

FAIR DEDICATION

OUTLINE OF THE THREE-DAY PROGRAM.

Greatest Gathering of National, State and Foreign Dignitaries Ever Assembled on American Soil—Magnificent Festivities to Celebrate an Important Centennial at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., April 29.—A salute of 100 guns will announce to the world, at noon, April 30, the close of the first century of an inland empire that Napoleon sold for a song.

Seldom in the official life of a great democratic nation will the pomp and pageantry of monarchy have been so overshadowed as at the dedication of the international exposition to commemorate that event.

One of the most impressive military spectacles of peaceful times will sweep through the metropolis of the Louisiana domain—a glittering display of American arms and the man, at the zenith of the republic's power.

Kings, emperors and potentates send their ambassadors to swell the homage of this people to the genius that, by bloodless conquest gave to the country a territory one-third the size of all Europe.

Diplomatic Corps Present. For the first time in the history of the government, the entire diplomatic corps leaves the capital on a special train to travel into the heart of the nation.

The presence of the president of the United States, his cabinet, congress and the supreme court at the head of the armed column, is intended to symbolize a government by the people and its achievements.

Orders have been issued by the war department to mobilize in the vast buildings of the exposition, 4000 battle-scarred regulars. The powerful monitor, Arkansas, is ascending the historic river, once claimed by De Soto in the name of his Spanish sovereign.

Governors of states are picking their crack militia regiments for a brave show. Ten thousand stalwart types of the Mr. Volunteer of the future are burnishing their weapons for this day of dignitaries.

Through all these preparations runs the quickened spirit of newer "argosies of commerce," the dawn of yet undreamed wonders of science and coming triumphs of civilization.

The Universal Exposition is the mouthpiece of this vague unrest; its christening, with glory of military panoply, stately ceremony and reign of fire by night, is the opening page of the fairy book.

That the national government might be interpreted as stamping its approval on an enterprise that has cost it more than \$6,000,000, Major General Henry C. Corbin will marshal the parade from its starting point in St. Louis to the palaces of the Ivory City.

300,000 Visitors. Estimates by passenger departments of 29 railways converging in St. Louis, indicate the attendance at the dedication of 250,000 to 300,000 visitors, mainly from points in Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Arrangements for transporting the 500,000 persons who are expected to view the parade and the dedicatory review on the exposition grounds, present a schedule of 15 seconds between the delivery of visitors at the gates of the exposition.

This work has been undertaken by the street railway system. Loops constructed especially for the dedication have been laid at the entrances, of which there are eight, disposed at various points on every side of the World's Fair site, in order to avoid congestion.

Three days will be crowded with incident. National day falls on April 30. The president dedicates the World's Fair. International day follows on May 1. Addresses by the French and Spanish ambassadors and a reception to the diplomatic corps are the features.

State day, May 2, concludes the celebration. Governor Benjamin B. Odell, of New York, and Governor A. M. Dockery, of Missouri, make addresses; a great civic procession moves over the route of the military parade and the corner stones of state buildings are laid.

The Pains on May Day. Dedication night and the evening of May 1, the Pains will monopolize the heavens. Their display of pyrotechnics, under their contract with the

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exposition, calls for the explosion of \$55,000 in burning powder. Leo Stevens, the Stanleys of London, the Baldwin brothers will manipulate seven mammoth gas balloons at a great altitude, where the most startling fireworks exhibition is to be given.

President Roosevelt arrives the night preceding dedication. He has promised to speak at the choral entertainment for raising funds to build a monument to General Frang Selig. The president will be entertained while in the city by President Francis of the exposition.

At 10 o'clock the morning of the dedication day, the freedom of the city will be tendered to President Roosevelt by Mayor Rolla Wells. The military parade will be assembled under the direction of Grand Marshal Corbin at the junction of Grand and Lindell boulevards and begin to march at 10:30, preceded by the president of the United States and the distinguished guests in carriages.

The route is two miles through the finest residence sections and Forest park to the triumphal Causeway, leading from the entrance of the exposition grounds to the Liberal Arts building. A broad asphaltum way will carry the column, between the finished fronts of five exposition buildings, decorated with the flags of all nations. The president will review the parade from the grand stand in the Court of Monuments, the principal vista of the fair.

Grand Band Concert. Luncheon served by the exposition directorate at the Administration building will regale the president and guests until 1:30 p. m., when a grand band concert by 30 bands announces the prelude to the dedicatory ceremonies. The doors of the Liberal Arts building will admit 35,000 persons, to be seated under the direction of guards and ushers.

A grand stand at the north side will seat 45,000 guests. Accommodations for 400 newspaper correspondents are provided immediately beneath and in front of the president's rostrum. On the west side, 250 feet from the president, a chorus of 3,000 voices, selected from the singing societies of St. Louis and an augmented band of 200 pieces will render the masters.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the vast assembly will be called to order by David R. Francis, president of the exposition. Cardinal Gibbons, in the scarlet vestments of a prince of the Roman church, will lend a touch of color to the brilliant scene when he advances to the front of the president's rostrum to deliver the invocation.

Thomas H. Carter, president of the World's Fair National Commission, will be announced as the president of the day. A choral and band rendition of "The Heavens Proclaiming" will precede the presentation of the buildings by President Francis to the president of the United States. President Roosevelt will then make the dedicatory address.

Immediately at the close of the president's words, the grand chorus will thunder, "Unfold, Ye Portals." Former President Grover Cleveland, the orator of the occasion will deliver a panegyric. Bishop E. R. Hendricks, of the Methodist church, will pray and the Right Reverend Henry C. Potter, of New York, will speak the benediction. A centennial salute of 100 guns closes the program.

Pyrotechnic Display. At 8 o'clock the pyrotechnic display begins in front of the grand stand, near the Administration building. The length of this production is suggested by the 52 numbers which it includes. About 30,000 persons can witness the spectacle from the grand stand. It is estimated that it will require three hours, from 8 to 11 o'clock, to burn tons of powder the fireworks king has piled on the grounds. Henry Pain has promised to surpass anything he has done and the monumental character of some of his cards seem to assure a magnificent display.

The sensation of the evening will be the ascension of seven great gas balloons controlled by experienced aeronauts. At a great altitude the operators fire a salute of aerial guns. The largest vessel drops a huge American flag in pyrotechnics, 400 feet long by 200 feet wide. An aerial salute of 21 guns greets the appearance of the Stars and Strips. This is a signal for dropping from the six other balloons, the pyrotechnic flags of the six greatest powers. Each flag is 150 feet by 100 feet.

Another conspicuous number will be the Festival Hall and the Cascade Gardens of the World's Fair, done in fire on a set piece 600 feet long, by 60 feet high, the exact vertical height of the genuine cascades. Streams of opalescent fire will fall over the cascades. Other numbers include everything that is known to the science of pyrotechnics.

Aside from the mere pageantry of the military parade of the first day, the demonstration is intended to impress several hundreds of thousands of American citizens and her foreign guests with the fitness of both the regular arm of the republic's soldiery and its National Guard.

Meeting of Tin Workers. Anderson, Ind., April 29.—The International Protective Association of Tin Workers began its annual convention here today and will be in session during the next two weeks. The association, which is independent of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin-Plate workers, has a membership that includes workers in nearly all the cities where tin plate is manufactured. The association is growing rapidly and there are several matters of importance to the members to come before the present convention.

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