

FAIR MENAGED BY BOOTHMAKERS

Timely Discovery of Contracting Methods Prevents Probable Delay.

CONTRACTS BOTTLED UP

Strict Order Issued That Builders With Unfinished Booths Will Be Ruled Off Grounds on May 20.

A danger which, if not quelled in time, might have resulted in delaying the Lewis and Clark Exposition, was quietly nipped in its incipency yesterday. Furthermore orders were issued of a nature which cannot be misunderstood and which had the effect of entirely removing the difficulty, it is believed.

The danger lay in the construction of booths. Upon making an investigation tour of the various buildings yesterday morning, Exhibits Director H. E. Doeh was found that the work was progressing very slowly. Some booths were going up rapidly enough and others had barely been started. A quiet investigation into the cause of this state of affairs revealed that most of the work had been carried by a handful of contractors, leaving more on their hands than they could attend to the work as best they could. This condition has been in force for more than a week and but for its discovery yesterday, serious delay might have resulted.

The contracts are let by individual exhibitors and the Exposition management had no official method of knowing who was doing the work. It was only in the province of the exhibits department to know that the booths were being well and promptly built.

Found Work Dragging.

In all there have been 200 contracts let up to the present time and these are thought to be controlled by about thirty contractors. It is said several petty contractors have made a business of calling on exhibitors immediately upon their arrival in the city and making overtures for contracts. There would have been no objection to this and no hitch but for the delay. Contractors having a large number of booths to construct were naturally delayed in placing men and looking after their work and, being small firms, they had no facilities for carrying on this business on a large scale. To the casual observer the work appeared to be progressing favorably. All the buildings were filled with carpenters and boothmakers. But when a close inspection was made yesterday it was seen that the work had not been going forward as it should have done.

Stringent Order Issued.

Seeing that stringent measures were needed, Colonel Doeh returned to his office and made out an order. It was terse and to the point, stating that any contractor who had not fully completed by May 20 the booth or booths upon which he is working will be ruled off the Exposition grounds and his contract declared forfeited.

"We intend to enforce that order, too," said Colonel Doeh. "We are not going to have the fair incomplete because of a few mercenary contractors. If they don't finish their work and finish it right by May 20, they will be ruled off the grounds without ceremony. In the event it becomes necessary the work left incomplete will be finished under the direct supervision of the Exposition management."

NEW YORK DAY AT THE FAIR

State Commission Plans for Opening Day and Placing Exhibits.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 8.—At a meeting of the members of the New York Commission for the Lewis and Clark Exposition, arrangements were made for the opening day of the fair, June 1. It was also decided to arrange with the officials for a New York day at the fair.

Plans for installing the state exhibit were formulated. The exhibit will illustrate the natural resources of the state and its history and ethnology. The state building will be one of the handsomest at the Exposition.

Massachusetts at Fair.

Wilson H. Fairbanks, state commissioner to the Lewis and Clark Exposition from Massachusetts, addressed the Massachusetts Society in the Chamber of Commerce Hall last night. He was also the Massachusetts commissioner at the St. Louis fair. According to Mr. Fairbanks, the Lewis and Clark Fair is better known to the people of Massachusetts than was the 1904 exposition.

Massachusetts Day will be June 17, Connecticut Day to be July 5, and the Massachusetts building will be used for the celebration. About July 17 New England teachers are expected. They will be entertained by the society in the Massachusetts building. New England Day at the Exposition will be determined later. The Massachusetts building will be the headquarters for all New Englanders.

Break Ground for Lincoln Home.

Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock ground will be broken for the Lincoln home replica which Illinois is erecting as a state building at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. The ceremony will be performed with fitting exercises, and all members of the Illinois Society and all others who can possibly do so are expected to be present. Brief addresses will be made by Illinois Commissioner Cyrus Thompson; George L. Hutchins, president of the local Illinois Society; and H. W. Goodie, president of the Exposition.

Thurston Increases Amount.

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 8.—(Special.)—The Commissioners of Thurston County today agreed to increase the appropriation for the county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Centennial from \$100 to \$500. The amount now appropriated will place the exhibit and employ an attendant.

Fire Endangers Trust Charters.

NEW YORK, May 8.—A fire on the ninth floor of the Commercial Trust Company's office building in Exchange Place, Jersey City, today endangered many valuable documents. In the safe of the Corporation Trust Company on the floor below were the charters and stock books of many great corporations and trusts organized in the state. The fire was confined, however, to a storeroom on the ninth floor, causing a loss of only \$500.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.



PICTURESQUE HUNGARIAN CHADRA ON THE BANKS OF GUILD'S LAKE.

FOUR STATES ASK FOR MORE SPACE

Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and Louisiana After Larger Areas at Fair.

BIG RICE EXHIBIT OFFERED

Louisiana Officials Revoke Former Decision Against Participation, and Press Claims for Space Allotment.

Four states put in urgent applications for more exhibit space at the Lewis and Clark Exposition yesterday. Two of these states sent their requests by special representatives and two made telegraphic applications. Utah, Colorado, Wyoming and Louisiana were the four states in question. Utah and Wyoming sent Commissioners and Colorado and Louisiana applied by wire. Every effort will be made to comply with the requests.

Commissioner Clawson, of Utah, was the first to file a request for more space. Mr. Clawson appeared at the Exposition grounds early in the forenoon. He said his state wants 2000 square feet more than has already been awarded in which to make an agricultural exhibit.

Shortly afterwards Commissioner William C. Deming, representing Wyoming, appeared at the Exhibits department and asked for 2000 square feet additional in the Mining building and 2000 square feet in the Agricultural building. During the afternoon wires were received from Colorado and Louisiana. Colorado asked for 1500 square feet for agricultural products.

Louisiana Makes Offer.

The Louisiana telegram was sent from New Orleans by J. S. Lee, Commissioner of Agriculture. He asked, in behalf of the state, for 2000 feet in which to make a big rice exhibit. The telegram contained the assurance that should the space be awarded a live exhibit will be shipped immediately and its installation perfected before the opening of the Fair.

It is noted that the states, excepting Utah, which are now striving to increase their space margins are those which were somewhat slow in deciding

INCREASED ADMISSION FEE HAS NO EFFECT ON ATTENDANCE



CROWDS ENTERING THE EXPOSITION GROUNDS.

ON STOCK ROUNDUP

M. J. Wisdom Will Tour West in Interest of Fair.

PREMIUM LIST IS ISSUED

Superintendent of Livestock Exhibits Leaves on Long Pilgrimage to Arouse Interest of Breeders—Close July 25.

AMERICAN-BORN CHINESE

They Will Celebrate Fifth Anniversary of Their Society.

The fifth anniversary of the organization of the American-Born Chinese Association will be celebrated Friday evening in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium. The event will include a musical and literary program in English, participated in by the members of the association. Invitations have been issued and may be obtained through any of the members. The following programme will be rendered:

Selection, "The Watermelon," American-Born Chinese Quartet; recitation, "A Tree of Friendship," Geo. Shung; baritone solo, "Asleep in the Deep," C. Y. Fan; recitation, "Fire Bell's Story," Thomas Hone; baritone solo, W. B. Moy; recitation, "The Mission," John Chen; baritone solo, "Little Boy Called Tiger," Thomas Hone; violin solo, Edward Lee; recitation, "Mr. Brown," C. Y. Fan; bass solo, Harry Ding; recitation, "Nobody's Child," Roy Goss; violin solo, "When the Sunset Turns the Ocean's Blue to Gold," William Lai; recitation, "Old Shoes," Frank Moy Ling; vocal solo, "I Don't Want to Play in Your Yard," Grace and Herba Moy Ling; recitation, "Jim Bidson," William Lai; baritone solo, "Good Night, Beloved, Good Night," Ed. Park, Jr.; recitation, "Mr. Perkins of Portland," Harry Moy Ling; song, "Rock of Ages," Grace Moy Ling; dialogue, "Brutus and Cassius," W. B. Moy and William Lai; selection, "My Old Kentucky Home," American-Born Chinese Quartet; "America," by the audience.

Aged ex-Slave's Peculiar Suicide.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., May 8.—Perry Sanford, the oldest colored citizen of this city, an old Kentucky slave, attempted to commit suicide last night at Nicholas Hospital by cutting his throat with a jack-knife. Five months ago Sanford became paralyzed on his right side, and was taken to the hospital. It took him over an hour to open his knife with his left hand and his teeth. He cut a gash four inches long on the left side of his throat, but was discovered in the act by a nurse, and was disarmed. He will probably die.

Sanford is the last surviving witness of the invasion of this state in 1848 by armed Kentuckians, who forcibly attempted to capture a fugitive slave at the famous Quaker settlement in Cass County. The failure of this invasion and the subsequent excitement throughout the Southern States resulted in the passage of the fugitive slave law by Congress.

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Mrs. Marlon A. White's lecture, given yesterday under the auspices of the Women's Club, might be called an appreciation of the West, and especially of the "Oregon Country," rather than "Art in the Greater West," as the lecturer said so many things calculated to warm the hearts of loyal Oregonians. That her audience received her praise of Western talent, Western enterprise and Western scenery with approval was evident by the enthusiastic and frequent applause.

Mrs. White warmly commended the women of the Northwest for their work in erecting a statue to the honor of Sacajawea, the brave and cheery guide of the Lewis and Clark expedition, saying that they showed great hearts in doing this, and also in securing the services of a Western sculptor, Miss Alice Cooper, of Denver. The Oregon School Boards were commended for their excellent discrimination in the selection of books of local history and Nature-study for the children who, as the speaker said, were taught to see all that was great and good in the state. Mrs. Eva Emery Dye's "Little Stories of Oregon" and Miss Johnson's "Short History of Oregon" are among these, and Mrs. Dye's "The Conquest," which Mrs. White calls the "Iliad of the West."

Mrs. White's impression of the upper river country, as one of the most beautiful and most fertile in the world, were vividly presented.

"You come through the mountains," she said, "you see a town, a church spire, and rush along streams swollen and full, and then you see that wonderful river, the Columbia, the darling of the gods, with its great rocks on each side, telling what Nature has done in the ages. I have seen the Rhine and the Hudson, but here it is as if the great Architect had said, after making all else, 'Here shall rise the greater part, the nobler part.'"

"Portland has its own darling, the beautiful Willamette; I have seen it as blue as the Mediterranean, have seen the orchards and fruit ranches on its banks and at the foot of the city, where the river is broad and deep, the commercial flags of every nation. Roses grow wherever you choose to put them, and over all watches a solemn white mountain—the Indians call it the White Mountain—we call it Mount Hood, why I do not know, but watch mountain it certainly is. Mount Hood is never the same, sometimes with mist like a floating veil over the top which you may watch for hours before you see the mountain in all its beauty. One cannot live in its vicinity and not be inspired."

The characteristic American art, which Mrs. White says is yet to come, she thinks most find its inspiration in the West; the artists of the East succeed in painting pictures like the ones they see in the French and Dutch schools, and the artists of the Middle West copy but indifferently the work of the East.

Mrs. White has done a splendid work in interesting the people of Chicago and other cities in the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and she expects to bring a carload of guests, many of them prominent clubwomen, to Portland in June.

IN MEMORY OF MRS. LENT

Evening Star Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, Passes Resolutions.

At the meeting of Evening Star Grange No. 27, Patrons of Husbandry, Saturday, the memory of the late Mrs. O. P. Lent, pioneer woman and charter member of the Grange, was honored. Mrs. P. Kelly, Mrs. E. Peterson and Mrs. C. H. Welch, committee, submitted resolutions on the death of Mrs. Lent, extolling her virtues and describing the loss to the Grange and her friends. Following the reading and adoption of the resolutions remarks were made by Mrs. P. Kelly, John P. Caples, "Father" Plympton, Kelly, Mrs. C. Millem, A. F. Miller, Master of the Grange J. J. Johnson and some others.

Mr. Johnson had known Mrs. Lent since he was a boy and spoke of her work in church, Sunday school and in the homes of the community in which she lived for so many years.

The hall was well filled during the day. Luncheon was served at noon. In the afternoon there was practice degree work. A large class in the third and fourth degrees was received.

MAY NOT SAW WOOD IN STREETS.

It is against the law to saw wood in the streets of Portland unless you revert to the good old-fashioned method employed by the pioneers of '60 and perform

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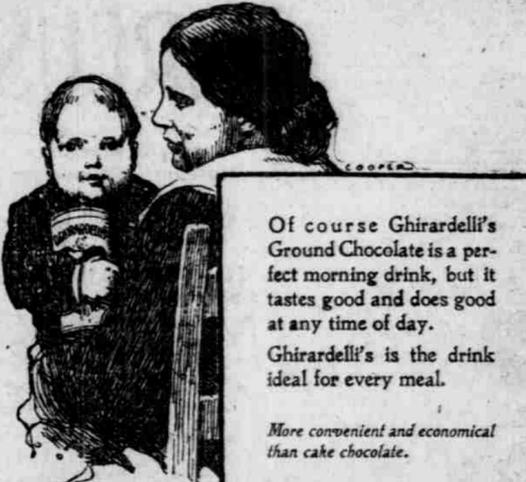


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The operation with the aid of a sawbuck and backsaw, those implements revered by youth. The Civic Improvement Board of the Chamber of Commerce has asked for an ordinance prohibiting the operation of steam or other woodaws, commonly known under the name of steam woodaws, on any of the streets of the city paved in any manner. This ordinance has been passed and provides a penalty of not more than \$100 fine nor more than 30 days' imprisonment and both fine and imprisonment. This ordinance is sweeping in its character and stipulates that no saw may be operated in any manner on any of the paved streets of the city. This provision, if carried out, will drive the steam saws out of the central portion of town and force all down-town residents to purchase their wood ready-sawed of the woodyards.

Copies of the ordinance have been printed and will be sent to each owner of a steam woodaw in the city, together with a notification that the Civic Improvement Board will make an effort to see the provisions observed.

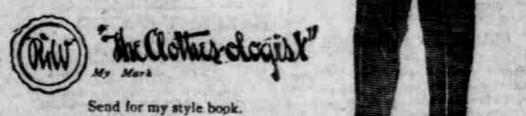
Demurrer Argument Continued.

The demurrer to the indictment to the information against Councilman Charles E. Rumelin was set for argument yesterday afternoon and was continued indefinitely because District Attorney Manning and Judge Frazer were not present. Mr. Manning was engaged in the grand-juryroom and Judge Frazer was absent at a funeral. The information charges Rumelin with having attempted to bribe City Engineer Elliott. The argument may take place today.



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