

**EXHIBITION HALLS  
AT LONDON'S FAIR  
SHOW LIFE, TRADE**

Buyers Come From Peru, China, Canada and Many Other Countries to Window Shop and Place Orders

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (Spl.) — Buyers of industrial products from five continents recently invaded London's annual British Industries fair held at Olympia and White City.

East meets west in the great exhibition halls, for here buyers come from Peru and China, Canada and Syria, France and Australia, to window-shop and place orders. They are guided through two miles of stands by a corps of interpreters, and the catalogue is printed in nine languages.

"The commercial London, which few tourists ever see, boasts many fine exhibition halls," says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society. "The best known in Olympia, while a short distance away are the White City and Earl's Court. They form a little city of spectacular show places not far west of London's aristocratic west end."

Six Acres Under Glass. "Olympia, a huge, glass-roofed building covering six acres, is the scene of two outstanding events of the spring in London—the royal military tournament and the horse show. This year furniture trades, ideal homes, terrier club, confectionery, radio, shipping, engineering, and automobile exhibits, the royal horticultural society's flower show, and a circus and fair will be held there.

"In near-by White City are held, under floodlights, rubber football games, and other athletic contests, and greyhound racing, besides many exhibitions. The huge Earl's Court exhibition hall is now closed.

Drab Delington, one of the most populous suburbs of northern London, houses royal agricultural hall, built in 1861. Cattle, horse and dog shows, used-car, shoe and leather, and brewers exhibits and public works displays spread over its three acres of space, while at Christmas time, there is fun and laughter at the inevitable circus and world's fair.

Recalls "Century of Progress" "In northwest London, a little station called Wembley park conjures up ghosts of a great exhibition, for here, in 1924 and 1925, was held the British empire exhibition. Called "Wembley" for short, it was to London what "A Century of Progress" was to Chicago, but all that remains today of its halls, Oriental temples, artificial lakes, fountains, and walks, is the empire stadium. This huge bowl is half as large again as the Colosseum at Rome, and has a seating capacity of 100,000.

"When the empire stadium is filled for England's great annual soccer game—the cup final—the spectator is treated to a thrilling sight. The king and the prince of Wales present cups and medals to the teams and players, military bands play stirring tunes, thousands of voices join in community singing, airplanes zoom overhead, and England becomes as wildly excited as the United States does during the world series.

"Before the World war, the cup final was played in the grounds of the Crystal Palace, the most imposing and romantic exhibition hall in London. It is a mammoth, drafty edifice of glass and iron, 1608 feet long, consisting of a great central hall with aisles and two transepts. At either end is a water tower 282 feet high.

"The Crystal Palace was originally built in Hyde Park for the great exhibition of 1851, but three years later it was removed to its present site on a hill at Upper Norwood, dominating southeast London. For decades, it has blended education with the amusement of side-shows, exhibitions, concerts, organ recitals, and fireworks displays. During the war it was used for training the royal naval division and was nicknamed "H. M. S. Crystal Palace. From 1920 to 1923 it housed the imperial war museum.

"The palace now is used for flower, dog and poultry shows. As side attractions it has a movie house, outdoor motor racing on the lake, and thrilling motorcycle races on its dirt track. Radio research is carried on in one of its flanking towers. The 200 acres of grounds are a quaint mixture of ancient and modern with tennis courts, walks, old classical statuary, row boats, and life-size models of prehistoric animals in their geological formations. The triennial Handel festivals, reminding American visitors of the famous Bach festivals at Bethlehem, Penn., are held in the Handel orchestra auditorium, which can accommodate 4000 persons.

"Exhibitions fascinate the British. They find in them gay spectacles and displays portraying their manners, modes, customs, and habits. The great exhibition, however, was a little too much for Charles Dickens, for he wrote to a friend on July 11, 1851: "I find I am used up by the exhibition. I don't say there is nothing in it—there's too much. I've only been twice; so many things bewildered me. . . . It is a dreadful thing to be obliged to be false, but when any one says: 'Have you seen?' I say yes, because if I don't, I know he'll explain it, and I can't bear that!"

LINFIELD QUARTETTE IN CONCERT THURSDAY  
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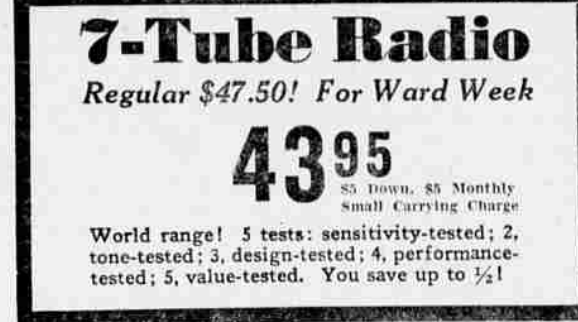
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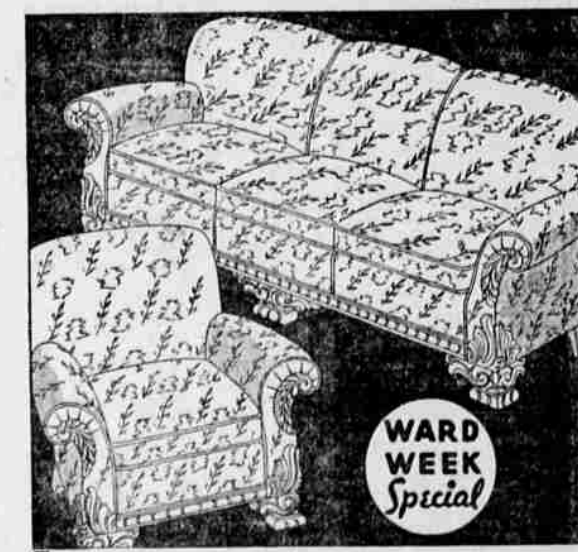
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