

PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE

Exposition Has a Separate and Distinct Fire Department.

IT IS MANNED WITH THE VERY BEST OF MEN

In Addition to the Engines, Stand Pipes are Placed in Buildings for Use in Case of a Conflagration.

The protection of an exposition against fire is always a vital question and one which causes the management of any enterprise of that nature a great deal of uneasiness.

until the exposition is safely brought to a close and everything is removed from the grounds. The Transmississippi Exposition is no exception to this general rule and a great deal of thought has been devoted to this particular department. The entire charge of the grounds of the exposition, including the buildings, is vested in the Department of Buildings and Grounds.

A system has been arranged which is believed to be extensive enough to meet all the requirements of the most perfect protection as possible to be obtained.

There is now stationed on the exposition grounds, in the hose house, standing temporarily on the site of the auditorium, the middle of the tract, a four-wheel hose reel manned by five men. These men were picked from the Omaha fire department and are all experienced fire fighters. They are all single men and live on the grounds.

Within a short time the hose in which this company is sheltered will be moved from its present temporary location to a centrally situated building.

Another hose will be erected on the bluff tract opposite the water tower, from the main court onto the bluff tract.

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It is his intention to have a concert in the Auditorium afternoon and evening at least twice each week. These concerts will include all classes of music. There will be orchestral numbers, solos by noted singers and oratorios by different choral societies.

The Omaha Exposition chorus will meet at Hayden's music hall at 8 o'clock tomorrow night, at which time the beautiful Easter hymn from Cavalleria Rusticana will be taken up and a portion of the time will probably be devoted to Stainer's "Daughter of Jairo." This chorus is meeting with great encouragement from the singers of Omaha and a general invitation is extended to all singers to join this organization and help along the good cause.

There is room for singers in all branches of the chorus. One of the rules provides that simplicity will prevail in the matter of dress; the women will wear a blue serge sack coat, with pants and straw hat.

BRINGING ORDER OUT OF CHAOS. Exposition Buildings are Rapidly Nearing Completion.

The grounds of the main court of the exposition grounds are in a top-up condition and visitors find considerable difficulty in making their way about unless they are athletically inclined and are fond of jumping over ditches and other obstructions. The work of laying storm water sewers to carry the water from the roofs of the main buildings is being pushed and a large force of men, divided into gangs, are crowding the work as fast as possible.

Another large force under the direction of Architect Ulrich is also digging up the ground and interfering with sightseeing by planting trees and making other preparations for the beautification of the grounds.

Mr. Ulrich will another force of workmen engaged in putting a heavy iron railing all around the banks of the lawn and making approaches to the water edge, which is to be placed on it, and making various other preparations.

In addition to the work being done upon the ground, both above and below, numerous workmen are engaged in putting the finishing touches on the main buildings.

The scaffolding used by the staff workers on the Manufactures, Agriculture and Liberal Arts buildings is being removed and these three buildings now take their place in the group of completed palaces.

In which class the Mines and Machinery buildings have been for some time. The Architecture building is now in the hands of the architect and rapid progress is promised by Smith & Eastman, the staff contractors. They will put their entire force on this building and it will be completed within a very short time.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' BUILDING

Money Enough in Sight and Work to Be Commenced at Once.

ITS ERECTION NOW AN ASSURED FACT

Woman's Board of Managers Has Funds in Hand to Construct the Building According to Present Plans.

Active work on the Girls' and Boys' building will be commenced at once. Sufficient funds are in hand or guaranteed to remove any element of doubt regarding the erection of this building, and the work of construction will be inaugurated as soon as the necessary preliminaries can be arranged.

It is estimated that the building will cost about \$7,000 or \$8,000, and the necessary funds will be raised by a number of prominent citizens. It is estimated that the profits from the Hatchet will be at least \$1,000, and the same sum will be turned into the building fund.

To these amounts a generous citizen of Omaha, who has contributed liberally to more than one enterprise, has notified the women in charge of the movement that he will be responsible for \$1,000 if it becomes necessary to take up the matter of making changes in the plans as now laid out.

The members of the board who have been interested in making this building a success have discovered that it is one of the most desirable buildings on the exposition grounds in the eyes of many exhibitors and therefore will have no difficulty in selling space in it sufficient to fill the building.

The large assembly room on the main floor of the building is in great demand for lectures on various subjects and good prices are offered for the use of the same.

DECIDE TO GO AHEAD. With these sources of income in prospect the members of the executive committee of the board feel that they will be perfectly safe in going ahead with the building and it is probable that there will be a substantial balance in the ledger account when the exposition closes.

The executive committee of the Woman's Board of Managers has fixed definitely upon the plans for the building and full drawings and specifications will be laid before the committee at its meeting next coming week. The building will be approximately 100 feet square, with a large assembly room in the center of the main floor and three rooms on the second floor.

A large vestibule in front and a large room for a canteen at the rear will afford ample room for the various interests to be accommodated. A single room on the second floor will be set apart for the use of girls, and the adjoining it will be given over to the boys, but the fathers will not be in the building. The other rooms will be for exhibits and space will also be given to small exhibits around the sides of the assembly room. The second story of the building will be occupied by a number of small exhibits.

The certificates of stock for the Girls' and Boys' building have been prepared and sent out to all subscribers so far as they can be made ready for mailing.

COUNTY AND THE EXPOSITION. Participation on a Generous Scale by the People is the Program.

At the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held December 14, 1897, the members voted to appropriate the sum of \$50,000, proceeds of the sale of the \$100,000 of exposition bonds, voted last November, to the immediate use of the exposition to aid in the construction of buildings on the grounds. At that meeting it was decided to hold \$25,000 additional.

The other \$25,000 was to be held in reserve for the construction of buildings on the grounds. At that meeting it was decided to hold \$25,000 additional. The money is apportioned as follows: In the payment of the interest on the \$100,000, Dairy building, \$2,500; Apiary building, \$1,500; Live Stock and Poultry building, \$8,000; maintenance, \$5,000.

The county attorney, George W. Bickford, in his judgment the transfer was legal. Ed Walker of Florence was appointed to look about the county and gather fruits for the exposition.

John Taylor of Waterloo and James Walsh of McAlester were named for the Agricultural department and were authorized to gather grains and grasses to be placed on exhibit during the early days of the exposition. These were applied for and the county paid \$25 per month from March 7. They are allowed \$150 each for expenses.

The Lincoln State Journal company was allowed \$141 for records furnished. This company has no contract with the county, but it has a patent index which the county needs and is willing to sell the number of the offices, and consequently they purchase the records from the Lincoln concern. Commissioners have given the War department information relative to macadamizing the Fort Crook boulevard. They said that the work for distance of one mile could be macadamized and put in first class condition for the sum of \$50,000.

W. H. Mallory was appointed assessor last fall, but failed to qualify within the required time. The Packers' National bank of South Omaha was designated as a depository for county funds to the amount of \$50,000, it agreeing to pay the required interest, 3 percent on the daily balance.

P. S. Skinner was licensed to operate a ferry over the Missouri river at some point in the vicinity of Florence. One Illinois boat was placed in the office of the county judge.

J. A. Wisterman was appointed to some position in connection with the exposition. The request was referred to the board.

UTAH GETTING MEASUREMENTS. Commissioners Plan to Arrange a Very Attractive Exhibit.

L. W. Shurtliff of Ogden, chairman of the Utah Exposition commission, and George D. Pyper of Salt Lake City, superintendent of exhibits for the commission, are in the city looking over the grounds assigned to Utah.

The various buildings in order to have a more intelligent idea of the best manner to make Utah's exhibits as effective as possible. They went out to the various buildings and saw the good and the number of costumes that appeared on the floor was unusually large. In addition they observed the general situation and the probable surroundings by other states.

This trip was Mr. Pyper's first since the completion of the exposition was commenced, and he expressed the greatest gratification at the prospect for a fine exhibition. He was connected with the exhibit made by Utah at the World's fair, and was in charge of the exhibit made at Atlanta and at Nashville, hence he is something of an authority.

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Our show window contains a bargain.

A full-size upright mahogany piano, hand-carved, dret music rack, roll fall board, three pedals, the finest up-to-date case and looks almost like new. Price, \$133.00. Terms \$35.00 cash, \$100.00 per month. Do you know its like for price? We invite your inspection of our stock inside. We may have better bargains within.

A. C. RAYMER, 1514 Farnam St.

MUSIC AND AN 1513 Douglas

There's going to be fences to repair, stakes to drive and any number of things to do when you get to spring yard cleaning—Axes, hatchets and hammers will be in demand—We believe we've the largest and most complete line of tools ever shown in Omaha—Tools for the mechanic or for yourself to tinker around with—All kinds of builders' hardware—Little things that you'll want for repairing big things for building a whole new house—We furnish estimates on any kind or sized job—prices are what knock—At least our prices keep us busy all the time—We deliver your purchases.

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our collection to Omaha between April 15 and May 10. People take it for granted," continued Mr. Pyper, "that Utah can make a good exhibit in mining and agriculture, but there are a great many who do not realize that our state has manufacturing industries on a very large scale. We will make a silk exhibit that I believe will make the people open their eyes. Our woolen exhibit will be a limited appropriation, \$8,000, and our commission has not attempted to secure additional funds for that purpose, so we will be greatly limited in that respect, but we will make a good exhibit, nevertheless."

Messrs. Shurtliff and Pyper will return home at once and the work of preparing will be continued until the time comes to ship their material to Omaha, at which time Mr. Pyper will come here and take charge of the installation.

Pictures for the Exposition. ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., March 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Franc Luss Albright, wife of Colonel J. G. Albright, the "alfalfa king" of the Rio Grande valley, since leaving journalism, has been chosen the New Mexican editor of the "World's" fair at Chicago and her views of New Mexico at the exposition there were much admired. The lady also made a fine exhibit of views at the Tennessee Centennial at Nashville.

Captain Ward Goes East. Captain W. C. Ward, U. S. A., in charge of the War department exhibit on the Board of Control of the government building, started east last night to attend the meeting of the board, which will be held in Washington Tuesday of this week. The exhibit will be in the east, visiting several of the armaments for this purpose, and will return the material constituting this exhibit will commence to arrive.

Kentucky Legislature Interested. Special Commissioner R. W. Richardson, who is promoting the exposition in Ohio, has been invited to address the Kentucky legislature providing for a state exhibit and an appropriation for a state building.

He also stated that the Chamber of Commerce at Cincinnati has passed a strong resolution in favor of the Ohio legislature to make an appropriation for state participation and to provide for a state commission.

Another View of the Grounds. The Department of Publicity and Promotion is negotiating for a lithograph of the bird's-eye view of the exposition grounds. The drawing has been prepared and a proof submitted. It covers a sheet 30x42 inches and is the full size of the artistic drawing of the grounds and the entire building has been thoroughly renovated, kalsomined and refitted. While this has been going on a continual procession of drays and express wagons have been delivering carloads of material in readiness for display and tomorrow the people of Omaha will have an opportunity to pass judgment on the result.

A glance at the interior of the magnificent establishment is sufficient to indicate what their decision will be. The 160,000 square feet of floor surface is burdened with such a lavish display of handsome furnishings as has never been seen in Omaha before. It includes every imaginable item that enters into the furnishing of the humblest home or the most palatial residence. Here is everything from an egg beater to a folding bed and from wooden chairs to the most luxurious parlor sets. The Farnam street store is entirely occupied by the goods of the finest displays of crockery that has ever been brought to the city. Further on is an entire department devoted exclusively to rockers of the latest styles and every degree of finish and value. The remaining department on this floor is occupied by the stock of silverware, which is complete in detail and includes a variety that covers the requirements of every customer.

ON THE OTHER FLOORS. On the second floor is found the parlor furniture, book cases, mirrors and iron beds. Each of these occupies a distinct department and these are so arranged that no matter how the prices may be bargained with visitors each customer can select what is wanted at a glance.

The stock of carpets and draperies on the fourth floor is in keeping with the other features of the establishment. It includes every imaginable shade and pattern, as well as every grade of value, from cheap matting to the most expensive and costly of the looms and the latest maker's art. Even the floor of the incense building is occupied, even then the firm is compelled to retain goods either on Harney street in order to handle its stock.

The intensity of the new undertaking appears when it is understood that every particle of the bewildering display comes from the factory. Not a single piece of the old stock is given a place in the new store. What remained in the old building was sold out at auction yesterday afternoon and even the firm begins business tomorrow with goods that are exclusively of this year's manufacture. The popular system of selling goods either for cash or credit will be continued, and fifteen additional clerks have been engaged to meet the enlarged necessities of the business.

GENIUS OF THE BUSINESS. The amount of hard work and enterprising calculation that has been required to build up such a tremendous business in eleven years can scarcely be comprehended. In the beginning the firm was able to do business successfully with two employees. Now it has 110 people on its pay roll, and the number is constantly increasing. Where one man was once sufficient to deliver the goods, it now requires twelve double teams, and these are busy every hour of the day. It is a significant fact that the firm has

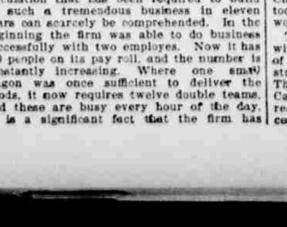
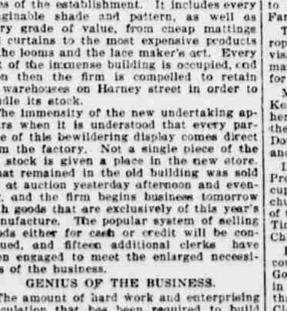
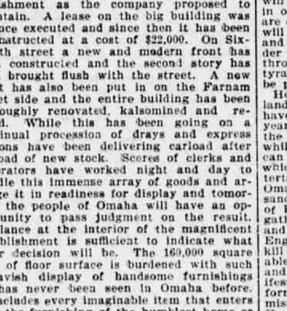
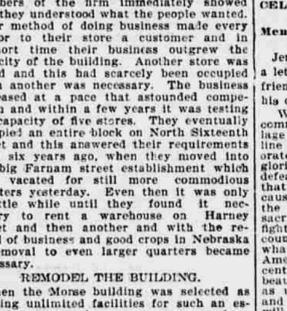
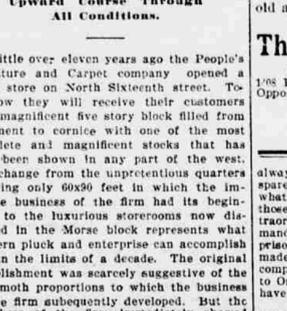
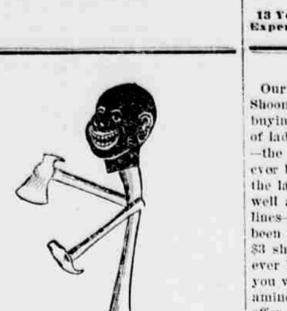
Danish Association Celebrates. The Danish association of this city celebrated its twenty-seventh anniversary last night in Washington hall. The affair was in main a masquerade ball, but during the course of the evening an interesting pantomime was given, and a number of costumes that appeared on the floor was unusually large. In addition they observed the general situation and the probable surroundings by other states.

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Jolly Eight Dancing Club. The Jolly Eight Dancing club gave its regular monthly dance in Patterson hall last night. A large number of the friends of the club were present. The colors of the body, the balloons, the effect was heightened by the play of the program of twenty-two well selected dances was greatly enjoyed.

Reviewing Ohio National Guard. CINCINNATI, March 5.—Colonel Cochran, commandant of Fort Thomas, reviewed the Ohio National Guard at Cincinnati yesterday. Numerous officers of the national guard from other parts of Ohio and from other states were present. The review of the national guard of the regiment made a great showing.



This is not the long and short man with the yellow mask—No, for we wouldn't have anything to do with any body or anything that savors of a hold-up—We have built up our big dental business by doing two things—giving the best work that skill, experience and mechanical improvements are capable of—and making our charges so low that its folly to look for so-called cheap dentists without reputation or standing—Now we furnish small gold fillings for \$2—silver and gold alloy for \$1 and extract teeth at 50 cents—use gas if you want, but it's more without it 50c, and no pain—Lady attendant.

Our show windows show that Drexel L. Shoeman is ready for the spring shoe buying—We're complete now in all lines of ladies', men's and children's footwear—the largest and most complete stock ever brought to the west—embracing all the latest novelties for shoe wearers, as well as the more staid and substantial lines—Our greatest effort, perhaps, has been to secure a line of ladies' and men's 33 shoes that would surpass any we've ever before offered—This we can assure you we have done and invite you to examine the many different 33 shoes we offer this spring.

BAILEY, 13 Years 3d Floor Paxton Bldg. Experience. 10th and Farnam.

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