

AS IT LOOKS TODAY

A Stroll Through the World's Fair Grounds at St. Louis.

(Correspondence.)
ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 6.—"We shall begin putting on the staff finish of the textiles building before the month is out," said Contractor John J. Dunnivant today. "The ornamental staff is all ready for us, as you may see, and we are following the line of work with another as fast as economy will permit. We are raising the huge uprights now and it won't be many days before the roofbuilders and glaziers will be at work. The textiles building is in the form of a keystone, with the longest side, 758 feet, to the north. The east and west sides are each 35 feet and the south facade 460 feet. The large court is 300 feet at the north end, 350 feet at the south wall and 195 feet on the east and west sides. The building will be completed, early this fall."
"We are now fairly under way in the construction of the electricity building," said William Goldie, the contractor. "The work will go on to completion without interruption, I believe. The staff contractors have completed the ornamental work for this building."
"The varied industries building is further advanced than any other of the big World's Fair structures," said Contractor M. E. Roundtree. "But it is so large that with all our wonderful progress we shall do well to get it done before snow flies. It takes 7,000,000 feet of lumber, while the textiles building takes 4,000,000. Much of the staff work is done and as fast as designs are ready the ornamentation is made and put aside until it wanted on the building. We are making good progress."
"We are waiting only for the graders to complete their great task," said Contractor Ezekiel Smith, of the machinery building. "Our foundations are in and hundreds of tons of earth are being drawn to place every day. We shall soon begin the superstructure. Our building is 1000 feet long by 525 feet wide. Material is coming and we shall get busy soon."
Other features of the World's Fair work are the River des Peres channelway, more than a mile long, costing \$115,000, completed this week; the electric conduits, seven by seven feet, a mile long, now building; the sewer system, completed; the vast grading work amounting to hundreds of thousands of cubic yards, the transplanting of hundreds of big trees, which was done in the early spring; the installation of the water supply and system for protection against fire, completed; the construction of Telford roads of crushed stone and fine gravel; the laying of railway tracks and the establishment of an emergency hospital.
One may see traction engines and teams of 12 horses drawing excavating and grading machines, sawmills running by electricity, auger holes bored and nails driven by compressed air machines, and thousands of men employed in numberless tasks that will all combine to make the greatest exposition of history. Present estimates place the total of exhibit space under roof at 200 acres, in 15 great buildings. The total of areas of grounds to date is 778 acres with 400 acres to be added.

BALLIET AND HIS TROUBLES

SAN FRANCISCO, June 12.—The examiner says: The majority of San Francisco who are witnesses attending the trial of Lester Balliet, the "mining king" and self-advertised "Cecil Rhodes of America" at Des Moines, Iowa, have returned to their homes in this city.
The whereabouts of Balliet himself is not known, though he is supposed to have left Des Moines the latter part of last week for this city, and therefore should be due here now. He was convicted of using the mails for fraudulent purposes in floating the White Swan Mining Company Limited, and was released on \$1,000 cash bail pending appeal.
J. N. Woodard, Balliet's bookkeeper, and recently elected secretary of the White Swan, has returned. He and his wife were taken to Des Moines by Balliet for the purpose of testifying in his defense, but for some unknown reason neither he nor his books was used. Woodard is in charge of the company's offices at 808 California street, though they are closed and the door still bears the notice to the public that during the absence of the officers in the East no business will be transacted.
Those who returned state that nothing has been seen in Des Moines of young "Alie" Kells, Balliet's brother-in-law, who so mysteriously disappeared last week with the keys of the office, which were later returned by mail. Kells was supposed to have gone East to join his sister, and his whereabouts is a mystery. He is a boy of 18 years of age and affected the cowboy hat and general make-up of Balliet, the "mining wonder of the West."
Several White Swan stockholders are the best means of protecting their interests. The corporation's visible assets seem to consist of the mine, a newspaper, a small bank account and the office furniture. It is probable they will apply for a receiver at an early date.
It was announced in the press dispatches last week that Balliet's mail would be held up by the authorities upon a fraud order, but inquiry at the local office develops the fact that the only mail at present being withheld is registered matter. It is expected that all mail will eventually be stopped.
Much local speculation has been caused by the government's announcement made on the completion of the Des Moines trial that proceedings will be immediately begun both in Des Moines and San Francisco against two of the witnesses for the defense on charges of perjury and using the mails for fraudulent purposes. They are not named.

DOG SHOW

Over in London Attracts "Swell" Set.

(Journal Special Service.)
LONDON, June 12.—Among the ante-coronation functions and exhibitions not the least interesting is the open-air show of the Ladies' Kennel Association, which opened today in the Botanic Gardens, at Regent's Park.
The association enjoys the distinction of being the only women's club of any description with which the Queen is at all connected. She takes as much interest in its welfare today as she did when Princess of Wales and several high-bred dogs from the former well-known Sandringham kennels are among the exhibits.
The show is rather international in character, as several American ladies who have come over for the coronation have placed their canine pets on exhibition. In order to do so they were obliged to obtain exemption from the rule which requires dogs from foreign countries to remain in quarantine for six months before landing in England.
ROBBERS EASILY SCARED.
NEW YORK, June 12.—"In all grades of crooks there are certain peculiarities which are very marked," said an old police detective. "How do detectives go into a crowd of people and arrest 20 or 30 professional pickpockets in the course of a few hours?"
"There is a popular idea that they are familiar with their faces. They are to a certain extent, but it's the way the pickpocket acts in a crowd, rather than his face, which tells the trained detective his character."
"Pickpockets are very easily scared off. If a man who has been marked by crooks gives the least sign that he suspects what is going on, they will drop him like a hot cake. I have seen them mark out a man and follow him until the man happened to turn around and look one of them squarely in the face. Then I have seen them drop that man instantly, although I was morally certain that he hadn't the faintest suspicion that anything was wrong."
"The pickpocket is afraid of his own shadow. If he is on the street car and sees one get on that car who he thinks knows him, he will leave the car at once, even if he has no intention of doing anything wrong. He is afraid of people becoming too familiar with his face. That again he figures that if anything happens on that car he will be held responsible for it whether he is innocent or guilty."
"The same peculiarities mark the highwayman, commonly called the 'strong-arm man.' Here in New York the strong-arm man usually follows his victim home and attacks him on a dark street. Most of his victims are drunken men, because he can more easily sneak up behind them and lay them out with a club, without being seen."
"A strong-arm man will run like a whipped dog if his victim happens to turn around and get a look at him. He's too cowardly to kill a man, and he won't attack a man who has had a look at him, as he knows that that man may identify him later on."
"The flat thief is the easiest man of them all to avoid. Just make a rule never to leave a flat alone. The flat thief never gets in a flat unless he is quite sure that it is empty, although there have been exceptions to this rule."
"He will maneuver for days sometimes before he makes an attempt at a place, and a person who is at all observing ought to know that something is wrong. Look out for your place if you have had men coming to your door inquiring for people that you never heard of."
"Too many peddlers is another sign of danger, but the surest sign that your place is 'planted' is when your door bells ring a number of times in a week, and when you press the button to open the door, no one responds."
"That means that the thief is trying to find out whether you are at home. When the door opens he knows that you are, and he takes his departure. If you don't answer his ring he will ring again and usually a third and fourth time."
"Then he will come upstairs and ring the bell of the apartment a number of times. Getting no response, he will open the door, and it won't take him long to get everything worth going out."
"The sooner people get away from the notion that locks and chains will keep the thief out of the flat the better for them. Fifteen or 20 minutes at the outside is all that an expert wants to get in any place. It doesn't matter how he does it, it is enough that he does. The burglar alarm will keep him out, but the lock never."

HORSE SHOW

CLEVELAND, O., June 12.—The second annual open air exhibition of the Cleveland Driving Club, which opened today, far surpasses the show of last year, both as regards the number and high class of the exhibits. Prize-winning saddle horses, roadsters, coach horses, hunters and jumpers from many well-known stables are on exhibition. Judging begins tonight and continues until the close of the exhibition Saturday night.

ROMANCE

Stenographer Marries a Boston Club Man.

(Journal Special Service.)
BOSTON, June 12.—A pretty romance of State street culminates this evening in the marriage of Roland Worthington and Miss Edith Johnson. Mr. Worthington is the son of the late Collector of Customs and one of the well-known middle-aged clubmen of Boston and an enthusiastic horseman, yachtsman and golf devotee. He has always lived at home with his mother and sisters, and his engagement was a great surprise to his many friends, as he was supposed to be a confirmed bachelor.
The bride has held the position of public stenographer in the Worthington "skycaper" in State street, owned by her fiancé. She is a strikingly beautiful young woman and has just turned 20. It is said by her friends she is bright and accomplished. It was only during the last few months that the attachment was noticed, and then the courtship became plainly evident. It was love which had smoldered for a long period. Before a great while the engagement was whispered. The bride has resided in Pondville by her aunt, where they have a pretty little home. The couple will take an extended wedding trip, and on their return will reside in Dedham.

Penn's Commencement Week.

(Journal Special Service.)
PHILADELPHIA, June 12.—The commencement week program of the University of Pennsylvania is ushered in tonight with the commencement exercises of the Zoelosophic Society. The exercises of the Philomathean Society follow tomorrow night and Saturday witnesses reunions of alumni. Sunday the Rev. Elwood Worcester, D. D., preaches the commencement sermon at St. Stephen's Church, class day comes Monday, alumni day Tuesday and the graduation exercises conclude the program Wednesday.

A BALKY HORSE.

A horse attached to a delivery wagon of the Novelty Laundry yesterday afternoon was the center of attraction for a large crowd on the corner of Washington street. The animal would not go and any amount of persuasion in the form of spoken language or muscular action had no more effect upon him than a toddling infant would have upon Tracy and Merrill. His faculty for backing was all right, but when it came to going forward there is where he would fall down. The crowd pushed the conveyance and the horse, too, and this is the only way that could be discovered to get the outfit along. Through the streets this aggregation went for about two hours, the crowd pushing, the vehicle moving slowly and the horse ailing, stiff-legged, in front. The driver only vacated his seat on the wagon long enough to deliver "his wash," and seemed as happy as a newborn rose on a Kansas prairie.

ABLE TO LAUGH

Boy Thrown Over a Fence by a Locomotive.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Edward J. Stevens, 12 years old, of 216 Peter street, son avenue, North Bergen, was struck by a New York, Susquehanna & Western locomotive, going 30 miles an hour near Tyler park. He was thrown 25 feet over a fence and landed in a ditch. His left ankle was sprained. The boy laughed heartily over his escape after his removal to the City Hospital.

TO UNITE MANY COTTON MILLS

NEW YORK, June 12.—According to F. L. Underwood, gratifying progress is being made in the matter of the proposed combine of Southern cotton mills. He has just returned from an extensive tour through North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, the states in which the cotton mills Mr. Underwood is endeavoring to combine are located. If the combination goes through there will be something like 60 constituent concerns, and the capital stock of the combine will be in excess of \$50,000,000. Very little cash will be required, as practically all the properties will be taken over by means of an exchange of the stock of the combine for the assets of the constituent plants.

PING-PONG THIEF

(Journal Special Service.)
NEW YORK, June 12.—A tall young man clad in a dress suit went to the ping-pong gallery of the Waldorf-Astoria and began to play. The frequency of his calls of new balls soon attracted the attention of an attendant, who watched him until he saw him deftly slip a ping-pong ball into the coat-tail pockets of his dress suit. Then the attendant told House Detective Smith, who watched the young man until he saw the operation repeated. Smith then went up to the young man.
"You take your hat and ping-pong out of here," said Smith.
The young man took his hat, lighted a cigarette and pinged out.

VICIOUS ALLIGATOR

Snaps Off Part of Baby Gator's Head and Keeper's Trousers.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The family of 15 alligators in the Central Park menagerie did not eat anything from last September until a week ago when the big four-foot fellow developed a mighty appetite. He is not satisfied with his own portion of raw meat, but takes the food intended for others.
When Keeper Peter Shannon was inside the open-air inclosure yesterday filling the tank the big fellow lay stretched on the sand with his jaws open catching flies. As he lay with his jaws extended and one eye on the keeper a young gator about three feet long crawled that way and apparently mistaking the open mouth for a shady spot, started to go in. The jaws snapped down on his head and the smaller saurian wriggled, but could not get away.
The keeper grabbed him by the tail and pulled, but the big fellow held him fast until finally the sharp teeth snapped off a part of the young one's head. The big fellow swallowed what he had bitten off and wanted more, so he jumped forward and snapped his jaws at the keeper's leg. Shannon was near the fence and vaulted over it as the gator took a piece from the leg of his trousers.
The wounded alligator was taken from the inclosure and put in the Arsenal basement. He may recover, but will never be able to bite any one, as he is left most of his teeth in the big one's mouth.

NEW TOWN

Springs Up in the Waldo Copper District.

(Journal Special Service.)
GRANT'S PASS, June 12.—Colonel T. W. Morgan Draper, manager of the Waldo Smelting & Mining Company, arrived in the city yesterday from his Waldo mines and was seen by a Journal representative. Colonel Draper stated that owing to the great amount of development being done by them and the other mines of Waldo, a new town has arisen in the district. The town has been named "Takliska" and the new town promises to become one of the most important copper centers in the West. It is situated in the heart of the rich Waldo district and will be directly on the line of the Oregon & Pacific railroad. Takliska is the name of an extinct tribe of Indians that once inhabited the country lying between the Illinois and Rogue rivers. In 1894 there were but 25 members of the Takliska tribe left. These were found on the Little reservation in Williamson county.
Continued flattering reports are being received from the recent remarkable copper strike made on the Oregon-California line by Colonel J. S. Crawford and associates. A quantity more of ore has been brought in here from the strike. It is all half copper. Several chunks of pure copper were brought in. This was all picked up or broken off of the outcrops from the big ledge.

Washington Crop Report.

The staple crops of the state are reported to be in very good condition. Both fall and spring wheat have a good color and stand, and in some places wheat has made a rank growth. Clover, timothy and red top are headed and the prospects are fine for a good hay crop. Potatoes are doing exceptionally well this season. Hops now require spraying, on account of lice having appeared. Sugar beets are being weeded in Spokane county. Peaches in the Yakima country are now being thinned. Fruit has continued dropping in the Western section and it is very evident that the general fruit crop will be light.

ABSTAINERS AT OSHKOSH

(Journal Special Service.)
OSHKOSH, Wis., June 12.—Oshkosh is entertaining the annual state convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union. The sessions began this afternoon at the Athearn Hotel and were preceded by the celebration of high mass at St. Peter's Church. The participants include between 40 and 50 priests who came from all parts of the state. The officers of the union are: President, Rev. W. J. Rice, Stevens Point; secretary, Rev. F. J. Piss, Berlin; treasurer, Rev. James O'Malley, of Oshkosh. Their annual reports showed the organization to have been unusually active during the past year in spreading total abstinence among the lay people of the state.

MINING PRESIDENT

(Journal Special Service.)
COLORADO SPRINGS, June 12.—The presidency of the Colorado State School of mines was formally handed over to Dr. Charles L. Palmer by the board of trustees today. The new president is a graduate of an Eastern university. He came to Colorado in 1887 and has been in the chair of chemistry at the School of Mines ever since. He is 45 years old, a fluent speaker, a successful educator and a good organizer.

Texas Summer School.

(Journal Special Service.)
AUSTIN, Tex., June 12.—What promises to be the most successful summer school of the University of Texas was opened today with a large enrollment of students. The faculty this season consists of 19 instructors including several heads of schools at the University of Texas. Professor Ritchie of Baylor University and President Hitchcock of the Sam Houston Normal School. The term lasts six weeks.

TO DOWN MORGAN

Canadian Government to Fight Him to the Death.

LONDON, June 11.—The negotiations of the British and the Canadian governments and some of the other colonial governments with the Cunard line and other lines, comprising what is now termed the Liverpool syndicate, which is opposing the Morgan shipping combine, contemplate, according to the Westminster Gazette, both a fast service of mail and passenger steamers in conjunction with the Canadian Pacific Railroad and a fleet of fast freight steamers. The mail steamers which it is proposed to build will be of enormous size, capable of steaming 25 knots an hour, and will be fully equipped for use as armed cruisers, carrying eight quick-firing guns, six-inch, forward and aft and broadsides three 4.7-inch guns. The freight steamers will be 16-knot vessels, carrying 2000 to 3000 tons dead weight.
The Westminster Gazette thinks it probable that Milford Haven will be the port of departure of the fleet. The scheme contemplates a line of steamers running to China, Japan and Australia from Vancouver, Canada and Australia are expected to join in paying the subsidies. The draft of the scheme involves the home government guaranteeing a small interest on the capital invested. This will have to be ratified by the House of Commons, "where," says the Westminster Gazette, "it will probably meet with opposition."
Another possible complication is hinted at in the following San Francisco special to the Seattle Times:
Baron Eliech Shibusawa, multimillionaire, the leading business man of the Japanese Empire and a peer of the realm; whose arrival in San Francisco was announced, says that he is traveling for pleasure, but there is every reason to believe that his presence in this city and the United States presages an immense deal by the carrying trade of the Pacific ocean is to be consolidated in just such a manner as that of the Atlantic.
Baron Shibusawa is of his way to meet J. Pierpont Morgan.

WORLD'S FAIR BONDS SOLD

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—Mayor Rolla Wells and Comptroller James Y. Player have sold the \$5,000,000 bonds issued by the city on account of the World's Fair to St. Louis bidders. The bonds run 25 years and bear 3 1/2 per cent interest. The bid was slightly above the par value. The interest rate is said to be lower than ever fixed on municipal bonds. There was a difference of only \$1000 between the highest and lowest bidders. The proceeds from these bonds constitute the city's direct investment in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. Individual subscribers have pledged \$5,000,000, a considerable part of which has been paid, and another \$5,000,000 will come from the United States Government when the sum of \$10,000,000 shall have been expended. The prompt sale of such a large block of city bonds under such favorable conditions strengthens the feeling of confidence in the stability of business conditions in the Southwest with which the city has so largely to deal. This bond issue raises the total bonded debt of St. Louis to \$23,515,278.30, while the city government owns property valued at \$26,000,000 and has taxable wealth to the amount of \$285,000,000.
Whether the Baron understands English or not is uncertain, but at any rate he prefers to converse to newspaper men with the aid of an interpreter.
"The Baron says," replied the interpreter to a query as to the possibility of a combination of Japanese shipping interests with those of the Morgan syndicate. "The Baron says that the Japanese subsidy laws would, he thinks, prevent Japanese ships from entering a combination."
"But the British subsidy laws are very strict, and still the White Star and other lines have gone over; the German lines are more strict yet the Hamburg-American and the North German Lloyd have entered the Atlantic combination. Are the Japanese laws even more rigid than those of Great Britain or Germany?" was asked.
"The Baron's eyes were twinkling long before the question had been translated to him."
"The Baron says that he is pleased now that he is going to have the opportunity of studying the effect of the British and German shipping subsidy laws," replied the impassive interpreter.
Baron Shibusawa is saving his views on combinations for exchange with J. Pierpont Morgan, and that such a deal is in view there can be no manner of doubt.
The momentous meeting of the big financiers of the East and West will take place in New York. A visit will then be made to England, France and Germany.

NOTABLE HORSE SALE

(Journal Special Service.)
NEW YORK, June 12.—The most notable horse sale that has taken place in this vicinity in a long time opened under the auspices of the Fausig-Tipton Company at Sheepshead Bay today. It being the 35th annual sale of the Belle Meade yearlings. The horses to go under the hammer comprised 32 colts and 12 fillies, the lot of Imp, Loyalist Huron, Imp, Titheon, Imp, Inspector B., Imp, Madison, Longstreet, Imp, Massetto and Imp, Dandle Dimont.

Picture of Hawaii.

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—Two plans for showing the picturesque features of Hawaii at the World's Fair in 1904 are being discussed by the newspapers of the beautiful Pacific Islands. One of these contemplates the building of a cyclorama of Honolulu and surrounding territory. The other proposition is to have the Biograph Company make a set of moving pictures, taken from all parts of the islands, showing public functions and thrills, in the busy streets, on the beaches and wharves, in Honolulu and other places. In this way millions of people at the World's Fair could be made visually acquainted with Hawaii and its cosmopolitan life.

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WORLD'S FAIR RAILROAD NOTES.

President Gray, of the Portland, Vancouver & Yakima Railway Company has been advised that the steel rails for the 15-mile extension of that line from Vancouver to Yocalt Prairie have been shipped from the East, and will arrive here in about a week. From 50 to 104 men will be at once put to work to lay the rails, for the company is as anxious as the settlers along the new extension that the work shall be speedily completed.
The employees of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad have had their wage schedule advanced, dating from June 1, as follows: Passenger conductors, \$15; passenger brakemen, \$5; passenger engineers, advanced from 3 cents per mile to 2 1/2 cents; firemen, proportionately; freight conductors, \$10; freight brakemen, \$5; freight engineers advanced from 3 1/2 cents per mile to 4 cents; freight firemen, proportionately; yardmen, \$5.
The residents of Ellsworth, Wash., are very desirous that the bridge project of the Washington & Oregon Railway Company across the Columbia shall not fail to go through. They desire that the bridge shall accommodate railroad traffic, of course, but also "foot and wagon traffic" as well. A petition is now circulating for signatures to be sent to Edmund Rice, manager for the railroad company. Other communities will likewise petition Mr. Rice.
The Bohemia Railroad has made a start in the acquisition of rolling stock, by purchasing a locomotive from the Corvallis & Eastern, about 200 tons of 60-pound rails have been received and are ready for laying. As soon as these shall have been placed, active construction work will begin, for additional rolling stock will be leased from the Southern Pacific. Six miles of the grade are already finished for the new line—the Oregon & Southern—as it will be known.

BOSTON IS THEIR MECCA

(Journal Special Service.)
BOSTON, June 12.—Next week will be communion week with the Christian Scientists. Hundreds of people from all over the country will attend the services in the mother church in Boston. Several hundred have already arrived here, and at least 4000 more are expected. Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, the founder of Christian Science, will be here for Sunday's services and will also take part, if her health permits, in the annual meetings to be held during the week in the mother church and also in Tremont temple, where public meetings on a big scale are to be held.
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JAPANESE FAIR.

(Journal Special Service.)
ST. LOUIS, June 12.—Information from Japan indicates the probable participation of that country officially in the World's Fair. J. E. Smith, a director of the exposition, now traveling in that important city which he has visited, with the view of informing the business men upon the subject of the World's Fair. With better information upon the fair the manufacturers are showing a livelier interest and this manifest desire upon the part of manufacturers to be represented at St. Louis is having a noticeable influence upon the government. A national Japanese exposition will be held at Osaka in 1903, which will serve as a preparation for a great exhibit the following year at St. Louis. Mr. Smith will visit all the important manufacturing centers of Japan, spreading information concerning the exposition as widely as possible.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS

NORFOLK, Va.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers have completed their labor and the fifth biennial convention of the order is now a matter of history.
Their absence is missed. None but pleasant recollections of their day in Norfolk exist.
During the three weeks or more that the engineers were here they clearly demonstrated that they lived up to their motto of "Sobriety, Truth, Justice, Morality."
The last hours of their session were devoted to providing for the aged and disabled of their memberships. By a unanimous vote it was decided to pension all the brothers who could not support themselves by following their vocation on account of age or injuries.
Grand Chief Youngson and all the grand officers of the organization expressed themselves as being charmed with the reception and entertainment accorded them in Norfolk, and were loud in their praises of the entertainment and arrangement committees, and especially of Messrs. A. M. Cousins, James Henley and James V. Trehy for the effort those gentlemen made to show the visiting delegates a pleasant time during their stay here.
Chief Authur said he had never seen the brotherhood better entertained anywhere than it had been in Norfolk, and spoke feelingly of the true Southern hospitality displayed.—Virginia Pilot.

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