

## FAIR GROUNDS ARE ALL READY

Converted From Fine Military Camp to Great Exhibit Grounds.

### SANITATION VERY STRICT.

Conditions Praised by President Wilson. Incinerators Are New Feature of Health Safeguarding Service.

The State Fair grounds are the last word in cleanliness. Everything is ready for the great exhibit which starts Sept. 15 and closes Sept. 23. Several score workmen have been busy during the past few weeks converting the grounds from a military camp to a show ground, but the work is now finished.

Cleanliness is a watchword this year with fair board officials. Every structure, from the hog barns to the dome building, are in the best of shape. When the state militia was taken to the fair grounds previous to entrainment for the Mexican border, the health experts of the I. N. G. saw that every safeguard was taken to preserve the health of the soldiers.

So well done was the work that the war department saw fit to praise the conditions. The army men installed dozens of incinerators for the burning of garbage and trash. These incinerators still remain on the grounds and will be used during the State Fair. Their presence precludes the possibility of any bad health conditions.

#### Company of Militia.

Plans are now being considered by the state board and Governor Dunne by which a company of militia may be called for service during the fair. In case they are, fair visitors may not only see them at work, but will also receive the advantage of their work, for they will aid in preserving the sanitary conditions.

Many improvements have been made at the grounds. Fourteen thousand dollars has been spent in the past few months on new roofs for the building. A cement sidewalk ten feet wide has been built from the main entrance to the machinery hall building. It affords a pleasant walk to this attraction center.

Women will no doubt be glad to hear that the board has had the woman's building repaired. It is now in excellent condition and affords a fine place for the woman who has seen all the exhibits to sit down and watch the crowds.

#### Parking For Automobiles.

Another feature which will be welcomed by hundreds is the laying out of a space for the parking of automobiles. This is in the space at the west end of the grounds near the swine pavilions. A corps of employees will be in charge so that the automobile owner may leave his machine with the assurance that it will be well cared for.

The men in charge of the grounds and arrangements for the fair feel safe in saying that the thousands who visit the big exhibit from all parts of the state will declare on leaving that the state board has left no stone unturned in providing for the comfort and welfare of all visitors.

## Grand Stand at the Illinois State Fair



### AUTO POLO IS DEATH BY-WORD

State Fair Visitors to See Aviation Thrills Thrown Into Background.

The dangers of aviation and motor-dome racing contests will be backed into the limelight at the Illinois State Fair, Sept. 15 to 23, when the two original and world famous auto-polo teams meet in real combat for honors. All visitors to the State Fair of 1916 will have a chance to see this death inciting act, for it will be given the first afternoon and every afternoon and night of the fair until Friday night of the closing week.

What is auto polo, you ask? Well, the name some give it is "motor insanity." Once seen auto polo is easy to understand. The object is to pass the ball between two goal posts, thus scoring one point. The game is played in periods of ten minutes each.

Each one has a mechanic in attendance and a substitute player so that in case of accident the game will not be interrupted. Only four players are needed in the game, but at times eight men are on the field according to the trend of the game.

B. M. Davison, secretary of the State Fair board, is anxious to get only the best and latest attractions for the State Fair. That is why he wired Mr. Hankinson, manager of the original Auto Polo teams, on his arrival at San Francisco to come to Springfield for the State Fair. Mr. Hankinson and the teams had just completed a tour of the Orient, appearing before the ruling family of Japan.

In last year's games over two thousand wheels were smashed to pieces. Burst tires exceeded that amount, while the number of broken axles and wrecked radiators ran into the hundreds.

A company surgeon and physician are carried along, for the company saves money in this way. The bills for the caring of broken wrists, ribs and ankles would run into big round figures if the regular rate was paid.

### FIREWORKS ARE BIG SPECTACLE

Tons of Powder Used in Mammoth Display Secured For State Fair.

The gorgeous fireworks spectacle shown at the last State Fair made a profound impression with all who saw it, but in the words of State Fair managers "it will not hold a candle" to the wonderful display secured for this year's fair, Sept. 15 to 23.

The fireworks will be first shown on Monday of the fair, and after that will be shown nightly up to and including Friday. C. H. Duffield of the Theatrical-Duffield company, New York, has the management of the exhibit. He gave his personal attention to it and announces that the event will mark an epoch in the work of his company and in all pyrotechnics in the country.

"The Last Days of Pompeii" will be the big special feature. This great spectacle is pronounced the greatest ever attempted and thousands will see it nightly. Included in this are two great opening numbers. One is entitled "Our Army." The other "Our Navy." Both cover four hundred square feet of ground and representations in fire of both the army and navy are to be shown.

The showing of a man of war being attacked and sunk by a submarine is another of the great features of the exhibit. The first firing shows the man of war outlined in fire. The submarine then heaves into view. Suddenly a giant torpedo leaves the submarine. It strikes the great ship squarely in the center. It is seen to waver and then a terrific explosion is heard and the man of war sinks with terrific detonations.

A battle between a United States battleship and the flagship of the Mexican navy is another of the big features planned. The vessels are mechanically constructed and designed after the patterns of vessels of today. The guns are mounted on decks and the gun turrets are shown to belch forth fire. A shot from the Mexican ship brings a great burst of fire from the American vessel and the destruction of the Mexican vessel is a thing of seconds.

These displays will be seen nightly at the race track. Spectators may sit in the spacious grandstand and witness all without becoming tired. The displays will be set off just inside the race track across from the stand. Several hundred square feet of ground are used in the events which are the greatest ever attempted at any similar gathering.

Besides the fireworks ten great vaudeville acts will be going on all the time in a stand erected just across the race track in front of the grandstand. "The Six Flying La Vans" head the list. They are heralded as the world's most famous aerialists working on apparatus forty feet high and all advance notices indicate that they live up to their reputation. Posting, casting, bar acts, acrobatic contortion and tumbling are some of the other things which will be shown by the special talent teams secured for the amusement of State Fair visitors.

#### "BARGAIN" RATES TO STATE FAIR

To deny one's self or one's family a trip to the State Fair this year, Sept. 15-23, will not be true economy.

Aside from the positive worth of every department and every exhibit, the trip to and from Springfield is of value in itself, and during Fair Week it can be gotten at a bargain. Five railroads which connect Springfield as a hub to towns and villages of Illinois are to offer this year the usual special State Fair round trip rates. The round trip will cost approximately three-fourths the regular fare.

Seven railroads enter the State Fair city—the Illinois Central, C and A, Wabash, C. P. and St. Louis, B and O, S-W., C. I. and W. and I. T. & S.

#### INFORMATION BUREAU A BIG AID TO VISITORS.

The state board of agriculture is continually busying itself in caring for the comfort of visitors to the State Fair. This year the free information bureau will be so managed as to give the complete answers to all persons visiting the fair.

There are so many activities at the grounds that visitors often need direction to find the things which interest them most. The board will have competent men in charge of the bureau during the entire time of the fair, and they can answer all questions in regard to exhibits, schedules of trains, cars, etc.

### WAR AVIATORS TO BE AT FAIR

Exposition Crowds to See French and British Birdmen in Aerial Flights.

Not one death defying birdman, but a flock of them, will thrill the throngs at the State Fair this year, and they will journey from British and French battlefields to do it. Secretary B. M. Davison of the fair board has announced that all contracts are signed for the appearance here of four aviators of the European war type, who will make a trip to America to take part in the fall flying season program.

Never before has a curtain raiser to the fair proper of such magnitude been offered. The birdmen will be in Springfield for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 16, going into the other both day and night.

One of the features will be a triangular race from three points of equal distance from Springfield. Three aviators will start from the three cities at exactly the same moment and will bring messages from the mayors of the three cities to Governor Dunne or some other prominent state official, who will be seated in the grand stand.

Secretary Davison has announced that Dominjos of Paris, France, war aviator, is one of those who will come here to participate in the aviation program. The names of the others are withheld pending the settlement of minor details, which if known might result in the destruction of the men elsewhere.

Aside from the spectacular triangular race event, numerous other daring stunts will be a part of the aviation program. Prizes will be awarded the fastest machine, the machine making the largest number of loops, the best exhibition of bomb dropping, etc.

The Illinois State Fair will be the first in America so far as is known to hold an open competition aviation meet, and it is expected that the leading aviation enthusiasts in the United States will be on hand to officiate.

Last year Art Smith, premier trick flier, was brought to the State Fair to show the latest quirks in his line. The year before that the late Lincoln Beachey was engaged for a series of flights.

The present year will surpass all former aviation events.

#### PIG CLUB'S CONTEST.

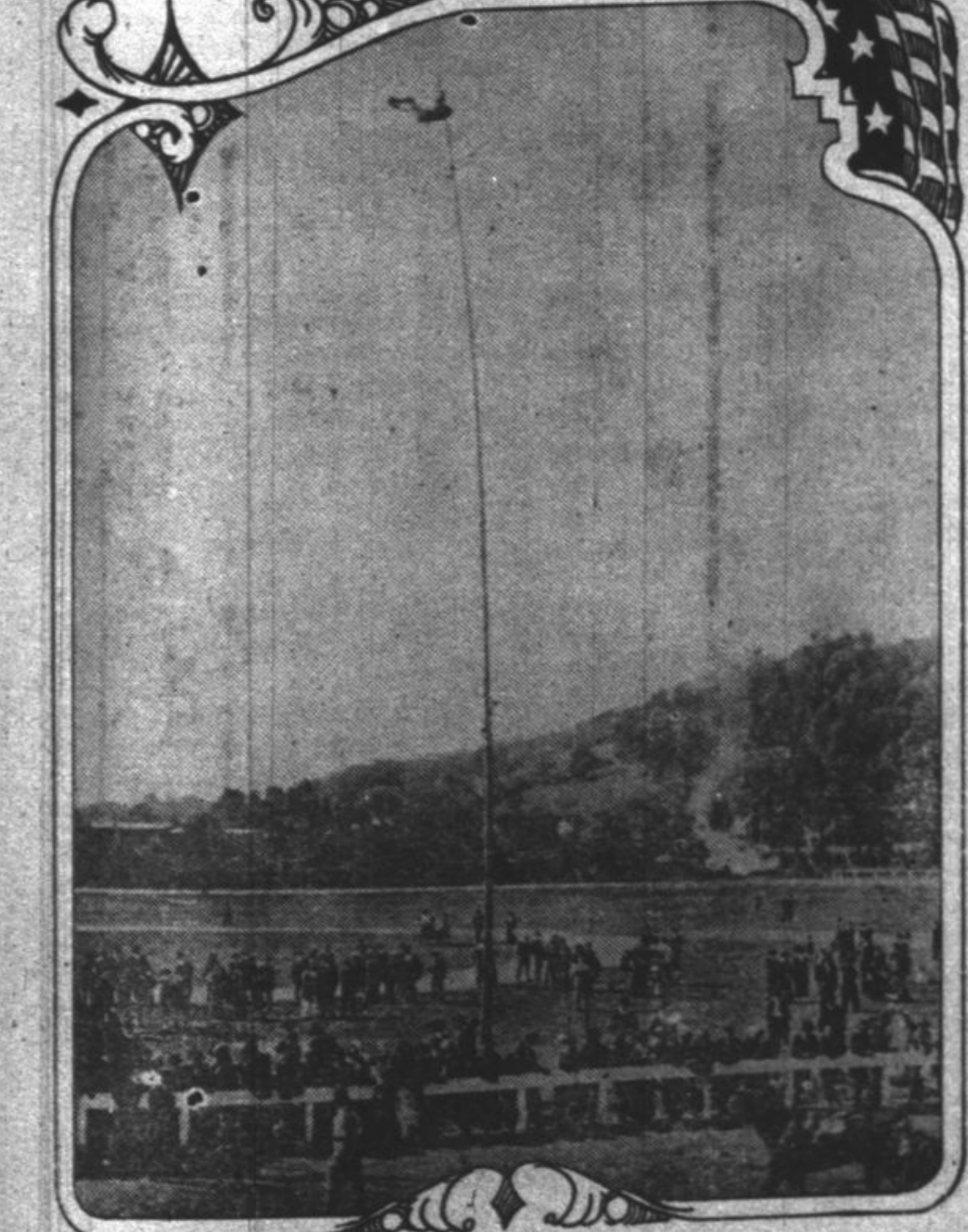
Boys and Girls to Enter Their Animals in the State Fair.

Love for animals in general and pigs in particular is the announced object of the Boys and Girls' Pig club.

Members of the clubs from all over the state will go to the Illinois State Fair, Sept. 15-23, to enter their pigs in the annual contest. Any other boys and girls between the ages of ten and eighteen, who have raised pigs, may enter also. Breeds will be displayed separately—Berkshire, Chester-White, Duro-Jersey, Hampshire and Poland-China.

Premiums are offered for litters of pigs, boar pigs and sow pigs, all under six months. Application for entrance to the contest should be made to John S. Culp, superintendent of swine.

## De Carno on Pole One Hundred Feet High



HE WILL APPEAR AT THE ILLINOIS STATE FAIR.



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# QUALITY

I asked a shoe man the other day why it was that shoes were so much higher in price than they used to be.

"Shoe leather has gone up," he said. "Most people think that's the reason. But it's only one reason."

"People are buying better shoes than they used to. They want more comfortable shoes. Better fit. They want longer wear and more style. They want some individuality, too."

I thought to myself: Well here's a condition just like the one we are experiencing in the automobile business.

Nearly every 3400 r. p. m. we have sold this year has been to someone who has driven a lower priced car.

I know for myself that it pays to buy better shoes as well as a better car.

But it seems that the great big buying public has the same idea, too.

I'm particularly strong for the 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers because she's got tremendous endurance.

There are now more than 1,000,000 miles of use in owners' hands behind her—and that tells a lot.

Besides the factory writes me that she has a record of service of 99.21 percent perfect.

If you never had a run in her let me know. I want you to get this thrill whether you have any idea of buying or not.

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## Lake Front Park TODAY

# To the Voters of Lake County:

The Waukegan Good Government League unqualifiedly endorses the candidacy of Ralph J. Dady for nomination and re-election to the office of State's Attorney and appeals to all voters of Lake County who believe in Law enforcement to unite in support of Mr. Dady.

The office of State's Attorney is the most important office in Lake County and Mr. Dady has shown that he is honest, able, fearless and industrious and that he respects his oath of office.

Respectfully,

## The Waukegan Good Government League

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