

ILLINOIS' GREAT INTEREST

Deep Concern Shown in the Success of the Transmississippi Exposition.

WARM SUPPORT GIVEN FROM THE FIRST

Friends of the Enterprise and How They Labored to Secure the Liberal Appropriation for the State's Participation.

Illinois did not forget that Nebraska counted \$50,000 toward the World's Columbian exposition. It is estimated that Nebraska has been largely settled by Illinois people and naturally there is a strong feeling between the two states...

There is a strong club of former residents of Illinois in Omaha. It is estimated that there are at least 2,000 people in this city who came from that state.

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proportion of \$45,000 was passed and was ready for the governor's signature on June 2, Messrs. Wells, Martin and Higbee having made several visits to Springfield.

Organizing the Commission.

A commission of twenty was organized September 16. At first it was the intention to make a big agricultural exhibit, but on second consideration this was thought to be like carrying coals to Newcastle, so it was concluded to have a fine fruit display in the general horticultural building, a southern Illinois is famed the world over for its splendid fruit, and to induce the large manufacturers of agricultural implements to secure good space in the machinery exhibit, and then put up a nice building, which would serve as a comfortable club house for the crowds of people coming from Illinois to the exposition.

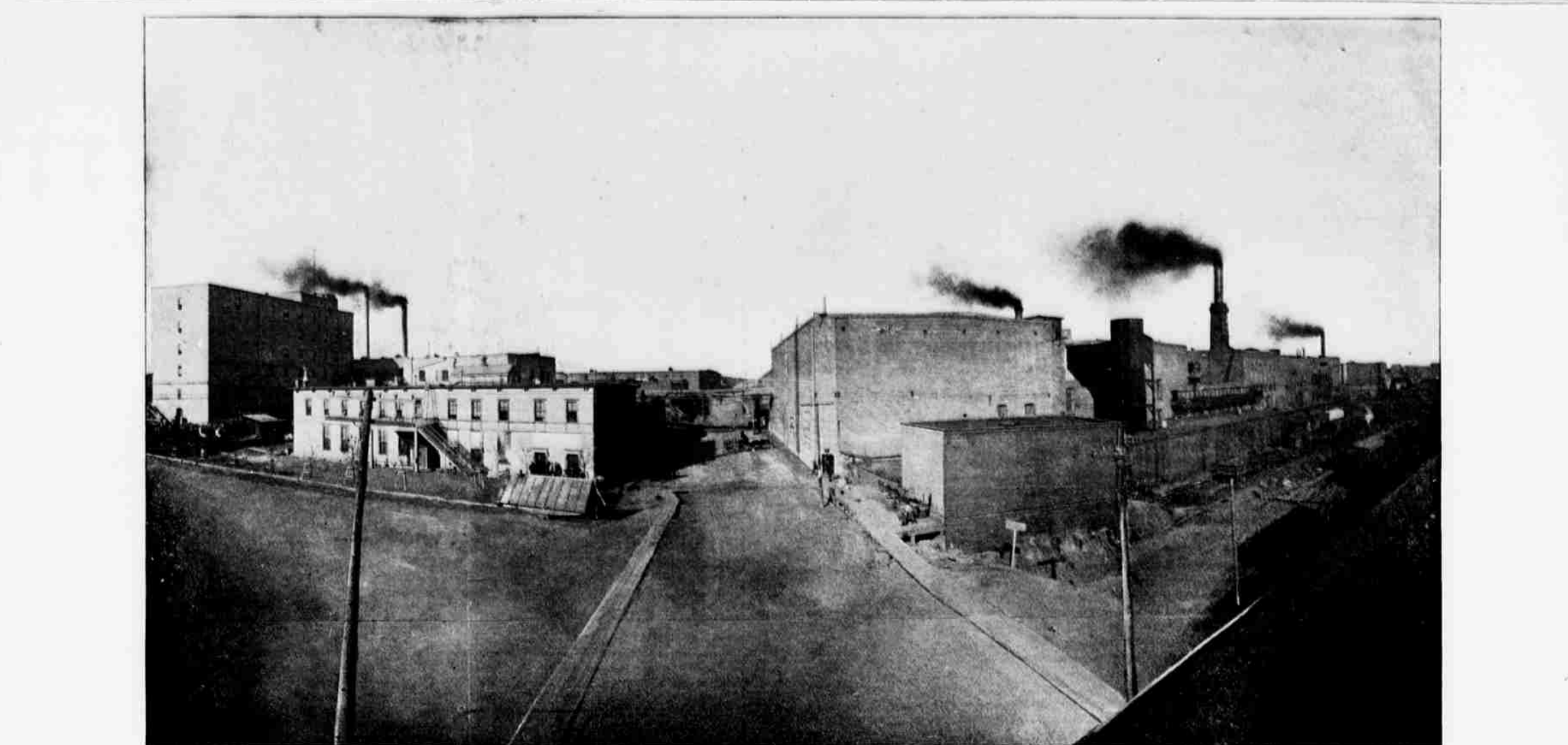
The commission was made up of Hon. Clark E. Carr of Galesburg, a well known political orator, who had been minister to Denmark under President Harrison; Lafayette Funk of Shirley, who, as a member of the State Board of Agriculture, had been in charge of the Illinois exhibit at the World's fair; Ferdinand W. Peck, the originator of the Auditorium, and who had been president of the state commission at the Nashville exposition; John M. Smith, William H. Harper, L. O. Goddard, E. S. Conway, James P. Whedon and Charles A. Mallory, all of Chicago; George W. Wall of DuQuoin, Oscar P. Trahern of Rockford, William B. Brinton of LaSalle, Edward C. Craig of Mattoon, Lewis H. Miner of Springfield, William H. Stead of Ottawa, James A. Black of Carthage, Randolph Smith of Flora, Charles C. Williams of Hoopston, C. H. Keeler of Dixon and Martin Kingman of Peoria.

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RECORD TO BE PROUD OF

Illinois the Home of Great Statesmen and Great Warriors.

STATE THE HOME OF LINCOLN AND GRANT

History of the Commonwealth Contains the Names of Many Men Who Won Honor and Fame.

In addition to the nation's material wealth or to the roll of its great names, Illinois desires to take second place to no other state. In commercial greatness the last generation has seen it become the rival of New York and as a producer of statesmen and warriors, the period of the civil war and thereafter gave it a place but little behind Virginia, the mother of presidents.

THE MAN WHO BUILT THE OREGON.

Called to Russia to Advise the Czar on Naval Matters.

The battleship Oregon, which broke four world's records on its recent phenomenal trip from San Francisco round Cape Horn to Key West, relates the New York Herald, is the work of an honored man.

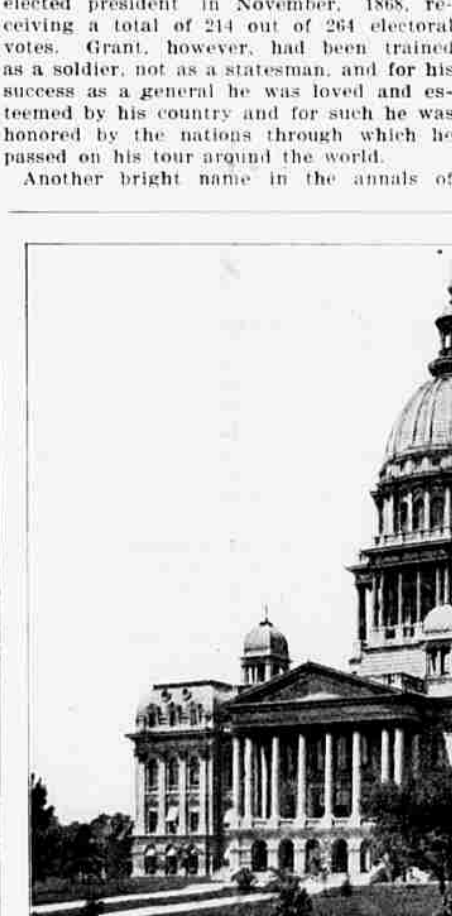
Reverse the Name of Lincoln.

Although Illinois was not the state of Lincoln's nativity or childhood, his birthplace was in Hardin county, Kentucky, it was the scene of his early manhood, of the character-forming period of his life which brought out in him the qualities of a patriot and a statesman.

Woman's Sweet Way.

Indiana's Journal: "The woman next door" said the fat man, "going to some sort of missed connections, had to fall to and do the washing herself last week. And what do you suppose my wife did?" "Went over and work herself out helping her," asked the lean man.

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Another Bright Light.

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