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Fish and Reptiles Will Be Seen at World's Fair in Curious Proxy Form.

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Real Articles Cannot Be Removed as Journey Would Kill so Ingenious Substitutes Are Made.

Preparation of fish and all manner of reptiles, difficult to preserve alive, are exhibited at the world's fair in paper mache models prepared by a careful ichthyological taxidermist who has copied the subject from life.

In the New York Aquarium the originals may be seen and these would have been removed to St. Louis had it been practical. But as the delicate captives would perish from the journey their paper substitutes will serve to satisfy the curious.

One of these peculiar fish is the "silver hatchet," a specimen very little larger than the perch. The body is compressed and elevated so that while it is less than a third of an inch in thickness from side to side it is nearly five inches deep from top to bottom. It is covered with a silver pigment and its sides are fluted.

The eyes of the "silver hatchet" are enormous, but those of the cryptoparas are so small as to be hardly noticeable. This remarkable creature has its own illumination plant, rising from the top of the head, between the eyes, in a curious rod-like organ over a foot in length and dropping over the back. At the end of this rod is an egg-shaped bulb. Within about five inches of the tail is another rod at the tip of which is a second bulb. Both of these bulbs are phosphorescent and by means of them the fish is enabled to generate its own light.

Marriott is another monster of the deep executed in paper mache. It is clothed in a complete armor, consisting of horny plate, instead of scales, interlaced in such a fashion as to give the fish a most grotesque appearance. Many other specimens will be included.

FILIPINO SCOUTS ARRIVE.

Reach St. Louis Bringing Well Drilled Native Band.

A battalion of native Filipino scouts accompanied by its own band has arrived in St. Louis and will be an attractive and novel feature of the Philippine exhibit of 40 acres on the reservation at the world's fair. The battalion consists of four companies of 104 men each, composed respectfully of Macabebes, Visayans, Tagalos and Ilocanos.

It is under the command of Major F. de L. Carrington, First U. S. Infantry, and all the commissioned officers are from the regular army. The battalion is in fact a part of the United States regular army. These troops occupy a model camp on the Philippine reservation and will give daily drills during the fair. Besides being an exhibit the Filipino soldiers will do police duty and preserve law and order among the one thousand and more Filipino natives who inhabit the villages and towns that have been built on the world fair's grounds.

The band is composed of forty-three pieces and is directed by Ernest G. Fisher as chief musician and Manuel Gelsana as drum major. Daily concerts will be given in an artistic bandstand constructed of bamboo and nipa, and all kinds of music from the classical to "rag-time" will be discoursed. The Filipino is a born musician and but a short time is required for him to learn to play any instrument.

It was this branch of Uncle Sam's standing army that taught the American soldier in the Philippines the effectiveness of the "water cure." The first scouts attached to the army were recruited from the Macabebes tribe at the beginning of the insurrection. The Macabebes were then at war with the Tabalos and as the former tribe was loyal to the United States, a body of them were enlisted in the capacity of scouts. These scouts were of great help in obtaining information of the enemy and in some cases the "water cure" was used. Later on several other companies were enlisted from the different tribes with the result of the Provisional Battalion Philippine Scouts being formed and made a part of the regular army.

The scouts wear the regulation army uniform and while at the fair will

receive the regular army pay and rations. When in the Philippines their pay is slightly smaller than that of the American soldier. It is said that the battalion is one of the best drilled and disciplined body of infantry in the service.

Food Testers to Visit Fair.

The "Food Test Squad" of the United States army regulars, who have for some time been the subjects of Prof. R. H. Chittenden's observation tests, at New Haven, Conn., will be sent to the world's fair, where a record of the results obtained will be given. The trip will be given the squad as sort of a reward for the long ordeal they have undergone for the cause of science. The "dieters" now receive a small quantity of meat. This ration will be increased gradually.

WOMEN WHO DO THINGS.

Those Who Will Be Prominent Figures at Great Exposition.

The wide flung door of world's fair will no doubt prove an open sesame to fame for a number of American women. Not every day does such an opportunity occur and the wise ones have taken advantage of it and will demonstrate their capabilities. Women sculptors have been eminently successful, none perhaps more so than Miss Melva Beatrice Wilson, of New York, to whom was awarded a most important commission—the decoration of the Palace of Machinery.

Miss Wilson studied under Macmonnies in Paris and when she exhibited in that city was overwhelmed with encomiums from art critics. Her works are on view in both public and private art galleries in America and she is among the most sought of feminine sculptors. With the smart set Miss Wilson is a great favorite as she depicts equestrian and athletic sports, modern military life, cow boy types, wild animals and almost everything pertaining to out of door sports.

In Festival hall at the world's fair with its gigantic organ a number of fine instrumentalists and vocalists will be heard. Miss Wilhelmina Lowe will be the harpist. She is a charming young girl and is a daughter of the late General Lowe, of the United States army. She was born in Omaha. Early manifesting a talent for music she underwent a thorough course of instruction. For the past four years she has been the soloist of the St. Louis Choral society and of the First Presbyterian church. Last spring she made a tour with the Boston festival orchestra and last fall she was heard at the Maine festival. With her lithe and sinuous form and her graceful poses, Miss Lowe is an attractive figure as she sweeps the harp strings with rhythmical cadence.

As a lecturer Madame Lydia von Finkelstein Mountford is renowned. Her lectures are on sacred subjects and she is eminently adapted to discourse about life in the far east as she has lived there many years. Madame is engaged by the Jerusalem company, and will form one of the strong world's fair attractions, as she will deliver addresses in the streets, attired in oriental costume. Her topics will be replete with interest. The costumes that prevailed in the time of Christ, the buildings, the people in the streets, the various religious places of worship, the places sacred to the life of Jesus Christ will all furnish intensely interesting subjects. Madame Mountford spent much time in the holy land purchasing costumes and getting together people who faithfully represent the

typical life of the far east. Madame is a persuasive talker and her presence will no doubt prove a drawing card to Jerusalem.

World's Fair Notes.

The height of the eaves lines on all exhibit palaces at the world's fair is 55 feet.

The Texas building at the world's fair was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on March 30.

Eleven main entrances have been established at the world's fair, each being equipped with many turnstiles.

Thirty-six hundred and sixty feet of space in the mines and metallurgy palace at the world's fair will be covered by Indiana's coal exhibit.

Haiti is represented at the world's fair with a display of mineral, wood, stone, agricultural products and articles showing the handiwork of the natives.

Rubles of beautiful lustre and artistic finish are among the collection of precious stones found in Idaho's exhibit in the palace of mines and metallurgy at the world's fair.

Russia will be represented in the world's press parliament, to be held at the world's fair May 16 to 21, by Prince Esper Oukhtomski, managing editor of the St. Petersburg Wiedomosti.

A. C. Alexander, a member of the board of education of Marion, Ind., states that nearly all the public school children of that city will attend the world's fair. The city has about 35,000 inhabitants.

New York city will send a squad of white uniformed street cleaners to the world's fair to take care of the "Model streets." They will show the latest devices used in cleaning the streets of the metropolis.

The Iowa Library Association will hold its annual meeting at the world's fair October 19 and 20. The sessions will be held in the afternoon, one session for business matters and the other for round table discussions.

The central art palace at the world's fair is a permanent structure, 3448 by 166 feet. It is built of Bedford (Ind.) sandstone; is fireproof, and is rich in permanent statuary. The art palaces contain a total of 135 galleries.

Twenty sailors from the Italian navy have arrived at the world's fair grounds. They will be stationed during the exposition in and about the Royal Italian pavilion and will act as guards and guides for the Italian section.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining for thirty days at Astoria postoffice April 4, 1904:

Adams, Edgar C. Mr.
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Sergeant Prevented From Carrying Out Order by Armed Men—Clash to Be Investigated.

TRINIDAD, COL., April 4.—A clash has occurred between soldiers of the regular army and members of the state militia. Two companies of the Fifth cavalry, U. S. A., arrived here en route overland to Fort Apache from Fort Logan. Several of their officers were entertained by Major Hill, commanding the national guardsmen. During this time a number of regulars came into the city on leave of absence. They came upon the patrol of militia and began hurling epithets at them. Captain Scholz of the state guards happened on the scene and ordered a sergeant to arrest one of the most abusive of the regulars. The latter's companions prevented the sergeant from carrying out the order, at the same time drawing their six-shooters and surrounding the patrol. Scholz hurriedly dispatched a messenger to the cavalry officers and Lieutenant Mosely came quickly to the scene and ordered his men to their camp. They explained to him that they were just having a little fun with the militiamen. The matter will be investigated and the guilty ones dealt with.

National Executive Committeeman Laidley, of the United Mine Workers of America, has issued an open letter to the public in which he suggests a conference of mine operators and miners for the purpose of arriving at some settlement of the differences in the Southern coal fields and thereby end the strike.

GIBSON MAKES DENIAL.

Refutes Charge That Land Grant Railroads Are Interested.

Washington, April 4.—Though the postoffice appropriation bill was before the senate almost the entire day, early debate on the measure was in relation to general land laws. Mr. Gibson, of Montana, denied that the proponents of the bill for the repeal of the desert land act and the commutation clause homestead act were proceeding at the instigation, and in the interest of land grant railroads.

Gibson, aided by Mr. Quarles of Wisconsin, made light of the charge that a lobby was maintained in Washington to fight for the passage of this bill Hainsborough, or North Dakota, and Warren, of Wyoming, took the other side of the question. Hainsborough mentioned by name George H. Maxwell, who, he said, was drawing a princely salary for the work he did. Considerable progress was made with the postoffice appropriation bill.

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