

When you come to Omaha to visit the Transmississippi Exposition (Open All Day Wednesday.)

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16th and Douglas

We invite you to make our establishment your meeting place and resting place-your office-yours for any purpose you see fit-your wash up and your lunch room-your package room-your home during the day-We will take care of all your things-and check them for you free of charge-

Open All Day WEDNESDAY

(Open All Day Wednesday.) Enabling you to save enough on your purchases to pay the expenses of your trip and more too. (Open All Day Wednesday.)



\$20 Men's Suits \$12.50

This store has been the scene of many a clothing sale. We have often bought out large stocks and offered them at astonishing low prices-but never have we had such a sale as that of-

BENEDICT & CO'S SUITS Bought 40c on the

Now in progress-never were customers so satisfied-and it's little won der, when the choicest suits of the season are selling at POSITIVELY LESS THAN COST OF MATERIALS.

\$10.00 Men's Suits \$4.98 30 styles of Benedict's strictly all wool Suits, in plain and fancy mixtures, all the most desirable

styles, well made garments, at..... \$15.00 Men's Suits \$6.98

Benedict's choice cheviot mixed tweeds, checks an plaids and cassimere Suits; also clay worsted Suits lined and trimmed as well as any \$15 suit, go tomor

\$17.50 Men's Suits \$9.98

Benedict's elegant serge, cheviot, unfinished worsted, cassimere and checked and plaid Scotch mixture suits, 150 different styles, elegantly lined, perfect fitting gar-

Benedict's Custom Tailor SUITS of the finest imported worsteds, Scotch cheviots and silk lined suits, perfect tailor work, go at......



3.00 Boys' Suits for \$1.59-All the Boys' fine (3 to 8) Vestee Sults, elegantly trim-med, and Boys' Double Breasted Sults, knee pants (8 to 15)-made to retail at \$3.00—go at

Boys' Suits, ages 3 to 15, strictly all wool Scotch Tweeds-light, medium and dark colors-3 to 8 sizes, richly trimmed with braid, suits that sell regularly at \$3.00 and \$3.50, go at

highest grade nobby and stylish trimmed suits for little fellows, and double breasted suits for boys from 8 to 16 years, made to retail at \$5.00, go at

doys' Long Pants Suits \$2.50-All the boys' and young men's black and blue cheviot and fancy cassimere Suits, ages 14 to 19 years, from the Benedict purchase, go tomorrow

the very finest Long Pants Suits, in sizes 4 to 18 years, in cassimeres, cheviots and UJ-JU



\$1.50, 98c, 10c Our Midsummer

Trimmed Millinery At special prices for Thursday and all the week. Large fine Leghorn Hats,

rimmed with flowers, chiffon, lace and oraments, over 200 to select from, all new colors, on sale at \$4.98 Over 100 trimmed hats, all styles, short

eack sailors, shepardess, etc., trimmed with hiffon and other light summer materials and flowers, formerly \$5, reduced to \$1.98 ..

The most astonishing Ladies' Suit, Separate Skirt and Cape selling sem for years. Suits, Skirts and Capes of all descriptions, all materials, and in every tyle for less than actual cost of material.



migatures, in fly front resfer styles, all worth \$25,00, go at

Great variety of wash suits in hiwn, pique, duck and many of them worth \$9.88, but sample suits at \$2.59.... Can Juits, blazer and sairt, the \$2.50 quality, all sizes, at 95 per suit

Great variety of Duck, Crash and Pique Separate Skirts at

49c, 98c, \$1.50 and \$5.00

Great special sale oof high class shirt waists, all styles, striped, plaid, checked and plain, in madras cloth, gingham, percale and lawn, go in two lots at 49c and 75c each.

Tomorrow Begins the Great Sale of

All the Wilton, Velvet and extra Velvet Carpets that always sell at \$1.50—we offer tomorrow in a choice line of patterns, as long as they last at &c

All the Brussels Carpet from the great W. & J. Sloane purchase, sold at wholesale up as high as 75c yard, we offer tomorrow in a beautiful line of patterns at 49c yard.

All the \$1.10, \$1.15 and \$1.25 Moquette and Axminster Carpet, with and with-out borders, in all the new and hand-some patterns that can only be pro-duced in this weave of carpet, we will offer to sell tomorrow at 85c yard

Strictly all wool Hartford Ingrain Carpet. This well nown and popular brand is selling right bere in Oma-ans a big bargain at 75c yard. We offer it in a very holce line of patterns at 50c yard.

The Greatest Malting Purchase Ever in Omaha
On sale tomorrow for the first time the finest line of Straw Matting ever brought to the west-they go at 10c, 12½c, 15c, 19c, 25c and 39c yard. There are many extreme novelties in this lot worth up to 90c yard.

IN THE DRAPERY DEPARTMENT.

One immense lot of Tapestry Portieres, go at \$1.98 pair—this is an exceptional bargain One very big lot of odd Lace Curtains, one and two pair of a kind, as long as they last go at 50c each, many very high class cur-

tain in this lot \$5.00 LACE CURTAINS AT \$2.50. One immense lot of fine Nottingham and imitation Brussels, worth up to \$5.00, over 50 styles to select from, including many heavy cluneys, many soft, lacey Brus-sels effects, all in one big lot at \$2.50 pair.

Special Bargains in Small Drapery Fixings-The NEW COTTAGE CURTAIN POLES, 15c each, worth 25c DOTTED SWISS, 36 inches wide, at stige yard, worth 25c Brass Extension 5c Rug Fringe, 18cds, 5c each 5c wool, 5c yard 10c 8kc 5c Rug Fringe, all 5c

124c

FELT WINDOW SHADES, 12½c, worth up to 25c.

Fine all stik SOFA PILLOWS, with frill all around, 50c each, worth \$1.50.

Our entire stock of 10c, 12½c and 15c Silkalines go at 7½c yard. Plain colored Drapery Denim remnants, extra heavy quality, plain colors only, go at 10c yard

71c 10c Extra! Extra! Special!

2 complete Shoe Stocks-bran new, sty-

Nearly Half Price

Every kind, color and style of shoe now worn-all sizes. 30 salesmen in this department to wait on you. The biggest shoe bargains ever seen

concluded with the important gathering of

the Transmississippi Educational convention

which will impart an educational flavor to

the month, and is expected to attract an at-

The notable gathering in July will be that

of the National Republican league, conven-

tendance of not less than 5,000 people.

LESSON OF THE EXPOSITION

As Viewed by Former United States Senator John J. Ingalls.

ILLUSTRATES POSSIBILITIES OF THE WEST

An Impressive Memorial of an Age Without Parallel Elsewhere and Never to Be Repented.

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The names

HE territories of Kansas and Nebraska were organized and opened for settlement in 1854. James A. Garfield, Phineas W. Hitchsock and I were fellow-students Williams college. the states from

which, n'neteen years afterward, Hitchcock and I sat together in the senate, were not written on any map. The nation of which Garfield was inaugurated president twenty-seven years later, had a population of 25,000,000. St. Louis, Des Moines and St. Paul were outposts, and Jefferson City was the farthest western point reached by railroad. Of the unborn empire of the northwest, the Missouri river was the frontier soon to be abolished by the vanguard of freedom on its march to the subjugation of the desert. Colorado, Dakota, Idaho, Wyoming and Montana were unspoken syllables The statistics of these fertile common wealths, whose productions of gold, silver, copper, cattle, wheat and corn have changed the deatiny of nations, were inscribed in no census tables. Omaha, Kansas City, Denver and other opulent cities, as familiar now to the eyes of the world as London, and St. Petersburg, could be from the Missouri to the Rio Grande, and from the Yellowstone to the Sierra Nevada, was an unknown and mysterious solitude. a land of remance and fable, which tempted the adventurous and the daring; a terra incognita with slow winding streams, stupendous mountain ranges and illimitable battlefield of savage tribes who subsisted by the chase and made war their pas-

No Lorger a Frontier.

For the first time since the Mayflower dropped anchor in Plymouth harbor America has no frontier, no western horizon beyoud which looms and beckens the bewildering mirage of the splendors and glories of a civilization yet to be. Ambitious youth hereafter will not know the irresistible allurements of the border, the fascination of its legends and traditions, its exulting freedom, its jeopardies, the joy of building states and forming their institutions. These are gode. Day by day the vague limit has receded before the axe and plow of the pioneer, the pick of the miner, the needle of the until there is no beyond. ferminus, the god of boundaries, has set the landmarks of commonwealths and the government has given its sanction to the twenty exhibitors hoporable

gilds with the rays of dawn the spires of Machins sheds his declining beams upon the headlands of St. Michael, where the multitudes that penetrate the Arctic fastnesses of the Klondike, with Campbell's exile, May hear above the waves' tumultuous

The wolf's long howl from Oon-alaska's shore.

Of all those vast movements of the human race in its westward path across continents and seas, from the Tigris and the Euphrates, around the globe, none have surpassed in dramatic circumstance and immensity of results that tremendous migration, which, in less than the lifetime of a single generation, has transformed the dominion of the desert into the garden-ground and granary of the earth. These peaceful hosts, armed with the alphabet and the plow, have conquered a domain whose extent makes the conquests of Caesar and Napoleon insignificant. Overcoming the obstacles of nature with irresistible energy, they have added to the productive area of the republic a territory greater than that of France and Germany combined, and to its wealth and resources an aggregate that arithmetic cannot compute. Great as are these material results, they have been accompanied by greater achievements in education, benevolence, political order and self-control, which give renewed illustrations of the capability of man

for social regeneration, and of the compatibility of democratic institutions with the highest intellectual and moral activity. To celebrate these triumphs, to commemo rate an historic epoch, and to inspire man kind with continued devotion to the ideas that have made such annals possible, the people of Omaha have organized the Transmississippi and International Exposition whose gates will be open from June until November of the current year.

Upon an elevated table-land adjacent to the city on the north, overlooking the broad, deep intervale of the Missouri, diversified with forest, field and farm to the remote horizon, has arisen an array of domed and towered structures which would be unique in magnificence if the memory found in no gazetteer. That vast region of the Court of Honor did not remain, and which will not suffer even by comparison with that realization of the hitherto unachieved in transitory architecture.

Ranged in stately succession along the sides of a great quadrangle, the colonnades and porticoes are reflected in a Venetian canal spanned by graceful viaducts, with pastures, alternately the hunting ground and terraces, promenades and alleys, shadowed with groves and gay with beds of flowers Exterior, to the north and east are the buildings of the states, the fields for games of strength and skill, the concessions for refreshment and comfort, and the confused medley of amusements, recreations and diversions which afford relaxation to the studious and excite the mirth of the rural.

Scope of the Exposition. Originally designed by the Commercial congress of 1895 to exhibit the agriculture, commerce, industries and civilization of the new west, the exposition has far outgrown the purpose of its projectors and assumed not only continental but international proportions. Many foreign powers will be represented by displays and commissioners, and nearly every state and territory will unite in friendly emulation to surpass the for one week. There was one judge. He marvels of Nashville and Atlanta. The awarded

cornerstones of the continent. The sun that conterprise by the construction of the larg- From this humble germination novel collections from the various departments, of unprecedented variety and in- nations.

terest. This magnificent edifice. not unlike the capitol in architectural motive, will have surpass anything attempted heretofore.

It seems incredible that men are now livsuccessive steps in the development of agricultural machinery, by which, as ex-Senator Evarts facetiously said "farming has become entirely a sedentary occupation," above all other conditions that make the the Omaha exposition. Had it not been for mower, and thresher, the prairies of the west would yet have been lying fallow, save for the tillage of nature, and not a furrow would have been turned beyond the Missouri History records the wonders of Egypt, its temples and palaces, its statues, pyramids and cities, its wealth and learning and glory, surviving the wrecks of thirty centuries These were the result of the labors of a few million slaves, with rude implements, upon the narrow margin of fertility along the Nile and its delta, not exceeding in area one-tenth part of the state of Nebraska. The imagination is baffled in contemplating the future of that region whose genesis will be told by the Omaha exposition, when the toil of intelligent freemen supplemented by

tions shall have completely developed its inmeasured resources. In addition to agriculture, adequate preparations are made in noble tenements for manufactures, mines and mining, machinery, electricity, and the fine and liberal arts, and for congresses and conventions, where the problems of the past and the future will be treated by the most eminent scholars and thinkers of the world. Nothing will be omitted to make the occasion memorable and worthy of the great epoch of which it will be one of the

machinery and new discoveries and inven-

Industrial Expositions Modern. These industrial expositions, which are so prominent a feature in our civilization, are of comparatively recent origin, because it is only by easy and cheap transportation that they have become possible. electricity have made near neighbors of those who would have remained strangers a century ago. The railroad and the telegraph have abolished boundaries and made the whole world turn to the exposition as the mart where states and nations assemble in pacific emulation and friendly rivalry, to exchange ideas, to compare methods, establish trade relations, to improve industry, to elevate taste, to stimulate invention and to celebrate the victories of peace It is just 100 years ago that the first ex position was held in France. It continued

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est building on the plateau, to be filled with positions have expanded antil they have become important events in the history of

While the Transmississippi Exposition at its Omaha will not reach the proportions of the World's fairs at Paris, Vienna, London and many novel features, and the display of Chicago, it will in some respects be more agricultural products and developments will interesting to Americans, because it will present an impressive memorial of an ago in our history which is without parallel elseing who can remember the time when there where and can never be repeated, because was not an acre of grain in the world that there is no theater upon which the great was not sowed broadcast by hand and reaped drama can be reproduced. It will afford an by the sickle and cradle, nor a bushel that unrivaled opportunity for cultivating betwas not threashed upon the barn floor with ter acquaintance with the manners and cus-"the dull thunder of the alternate flail," and toms of that gigantic generation which laid winnowed by the wandering winds. The the foundations and established the institu-

tions of the empire of the west. The future triumphs of the English speaking races are to be won in the valley of the Mississippi, and not on the shores of are among the most marvelous achieve- the Thames or the Hudson. Miraculous as ments of an age in which more has been has been the growth in wealth and numbers ecomplished for human progress than in all of the transmississippi region, its capacities the 6,000 years that preceded. It is this are but imperfectly suspected, even by those who have been boldest in their predictions. empire of the west possible and justifies It will support a population of 250,000,000 without taxing its resources to exhaustion. the steel plowshare, the steam reaper and and by the close of the twentieth century its conventions of their respective bodies to labor.

This is the instruction of the Omaha exposition. Its mission is to communicate to and they will be welcomed with the hosmankind the impulses to which it owes its pitality for which Omeha has gained an origin. Its result will be to extend the enviable reputation. Elaborate preparations boundaries of knowledge, to increase the for their entertainment have been made by opportunities for handlines, to stimulate the Commercial club in conjunction with the patriotism, and to give to the world final testimony of the value of free institutions, ganizations, and they will find suitable acand of the capacity of the American people commodations awaiting them. for self-government.

OMAHA THE CONVENTION CITY

Warm Welcome and Cordial Hospitality is Assured to Visitors of All Creeds and All Classes.



forts were begun by local members of state and national organizations to bring the 1898 possessions will far exceed the assets now this city. The special inducement was that inscribed upon the national ledger. Science the exposition would offer an added attracwill discover new applications for over- tion to those desiring to attend a gathering coming the obstacles of nature. The of their particular craft or calling, and as inventions of Edison will replenish the a complement of the conventions would make treasuries of the world with the gold of its their visit doubly valuable and entertaining. mountain ranges, and the discoveries of These efforts have been so unusually suc-Tesla may convert the wasted forces of its cessful that more than 100 national bodies winds and rivers into applied energy that have settled upon Omaha for their meeting will carry on all the operations of indus- place this summer, a larger number than try without the intervention of human have ever met in a single city during a similar period. Many of these conventions rank among the most important in the country The first convention of national interest

MODERN MECCA FOR ALL ORGANIZATIONS ing from July 15 to 17. This will bring to



MAHA will be the be prominent, which is sure to give a degreat convention city of the United States during the exposition season. When it became a fact that an ! exposition of international proportions

FROM THE PERISTYLE.



Long List of Great Gatherings Meet Here This Season.

> the city many of the best known political leaders of the United States, and its sessions

will be regarded with interest in every part of the country. The assemblies in August will partake largely of an athletic character, and among these the National Bohemian Turnfest will

cided impetus to gymnastic work among the local turners and will be an event of more than ordinary importance to those interested in athletics. September will be introduced by the labor congress, which opens on Labor day and continues one week. It will be followed by would transpire other congresses, mostly of a religious and educational character. The month will be this city during the summer of 1898, ef-

> has been dedicated to Nebraska, June 17 to Wisconsin and June 21 to Illinois. Various college alumni have also applied for special days to devote to reunions of former school-

notably concluded by the Ak-Sar-Ben fes-

tivities, celebrated with more than the usual

The program of conventions and similar

gatherings will be interspersed with special

days at the exposition for states and cities.

Among those arranged at this time June 14

mates throughout the country,

of America.

The list of conventions, so far as dates have been definitely arranged, is: May 31 to June 3, Travelers' Protective ssociation. June 7 to 9. Association of Retail Liquor

List of Conventions.

Dealers: Superintendents and Master Mechanics of the Burlington System. June 8 to 9, American Association of June 10 to 11, Western Society of Whole-

sale Nurserymen June 12 to 13. National Reform Press asociation. June 13 to 15. Danish Lutheran Church

June 14 to 16, Nebraska State Medical society. June 14, 15 and 16, Railway Special Agents' association. June 13, 14 and 15, United States Military Telegraph corps; Old-Time Telegraphers' association.

June 15 to 16, National committee popuist party. June 15 to 17, Interstate Grain Men's asociation.

June 14 to 16, National Association of Postai Clerks. June 14, Nebraska Veteran Free Masons. June 15, Nebraska Masonic grand lodge. June 18 to 19, convention of General Federation of Women's Clubs. June 20 to July 5, National Congress of

Music. June 21. Eclectic Medical association. June 22 to 25, Grand Chapter of Nebraska. Order of the Eastern Star. June 22 to 24, the Gulf and Interstate

Transportation committee. June 28 to 30, Transmississippi Educational

June 23 to 30, American Institute of

scheduled is that of the Travelers' Protective Homeopathy; Nebraska State Homeopathical Medical association. association, now in session. June will be

June 28 to 30, Congress of Child Study;

June 21, Swedish Epworth league.

Transmississippi Educational convention. July 5 to 8, American Institute of Electrical Engineers. July 12 to 13, Nebraska Funeral Directors' July 15 to 17, National Republican league,

July 18, National Alliance of Theatrical Stage employes. July 19, Interstate convention, Independent Order of Foresters.

July 25 to 31, Northwestern Cricket association. July 27 to 28, United States League of Local Building and Loan associations. August 16 to 19, Society of American Florists; Nebraska State Photograph associa-

tion; the Transmississippi Convention of Photographers. August 19 to 21, Nebraska Saengerbund. August 22 to 27, National Congress Retail Liquor Dealers. August 28 to 30, Western District

Bohemian tournament. August 29, Nebraska Dental association. August 30 to September 2, National Dental society. September 5 to 10, Labor Congress.

September 2 to 3, National Association of Dental Faculties. September 5 to 7, Nebraska State Pharmaceutical association. September 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, national

convention of Charities and Corrections. September 12, 13, 14 and 15, Sons of Veterans of the United States. September 12 to 17, Association American Cemetery superintendents. September 23, Western Travelers'

Accident association. September 19 to October 1, Nebraska Poultry association October 18 to 25, the Liberal Congress of Religion.

October 26, American Association of Fairs and Expositions The exact dates for the following have not been specified: Nebraska State Horticultural society, Congress of Christian Activities, Congress of Social Economics, State Federation of Women's clubs, National Household Economic association; National Live Stock exchange; American

EXPOSITION NOTES.

Maize Propoganda, and National Council of

Women, Library Congress, Monetary Con-

Nearly one-third of the entire exposition grounds has been improved by the land-scape gardeners, and over twenty acres either sodded or sown with grass seed. There are 50,000 square yards of brick pavement around the lagoon, in which 2,-00,000 brick were used. Nearly 100,000 wagonloads of gravel were required for the walks and avenues.

There have been numerous calculations of the amount of water that the lagoon will hold, but owing to the irregular formation of the excavation no two of them come within several million gailons of agreeing. The lagoon is 2,296 feet long and from 100 to 400 feet wide. Its greatest width is at the west end and it is narrowest next to Sher-man avenue. It is about 150 feet wide for a considerabe distance through the cen-ter. As the water ranges from a foot or two in depth at the east end to eight feet in the Mirror the task of computing the actual volume woud require an extensive