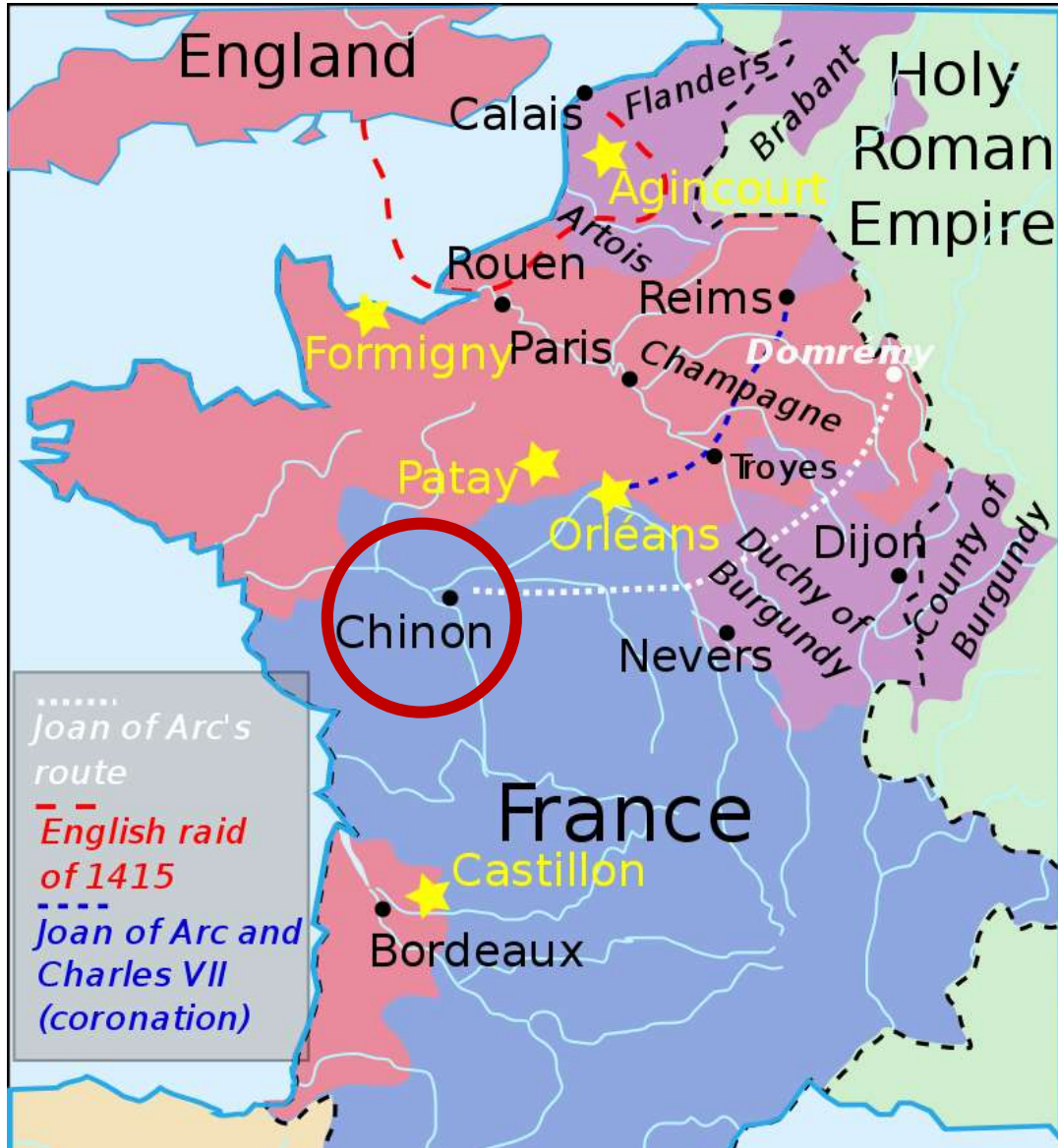
An exceptional economic
prosperity

15th -16th centuries: a period of great prosperity for the cities of the Val de Loire
The kings of France in residence

Les Châteaux du Val de Loire



1422: Charles VII becomes king of France in the midst of the Hundred Years War



The North of France (including Paris) occupied by the English and their allies from Burgundy



Paris **reconquered** in 1436 but Charles VII chose to remain in the Val de Loire



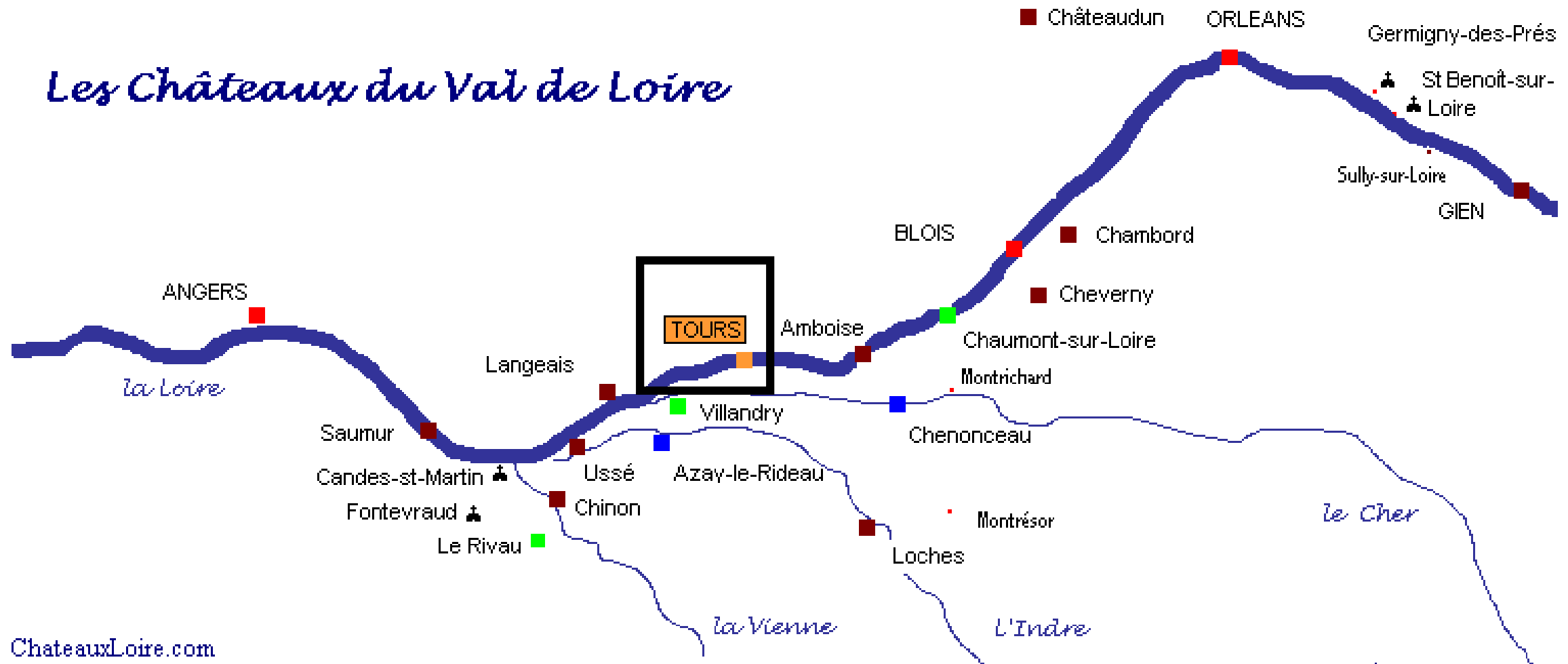


Château de Plessis-les-tours: Anglo-French **peace negotiations** to end the one hundred year War (1444)



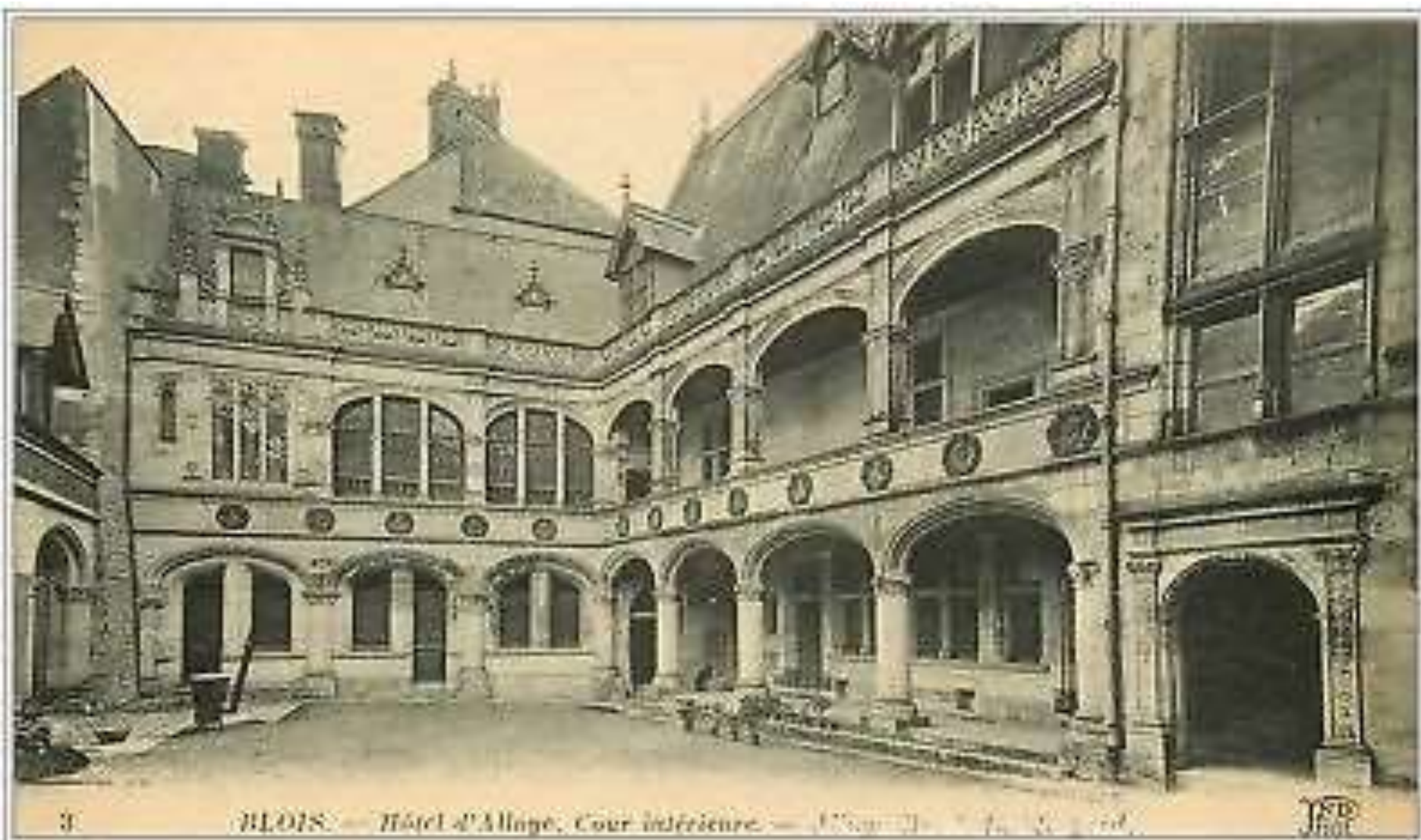
Tours: the political “capital” of France during the peace negotiations

Les Châteaux du Val de Loire



Italian-style – City mansions to imitate the palaces of Florence









Cathédrale Saint Gratien (Tours)

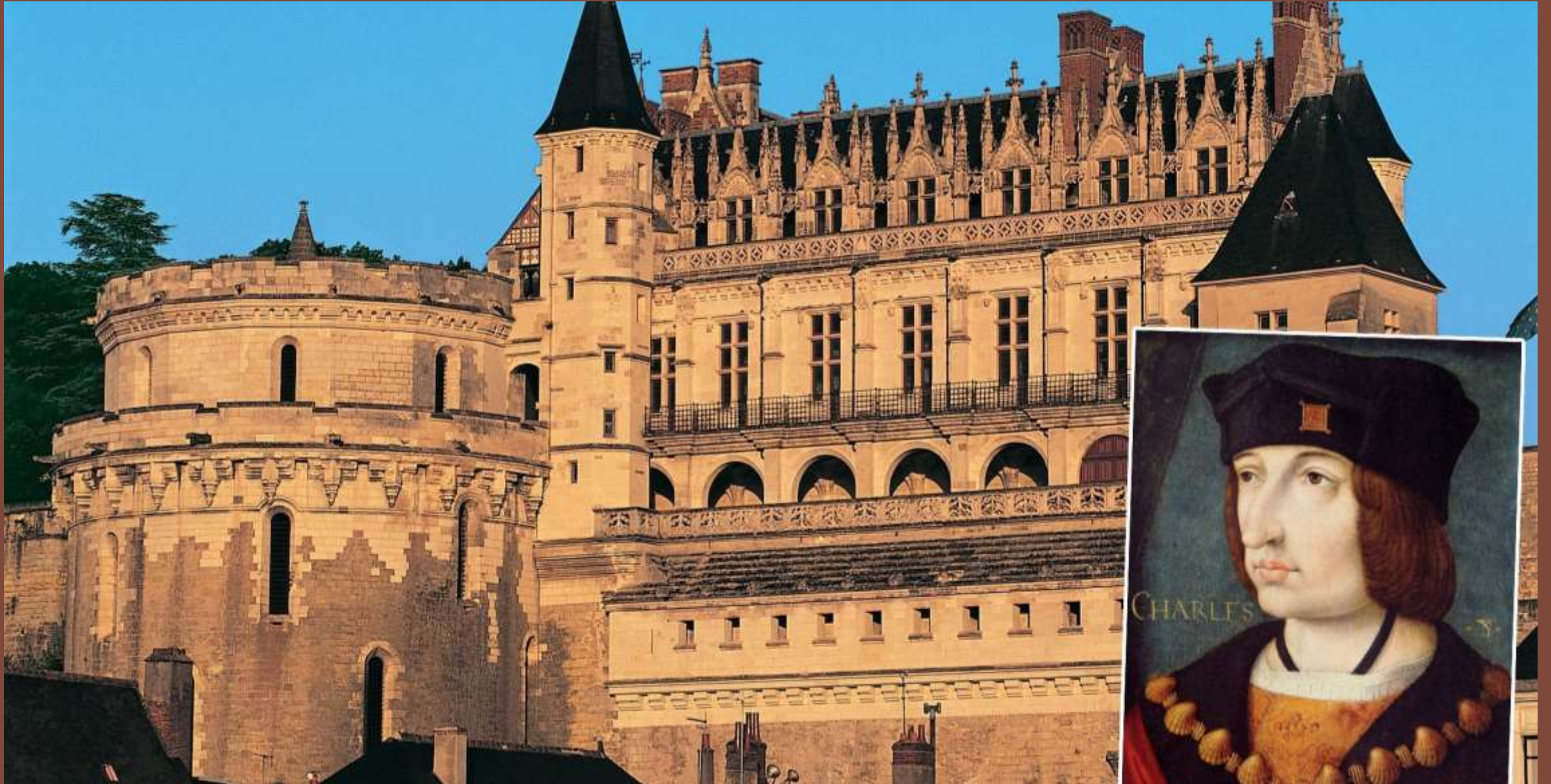








Charles VIII (1483 – 1498) at Amboise

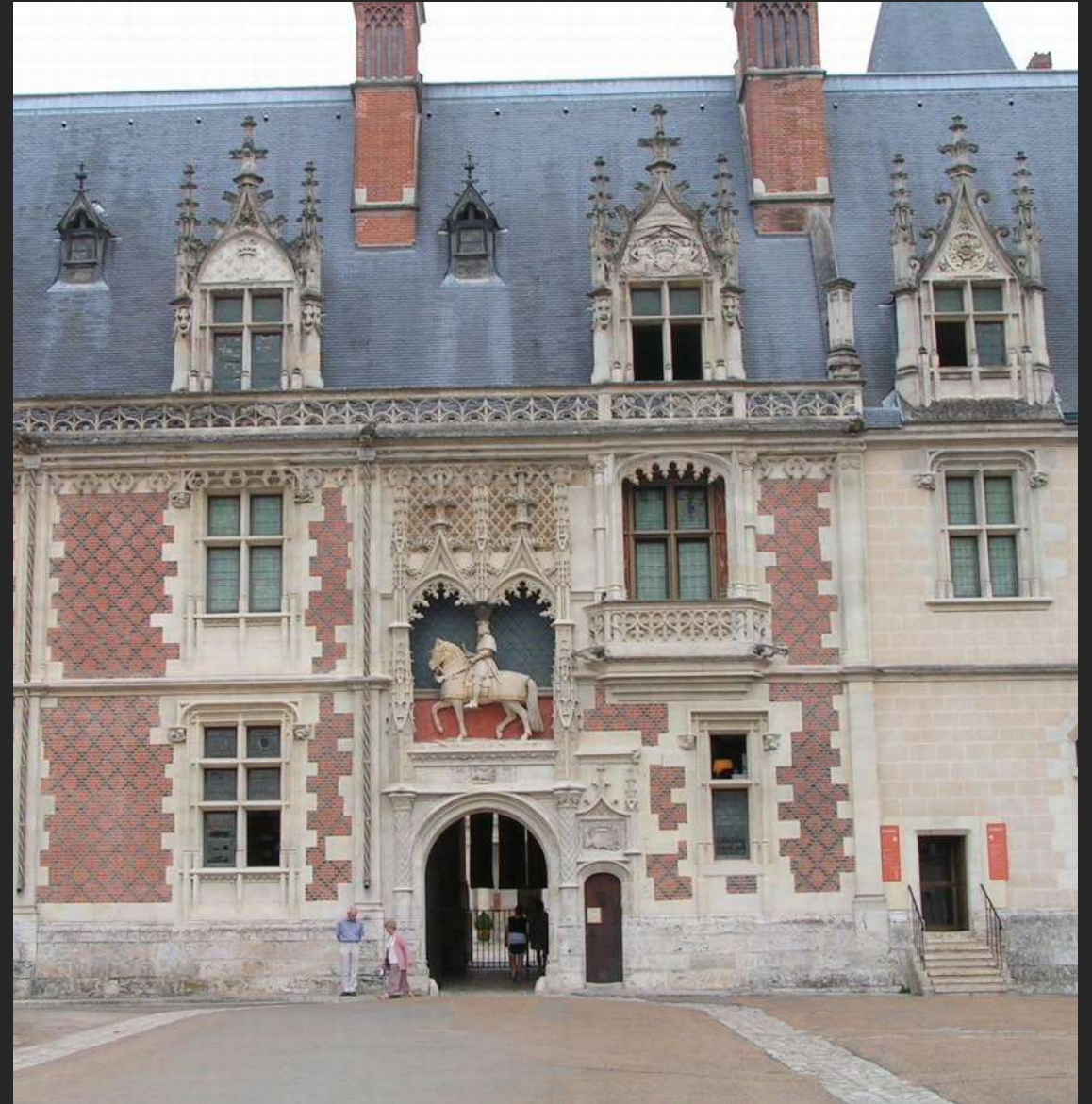




Louis XII at Blois



The main entrance: the statue of Louis XII – The king master in his château and kingdom



1515: Francis I, King of France – Favorite residences: Blois and Amboise



The construction of Chambord



Francis I's disastrous defeat at the battle of Pavia (1525) – Paris once again the capital



Fontainebleau



Henri III at Blois (the wars of religion)



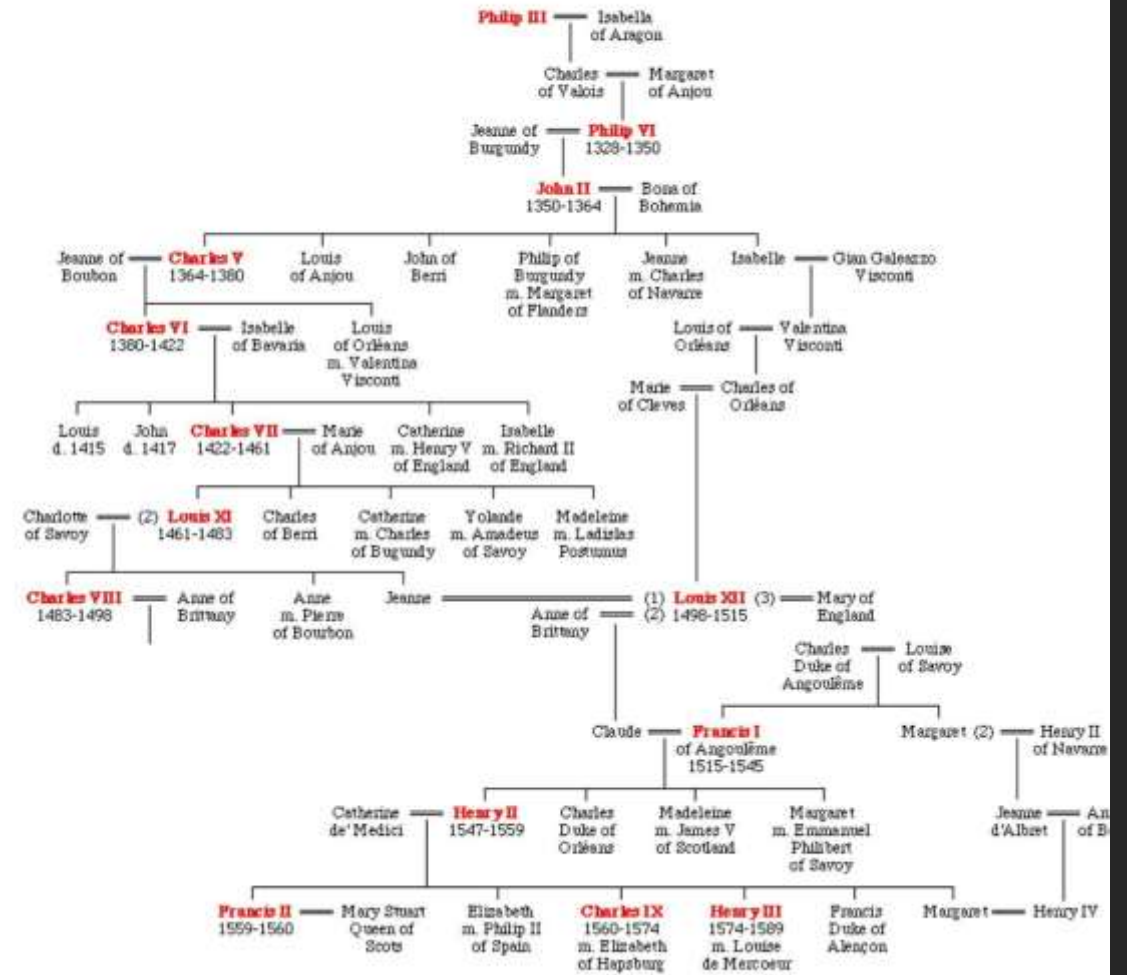
Henri III forced to leave Paris by the Catholic League and seek refuge to the Val de Loire





The French Monarchy: House of Valois

by Ed Stephan





Henri de Navarre (Henri IV):
a protestant

December 1588: the assassination of the Duc de Guise (Blois)



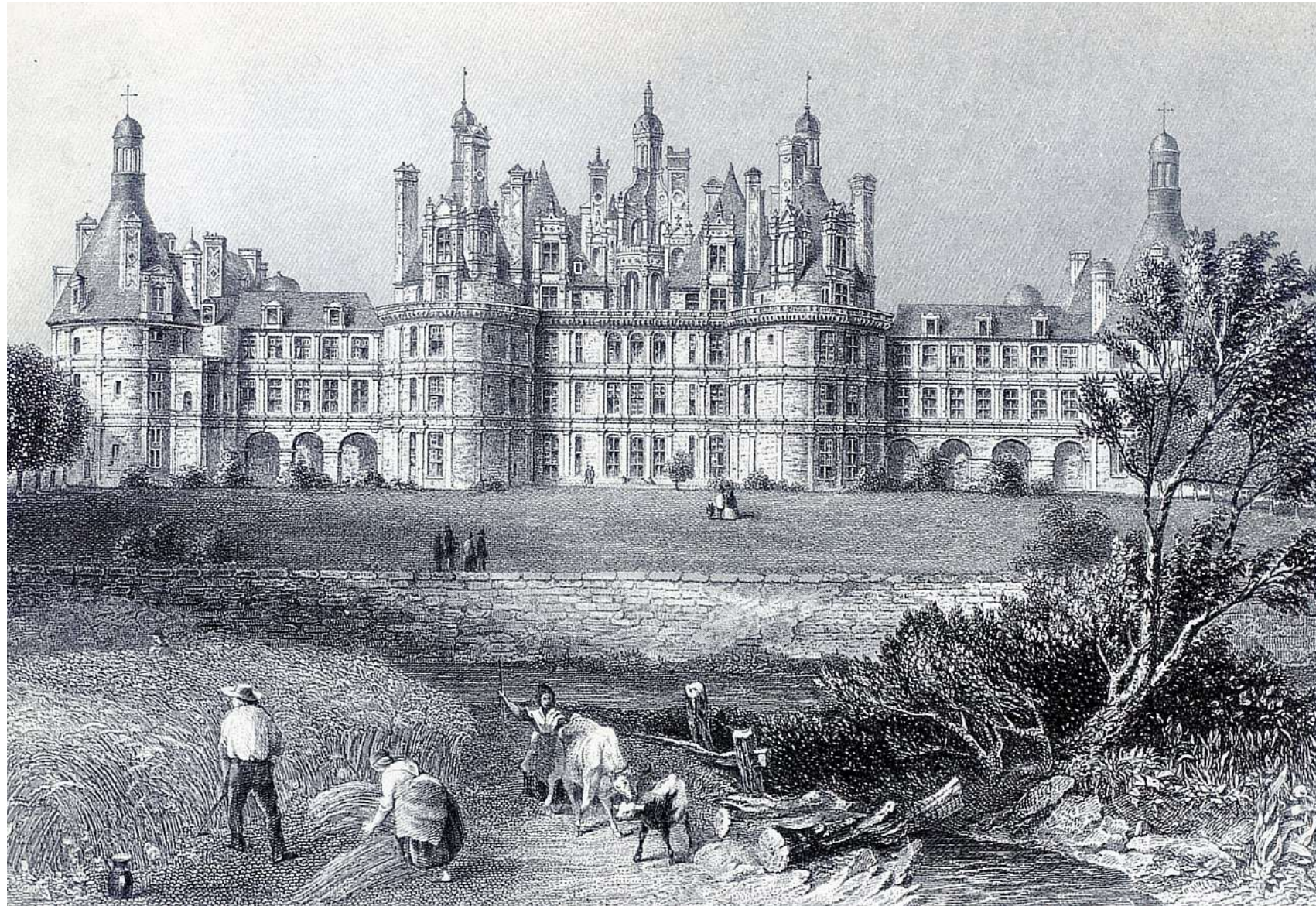
Louis XIV at Chambord (1689)





Chambord: a château for the heir to the throne (1821)







Chambord looted, emptied and abandoned since the French Revolution – Threatened by speculators

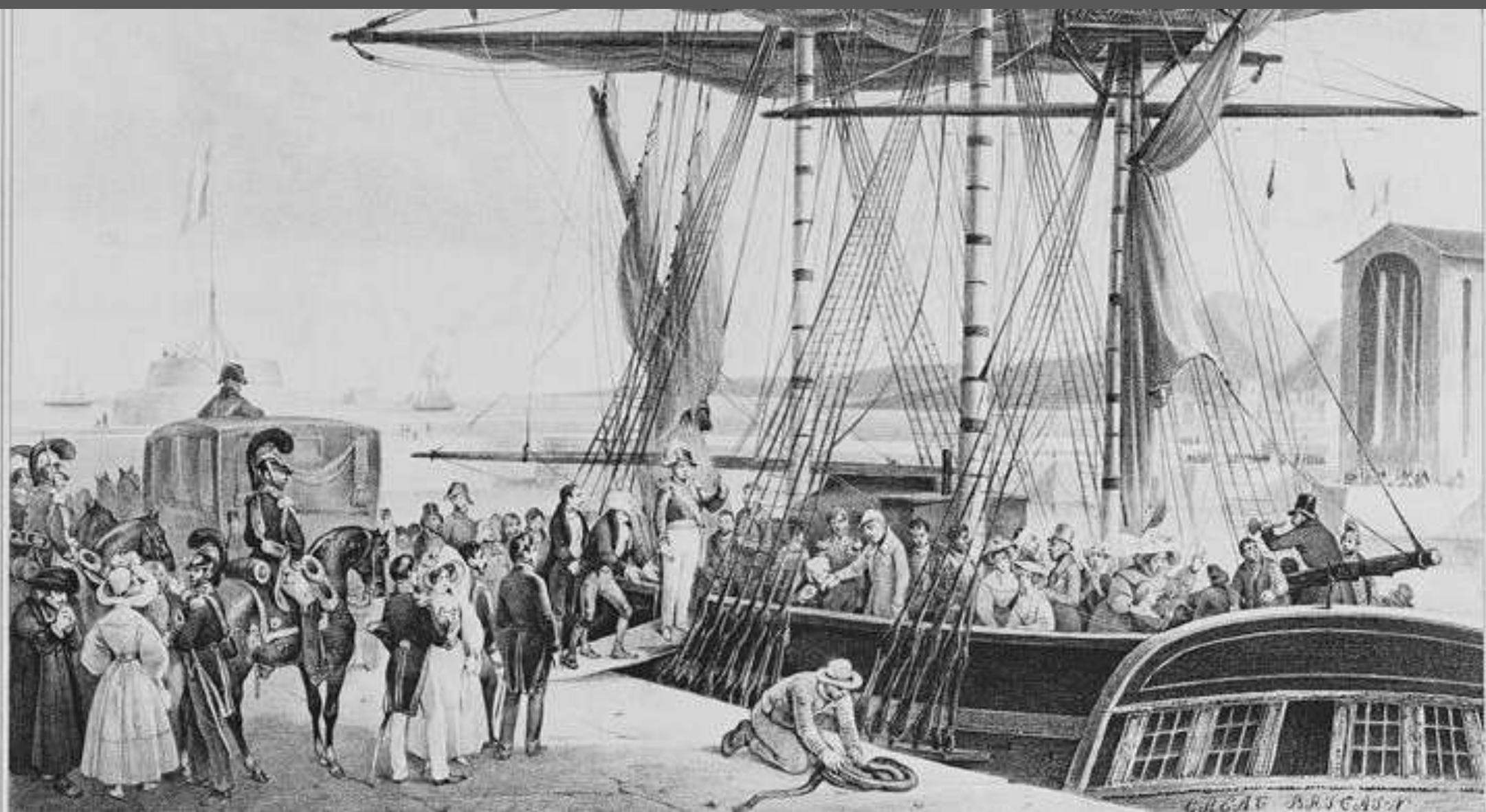
**A subscription in 1821 to offer Chambord to the duke of
Bordeaux (heir to the throne)**





The Revolution of 1830





Froshdorf (Austria)







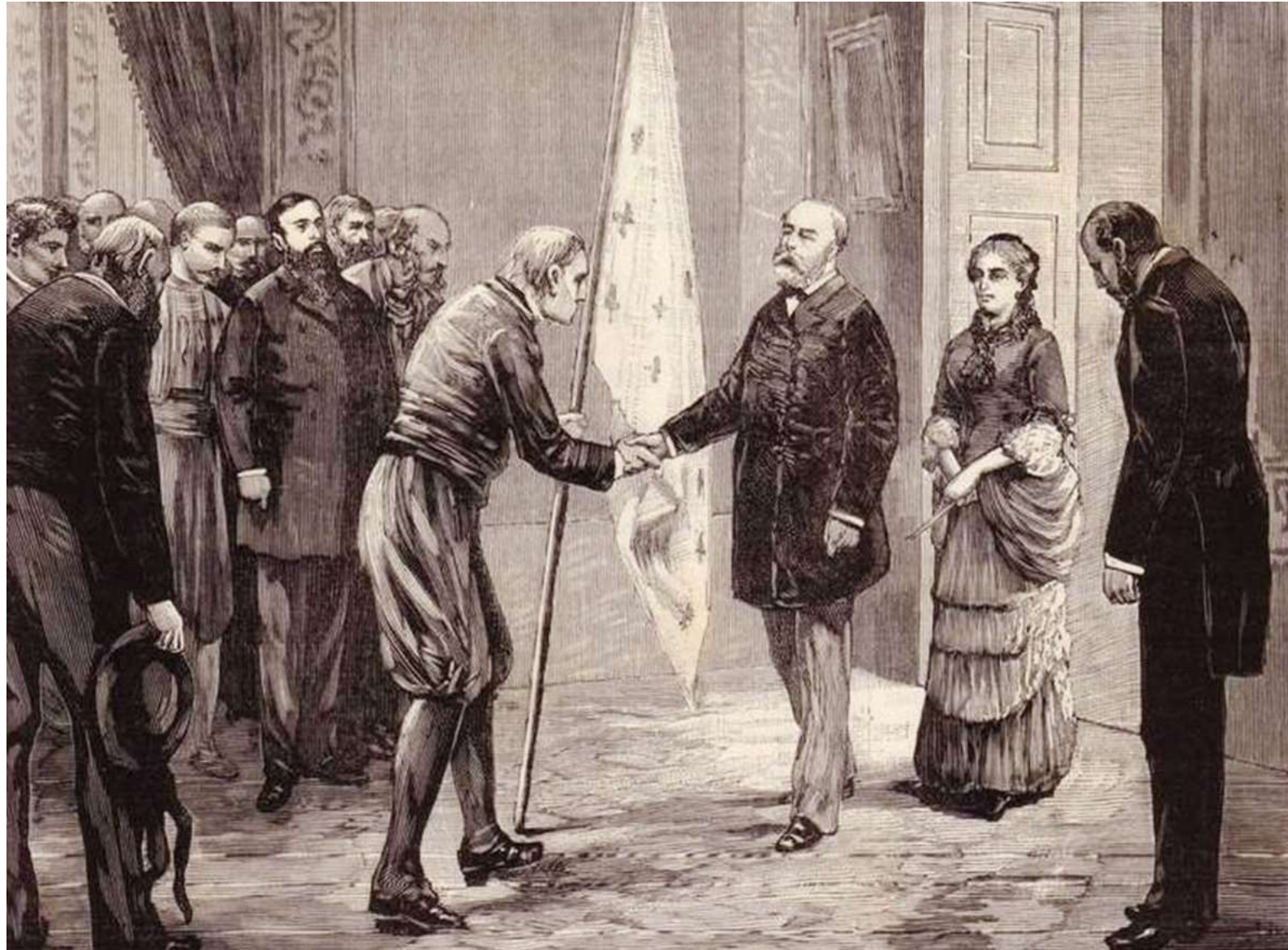


Henri, Comte de Chambord (1839)

1871: the Bourbons allowed to return to France

3 July 1871: visit to Chambord





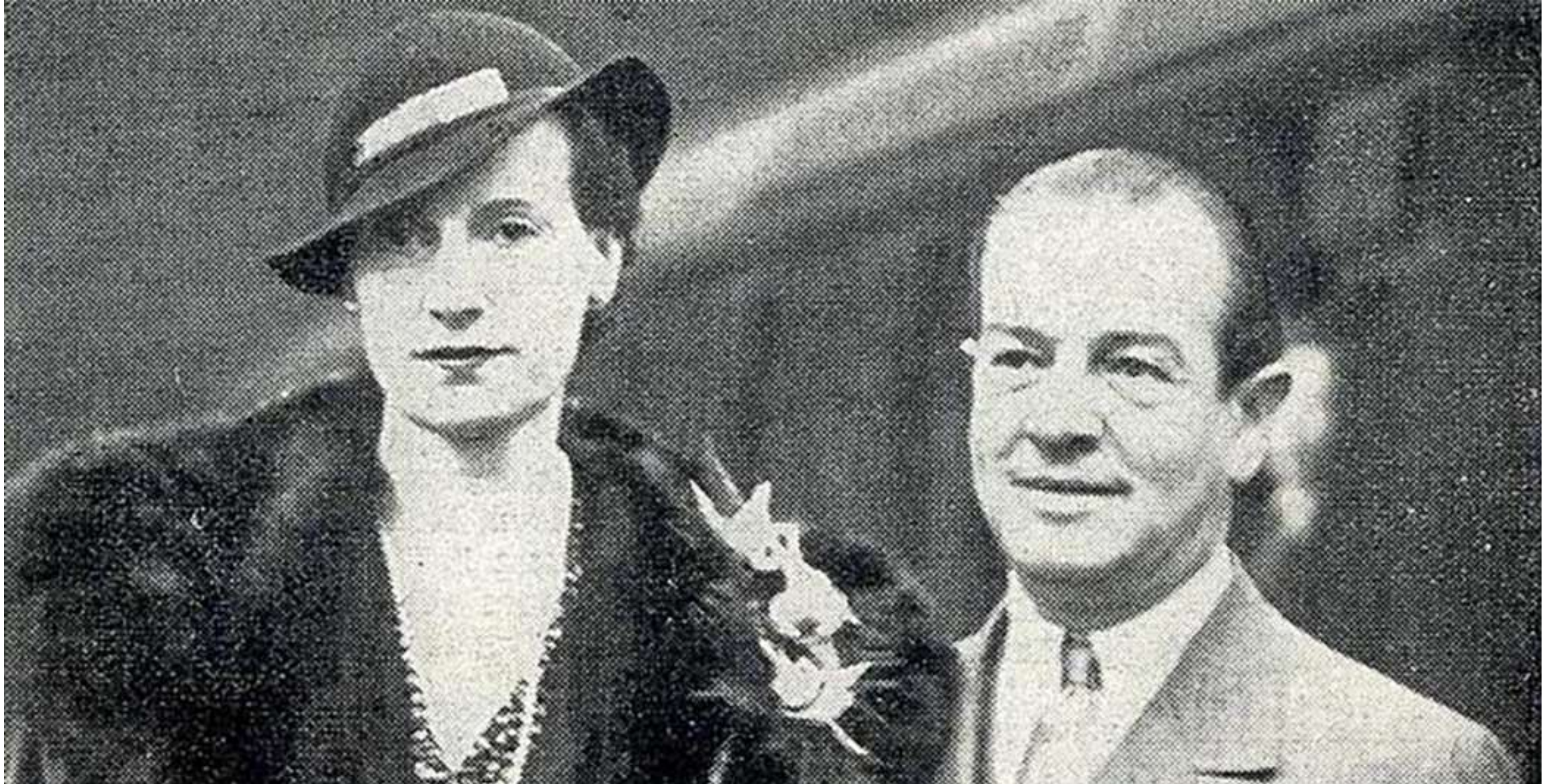
Business tycoons and industrialists: a new elite in the Val de Loire



Château de Candé



Charles & Fern Bedaux – Franco-American couple

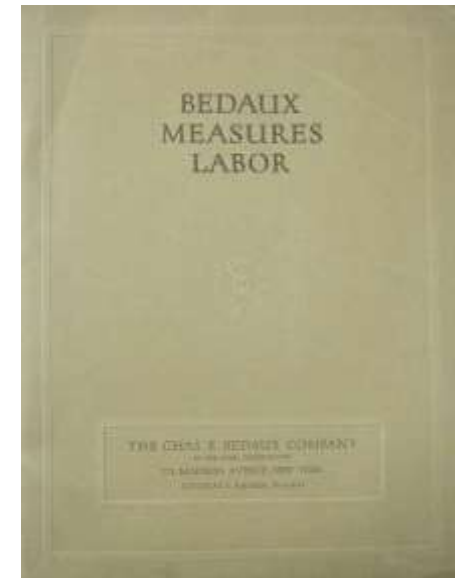


Scientific Management (the Bedaux system)

The concept of **rating assessment**

Comparability of employee and departmental efficiency

A « vicious adaptation of the Taylor system »





Mixing with high society



A château without parallel



Comfort and modernity (central heating/Running water/electricity) – The best technologies used







8 bedrooms equipped with a bathroom





60 tons of new pipes



A golf course with 18 holes, a tennis court and a gymnasium



Fern Bedaux: a career of soprano in the U.S. – A gigantic pipe organ installed at Candé



Wallis Simpson: American & twice divorced – Scandal in Great Britain



EDWARD VIII ABDICATES

King Renounces Crown for Love

By Our Court Correspondent

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After only one month on the throne, His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication has passed unopposed through both Houses of Parliament and today King Edward VIII became a private citizen, free at last to marry the woman he loves.

The former King abdicated a barely three days after his coronation. His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication was signed and sealed today at the Palace of St James, London, and the King's abdication was announced to the world by the King's speech from the balcony of the Palace of St James, London, at 11 o'clock this morning.

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Duke of York Succeeds as George VI

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Windsor Broadcast

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Mrs Wallis Simpson

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Mrs. Wallis Simpson

ROWLAND'S
MACASSAR OIL
FOR THE HAIR











3 June 1937: Edward, Duke of Windsor marries Wallis Simpson at Candé



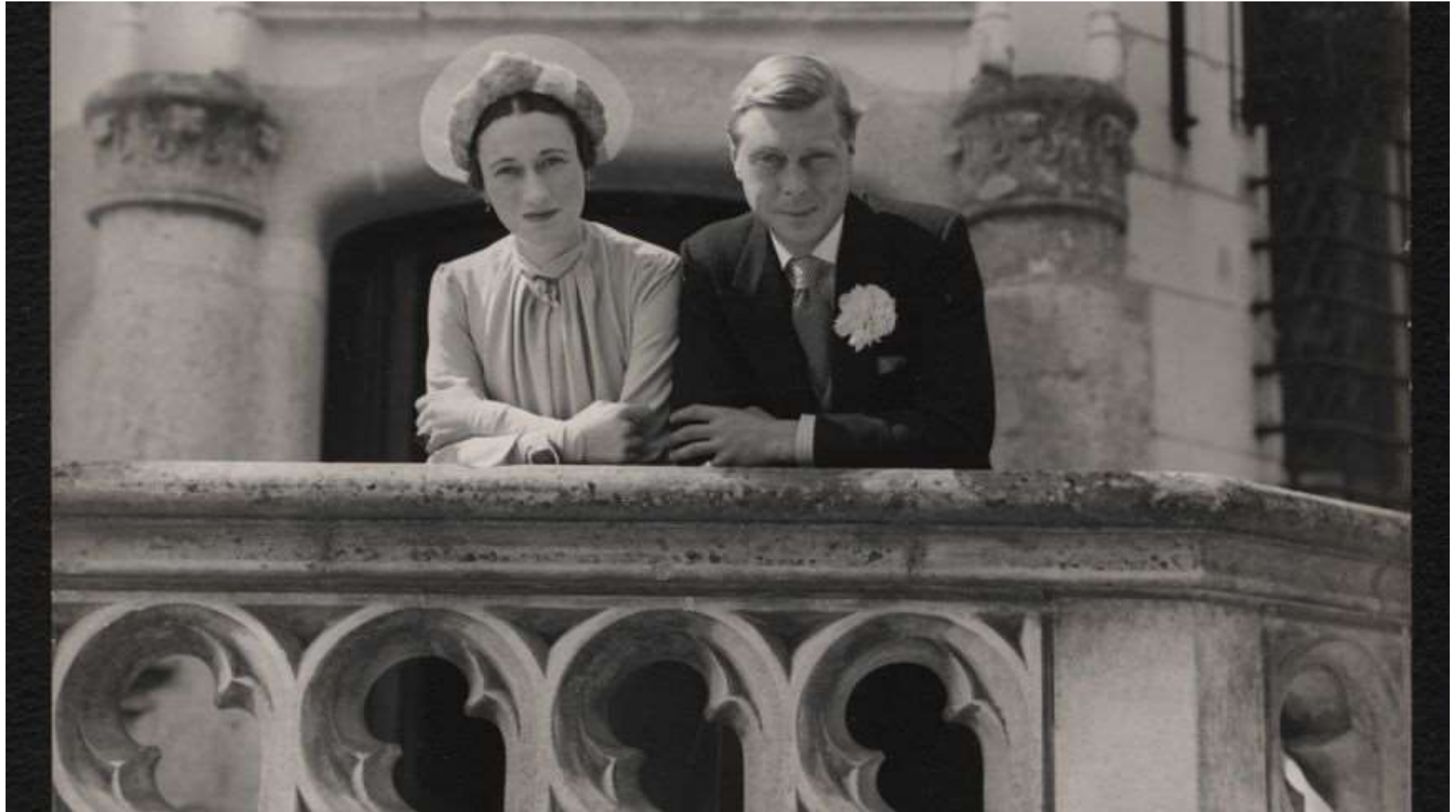
16 people in attendance





Waller

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June 1940: the Val de Loire once again
the political capital of France

Mass exodus

The fall of Paris (14 June)

Candé: the U.S. embassy – William Bullitt





Bedaux's **close relationship** with a number of high profile German leaders



Von Ribbentrop



Otto Abetz (German ambassador to
France 1940-1944)

Grand tour of Germany in October 1937 (arranged by Bedaux)



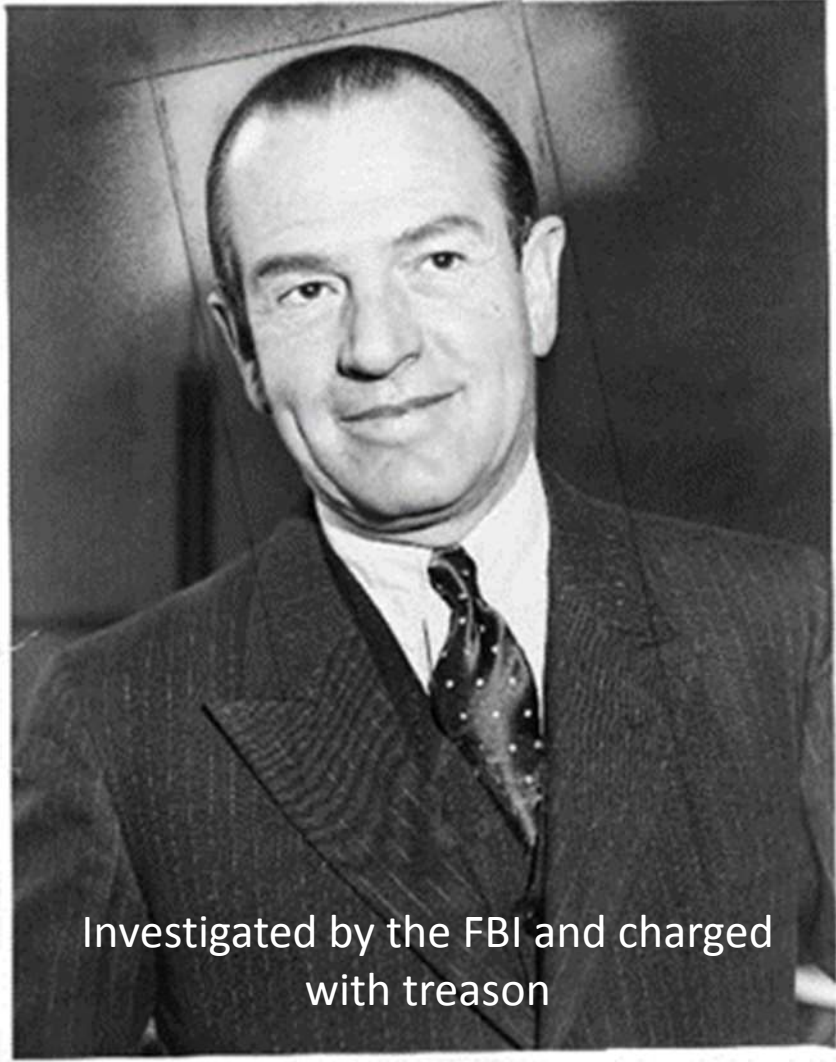
*“for some time the British Government has known that the Duchess of Windsor was **exceedingly pro-German in her sympathies** and connections and there is strong reason to believe that this is **the reason why she was considered so obnoxious to the British Government** that they refused to permit Edward to marry her and maintain the throne”*

J. Edgar Hoover



*"She would have made a
good Queen" (Hitler)*

November 1942: Bedaux arrested in Algiers by the Americans – Imprisoned in Florida



Investigated by the FBI and charged
with treason

C. E. Bedaux Kills Himself

International Mystery Man Leaves Note

Miami, Fla., Feb. 19 (AP)—Charles E. Bedaux, international mystery man, died at a hospital here last night and John E. Burling, immigration agent, said that he had taken an overdose of sleeping powders and left a suicide note

Joachim Carvallo – Villandry (1906)

His project: to **recreate** the Renaissance gardens
at Villandry

The English style garden destroyed







Villandry





