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 Sitting Bull Tribe No. 22, Improved Order of Red Men, meets every second and fourth Friday evening of each month at Davenport's Hall. Visiting brethren are fraternally invited to be present at the councils of the tribe.
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A. F. & A. M.
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O. E. S.
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D. OF H.
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G. A. R.
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M. W. A.
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K. of P.
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Does Honor to the State.
 The Tennessee centennial exposition is open to the world. An electric spark from the telegraph key in the White House at Washington set the wheels in motion at noon Saturday. It was the proudest hour in the history of Tennessee since the State came into the Union and caused its star to be sewed in the upper right-hand corner of the American flag. After six years of planning and one year of building, all in the face of financial depression, the White City of the South is ready for the people of the United States to admire, and the crowd that sent the turnstiles at the exposition gates whirling for the first time was scarce able to get inside the exposition park.



JOHN W. THOMAS,
 President Tennessee Centennial Exposition.

The opening of any festival was ever more gayly dressed than were the red brick houses of Nashville in honor of the dedication of the exposition.

From every quaint old Southern mansion, from every public building, from every store, and from the windows of the humblest cottages flags and banners fluttered in honor of the opening. The city was buried in a rainbow, which had varicolored shoots spreading throughout business thoroughfare and pike road. From the dismantled and grass-grown heights of Fort Negley to the blue mist that hangs over the hills beyond the cedars the stars and stripes cast the red, white and blue in the air and announced to all the tri-

umph of the old volunteer State and the entire South.

Every train that arrived in Nashville Saturday brought spectators and exhibitors, and along the Tennessee turnpikes, in spite of mud and frequent washouts, came carts and wagons bearing whole families, some of them from away up in the Cumberland hills. It took every penny that many of these families could scrape together for months to get ready for the journey, but they made it in spite of almost impassable mountain roads. Some of these families have friends scattered about the Nashville environs, where they stay while they take in the wonders of the exposition. Many of them brought their food along with them and will camp until the food runs out or they have no

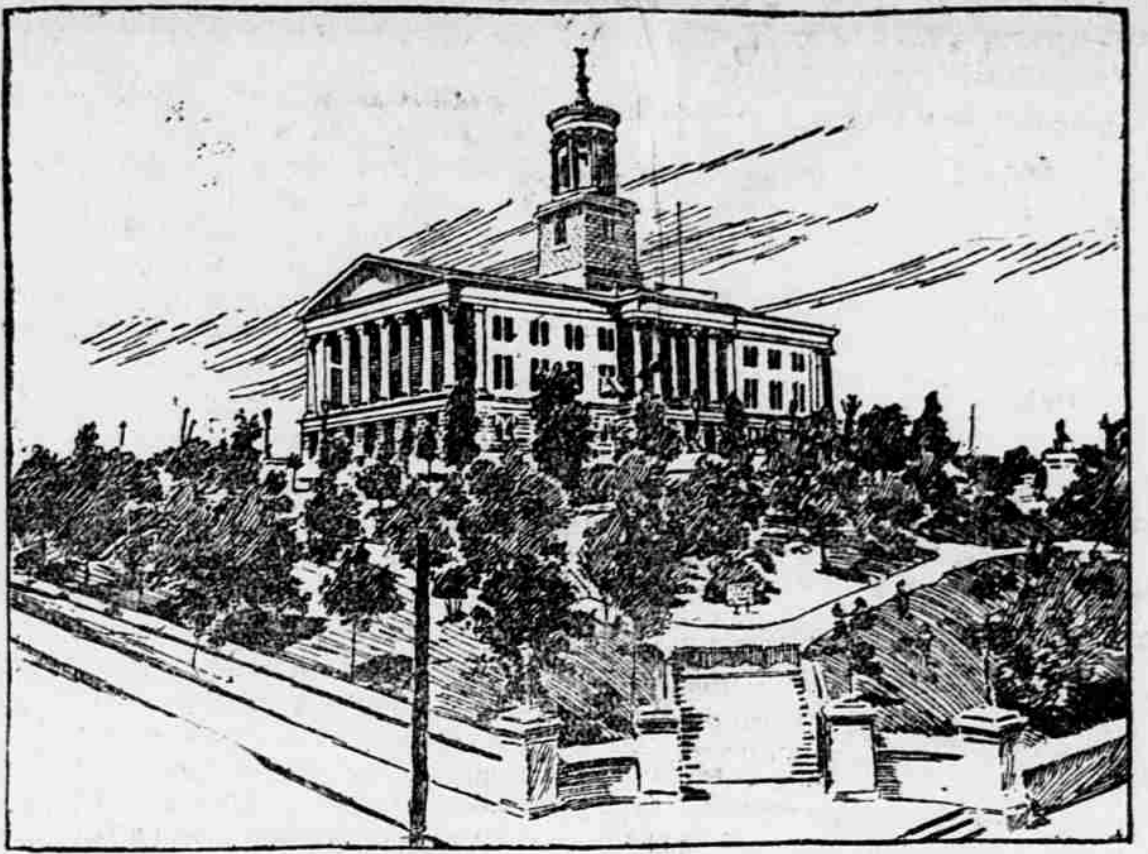
present in the woman's building to assist Mrs. Kirkman and other officers in receiving their friends. Admission to the woman's building prior to 3 o'clock in the afternoon was by invitation cards only. After that time the doors were opened to the public.



HERMAN JUSTI,
 Chief of the Bureau of Publicity and Promotion.

more money to pass the turnstiles. Excursion trains brought thousands to Nashville Saturday morning in time for the dedication. The hotels were forced to provide cots to accommodate their guests, but the hinges of Nashville's doors swing both ways and there was good accommodation.

When President McKinley touched the electric button in Washington the big wheels in the power house moved and an



TENNESSEE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING AT NASHVILLE.

exposition of the world's wealth was spread before the public view in more complete form than in any other national or international display. The exposition is a delight and a surprise.

The ceremonies of the day were simple, and yet not lacking of dignity for the occasion. The members of both houses of the Legislature, Gen. Ignacio Garcia, postmaster general of Mexico, and other distinguished guests assembled at the Union depot at 9:30 o'clock, and were taken in special trains to the terminal station on the exposition grounds. Upon entering the park the visitors assembled at the Administration Building, whence, upon the arrival of Gov. Robert L. Taylor and staff, the entire party, escorted by the officials of the exposition and members of the executive and other committees, proceeded to the auditorium, where seats had been reserved for the invited guests and their families.

Order of the Exercises.

The exercises at the auditorium commenced at 11 o'clock. Right Rev. Thos. F. Gailor, conajutor bishop of Tennessee, opened the proceedings with prayer. President Thomas then delivered an address on behalf of the exposition association, after which Gov. Taylor welcomed the visitors on behalf of the State. Major E. C. Lewis, director general of the exposition, followed with a few remarks, at the close of which he handed the keys to President Thomas. After receiving the keys and at a given signal, word was flashed over the wire to the White House and President McKinley pressed the button that set the vast machinery in motion. President Thomas then declared the exposition open to the world. Between each address patriotic airs were rendered by the band. At the conclusion of the exercises at the auditorium the members of the woman's board and their friends assembled at the grand fountain, in front of the woman's building. Dr. W. L. Dudley, director of affairs, presented the sculptor, Signor Moretti, to Mrs. Vanleer Kirkman, president of the woman's board, and Signor Moretti handed Mrs. Kirkman the key with which she started the fountain.

The members of the woman's board played an important part at the opening. At the close of the exercises in the auditorium every member of the board was



THE AUDITORIUM, WHERE ALL PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES ARE HELD.

A brilliant display of fireworks was given on the shores of Lake Wautauga, extending from the riatio past the front of the negro building to the boat landing on the west of the lake. A grand salute announced the commencement, and the surroundings were then illuminated in red and green effects. A flight of rockets was observed from the summit of the hill behind Vanity Fair, and aerial pieces of dazzling splendor were sent up from this point throughout the evening.

The first big exhibition piece, "The Phoenix," was followed by a flight of blazing pigeons and weeping willow rockets, making a gorgeous display. Then, after a series of other effects, was given a gigantic portrait of John Sevier, which was saluted by the ascension of tri-colored shells, bouquet rockets and peacock plume shells, and "the performing acrobats," a mechanical device in fire of marvelous beauty. Other exhibition pieces were the "Kaleidoscope," the "Emblem of Resonance Knights," the "Great Seal of Tennessee," the "Biogele Rider" and the "Fan," the latter being one of the best pyrotechnic effects ever produced.

Great Show's History.
 On June 1, 1799, George Washington issued the proclamation setting forth the fact that Tennessee was admitted as a State to the new Union. Tennessee was the sixteenth State to be so honored. Aside from the thirteen original States, Vermont and Kentucky were the immediate predecessors of Tennessee in entering the Union.

Patriotism flows in Tennessee in mighty rivers, and so the people of the State decided to celebrate its centennial with an exposition that would fittingly commemorate the historic event. The idea of so celebrating the State's passing century mark was born in the brain of a newspaper man several years ago, and through the efforts of the Nashville papers the first mass meeting to formulate plans was called. This took place June 24, 1894, in the capitol at Nashville, and from that time to the present day the enthusiasm of the people has been unabated.

The financial condition of the State rendered the work during the first year of the project an up-hill task. Davidson

County started the ball rolling by subscribing \$50,000 and individual subscriptions came gradually in. The State Legislature made an appropriation of \$50,000. People of Nashville instructed the city officials, by a popular vote, to issue \$100,000 in bonds for exposition purposes. Almost every city and town of importance in the State subscribed.



MRS. VANLEER KIRKMAN,
 President Woman's Department.

The inauguration exercises took place on the grounds of the original anniversary, June 1 last, and since that time a small army of workmen has been employed day and night in erecting buildings, etc. The majority of the States have heartily co-operated and some of their buildings, notably that of New York, are artistic in design. The grounds are but one mile from the city limits and 100 feet above the level of the city. The Government building is on an elevation, and from its roof a survey of the country for miles around can be had. The woman's building, the children's building, the commerce and transportation buildings, and the fine arts building are all decidedly creditable structures, and the exhibits are fully up to the standard of the Chicago exposition. Every day of the exposition will be given over to some special demonstration in connection with different societies and orders.

There possibly has never been so much real, unselfish patriotism shown by the officers of such a large public works. Everyone but the director general and chiefs of departments is working without salary, and they have all purchased season tickets for themselves and families. The director general, Eugene C. Lewis, is the genius of the exposition. He is a silent little man, with a long head, and can make a dollar go farther than almost anyone. He has every detail of the great work at his finger tips. The commissioner general, Maj. A. W. Willis, is one of the ablest men in the State. He was postmaster of Nashville under Harrison, and was one of the best the city has ever had. To him is largely due the interest of the State and other officials have manifested in the centennial. Herman Justi is the chief of the bureau of promotion and publicity, and is a capable man. He has no need of the salary, accepting the work simply because he was interested in the success of the enterprise. He is a banker and capitalist, and



CHILDREN'S BUILDING.

has been identified with financial institutions of the city for a number of years. Maj. John W. Thomas, president of the centennial company, is general manager of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway, and has always been foremost in every public enterprise affecting the State and the city of Nashville.

Each section of the State is represented by a vice president. Middle Tennessee is represented by Van Leer Kirkman of Nashville, East Tennessee by W. A. Henderson of Knoxville, and West Tennessee by John Overton Jr., of Memphis. They are all prominent and wealthy men, well suited to their positions. The Executive Committee is composed of the very best men in the State.

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