CHICAGO'S LOOP IS CHANGING

An Unprecedented Building Boom is Taking Place in Chicago's Historic Center; Three Great Schemes Responsible.

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—Despite efforts of commercial and civic organizations fighting the congestion within the iron circle of the union loop, that historic center of Chicago is enjoying an unprecedented building boom. The boom, however, is not at the lexpense of the outlying sections and it is most noticeable on the fringe of the elevated railroad circle.

Three great "schemes" are held responsible for the most noteworthy building ventures near the heart of the city. They are the South Water street plan, which will change the famed fruit and vegetable market into a double decked thoroughfare with the upper level devoted exclusively to motor traffic; the Union Station plan, and the Grant Park plan.

These schemes which primarily are traffic control and congestion relief ideas have received the cooperation of the realty owners in the neighborhood and they are promising to cooperate by the erection of architecturally harmonious structures.

The Union station which is to be erected just across the river from the loop will cost about ten million dollars but the buildings which belong to the scheme will total as much gain. They include two giant freight terminals and a U. S. mail terminal, the latter nearing completion.

Work is expected to start shortly on the new Illinois Central station at Roosevelt road, just south of the loop. The Field museum has just been completed to the east of the station. The city is planning to build, just south of the museum, a titanic stadium which will be big enough to house the Olympic games and a syndicate has drawn up plans for a great hotel to be called the Stevens, to the west of this group. All these buildings will be of Ionic architecture.

The Chicago Tribune has announced a contest for architects fro the plans for a building to be erected by the newspaper, just north of the Chicago river which is to "the most beautiful building in the world."

Within the loop proper the streets are filled with materials and sidewalks are occupied by wrecking machinery. Old land such as the Stratford hotel, the Grand Pacific hotel, the First Methodist church building and McVickers theatre have been demolished to make room for modern structures, most of them skyscrapers, which rapidly are winging their way skyward.

On the last named spot a $20,000,000 theatre is being erected, while two other downtown theatres are nearing completion. The Methodist church is building a magnificent sky scraper church in the heart of the loop. On the site of the Stratford hotel a huge office building is to be constructed, while in the financial quarter the Federal Reserve bank building is about ready for occupancy, while the steel framework is up for the $8,000,000 Illinois Merchants bank building, a block away.

The London Guarantee and Accident building, another towering structure, is under construction at the southwest corner of the Michigan avenue link bridge, just across the Chicago river from the White shaft of the Wrigley building.

W. S. C. SCHEDULE IS COMPLETED

(By Associated Press)

PULLMAN, Wash., Aug. 10. — Only one of the eight games on the Washington State College football schedule for 1922-23 will be played in Pullman, according to the Cougar schedule announced by Athletic Director J. F. Bohler. Spokane draws one game and the annual W. S. C.-Idaho clash will take place in Moscow, Idaho.

The complete football schedule is as follows: October 7, Camp Lewis at Tacoma; October 14, Gonzaga University at Spokane; October 20, University of Idaho at Moscow; October 28, University of Washington at Pullman; November 4, University of California at Berkeley; November 11, University of Oregon at Eugene; November 25, Oregon Agricultural College at Portland; November 30, University of Southern California at Pasadena.

Scold's Bridle

When women talked too much in the old days the "scold's bridle" was put on them. The one above was sold at a recent auction in London, but it'll hardly be used.

Uncle Eben.

"Some people gits to kickin' foh one thing or 'nuther," said Uncle Eben, "th'oo force of habit, same as a parrot don' say nuffin' but 'Polly wants a cracker'."—Washington Star.

FAMILY TRAVELS ON BICYCLES

(By Associated Press)

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 10.—On a trip by bicycle from Seattle, Wash., to Grants Pass, Ore., Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Crocker and four children passed through Eugene a few days ago. They were riding on a machine composed of the parts of four bicycles hooked up in tandem fashion. The machine weighs 125 pounds and carrys a load of 750 pounds including six passengers and their luggage.

Four of the riders pedal at a time, while the remaining two and a dog ride as passengers. Mr. Crocker claims his machine carries as much as a small automobile, and after he gets it finally perfected, he says that he will attach a motor, burning a gallon of gasoline every 100 miles.

The family left Seattle in June and have taken their time on the trip, stopping at different places on the road. They have traveled 500 miles so far, according to Mr. Crocker. Mr. Crocker is an evangelist.

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