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SECRETARY-GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT SECTION I — INTRODUCTION

Your Secretary - General Manager humbly acknowledges the sincere and dedicated efforts of the many volunteer workers, the department superintendents and their subordinates, the Board of Managers and the loyal and hardworking permanent staff in helping to make the 1966 Minnesota State Fair an all-time recordbreaker.

There is no doubt also, that a tremendous part of the credit of the success of the 1966 Fair was due to the splendid cooperation the management has received at all times from the press, radio and television people of the state in the presentation of the programs of the Fair to the people. Their continued support of the Fair's aims and their contributions of space and time brought the State Fair to millions of readers, listeners and viewers.

It presents a tremendous challenge to all of us to improve and grow by presenting the very best in panoramic visual education and top wholesome entertainment. To that end we solicite the continued help and support of all members and friends of the Society and, at the same time, pledge to them our sincere efforts in striving to be worthy of this support.

> Respectfully Submitted, JOHN E. LIBBY Secretary-General Manager

Approved by Executive Committee
Norris K. Carnes, Chairman
Robert R. Andrews
D. T. Grussendorf

SECTION II - GENERAL

The 105th Minnesota State Fair, staged August 27 through September 5, 1966, established an all-time attendance record of 1,359,750 admissions. This was the 12th consecutive Fair with an admissions total exceeding one million. It clearly established the Minnesota exposition as the leading 10-day Fair in North America.

The largest single-day total in Minnesota State Fair history was recorded on the second Sunday, September 4, when 196,839 admissions were registered. In all, single-day records were established six of the ten days. On one day—Thursday, September 1—admissions fell below 100,000. This also was the only day marred by rain. The total for the entire Fair includes 35,578 admissions on Friday, August 26, because an entrance charge was in force from noon onward that day.

Weather conditions were nearly ideal. The average mean temperature was a comfortable 72 degrees, compared to 58.2 degrees during the 1965 Fair. As mentioned previously, rainfall was restricted to one shower on Thursday evening Sept. 1. By contrast, four days of rain plagued the 1965 exposition and no fewer than two days of rain have been recorded during each of the past 20 Fairs.

In keeping with the "Pageant of Midwest Progress" theme, exhibits portraying the booming economy of the Upper Midwest were in abundance. All exhibit buildings and outside exhibit and concession areas were filled to capacity with displays of high quality.

The livestock departments were flooded with entries for both openclass and junior shows. In some cases, it became necessary to turn entries away because of lack of stalling facilities. Additional pens were constructed for the sheep department in the west section of the Sheep-Poultry Building to accommodate overflow.

Cash premiums and awards exceeding \$259,000 were paid to outstanding exhibitors in the Fair's 20 competitive departments. There were more than 8,500 exhibitors who showed approximately 62,000 animals and articles.

Five thousand boys and girls from all of Minnesota's 87 counties participated in 4-H Club and Future Farmers of America programs at the Fair. With the cooperation of these two excellent organizations, the Minnesota Exposition continues to provide one of the nation's largest and most comprehensive Fair youth programs.

Both afternoon and evening Grandstand attendance increased noticeably over the previous year. It is probable that favorable weather conditions and a healthy economy were responsible for much of this improvement, but top variety acts featuring "name" talent also had a favorable effect. The first five night programs featured The Supremes, top recording artists plus television comedian Jerry Van Dyke. The second five nights offered The Smothers Brothers, making their second Minnesota State Fair appearance, and George Kirby, a talented comedian and singer.

Because of the traditionally light attendance on Labor Day night, night show dates were moved ahead one step so that the first performance was staged on Preparation Night, Friday, August 26.

Improvements in recent years, such as paving the race track surface and providing a cover for a portion of the stage. helped prevent cancellation of any of the afternoon or evening Grandstand shows. Even the performance marred by rain on Thursday night, September 1, was completed.

Major improvements were made to the area occupied by the Teen Age Fair during the previous two years. A permanent Young America Center was constructed on this site across Commonwealth Avenue from the Midway. The Young America Center was completely enclosed, with a permanent wall providing a backdrop for 61 cabana-style booths along two sides of the Center. An exhibit building was constructed on the eastern end to provide additional facilities for fashion shows, stage presentations, and similar attractions. Together with the existing carousel dance floor at the west end of the Center and a complete re-surfacing project, these additions created a considerably improved attraction. Attendance leaped past the 120,000 mark.

Attendance at the English and Western Horse Shows in the Hippodrome was well above the average of the preceding ten years. It was only slightly behind attendance in 1965, when the Royal Canadian Mounted Police "Musical Ride" was featured.

Royal American Shows shattered its all-time record for a Fair engagement. Royal American broke its single-day mark twice—on the second Saturday, and again on the final Sunday. Previous daily highs were surpassed on nine of the ten days. Only Thursday's rain prevented a clean sweep for the 45-year-old show.

The Conservation Building, which was vastly improved and enlarged in advance of the '66 Fair, drew more than 600,000 visitors into its log structures. More than 120,000 persons climbed 73 steps to the top of the new 65-foot Forest Ranger Tower built alongside the Conservation Building.

Nearly all concessionaires reported unsurpassed business. The warm, dry weather was nearly perfect for vendors of food and beverages. The Space Tower and Swiss Sky Ride broke records, too, in their second and third seasons of operation.

Efforts to attract children and teen-agers during recent years paid rich dividends in 1966. In both categories, new highs were established. There were 114,881 teen-agers and 340,387 youngsters under 12 years registered at the outside gates.

A new "host" greeted visitors in 1966. A 24-foot fiberglass statue of the Fair's Gopher advertising mascot attired in barker's clothing was erected opposite the Administration Building. A contest to name the Gopher resulted in selection of "Fairchild."

A handsome new Administration Building, with Executive Offices, Board of Managers room, and Space Rentals, Bookkeeping and Entry departments, was opened in advance of the Fair. The former Administration Office next door was remodeled to house the Publicity-Advertising Department, Treasurer's Office, Post Office and Medical Aid Center. Old buildings which had housed three of these departments had been razed the previous fall. Public Safety Headquarters was moved into a new structure alongside Commonwealth Avenue near the Midway and Young America Center. A Child Care Center was installed in the building which formerly housed Public Safety. Over 1,100 "lost kids" were registered and returned to their parents by Child Care during the run of the Fair.

Another major improvement to the physical plant was a new pedestrian bridge over Como Avenue connecting the South Como parking lot with the main Fairgrounds at Underwood Street. The first such bridge was built near the Hippodrome in 1965. A large new concrete structure was built in West Plaza Park to showcase operations of KSTP-TV and Radio. Also, a public address system was installed throughout the Fairgrounds to provide background music and handle emergency messages.

An exchange of property between the State Agricultural Society and the University of Minnesota in November provides the Fair with additional parking space and an access road to a new entrance on Larpenteur Avenue. The Larpenteur gate is expected to relieve traffic pressure from Snelling Avenue by enabling people approaching the Fair from Minneapolis and north-

west Twin Cities suburban areas to enter the Grounds without going eastward to Snelling. Grading, fencing and gate construction will begin next spring. The Society exchanged land at Como and Raymond Avenues for the Larpenteur-access tract. A rental arrangement also was negotiated which enables University students to use the Fair's race track parking lot during the school year.

One of the welcome elements of the 1966 State Fair was an "around-the-clock" grounds cleanup program instituted by Superintendent James Libby. Four hundred brightly-colored trash barrels were distributed and 100 men in white coveralls worked throughout the day to pick up trash. These factors were added to the regular overnight cleanup operation and made the grounds cleaner than ever despite record crowds.

Outside gate admission charges remained the same as in 1965. Adults and automobiles were admitted for \$1.00; teen-agers paid 75 cents, and children under 12 were admitted free. The free admission age level was upped to under-17 on the two Children's Days — Monday, August 29, and Friday, September 2. Prices to the Grandstand and Hippodrome attractions also remained the same as the previous year.

Mrs. Roy Holst of Minneapolis and Mr. Ted Zimmerman of LeCenter were presented with 1966 Senior Citizen Awards during the evening Grandstand show Thursday, September 1.

SECTION III — DAILY RESUME

A detailed resume of the day to day events of the 1966 Minnesota State Fair follows:

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26 - PREPARATION DAY

Preparation Day came into its own during 1966 as a number of important features of the fair opened during the afternoon and evening hours for the benefit of "early-bird" visitors. Admissions recorded after 12:00 noon, when a 50c gate charge went into effect, were added to the overall attendance of the 1966 Exposition. A record total of 35,578 clicked through the turn-stiles between 12:00 noon and 10:00 p.m.

Weather was clear and warm all day.

A preview performance of the Grandstand Night Show headlined Preparation Day Activities. Miss Linda Kattke, Glencoe, was crowned Princess Kay of the Milky Way during ceremonies preliminary to the night show. Also in operation during the evening were the Young America Center, the Royal American Midway and both the Sky Ride and Space Tower.

A press preview dinner for radio, newspaper and television personnel, hosted jointly by the State Fair, the State Departments of Agriculture and Business Development and the Minnesota Brewers Ass'n, was held on the lawn of the Conservation Building, at 6:30 p.m. Special ceremonies were held to dedicate new Conservation facilities followed by a tour of the grounds.

Free horse show eliminations, featuring children's classes of hunters and equestrian horses, were staged in the Hippodrome at 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. A regular paid English Show was presented at 7:00 p.m. Quality beef judging was conducted in the Judging Arena during the morning.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 - DAIRY PRINCESS AND SAINT PAUL DAY

The skies were clear all day turning partly cloudy in the evening. The low temperature of 70 degrees occured about 8:00 a.m. with a high of 86 degrees in the afternoon.

An attendance record was set for opening Saturday of 131,453, surpassing the previous record of 125,905 set in 1965. All gates were closed to vehicular traffic at 1:35 p.m. and reopened at 5:00 p.m.

The 4-H Club and Livestock Buildings opened with regular judging programs at 8:00 a.m. English Horse Shows were held at 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the Hippodrome.

IMCA Speedway type big car races and variety acts were featured at the afternoon Grandstand. Warm up and time trials were held each day at noon with races starting at 2:00 p.m. except the "North Star 500" which got underway at 1:00 p.m. on Labor Day.

"The North Star Spectacular," evening Grandstand show, headlined The Supremes and comedian Jerry Van Dyke. Other entertainment included Joie Chitewood's Thrill Drivers; comedian Yonelly; magician Ron Urban; The Harmonica Hi-Hats; Anden's Poodles; aerialist Celeste; Manhatten Rockets dance group; Mastor of Ceremonies Bob Potter and the State Fair Orchestra directed by Eli Barnett. The show was climaxed each night by spectacular fireworks displays. The Supremes and Jerry Van Dyke headlined each show during the first five nights of the Fair with a change of stars on Wednesday, August 31. The Saturday evening Grandstand show was preceded by the Hills-Beaver Creek pep band concert.

Some of the special events staged on the Fairgrounds Saturday were: Junior Exhibitors Horse Show in the Hippodrome; Minnesota Gladiolus Society Show in the Ag-Hort Building; Mountain Lake singers and Hills-Beaver Creek pep band in the Education-Home Activities Auditorium and Peters Drum Corps parade in the Mall area.

Many educational and entertainment features were held every day of the Fair: State Fair Concert Band in Administration Park; demonstrations, musical units, movies and dancers in Baldwin Hall; Indian dancers on the lawn of the Education Building; Scandinavian Orchestra in the Hippodrome Concourse; demonstrations and Jan Bily's orchestra in the Home Activities Building; Indian dancers and demonstrations at the Pioneer Buildings; Joe Gerlach, sponge diver on the Conservation Building lawn; demonstrations of two wheel automobile driving on Minnesota Avenue.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 - VETERANS AND AVIATION DAY

The day dawned clear and warm and continued until late afternoon when it became partly cloudy. Scattered showers, predicted for evening, did not materialize. The high on this day was 84 degrees with a low of 65 degrees occuring in the early morning.

Non-denominational worship services were held at various times during the morning at the Farm Boys' Camp, Crossroads Chapel and 4-H Building.

The "State Fair Fly In" sponsored annually by the St. Paul Jaycees and the Minn. State Fair was staged this day. Transportation for those taking part in this Fly-In was furnished by the Fair.

All gates were closed to vehicular traffic at 1:30 p.m. and opened again at about 4:30 p.m. An opening Sunday attendance record of 132,619 was established.

Afternoon and evening English Style Horse Shows were held in the Hippodrome.

IMCA Speedway type Big Car races and variety acts were featured at the afternoon Grandstand.

Other events staged on the grounds were: White Bear Lake singers and Waldorf-Pemberton Pep band in the Education-Home Activities Building; Bisonaires Male Chorus, Buffalo Minnesota in Administration Park; German Folk dancers at the Pioneer Building.

The evening Grandstand show was preceded with a concert by the Waldorf-Pemberton Pep Band.

MONDAY, AUGUST 30 — CHILDREN'S, EDUCATION RECOGNITION, LIVESTOCK AND SOUTH DAKOTA DAY

The skies were clear and sunny with temperatures in the 80's. A high of 88 degrees was reached at mid-afternoon.

Judging of open class livestock in all departments began at 8:00 a.m.

A special free childrens show was given on the Grandstand Stage at 10:00 a.m. for all children and their parents who wished to attend. The show featured singer Bobby Vee and The Chieftones and was augmented by acts from the Night Grandstand Show. It was concluded by special daylight fireworks.

The Education Recognition presentation for elementary school teachers was held in Baldwin Hall. An address was given by Mr. D. T. Grussendorf, President of the Minnesota State Fair. The teachers were guests of the Fair and were introduced at the night Grandstand show.

A current event written and oral quiz contest was held in the Education-Home Activities Auditorium.

The afternoon Grandstand featured Modified Stock Car Races plus variety acts.

The English Style Horse Show continued in the Hippodrome with an evening performance.

The night Grandstand show was preceded by the Glencoe Pep Band concert.

Some other special events taking place on the grounds included: Mora singers and Glencoe pep band at the Education-Home Activities Auditorium; Eureka, S. Dak. High School Marching Band parade in the Mall; a concert by the 47th Division National Guard Band in Block 47; an assembly at the Farm Boys' Camp with Minn. State Fair president D. T. Grussendorf as featured speaker.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30 - ROTARY AND NORTH DAKOTA DAY

Temperatures remained in the 80's all day with clear, sunny skies turning to partly cloudy in the afternoon.

Judging programs continued in all livestock departments.

A farm machinery parade was held at 1:00 p.m. The parade which featured the latest in farm equipment passed in front of the grandstand preceding the afternoon show and continued on the Mall. The parade was led by the Mayville, No. Dak. High School Marching Band.

The afternoon Grandstand featured Modified Stock Car races plus variety acts.

The English Style Horse Show which continued at the Hippodrome in the evening was augmented by a Fall Fashion Show.

The Park Rapids pep band presented a concert preliminary to the night Grandstand show.

Other special events of the day included: Assembly at the Farm Boys' Camp with John Mariucci, Coach of 1967-68 National & Olympic Hockey teams as speaker; Park Rapids singers and pep band in the Education - Home Activities Auditorium; Mayville, N. Dak. High School Marching Band parade in the Mall.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31 - DULUTH AND IMPLEMENT DEALERS DAY

The weather continued warm and sunny with a high temperature of near 90 degrees recorded in the afternoon.

Judging continued in the livestock buildings, Judging Arena and Hippodrome.

Officers and Directors of the Retail Farm Equipment Association of Minnesota and South Dakota were luncheon guests of the State Fair Board and guests of the Fair at the night Grandstand show.

The Education-Home Activities Auditorium was used all Wednesday by the Home Activities Department with movies; style shows; demonstrations; slides and presentations.

The Noble, Minn. Checkerboard dancers appeared at the Pioneer Buildings. The Duluth Central High School band gave two concerts in Administration Park and also played preliminary to the Night Grandstand show.

Headliners George Kirby and The Smothers Brothers made the first of five appearances at the North Star Spectacular.

The afternoon Grandstand program featured IMCA Midget races plus variety acts.

The last English Style Horse Show was presented in the Hippodrome.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 – SENIOR CITIZENS, WISCONSIN AND TERRITORIAL PIONEERS DAY

The morning brought mostly clear skies and warm temperatures. It became partly cloudy to cloudy in the later afternoon and a very heavy rainfall began at 7:55 p.m. The fireworks, usually the climax of the night Grandstand show, were set off at 7:58 in order to save them from the rain. The night show progressed much as usual in spite of the rain with the acts performing under the canopy on the stage.

At 8:00 a.m. FFA dairy cattle and general livestock judging contests opened in the Hippodrome.

Officers and Directors of the Minnesota Livestock Breeder's Association were guests of the State Fair Board at breakfast in the Gopher Club.

Special events on the grounds included: preliminaries of the Safe Tractor Operators Contest sponsored by the State Fair and the Retail Farm Equipment Dealers Association; Assembly at the Farm Boys' Camp; special Pioneer Day programs and movies at the Pioneer Buildings; Mounds View singers and Cloquet pep band in the Education - Home Activities Building. Concerts were given in Administration Park by the Menomonie, Wisconsin Boys Chorus and High School Band; the Minnesota Over 60 Band and Minnesota All-State Youth Orchestra.

The afternoon Grandstand program featured an IMCA 150 lap Midget race plus variety acts.

To commemorate Senior Citizen's Day, special awards were given to two outstanding Senior Citizens of the state. Receiving these awards were Mrs. Roy Holst of Minneapolis and Mr. Ted Zimmerman of Le Center. These awards were presented at a ceremony preceding the night Grandstand show as were concerts by the Minnesota Over 60 Band and the Cloquet Pep Band.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 — CHILDREN'S, LEGISLATIVE - EDITORIAL, RADIO - TV AND IOWA DAY

Skies were mostly sunny with some overcast. A high of 75 degrees was recorded in the late afternoon.

Judging continued in the Poultry Building, Judging Arena, Swine Building and Sheep Building.

A free Children's Day Show was held in the morning featuring The Enemies, The Chieftones and other entertainment from the night Grandstand show. The program was climaxed by special daylight fireworks.

State legislatures, editors and news media representatives were hosted to an "All Minnesota Products" luncheon on the patio of the Conservation Building. An "open house" for these guests was held at the Publicity Head-quarters from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Events taking place on the grounds included: the finals of the Safe Tractor Operators Contest; Hermantown singers and Bertha-Hewitt pep band in the Education-Home Activities Auditorium; Fort Dodge, Iowa Lanciers parade in the Mall; and concert by the Minnesota All-State Youth Orchestra in the 4-H Building and Hippodrome.

Featured at the afternoon Grandstand program were IMCA Speedwaytype big car races and a thrill show plus variety acts.

The Bertha-Hewitt Pep band gave a concert preliminary to the night Grandstand show.

The first Western style horse show was held in the Hippodrome at 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 – CANADA, 4-H CLUB AND FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA DAY

Heavy overcast continued most of the morning with a slight clearing trend in the afternoon. High temperature recorded was 74 degrees in the early afternoon.

Judging of FFA and 4-H livestock started at 7:30 a.m. and continued in all the livestock buildings through the afternoon.

All gates were closed to vehicular traffic at 12:30 p.m. and re-opened at 3:30 p.m. Another daily attendance standard was shattered as 169,437 admissions entered the grounds.

Events taking place on the grounds included: Honor Camper Talent Show at the Farm Boys' Camp; Renville singers, Paynesville pep band and the Petal Tones band concert in the Education - Home Activities Auditorium; Minnesota All-State Youth Orchestra in Administration Park; Indianhead Council Boy Scout Senior Drum and Bugle Corps parade in the Mall; and Norwegian Children and Filipino Folk dancers at the Pioneer Buildings.

The Minnesota Federation of County Fairs held a directors meeting in the Administration Building and remained for lunch as guests of the Fair.

The afternoon Grandstand program featured an IMCA 300 lap stock car race plus variety acts.

The Paynesville pep band played a concert preliminary to the night Grandstand show.

The Western style horse show continued in the Hippodrome with a 7:00 p.m. performance.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 - CONSERVATION AND MINNEAPOLIS DAY

Sunday was slightly cooler with a high of 70 degrees recorded at mid-afternoon. It was windy and clear all day.

All gates were closed to vehicular traffic by 12:50 p.m. and were re-opened at 6:30 p.m. All all-time daily attendance record of 196,839 was recorded this day.

Non-denominational worship services were held in the Crossroads Chapel, at the Farm Boys' Camp and in the 4-H Building.

Special events during the day included: the Minnesota Dahlia Society show in the Ag.-Hort. Building; Kennedy-Bloomington singers and Henning pep band in the Education-Home Activities Auditorium; and the Russian Gozatske dancers at the Pioneer Buildings.

Western style horse shows were staged at $1:00~\mathrm{p.m.}$ and at $7:00~\mathrm{p.m.}$ in the Hippodrome.

The afternoon Grandstand program featured an IMCA 200 lap big car race plus variety acts.

The Henning pep band gave a concert prior to the North Star Spectacular night Grandstand show.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - NORTH STAR "500" AND LABOR DAY

It was clear and cool in the morning. Skies became increasing cloudy in the afternoon with cool northwesterly winds occuring. A high of 63 degrees was recorded at $4:00~\rm p.m.$

Judging of horses began at 7:00 a.m. in the Hippodrome and Judging Arena. The FFA Market Swine were judged at 8:30 a.m. in the Swine Bldg.

Events of the day included: Recognition Assembly at the Farm Boys' Camp; Minnesota Dahlia Society Show in the Ag.-Hort. Building; Staples singers and Howard Lake pep band in the Education - Home Activities Auditorium; Twin City Federal Drum Corp parade in the Mall; and Swedish Children dancers at the Pioneer Buildings.

The final Western style horse show was held in the Hippodrome at $1:00\ \mathrm{p.m.}$

The IMCA "North Star 500" stock car race was featured at the afternoon Grandstand program.

SECTION IV — ORGANIZATION

The 107th annual meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society opened at 10:45 a.m., Monday, January 17 at the Hotel Saint Paul with a short business session. Resolutions and Credentials Committees were appointed. These committees met to conduct business at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 18.

At 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, the State Agricultural Society presented its program of speakers as follows:

Opening remarks - FRED S. LAMMERS

Report of the Treasurer - ROY C. SORENSON

Report of the Secretary - General Manager - JOHN E. LIBBY

Address — MRS. JUNE C. LLOYD, "A Young American Reports on Communist Poland"

The Credentials Committee made its report to the delegates.

On Tuesday evening the combined banquet and ball of the Midwest Showmen's Association, the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs and the State Agricultural Society was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Saint Paul.

At 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 19, the State Agricultural Society conducted a business session. The Resolutions Committee report was presented and the following elections took place:

D. T. GRUSSENDORF, Duluth, President, one-year term.

ROBERT R. ANDREWS, Minneapolis, Vice-President, two-year term.

LORING M. STAPLES, Excelsior, Manager, three-year term.

STAN MUCKLE, Owatonna, Manager, three-year term.

BIRNEY WILKINS, Brainerd, Manager, three-year term.

LEO KESKINEN, Grand Rapids, Manager, unexpired two-year term vacated by D. T. Grussendorf.

FRED S. LAMMERS, Stillwater, Life Member

An initial report of the Hall of Fame Committee, appointed January 6, 1965, was made to the Society by Chairman T. H. Arens. Mr. Arens explained that the purpose of the Hall of Fame was to recognize persons, who by means of their services, had contributed to the success and development of the State of Minnesota through the medium of the State Fair. In accordance with this, Mr. Arens proposed for election the names of six individuals for posthumous membership in this honor society: D. K. Baldwin, Axel Hansen, A. J. McGuire, John Brandt, Charles B. Crandall and T. H. Erickson. These individuals were then duly elected and placed upon the roll of the Hall of Fame with the intention to give these persons due recognition at a suitable permanent location on the Fairgrounds.

On Wednesday afternoon, the Board organized, newly elected members took the oath of office, John E. Libby was re-elected Secretary-General Manager for a term of one year, R. C. Sorenson, Minneapolis, was re-elected for a term of one year and the standing committees and the supervisors and superintendents for the 1966 Fair were named.

SECTION V - FINANCES

part A - Operating Statement

It should be noted that the operating statement, later in this section, includes only receipts and expenditures pertaining directly to the operation of staging the 1966 State Fair together with the maintenance of real estate and other property of the Society during the year.

Total operating receipts of \$2,174,012.20 represent an increase of approximately \$260,000.00 over 1965. This increase is no doubt due to a healthy economy and near ideal weather conditions during last years fair. Operating expenses \$1,763,838.06 represent an increase of approximately \$56,000.00 over 1965.

The difference between the operating receipts and the operating expenses shows an operating gain of \$410,174.14. It should be noted here, however, that the operating statement does not reflect the amount of money expended for improvements to structures, real estate, etc. More than \$360,000.00 was spent for permanent improvements to the plant. If the amount expended for permanent improvements was deducted from the operating gain it would show a net gain of approximately \$50,000.00.

Premiums paid in 1966 totaled \$258,032.00. This represents the second largest amount of premium money ever paid in the history of the Minnesota State Fair and reflects the large number of entries in all departments.

As mentioned above, a total of \$362,395.00 was expended this past year for additions and improvements to real estate and buildings on the Fairgrounds. A more detailed analysis shows that of this amount \$192,110.57 was spent for improvements or additions to structures; \$16,750.57 was expended for improvements to land, streets, and sidewalks; \$61,393.76 was expended for improvements to the electric plant, and \$82,601.26 was expended for the acquisition of additional personal property.

Among the major items included in the improvements to structures are: The completion of the new Administration Building; re-vamping the old Administration Building sight to accommodate Post-Office, Publicity Headquarters, and Medical Aid Center; a new exhibit building and permanent wall complete with cabana-type exhibit booths at the Young America Center; addition of another wing at the Conservation Building; an additional pedestrian bridge spanning Como Avenue at the Underwood Gate; construction of the new Police Station at the corner of Commonwealth and Liggett; removal of the center island in the Agriculture-Horticulture Building to accommodate additional floral displays and reducing the size of the dormitory in that building to accommodate the newly established Christmas Tree Department and a competitive Crop-Arts Display; and re-vamping of the old Police Station to establish a Child-Care Center.

Among the major items included in the amount expended for personal property was the purchase of: furniture and equipment for the new Administration Building; approximately 90 large metal containers and several hundred small fiber containers used in the new sanitation program; and the purchase of additional trucks, tractors and mowers.

OPERATING STATEMENT

For Fiscal Year Ending November 30, 1966

INCOME

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Non-Fair Rentals \$ 68,569 Sale of Materials 1,866 Ticket Sales: Outside Gate 960,620	00
Day Grandstand 197,539. Night Grandstand 145,541.	
Horse Show 51,107.	
Sale of Lambs, Barrows 11,180.	
Sale of Bulk Milk 3,550.	.80
Camp Grounds Receipts 3,337.	.00
U of M 4-H Budget 8,891.	.00
Interest Income	50
Misc. Receipts	.98 \$1,466,761.59
DEPARTMENTAL:	
Agriculture 1,550.	.00
Cattle 4,023.	.00
Dairy 2,854.	
Fine Art	
Forage	
FFA 2.353	.05

Gas & Electric 64,139.52 Gopher Club 2,072.90 Sanitation 172.33

 Sheep & Wool
 1,573.10

 Space Rental
 501,887.22

 Swine
 1,838.00

 Young America
 73,283.00
 \$ 707,250.61

TOTAL OPERATING INCOME\$2,174,012.20

EXPENSE

FAIR:

Administration:		
Annual Meeting\$	1,820.26	
Clerical Salaries	58,146.29	
Expense Accounts	8,145.23	
Officers Salaries	33,483.28	
Postage	5,153.86	
Telephone & Telegraph	10,271.94	\$ 117,020.86

DEPARTMENTAL:

Admissions	\$ 22,904.00	
Agriculture	5,889.94	
Amusements	146,179.69	
Bee	1,959.72	
4H Club	11,798.82	
Cattle	8,442.79	
Conservation	365.00	
	626.22	
	14,505.38	
Education		
Farm Boys Camp	9,761.83	
Fine Arts	3,772.23	
Forage	12,514.17	
FFA	5,237.07	
Gas & Electric	58,583.78	
Gopher Club	5,888.06	
Home Activities	10,012.92	
Horse	29,231.86	
Horticulture	13,233.89	
Hospital	2,190.27	
Legislature	300.85	
Meats	1,463.66	
Mink	514.90	
Plants & Flowers	34,900,99	
Poultry	2,941.17	
Public Safety	60,994.62	
Publicity	129,750.05	
Race	32,448.87	
Sanitation	52,967.17	
Sheep & Wool	1,675.25	
Space Rentals	52,722.17	
	3,351.75	
Ticket Audit	2,020.50	
Treasurers	22,128.51	# 444 004 E1
Young America	15,819.41	\$ 777,097.51

PREMIUMS:

Agriculture	11,978.00	
Bee	727.55	
Boys & Girls 4H Club	26,656.70	
Cattle	27,335.00	
Dairy	3,472.56	
Education	12,586.95	
Fine Arts	2,385.00	
FFA	13,201.28	
Home Activities	2,504.25	
Horse	40,480.00	
Horticulture	5,090.75	
Market Sales	11,616.08	
Milk Sales	2,336.13	
Mink	700.00	
Poultry	6.462.25	
Race	64,615.00	
Sheep	9,103.00	
Swine	16,781.00	\$ 258,031.50
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Expense ((Continued)
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Printing & Office Supplies Retirement Fund Contribution Social Security Contribution Unemployment Compensation Water Non-Fair Rentals Miscellaneous Expenses	25,965.13 12,052.43 12,667.15 4,866.94 6,800.07 11,862.48 2,599.63	
Sundry Fair: Accidents, Illness, Etc. 5,688.62 Ag. Hort. Custodial 2,036.00 Bonds, Insurance Premiums 7,747.48 Dues 1,300.00 Exhibit Expense 8,388.17 Fire Protection 10,011.50 Hippodrome Custodial 1,502.50 Laundry Service 649.14 Legal Service 5,216.00 Signs 1,978.76 Territorial Pioneers 965.75 U of M Budget 8,891.00 Child Care Center 346.50	54,721,42	
Child Care Center 346.50	04,721.42	
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION:		
Labor General:		
Setup & Take Down Fair 59,396.13 General Maintenance 70,163.38 Vacation, Welfare, Pension 7,215.88 Watchmen Service 12,832.18 Fair Week Labor 35,355.45	184,963.02	
Vehicle & Personal Prop. Maintenance Electric Plant Maintenance Fuel, Oil, Gasoline Repairs to Structures Supplies	12,706.32 12,897.80 7,341.61 46,639.24 13,139.93	
Land Maintenance: Fence & Guard Rails 874.11 Grading, Sodding, Trees, Shrubs	10,100.00	
Sewer System 776.64 Streets & Sidewalks 4,723.16 Water Distribution System 4,977.82	27,697.60	
Electric Plant Depreciation Personal Property Depreciation Structures Depreciation Storm Damage	13,054.42 18,080.19 143,155.56 477.25	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE		.\$1,763.838.06
NET OPERATING GAIN		
		,,

\$11,440,005.77

part B - Balance Sheet

The balance sheet shows \$10,257,586.32 credited to real estate resources. This represents an increase of approximately \$75,000.00 after deducting depreciation in the amount of \$390,971.05.

The new street lights and other improvements to the Electric Plant have increased its value to \$309,427.70, an increase of approximately \$48,000.00 over 1965.

The personal property inventory amounts to \$242,518.01. This represents fixtures, equipment, tools and furniture and reflects an increase of approximately \$62,000.00 over 1965.

The amount of \$532.83 represents the amount of postage on the meter machine, miscellaneous stamps, and pre-stamped postal cards.

Cash and securities at the end of the fiscal year totaled \$603,606.83. This figure is made up of \$106,936.83 in the general fund; \$1,000.00 in a contingent fund; \$10,000.00 in the payroll fund to insure against over-drafts of payrolls; and \$485,670.00 invested in U.S. treasury bills. Accounts receivable amount to \$26,334.08.

The total resources of the Society are \$11,440,005.77. It is estimated that this figure is probably ¼ the replacement cost of the facilities.

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY BALANCE SHEET November 30, 1966

RESOURCES

RESOUR	CES
Real Estate	
Land	\$ 655,413.49
Structures\$9,133,5	76.61
Less: Reserve for Depr 390,9	71.05 8,742,605.56
	
Fences & Guard Rails	
Flag Poles	961.89
Gas Distribution System	68,555.78
Sewer System Inventory	247,876.83
Sidewalk Inventory	75,386.22
Stonework Inventory	39,767.39
Streets, Curbs, Gutters	302,122.70
Water Distribution System	83,044.00 10,257,586.32
Electric Plant Inventory	
Personal Property Inventory	
Postage Inventory	
Cash & Securities:	
Cash— General Fund	106,936.83
Cash— Contingent Fund	1,000.00
Cash—Payroll Fund	10,000.00
U.S. Treasury Bills	485,670.00 603,606.83
Accounts Receivable	26,334.08
-accounts reconsulate	
	\$11,440,005.77
LIABILITIES AN	ID CAPITAL
Accounts Payable	
Surplus Available	626,208.12
Investment in Plant	
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SECTION VI — ATTENDANCE AND RECEIPT CHARTS

ATTENDANCE, OUTSIDE GATES, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1962 to 1966

Day	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Friday (half-day)	35,578				
Saturday	132,619	125,905	124,464*	104,985	100,559
Sunday	174,556	114,484*	149,288*	153,690	140,044
Monday	125,846	89,381*	115,622	100,814	102,440
Tuesday	104,149	98,668	92,458*	87,858*	84,929*
Wednesday	106,231	109,439	102,708*	109,693	100,190
Thursday	96,633*	105,037	99,690*	101,919	67,040*
Friday	111,784	107,711	104,141	91,705	77,072
Saturday	169,437	146,533*	164,905	147,032	143,263
Sunday	196,839	185,280	172,644*	183,018	162,726
Monday	106,078	94,195*	102,554*	102,411*	91,941*
Totals1	,359,750	1,176,633	1,228,474	1,183,125	1,070,204
* Rain					
Friday (Preparation Day not included in years					
1962 thru 1965)		15,954	16,554	12,885	15,666

RECEIPTS FROM SALE OF TICKETS AND CASH ADMISSIONS AT OUTSIDE GATES, GRANDSTAND AND HORSE SHOWS MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

Day	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962
Friday	\$ 11,736.50	\$ 6,848.00	\$ 4,326.50	\$ 2,671.25	\$ 5,111.75
Saturday	113,637.75	111,712.04	123,108.92	82,675.93	75,248.42
Sunday	187,676.50	130,779.89	149,566.79	144,550.65	138,482.80
Monday	85,379.25	47,172.74	77,480.29	65,459.17	64,287.03
Tuesday	96,552.75	81,991.41	81,927.50	69,552.69	67,714.02
Wednesday	95,882.75	96,461.76	91,450.77	89,295.90	85,801.87
Thursday	93,312.75	96,760.97	93,683.54	98,255.66	54,861.08
Friday	80,311.75	79,322.60	74,649.92	72,971.15	46,688.81
Saturday	177,848.25	148,515.70	151,141.54	136,344.80	130,542.53
Sunday	221,673.75	204,791.58	183,205.44	192,911.20	172,868.61
Monday	141,913.75	129,482.41	138,145.07	118,539.50	124,899.14
Jobbers Strip					
& Advance		35,059.75	17,028.75	15,329.00	13,533.75
Cash Admis	-				
sions					
(Round-up)	7,688.00	5,804.25	5,956.00	5,849.75	6,198.75
Cancelled					
Grandstand					
Shows Unc					
ed Refund	s	262.77	391.05		118.93
TOTALS	1,355,391.50	1,174,965.87	1,192,062.08	1,094,406.65	986,357.49
Less Reserve		_,,	_,,_,_	2,002,200.00	000,001110
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Exchanged		518.60	903.25	819.00	1,585.00
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	1 353 284 50	\$1,174,447.27	\$1 191 158 93	\$1,093,587,65	\$984 772 49
TOTALS 9	1,000,204.00	Ψ1,117,771.21	Ψ1,101,100.00	Ψ1,000,001.00	Ψυυτ, 112.40

SCALE - Horse Show - 1962 thru 1966 - \$1.00, 1.50, 2.00.

 ${\tt SCALE-Grandstand}$ - 1962 thru '65 - \$.50, 1.00, 1.46, 1.91, 2.36, 2.82, 3.27 net 1966 - \$.50, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY (MINNESOTA STATE FAIR) FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS — 1957 to 1966 inclusive

Year		Cash Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year	State Appropria- tions	Receipts	Grand Total Incl. Balance at Beginning of Year	Total Disbursements for Year	Cash Balance at end of Fiscal Year
1957		561,685.13	None	\$ 1,317,919.71	\$ 1,879,604.84	\$ 1,463,648.50	\$ 415,956.34
1958		415,956.34	"	1,342,239.73	1,758,196.07	1,352,624.11	405,571.96
1959		405,571.96	"	1,405,067.94	1,810,639.90	1,498,792.11	311,847.79
1960		311,847.79	"	1,304,650.18	1,616,497.97	1,387,375.84	229,122.13
1961		229,122.13	,,	1,458,977.08	1,688,099.21	1,330,104.65	357,994.56
1962		357,994.56	"	1,567,016.93	1,925,011.49	1,510,537.71	414,473.78
1963		414,473.78	"	1,730,073.64	2,144,547.42	1,597,949.11	546,598.31
1964		546,598.31	"	2,070,284.03	2,616,882.34	1,990,375.53	626,506.81
1965		626,506.81	"	2,009,643.37	2,636,150.18	2,192,932.95	443,217.23
1966		443,217.23	"	2,217,588.15	2,660,805.38	2,057,198.55	603,606.83
A	verage	\$ 431,297.40	None	1,642,346.08	2,073,643.49	1,638,153.91	435,489.57

ATTENDANCE, GRANDSTAND - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR - 1962 to 1966

	19	166	196	35	196	34	196	33	196	2
	Day	Nite	Day	Nite	Day	Nite	Day	Nite	Day	Nite
Friday		2,428			982				1,859	
Saturday	8,875	10,521	10,309	6,137	20,558	5,471	10,970	5,133	8,578	5,793
Sunday	11,877	9,702	8,229*	*	17,470	8,408	13,023	7,064	14,087	5,867
Monday	7,891	6,840	3,319*	1,980*	9,872	6,792	7,686	3,943	7,385	4,542
Tuesday	6,956	7,601	6,587	3,861	8,243	7,260	6,288	4,674	5,667*	4,332
Wednesday	5,445	7,938	6,435	4,754	9,062	8,370	9,810	6,327	9,624	5,369
Thursday	4,541	8,836*	7,136	8,128	9,366	9,121	9,733	9,683	*	2,390*
Friday	6,192	8,161	5,695	6,521	7,747	8,385	8,255	8,425	4,704*	5,612
Saturday	13,146	14,242	9,173	9,330*	13,989	14,409	14,529	13,259	15,142	10,222
Sunday	16,000	14,579	13,690	12,495	17,673	13,980	18,607	14,422	18,389	11,310
Monday	18,091		13,994	2,176*	*	16,770	16,770	3,416	19,245	1,613*
Totals	98,971	90,881	84,567	55,382	137,789	82,196	115,671	76,346	104,680	57,050
Grand Totals	189	,852	139	,949	219,	985	192	,017	161,	730

^{*} Rain

REPORT OF THE TREASURER 1966

To the Governing Board, State Agricultural Society: Gentlemen:

Herewith	find my	report a	as Treasurer	of	the	State	Agricultural	Society
for the fiscal	year endi:	ng Noven	nber 30, 196	36.			_	•

Balance in the General Fund, December 1, 1965 \$176,257.56 Balance in the Contingent Fund, December 1, 1965 1,000.00 Balance in the Payroll Fund, December 1, 1965 10,000.00 Balance in the Premium Fund, December 1, 1965 11,115.17 Balance in U.S. Treasury Bills, December 1, 1965 . 244,844.50	
Total Cash Receipts\$2,217,588.15 Total Cash Disbursements 2,057,198.55	\$443,217.23
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	\$160,389.60 603,606.83

\$603,606.83

Respectfully submitted,
Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer

Minneapolis, Minnesota November 30, 1966

LAND INVENTORY—STATE FAIR GROUNDS November 30, 1966

FAIR GROUNDS PROPER—250 Acres inside fences: ITEMS

- SEI/4 Section 21, Twp. 29N R. 23W—160 Acres, less approximately 1.69 acres (more or less) abutting the west side of Highway 51 (Snelling Ave.) between Commonthwealth Ave. and Como Ave. which was acquired by the State Highway Department in 1964 for the improvement of said Highway 51.
- S1/2 E1/2 SW1/4 Section 21, Twp. 29N, R. 23W—(40 Acres less approximately 33,558 sq. ft. abutting the west side of Highway 51 from Randall Ave. to Hoyt Ave. acquired by the State Highway Department in 1948 for widening of Highway 51.
- 3. E½ E½ SW¼ Section 21, Twp. 29N., R. 23W.-(40 Acres)
- 4. E1/2 W1/2 E1/2 S1/2 SW1/4 Section 21, Twp. 29N., R. 23W.-(10 Acres)
- 5. Also commencing at a point on the North line of Section 28, Twp. 29N. R. 23W., where said line is intersected by the center line of Como Avenue, being 195 feet west from the northwest corner of the NWI/a of said section 28, thence along the center line of Como Avenue in a westerly direction to a point where southerly extension of west line of the east one-half of the west one-half of the south one-half of the southwest quarter of Section 21, Twp. 29 N., Range 29W. intersects the center line of Como Avenue, thence northerly on the aforesaid extended line to the north line of Section 28, thence due east along the North line of Section 28, to the point of beginning, containing two and one-half acres, more or less—2½ Acres.

Total inside fences-2521/2 Acres.

Of the above property, Items 1 and 3 (200 Acres) were the original gift from the County of Ramsey in 1885.

Item 2 was acquired by purchase in 1907.

Items 4 and 5 were acquired by exchange of real estate with the University of Minnesota in 1936.

Outside of its fences the M.S.A.S. owns the following land: Parcels:

- 1. Parcel "A." The easterly 415 feet of the SE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 21, Twp. 29N., R. 23W., of the fourth principal Meridian, Ramsey County, Minnesota, except that portion taken by the State of Minnesota for highway purposes and except that part lying southerly of a line parallel and distant 33.0 feet North of the South Line of the NE1/4 of Section 21, Twp. 29N., R. 23W. This plot was acquired by purchase from the University in 1959 and contains approximately 4.82 Acres.
- 2. Property at the Northeast corner of Raymond Ave. and Como Ave. W., being all of Block 50, St. Anthony Park North, St. Paul except part of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 15, and 16 condemned by the City of St. Paul for new Street (Cleveland Ave.) and except Lots 17 and 18 sold to City of St. Paul for a Pumping Station. Acquired by purchase from University of Minnesota in 1908. Contains approximately 2.15 Acres.
- 3. Property South of Como Ave. consisting of:
 EV2 of Lots 2 and 9, and Lots 3 and 8, Block 1.
 EV2 of Lots 2 and 9, and Lots 3 and 8, Block 2.
 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 9 to 23 both inclusive, Block 3 (St. Anthony Park, St. Paul)
 Lots 1 to 11, both inclusive, Mitchell's addition to St. Paul. Lots 1 to 28, both inclusive, Block 4, St. Anthony Park, St. Paul. These lots, and parts of lots, were the original terminal property. The Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railway own jointly the West V2 of lots 2 and 9, Block 1, St. Anthony Park, St. Paul. These lots were acquired at various dates from 1885 through 1918 by purchase and by condemnation from about ten different owners. The plot contains approximately 10.88 Acres.
- 4. Property South of Como Ave. consisting of: Lots 1 to 13, and 16 to 30 inclusive, Block 2, Long's addition to St. Paul. Lots 4 to 7, Block 1 and Lots 4 to 7, Block 2, St. Anthony Park. Lots 1 to 30, inclusive, Block 2, Wynne's Addition to St. Paul, together with any portion of any vacated street or alley lying adjacent there-to. Bounded on the North by Como Avenue, east by Winston, south by Wynne, west by State Fair Grounds property. This is the parcel of ground known as "the Street Railway Dump." It was acquired by purchase from Transit Supply Company in 1954, and contains approximately 10.8 Acres.

- 5. Property South of Como Ave. consisting of:
 That part of the South ½ of the NW¼ of the NW¼ of Section 28, Twp. 29N.,
 R. 23W., east of the extended center line of Packard St. and West of the joint
 right of way of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways State Fair Spur.
 South of Wynne St. and North of the Main Line of the Great Northern Railway.
 This property was tax forfeited and was acquired from the City of St. Paul through
 the forfeited tax land department in 1955. Contains 10.96 Acres.
- 6. Property East of Snelling Ave.:
 Lots 13 and 14 in Block 3, Lake Park Addition, St. Paul. This parcel of land, two city lots on the corner of Snelling Ave. and Canfield St., is a part of the so called "Saunders Property." Originally the whole block was owned by the Society, acquired in 1906 or 1907 because the tenant at that time was said to have run a "blind pig" during the period of the Fair. In 1917 all of the block except these two lots was sold to the Jewish Home Society, and a Home for the Aged built. In 1923 by agreement with the Fire Department of the City of St. Paul, the Fair built a Fire Station on this property. Under the agreement the City maintains the station, with extra equipment assigned during Fair Week, and regular equipment the entire year. The Fair furnished the building and the site. Approximately .166 Acres.
- 7. That part of the South Half of the North Half of the Northeast Quarter (\$\Sigma V2NV2NEV4\$) of Section Twenty-eight (28), Township Twenty-nine (29) North, Range Twenty-three (23) West, Fourth Principal Meridian, according to the United States government survey, more particularly described as follows:

 Beginning at a point in the south line of said subdivision, distant two hundred eighty-one (281) feet westerly, measured along said south line, from the southwest corner of that certain sixty (60) foot wide strip of land conveyed to the \$\St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company, by deed dated October 7, 1885, filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ramsey County, Minnesota, on October 21, 1885, in Book 132 of Deeds, page 474; thence easterly along said south line a distance of two hundred eighty-one (281) feet to said southwest corner of said sixty (60) foot wide strip of land, thence northerly along the west line of said sixty (60) foot wide strip of land a distance of four hundred sixty-two (462) feet to a point; thence to the point of beginning along a line curving southwesterly and having a radius of five hundred forty-eight and seven-tenths (548.7) feet. Contains approximately .62 Acre.

Originally, the State Fair Grounds was in Rose Township of Ramsey County, Minnesota, within the corporate limits of neither St. Paul nor Minneapolis. In 1954, when Falcon Heights voted to become a village, that part of the grounds which lies north of Como Avenue was included in the Village of Falcon Heights. All that part of the grounds lying South of Como Ave., the 2½ acres within the fence (Item 5); property at Como Ave. and Raymond (Parcel 2); and the two lots numbered thirteen and fourteen in Block 3, Lake Park addition, (Parcel 6) are within the corporate limits of the City of St. Paul.

Value Dec. 1, 1965	Added for Improvement	Decrease In Value or Depreciation	Nov. 30, 1966 Present Value Approval
Electric Plant\$261,088.36	\$61,393.76	\$13,054.42	\$309,427.70
Fence and Guard Rails 39,706.95	2,145.51		41,852.46
Flag Poles 961.89			961.89
Gas Distribution System 68,355.78	200.00		68,555.78
Sewer System 243,794.30	4,082.53		247,876.83
Sidewalks 71,297.68	4,088.54		75,386.22
Stonework 39,767.39			39,767.39
Streets, Curbs and Gutters 295,366.58	6,756.12		302,122.70
Water Distribution System 79,733.20	3,310.80		83,044.00
Personal Property Inventory 180,801.94	82,601.26	20,885.19	242,518.01
Inventories: Postage	***************************************	150.36	532.83

Structu	ire No.	Value Dec. 1, 1965	Deducted or Added for Improvement	Nov. 30, 1966 Present Value Approved	Depreciated Value
111	Farm Boy's Camp	\$ 39,982.76		\$ 39,982.76	\$ 37,927.55
121	Warehouse	23,681.17	425.75	24,106.92	22,870.54
122	Unloading Pit	3,536.24		3,536.24	3,536.24
151 171	Toilet	11,999.50 536.32		11,999.50 5 3 6.32	11,999.50 536.32
172	Camp Grounds Toilet	16,360.89		16,360.89	15,788.25
173	Ass't. Secretary's Residence .	24,622.90	5.72	24,628.62	23,615.19
174	Camp Grounds Kitchen	223.00		223.00	223.00
176	Camp Grounds Office	1,493.05		1,493.05	1,493.05
181 183	Camp Grounds Turnstile State Exhibits Bldg	136.00 78,185.81		136.00 78,185.81	136.00 78,185.81
211	Asst. Supt. Residence	18,825.93	546.69	19,372.62	18,870.23
241	Toilet	3,269.00		3,269.00	3,269.00
242	Machinery Dept. Office	478.00		478.00	478.00
261	Dairy Bldg	60,262.28		60,262.28	60,262.28
262 271	4-H Club Bldg	505,704.43	4,905.99	510,610.42	485,263.19
272	Blacksmith Shop	8,669.93 953.00	189.35	8,859.28 953.00	8,859.28 953.00
273	Barn No. 1	4,070.00	56.22	4,126.22	4,126.22
274	Barn No. 2	4,070.00		4,070.00	4,070.00
275	Barn No. 3	4,070.00		4,070.00	4,070.00
276	Barn No. 4	4,070.00		4,070.00	4,070.00
277 278	Barn No. 5	4,390.43 6,072.44		4,390.43	4,390.43
279	Animal Hospital	1,702.62		6,072.44 1,702.62	6,072.44 1,702.62
279-A	Race Office	1,489.05		1,489.05	1,489.05
279-B	Teen Dance Pavilion		648.28	29,157.29	28,658.38
279-C	Teen Center		51,492.56	51,492.56	51,492.56
279-D 281	Toilet	002 000 00	2,335.00	2,335.00	2,335.00
282	Race Track ,	223,820.09 94,156.07	2,841.95	226,662.04 94,156.07	226,662.04 90,285.34
283	Underpass to Race Track	11,960.00		11,960.00	11,960.00
284	East Bleachers	144,598.41	2,669.19	147,267.60	139,676.19
285	Ticket Booth	2,608.44		2,608.44	2,608.44
286	Grandstand		558.60	1,002,709.38	952,762.66
287 288	West Bleachers Check Room	70,174.32 2,497.01		70,174.32 2,497.01	66,436.42 2,497.01
289	Sanitation Bldg	13,346.43		13,346.43	12,645.75
289-A	Mink Bldg	15,889.54		15,889.54	15,058.74
289-B	Infield Scoreboard	15,643.37		15,643.37	15,643.37
301	Toilet	15,172.30		15,172.30	14,375.75
311 312	Industrial Bldg	30,425.08		30,425.08	30,425.08
321	Old F.M. Bldg Education Bldg	2,000.00 324,590.33	1,386.08	2,000.00 325,9 7 6.41	1,930.00 319,286.89
322	Home Activities Annex	12,887.43		12,887.43	12,887.43
323	Home Activities Bldg	108,897.75	1,808.30	110,706.05	110,706.05
331	Service Bldg	271,784.24	23,471.05	295,255.29	283,689.29
332	Administration Bldg	124,830.66	16,851.64	141,682.30	139,497.76
341 342	Gopher Statue Crossroads Bldg	27,845.65	5,401.19	5,401.19 27,845.65	5,401.19 27,845.65
351	Conc. & Exhibits Bldg	347,116.56		347,116.56	329,463.00
361	NSP Bldg	100,227.16		100,227.16	94,965.76
362	Child Care Center	19,197.40	2,796.45	21,993.85	20,986.00
365	Toilet	15,577.08		15,577.08	14,759.29
366 368	Sign Shop	510.00 10.055.00		510.00 10,055.00	510.00 10.055.00
371	Toilet	4,786.27	65.00	4,851.27	4,851.27
372	Ramp to Grandstand	83,478.85		83,478.85	79,016.03
401	Toilet	11,862.18	70.00	11,932.18	11,296.54
402	Police Station		15,299.08	15,299.08	15,299.08
411 412	Horse Barn Outside Horse Stalls	687,975.19	45.43	688,020.62	657,168.49
412	Arcade Bldg	20,241.21 114,878.69		20,241.21 114,878.69	20,241.21 109,684.03
422	Commissary Bldg	178,539.11		175,539.11	170,573.45
423	Sheep-Poultry Barn	245,297.30	2,117.45	247,414.75	234,611.15
431	Conservation Bldg	89,688.81	17,847.11	107,535.92	102,639.46
432 433	Conservation Pool	4,928.19 1,317.37	100.00	5,028.19 1,317.37	5,028.19 1,31 7. 37
433 441	Pioneer Portrait Hall	31,174.59		31,174.59	29,537.92
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		Value	Deducted or Added for	Nov. 30, 1966 Present Value	Depreciated
		Dec. 1, 1965	Improvement	Approved	Value
444	Toilet	24,715.52		24,715.52	23,417.96
445	Information Bldg	147.00		147.00	147.00
446	Territorial Log Cabin	11,307.51		11,307.51	10,713.87
447	WCCO Bidg	2,557.46		2,557.46	2,557.46
451	Agric. Horticulture Bldg	591,979.02	3,220.93	595,199.95	564,404.21
461	Officers' Cottage	7,852.55	12.39	7,864.94	7,864.94
462	Greenhouse	11,919.37	836.64	12,756.01	12,756.01
463	Como-Snelling Gate	3,950.31	4,343.60	8,293.91	8,224.78
464	Toilet	17,451.43	49.56	17,500.99	16,618.38
465	Supt. Residence	1,632.62	155.94	1,788.56	1,788.56
466	Officers Quarters		6,137.55	6,137.55	6,137.55
474	Degree of Honor Bldg	1,417.26		1,417.26	1,417.26
476	Boy Scout Shower Room	2,503.57		2,503.57	2,503.57
491	Loop Pedestrian Gate	8,347.20		8,347.20	8,347.20
501	Hippodrome	1,292,865.33		1,292,865.33	1,225,987.77
502	Hippodrome Gate	1,955.00		1,955.00	1,955.00
511	Livestock Pavilion	852,134.82	3,828.79	855,963.61	814,431.67
512	Livestock Arch	149,171.77		149,171.77	141,350.11
513	Outside Cattle Pens	14,936.19		14,936.19	14,936.19
521	Swine Barn	464,465.53	177.59	464,643.12	440,327.27
522	Swine Barn Annex	42,050.72		42,050.72	39,844.99
531	West Commonwealth Gate	785.00		785.00	785.00
532	Canfield Gate	1,910.00		1,910.00	1,910.00
533	Judging Arena	56,552.48	2,218.79	58,771.27	56,805.81
534	Toilet Bldg		2,299.95	2,299.95	2,299.95
541	Como Ave. Bridge #1	12,279.44		12,279.44	12,064.55
551	Como Ave. Bridge #2		13,868.61	13,868.61	13,868.61
552	Como Entrance		1,026.15	1,026.15	1,026.15
601	Fire Station	12,059.00		12,059.00	12,059.00
602	Transportation Office	909.00		909.00	909.00
603	Freight Terminals	10,253.00		10,253.00	10,253.00
604	Store Bldg	3,865.32		3,865.32	3,865.32
Nava dina	Total	\$8,941,466.04	\$192,110.57	\$9,133,576.61	\$8,742,605.56

SUMMARY OF DEPRECIATED INVENTORIES

Land		\$	655,413.49
Structure	s		8,742,605.56
Utilities			1,168,994.97
Personal	Property		242,518.01
Postage		,.	532 83

TABLE 1 - SUMMARY OF OUTSIDE GATE ADMISSIONS, - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966

DAID ADMISSIONS	Fri. Aug. 26	Sat. Aug. 27	Sun. Aug. 28	Mon. Aug. 29	Tues. Aug. 30	Wed. Aug. 31	Thurs. Sept. 1	Fri. Sept. 2	Sat. Sept. 3	Sun. Sept. 4	Mon. Sept. 5	Total Paid	Total Non-paid	Total Paid & Non-paid
PAID ADMISSIONS Adults, 50c tickets	16 745	613										17,358		
Adults & Autos, \$1 tickets	•		113,755	53,767	61,874	62,391	56,593	61,317	109,689	130,156	65,737	804,175		
Adult discount, 75c tickets		3,816	5,152	4,191	4,301	4,411	4,340	3,857	4,226	4,621	4,118	43,117		
Teen Age, 75c tickets		13,011	15,596	3,484	12,618	12,523	10,967	4,239	15,580	17,758	9,078	114,854		
Auto, 50c tickets		3,308	4,205	1,739	2,001	2,133	1,807	2,139	4,359	4,152	2,666	28,509		
4-H Club	. 18	86	562	227	301	412	362	846	7 5	18	20	2,927		
Round-Up, Adults & Auto, \$1		279	1,326	559	606	576	521	235	1,273	1,641	85 7	7,873		
Round-Up, Teen Age, 75c		25								1	• • • • • •	26		
Total Paid	16,881	110,000	140,596	63,967	81, 7 01	82,446	74,590	72,633	135,202	158,347	82,476	1,018,839		
NON-PAID														
Adults - free	3,391	11											3,402	
Children - free		22,608	33,960	61,879	22,448	23,785	22,043	39,151	34,235	38,492	23,602		322,203	
Total - Non-paid	3,391	22,619	33,960	61,879	22,448	23,785	22,043	39,151	34,235		23,602		325,605	1,344,444
GRAND TOTALS Paid & Non-paid	20,272	132,619	174,556	125,846	104,149	106,231	96,633	111,784	169,437	196,839	106,078			

TABLE II - SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966

	Friday		urday		nday		nday		esday		nesday		rsday
	August 26	Aug	ust 27	Augı	ust 28	Aug	ust 29	Augi	ust 30	Augu	ıst 31		mber 1
	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night
PAID ADMISSIONS						•	_						
Grandstand Box	. 191	254	431	380	868	260	383	225	439	131	410	135	402
Grandstand Reserve	. 494	4,416	6,399	5,830	6,265	3,534	3,463	3,726	4,443	2,863	5,018	2,008	5,450
Grandstand Un-Reserve	. 360	3,359	2,278	5,184	1,853	2,831	1,061	2,089	1,858	1,284	1,550	1,462	1,372
Grandstand Children							1,044	33					
Total Paid	. 1,045	8,029	9,108	11,394	8,986	6,625	5,951	6,073	6,740	4,278	6,978	3,605	7,224
Totals Day and Night		17,	.137	20	,380	12,5	76	12,8	313	11,	256	10	,829
NON-PAID ADMISSIONS													
Grandstand - Tax Free	. 4	76	89	90	98	415	19	124	59	78	152	83	218
Grandstand - Statistical	. 1,294	691	1,135	255	424	774	695	682	591	601	570	758	1,140
Grandstand - Plaza Box	. 85	79	189	138	194	77	175	67	211	488	238	95	254
Total Non-Paid	1.383	846	1,413	483	716	1,266	889	873	861	1,167	960	936	1,612
Totals Day and Night	. 1.383	2	.259	1	.199	2.1	55	1,7	734	2,	127	2	2,548
Grand Total - Paid & Non-Paid .		8,875	10,521	11,877	9,702	7,891 [°]	6,840	6,956	7,601	5,445	7,938	4,541	8,836
Grand Total - Day and Night .			,396		,579	14,7	31	14,5		13.	383	13	3,377

TABLE II - SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966 (Continued)

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		iday		urday		ınday	Monday September 5	Totals	Paid	Totals Day &
		mber 2	•	nber 3		ember 4				
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Day	Night	Night
PAID ADMISSIONS										
Grandstand Box	160	430	500	428	651	437	591	3,287	4,419	7,706
Grandstand Reserve	3,047	4,744	5,746	7,755	7,490	6,981	9,043	47,703	51,012	98,715
Grandstand Un-Reserve	2,027	967	5,517	4,600	6,388	5,642	6,166	36,307	21,541	57,848
Grandstand Children		738							1,815	1,815
Total Paid	5.234	6,879	11.763	12,783	14.529	13,060	15,800	87,297	78,787	.,
Totals Day and Night		2,113		,546		589	15,8		,,	166,084
NON-PAID ADMISSIONS		•			,		,			
Grandstand - Tax Free	105	165	204	420	65	7	44	1,284	1,231	2,515
Grandstand - Statistical	736	681	1,041	796	1,245	1,248	2,088	8,871	8,574	17,445
Grandstand - Plaza Box	117	436	138	243	161	264	159	1,519	2,289	3,808
Total Non-Paid	958	1,282	1,383	1,459	1,471	1,519	2,291	11,674	12,094	-,
*Totals Day and Night		2,240		.842		990	2,29		,	23,768
Grand Totals - Paid & Non-Paid	6,192	8,161	13,146	14,242	16,000	14,579	18,091	98,971	90,881	•
Grand Totals - Day and Night		4,353		,388		579	18,09		. 5,50	189,852

TABLE III - SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO HIPPODROME - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966

• •	Fri. Aug. 26		urday ust 27		nday ust 28	Mon. Aug. 2	Tues. 9 Aug. 30	Wed. Aug. 3	Fri. 1 Sept. 2	Sat. Sept. 3		nday mber 4	Mon. Sept. 5	T	otals	Totals Day &
PAID ADMISSIONS	Nite	Day	Nite	Day	Nite	Nite	Nite	Nite	Nite	Nite	Day	Nite	Day	Day	Nite	Nite
Box Seats	229	247	484	381	612	486	649	699	63 0	782	532	751	410	1,570	5,322	6,892
Reserve Seats	97	443	821	610	801	867	1,002	1,320	1,285	2,082	1,173	1,732	603	2,829	10,007	12,836
Unreserved Seats	189	713	909	1,385	1,410	1,092	926	1,060	1,242	2,103	1,515	2,007	1,123	4,736	10,938	15,674
Total Paid	515	1,403	2,214	2,376	2,823	2,445	2,577	3,079	3,157	4,967	3,220	4,490	2,136	9,135	26,267	
Totals Day & Nite	515	3,0	517	5,	199	2,445	2,577	3,079	3,157	4,967	7,7	10	2,136			35,402
NON-PAID ADMISSIONS									*							
Tax Free	16	30	96	45	125	119	122	177	135	211	73	183	91	239	1,184	1,423
Statistical	• •••		• • •		• • •	•••			• - •	•••				•••	• • •	
Total Non-Paid	. 16	30	96	45	125	119	122	177	135	211	73	183	91	239	1,184	
Totals Day & Nite	. 16		126		170	119	122	177	135	211		256	91			1,423
Grand Total Paid & Non-Paid.	. 531	1,433	2,310	2,421	2,948	2,564	2,699	3,256	3,292	5,178	3,293	4,673	2,227	9,374	27,451	
Grand Total Day & Nite	531	3,7	743	5,3	369	2,564	2,699	3,256	3,292	5,178	7,9	66	2,227			36,825

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FROM PERCENTAGE ATTRACTIONS - MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966

• • •	Friday Aug. 26	Saturday Aug. 27	Sunday Aug. 28	Monday Aug. 29	Tuesday Aug. 30	Wednesday Aug. 31	Thursday Sept. 1	Friday Sept. 2	Saturday Sept. 3	Sunday Sept. 4	Monday Sept. 5	TOTAL
Other than Carnival:		7.1-31			7.1-gc				304			
Old Mill	152.51	913.56	871.88	731,46	737.93	791.83	585.96	642.53	842.01	856.26	439.45	7,565.38
Carrousel		278.69	424.45	386.26	378.46	386.10	491.96	306.40	473.93	579.96	295.11	4,028.13
Big John Iron Mine		48.09	56.48	58.50	32.06	30.53	. 33.51	27.08	50.30	71.86	20.16	428.57
Trackless Train		146,25	156.20	130.80	124,55	129.05	112.50	100.35	154.08	238.48	114.80	1,407.06
Antique Car Show		591.00	629.75	337.63	356.25	329.00	298.38	324.00	744.88	867.13	434,23	4,912.25
Sky Ride		1,251.20	1,265.10	984,42	851,63	898.30	817.55	937,92	1,347,23	1,311,40	2,258,43	12,059.92
Space Tower		669.85	812.35	519.75	467.20	478.50	394.80	493.10	908.20	989.35	428.45	6,230.80
Total other												
than Carnival	\$385.32	3,898.64	4,216.21	3,148.82	2,948.08	3,043.31	2,734.66	2,831.38	4,520.63	4,914.44	3,990.63	36,632.12
ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS												
Side Show	. 129.02	1,259.21	1,576.82	1,042,43	755,63	807.30	712.68	1,005.55	1,872,41	2,002.78	875.10	12,038.93
Side Show Inside		244.40	265.44	225,15	128.37	135.52	123.64	197.93	371.00	382.95	188.90	2,291.09
Snake Show		36.47	39.26	39,19	23.14	19.70	16.28	31.01	65.49	85.91	34.44	395.83
Glass House		270.96	306.15	283,19	203.62	198.33	201.86	221.30	361.46	421.12	185.60	2,699.49
Motordrome		763.59	902.12	532.60	442.08	443.30	367.06	504.70	1,010,27	1,218.47	555.90	6,859.13
Harlem Revue		329.88	552.50	137.96	149.01	164.12	130.20	310.45	742.50	1,093.50	271.20	3,917.39
Club Lido		1,313.97	1,429.68	661.70	553.80	693.55	581.70	519.05	1,558.88	1,899.75	726.80	10,134.21
Hoot N Holler		154.86	175.09	220.17	125.21	129,43	120.66	149.03	227.06	262.03	97,90	1,683.05
Ghost Ship		114.24	146.25	145.27	99.69	92.38	86.45	101.08	181.31	204.19	73.30	1,260.81
Monkey Show		135.85	214.73	136.09	96.79	115.76	57.58	131.62	261.88	316.20	119.26	1,600.79
Hofbrauhaus		467.97	473.54	650.88	336.24	346.03	296.45	445.16	639.19	677.38	277.34	4,610.18
African Safari		192.32	239.93	227.50	117.49	106.60	98.87	148.93	255.46	329,25	99.80	1,840.77
Mad World		321.91	466.26	474.79	256,96	258.10	218.67	335.89	530.12	584.20	237.30	3,721.74
Wax Museum		217.75	221.98	239.69	152.67	150.31	110.60	217.11	322,69	375.28	145.80	2,189.55
Snowman		219.22	204.67	184,19	104.16	86.62	72.62	156.24	300.60	364.98	142.80	1,852.10
Upsidedown Man		66.98	100.06	72.15	32.86	30.22	26.60	60.16	121.20	165.34	64.84	747.87
Creatures		203.48	215.80	160.68	89.41	83.53	66.08	140.49	281.63	308.88	120.88	1,694.36
Midget Horse		148.07	172.94	119.51	79.11	86.64	75 .85	115.54	228.03	323.04	102.16	1,469.29
Torture Show		643.27	747,22	597.14	369.96	355.73	312.44	470.52	826.13	934.90	435.78	5,809.29
Barn		412.46	447.83	612.97	310.65	317.93	302.21	462.35	680.92	784.28	290.22	4,706.56
Penny Arcade		219.52	230.97	253.20	164.01	164.00	152.90	198.71	286.38	329.93	204.30	2,248.30
Total Shows												
Carnival	.1,019.89	7,736.38	9,129.24	7,016.45	4,590.86	4,785.10	4,131.40	5,922.82	11,124.61	13,064.36	5,249.62	73,770.78

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SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FROM PERCENTAGE ATTRACTIONS -MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1966 Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday TOTAL Aug. 28 Aug. 30 Aug. 31 Sept. 2 Sept. 3 Sept. 4 Sept. 5 Aug. 26 Aug. 27 Aug. 29 Sept. 1 ROYAL AMERICAN RIDES 2.870.29 Gypsy Joy Ride 29.45 264.81 353.54 388.64 183.88 177,94 166.64 256.62 448.65 451.80 148.32 322.18 379.27 356.79 505.58 535.05 3.631.03 Old Mill 41.63 477,36 266.86 264.91 228,16 243,24 Merry Go Round 38.81 153.86 197.86 136.21 126.42 134.88 130.48 150.24 265,95 311.60 147.04 1,793.35 672.26 540,54 527.76 787.05 6,545,06 Dodgem 154.93 692.54 650.43 484.89 664.86 862.44 507.36 Tilt A Whirl 92.82 413.89 424.41 436.31 366,21 368,75 323.82 465.31 613.92 636.12 349.80 4,491.36 Fly O Plane 41.82 253.59 288.12 355,10 199.10 195.88 6.40 284.65 60.41 371.28 189,36 2.245.71 Rock N Roll 42.90 294.75 340.08 470.14 252.03 248.13 247.49 325.08 411.52 418.68 190.56 3,241.36 318.24 441.39 260.33 254.87 396.24 3.154.06 Roloplane 77.52 321.45 199.60 334.53 330.53 219.36 216.74 160.19 2,336.46 39.00 252.24 364.84 156.00 103.11 266.70 328.72 318.00 130.92 Octopus . 491.60 377.52 373.81 246.96 604.32 4,396,45 Round Up 93.30 424.71 451,62 456,33 557,44 318.84 Scrambler 336.18 67.86 421.10 466.53 572.52 363.19 281.51 487.52 631.91 646.32 311.40 4,586.04 559,99 352.96 4,022.33 Paratrooper 74.05 381.75 420.88 354,79 238.87 449.57 493.11 513.94 182,42 730.39 Calypso 85.20 494.24 540.31 363,66 380.26 311.40 549.05 663,73 737,80 307.58 5,163.62 . 295.63 133.43 Trabant 21.16 216.81 234.33 130.70 101.80 221.23 300.96 364.14 110.40 2,130.59 Bavarian Express 18.62 109.49 208.74 275.44 119.44 97.01 113.71 186.38 280.01 306,48 95.04 1,810.36 Ponv Ride 36.81 123.91 134.80 124.96 109,52 107.50 96.25 126,00 134,16 177.00 85,30 1,256.21 225.06 1,165.93 1,178.45 1,252.23 944.94 975.16 1,129.45 1,529.25 11,636.10 Wild Mouse 789.43 1,416.20 1,030.00 Roller Coaster 57.56 436.01 507,10 602.98 338,64 353.19 294.00 520.99 735.65 784.56 306.60 4,937.28 781.95 735.85 715.91 642.74 1,206,15 8.928.65 Kiddyland 229.71 1.176.76 678.08 680,54 1.435.04 645,92 1,589.57 1,827.96 1,659.12 1,095.74 1,317.92 15,081.55 301.92 1,025,21 738.85 2,207.06 2,401.80 916.40 Space Wheels 137.32 700.70 845.97 738.24 530.07 597.51 399.35 675.50 1.076.00 445.80 7.158.03 Giant Wheel 1.011.57 36.74 300.76 432,14 481.62 218.97 214.54 179.58 368.36 542.98 609.00 169.56 3,554.25 Meteor 27.18 249.11 244.11 356.68 143.33 167.89 126.05 235.94 395.32 502.04 114.12 2,561,77 Swiss Lift 22.75 198.38 311.56 228,30 123.64 131,16 78.53 187,79 415.93 457,66 94.68 2,250.38 Tip Top 71.67 451.81 497.88 462.73 261.29 297.91 185.09 366.15 621.74 687.54 262.78 4,166.59 6,387.08 Bat Cave 115,45 617.33 652,13 706,28 511.30 531.96 449.82 637.86 844.33 837,90 482.72 Karousel 30.23 120.18 150.35 100.42 88.08 96.67 89.95 102.55 170.70 216.64 88.56 1,254.33 Monorail 47.77 265.20 392.76 237.42 153.98 158.38 120.58 220.32 553.31 663.60 127.60 2,940.92 433.39 468.88 617.07 305.28 327.50 293.58 469.25 572.62 704.64 294.24 4,574.40 Twister 87.95 Rock O Plane 21.50 244,33 250.47 375.38 201.63 221.76 147.10 268.69 406,47 433.80 242.28 2,813,41 19,877.63 8,758.20 131,919.02 Total R.A. Rides 2,368.69 12,667.26 14,601.13 15,347.10 9,672.71 10,021.66 7,853,54 12,724.37 18,026.73 R. A. Dark Ride 455,80 420.18 954.16 294.33 6,271.68 214.00 915.06 611.33 620.66 748.66 1.037.50 Total Rides 2,368.69 12,881.26 15,056.93 16,262,16 10,284.04 10,642,32 8,273,72 13,473.03 19,064.23 20,831.79 9,052.53 138,190.70 Total Rides and Shows 3,388,58 20,403,64 23,730,37 22,363,55 14,263.57 14,806.76 11.984.94 18.647.19 29,151,34 32,941,99 14,007,82 205,689.75 214.00 294.33 R. A. Dark Ride 455.80 915.06 611,33 620.66 420.18 748.66 1,037.50 954.16 6,271.68 GRAND TOTAL RIDES and SHOWS (incl. Dark Ride) 23,278.61 19.395.85 14,302.15 211,961.43 3.388.58 20,617.64 24,186.17 14,874.90 15,427.42 12,405.12 30.188.84 33,896,15 GRAND TOTAL PERCENTAGE

ATTRACTIONS & R.A. 3,773.90

24,516.28

28,402.38

26,427.43

17,822.98

18,470.73

15,139,78

22.227.23

34,709,47

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from

TICKET SALES AND CASH ADMISSIONS

Outside Gates			\$	948,163.75
Grandstand, Bleachers, Concourse:				
Afternoon	\$197,539.50			
Evening	146,124.50			
Total		\$343,664.00		
Horse Show		51,107.50		
Total Horse Show and Grandstan	\$	394,771.50		
GRAND TOTAL			\$]	1,342,935.25

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Crop Blowers Barn Cleaners, Silo Unloaders Good Housekeeping Magazine & Cook Book Bras, Girdles Alfalfa & Seed Corn Plywood Building Materials **Public Relations** Real Estate Development Cabinet Sauna Lawn Equip., Chain Saws

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Grain Bin

REPORT OF PUBLIC EXAMINER

on the FINANCIAL AFFAIRS of the

MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY Year Ended November 30, 1966

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

This report on an examination of the financial affairs of the State Agricultural Society covers the year ended November 30, 1966.

This examination included a limited general audit as defined by the National Committee on Governmental Accounting. The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as this department considered necessary in the circumstances.

It is the opinion of this department that the balance sheet and statement of operations contained in this report present fairly the financial position of the State Agricultural Society on November 30, 1966, and the results of its operation during the year then ended. The statements were prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

COMMENTS

The State Agricultural Society is a public corporation with the right of perpetual succession. Its membership is composed of the following:

- 1. Three delegates from each agricultural society or association in the State which maintains an active existence, holds annual fairs, and is entitled to State aid.
- One delegate from each county in the State in which no county or district agricultural society exists, to be appointed by the county board.
- 3. Individuals, who by reason of eminent service to agriculture, horticulture, or in the arts and sciences connected therewith, or by long and faithful service to the Society, have been elected as honorary members.
- 4. Delegates from qualified State societies and associations as listed in M.S.A. Section 37.03 (4).
- 5. Members of the Board of Managers of the State Agricultural Society.

Members of the Board of Managers are elected at the annual meeting of the State Agricultural Society for a period of three years. The Board of Managers consists of a president, two vice-presidents, and one member from each of the seven regional districts not represented by a vice-president.

The year-around business is conducted under the stewardship of a secretary-general manager, elected by the Board.

All employees serve at the pleasure of the Board and the secretary-general manager. The secretary-general manager is authorized to make adjustments in the assignments and compensation of employees as he deems advisable.

Activities of the Society are financed by receipts from the annual fair and from rental of buildings and grounds.

Attendance

The following is a record of the attendance at the last four annual fairs:

	1963	1964	1965	1966
Admitted through outside gates .	1,183,125	1,228,474	1,176,633	1,359,750
Admitted to grandstand	192,017	219,985	139,949	189,852

Attendance at the 1966 fair was the largest not only in the history of the fair but also the largest in a single day with 196, 839 visitors. Weather conditions were generally ideal during the ten-day period of the fair.

Balance Sheet

A balance sheet as of November 30, 1965 and 1966 is presented in Exhibit A.

Cash not currently needed is invested in United States Treasury bills.

In the previous report, it was stated that the value of personal property shown in the balance sheet is not substantiated by an inventory of the individual items. It was recommended that inventories of personal property be taken periodically and that the records be adjusted to show the proper value of such property.

It is understood that employees have been in the process of taking an inventory of the personal property belonging to the Society.

Education Building

On February 8, 1967, the Education building on the fairgrounds

collapsed resulting in a total loss of the building.

Fixed asset accounts in the records of the Society show the cumulative cost of the Education building to be \$325,976.47 at November 30, 1966. However, this amount includes a portion of the cost of the Home Activities building annex which was constructed under the same general contracts as the Education building. On the basis of contracts awarded, the cost of the Education building. ing is estimated as being between \$200,000.00 and \$220,000.00. Fittments added after construction brought the total value to nearly \$250,000.00.

It is recommended that the costs recorded in the Education building account be analyzed to determine the cost of each unit and the records ad-

justed for the actual loss sustained.

An investigation into the causes of the collapse of the building was made by the Attorney General for the purpose of determining the possibility of any liability of persons involved in the design or construction of the building.

The investigation revealed that regular-weight concrete had been used in fabricating the roof of the building instead of the light-weight concrete called for in the specifications. The change in specifications resulted in a savings to the general contractor of \$975.00.

The claims for payments submitted by the general contractor did not show any deductions for this change totaling \$975.00, nor do the records of the Society indicate that the savings were passed on to the Society.

All modifications of a contract should be approved in the same manner as the original contract, and all items of additions and deductions should be shown on the architect's approved application for payment.

Accounts Receivable

Upon recommendation made in prior reports, the Society submitted accounts deemed uncollectible to the Executive Council for cancellation. The Executive Council in December 1966 approved the cancellation of accounts totaling \$8,135.93 which had previously been charged to surplus.

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Application of Funds

The following shows the funds provided by profits and how they were applied or used by the Society:

Funds Provided by:

Profits-

Less adjustments of prior year's operations

Total Funds Provided \$ 582.490.62

$_{\rm Funds}$ Applied to:

Additions to plant—	
	192,110.57
Land	5,906.01
Electric plant	61,393.76
Fences and guardrails	2,145.51
Sewer systems	4,082.53
Sidewalks	4,088.54
Streets, curbs, and gutters	6,756.12
Personal property	79,796.26
Water distribution system	3,310.80
Total additions to plant\$	
Increase in working capital	
Total Funds Applied\$	582,490.62

^{*}Decrease

Operations

A comparative statement of income and expense for the years ended $_{
m November}$ 30, 1965 and 1966, is presented in Exhibit B.

The following is a total of the income and expense for the years men-

tioned:

Year Ended 1965	November 30 1966
1,901,862.04	\$2,174,742.10
1,690,340.62	1,763,838.06
211,521.42	\$ 410,904.04
	1965 1,901,862.04 1,690,340.62

The increase in total income was generally due to greater attendance. An increased effort was put forth to attract teenagers by furnishing more attractions at the Young America Center at the fairgrounds. There also was no Federal excise tax on admissions to the grandstand, thereby increasing gross receipts to the Society. There were no changes in admission fees during the year.

ORGANIZATION

-November 30, 1966-

	District		Term
	Number	Elected	Expires
Officers:			
President D. T. Grussendorf	f	Jan. 19, 1966	1967
First Vice-President Norris K. Carnes	s 4	Jan. 6, 1965	1967
Second Vice-President Robert R. Andrews	s 5	Jan. 19, 1966	1968
Secretary-General Manager John E. Libby	7	Jan. 19, 1966	1967
Treasurer R. C. Sorenson		Jan. 19, 1966	1967
Managers:			
Stan Muckle Owatonna	ι 1	Jan. 19, 1966	1969
Loring M. Staples Excelsion	r 3	Jan. 19, 1966	1969
Birney C. Wilkins Brainerd		Jan. 19, 1966	1969
Frank L. Mitchell Canby	7	Jan. 8, 1964	1967
Albin Johnson Fertile	9	Jan. 8, 1964	1967
Anton C. Geiger Jackson	1 2	Jan. 6, 1965	1968
Leo Keskinen Grand Rapids	s 8	Jan. 19, 1966	1968

BALANCE SHEET

-November 30, 1965 and 1966-

		November		Increase
Assets	1965		1966	Decreases
Cash and Treasury Bills:				
General Fund\$ Contingent Fund Payroll Fund Premium Fund Treasury bills	176,257.56 1,000.00 10,000.00 11,115.17 244,844.50	\$	106,936.83 1,000.00 10,000.00 485,670.00	\$ 69,320.73° 11,115.17° 240,825.50
Total Cash & Treasury Bills \$	443,217.23	\$	603,606.83	\$160,389.60
Postage\$	683.19	\$	532.83	\$ 150.36
Accounts receivable\$	7,281.97	\$	26,334.08	\$ 19,052.11
Plant:				
Structures\$ Less allowance for depreciation	8,941,466.04 247,815.49	\$	9,133,576.61* 390,971.05	\$192,110.57 143,155.56
Total structures \$ Land Electric plant Fences and guardrails Flagpoles Gas distribution Sewer system Sidewalks Stonework Streets, curbs, and gutters Personal property Water distribution system Total Plant \$	8,693,650.55 649,507.48 261,088.36 39,706.95 961.89 68,555.78 243,794.30 71,297.68 39,767.39 295,366.58 180,801.94 79,733.20		8,742,605.56 655,413.49 309,427.70 41,852.46 961.89 68,555.78 274,876.83 75,386.22 39,767.39 302,122.70 242,518.01 83,044.00 0,809,532.03	\$ 48,955.01 5,906.01 48,339.34 2,145.51 4,082.53 4,088.54 6,756.12 61,716.07 3,310.80 \$185,299.93
Total Assets\$		_	1,440,005.77	\$364,591.28
Liabilities and Surplu		Ψ 1		
Accounts payable\$	47,874.79	\$	4,265.62	\$ 43,609.17
Surplus invested in plant	,		4,265.62 0,809,532.03 626,208.12	185,299.93 222,900.52
Total Liabilities and Surplus \$	11,075,414.49	\$1	1,440,005.77	\$364,591.28

^{*}Includes Education building which collapsed on February 8, 1967 at an estimated loss in excess of \$200,000.00.

ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS

-Year Ended November 10, 1966-

Surplus Invested in Plant:		
Balance December 1, 1965	.\$10),624,232.10
Additions— Transferred from available surplus	•	185,299.93
Balance November 30, 1966	.\$10	0,809,532.03
_{Avai} lable Surplus:		
Balance December 1, 1965	.\$	403,307.60
Additions— Net income		410,904.04
Beginning balance and additions	.\$	814,211.64
Deductions—		
Transferred to investment in plant	.\$	185,299.93
Prior year expense and adjustments		2,703.59
Total deductions	.\$	188,003.52
Balance November 30, 1966	.\$	626,208.12

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

-Years Ended November 30, 1965 and 1966-

INCOME:	Year Ended 1965	November 30 1966	Increase Decrease*
Admissions— Ticket sales	1,174,965.87	\$1,354,808.50	\$179,842.63
Departmental— Agriculture \$ Cattle Dairy Fine arts Forage Future Farmers of America Cas and electric Copher Club Horse Plants and flowers Poultry Public safety Sanitation Sheep and wool Space rental Swine Young America	1,100.00 3,650.00 2,479.11 702.05 13,628.60 2,486.50 67,254.12 2,318.64 29,050.93 22.00 1,846.25 1,231.00 434.89 704.50 452,519.50 1,844.00	\$ 1,550.00 4,023.00 2,854.93 2,805.75 13,571.51 2,353.05 64,139.52 2,072.90 32,608.30 1,818.00 710.00 172.33 1,573.10 501,877.22 1,838.00 73,283.00	\$ 450.00 373.00 375.82 2,103.70 57.09* 133.45* 3,114.60* 245.74* 3,557.37 22.00* 28.25* 521.00* 262.56* 868.60 49,357.2 6.00* 73,283.00
Total Departmental\$	581,272.09	\$ 707,250.61	\$125,978.52

	Year Ended 1965	November 30 1966	Increase Decrease*
Sales and Rentals—	1000	1000	Beereuse
Sales of lambs and barrows\$	14,450.69	\$ 11,180.79	\$ 3,269.90*
Sales of milk	3,436.02	3,550.80	114.78
Special award receipts University of Minnesota 4-H	3,356.00		3,356.00*
reimbursement	8,337.00	8,891.00	554.00
Sales of material	2,492.35	1,866.36	625.99*
Camp ground receipts	3,090.00	3,337.00	247.00
Miscellaneous receipts	6,709.50	7,470.98	761.48
Rentals	55,824.41	68,569.66	12,745.25
Other	1,638.58	729.90	908.68*
Total Sales and Rentals\$	99,334.55	\$ 105,596.49	\$ 6,261.94
Paul Bunyan 400—			
Admissions\$	30,090.97		\$ 30,090.97*
Concessions	1,857.05		1,857.05*
Total Paul Bunyan 400\$	31,948.02		\$ 31,948.02*
Miscellaneous Income— Interest income\$	14,341.51	\$ 7,086.50	\$ 7,255.01*
Total Income\$	1 901 862 04	\$2,174,742.10	\$272,880.06
Total Income		φ2,114,142.10	φ212,000.00
EXPENSE:			
Administrative—			
Annual meeting\$	2,048.26	\$ 1,820.26	\$ 228.00*
Clerical salaries	53,231.45	58,146.29	4,914.84
Expense accounts	6,642.05	8,145.23	1,503.18
Officers salaries	26,316.67 $2,710.92$	33,483.28 5,153.86	7,166.61 $2,442.94$
Telephone and telegraph	9,598.57	10,271.94	673.37
Total Administrative\$	100,547.92	\$ 117,020.86	\$ 16,472.94
Maintenance and Operation—			
Depreciation, electric plant\$	13,485.64	\$ 13,054.42	\$ 431.22*
Depreciation, personal property	19,502.85	18,080.19	1,422.66*
Depreciation, structures	135,100.20	143,155.56	8,055.36
Electrical plant maintenance Fences and guardrails	7,978.52 286.74	$12,897.80 \\ 874.11$	4,919.28 587.37
Fuel	9,672.96	7,341.61	2,331.35*
Labor - general	168,670.70	184,963.02	16,292.32
Land maintenance	10,862.95	16,345.87	5,482.92
Repair structures	21,813.08	46,639.24	24,826.16
Sewer system maintenance	1,754.30	776.64	977.66*
Sidewalk maintenance	407.08	$580.88 \\ 477.25$	$173.80 \\ 477.25$
Storm damageStreets, curbs, and gutter		411.20	411.20
maintenance	3,298.63	4,142.28	843.65
Supplies	22,612.17	13,139.93	9,472.24*
Vehicle and mower maintenance	7,376.52	12,706.32	5,329.80
Water distribution system maintenance	10,913.32	4,977.82	5,935.50*
Total Maintenance and		_,0	-,
Operation\$	433,735.66	\$ 480,152.94	\$ 46,417.28
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	Year Ended	November 30	Increase
8 8	1965	1966	Decrease*
Departmental—	10 000 50	Φ 22.004.00	Φ 0.000 ₹0
Admissions\$ Agriculture	$19,220.50 \\ 4,475.58$	\$ 22,904.00 5,889.94	\$ 3,683.50
Amusements	145,099.14	146,179.69	1,414.36 1,080.55
Bee culture	914.99	1,959.72	1,044.73
4-H Club	10,375.38	11,798.82	1,423.44
Cattle	7,009.36	8,442.79	1,433.43
Conservation	275.00	365.00	90.00
Dairy Education	$668.14 \\ 12.431.17$	626.22 14,505.38	41.92*
Farm boys camp	9,984.11	9,761.83	2,074.21 222,28*
Fine arts	3,940.87	3,772.23	168.64*
Forage	12,850.36	12,514.17	336.19*
Future Farmers of America	5,095.47	5,237.07	141.60
Gas and electric	59,006.86	58,583.78	423.08*
Gopher Club	5,411.92	5,888.06	476.14
Home activities	8,812.17 38,187.73	10,012.92 29,231.86	1,200.75 8,955.87*
Horticulture	10,427.84	13,233.89	2,806.05
Hospital	2,270.14	2,190.27	79.87*
Legislative	376.50	300.85	75.65*
Meat exhibit	1,296.98	1,463.66	166.68
Mink	441.95	514.90	72.95
Plants and flowers	33,584.57	34,900.99	1,316.42
Poultry Public safety	2,418.18 48,591.71	2,941.17 $60,994.62$	522.99 12,402,91
Publicity	121,924.84	129,750.05	7,825.21
Race	32,685.21	32,448.87	236.34*
Sanitation	39,889.88	52,967.17	13,077.29
Sheep and wool	1,703.50	1,675.25	28.25*
Space rentals	57,153.01	52,722.17	4,430.84*
Swine	2,586.38	3,351.75 2,020.50	765.37 100.50
Ticket audit Treasurer	1,920.00 $21,839.12$	22,128.51	289.39
Young America	21,000.12	15,819.41	15,819.41
	700 000 50		
Total Departmental\$	722,868.56	\$ 777,097.51	\$ 54,228.95
Premiums\$ Paul Bunyan 400—	258,884.83	\$ 258,031.50	\$ 853.33*
Expenses			\$ 25,457.59*
Premiums	19,025.00		19,025.00*
Total Paul Bunyan 400\$	44,482.59		\$ 44,482.59*
Miscellaneous Expense—			
F.I.C.A. contributions\$		\$ 12,667.15	\$ 2,561.51
Nonfair rental expense	13,009.85	11,862.48	2,136.37*
Printing and office supplies	37,386.17	25,965.13 12.052.43	11,421.04* 1,292.83
Retirement contributions Sundry fair expense	10,759.60 $35,018.92$	54,721.42	19,702.50
Water	6,484.40	6,800.07	315.67
Unemployment compensation	-,	,	
expense	5,679.91	4,866.94	812.97*
Miscellaneous expense	10,387.57	2,599.63	7,787.94*
Total Miscellaneous expense		\$ 131,535.25	\$ 1,714.19
Total Expense	31,690,340.62	\$1,763,838.06	\$ 73,497.44
Net Income	211,521.42	\$ 410,904.04	\$199,382.62
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PROCEEDINGS

of the

108th ANNUAL MEETING

of the

MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

January 9, 10, 11, 1967

RADISSON HOTEL

Minneapolis, Minnesota

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Monday Morning, January 9, 1967

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 o'clock a.m., Section 2, Star of the North Hall, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Ladies and Gentlemen: Welcome to the 108th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society and the Federation of County Fairs. At this time I would like to apologize to the Board of Directors of the Federation for my inability to attend their dinner meeting last night. I think most of you know that I come from the "snow country." We have had a little difficulty in Duluth. In fact, last Friday was the first time in my life that I had to call my family that I wouldn't be home at night because I was stalled at a neighbor's house. I apologize to your Board for not being able to be there and I hope I can make it some other time.

We have to get organized here but before we do I would like to urge all of you to take in the meetings of this convention. This convention has been set up for a purpose and we have tried to set up a good program, one that is serious and also one that has some laughs in it. We want to encourage everybody to attend the meetings. That is really what we are here for so let's take an interest in those things.

We have to appoint a Credentials Committee and a Resolutions Committee. This is done by grouping ourselves into districts as we have done in former years, having the Chairman get your meeting organized and get these suggestions in for the members of the Credentials and Resolutions Committees. In a moment we will recess this meeting and you will meet by districts starting with one at this end and so on around the room. When we are through with the nominations we will convene again and announce the results and then be adjourned until the Federation Meeting this afternoon.

. . . The various districts held their caucuses for the appointment of committee members . . .

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Our Secretary, Hubert Ransom will read the Committee members.

... Secretary Hubert Ransom read the Committee members as submitted by the Regional Districts as follows: . . .

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

	J. E. Korsten, St. Charles
District 2	Don Faulkner, Hutchinson
	Henry Hammer, Anoka
District 4	
District 5	I. B. Byers, Minneapolis
District 6	
District 7	Oscar Erickson, Willmar
District 8	Ken Hayes, Duluth
District 9	

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

	CHIDINITIES COMMITTEE				
District	1	Murray Jessen, St. Charles			
District	2				
District	3	Ed Irvine, St. Francis			
District	4	A. J. Schmidt, St. Paul			
District	5	R. R. Andrews, Minneapolis			
District	6	James Armstrong, Sauk Centre			
District	7	Frank Burns, New London			
District	8	Margaret Laurin, Little Falls			
District	9				

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: The names of these committees will be posted on the blackboard at the rear of the room so that you may refer to it. The meeting places are listed in the program.

We have concluded the business we are supposed to take care of this morning and we stand adjourned until two o'clock tomorrow afternoon here in this room.

. . . The meeting recessed at $11:\!00$ o'clock a.m. to reconvene at $2:\!00$ o'clock p.m. Tuesday, January 10, 1967 . . .

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Tuesday Afternoon, January 10, 1967

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 o'clock p.m., Section 2, Star of the North Hall, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, President D. T. Grussendorf, presiding.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: We have had a little trouble with our microphones so we have had to delay for a moment. If you will refer to your program you will note that we were to begin at two o'clock with Opening Remarks by the President.

The first time I went to the State Fair was about 50 years ago when I was about ten or twelve years old and I went with my Dad. The one thing I remember is that we were in the grandstand and I had to go to the rest room. I went around the turnstiles and I couldn't find my way back to my Dad and I was quite bewildered. Since that time I have had many fine associations with the State Fair which is about 50 years, as an exhibitor, a 4-H Club exhibitor and a County Agent and now as a member of the Board of Managers and President.

Yesterday you heard Jim Hill speak about the necessity of getting exhibits for our Fair which were probably not agriculturally-oriented. In other words, broadening the scope. I think most of you will agree that the Minnesota State Fair has been trying to do that. On the other hand, let's not sell agriculture short. A recent survey made by the University of Minnesota of the 1965 income in the State indicates that 32 percent of the jobs in the State have their background in agriculture, or agri-business, so to speak. That means that one out of three jobs in the State have their background in agriculture and that is a pretty good chunk. We have the other two-thirds oriented in other areas and we must appeal to them, too, with our Fairs. I think county fairs and State fairs are doing that but maybe we have to raise our sights.

Because other members of our staff will be making reports, it will not be necessary for me to go too much into some of the things that have happened this past year. It is true, we have had our trials and tribulations but at the same time we have had our satisfactions and gratitudes of a Fair that was tops in every way — attendancewise, moneywise, in the entertainment field and in the field of education. So we have much to be grateful for. Our attendance last year was 1,359,750, with 8,500 exhibitors and about 5,000 youths exhibiting — F.F.A. and 4-H. We are all quite familiar with the larger areas of the State Fair. I thought I would take two smaller areas which are not too often recognized to show you that a lot of things go into making a State Fair.

One area I would like to spend a moment on is the area we call our medical station. Most of you don't even know it exists out there and I would like to tell you a little bit about it to show you this broad scope. Last year we had 81 volunteer Red Cross Nurses at our medical station and we had a doctor on duty 24 hours a day. Last year the medical station took care of 1,250 emergency patients, that is at the rate of about 125 per day. It is not a hospital, it is merely a medical station but it is just one of the areas which most people aren't too concerned about but which has to be taken care of.

You will recall that last year we moved the medical station to the old administration building. We had very fine quarters for it, much better quarters than we ever had before, so we could do a good job.

Another area I would like to call your attention to which didn't make the headlines too much was our new Child Care Center. Last year we had about 1,100 kids that were lost at the Fairgrounds. It so happens that the custodian or one of the matrons of the Child Care Center which was housed in the old police station out there, was somebody that I picked from Northern Minnesota — a very good friend of mine, a Mrs. Wolfe. Because I knew her I spent a little time in that station to see how things were operating. They had a booming business. I remember one evening about 11:00 I stopped in there and a little girl about 17 years old had lost her brother. Her brother was ten years old. It seems the family had driven down from Hinckley to see the Fair and spend the day there. They were dairy farmers. About five in the afternoon Father said, "We have to go home and milk those cows," but they couldn't find little Johnnie. They asked the sister to stay back at the Fairgrounds and locate Johnnie. We know a dairyman thinks a lot of his cows and has to milk on time but this is one who probably thought more of his cows than he did the kid who was lost at the Fairgrounds. The young girl was quite frantic because she had quite a responsibility. The mother and father went back to Hinckley to milk the cows and they left her. Come one o'clock in the morning, the boy still hadn't been found. He had been informed where to report if he got lost. At two o'clock, still no boy. The next morning, still no boy. The police were alerted and I was concerned myself as to what could have happened to that youngster. The police assured me that never once in the history of the State Fair had they lost a boy or girl that wasn't returned to the parents. The next morning we contacted the family in Hinckley by telephone and the boy was home. He had hitch-hiked his way home. He probably found somebody on the grounds from Hinckley and he got home.

In the Child Care Center one evening I went in and found an old couple, a man and wife who were in their 80's and they had become lost. They had come to the Fair from Albert Lea with their son who was 39 or 40 years old and he became very much engrossed in the Fair and forgot about his parents. They sat there until about two or three in the morning and finally our management found a motel for them to go to and we put them up for the night.

This is just an interesting, human element about the Fair which I thought you might be interested in knowing about.

The Fair was great because of the help of all of you people. As was said yesterday by our fine speaker, Jim Hill, the County Fairs are the pipelines to the State Fair. County Fair people get the first opportunity to see these exhibits. They are then sent to the State Fair. You County Fair people, you Extension Agents, Future Farmer people, 4-H, agricultural men, press, radio, television, volunteer leaders back in the community, are all things that make the Fair successful. We, as a State Agricultural Society, are interested in county fairs because they siphon to the State Fair. We hope you have a successful County Fair this week.

The "castle of opportunity" is right at home. I often think of a story of a little boy about six years old. He got up about five in the morning as they sometimes do and with his great imagination he looked out at the sun. The sun was a large ball of fire, so to speak, appearing in the eastern sky. He imagines that sun is a big castle and there are doors and windows. He looks in and sees all kinds of things he would like to get his hands on. He starts off to meet that sun. He goes across the playground and comes to a neighbor boy's home and they sit down and play in the sand. The day wears on and toward the end of the day he remembers he was starting off for that castle and he was going to grab something out of it. Evening had worn on and the castle had moved to the other side. He turns around toward that castle and arrives right back home, which is the "castle of opportunity."

Your County Fairs, in the things you can do locally to build a good Fair, eventually siphon off to the big Minnesota State Fair.

It has been a pleasure for me to act as your President this past year. Because of weather conditions and economic conditions and because of fine cooperation, it was an outstanding Fair. We hope that next year we can exceed what we have done this year.

I wish to close my remarks at this time and we will go on to some of the other reports. Thank you. (Applause)

The Report of the Credentials Committee will be given by Mr. Murray Tessen.

MR. MURRAY JESSEN (Report of Credentials Committee). They put me on this Committee, being the youngest member on the Committee. Credentials of all societies were approved except:

The Hubbard County Agricultural Association, Lake County Agricultural Society, the Scott County Agricultural Society at Shakopee.

The following statewide organization report was received by the Secretary of State after the closing date of December 20, 1966 and was not certified:

Minnesota Duroc Breeders' Association, Inc.

I move the adoption of this report.

MR. GEORGE RERAT (Minneapolis): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Is there discussion? If not, all in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary? It is accepted.

. . . The motion was carried . . .

Next is the Report of the Resolutions Committee, Ike Byers.

MR. I. B. BYERS (Report of Resolutions Committee):

Resolution Number 1:

RESOLVED, that we express our special thanks to the Hotel Radisson and Minneapolis Area Chamber of Commerce for its valuable services and cooperation rendered for our 1967 Annual Meeting.

Resolution Number 2:

RESOLVED, that we acknowledge the support received from the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce each year in promoting the welfare and success of the State and County Fairs.

Resolution Number 3:

RESOLVED, that we express to the Minnesota Editorial Association, the daily and weekly press, the radio and television stations of Minnesota, our sincere appreciation for their efforts in publicizing the worth and scope of our State and County Fairs.

Resolution Number 4:

RESOLVED, that we endorse and continue to support the School in Fair Management so successfully conducted by the Agricultural Short Course Department of the University of Minnesota. FURTHER, to support the action of the Federation of County Fairs to

designate sites for holding regional meetings.

Resolution Number 5:

RESOLVED, that we extend our thanks and appreciation to all indivi-RESOLVED, that we extend our thanks and appreciation to all individuals and institutions who cooperate to make the 1966 Minnesota State Fair, which for the 12th consecutive year reached 1,000,000 attendance, to the Board of Managers who, with John E. Libby, Secretary-General Manager and the office staff, planned the strategy; to the Publicity Department for a well-directed campaign; to the department superintendents and their assistants; to the Minnesota County Fairs and the thousands of exhibitors, 4-H Club members, F.F.A. members; to the various state departments for their interesting story of the State's resources and activities: to the farm equipment manufacturers and dealers. sources and activities; to the farm equipment manufacturers and dealers for their most elaborate show; to the multitude of commercial firms who

displayed their products so effectively; all these combined with the splendid amusement features offered, to make this one of the Nation's great Fairs.

Resolution Number 6:

RESOLVED, that the Minnesota State Agricultural Society and its Members request that the Senators and Members of the Congressional delegation from Minnesota secure an amendment to the Copyrights Bill presently before the United States Congress so as to include Agricultural non-profit fairs and societies as being exempt from the operation of the Act. (House Bill No. 4347; Senate Bill No. 1006)

Resolution Number 7:

BE IT RESOLVED, that John E. Libby be congratulated upon his election as President of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions and offered the best wishes of the Society for his 1967 term.

I move the adoption of this report.

MR. KENNETH HAYES (St. Louis County): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Are there any comments? If not, all in favor signify by saying "Aye;" contrary?

. . . The motion was carried . . .

As with all organizations, we have a Treasurer. We have had a very good Treasurer for quite a few years, Mr. Roy C. Sorenson. In introducing him it reminds me of a story of an experience I had one time when I was on a Committee called a Pulpit Committee of a church where we were looking for a new Pastor. Some of you have no doubt acted on such a Committee. We went to a neighboring town where we thought they had a pretty good Minister and did pretty well with his parish. We asked one of the fine ladies in the church how they liked this particular Pastor whom we were intending to offer a bid to come to our church. She said, "Just fine! We didn't know what sin was until he came." But that isn't the part I wanted to apply to Mr. Sorenson. It was the next part. We also wanted to know whether this Pastor was good at financing a church, which is very important. We asked her about that. She said, "Oh, yes. He is just tops at financing the church. One Sunday he made the announcement just prior to the offertory that one of the parishioners had been unfaithful to his wife and if he would drop \$5 in the collection plate, nothing more would be said. In the collection plate was 19 \$5 bills and \$2 clipped together with a sheet of paper saying 'I will pay the balance next Sunday.'" Sorie, you are also a good financier. Would you come forward and give your report:

MR. ROY C. SORENSON (Report of the Treasurer): Mr. President, Members and Friends of the Society: If you will turn to page 23 I will give my short report.

The cash balance for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1966 was \$443,217.23. The total cash receipts for the year were \$2,217,588.15. The cash disbursements for that same period were \$2,057,198.55 which left an excess of receipts over disbursements of \$160,389.60. This gives us a balance as of November 30, 1966 of \$603,606.83 as of November 30, 1966.

These funds consist of the following:

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General Cash Fund, Northwestern National Bank	\$106,936.83
Contingent Fund, Midway National Bank, St. Paul	1,000.00
Payroll Fund, Northwestern National Bank	10,000.00
U. S. Treasury Bills, Northwestern National Bank	485,670.00

\$603,606.83

Mr. President, I move the acceptance of this report.

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Any comments? If not, all in favor of accepting the Treasurer's Report say "Aye"; opposed?

. . . The motion was carried . . .

Our next report will be given by our Secretary-General Manager, John Libby. I suppose some of you wonder how John ever got his job as Secretary-General Manager of our Fair. It wasn't easy to get that job. He had to pass a very rigid examination. It was in the form of an examination in which he was to give definitions for certain items. For instance, he was asked to give nine definitions. He was to define the meaning of "neck." He defined it as: Something if you don't stick out, you won't get in trouble up to. The meaning of "petition": A list of people who didn't have the nerve to say "No." The meaning of "red light": The place where you catch up with the motorist who passed you at 80 miles an hour two miles back. The meaning of "service station": A place where you fill the car and drain the family. The meaning of "tact": The ability to make your guests feel at home when you wish they were. The meaning of "unaware": What you put on first and take off last. The meaning of "virus": A Latin word used by doctors to mean "your guess is as good as mine." The meaning of "will power": The ability, after you have used three-fourths of a can of paint and finished a job, to close the can and clean the brush instead of painting something else that really doesn't need it. "Younger Generation": A group that is alike in many disrespects.

John Libby — (Applause)

MR. JOHN E. LIBBY: (Report of Secretary-General Manager): Thank you, Mr. President. I sometimes wonder, too, after the last year, call it a "family vendetta" or whatever you want to call it, not only how I got the job but why. Seriously, though, I do want to express my appreciation to the President and members of the Board for your understanding and cooperation during 1966. It has made my job much easier.

The printed report has been distributed on the chairs and covers in detail most of the operation — in fact all of the operation of the 1966 Fair. I am not going to read it but I would like to make a few brief comments regarding it and suggest that you take it home and study it at your leisure.

Mr. Grussendorf mentioned the total attendance of 1,359,750. This was the 12th consecutive year that we have broken the million area. I am sure you will agree after the weather we experienced in 1966, the importance of favorable weather conditions to any out-door amusement, especially Fairs. You have probably heard the question many times and perhaps you have asked it yourself, "I wonder what the attendance would be if we had ten perfect Fair days." I think we came closer to learning the answer to that question in 1966 than ever before — at least any time in the last 20 or 30 years. The only rain we experienced during the ten days was on Thursday, September 1st when it started raining about seven or eight in the evening and rained quite hard. That day, by the way, was the only one in which the attendance did not exceed the million mark. I think it was a little better than 96,000. Page 20 of the Report will give you the total day by day attendance figures. New records were established on six of the ten days and highlighted by a new all-time single record day attendance of 196,839 on Sunday, September 4. These crowded conditions naturally created a lot of additional problems for most of our departments, especially sanitation, grounds, Police Departments and their subordinates for handling these problems in the way they did.

Most of the important financial figures have been given to you by Mr. Sorenson but it should be noted that in the Operating Statement contained in this book, although it shows a little over \$410,000 operating profit, it does not reflect the fact that more than \$362,000 was expended in 1966 for permanent improvements to the facilities. This would reflect a net gain if these were considered in the operating statement, of less than \$50,000. Your Board of Managers has already tentatively approved a very energetic building and improvement program for 1967, which points out the fact that they are con-

tinually striving to make permanent and lasting improvements through the facilities which I think are better than most any Fair in the country. We do not have to take a back seat to any organization as far as Fairs are concerned.

As part of the improvement program it is planned to construct a 28,000 square foot structure to house dairy products and other animal products, as well as to construct a new gate and parking area on the north end of the grounds which will give us another entrance on Larpenteur Avenue. These are but two of the improvements we are planning for 1967 and which we hope will be a reality.

I would like to express my gratitude to the permanent staff who have worked so many extra hours, for helping to make my job so much easier. I can't tell you enough how much I appreciate their help and their assistance and loyalty and dedication. Without them, it would be a pretty disastrous task, believe me.

The record year that we experienced in 1966 presents a tremendous challenge to all of us to improve and to grow by presenting the very best in panoramic visual education and top, wholesome entertainment. To that end, we solicit the continued help and support of all members and friends of the Society and at the same time, pledge to them our sincere and dedicated effort in striving to be worthy of that support. Thank you very much. (Applause)

 ${\bf I}$ would like to move the approval of the Secretary-General Manager's Report.

MR. LEO KESKINEN (Grand Rapids): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: It has been moved and seconded that we accept this report. All in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary? It is accepted.

. . . The motion was carried

We come now to that delightful part of our program when we have our youth present their case. I mentioned awhile ago that we had roughly 5,000 youth exhibitors at our State Fair. It is customary to have a representative of the 4-H and F.F.A. with us and I am sure this year they are very fine representatives as they always have been. We will hear from the 4-H representative first, Miss Sharon Schmidt of Pipestone. Sharon has been in 4-H for nine years. She has majored in home economics activities but also has been in the feeder cattle project. She has a brother 15 years old in 4-H and her Mother and Father have both been local volunteer 4-H Club leaders.

MISS SHARON SCHMIDT (President, Minnesota 4-H Federation): Good afternoon. It is a pleasure for me to be here this afternoon before such a distinguished audience and it is really different to look out and see people instead of in a class looking at a T-V. I just came from class in chemistry, looking at all of these difficult formulas and it is really a change and I am glad to be here. I am all caught up on classes this afternoon and can skip a few.

It is also different for me to speak to mostly a male audience. I do see some of my sex but most of you are males and this ratio is something that is not seen very often. The only time I can remember of this is at the American Institute of Co-ops Convention in Colorado, the ratio there was four boys to one girl and this was a different experience for me and I really enjoyed it. Usually conventions end up with six girls to one boy and this was a change of pace and I liked it.

The statement has been made many times that the youth of today will be the leaders of tomorrow. I feel that 4-H definitely teaches us the basic foundation for being a good leader. Fairs help us to begin this basic foundation. Through Fairs we learn exactly how our Democratic enterprise is based. It is based on the main attribute of competition. In Fairs I feel we learn a lot on competition because this is what the 4-H exhibits are based on. I must say that I enjoy competing in Fairs because it does have a lot of basis for

my future. Some day I hope to be a housewife — I don't know how soon, but some day. Demonstrating and exhibiting at Fairs has helped me to gain a lot of knowledge in this field. I do not want to set forth a meal that is not attractively prepared and does not taste good, too. I want to be able to make a good loaf of bread, to prepare a good-looking batch of cookies and to be able to make a crust that is flaky and good. Without competition, I cannot find out exactly what I am doing wrong. Through competition at the Fairs I find out just exactly where my products have fallen down and where not to make this mistake again.

We also become good sportsmen. Even though we can't all be winners, I must say that I have received my white and red ribbons as well as my blue and champion. After getting over the initial shock of seeing a white or red ribbon, I look at the situation objectively and try to figure out where my product fell down. I can remember one year I exhibited some butterscotch cookies. I didn't think they looked too well when I took them to the Fair but I had made quite a few batches and they had all turned out the same. They were a refrigerator cookie that you cut from rolls and they were small when I cut them off the roll but this large when I took them out of the oven. They didn't look quite right but I took them anyway. When I saw the other cookies that were exhibited of the same kind I knew mine weren't as good as they should be. They are supposed to be a small size and light in color, but mine were exactly the opposite. I finally remembered that I had baked on a hot and humid day and I forgot to add some extra flour. That is why the cookies sprawled out all over the cookie sheet.

Through Fairs I have found out how to make my products more attractive and more delicious.

With the availability of so many projects in 4-H, each of us can become a more well-rounded person. Until my brother joined 4-H I was mainly in the home ec project. When he joined I also enrolled in the swine project. This was a change in my 4-H program because they say that "variety is the spice of life" and I certainly found that out in this swine project. In this project when I did show at the Fair I was able to show a different aspect in life because I found out in the swine project the many different phases in the industry of livestock. I also found out the cuts of meat, how to actually show a pig. Sometimes it didn't turn out too well, especially when my pig got ornery and ran through the judge's legs. That can be expected because they cannot be trained quite as well as the dairy animals can be.

Besides showing just what we have accomplished in 4-H at Fairs it often gives us an opportunity to demonstrate. I feel demonstrating is of great importance to 4-H'ers and the public at a Fair. We let the public know what we have learned in 4-H and we let them know if they have trouble spots in the topic we are demonstrating, how to correct them. When I first tried to put a zipper in an article I didn't quite understand the directions. But when somebody showed me, I was able to go back home and put it in correctly. I gave a demonstration to show how to put a zipper in and I am sure I helped a few people to learn how to put in a zipper and make it look attractive. This gives a chance for 4-H'ers to participate in a Fair.

Fairs also give us a chance to get away from home — every one of us enjoys getting away from home for awhile. It gives us a chance to be responsible for our own actions. At a Fair we are responsible for what we do. We have to account for our own actions and we have to prepare each of our exhibits for the shows. This is most important in the livestock exhibits because we do have to get our own animals ready for the Fair. It makes us feel a little prouder and happier when we are able to show an animal that we have worked with for almost a year. Through Fairs we gain so much experience I couldn't possibly tell you all I have gained in experience through Fairs. Even more thrilling is to win a trip to the Minnesota State Fair. I have won two trips and the last one was in 1964 to the State Dress Review. This was a different experience for me because I never went to the State Dress Review before. This time I was completely on my own. I stayed in the 4-H building and there I had to be responsible for being on time at different meet-

ings and making different engagements. Fairs do help us to become more responsible citizens in this society.

With all of this we learn and have a lot of fun. I must say that in the learning and fun part, neither outweighs the other because it is always on a 50-50 basis.

One of the fun parts of a Fair is working in the 4-H food stands. Here we are able to give the public a service — keeping their stomachs from growling while they are seeing the exhibits at the Fair. I am sure I can say for all 4-H'ers that we try to put our best foot forward in whatever we do. Fairs help us to strive to do a better job on all of our projects each year that we exhibit at the Fair. We try and strive to live up to the 4-H motto to "make the best better" and I am sure we all try to show this at the Fairs.

The contribution of Fairs to 4-H'ers is a long and endless list. I have tried to tell you a few that I feel are very important to me. Fairs do teach us competition, to be good sportsmen, to take our white and red ribbons and also our blue and our champion ribbons with a smile, knowing we can learn from our failures and successes. It teaches us to have independence, to show that we really have a head on our shoulders. Most of all, it gives us a chance to show our accomplishments and what we have done in the projects we are enrolled in. We are able to provide activities to the public through the 4-H food stands at the County Fairs, by just showing our exhibits and letting people know what we have done.

Where I come from, the town of Pipestone is mostly a farming community. The public does show up for the livestock judging. This really does give entertainment for the people in our community. As I said before, they really do have a turn-out at the County Fair and I know they do at the State Fair, too.

Fairs give us a chance to learn and have fun and as I said before, I feel that neither outweighs the other.

I want to thank all of you, the Fair Board members and delegates here for your continuous support to 4-H'ers in this State. I know you will never let us down. Once again, thank you for your labor of love. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: How could anyone let down a young lady like that and the tremendous organization, the 4-H Club. All of us who have anything to do with Fairs are doing our part.

Now we will call on a young man who represents the Future Farmers of America. His name is Tom Schultz. He goes to the University at Morris. He took time away from his school, too. I don't know whether he is enjoying the cutting of classes like the young lady did but I assume he does. He has been in Future Farmer work for five years. He comes from a general farm and a dairy farm. I believe he has beef cattle and his father has dairy cattle. Tom Schultz — (Applause)

MR. TOM SCHULTZ (President, Minnesota F.F.A.): Thank you, Mr. Grussendorf. It is indeed a pleasure for me to be here today speaking to this 108th Annual Meeting of the State Agricultural Society of the State of Minnesota.

In the State Fair we find, as Future Farmers, that we do two parts of our 4-line motto. That is, "learning to do and doing to learn." The State Fair offers us many places and many opportunities to learn to do and to do through learning. The 14,000 members of the Future Farmers of America indeed are proud to come to the State Fair with our livestock, with our projects, and are also thankful that the State Fair gives us this chance to be involved in competition where we can learn to better ourselves, better our farming programs and be a better prepared citizen of our State and our nation.

One of the basic areas I can think of in Future Farmers of America is the F.F.A. Livestock Show at the State Fair. Indeed it is a large livestock show, the largest livestock show in the world. When we first made this claim, Texas jumped on us right away. As you know, Texas claims to have the largest and biggest of anything. When we compared figures, Minnesota came out hands down. We were indeed proud to be a part of this very large livestock show which could not be made a reality without the help and the work done for us by the Minnesota Agricultural Society of the State Fair.

These activities which I have mentioned briefly, not touching on them too deeply, have indeed a part in our vocational agricultural picture. Boys need the opportunity in learning and education, to go to other counties, other towns, county and state fairs, to learn more than they can get locally of the vocational agricultural picture. The State Fair, which has supported us so fine for all of these years, gives us a chance to reflect and to respond to all of the support they have given us.

In mentioning a few other areas of activity which have been supported by the State Fair, I would like to mention the F.F.A. Crop Show where boys have the opportunity to bring their crops in so they can find out and compete; as Miss Schmidt mentioned she has learned a lot in exhibiting as to what she had done wrong, what she had done right and how she could improve what she put forth as her product.

The F.F.A. Dairy and General Livestock Judging Contest is also a very appropriate area for vocational educational training. The boys here learn to look for the best in livestock. They learn to make natural selections so they can carry out their farming programs to a larger extent. In my own farming program I, too, know how hard it is — especially when you have your favorite animals — to make decisions, but these decisions are necessary for the future of your farming program depends on a good natural selection by yourself and also by making selections that will help your herd through the future years.

One area in which we receive a lot of comment and congratulations about is our F.F.A. Children's Barnyard. Those of you who have been to the Fair and visited this, as I am sure most of you have, will know that this is one of the favorite places for children and for adults to come to, to see the goats, horses, cattle, chicks, ducks, geese — you name it and we have it as far as animals on a farm. This last year at the State Fair we had our three millionth visitor to the Children's Barnyard. It was indeed a proud moment when we found our three millionth visitor and we had Princess Kay of the Milky Way there and presented this young girl who was our three millionth visitor, with a basket of dairy products — very typical and appropriate for the Future Farmers of America to do.

In addition to the above-mentioned activities which I have enumerated, there is also the F.F.A. and 4-H Farm Boys' Camp. At this Camp we, members of the Future Farmers of America, have a chance to go out and help people in the grandstands. I think this is one of the wonderful ways by which the Future Farmers serve the public. In the grandstands we learn a lot about courtesy, about how to help people, how to handle sticky situations. Last year at the 1966 State Fair I visited the Farm Boys' Camp for a couple of days. It was indeed a lot of fun for me to go out to the grandstand and help people find their seats, to recover things they have lost and the likes, and still enjoying the grandstand performances which we were admitted to.

Another area in which Future Farmers have an opportunity to learn about vocational education is through demonstrations. We, too, as the 4-H Clubs, are also interested in demonstrations. We find that many boys have a great time coming to the Fair to teach some other persons through demonstrations about what they have learned in vocational agricultural courses. Our demonstrations run all the way from farm mechanics, to farm business record keeping. I am sure that any F.F.A. member who went to the State Fair to demonstrate never regrets it.

We also have F.F.A. booths in the new educational building. We feel that through this chance to demonstrate something about what we have learned in F.F.A. and vocational agriculture in the new education building, we have a chance to help the public understand that although we know that farming, as we know it, is by some people sold down the drain, that we are not all gone yet and as Mr. Grussendorf mentioned, 32 percent of the jobs in the State of Minnesota come from agriculture or ag-related businesses. We, in the Future Farmers of America, indeed do look toward the future, a future of young men in the public school system of our State, and also learn through methods of judging of competition at the Minnesota State Fair.

In closing, I would like to sum up what I have understood and talked to boys about who have exhibited or taken part in some of the various activities of the State Fair. The story I would like to relate to you would explain it thus:

Three riders were riding on the Sahara Desert one night. They came to an oasis where there was water. Their horses and feet were tired. After the horses drank their fill a voice in the night said, "Don't turn around." The men, indeed, were frightened. He then instructed them all to pick up a pocketful of stones. The three men, not wishing to anger the hidden stranger, did as he instructed. He told them to mount their horses and before they rode away he said, "Tomorrow you will be both sad and happy from this incident." The next morning the three men awoke, scared, looking over their shoulders to see if the stranger had followed them. He had not. Then they checked their pocketful of stones which bothered them slightly and they found in their pocket instead of pebbles and rocks, it had changed to precious stones. Indeed, these three horsemen were saddened. They were sad, but they were also happy because they had picked up stones that had turned to jewels — but they were also sad that they had not picked up more.

Our Future Farmers members, 14,000 strong in Minnesota, relate this story to me and I relate it to you. Our boys are both sad and happy — happy that they have taken part in the activities of the Minnesota State Fair and sad that they do not take part in more.

I again want to thank you for all you have done to help us through the past years and I hope we will be able to merit your support in the future years for the Future Farmers of America. Thank you. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Thank you, Tom. Both of you are fine examples of your organization.

We come now to the part of the program we are all waiting for — the introduction of Mr. Donald "Red" Blanchard. All you know so far is what you read in the program and what his topic is to be. We are pleased to present to you a veteran of the Fair industry. Our speaker tells us he has been appearing at State and county Fairs for 36 years. In recent times our speaker has earned a wide reputation as a television personality in the Chicago area. He is Master of Ceremonies and comedienne of Chicago's number one T-V show seen in color over WGN-TV. Now in his 35th year in broadcasting, our speaker is President of Radio Station KCFI in Waterloo, Iowa, and Vice President of Farm Belt Radio, Dixon, Illinois. He also is a recording artist for KRPP Records. To round things out, he is author of a column "The Common Commenator" syndicated throughout the Midwest. Born in Pittsville, Wisconsin, our speaker was brought into the world in a little log cabin which he built himself. That should tell you something about his style of humor. We asked him what his speech would be about and he said, "What do you think of the title 'Should Married Men Work'?" He was with the Barn Dance from 1932 until World War II when he and two M.P.'s went down and enlisted.

Now, for a stimulating discussion concerning the important topics of the day, we present to you Donald "Red" Blanchard. (Applause)

MR. DONALD "RED" BLANCHARD ("Should A Married Man Work?"):

Thank you very much, Mr. President. That is a better introduction than we had agreed on. Your President mentioned Pittsville, Wisconsin. I see Tiny Uthmeier sitting back there. He is an old friend of mine from

Marshfield, a suburb of Pittsville. Pittsville is the town where I was born and raised. It is a little town — we didn't even have a village idiot there, we had to take turns and I think I had that job longer than anyone else. It certainly is a financial pleasure to be here and bring you this message today. This is not my first time in Minneapolis. When you do a good job you come back. I was here in 1927 and they said it would be a cold day when I would be invited back — and they didn't miss it by far either, it is colder than bathroom linoleum. I got off the plane here — of course I have my long underwear on and I don't have to worry too much. I wasn't going to wear it but my wife said, "You put those on and keep your trap shut!" So I have them on.

It was a couple of months ago when John Libby contacted me to be the speaker here today. I asked my wife if it would be all right. She agreed after we talked about it for awhile. I said, "John told me he would take me up to the Press Club for lunch and take good care of me." She said, "All right, you can go. He sounds like he would be a good fellow. It is just too bad we couldn't do something for him." I said, "We could. We could name a room in our house after him." So on one of our doors we have a sign that says, "John."

It is hard for me to follow a speaker like you had yesterday in Jim Hill. I have known Jim for a long time. He is from WCCO in Minneapolis and a nice fellow — the kind of a guy who would vote a town dry and then move. I see many folks that I know around here. I see Scottie Swan back there at the door. Scottie is from Chippewa Falls and I have known him for a good many years. Scottie, hold up that finger. I happen to know how he got it. It is all wrapped up. He was going back to his room last night and somebody stepped on it. These conventions can be kind of fun, you know — not for me — I don't smoke, drink or use margarine, but I am going to be around tonight. They said "You couldn't possibly get a room." I didn't have reservations. I thought I was going back to Chicago. They said, "You have to have a reservation because we have the Fair Convention and everybody is here." I didn't know what to do and finally I said, "If Lady Bird was here you would have a room for her." They said, "Well, we certainly would." I said, "Give me her room. She won't be here." So I have a place to stay tonight.

Even before I started to talk I wanted to say a few words because like your President said, I was born in the State of Wisconsin and I think agriculture is so important to Fairs, whether it is county or state. I was born on a dairy farm and we lost our cows during deer season from Bang's Disease. We would get all of these fellows from the Fair Board up there deer hunting and they would shoot the minute they would see those four udders hanging down. I go hunting but I am different because I am a farm boy. Minnesota is the greatest state for hunting. I was here last Fall trying out my new shot gun — not a new one, it was used by a wealthy widow and she only used it once. They think she shot her husband. They found powder marks on him and in fact they think that is why she shot him. I shot a moose in this good State of Minnesota last Fall. I didn't know he was a moose until I found his card in his bill fold.

Back on the farm many years ago I joined the 4-H about the same day Buffalo Bill joined the Cub Scouts. I am touching 40 — not only touching it but I am beating the living daylights out of it — but being a farm boy, you kind of live forever. My Uncle is 87. He is from Wisconsin and he got maried awhile ago. He married a girl 21. The doctor told him the difference in age could prove fatal and he said, "If she dies she dies!" But she didn't. We got a letter and they are building a home near a school. I joined the 4-H many years ago. That is where my wife learned to cook was in the 4-H, and she is a good one. You have heard the old saying "If you want good food, stop where the truck drivers stop." She must be a good cook because every time I come home there is some truck driver there. Last night she fixed instant pizza for me. It makes you sick right away instead of at three o'clock in the morning. We were going to have chicken last night and then it got well.

I want to tell you a little before I get to the message here. We have a young lady who is a journalist scholar, Miss Houston down here, and I have to get to the message right away because she has to make a report on this. I will keep my message short because the slides take a long time. She is very nice. I flirted with her. I said, "Where have you been all my life?" She said, "For the first three-fourths I wasn't even born." The thing I can't stand about the younger generation is the fact I don't belong to it. My wife had 43 candles on her last cake — that is on the slice I got. She was going to blow them out but the heat drove her back.

Like I said, I was born and raised on a farm and you don't smoke and you drink milk all the time — like you folks, being connected in one way or the other with agriculture. Like tonight, I imagine you will all drink milk. It is not only good for you but it is the only liquid that has the tendency to turn sour when it isn't fit to drink. We drink milk and try to help the farmers all we can. In Minnesota, I believe, the farmers are doing fine. I saw one yesterday who had a manure spreader with white sidewalls. We didn't have anything when we were on the farm. This was back when things were rough. My Dad and the neighbor were talking one day about what they would do if they inherited a million dollars. The neighbor said, "I wouldn't do anything. I would just go fishing." My Dad said, "I think I would keep right on farming until it was all gone." That is the way farming was, so I left the farm and I joined the old Barn Dance. It is a syndicated program now. I have been on it for 36 years. I know we just started on the station down in Rochester and it is in several places all over the country. That was a goal I had years ago — to get on the Barn Dance. That would give me a chance to get out and work at Fairs and I enjoy it a whole lot. We have more fun than a cat full of canaries.

I had another goal back in 1931. I passed a Cadillac garage and here is a Cadillac about this long. I thought, "I am going to own one some day. I am going to work the Fairs, hang on to my money." About thirty days ago I got a 1931 Cadillac. It was a hearse. My wife likes it. She gets in the back and sleeps on a trip and does she attract attention when she sits up to see where we are, too. I joined the Barn Dance back in 1931. Then Gene Autry came along and then George Gobel, Lulu Bell and Scottie, Fibber McGee and Molly. They all moved to Hollywood and I went to Lombard, Illinois. They have nothing but money — but they are not happy — and I have no money and I am not happy either.

I got on the plane this morning, and if you folks ever fly, you take an airplane. That was exciting. It only took 50 minutes to get here. Flying at 30,000 feet is exciting. Everything on there is made by the lowest bidder. It makes you feel good when you run into a storm. It got dark in there and the women started to scream and the Stewardess turned on the lights and made me get back in my own seat again. I am like John Libby — I like chasing but I can't remember why. The Stewardess gave me some gum so my ears wouldn't hurt and what a mess it was getting that out of there. Then we landed here and I was still a little nervous. I could hardly walk and I was a little nervous and unfastened the wrong seat belt. I checked with the Bus Company and I could have left this morning on a bus and I would have been here in time for your State Fair. I was to make an appearance one time and took a bus and we never did make it. There was a woman and her husband sitting there and she hollered to the bus driver, "Can't you go a little bit faster? I am going to have to get to a hospital. I am going to have a baby." The bus driver said, "Why did you get on in that condition?" She said, "I didn't!" So that is why I took an airplane. They have pretty good train service but we were talking about that the other night. The last time we were on a train was on our honeymoon and she went along. I will never forget that because we didn't have any kids then. In fact, that is one agreement we had — no kids. She didn't like kids because her parents never had any. Nobody likes kids — isn't that awful? I get so disgusted when I talk to people about birth control. Everybody that is for it has already been born. I shouldn't tell you this because it is none of your business, and it doesn't have anything to do with Fairs either — but my wife bought some pills and I dumped them

out because I like kids. I filled the bottle with aspirin. We have seven kids now but she has never had a headache.

I will wait until all of you people sit down. It takes some people a long time to do the milking but we are glad to see you anyway. Tonight we are going to have a big banquet and everything. Of course I won't have any fun because I don't — although once in awhile I might take something to steady my nerves. Sometimes they get so steady I can hardly move.

We were doing some house cleaning the other day and we found another room. My wife is the neatest person. I got up one night and went to the bathroom and came back to bed and the bed was made. She was cleaning a closet and she said, "Where do all of these empty bottles come from?" I said, "Don't ask me. I never bought an empty bottle in my life." I used to sit at a bar every night and I got rheumatism from putting wet change in my pocket.

I think everyone should have a hobby. You are probably wondering what I do at Fairs and things. I usually get up and sing 30 or 40 of my latest recordings and that always goes over real big. My last record sold 12. I made one before that but it was a flop. It wasn't my fault — it was an 8-inch record with a 12-inch hole. It is kind of a hobby of mine to get out to the Fairs. You meet more good people. I like people. Before we get to the message here today, I thought that as long as I brought my steel guitar with me (that is what I call it because that is how I got it) — if you folks will all just visit, I will be right back. It shouldn't take over 20 minutes. This is it here and it cost me three payments and four changes of address so far. Actually, this was my Christmas present. My wife got it for me — she sent for it. We order everything out of the catalog, usually. We look in the catalog to find something we want and later on when we get in the house if we still want it, we send for it. We always exchange gifts on Christmas and she got me this. I got her something she has always wanted — a Living girdle. Two days after Christmas it died.

I am just tuning up now — and there is a difference if you listen real close. After I get it tuned, I will have it soldered. I have a little sore throat because of this changeable weather — one day it is colder than a mother-in-law's kiss and the next day it warms up. The doctor gave me a shot yesterday. He said, "Your throat is in terrible shape. You have to have a shot." He doesn't even know where the throat is. He gave my Uncle six months to live and at the end of six months my Uncle paid the bill and he gave him another six months.

I can read music a little bit but not enough to hurt my playing any. My hands are all crippled up from milking. It doesn't take us long to milk. We have one cow left and he doesn't give any milk — I get so mad at him sometimes.

I am not a good singer or anything but this is kind of a hobby. We sing around home a lot, my wife and I — we believe in this "togetherness." I wash clothes with her, I wash dishes with her, the other day I mopped the floor with her. She is a classical singer. If you want some real talent at your Fair, you let me know because she is a classical singer and sprays her throat before she sings and all of that. She doesn't have much of a voice but it keeps the flies out of her mouth.

Years ago before we married we were single. We were courting and I went with her for - I don't remember what for now - but we used to go out every night and park like you do when you are young. We parked so often they started to show us on road maps. I can tell you this because I am here and she is home. I used to trust her but I don't any more. We moved from Pittsville to Chicago and we still have the same Culligan man.

This night we were sitting alongside the road and she started singing one of these classical numbers. The policeman came along and stuck a flashlight in our face and he said, "Are you choking that woman?" I said, "Of course not." He said, "Then you get out and hold the flashlight."

Actually, I shouldn't talk this way. This is our anniversary. If I was home we would be celebrating our 14 wonderful years together. That isn't bad out of thirty-two! We had one fight. I lost my temper once and struck her and after that I felt so bad I couldn't look her in the face for two weeks. About the third week I got to where I could see out of one eye.

I thought I would give you a little sample of my singing here and then you will realize what you have been missing.

This is one of my favorite songs — "Beautiful, Beautiful Brown Eyes." I'll bet you thought I was going to be lousy. This is in the key of "D" if you want to sing along. I recently learned it in three flats — I had to move twice. There are more words to this song and I did know them but now I have forgotten them. I get mixed up sometimes. I came home one night and put my pants to bed and hung over a chair all night. My wife is worse than that, she wound the cat one night and put the clock out. She got all scratched up trying to set the alarm. The reason I am learning this song is because my wife has brown eyes. Isn't that romantic? I was in a pool hall one day and a fellow was talking and he said "If a woman has brown eyes, she has the best disposition of all." I couldn't remember what color her eyes were. I went home and she was on the davenport sound asleep. I walked over, lifted up her eyelids and looked at her eyes. I said, "Well I'll be dog-goned — Brown!" Brown came crawling out from beneath the davenport and said, "How did you know I was here?"

I do have this sore throat and I don't believe I will sing any more. want to save my throat for my next recording. But I have one more thing I would like to do here today and then we will get to the message this afternoon. I just want to show you something else I do that goes over with a big round of indifference. My wife has the car and in fact she is on duty this afternoon. She had to learn to drive because she is on the P.T.A. and every year they want to raise money. Last year they had a rummage sale and it didn't go over so well so this year they rented a police car and they are operating a speed trap. She drives good — I am not afraid — well, she drives, anyway. She ran over my snow plow and she said it was my fault for leaving it on the front porch. She brought the car home one day and said, "There is a little dent on porch. She brought the car home one day and said, "There is a little dent on the front fender, if you want to go out and look at it, it is in the trunk." I said, "What did you hit this time?" She said, "I have a list." I am going to try to play a little tune on this gadget here. I have my orchestra here because I didn't have help with me here today and in order to do this I brought this little electronic gadget — I think it is electric, everything else is. I have an electric razor at home, made by John Deere. It not only cuts off the whiskers, it packs them up in little bundles, too. I got my wife an electric blanket. That comes in handy — I just plugged it in the toaster this morning and popped her out of bed. I brought my music with me and my glasses are up in my room, so I don't know how this is going to work because I don't see so well without my glasses. I think maybe if I put this on — this is my baseball cap. I sure thought we had something going with the Twins a year ago. They sure came close! I am a Twins fan and listen to all of the games. I get so busy running into the bathroom to see how I am fixed for blades that I never see what the score is. As Tiny Uthmeier will tell you, I played baseball in Pittsville years ago. Things were rough and we didn't have any money. The crash of 1929 came along and that didn't bother us. We went money. The crash of 1929 came along and that didn't bother us. We went broke in 1928. We couldn't even wait. I got me a job in a drug store. That broke in 1928. We couldn't even wait. I got me a job in a drug store. That is where I met my wife. She came walking in one day and wanted to buy some soap. She said, "Do you have any Lifebuoy?" I said, "You just set the pace." More things happen in a drug store. I shouldn't tell you this, but I have always been a little bow-legged anyway. I remember one day some big heavy set lady came walking in and said, "Do you have any talcum powder?" I said, "Certainly, walk this way." She said, "If I could walk that way, I wouldn't need the talcum powder." I was working in the drug store and all these baseball players used to come in there to buy deodorant. They figured when they slid into first hase, why should they be only half safe. This was when they slid into first base, why should they be only half safe. This was before "Poof." My sister-in-law bought a giant sized bottle of that stuff called "Poof" and went home and blew her whole arm off. My wife won't use it.

She uses "Raid" — no, that doesn't sound right — "Fumes" — a new deodorant. You spray it on and it doesn't make you smell any better but it makes you invisible so you can't tell who it is that smells so bad. Well, they said if I had a uniform I could play baseball, but we didn't have any money so Mom took a paint brush and painted a uniform on me. She got a little too much terpentine in the paint and I made four home runs before I ever got up to bat. We went to Chicago and played the Socks and beat the pants off of them. We played the Cubs and we beat the pants off them. We played the Bloomer Girls and it rained that day.

I would like to come back some time and tell you about my football career. I won't take time now because I want to get to the message. I want to keep it short because we want to have plenty of time for the discussion period. Tony Uppmeier will tell you about the ball team we had in Pittsville. Notre Dame came up and beat us with their Protestant squad. They had the meanest players! They bit off one guy's ear, another guy's finger — it got to where we would only play them on Fridays. I only got hurt once playing football. I got kicked in the cheek and they sent me to the hospital. There was a "plastered surgeon" there and he took some skin off my hip and grafted it on my cheek and you can't notice it unless you look real close. When my mother-in-law comes over and kisses me on the cheek, I just grin. Mothers-in-laws are like seeds — you don't need them but they come with the tomato.

I have my orchestra here and I hope this works out all right. If I can see the notes, it is a pretty number. It is written by "Paganinne" — or is that "Page 9"? Well, we will just do the best we can. This is the hottest suit I ever had. It has two pair of pants and boy is it hotl"

. "Oh Johnnie" played on tire pump . . . (Applause)

You folks, being connected with Fairs, have seen all the entertainment and everything else and it kind of scares you a little — but of all the audiences, and I have seen all types, I think you folks are one of them. It is always fun to have a good time but I can't stand up here and be silly all afternoon. (My hair is so thin I have to carry my dandruff in my billfold.) I like to have a good time. I can have a good time just thinking about all the fun I would be having if I was enjoying myself. This is a good convention and I'll bet you folks will go home and say that you had a real good time. Sometimes you go somewhere and you have such a lousy time that by the time you get home you are so glad to be home you are glad you went. Years ago I didn't enjoy myself at all. I thought I had an inferiority complex. I went to a psychiatrist and found out I don't even have a complex. I am inferior. He said, "Cheer up because things could be worse." So I cheered up and sure enough, things got worse. He said, "Make new friends and see what happens." Now I am stuck with a whole bunch of friends and nothing happened.

I do get around at Fairs and I will tell you what happened. I took my wife along so I didn't have to kiss her good-bye. You know what I get disgusted with is when you get to a Fair and they have these girl shows. That is what happened. I had my son with me and they had girl shows and the girls were out in front dancing. Then they went in the tent and he wanted to go in and see them. I said, "Don't go in there, you might see something you are not supposed to." But he did anyway — and he did, too. He saw me. I remember they had horse races. The reason I remember that is because my wife noticed her shoestring was untied and she leaned over to tie it and some-body threw a saddle on her and said "You're off" and she finished third. She can run! We looked around the cattle barn and everything. When I go to a Fair I want to see everything. My son is the slowest talker you ever saw. He said, "Boy, did you see that new convertible?" I said "Where?" He said, "It's gone." "Boy, did you see that pretty girl?" I said "Where?" He said, "She's gone." I was getting a little disgusted about that time. The next time he said, "Say, did you see —" I said, "Yes, I saw it." He said, "Then how come you stepped in it?"

I do enjoy getting out to the Fairs and seriously I think Fairs start the minute you get up to the gate. I always feel so bad when I have the family

along and we pull up to the gate of the Fair and they act like thy are mad at you because you came there. I think it would be very nice if the guy at the gate would say, "Thanks very much for coming to our Fair and we hope you and the kids have a good time." I think that is where the Fair starts. I think everybody, whether they are connected with a Fair or whatever it is should learn a lesson from an old fellow I met one morning. I drove all night after being on a personal appearance and about six in the morning I was tired and disgusted with the whole world like you sometimes get. I pulled into a gas station to get some gas and an old fellow came out, whistling away and I said, "Boy, you are happy this morning!" He said, "I should be — I have never lived this day before." I think we could all learn something from that.

I am not going to get to the message because it is getting kind of late. I think what I will do is just mail it to you. Thanks very much for letting me be here. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Thank you, "Red" for coming and giving us something to laugh about. I know we are going to remember this part of the program when we remember this convention because of you having been here. We have an announcement concerning a couple of districts that are going to caucus. I will call on John to give you the announcement on that.

MR. JOHN LIBBY (Secretary-General Manager): In accordance with the statutes, there are anticipated vacancies in the seventh and ninth regional districts, and they are to caucus today to submit a certificate of nomination for the Board of Managers of this society to be elected tomorrow. District 7 will meet in Duluth A, across the mezzanine, and District 9 in LaSalle C, in the other corner of the mezzanine.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Of course this evening we have the banquet. I know you are all going to be there and have a good time. To-morrow morning the final session will begin at 9:30 in the LaSalle Room. We would like to have a lot of you come for that final session.

At this time we are adjourned.

(The meeting recessed at 3:50 o'clock p.m.)

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Wednesday Morning, January 11, 1967

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 o'clock a.m., LaSalle A Room, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, President Grussendorf, presiding.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: We will call this meeting to order. This is the final session of this year's annual meeting. We have had some pretty good meetings this year, I think. We had a lot of fun yesterday and we had some "meat" too. I thought yesterday afternoon the meeting we had was tops because of the humorous speaker and the fine representatives we had from the 4-H and F.F.A. Then, of course, the reports that were given by our Secretary-General Manager and our Treasurer were given but we do have a few more items of business left to conduct.

Our program states we have the Resolutions Committee to report but we had that yesterday. We do have to elect a President for a term of one year. Mr. Carnes will take over.

MR. NORRIS CARNES (St. Paul): The Chair will entertain a nomination for the Office of President of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for a term of one year.

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): I would like to place in nomination the name of Mr. D. T. Grussendorf to succeed himself for the year 1967. He has done a most outstanding job through the years on the Board of Governors as well as the past year as our President. I nominate him for President for another year.

MR. NORRIS CARNES (Acting Chairman): Are there other nominations? If not, the Chair will entertain a motion to the effect that nominations cease and the Rules be suspended and the Secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Grussendorf.

MR. ROERT ANDREWS (Minneapolis): I will so move.

The motion was regularly seconded

MR. NORRIS CARNES (Acting Chairman): All in favor say "Aye"; opposed?

. The motion was carried .

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: I was a candidate for the Legislature two different years. I put up vigorous campaigns and was defeated both times, so I am used to defeat, you see.

Now, we are going to elect a Vice President for a term of two years. It is customary to elect Vice Presidents from Minneapolis and St. Paul. This year the Vice President will be elected from the Fourth Regional District.

MR. JOHN LIBBY (Secretary-General Manager): Mr. President, in keeping with past precedent, I have a letter from the Chamber of Commerce of St. Paul, signed by the Executive Vice President, recommending that Norris K. Carnes succeed himself from the Fourth Regional District for a period of two years.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: You have heard the recommendation from St. Paul. Is there support to the nomination?

MR. LEO KESKINEN (Grand Rapids): I support the nomination.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: The nomination of Norris K. Carnes has been supported. Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? It might be well to read this letter which is addressed to John Libby:

It is our distinct pleasure to recommend the reappointment of Mr. Norris Carnes to another term as Vice President of the State Fair Board. Mr. Carnes has done an outstanding job in this capacity. He is without question the best representative from the Fourth District due to his qualifications and his relationships with all types of groups and organizations and his executive leadership and ability.

The St. Paul Chamber of Commerce hopes that Mr. Carnes will be re-elected. If there are no other nominations, I will entertain a motion that the rules be suspended and the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Norris Carnes.

MR. ROBERT ANDREWS (Minneapolis): I so move.

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: All in favor say "Aye"; contrary?

. . . The motion was carried . .

MR. NORRIS K. CARNES (St. Paul - Vice President): I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the confidence you have expressed in me in re-electing me to this Board of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society. I can truthfully say to you that as long as I am a member of this illustrious Board I will do what I consider to be for the best interest of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society.

Now we have the election of two Board members. One is from the 7th district and the other from the 9th.

MR. JOHN LIBBY (Secretary-General Manager): Mr. President, I have a certificate of nomination from the delegates of the Seventh District

who in accordance with the statute met yesterday and nominated Mr. Frank L. Mitchell to succeed himself for a term of three years.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: You have heard the nomination from the district caucus of Frank L. Mitchell of Canby. Are there any other nominations?

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): I am happy to approve this nomination. I know that Frank Mitchell has served the Board well. I had the privilege of serving on the Board with him for a period of two years and I move that the rules be suspended and the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Frank Mitchell to succeed himself for a term of three years.

MR. CARNES (St. Paul): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Motion has been made and seconded that the rules be suspended and the Secretary be ordered to cast a unanimous ballot for Frank Mitchell. Are you ready for the question? All in favor say "Aye"; opposed?

. . . The motion was carried . . .

MR. FRANK MITCHELL (Canby): Somehow I lost my voice but I do want to say thanks a million. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Next, from the Ninth District.

MR. JOHN LIBBY (Secretary-General Manager): In accordance with the statute, the Ninth District also caucused yesterday and I have a certificate of nomination from that caucus signed by the Chairman and Secretary nominating Mr. Albin Johnson of Fertile to succeed himself for a term of three years.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Are there any other nominations?

MR. O. M. MATTSON (Warren): I have worked a good many years with Albin Johnson in our Red River Valley circuit. We found him trustworthy, able and willing to do a good turn for someone else. I think he has done a good job for the State Fair Board during the years he has served. I move that nominations be closed and the Secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Albin Johnson to succeed himself.

. . . The motion was regularly seconded . . .

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: All in favor say "Aye"; opposed?

. . . The motion was carried . .

MR. ALBIN JOHNSON (Fertile): I want to thank my good friends that let me stay on this Board that I enjoy so much and I hope I will be able to be of some help to our Secretary-General Manager and the rest of the Board members this coming year. Thank you all. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: You have heard speeches by those who were re-elected and I believe I forgot to make one. I want to inform you that I greatly appreciate your confidence in me in returning me to the presidency this coming year. It has been a great pleasure working with all of you fine men and with the State Fair organization in putting on a great Fair. I appreciate having had the opportunity to do so.

Now we will have a report on the Hall of Fame Committee. Ted Arens is Chairman of that Committee.

MR. TED ARENS (Hall of Fame Committee): Members of the State Agricultural Society: I am sorry I am late. I did want to say something about Mr. Grussendorf before you voted but it is too late now.

At the last annual meeting I presented the proceedings up to date with reference to our State Fair Hall of Fame. I took considerable time. Your

President warned me this time to make it short and sweet and I assure you that is what I will do and merely read to you the Minutes of the Hall of Fame Committee held August 31, 1966.

This was the meeting at which your present names of nominees to the Hall of Fame were selected and approved by the Committee to be submitted to the Board of Managers who, in turn would approve or disapprove, and those which you did approve would be submitted for final approval for installation in the Hall of Fame.

On August 31, 1966 the Committee meeting was held at 4:30 p.m. Present were Chairman Arens, Lammers, Carnes, Muckle, Grussendorf, Libby and Secretary Frost. Chairman Arens opened the meeting with remarks concerning guide lines for selection of future members and the Committee was polled for suggestions for categories and sources of membership. Mr. Lammers moved that the Committee, in choosing nominees, stay within the scope of "Agriculture" and for the present, at least, confine the nominations to men who have served Agriculture, directly or indirectly, in some manner through the State Fair. This motion was seconded and carried. Nominations were then asked for with the following results:

Mr. Muckle nominated C. I. Buxton, Senior, and Cline A. Tincher. For the information of the delegates here, because some of these men are pioneers, I will give you just a few words in regard to each nominee.

Mr. Buxton laid the basis for the Minnesota Implement Dealers Association. It has now become the largest Implement Retail Dealers Association on the continent. He also laid the foundation for the formation of the Implement Dealers Association Mutual Insurance Company — Federated Mutual of Owatonna, which now is the largest of its kind in the world, I believe, and it is spread all over the United States and still maintains administrative offices in Minnesota.

Cline A. Tincher, as most of you remember, was in charge of our horse races. He laid the programs and had direct charge of the affair. You might say it was the beginning and the end of our horse racing program at the Minnesota State Fair.

Mr. Libby nominated Raymond A. Lee and Ray P. Speer. I don't think there is any need for further comment on these two men for their wonderful contributions, Mr. Lee as General Manager and Secretary and Mr. Speer in our Publicity Department.

Mr. Grussendorf nominated P. A. Anderson. Phillip Anderson was a Professor of Animal Husbandry at the time I was on the ag campus and he performed in a grand manner on the State Fair all of these years from way back up to 1960 at the time of his departure from the Miinnesota State Fair. He was in charge of the Sheep Division of our Livestock Section.

Mr. Lammers nominated Mr. W. S. Moscrip, former President of the Board. You all know of his performance on the Board and other than that, he was the founder of the Twin City Milk Producers Association and was instrumental in taking that organization into the Land O'Lakes Creameries, Inc., as we know them here. You will recall that a year ago we nominated A. J. McGuire and Mr. Brandt, founders of this Land O'Lakes organization which is the largest co-op in the world in the processing of dairy products and today they have their administrative office still here in the State.

Mr. Carnes nominated J. Seneca Jones, one of the first secretaries of the Farm Bureau Association. Mr. Jones, not only being an outstanding Secretary of that great Farmers' organization, he was instrumental in putting the forces of the Farm Bureau behind the movement at that time, back in the early 20's to organize the Land O'Lakes Corporation I mentioned a few moments ago. Other than that, I might say that Mr. Jones' heart was in the State Fair and he contributed his efforts in many, many ways.

Mr. Frost nominated David J. Murphy, a former Board member who died in office. Mr. Murphy contributed all that was necessary to lay the foundation for this tremendous Machinery Hill that the Minnesota State Fair is so proud of. He at that time, not only being a Board Member, was also President of the Manufacturers and Distributors Association here in the Northwest in the Farm Implement line, so in that capacity, he had numerous contacts that assisted him and our good friend Harry Frost to lay the foundation for the greatest exhibit of farm machinery in the world. Mr. Murphy died in office. A street was named after him. In those days the State Fair recognized the work of its members. When I came along, K. C. Wright built a 26-hole chic sales on machinery hill and my co-workers dubbed it "Ted's biffy." Perhaps those remarks don't belong here but not being here too often I would like to remind my affectionate co-workers that I still remember them at times.

The Committee then voted unanimously to accept these eight nominees as the men to be certified to the Board of Managers at the November, 1966 Board Meeting and if approved by the Board at that meeting, would be presented for election at the Annual Meeting in January, 1967.

Mr. Chairman, I move the acceptance of this list of nominees for installation in the State Fair Hall of Fame: C. I. Buxton, Sr., Cline A. Tincher, Raymond A. Lee, Raymond P. Speer, P. A. Anderson, W. S. Moscrip, J. Seneca Jones, David J. Murphy.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: Thank you, Ted, for that report. You have heard this list of men, together with their biographies. I think most of you know these men and they are all fine men. Is there support for the motion?

MR. NORRIS K. CARNES (St. Paul): I second the motion.

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: All in favor of adding this list of men to our Hall of Fame signify by saying "Aye"; opposed?

. . . The motion was carried . . .

Now we will go into Unfinished Business. Does anyone have anything in this particular line? $\,$

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): Mr. President, delegates and friends of the State Agricultural Society. At each of these annual meetings it is our duty to select, nominate and elect a Life Honorary Member to the State Agricultural Society. This being a year without an out-going President, it then becomes our duty to select another person who has made great contributions and rendered conspicuous service to the State Agricultural Society. I am sure that you gathered here this morning vitally interested and connected with your county fairs, realize that your grounds crew, your electricians, your carpenters, your plumbers, are very important people. Without them, you could never hold a Fair.

Today it is my privilege to place in nomination a man who has served in this manner most faithfully — James L. Libby, better known to his friends and associates as "Jim."

Jim Libby has been a member of the State Fair family since 1919. He joined the staff as a laborer that year. I understand he commanded the huge salary of 45 cents an hour. He graduated to timekeeper after the 1919 exposition. The following year Jim became a Foreman on the Grounds Crew. He exhibited qualities of leadership very early in his new post and became Assistant Superintendent of Grounds in 1921. Jim became Superintendent of Grounds in February, 1959, following the retirement of the late Ed Diemer, who had been his boss for 40 years. During those years Jim and Ed had developed a partnership marked by loyalty and efficiency, producing improve, ments which established the Minnesota State Fair as the most attractive exposition grounds in America.

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When Jim Libby began working at the State Fair there were no paved roads. The sidewalks were cinder paths. There still were dry plumbing facilities to use, horse-drawn wagons for the grounds crew. I know that Jim feels he is fortunate to have spent so many years at his post because it gave him an opportunity to realize a great many objectives within his own career. He has guided and witnessed the remarkable series of advancements which have sustained the Minnesota State Fair's position of leadership.

There are only four major buildings or structures on the fairgrounds which were there when Jim Libby began his services to the State Fair — the grandstand, the home activities building, the dairy building and the State exhibit building. The value of the physical plant has soared from less than five million dollars to more than 55 million dollars, even though the size of the grounds has increased only 10 percent. Maybe it is a revelation to many, but the grounds and sanitation staff grew from 70 to 75 workers during the summer months to more than 400 while the Fair is in progress. This is an annual miracle of planning and supervision, a credit to Jim and the foremen under his direction.

A remarkable element in Jim Libby's make-up is his willingness to change to meet new demands. He has a dislike for the normal, even in his 69th year. He is constantly striving to improve upon the previous year's foremat. Witness the remarkable improvement he put into effect in the 1966 Fair when the round-the-clock grounds clean up was established for the first time. This change was made despite the fact that the Minnesota State Fair had a fine reputation for grounds clean up already.

Another inside into Jim's point of view is the fact he doesn't consider the physical improvements to the State Fair to be the most significant advancement during his years with this institution. Rather, he strongly believes that the most important progress made by the State Agricultural Society during the past half century of creation is the 4-H and Future Farmers of America programs, the largest rural youth activities of any Fair on the continent.

Jim and his good wife Eva are parents of four children, two sons, John and James and daughters, Arlene and Shirley. They have lived at 24th Avenue, South, in Minneapolis for many, many years.

Thinking of livestock and all I think of a classification in the livestock portion of the premium book and I believe there is one classification that Jim surely is worthy of and has earned the purple ribbon and that is the get of sire classification whereby he has produced John, our General Manager–Secretary and also the President of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.

Mr. President, I consider it a privilege and an honor to place in nomination for Life Membership in the State Agricultural Society the name of James L. Libby. (Applause)

MR. NORRIS CARNES (St. Paul): In seconding the nomination I don't believe my good friend, Al Thompson, has left much for me to say but I do want to second everything that he has said. I think everyone here this morning is cognizant of the fact that I have been associated with the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for many years. My span of time expends back to just about the time when Jim Libby first came to the Minnesota State Fair. I learned at an early date that if I were to carry out my various assignments in the various departments, that when it was necesary for me to have a modification or an improvement or an addition to some of these facilities on the grounds in order to carry out my duties efficiently and effectively, the best man for me to contact was Jim Libby. I can say when I contacted Jim Libby I could always forget about it because when he agreed to do something, it was done. I think that is one of the finest attributes a man can possess. I am satisfied that over a period of many years, Jim Libby has worked diligently, earnestly and tirelessly, efficiently, effectively and above all, honestly, for what he considered to be the best interest of the Minnesota Agricultural Society and the Minnesota State Fair. I am happy to second his nomination for this honor. (Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: I think it is seldom that a man with as long and efficient a background has been recommended for a life member as is being offered here this morning.

It has been moved and seconded that James Libby be elected to the Life Membership of the Society. All those in favor say "Aye"; opposed? By the look on the faces of everyone here, I am sure there are none who would vote against this because this is a very fine decision.

The motion was carried unanimously . .

Mr. James L. Libby came forward . . .

MR. AL THOMPSON (Spicer): I want to congratulate you, Jim. We are happy to have you aboard. I want to present this gold life membership card, not for its intrinsic worth or value but more for what it represents — the esteem in which we hold you, the faith we have in you, and a little of something for the things you have done. I notice they have forgotten one item on here which was attached to the one I received some years ago — a slip of paper which said, "Not good at the outside gate." Knowing that you must know the fences and all the gates on those grounds pretty well, they felt they could leave that off.

MR. JAMES L. LIBBY (Life Membership Recipient): I am not going to tell you that I am not a public speaker. You are going to find that out very shortly.

This thrills me. I think that Al and Norris are a little confused. They have me mixed up with someone else. As Superintendent of Grounds I would like to hire the fellow they are painting the picture of.

I was quite fortunate that John wasn't the one to present this to me. John, through Mother's and my bringing up, has always tried to be honest. He knows more about me than Norris and Al.

I accept this, gentlemen, with a great degree of humility. I feel I am the benefactor having had a chance to work for the State Fair, the great organization and great institution that it is. It has been a means to an end to raise, rear and educate our family. It has been a great joy. There have been times when it has been a little boresome but over all, I have enjoyed it immensely.

I want to say, in getting this recognition, you certainly have answered a question which I have been unable to answer for many years. Ever since I have been at the Fair I have been asked the question, "Where do you work?" A lot of people have nose trouble and want to know your business. "What do you do? How much do you get? Is it steady?" Most of the time I don't have an answer for these questions, especially when they say, "Do you work steady?" I always say, "I don't know. They haven't told me yet." Now I will be able to tell them that I think it is going to be steady.

Gentlemen, I have been asked the question over the years many, many times: What is the reason that the State Fair is such a great success? Why do you love it so? Why do you stay there if you can get more pay some place else? There is a lot more to a job than just the pay. I have been asked this question many times and I have never hesitated to give this answer: The reason for the Fair having been such a success is not fellows like myself that have worked there, but the foundation of the Fair, the basis on which it was formed — agriculture, livestock, and such as that — and the tremendous men who have served as the State Fair Board of Managers. I never had the privilege before to meet with the Board but I want to assure you it certainly is a pleasure. I have had the utmost respect and admiration for these men. I could go down the line and name any number of them that I have thought the world of. I have respected them, I felt they had ability, integrity, and a great deep concern and interest in serving the Fair.

Along with that, I would like to testify that in most cases these men that I am talking about sought Divine Guidance in their decisions, their actions and their work. What makes me think that is that I was to an Open Service they had one morning at the Farm Boys Camp and while there and after I left I saw no less than six of the Board members who were on the State Fair Board at that time, in that service. It certainly convinced me that they, like myself, sought Divine Guidance in their operations.

I don't think I have contributed very much to the Fair. I wish I could have contributed a lot more. My heart and soul has been there. If there has been any success, I would like to leave this testimony with you men — and I hope that my son, if he ever attains any success — (success is not material things entirely) — I would like to leave this testimony particularly to him. Since I became Superintendent of Grounds, every morning that I could, I have in my office an inner-office, and unless I was waylaid with five or six individuals who grab you, I go in there and before I begin my day's work, I seek the Lord's guidance for that day. I can truthfully state, fellows, that those are the days that it went well. If we had a fuse burn out or a truck break down, it was the day I wasn't able to do that.

I would like to share this honor with my dear wife. I don't think any fellow in any job can do a good job unless he has somebody that is concerned with him. I have. I feel it is wonderful to be honored this way and to be brought into a group with men who have had this honor previously—men such as Harry Frost, K. C. Wright—two men that I think the world of. I don't know if you fellows know them as well as I do but I don't think there are two men that ever have contributed as much to that Fairgrounds as those two. Harry Frost took over in the early 20's when the space rental department was in shambles. They had to put men on the street to go out and get concessionaires and exhibitors. After Harry worked on it a few years we had a waiting list of exhibitors wanting space. Mr. Wright came into the picture in W.P.A. days and you know what has happened since then. These dirt roads that Al spoke of and the dry toilets and such as that, Mr. Wright has been responsible for such improvements over the years. I appreciate all they have done and the help they have given to me over the years. They have been more or less like fathers to me. I respect both of those men highly.

In passing I want to say that the reason I respect these men so much is not for their ability alone but for the great manhood they have. I know them more intimately. I know there are other men of the same character as these two men but I know these fellows more intimately than I do the rest. Fellows, I respect you both for the fathers and husbands they have been. You have been a great help to me.

As I told you, I am not a public speaker but I do want to thank you all. (Standing Applause)

PRESIDENT GRUSSENDORF: That certainly is a great philosophy of life that you have and I hope that it will rub off on all of us.

This would be a good way to end our Convention. Possibly we do have another item or two. Does anyone have any other Unfinished Business? If not, we will have a Board Meeting very shortly. We will meet immediately in this room so that we will wind up sooner this afternoon. The Life Members will have lunch with us at noon.

If there is nothing else to come before the meeting, I declare the meeting adjourned.

(The 108th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society adjourned at eleven o'clock a.m.)

MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

HOTEL RADISSON, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 11, 1967

Present -

D. T. Grussendorf, President Norris K. Carnes, Vice President Robert R. Andrews, Vice President Stan Muckle Birney Wilkins Anton Geiger Albin Johnson Frank Mitchell

Loring Staples Leo Keskinen

Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer John E. Libby, Secretary - General Manager

Also present were: K. C. Wright, Ken Wenzel, Jerry Franke, Ed Doty, Harold Johnston, Mike Heffron and Harry Frost.

The oaths of office were administered to the newly-elected officers and Board Members.

Minutes of the November 19, 1966 Board Meeting (previously mailed to the members) were approved upon a motion by Mr. Carnes, seconded by Mr. Keskinen and carried.

Mimeographed copies of the Minutes in Vacation, covering the period November 17, 1966 through January 5, 1967, were distributed to the Board. Upon a motion by Mr. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Keskinen and carried, the Minutes in Vacation as presented were approved.

Secretary presented the financial statement of December 31, 1966 as follows:

SUMMARY

Cash Balance - General Fund November 30	\$106,936.83
December Receipts	16,175.53
General Fund Check #21804 corrected	.30
	\$123,112.66
DISBURSEMENTS DURING DECEMBER	
Mid Month Payroll, December 1-15 \$8,236.42	
Miscellaneous Bills Paid	13,295.81
Cash Balance - December 31, 1966	\$109,816.85
General Fund	\$109,816.85
Payroll Fund	10,000.00
Contingent Fund	1,000.00
U.S. Treasury Bills - Mature 3-30-67	485,670.00
	\$606,486.85

Cash Balance - December 31, 1965

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General Fund .	 .			\$125,770.53
Payroll Fund				10,000.00
Contingent Fund	d			1,000.00
U.S. Treasury Bi	ills -	·		
Mature 4	4-14-66			147,430.50
Mature 6	3-30-66		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	97,414.00
				\$381,615.03

Upon a motion by Mr. Staples, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the financial statement as presented was approved.

It was moved by Mr. Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Staples and carried that the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis be designated as the depository of the Society's General Fund; Payroll Fund; Premium Fund and Treasurer's Account; and that the Midway National Bank of St. Paul be designated as the depository for the Society's Contingent Fund.

Upon a motion by Mr. Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried, check signees for the various Society funds were approved as follows:

General Fund: John E. Libby or Michael D. Heffron;
D. T. Grussendorf or Norris Carnes or
Robert Andrews and Roy C. Sorenson or
Harry Jensen or Howard Hansen.

Payroll Fund: John E. Libby or Harry J. Frost or Michael D. Heffron.

Premium Fund: John E. Libby or Harry J. Frost or Michael D. Heffron or signature plate of John E. Libby for IBM checks.

R. C. Sorenson (Treasurer's Account): R. C. Sorenson or other signatures as authorized by the Treasurer.

Contingent Fund: John E. Libby

The Payroll Fund, Premium Fund, Contingent Fund and R. C. Sorenson-Treasurer's Account require only one signature; whereas the General Fund requires three signatures as follows: the Secretary or Assistant Secretary; a member of the Executive Committee and the Treasurer or one of his two deputies.

It was moved by Mr. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Carnes and carried to approve the bonding schedule for John E. Libby (\$200,000); Roy C. Sorenson (\$200,000); Michael D. Heffron (\$200,000); Harry Jensen (\$200,000) and Howard Hansen (\$200,000), as well as the position schedule currently in force as written with the Capitol Indemnity Corporation of Madison, Wisconsin.

It was moved by Mr. Carnes, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried that the Standing Committees of the Society remain the same as in 1966 with the exception that Mr. Andrews, as senior Vice President, would replace Mr. Carnes as chairman of the Executive Committee. (Mr. Carnes retains his membership on the committee.)

Upon a motion by Mr. Muckle, seconded by Mr. Andrews and carried, the following appointments were made for supervisors and superintendents of the various State Fair departments:

ADMISSIONS – Muckle, Supervisor; Ty Sincock, Superintendent.

AGRICULTURE-HORTICULTURE-BEE CULTURE — Wilkins, Supervisor; Ward Marshall, Assistant Supervisor; O. H. Shulstad, Superintendent, Division of Crops; Harold Nelson, Superintendent, Division of Flowers; Roger Conklin, Superintendent, Division of Fruits; O. C. Turnquist, Superintendent, Division of Vegetables-Potatoes; Percy Johnson, Superintendent, Division of Bee Culture.

AMUSEMENT — Libby, Supervisor; Mark Markson, Superintendent; John Geisler, Superintendent of Music.

BOYS' & GIRLS' 4-H CLUB WORK — Mitchell, Supervisor; Leonard Harkness, Superintendent.

CATTLE - Carnes, Supervisor; Raymond L. Arthaud, Superintendent.

CONSERVATION - Geiger, Supervisor; Carl W. Moen, Superintendent.

DAIRY - Staples, Supervisor; Al Sjowal, Superintendent.

EDUCATION - Keskinen, Supervisor; Milo J. Peterson, Superintendent.

FARM BOYS' CAMP - Mitchell, Supervisor; Robert J. Mayne, Superintendent.

FINE ARTS - Geiger, Supervisor; Paul Kramer, Superintendent.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA — Keskinen, Supervisor; G. R. Cochran, Superintendent.

HOME ACTIVITIES — Staples, Supervisor; Mrs. Mildred Harrington, Superintendent.

HORSE — Carnes, Supervisor; Dr. Harold Arnemen, Superintendent.

LEGISLATIVE-EDITORIAL — Mitchell, Supervisor.

MEAT EXHIBIT — Carnes, Supervisor.

MINK - Johnson, Supervisor; Henry Morlock, Superintendent.

POULTRY — Mitchell, Supervisor; Harold Thomforde, Superintendent.

PUBLICITY - Libby, Supervisor; David J. Speer, Superintendent.

PUBLIC SAFETY — Andrews, Supervisor; James Cockriel, Superintendent.

RACE - Libby, Supervisor; Leonard Dobbs, Superintendent.

SERVICES — Libby, Supervisor; James L. Libby, Superintendent of Grounds; Joseph Fischler, Asst. Supt. of Grounds; Albert J. Keller, Superintendent of Greenhouse; Dan Elmer, Superintendent of Forage; Robert Moberg, Superintendent of Sanitation.

SHEEP & WOOL - Mitchell, Supervisor; Robert Jordan, Superintendent.

SPACE RENTALS — Libby, Supervisor; Kenneth Wenzel, Superintendent; Harold Johnston, Superintendent Emeritis; Farm Machinery Division - Johnson, Advisor; Carl O. Linnee, Superintendent; Varied Industries - Elmer Fisher, Superintendent.

SWINE - Johnson, Supervisor; Robert Jacobs, Superintendent.

TICKET AUDIT — Geiger, Supervisor; Richard Reinhardt, Superintendent; A. H. Winkel, Superintendent Emeritus.

Upon a motion by Mr. Carnes, seconded by Mr. Staples and carried, Secretary was authorized to make adjustments in permanent staff salaries as he deemed advisable.

It was moved by Mr. Staples, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, that the Society's 1969 Annual Meeting be held at the Radisson Hotel on January 20, 21, and 22.

President Grussendorf recessed the regular Board meeting so that meetings of standing committees could be held.

Secretary announced that in keeping with past precedent, all members of the Board were invited to sit in on the deliberations of the various committees so that they might have full knowledge of the matters taken up at these committee meetings. While voting on committee business is limited to the membership of the particular committee, participation of all members of the Board is desirable during the deliberations.

- NOTE -

A record book containing the complete minutes for the year is on file at the Administration Office, State Fair Grounds, St. Paul, Minnesota.