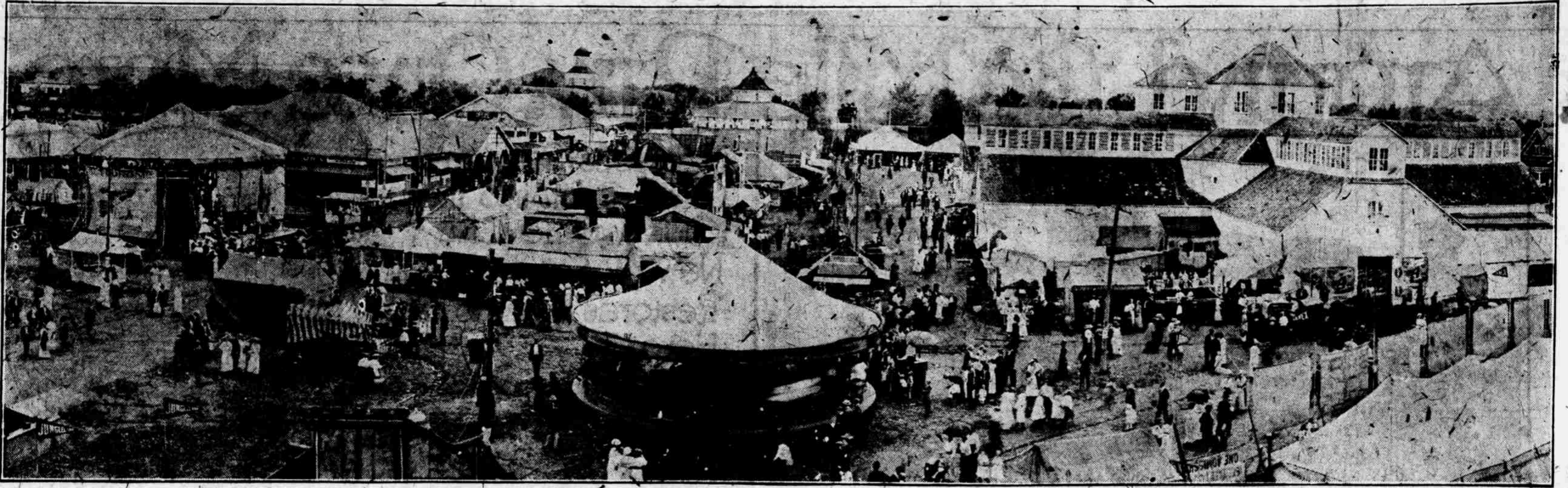


How the Midway of the Nebraska State Fair Looks On a Busy Day



Biggest State Fair in History of Nebraska to Open Sunday, Sept. 5

Many New Features, Including Larger Exhibit Buildings and More Amusements, Added This Year—Entrants in All Departments Mount to Thousands—Automobile and Airplane Races Programmed.

The 52d Nebraska state fair will open at Lincoln Sunday, September 5, and last until Friday, September 10. From territorial days these fall festivals have stood like milestones to measure the advancement of the agricultural industry of the state.

This year Nebraska will place on exhibition for the inspection of its people the finest specimens of cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, grain, fruit, vegetables and the newest improved farm machinery and manufactured articles.

"The Prosperity State Fair" is the way in which the Nebraska state board of agriculture, which is in charge, has christened this event. Good crops, the development of diversified agriculture, and the building-up of pure-bred herds have made the name appropriate.

At the opening on Sunday concerts will be given morning and evening by the Frederick Neil Innes band of New York. It is composed of 35 players and soloists. The band ranks as one of the best ones in the United States. It is often heard through the medium of phonograph records.

Plenty of music is assured by the presence of a number of other bands. Among them will be Dan Destates' colored band from Omaha. This is enlarged to 40 members, including a

double quartet of singers. Bands from Arapahoe, West Point and Broken Bow also have been engaged for the full week.

Neither money nor pains has been spared to get the best educational as well as amusement features for this year's fair. Many new features and amusements will be noticeable to those who attend.

A new cattle barn has been built of reinforced concrete. This immense structure is capable of holding 1,150 head of cattle. The ground floor space of 174 feet by 256 feet will be filled with beef cattle and the upper floor with dairy stock. There are 336 dairy stations and all of these will be filled. This exhibit is designed to illustrate the best dairy practice and will be a revelation to the general public of the care and cleanliness with which their milk is produced. Representatives of the best dairy breeds will be on display.

Larger Seating Capacity.

Because so many have each year been unable to get seats in the grandstand, two more rows of box seats have been added. The buildings have been repainted and the grounds will present a most attractive appearance.

The street leading up the hill to the Morton avenue gate from the

car life has been improved by new sidewalks, curbs, gutters and parking. Shrubby and trees will be placed the full length. Directly west of the present Seventh street automobile entrance new gates have been cut. This will be mainly used for exit, to do away with the confusion that has accompanied the conflicting stream of cars coming and going. One or two of the new gates will be used by incoming motors.

Better accommodations and larger premiums have assured mammoth displays of cattle, swine, sheep and poultry. The draft horse will stage a comeback. In spite of the tractor, it is said that there will be more horses on exhibit than for several years.

The most fertile counties of Nebraska have all reserved space in the agricultural hall to exhibit their grain and vegetables. As a result of the wonderful crops this year, more counties are coming in on this show than before.

Automobile Races.

The mechanical exhibition will rank up with that of farm products. The latest improvements in implements, farm lighting plants with electric washing machine attachments, trucks, tractors and automobiles will give a new conception of the wonders of labor-saving machinery.

Automobile races will furnish thrills on the afternoon of Labor day, Monday, September 6. The stars of the dirt track circuit will compete for the \$5,000 purse offered for the six events. "Sig" Haugedal, the dirt track champion, will run his big Fiat car. Duray, the French driver, who turned a flip in front of the grandstand last year at the finish of a sensational race, will be back in a Duseberg. Arrangements for the races are in the hands of the International Motor Contest association. Its officials will have charge of the races and time the speed kings. Fred Horley, former world champion, will return, and other contestants will be Louis

Disbrow, Bob Cline and R. Burr Lamkin, the English racer.

Harness Races, Too.

E. R. Danichon, secretary of the fair, believes that the purses have attracted the best racing talent, and that the auto races will be the greatest ever held in the middle west. The six events will consist of match races, three cornered events, time trials, free for all races Australian pursuits and other sensations.

A great field of horses will run Tuesday Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of fair week. The prize purses will total \$14,550. Harness racing is enjoying great popularity and the horses on the fair circuit assure patrons of one of the finest racing programs the state has ever seen.

Another speed event which will make everyone crane his neck will be that of the aviators. This was one of the most popular events last year. Lt. Ormer Locklear and his two aides, Lieutenants Elliott and Short put on a plane changing stunt that was a thriller. Due to the accident that lately resulted in the death of Locklear and one of his companions, new flyers will appear this year.

A three ring circus will play in front of the grandstand twice daily beginning Tuesday. This is the Sells-Floto circus, which is said to be the second largest in the world. The Kline-Patterson carnival, with a new organization, will provide exciting rides and side show amusements.

Omaha Day September 9.

A fireworks spectacle, culminating in an eruption of burning lava from the volcano, Mauna Loa, will be presented Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights. It is said to contain many novelties, showing the overwhelming of a village by an eruption, the surf riders at play on Waikiki beach and the luxuriant palms and floral splendor of the tropics.

Omaha day is Thursday, September 9. It is expected that at least

200 motor car loads of people from Omaha will make the trip, which is one of the finest rides in the state.

The keen interest in the educational displays will be met by several booths managed by the university extension department. These will demonstrate home economics and farm bureau work.

The woman's handicraft work will be found in the fine arts department. Paintings, drawings and the latest in art work will be found here. During the war great advances were made in canning and drying fruit and vegetables, and keen competition is anticipated in the domestic products' department. The textile display also will be large. Unlike former years, the building will be kept open at night so that all may have opportunity to inspect the exhibits.

Babies' Contests.

Babies are so numerous in Nebraska that limits have had to be imposed on the babies' contests. Only children between the ages of 18 and 36 months are eligible, and the examination is limited to the first 200 registrations made. Entries closed August 25. Another phase of the baby show is the clinic which will be held Thursday morning. Here unfortunate or defective children will be given special attention. They are strictly private, and many improvements in child health have dated from advice given in these clinics.

In the brick building just west of the agricultural hall the Lincoln manufacturers and jobbers have arranged a "Made in Lincoln" show. The plans for the proposed new capitol building also will be on display there.



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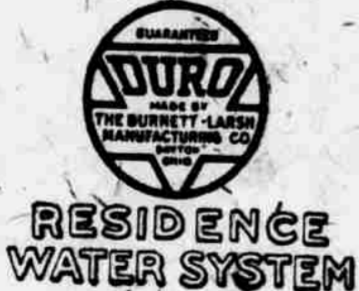
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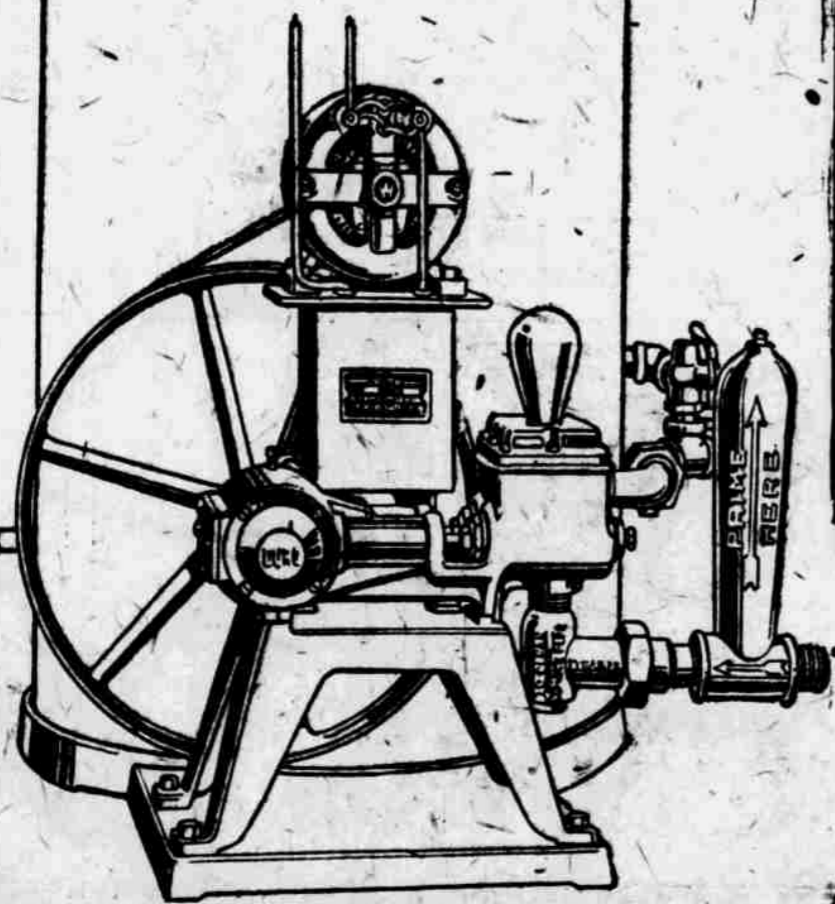
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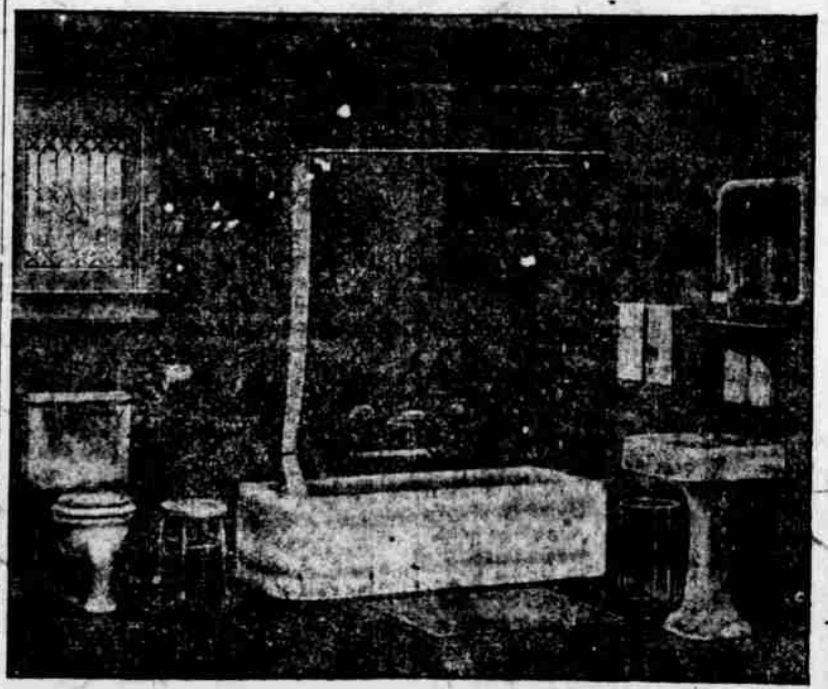
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