

ABOUT FAIR SITES

But Ten Definite Opinions—Be Ready for the Opening.

The question, "Where will be held the Lewis and Clark Centennial?" can be answered only after the management has received all data necessary to the formation of opinions. At the present time there are no definite views regarding the location of the many sites would be contributed to the success of the big Fair. However, the matter is now being canvassed, and so general is the interest that almost a dozen localities are being talked of.

The sites in question are:
Bellwood, or, as it is commonly called, City View Park.
Hawthorne Park.
Abrams & Knox Tract, located near the terminal shops at Albina.
University Park, situated about four miles from the corner of Third and Washington.
The Love Tract, in the northeast part of the city.
Gull's Lake.
The City Park and the continuous land.
The Terwilliger Tract, located in the southwest part of the city.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DECIDES.
The decision relating to the site of the Fair will be made after thoroughly going over the information that is expected in reply to the letters of inquiry sent out by Hon. H. W. Corbett, president of the Centennial Commission. The final decision on the site matter will rest with the executive committee, which is composed of these gentlemen:

H. W. Corbett, chairman ex-officio, H. W. Scott, Rufus Malloy, Charles E. Ladd, Paul Wessinger, A. L. Mills, W. D. Wheelwright, F. Dresser.
These have named a sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Mills, Wessinger and Dresser. The sub-committee is engaged in collecting local data which it is to be taken in conjunction with that which

from outside, and will weigh upon the eventual decision.

POLITICS DELAYED MATTERS.
Absorption on that part of many prominent citizens in the recent campaign caused the delaying of much of the work of preparation. Now that the election has been held and the issues of that event are decided, it is expected that there will be nothing to interfere with the needed progress toward the completion of the plans.

Some of the people who are interested in the project are becoming nervous on the subject of the amplitude of the preparations that must be made if the Fair be ready for the opening. It has been thought that Portland might attempt to make this Exposition an exception to the rule of all of the others that have been held during recent years; indeed, all that have ever been held, in that the gates shall swing open on the appointed day with everything in readiness. Such a feat would recommend the Fair to the world as worthy special attention.
"LET'S BE READY," SAYS ONE.
A gentleman prominent in the management said to The Journal on this point: "I say, let us be ready for the opening, and have things in shape for the beginning of the day named as the opening. This is important from the standpoint of the finances. Usually, expectations that have been held are not ready for days and days, sometimes for weeks, and the receipts are therefore cut off by just that much, people waiting for the exhibits to be prepared before going. The period of actual attendance in a consequence, reduced considerably, and the business suffer as a result. Let's be ready on time. It will pay."
To accomplish this end, it will be necessary to utilize all the time remaining, and matters must be hurried from this time on, in the view of most of those who are interested in the Exposition.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS

Grand Council Meeting Begins at Lake Minnetonka.

(Journal Special Service.)
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 13.—Lake Minnetonka was today the Mecca for commercial travelers from far and near and the grand council meeting of the United Commercial Travelers, which began at the well-known resort today and continues through tomorrow, is the most largely attended gathering of the kind ever held hereabouts. The visitors come from all parts of Minnesota, the Dakotas and Manitoba, and many of them are accompanied by their wives and families.

WOMEN TO BE URGED TO VOTE

Action Taken by Women's Club on Kindergartens.

The Women's Club recently appointed committees to canvass the city in the interest of the kindergarten movement, and all reported at a meeting held yesterday afternoon. All reported finding support of the move throughout the city, and where any opposition was found it was invariably among the higher classes, supposed to be the best educated. The working people are everywhere eager in support of the establishment of kindergartens, but a variety of excuses are presented by the others.
Some believe that the schools are already too large for the control of the teachers, and expense of securing new teachers and maintaining the kindergartens would be greater than compatible with community interests. Some stated

that a significant argument against the addition to the schools was that the teachers were opposed to it.
This was answered by the statement that the Portland Teachers' Club at a recent meeting had adopted resolutions in support of kindergartens, and it was also shown that the teachers opposing the movement were those who had not kept up with the march of progress in educational lines.
One argument principally came from the men. It was that children should be kept with their mothers until they were 6 years old, then they were ready for the primary department of public schools.
In order to secure as large a vote as possible from the women, a number of carriages will be provided to take them to the polling places.

THUNDER MOUNTAIN ROAD NOW OPEN

BOISE, Idaho, June 12.—The long blockade between outside points and Thunder Mountain is now fairly broken, and work will soon be under full headway in the camp. It has been impossible for the mining companies to start until they could get in supplies. While many people have been going in and out over various trails there have been no opportunities to get a large amount of supplies in until now. The main factor in clearing up the situation is the opening of what is known as the Caswell trail. This lies on the highland on the water between the middle and south forks of the Salmon, and therefore free from high water troubles. That trail is now open. It is reached by wagon road from Boise.

EDWORTH LEAGUE

State Conference in Session at Salida, Colorado.

(Journal Special Service.)
SALIDA, Colo., June 13.—Delegates to the state Epworth League conference were up to time this morning and the "quiet hour" service was well-attended. The forenoon was crowded with interesting features, including a Bible study conference presided over by S. E. Ellis of Aspen, an address on "Denominational Loyalty to the Amusement Problems," by Miss Davidson of Colorado Springs, and a series of round-table discussions conducted by the state cabinet and participated in by well-known religious workers of Denver, Canon City, Pueblo and other cities of the state.
The afternoon program began with an address by Chancellor Buchtel of the University of Denver, on the subject, "The League and the University." Later in the day the juniors had their innings. This evening the delegates assembled to listen to a lecture by Fletcher A. Wharton, D. D., of Lincoln, Neb.

CONEY ISLAND JOCKEY RACES

(Journal Special Service.)
NEW YORK, June 13.—The Sheephead Bay race track never looked better than it did today on the eve of the opening of the spring season of the Coney Island Jockey Club racing. Everything points to a going in and out over various trails there have been no opportunities to get a large amount of supplies in until now. The main factor in clearing up the situation is the opening of what is known as the Caswell trail. This lies on the highland on the water between the middle and south forks of the Salmon, and therefore free from high water troubles. That trail is now open. It is reached by wagon road from Boise.

HEROIC SEAMEN REWARDED

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—In recognition of their services in saving from destruction the German bark Planet and her disease-stricken crew in the North Atlantic about a year ago, Captain Wall, master of the Philadelphia transatlantic liner Crown Point, and his second officer, Frederick H. Bryant, have received handsome gold watches from Emperor William.
In the annals of shipping for generations no such story of suffering is recalled. On May 14, 1901, while the Crown Point was in latitude 49.36, longitude 13.30, the German bark Planet, 168 days out from Mazatlan for the British Channel for orders was sighted flying colors of

distress. On getting close to the vessel it was discovered that her decks were alive with scorpions, the entire crew was sick with the scurvy, the chief officer too ill to take any part in the navigation of the vessel. She was being driven about at the will of the elements, and the only active thing on board was a dog maddened by thirst. Second Officer Bryant volunteered and went on board the disease-stricken craft and succeeded in working her into the harbor of Queenstown, but not until after the captain and second officer had died. The news of Emperor William's gifts to the American sailors has just reached this city.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

WHO WILL BE LUCKY ONE?

Votes Coming With a Rush in Vacation Contest.

The vacation vote still goes up with a bound.
Some deserving young lady will get a 10 days' vacation at the Seaside at the expense of the Journal. Who will it be? Miss Winklemann's friends are evidently of the opinion that she will be the lucky one, as they are showering in the votes by the hundreds. She still led today, with Miss Benedict and Miss Chapman close seconds.
The vote today is as follows:
Miss Etta Winklemann.....1554
Miss Margaret Benedict.....1170
Miss Margaret Chapman.....1196
Miss Rose Franklin.....770
Miss Barbara Westenfelder.....708
Miss Lizzie Saub.....339
Miss Lessie Lind.....301
Miss Minnie Harris.....268
Miss Elizabeth Reiflen.....240
Mrs. Catherine Adams.....268
Mrs. Alice Staylor.....186
Miss Lizzie Wilson.....120
Miss Mildred R. Webb.....46
Miss Ursula Michel.....42
Miss Emily Byrne.....32
Miss Waddell.....35
Miss Lucy Hestonian.....11
Miss Bessie Zimmer.....51
Miss Laura Richardson.....51
Miss Bessie Hubbard.....15

RIVER AND OCEAN.

The new buildings have been completed at North Head for a Government signal observatory and were turned over yesterday, but until the instruments have all been installed will not be in active operation. This will be about July 1.

P. B. Cornwall and Vincent Poltee, owners of the ship Spartan, have brought suit at San Francisco against J. J. Moore & Co. to recover \$7500 damages for breach of charter party.

The German ship Herzogin Sophie Charlotte, official schoolship of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, will load nitrate in December on the West Coast of South America for the United Kingdom, at 2s 6d. The Herzogin Cecilia, of the same line, has been chartered to load wheat at Portland during the same month at 2s 6d.

On the arrival of the British ship Neville at San Francisco from Hamburg, a number of the boatmen got inside the quarantine line and were arrested, spending a night in quarantine. About 20 boatmen left before the officials caught up with them, but it is probable that they will be arrested later on.

The workmen at Sunter's Point drydock at San Francisco Monday almost had to suspend operations on account of the shoal of fish that invaded the slip. The steamer Pleiades was being placed in the dock for an overhauling and as she floated in on the top of high water a shoal of herring and smelt followed her in. When the gates were shut down and the pumps that clean the dock set to work the fish were soon in evidence. When the dock was finally dry there was a mass of fish a foot deep wriggling and squirming around the Pleiades.

An amendment to a bill designed to provide for the investigation of conduct of steam vessels was recently argued before the House committee on merchant marine. It authorized local boards of inspectors to investigate all acts of incompetency or misconduct committed by licensed officers and to summon witnesses before them in a manner similar to that of the United States Circuit or District Courts. After arguments were given the bill was reported adversely.

The Dominion government steamer Quadra has returned from a trip along the coast in search of the missing sealing schooner Halsec, which has been given up as lost with her crew of five whites and 24 Indians. The Quadra found considerable wreckage, but none of it could be identified as coming from the missing sealer.

A HARVEST FOR CROOKS

Will Invade London When Edward VII Is Crowned.

(Journal Special Service.)
LONDON, June 13.—The officials of Scotland Yard and the Metropolitan Police openly express fear of their inability to cope with the many thieves of all descriptions who have invaded London for the coronation, and a statement has been issued to the public asking residents and visitors alike to exercise the utmost vigilance in guarding their personal property during the next four weeks. The citizens of London are especially warned against their homes unguarded on the day of the coronation parade. The authorities believe that the invasion of crooks will be much larger than at the time of the Queen's Jubilee. The belief is based on the fact that a large advance guard of the gentry has already put in an appearance. The thieves of high and low degree, confidence men, badge workers, pickpockets and others who live by their nerve and wits believe that there will be rich picking during the coronation exercises, and they evidently want to be on the ground early.
Not only have they come from all parts of Great Britain, but from all over

EASTERN OREGON

Visitors Talk of the Conditions Existing There.

Senator John L. Rand, of Baker City, a prominent attorney, is among the Eastern Oregon visitors who are attending the Masonic meetings at Portland. Mr. Rand was elected Senator for the joint district centering at Baker City, defeating Senator William Smith by a majority of 87 votes. Senator Rand is interested in mining properties and speaks of the conditions obtaining in that district with some authority. He avers that this year will see more real progress than in any previous one. Heretofore, as in all mining districts, numbers of wildcat properties were thrown upon the market by people who had not the permanent interest of the district at heart, and who rushed in there to get out what they could from those who were excited and had no judgment. "These are now being eliminated," said Senator Rand, "and the district is getting down to a solid basis. Of course, there are yet wildcat schemes, but the situation is clearing, and now there are many men working and many stamps dropping and much gold really going out to the banks. The Baker City district will force ahead this year as never before, and the future is bright with promise of wealth and prosperity for the people who depend upon the minerals stored in these hills." Senator Rand returned home after the meeting of the Myotic Shrine, which is to be held on Saturday night.

Harry L. Hexter, of Pendleton, for 25 years a resident of that town, has come to Portland to remain, and will enter business here. He has removed his home to Portland, and will either open a retail business on his own account, or associate himself with others in wholesaling. Mr. Hexter was formerly a partner of B. Alexander & Hexter, dealers in general merchandise and one of the heaviest houses east of the mountains. Mr. Alexander continues the business. Mr. Hexter said to The Journal that the crop conditions in the Inland Empire are excellent. The wheat is coming on for a fine yield, and other grains are looking well. A fine clip of wool was taken from the sheep's back this spring, and good prices were realized for the same. Cattle-men have been doing better than for many years, and every part of the country seems to be in a happy frame of mind. Portland, as usual, will share in the prosperity of that region, inasmuch as an enormous volume of product will come through this city en route to the markets of the world. Mr. Hexter had looked over all of the Pacific Coast cities when he decided to leave Pendleton, and selected Portland as the best in point of solidity and promise for the future. He expects to make his home here permanently.

A. D. King, County Clerk of Malheur County, has been here for a time from his home in Vale. Mr. King thinks that the extreme eastern part of the state where he lives will sustain a development throughout the coming years that will make it vastly different from its present status. Oil deposits will be worked, and irrigation will make fertile and productive lands that now are useless. "Vast tracts heretofore barren will some day be brought to the use of the grain raiser and the orchardist in the Malheur country," says Mr. King, "and when that day comes, localities now regarded as worthless and forbidding will blossom like the rose, there will be something besides jackrabbits and sagebrush on those arid plains, and travelers will get something more than alkali dust when they pass over the country. The Malheur region has a future little thought of by the casual tourist. Why the oil alone, unless indications are deceptive, will constitute vast resources for the upbuilding of that region."

AT OLD CORNELL

Commencement Exercises Begin at Ithaca, New York.

(Journal Special Service.)
ITHACA, N. Y., June 13.—Final arrangements have been made for Cornell University's commencement week, which

will be ushered in tonight with the President's reception to the graduating class, their friends, and the faculties. The commencement session is to be preached in Sage Chapel Sunday afternoon by Rev. Henry Van Dyke, D. D., and the graduation exercises take place next Thursday. Relatives and friends of the students are arriving in large numbers and the week promises to be a notable one for the university.

ARKANSAS ANNUAL

State University Commencement Begins Tonight.

(Journal Special Service.)
FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., June 13.—The 25th annual commencement of the University of Arkansas begins this evening with the exercises of the Garland Literary Society. These exercises consist of songs, recitations and addresses. Sunday afternoon the commencement exercises proper begin with the baccalaureate sermon to be given by Rev. B. E. Taylor, D. D., of Denver, Colo. The town is filling up with alumni of the university and relatives and friends of the graduates, and a gala week is expected.

FIVE KILLED

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 13.—Five are dead, one fatally hurt and fifteen injured in a collision between the Nashville mail train and a train to Jasper, on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis road, late yesterday afternoon.
The killed were Engineer Collins of the accommodation train; L. A. Rankin, fireman of the accommodation; James Bernhard, fireman of the fast mail; Express Messenger Webb, of the fast mail; George Ray, engineer of the fast mail.
The injured are: Joe Baker, mail clerk; Fred Thatch, baggage master; R. R. Stover, mail clerk; A. W. Clark, mail clerk, seriously.

FAIRVIEW.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stone spent Thursday in Portland on a visit.
Mrs. P. Peterson and son Alvin, who have been away several months on a trip to Minnesota, returned home yesterday.
Mrs. M. B. Scott visited in Portland Thursday.
Mrs. Orin Dunbar of Goldendale, Wash., who has been visiting with Mrs. D. S. Dunbar, returned home this morning.
Ed Wetmore was in Portland on business today.
H. J. Campbell of San Francisco is visiting with A. L. Stone and family.
Mrs. Garson of Portland, who has been visiting Mrs. M. E. Hardingham, returned home yesterday.

A PLEA FOR CHILDREN

How the Kindergartens Benefit All Society.

To start at the foundation of things, we are compelled to admit that scores of unfortunate children that go to make up the great army of criminals, paupers, lunatics are not born right, and we are too apt to ignore this fact in an effort to develop citizens. We pay too little heed to the root-life of the human plant.
The kindergarten in its bearing on crime, pauperism and intemperance is a problem of most vital importance, and is at the very root of true reform.
Way back in the days of Aristotle he gave us a great truth when he urged "that the very playthings of the children have a bearing upon the life and work of the coming man."
It was Juvenal who said: "The man's character is made at 7. What he is then he always will be."
This seems like a very sweeping assertion, but Plato, Aristotle, Plutarch, Bacon, Locke, Lord Brougham and Lycurgus all emphasize the same idea. Leading educators of modern time all echo the thought.
Froebel, the great apostle of childhood, founded a system that is quietly revolutionizing many former methods of child culture.
Parentage and society both seem very clumsy in their treatment of child life. The state cannot afford to allow the embryo citizen to be neglected.
The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has from the first worked energetically to "save the child," and has had a special department of "kindergarten work" with its courses of study for mothers, for home-builders, etc. The Union Signal, the W. C. T. U. national organ, says:
"The government that ignores the needs of children, which crowd today the criminal quarters of its great cities and abandons them to ripen their pre-civilized propensities under such evil influences, becomes itself the foster-father of its own crimes; nurses its own children to fill its poor-houses, and raises its own youth to fill its prisons.
"Psychology, if on mere grounds of efficiency is not so great as earlier reports indicated. This is especially true in the great spring-wheat states of the Northwest. Through the winter-wheat belt of the Middle West a yield nearly as large as last year is reported from most quarters. In Kansas and many points South the yield of the enormously reduced acreage will be larger than at first indicated. Abundant rains have fallen and from all sections come reports that while the straw is short the growing grain is heading up very heavy, and an excellent product is expected. So far there is no trouble from insects.

financial economy alone, will yet force criminal jurisprudence to begin its work before rather than after this period of unmitigated penalty."
In the kindergarten philosophy lies the very germ of every department of the W. C. T. U. work. The ringing watchword is prevention; and kindergarten work is prevention.
Our evangelistic department recognizes the kindergarten as a deeply religious movement, broadly so. Froebel emphasizes this when he says:
"The object of education is the realization of a faithful, pure, and inviolate, hence holy, life." As a factor of our social department we believe that in the kindergarten the child learns the true lesson of solidarity, "that no man liveth for himself."
Every kindergarten knows the relation of the work to the purity reform, and so we might go on and on.
The W. C. T. U. of Portland put itself on record over a year ago when the question was first being agitated of incorporating the kindergartens of the city in the public school system.
The following resolution was passed:
"Whereas, We believe that there is an intimate relation between ignorance and crime, and that the prison stands over against the school, and that from one neglected child may come a stock of criminals and imperil the community; and that the foundation of national prosperity and perpetuity are to be laid deep down in our infant school, and that the best methods of infant schools carried on will be found in the kindergarten plan; therefore be it
"Resolved, That in our opinion free kindergartens should be multiplied till no child can be found left out, and should certainly become a part of our regular public school curriculum."
Certainly our White Ribboners will stand by this resolution.
And every up-to-date temperance reformer must see the relation of the kindergarten system of education to the future morals and well-being of our country.
L. H. F. A.

WHEAT CROP WILL BE BIG

(Journal Special Service.)
CHICAGO, June 13.—Advises received this week from all sections of the wheat belt indicate that the yield generally will be larger than at first anticipated. In important wheat-growing states the reduction in acreage compared with last

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