

WOMAN'S WORLD'S FAIR HELD IN MAY

IS CHICAGO EXHIBITION

Many Foreign Groups to Have Exhibits This Year, Expectation, and Show to Be Elaborate

The Fourth Annual Woman's World Fair in Chicago will turn the Coliseum into a festival palace for the week beginning May 19, representing more than a hundred different lines of professional, scientific and artistic endeavor in displays under the bright colored awnings of 250 booths. Women from all over the country, who have achieved distinction in their chosen vocations, will be present to explain them and demonstrate where possible.

The last day of the Fair, May 26, will be a special Vocational day when the threads of occupations which have trailed here and there in the gala fete will be gathered up in a comprehensive review, Miss Helen M. Bennett, managing director of the Fair, announced recently. Members of Mortar board, Senior honorary society, from Northwestern university, Purdue and other colleges, will usher, wearing academic cap and gown. The subject for the morning conference, one of the new daily features of the Fair, on this particular day will be "Vocational Guidance."

Foreign Groups

Foreign groups which are taking part in the Fair for the first time this year and are already planning their exhibits are Greece, Ukraine and Germany. Sweden and Finland and other countries which have had elaborate exhibits in the past, will have their booths this year in the Village in the Forest, the arrangement planned for the foreign exhibits in the South Annex of the Coliseum. Mrs. Hugo Simon, wife of the German consul-general in Chicago, is in charge of the German display which will be sent from the old country by Mrs. Marie von Bunsen, a prominent writer of Berlin.

Unusual and picturesque vocations which individual women have adopted will be exemplified by the woman smithy, Florence Ethlyn Schell, who has her own "Little Forge" on Chicago's west side, by Viola Smith, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, who owns and operates a turquoise mine discovered before Columbus' arrival, and by Anna Grace Sawyer, the pansy florist, at 4040 W. Madison street, who is an interesting figure in the historical development of Chicago.

In Scientific Research

Women in scientific research, all the way from botany to anthropology will have eye-opening displays for the uninitiated. Movies in the home, the ideal library browsing room with books on its shelves covering "Three centuries of women in literature and their forerunners," a children's corner, the campus quadrangle, and grandmother's room, are a few of the more definitely mapped out booths.

Board members in addition to Miss Bennett, managing-director who also originated the Fair idea, are Mrs. Medill McCormick, Mrs. Joseph T. Bowen, honorary chairman, Mrs. George Bass, chairman, Mrs. Howard Linn, vice chairman, Mrs. Joseph G. Coleman, Mrs. Rockefeller McCormick, Mrs. Walter Paepcke, Secretary, Mrs. George R. Dean, Treasurer, Mrs. Edward Hines and Mrs. Shreve Badger.

MANY ODD OCCUPATIONS OF PEOPLE ARE LISTED

Nation's Business Magazine Is Authority for Queer Ones Here Described

There are approximately ten thousand occupations that men and women follow throughout the world. The Federal Bureau of Census has listed some 572 occupations, but it makes plain that "we have no information as to just how many occupations are pursued in the United States."

The list includes a large number of strange and even unusual occupations pursued for a living, says the Nation's Business. There are tasters of tea and samplers of coffee, and there is a smeller of hams. This individual is found in wholesale grocery establishments and in large packing houses. He stabs every cured ham with a pick which he then passes under his nose and is able to state positively and quickly whether that particular ham has soured around the bone in the process of curing. Quantity production of hams has made this occupation necessary.

There are the home conceived oddities such as over-stuffed doll furniture made by an Ohio man who was able to sell enough to make a comfortable living. A South Carolina man uses dried apples to make caricatures of the mountain folks and others. He sells his dried-apple dolls to tourists.

And then there is "Cinder Ella," the old crone who haunts Wall Street, or did until a short time ago. Her name tells her profession. She picks the cinders out of the eyes of the curb brokers and receives therefor whatever they may give her.

And with "Cinder Ella," most of the strange occupations in the world are the result of the modern civilization and its demands.

50,000,000 ACRES OF U. S. CROPS, 1927

SHOWN IN EXPERT RECORD

Report of Commerce Department Is Interesting Sidelight of Huge Total of Products of Nation

The output of approximately 50,000,000 acres of American farm land was represented in last year's exports of cotton, wheat, wheat flour, barley and rye, according to an estimate by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Commerce Department, announced today by Dr. Julius Klein, Director. Official figures give the combined value of these exports during 1927 as \$1,226,266,045. It is estimated that from 112,000,000 to 120,000,000 acres were required to produce the entire domestic crop of these commodities.

In announcing the estimate, prepared on request, Dr. Klein pointed out that the export acreage figures would be increased materially if consideration was given to other leading commodities, such as tobacco, corn, corn fed pork, and cotton textiles.

Nearly 9,500,000 bales of cotton, valued at \$826,000,000, found their way into foreign countries during 1927. It is estimated that it required about 30,000,000 acres of land to produce just the raw cotton exports. During the calendar year 1927 ex-

port trade in wheat, wheat flour, barley and rye amounted to 8,337,000 short tons, representing the production of about 20,000,000 acres.

Cotton Shipments

The largest share of the cotton was shipped to Germany, that country taking about 2,611,000 bales, valued at \$230,695,000. The United Kingdom imported 1,694,000 bales valued at \$140,167,000 while Japan, the third ranking country in our cotton export trade, took 1,437,000 bales. France followed with 945,000; Italy, 670,000; Russia, 475,000; Spain, 315,000; British India, 262,000; Belgium, 266,000; Canada, 264,000; China, 243,000; and the Netherlands, 135,000.

Flour exports during 1927 represented 12,826,000 barrels. In addition to the acreage and farm labor represented by this figure export shipments of flour also involve the labor of more than 3,000 men working in over 450 average sized mills every working day of the year. Export trade in flour represents over ten per cent of the country's entire flour trade. Our largest flour markets are the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Cuba, China, Brazil, Germany, and the Philippines.

The bulk of the exports of wheat grain during 1927 found its way to the principal European countries such as the United Kingdom, Netherlands, Italy, Germany, France, Belgium, Greece and the Irish Free State. Important buyers outside of Europe were Japan and Brazil.

It is interesting to note, according to Dr. Klein, that from 200,000 to 250,000 freight cars were necessary to haul the flour and grain products to seaboard for shipment to foreign markets.

SAY AMERICANS NOT GIFTED IN COOKING

Chefs Hold Convention and Talk About Culinary Sense of U. S. People

Whatever the public may think of the American menus, a meeting of organized chefs and caterers in Chicago has given special interest and convincing authority to the proposal to uplift our dishes. Even soups are to be standardized.

It is the contention of the cooks that we have shown no national ingenuity for making culinary conquests. "In the past century," said Fred Schmidt of Louisville, "all America has produced is chop suey, hamburger steak, and hot dog—and nobody knows what's in them." And denser is the ignorance about a hors d'oeuvre. By the rating of C. L. Schweitzer of Chicago, "thousands don't know but what it's hors de combat. Sometimes it is."

All this is bad enough for the uneducated palate. And yet, all is not darkness. The very fact that hamburger has names in seventeen languages points to the bright hope that some day every one will know it as well by its name "a la Duke of Marlboro" as by its alias "Popoletta di Milano." By all means let our menus be exposed to the uplift of the higher learning. Oxford gave marmalade and a manner to the world. And it was Cambridge that contributed science and a sausage, says the Nation's Business Magazine.

Sometimes the office, seeking the man, has difficulty making its way around among the candidates.—Tolledo Blade.

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THINKING OUT LOUD

Freddie Riggs of Seattle, four years old, is a constant user of tobacco. To judge from the statements made recently in advertisements, we can safely predict that Freddie, who has started training early, will have a brilliant career in the opera!

Fred Gumm of West Union, Ia., was excused from jury duty because one of his hogs had chewed his ear. Evidently the hog liked chewing Gumm.

Strangest case on record: A man in Los Angeles charges his wife with cruelty because she has made it impossible for him to see his mother-in-law daily.

Governor Young is exercising on a stationery bicycle to reduce his waistline. Evidently seeking to win that bicycle grace!

Jack Dempsey is said to be going on the stage, but recently he has hinted that he may re-enter the ring. To be one of the stars or to see them—that is the question!

A New York woman who kicked two policemen so hard that they were knocked down got suspended sentence, and in self-defense the court ordered her to drink nothing with a kick in it for the next three years.

SCORES EXPERIMENTS IN SCHOOL SYSTEMS

While the elders are worrying about the dissolution of standards among the youth of today, they are letting the secondary educational system fall to pieces, experts told the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which held a meeting in Chicago recently.

Haphazard employment of new and untried systems of education throughout the country is wasting millions of dollars each year, said L. W. Smith, Joliet, chairman of the association's committee on unit education.

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