

TO ADVERTISE FAIR ON LICENSE PLATES

Bill Being Prepared for State Legislature to Boost Big Exposition

Words one inch high — "Chicago World's Fair in 1933" will be carried on automobile license plates in 1932 and 1933, if a bill prepared for presentation in the state legislature next month, is adopted.

That will mean that every automobile and truck licensed by the state of Illinois, will be an advertising medium of the Century of Progress exposition, for the space of two full years.

Henry Sonnenschein, a Democrat state representative and secretary to County President Anton J. Cermack, will offer the bill. He also has drafted bills to abolish the biennial April primaries and restore September primaries for nomination of county and state officials to be elected following November.

Sonnenschein's bill provides that county and state primaries shall be held every two years on the Tuesday following the second Monday in September. That provision would make primary day somewhere between Sept. 8 and Sept. 15.

Politicians generally favor restoration of the old-time September primary. They argue that the lapse of seven months between the time when candidates for important county and state offices are nominated by the two big parties and the time when

the people select their county and state officials from the rival candidates is too long. Candidates are compelled to face seven months of campaigning. The voters are expected to keep alive their interests in rival candidacies for seven months, which they won't do, they say.

Candidates named at September primaries will be able to jump at once into a six or seven weeks' campaign. Public interest aroused by the contests at the September primaries, politicians predict, will be kept aflame during the few weeks intervening before the election on the first Tuesday in November.

Warrant Charges Man with Theft of Trees

Warrant charging Harry Wedge, of Wedges' corners, with the theft of 39 trees from the E. Rutishauser nursery on Loon lake near Antioch was issued by Justice Henry F. Wallenwein of Waukegan last week. The warrant was approved by States Attorney A. V. Smith.

The nursery owner, according to the prosecutor, accused Wedge of making two trips to Loon lake where he is alleged to have taken young and valuable trees, Col. Smith declared.

On one trip, the prosecutor said, 25 trees were removed and on the second 14 were taken.

Col. Smith said that he did not know the types of trees taken but that he was informed that all were valuable young nursery stock.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS GEOLOGICAL HISTORY

Vividly Told Story of Formation of That Region Issued by State Survey

Geological history of the southern part of the state is vividly told in an educational pamphlet, "The story of the Geologic Making of Southern Illinois," recently published by the State Geological Survey located on the campus of the University of Illinois. The pamphlet is being widely read by teachers, students, and others interested in the southern counties.

The author of the publication, the late Dr. Stuart E. Weller of Chicago, was one of the foremost geologists of his time. He devoted nearly 20 years of his life to careful, detailed studies of the geology and geologic history of the region. The 41-page pamphlet, which is illustrated with maps, diagrams and selected photographs, summarizes, in non-technical language, the results of his many field investigations.

Dr. Weller reviews the turbulent history of the Illinois Ozark region during the millions of years and successive eras of geologic time. Many times in the dim past, he points out, this part of the State was hidden beneath the quiet waters of shallow, inland seas, most of which were northward extensions of the present Gulf of Mexico; conditions which were, in many ways, similar to the present-day encroachment of the waters of Hudson Bay over the lands of northeastern Canada.

The present Illinois Ozarks are by no means as high as they were originally. As soon as they were formed, nature's agents of destruction, weathering and erosion, became active, and up to the present time have removed hundreds, perhaps a thousand, feet of rock from the tops of the hills. The hills were formerly low mountains, and they formed a much more formidable range than they do at present.

The complete geologic history is clearly outlined in the booklet, from earliest time to the present. It is a story that is written in the rocks; a wonderful and thrilling story which the rocks themselves reveal to the student of earth history, herein translated into the language of the layman, so that all might read the fascinating "Story of the Geologic Making of Southern Illinois."

Copies of the booklet, as well as other publications of the Geological Survey, are distributed free of charge for use in the public schools throughout the State. They are also available, at nominal charge, for general distribution, and may be secured by addressing the offices of the State Geological Survey, at Urbana.

Rural Population in State Has Decreased

According to Associated Press figures released at Washington, D.C., the rural population in Illinois has decreased from 2,082,127 in 1920 to 1,994,921 in 1930. Population in towns and cities of more than 2,400 population has increased from 4,403,153 in 1920 to 5,635,727 in 1930. Illinois is given a total population of 7,630,654 for 1930 as compared with 6,485,280 in 1920.

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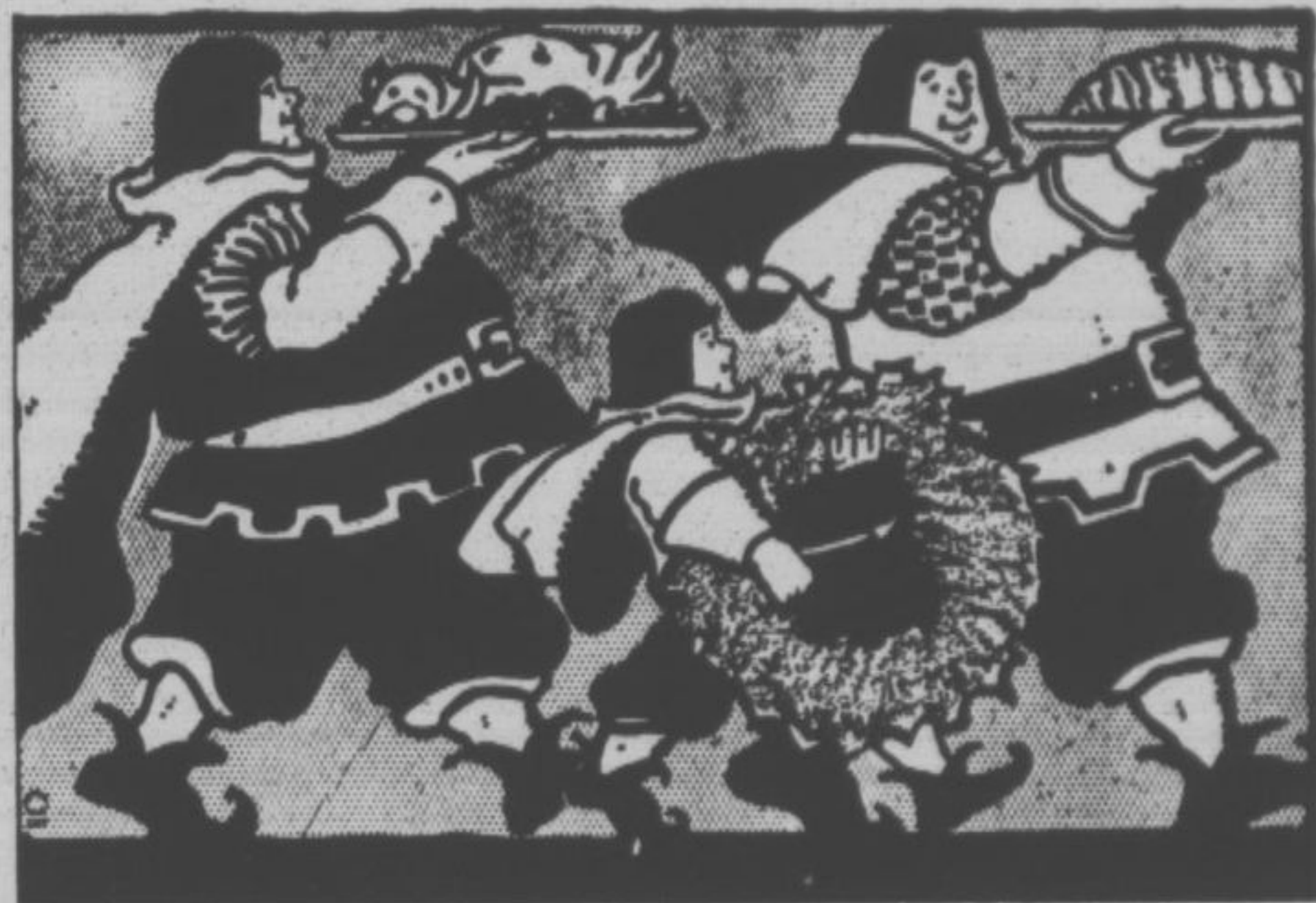
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