Jonkheer Johan Lodewijk (J.L.) Mock

Frans Looij

Jonkheer Johan Lodewijk (J.L.) Mock was born on the 4th of September 1826 in Huize Wildlust, Lisse N.H. In 1896 the 2nd Lieutenant of Infantry (H. van der Zee) left Venlo for Haarlem to become 1st Lieutenant of Hussars (Cavalry/Lancers) on the 1st of November, giving up his function as secretary of the Netherland's Rose Society (he created and of which he remained a member of honour).

In Haarlem he met his future wife, Anna Margaretha, Elisabeth, Catharina Gravin van Limburg-Stirnum (born on the 20th of November 1867 in Deventer. Ov.). Staying at Florapark N°6 in Haarlem (see picture below) J.L. Mock married Anna on the 6th of April 1899 in Haarlem at the age of 36 years.



Calvary Educator until 1st September 1904, his request for pension at the age of 42 was approved (750 fl/year); he nevertheless remained Reserve Cavalry Educator (Armed cavalry & 1st Hussar rgmt.). He became a Knight of the St. John in Jerusalem order and participated successfully in many horse-jumping competitions.

In 1905 the construction of his Valkenhoef/ Valckenhoef villa in Santpoort (architect J.J. van Wort, J.T. Cremerlaan 90) starts. He also looks out for various aids (cook, chauffeur, gardener ...) and requests a telephone line (22287) and an authorisation to build a garage. A rose garden is created.



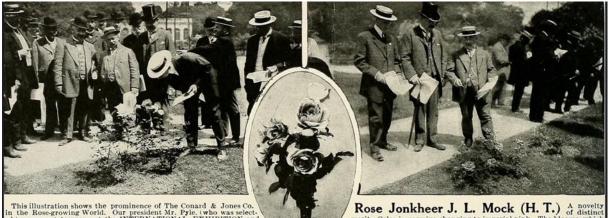
Villa Valkenhoef/Valckenhoef in 1910. Photos private collection of Frans Looij.

An advert, regarding his lost dog is also found by Frans Looij who tries to track the history of the man, his villa, his hobbies and his achievements as family members inhabit the villa today.



The rose garden (with a dune-sand base) is well designed to create a harmonious, well balanced view, using different rose types such the Dorothy Perkins climber or the large and tall "Rubin" shrub with its numerous carmine-red grouped flowers and red-brown branches. J.L. Mock was also President of the rose association "Nos Jungunt Rosae", administrator of the Bloemendaal garden concept and botany department and initiator of various botanical gardens such as the one in Utrecht.

Appreciated internationally as an excellent breeder he was often invited to be member of best rose selection committees. As a rose expert, a rose is created in his name Jonkheer J.L. Mock by the breeders Leeners from Steyl-Tegelen. A rose that received many prices as illustrated by the Golden Bagatelle Medal in Paris, 3 other Gold Medals, 2 Honorary Prices, 2 Silver Medals as well as 2 First Class certificates.



This illustration shows the prominence of The Conard & Jones Co. in the Rose-growing World. Our president Mr. Pyle. (who was select-ed to represent AMERICA at the INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION and judging of NEW ROSES), is here shown in the act of deciding the points of merit of the 1911 Prize-winning Rose Jonkheer J. L. Mock. The illustration in centre reproduces this famous rose.

merit. Color is carmine changing to imperial pink. The blooms, are produced with the greatest freedom, are carried on stiff and stems, and are of large size, perfect formation and highly perfumed. size, 35c., postpaid. 2 year size, 75c., by express.

*Jonkheer J. L. Mock. (Illustrated above.) An imposing Rose, of magnificent size, with petals of exceedingly heavy substance, delicately reflexed, showing light, creamy pink against a background of brilliant deep carmine. At its best in hottest weather, because its great petalage requires heat to develop and open properly. The color fades slightly, and its delicate perfume is quite fleeting. The flowerstems are notably erect and stiff. It grows tall, but is not bushy. The foliage is subject to black-spot and is likely to be lost early unless protected against it. The plant is quite hardy, but not a profuse bloomer. In spite of its faults, deserves a place in every garden. Bagatelle Gold Medal. \$1 each.



(Photo on the right) The jury at the large Parisian rose exhibition (Bagatelle in 1911) attributing the Jonkheer J.L. Mock rose the Great Gold Medal of the City of Paris.

ROSE FONKHEER J.-L. MOCK (Hybride de thé)

Cette nouveauté, dont nous avons parté à maintes reprises, dans les pré-cédents numéros du *Journal des Roses*, est appelée à avoir un grand succès dans les cultures, si on en juge par les rapports élogieux qui en ont été faits dans les expositions où elle a été pré-sentée

dans les espositions sentée. Notre figure coloriée, qui est une re-présentation fidèle de la fleur, donnera du reste une idée de la beauté de la

plante. C'est un hybride de thé provenant de Madame Caroline Testout × Madame Abel Chatenay × Farbenkonigin. L'arbuste est vigoureux, rappelant un peu la pousse de Madame Caroline Tes-tout et de La Frânce, mais dont le colo-ris se rapproche de celui de Farbenko-nigin, même parfois plus intense que ce dernier.

A floraison est très abondante, et les boutons bien faits, émergent du feuil-lege, soutenus par des tiges raides et un pédoncule très ferme. Les fleurs suppor-tiourcrat facilement, même par les sourcrat facilement, même par les temps de pluie. Mise à l'essai pour la culture forcés les résultats ont dié supérieurs à touje fest résultats ont dié supérieurs à touje des très de lessai pour la culture forcés les résultats ont dié supérieurs à touje des très de lessai pour la culture forcés des résultats ont dié supérieurs à touje des très de lessai pour la culture forcés des très de lessai pour la culture forcés des très de lessai pour la culture forcés marce des à préseu. Brance ve LOQUY.

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Lambert, Rosen-Zeitung 1909

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100 jaar geleden

door Ien Hempenius

Snuffelend in oude nummers van de Duitse Rosenzeitung vond ik in de uitgave van maart 1914 een lofzang op de in Nederland door Mathias Leenders gekweekte roos 'Jonkheer J.L. Mock' met een prachtige afbeelding. De Rosenzeitung was het toenmalige tijdschrift van de Verein Deutscher Rosenfreunde. De cavalerie-officier Jonkheer J.L. Mock was ritmeester der huzaren en in die dagen de voorzitter van de Nederlandse vereniging 'Nos Jungunt Rosae' (Ons verenigen de rozen). Deze vereniging van rozenvakmensen en rozenliefhebbers in Nederland was in menig opzicht de voorloper van onze huidige rozenvereniging. De kwekerij Leenders bestaat helaas ook niet meer. Ik vond het wel verrassend om van Duitse zijde in die tijd zo'n positieve beoordeling te zien van een Nederlandse roos. Hieronder volgt de vertaling:



100 years ago : by Ien Hempenius (Translated by Dany Kohl)

By having a close look at the "Deutsche Rosenzeitung" (German Rose Journal) I found in the 1914 edition an appreciation of the Dutch rose 'Jonkheer J.L. Mock' bred by Mathias Leenders with this pretty illustration. The journal published by the "Verein Deutscher Rosenfreunde" (German rose friend association) relates the story of Jonkheer J.L. Mock Head Educator of hussars, at the time he was President of the Dutch Rose Association "Nos Jungunt Rosae". This association of rose specialists and rose lovers was in my opinion the precursor association of our current rose association. The nursery of the breeder Leenders does unfortunately not exist any longer. I found it very surprising to read such a complimentary text and positive judgement for a rose bred in the Netherlands in this German Journal.

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