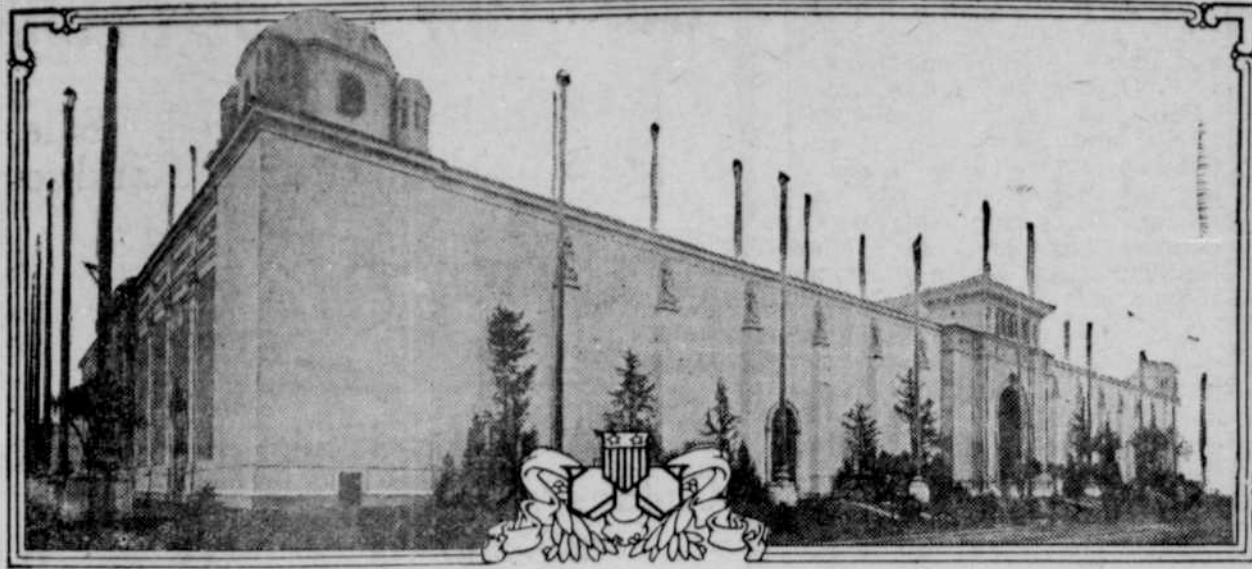


One of the Many Great Exhibit Palaces
Now Completed For the Panama-Pacific
International Exposition, San Francisco, 1915



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Whole World Is Planning to Visit the Greatest of
Universal Expositions at Which Uncle Sam Will
Celebrate the Opening of the Panama Canal.

THROUGHOUT the world millions of people are planning to visit the Panama-Pacific Exposition, which opens next year in San Francisco. Railway and steamship agents report extraordinary advance bookings. Steamships and railroads are planning low round trip rates, with privileges of routing never before enjoyed. And while millions are preparing to visit the vast Exposition, which opens on Feb. 20, 1915, preparations for the Exposition itself are far advanced, and it has attained a stage of development unequalled by any universal celebration in the history of the world. The vast exhibit palaces are completed, and the installation of the world's marvels has begun. This unparalleled progress is not confined to the huge exhibit section, for the state and foreign sites and the great concession area, "the Zone," are being crowned by completed structures that leave no doubt as to the preparation made for this magnificent Exposition.

The coming Exposition offers greater spectacles, greater beauty, wider education and more captivating entertainment than any predecessor, and instead of following precedents it has shattered them at every turn and has adopted improvements on old plans that will make it a typical and really modern Exposition.

Thirty-six foreign nations are participating, and the amounts appropriated run from the hundreds of thousands to the \$1,500,000 of China and the \$1,300,000 of Argentina. The states have not lagged in accepting the invitation to have their part in the glory of celebrating the completion of the Panama canal, and thirty-nine will be represented if the list remains as it stands. New York tops this list with \$1,000,000.

Contests will be offered such as have been seen in no other great assembly of humanity, and a few of the many that are drawing the visitors are: The around the world aeroplane race for \$300,000 in prizes, the New York to San Francisco motorboat race for \$10,000, two harness horse racing meets for \$227,000 in purses, yachting events for cups offered by King George V. of England and President Woodrow Wilson, the first world's polo tournament, a world's series baseball game and championships in every line of athletic sports.

No phase of the Exposition is being neglected, and the railroads are doing their part by giving unprecedented rates with a limit of ninety days and every opportunity to see the wonders of the United States by special routing and side trips.



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Austrian Mountain Gun Detachment

In the conflict between Austria and Serbia a great deal of the fighting will be in the mountains. Neither country has a first class navy, and the armies will be depended on for victory. In this picture there is shown a number of the Austrian mountain guns. These are manned by efficient corps of soldiers, about six men to each gun.

Entrance to a Vast Exhibit Palace at Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco In 1915



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THIS photograph shows the great western portal or entrance way of the huge Palace of Food Products. The half dome is known as the Half Dome of Vigor and is 113 feet in height. Brilliant, riotous colors are employed in the mosaic in the vault of the half dome, which was designed by Jules Guerin, America's most celebrated decorative artist.

Knew Him.
"Tommy, run up and tell your sister I am here, will you?"
"Aw, what's the use? She knows it, 'cause when she saw you comin' I heard her say to mother, 'Dear me, there comes that empty headed idiot again!'"—London Telegraph.

Out For Tea.
Maid—I'm sorry, but Mrs. Jiggs is out for tea. Piebald Friend—The idea! With all her money I should think she'd have everything sent.—Buffalo Express.

Odd and Even.
His Wife—I don't want you to be coming home at such odd hour. Husband—All right, dear, I'll try to make it 4 instead of 3.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Contrariwise.
Mrs. Beat—Tell the gentleman I'm not receiving today, Nora. New Maid—But he ain't deliverin', mum; he's collectin'!—Puck.

Does Prohibition Fulfill Its Promises?

Thinking people of every religious creed and political belief should give earnest heed to the expressions of opinion from eminent divines, educators, editors, governors, judges, legislators, and others prominent in every walk of life, who have publicly voiced their sentiments concerning prohibition in words similar to these:

"Prohibition drives underground the mischief which it seeks to cure, making it more difficult to deal with the evil and impossible to regulate the trade." Bishop Hall, Vermont.

"Prohibition has been disastrous to the cause of temperance." Bishop Clark, Rhode Island.

These men are sincere and conscientious. They deplore drunkenness and cry against it as a great evil. Who, indeed, does not? Yet they know from observation and experience, that prohibition does not put a check upon intemperance but that, on the contrary, it gives rise to evils even greater than intemperance itself.

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FREAKS IN BASEBALL.

Apparently Clever Plays May Sometimes Be Pure Luck.

Freak plays make baseball humorous, if not interesting. Some of these plays are said to be the result of quick thinking; but, as a matter of fact, most of them are simply luck.

Curious things happen. A ball fell into a tin can, and, it being impossible to get it out in time, can and all were thrown to the basemen. Another ball hit the end of a nail driven through the opposite side of a fence and could not be got down until all the runners scored.

A swift hit glanced off the pitcher's hand, is snapped up by an infielder and thrown to first, putting the man out.

Red hot liners or grounders sometimes hit the first or third base bag and glance away for singles or even two baggers.

The shortest two bagger known was when the ball grazed the bat, shot up a few feet and fell in front of the plate. As the catcher reached for the twirling ball it glanced from his glove and bounded back to the stand, and the batter made second easily.

A center fielder saw a mit in the way of the shortstop and walked about sixty feet in to move it out of the way when he heard the crack of the bat and saw a hot ball coming straight at him. He could do nothing but try to catch it and did to his surprise. But he was given credit by the crowd for being a great student of batters.—Arthur Macdonald in American Physical Education Review.

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