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SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 95th annual Minnesota State Fair was held during the ten day period, Saturday, August 25, through Monday, Labor Day, September 3rd.

Last year when referring to the spectacular breaking of the million admissions record, your secretary said "Can this admissions record be met — and bettered — in future years? Probably yes. Possibly no."

The probabilities had it in 1956! A new record of 1,036,736 was established.

On five different days the records previously established for the corresponding days were broken. Specifically, the first Saturday shattered the previous record set in 1955; Tuesday exceeded the record of 1950; Wednesday that of 1954; Saturday that of 1947; and the second Sunday shattered that of 1955 and established a new one day record of 159,748, on an audited count. The only day to exceed it in the record books is Labor Day of 1919, immediately following World War One, when there were not so many large buildings on the grounds, and definitely not as many automobiles, and the crowds were so great at the gates that gates and fences were torn down by the eager visitors and an estimate had to be made of the number who did not pass regularly thru the turnstiles. Your secretary was in the publicity department that year and he does not believe that the Board erred on the conservative side in making that estimate.

Many of the state fairs of our country, bedevilled as we are, with constantly increasing costs, have raised the admission price at the outside gates. It is the firm intention of your Board to keep our admission price at its present fifty cents, firmly adhere to its "Everybody Pays" policy, and depend upon an ever increasing patronage to absorb the increasing costs, so that every member of the entire family can well afford to take advantage of the countless educational features of the Fair is the constant aim of the Board.

The generous response of the patrons of the Fair, reflected in ever increasing attendance, would seem to justify that philosophy.

In exulting over this increasing patronage we must be ever mindful of the fact that with weather hazards we are engaged in one of the greatest gambles in business. Adverse weather or crop and economic conditions could well turn a fair into a disastrous shambles. Adequate reserves must be maintained and conservative operating budgets established and adhered to each year.

Still fresh in our memories are the tremendous reductions during the height of the polio epidemics; the year when it rained at the wrong time of the day for ten of the ten days; and this year when we balanced on the thin edge of a knife on the first Sunday and Wednesday. On these days heavy rains early in the day made the race track a sea of mud. The race fans sat in the grandstand until four o'clock before the first race could be started. Had the fans not been patient and the ground crew efficient refunds would have had to be made — a loss of \$72,259.32 after tax from the grandstand alone.

Then there was the year when a tornado swept thru the grounds just six weeks before opening, necessitating an unanticipated cost of over one hundred thousand dollars.

For many years the Society has received no appropriation from the legislature for any maintenance, expenses or repairs, and thus has been no charge

against the tax payers of the state.

Few people realize that hundreds of thousands of dollars must be expended and committed before the first visitor starts the clicking of the turnstiles. If adverse conditions strike at the opening, the reserve fund built up by the Society must be drawn upon to carry the loss.

One of the comments frequently heard is that it is "the same old fair." Certainly it is. And people are the same old people. But as the Minneapolis Star remarked editorially, "Yet that is perhaps why about a million people paid admission this year — they like the formula."

Within that formula your Board is constantly seeking innovations, improvements and service. The youth programs have developed from a most modest beginning to an important factor in youth education. These youth programs have become a mighty important factor in the economic development of our state.

Until the new Mink Show building was opened this year to display the achievements of the mink breeders of Minnesota, very few people were aware of the fact that Minnesota mink breeders are second only to our neighbor, Wisconsin, in the production of commercial mink.

The Children's Barnyard, a project of the Future Farmers of America, was something new this year. In a simulated farmyard and barn, young farm animals were shown with mothers. This exhibit was designed especially for the children of the cities. The constant complaint was, however, that so many adults crowded into the exhibit that the children had to peer thru their legs to get a glimpse of the calves, lambs and duckings. It is planned to expand this feature next year.

The formula is the same, but the variations upon the basic theme is infinite. Simple nursery songs and great symphonies are built from the same basic musical scale.

Exhibits in practically every department hit new highs, and in some of the livestock departments it was necessary to return entries because of lack of space.

Too much credit and thanks cannot be given to the press, radio and television of the state for the generous manner in which they carried the pre-fair word to the people, nor for the splendid manner in which they reported the day by day progress of the Fair.

Following is a brief resume of the 1956 Fair —

Friday, August 24

Preparation Day

Hearts were heavy this day. Cloudy, cool — rain threatening. The threat materialized in the evening.

Because of the large number of entries in the auto races, time trials for the speedway type cars were held in the afternoon, under the sanction of the International Motor Contest Association.

No admission was charged at the outside gates.

The Royal American Midway was open for a public pre-view.

Saturday, August 25

International C.A.P., Stock Car Race, and Thrill Day

The day dawned clear and warm, but by noon it started to cloud up, and by five o'clock a bank of heavy clouds moved in from the west, bringing light

sprinkles by six o'clock, just as the grandstand was about to open for the evening performance.

The effective planning of more than a year slipped smoothly into gear as all of the buildings and exhibits were ready to open on scheduled time. One of the noticeable features in many departments was the emphasis placed upon exhibits to promote and encourage the consumption of our many agricultural and livestock products. "Increase Consumer Demand" was the keynote.

The Minnesota State Championship Baton Twirling Contest was held in the Hippodrome to select the contestants to represent Minnesota at the national contest to be held in conjunction with the Saint Paul Winter Carnival.

Stock car sprint races and a one hundred lap feature were staged in front of the grandstand in the afternoon.

For the first time in many years wrestling matches were held in the Hippodrome in the evening.

Barbara Jean Rossus was crowned Princess Kay of the Milky Way representing the dairy industries of the state at the evening Grandstand.

In alternate years the annual International Civil Air Patrol Drill Competition has been held at the Canadian National Exhibition and the Minnesota State Fair. The drill team representing Canada won the championship. Many high ranking officers of both the Canadian and United States Air Forces were our guests for the event. The cadets were accompanied by the Tactical Air Command Band of the Canadian Air Force and the Strategic Air Command Band of our Air Force.

The evening program was concluded by the Swenson Thrillcade Show and fireworks.

A new educational feature of the Home Activities Department was a daily discussion period conducted by experts and covering various phases of the exhibits.

Sunday, August 26

→ Minnesota, Flying Farmers and Auto Race Day

A heavy thunder storm started at two in the morning and continued until six o'clock with over half an inch of rain. At eight fifteen another heavy thunder shower, with more rain again at ten thirty. At noon the radio and television weather reports warned of more thunder showers for the afternoon and evening. By noon it cleared and a light breeze came up. The track was a sea of mud. Only the most heroic efforts on the part of the ground crew and the racers made a program possible. The first speedway type car race started at four o'clock before a capacity audience. It was cloudy and cool in the evening.

A delegation of business men representing the Chamber of Commerce from New Orleans were guests in the afternoon and were generous in their praise of the fair.

Again, parking problems became acute. It was necessary to close the gates to vehicular traffic from three-forty until four twenty-five o'clock.

A large delegation of Flying Farmers came to the University airport in their own planes and were brought by special busses to the grounds. This annual event is growing as more and more farmers are using small personal planes

Non-denominational worship services were conducted by Rev. Alfred Keffries in the morning.

The first of eleven horse shows was held in the Hippodrome. 4-H Clubbers spent the evening in a songfest.

Monday, August 27

Children's, Teacher Recognition, Livestock and Thrill Day

The day was partially overcast, hot and humid. The forecast called for thunder showers after six o'clock. A light rain fell just as the afternoon grandstand broke and the afternoon forecast predicted heavy rain and forty mile an hour wind for the evening. It did not arrive until late night, but it kept many people from attending the evening grandstand performance.

Despite the dismal forecast youngsters started streaming thru the gates at the crack of dawn.

The Education Department had a busy day in the annual Quiz Contest and Teacher Recognition. Grade school teachers with the longest term of service in the schools came from each county. Miss Minnie Siemer with fifty-three years in the second grade at Carleton walked off with the honors. The combined service of all the teachers amounted to three thousand one hundred and ten years.

President Arens spent a busy day, addressing the Farm Boys' Camp assembly, escorting teachers and presenting awards.

A change in the usual schedule for afternoon grandstand called for the Thrillcade augmented with elephants and other animal acts.

Tuesday, August 28

Saint Paul, Rotary and Stock Car Race Day

Throughout the night there was heavy rain. The morning dawned cloudy and windy. Heavy humidity and thunder and lightning at six o'clock just as the evening grandstand opened. The forecast was that two heavy storms would converge on the grounds during the evening. A drizzle started at seven o'clock and continued thru the evening. Regardless of the handicaps the evening performance was started early and a hardy crowd of enthusiastic patrons watched the performers struggle in the rain. The fireworks finale was touched off at eight thirty-six.

Dr. J. O. Christianson addressed the Farm Boys' Camp assembly.

Under the Auspices of "The Farmer" the first style show, other than 4-H was staged in Lee Auditorium. It was repeated on Wednesday. The show was produced by Maggi Byrne of New York.

Honored guest of the day was Mayor Tsutomu Tagawas of Nagasaki, Japan.

A variation on the usual pattern of stock races was inaugurated in the afternoon. A ninety minute marathon, in which Bob Burdick of Omaha completed 174 laps in the hour and one half contest.

The 4-H Club members competing on the grounds paraded in front of the grandstand before the evening performance, and braved the rain to watch the show.

Wednesday, August 29

Duluth, Arrowhead, Farm Machinery and Farm Implement Dealers, Veterans and Auto Race Day

It rained heavily from one o'clock in the morning until after six. Then it cleared and turned warm for the rest of the day.

For many years the Minnesota State Fair has been noted for the excellence of its farm implement exhibit. This year, in recognition of those men who have made that exhibit possible the implement dealers were honored guests. The largest representation of dealers ever to grace the grounds at one time were present. Many dealers carried ads in their local papers telling their customers that they would be closed so all their employees could visit the fair. President Arens who is a former president of both the state and national associations was mighty busy looking after old friends.

W. J. Kortesmaki, State Secretary FFA and a group of foreign exchange students staged the Farm Boys' Camp Assembly.

The statewide "Search for 4-H Club Talent" was MCed by Cedric Adams in the evening at the 4-H Club Building.

The all night rain made the track a sea of mud again so that the speedway type auto races could not get under way until three fifty-five o'clock.

Recruits, band and drill teams from the Naval Air Station under command of Capt. Frank F. Gill, opened the evening grandstand performance.

Thursday, August 30

Territorial Pioneers and Stock Car Race Day

It was cool and slightly cloudy in the morning, but the weather man cooperated again by predicting thunder storms by early evening. The rains came at six o'clock and a drizzle continued off and on thru the evening.

The senior livestock exhibits were released in order to make room for the junior livestock for the rest of the fair period.

State pioneers held reunions, receptions and pageants throughout the day.

The 4-H Club revue drew capacity crowds in the 4-H Club Building. Charlotte Gomer of Benson was chosen queen over eighty-eight other contestants.

The annual banquet tendered by the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce to the 4-H Club members was held in Coffman Memorial Union on the campus of the University of Minnesota.

A special Horse Show matinee was held in the Hippodrome. This extra performance was necessitated by the large number of entrants in the Horse Show.

Johnny Beauchamp in a Chevrolet won the one hundred mile stock car race before a standing room only crowd.

Friday, August 31

Minneapolis, Legislative-Editorial, Radio-TV, Conservation and Auto Race Day

Slightly cloudy and very cool turning to light rains at noon and drizzles throughout the afternoon. There was a near cloud burst on the campus of the Institute of Agriculture, adjoining the fairgrounds, during the afternoon races. The evening was cold and windy with a drizzle starting at seven o'clock. The newspapers called it ideal football weather.

The British Ambassador to the United States made a brief visit to the grounds.

Legislators and members of the press and radio-TV fraternity were guests of the management throughout the day.

Speedway type race cars wallowed around the track in sprint races be-

tween the afternoon showers.

The finale stake events featured the evening Horse Show.

Saturday, September 1

4-H Club, FFA, Motor Cycle and Stock Race Day

Cloudy, cool and windy all day. No rain!

The FFA and 4-H Club livestock exhibitors filled the facilities to the brimming over point. It was necessary to reject some entries for lack of space.

Draft horses and Western horses filled every stall on the grounds.

The 4-H dairy parade and award program together with the dairy showmanship contest was staged in the Hippodrome.

For the first time motorcycle and stock car sprint races were combined in the afternoon.

Sunday, September 2

Wisconsin and Auto Race Day

It was clear, cool and windy all day. Despite the fact that the weather man predicted rain again in every forecast, it did not come.

Non-denominational worship services, presided over by Mrs. Orva Lee Ice, pastor of the Clavary Baptist Church, Minneapolis, opened the program for the day.

The western, parade, cutting horses and saddle clubs took over the tannark in the Hippodrome for the afternoon and evening.

The Minnesota Dahlia Society staged a special show in the Horticulture Department.

Speedway type cars returned to the track before a record breaking crowd. Johnny Pouelson drove the Saint Paul owned Offenhauser to victory in the feature event, much to the delight of owners Chuch Perdue and Bill Larson.

A concert by the Blue Earth 4-H Club chorus featured the second 4-H Club parade in front of the grandstand during the evening performance.

Monday, September 3

Labor and Auto Race Day

Scattered clouds and high humidity back up the prediction for rain. The rain did not come, but the mercury took a nose dive and with a cold northwest wind settled down around the fifty mark for the night show.

Despite the unfavorable weather, it was early evident that the previous record would be broken this day. When the final audit of admissions was made a new record had been established — 1,036,736 — a new record, not only for Minnesota, but for any ten day fair in the world.

Another record was broken by Emmett (Buzz) Barton of Tampa, Florida in the speedway type race. A world's record time of 21:16:25 was hung up in the fifty lap feature.

Only a few hardy souls braved the frigid wind to see the final performance of the State Fair Revue. They witnessed the tragedy of the fatal fall of aerialist Franz W. Stosch, professionally known as The Great Fredrico, but recently arrived from Germany. Due to a defect in his rigging he plunged to the ground at the finale of his act. He died shortly upon arrival at the hospital. It was a sad note upon which to end a record-breaking fair.

Gordon Ferguson of Utica won the Plug Horse Derby sponsored by the Saint Paul Pioneer Press-Dispatch on Jiggs, owned by Orville Ferguson of St. Charles.

FINANCES

PART I—BALANCE SHEET

Resources and Liabilities

Real Estate—\$8,653,438.13. The major item in the improvement of the real estate was the construction of a steel building in Block 28 in front of the west bleachers, designed especially for the exhibition of mink. Minnesota is second only to Wisconsin in the production of mink and the splendid displays of the Minnesota breeders fully justified the addition of this facility. In order to safeguard the health of the youngsters being fed in the 4-H Club Building the kitchen was enlarged, modernized and improved. The next item of importance was the construction of a walk-in display refrigerator in the Food Show Building to accommodate the cut-meat exhibits and demonstrations of the National Livestock Meat Board. The increased demand for additional lighting facilities and current consumption in the Grandstand had reached a point where the demand upon the present wiring was greater than could be safely carried. The entire load was divided into two circuits with the addition of a special emergency circuit to be used in the event of power failure on the grounds, with current coming from a generator installed on the top floor of the Grandstand to provide adequate light to evacuate the building in the event of a power failure. New display cases for food products were installed in the home Activities Building, and ventilators were installed on the roof. Additional facilities were constructed in the Administration-Service Building to provide for more adequate control of tools and supplies. Additional stalls and a new manure disposal pit were constructed in the Horse Barn to expedite the servicing of the barn necessitated by the ever increasing number of horses exhibited. In the Agriculture-Horticulture Building one of the outside concession spaces was converted into additional exhibit space for the Agricultural Department and additional lighting facilities provided for some of the exhibition spaces. In the Hippodrome the ring was banked and a large electric sign erected on the east end of the building. New lighting facilities were provided for the judging rings in the Swine Barn. An unloading pit for the use of exhibitors on Machinery Hill was installed in Block 12. Minor improvements were made to several other buildings and facilities. The area occupied by the Carnival was black-topped and the parking area in Block 53 was oiled. These two improvements paid for themselves during the several heavy rains of the Fair.

Electric Plant—\$223,009.67. There is an ever increasing demand on the part of exhibitors and concessionaires for additional lighting and current for cooking and refrigerating facilities. This necessitated the addition of several new transformers, the installation of new and heavier service lines and the splitting of circuits. For a safety factor and to reduce the cost of annual servicing, the sub-feeder in several areas were placed underground. Four large mercury vapor lights were installed at intersections to improve traffic conditions. Other minor improvement items account for the balance.

Personal Property—\$132,883.40. The constant growth of the FFA livestock exhibitors has made necessary the addition to sleeping facilities and additional beds were constructed for this purpose. For the convenience and guidance of Fair visitors large sectional maps of the grounds were installed at

strategic locations on the grounds, and for the comfort of Fair visitors additional lawn benches were constructed. To expedite the cleaning of the livestock barns additional manure carts were built. Two trucks were purchased with one replacing a truck secured from war surplus at the conclusion of World War I. In keeping with the continuing program of improving the seating facilities in the Grandstand additional steel folding chairs were purchased to replace some of the wooden kitchen chairs now in use. Tools and equipment, office equipment and flags were also added to the personal property.

Postwar Planning—\$22,207.20—is the same figure as last year and represents the amount invested in architectural and engineering plans for proposed new buildings and other new developments.

Cash—\$561,685.13, of which \$560,685.13 is in the General Fund, and \$1,000.00 in the Contingent Fund. An increase of \$125,170.52 over the cash-flow of the last fiscal year.

Accounts Receivable—\$12,702.03—an increase over last year.

Total Resources of the Society—\$9,606,906.73—offset by the Surplus Account and the Accounts Payable of \$24,639.65.

PART II—OPERATING STATEMENT

The Operating Statement includes only the receipts and disbursements made directly incidental to the operation and staging of the 1956 annual Fair and the maintenance of the real estate and other properties of the Society during the fiscal year.

Operating Income—\$1,335,383.50—an increase of \$95,087.27 over the last fiscal year is substantially greater than the item set up in the budget. A good share of this increase is accounted for by increased attendance at the outside gate, an across the board increase of 50c for admission to the Grandstand and greatly increased revenue coming from extra-curricular activities held on the grounds during other than the Fair period and from the handling of storage space.

Operating Expense—\$1,133,765.77—an increase of \$80,284.00 over last year, and, interesting enough \$1,156.43 under the amount estimated for the 1956 budget. The cost of labor and materials are both substantially greater this year than ever before. An amount of \$10,114.16 was spent for the maintenance of personal property; miscellaneous repairs to structures was \$27,537.17; a continuation of the painting program, this year mostly on the interior of buildings, some of which had not been painted in more than 20 years, was \$23,993.20 and the maintenance of fences, flag poles, gas mains, grading, sidewalks, streets, curbs, gutters, water mains, trees and shrubs were \$15,641.18.

Net Operating Gain—\$201,617.73—as against a budget anticipated loss of \$95,047.20. Increased attendance and an increased number of commercial exhibitors and concessionaires contributed greatly to this increase. Favorable weather, in the main, plus the increase in Grandstand prices also helped to attain this splendid operating gain. It should be borne in mind that had we lost five important grandstand performances this operating gain would have been reduced by \$172,332.97 and weather sufficiently adverse to effect those five grandstand performances would have changed the operating gain to a loss greater than that estimated in the budget.

Parking still remains the number one problem of the Fair. Again it was necessary to close the grounds to automotive traffic on two days of the Fair.

The increased width and length of the 1957 model automobiles is going to make the problem even more acute in the coming year. The Board is making every effort to secure additional land for this purpose and to expedite the improvement of the property south of Como Avenue to provide additional parking area. The most serious factor in the closing of the gates to automotive traffic is the disappointment given to countless thousands of prospective patrons who were thus unable to attend the Fair. In the report made last year the Secretary pointed out the necessity of developing features on the days when the facilities of the Fair are not extended to their utmost. In this connection it is interesting to note that this year on five of the days when the attendance was previously relatively low a substantial increase in attendance was recorded. This policy of exploiting the normally lower attendance days will be continued. ↵

Another problem confronting the Society this year is a suit being brought by a property owner of Ramsey County attempting to enjoin the Fair from the use of its facilities for an automobile race held after the conclusion of the Fair. Specifically the suit started over the stock car race held on September 30th and staged by a group of local citizens as a finale to the stock car racing season of the International Motor Contest Association. The suit is so broad that it would enjoin the Society from using the grounds for any revenue producing purpose other than during the actual ten days of the Fair. This year had it been enforced we would have suffered a loss of revenue of \$67,704.10. In years of bad weather this would mean the difference between a profit and a loss to the Society. The legal implications in the suit are such that they could be well extended to all the county fairs and deprive them of an income in excess of a \$100,000.00 a year. Every legal precaution is being taken to defend this suit and protect the rights of the Society to make economically sound use of its facilities throughout the year. One complaint most frequently heard by the office is that "it's a shame that that splendid plant is not used more than 10 days out of the year".

For the second successive year a million attendance mark was broken. It will be the constant aim of the Board to so administer the affairs of the Society, and so plan and produce an annual exhibition of the cultural, educational and economic resources of the great state of Minnesota that will continue to draw a constantly increasing number of patrons and exhibitors. It is interesting to note that in a survey made of registrants at the exhibit of the National Livestock and Meat Board in the Food Show Building there were visitors from 33 different states, 888 different municipalities and 6 foreign countries. This shows quite graphically that the State Fair not only served the people of Minnesota but is a great advertising medium for the state itself to people beyond our boundaries.

Your Minnesota State Fair is unique amongst Fairs in that its Board of Managers is selected from every district of the state and representing all of the diversified interests, agricultural, educational and economic, and it is undoubtedly due to that method of representation that the tremendous number of volunteer workers and exhibitors feel that the State Fair really belongs to the people of Minnesota.

The Board of Managers and your official staff accept this as a challenge to present for the people of Minnesota an even greater Minnesota State Fair.

Your Secretary is deeply appreciative of the splendid support and earnest efforts of the members of the board in dealing with the many diverse problems of the past year. To them and to the dedicated and devoted workers who made possible the record of 1,036,736 attendance, the Secretary extends his most grateful thanks.

D. K. BALDWIN, Secretary

December 15, 1956

Approved by the Executive Committee

NORRIS K. CARNES, Chairman

ROBERT R. ANDREWS

T. H. ARENS

PART I
STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
BALANCESHEET
November 30, 1956
RESOURCES

Real Estate:

Land	\$ 436,177.25	
Structures	7,486,578.83	
Fences and Guard Rails	22,191.72	
Flag Poles	606.00	
Gas Distribution System	68,288.20	
Sewer System Inventory	232,387.03	
Sidewalks	68,244.70	
Stonework	39,767.39	
Streets, Curbs and Gutters	233,859.18	
Water Distribution System	70,337.83	\$ 8,653,438.13

Electric Plant Inventory	223,009.67
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Personal Property (Furniture Fixtures and Equipment)	132,883.40
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Inventories:

Post War Planning	22,207.20
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Cash:

General Fund	560,685.13	
Contingent Fund	1,000.00	561,685.13

Accounts Receivable	12,702.03
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Accounts Receivable (In Suspense)	981.17
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\$ 9,606,906.73

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Accounts Payable	24,639.65
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Surplus:

State Appropriations for Lands, Improvements, Maintenance and Expen- ses through 1957	3,635,099.90
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Emergency Relief Appro- priations	100,063.01
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Increase in Value of Real Estate and Profits of Fair reinvested in Permanent Improvements	5,847,104.17
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9,582,267.08

\$ 9,606,906.73

PART II
OPERATING STATEMENT
For Fiscal Year Ending November 30, 1956
INCOME

FAIR:

Refund, Labor General	\$ 12,016.19
Premium List Advertising	1,474.50
Rent of Barns & Stalls	3,300.00
Rent of Buildings & Grounds	64,401.10
Rent of Personal Property	2,103.20
Sale of Manure	226.50
Sale of Old Material	801.78
Cancelled Checks	158.00
Income from Special Premiums	554.50
Tax on Admissions	35,051.22
Ticket Sales	834,577.28

Departmental:

Agriculture	1,200.00
Cattle	2,505.00
Dairy	2,946.21
Fine Arts	388.40
Forage	11,800.14
Future Farmers of America	2,208.10
Gas and Electric	55,840.93
Horse	21,487.10
Horticulture	9,883.32
Majorette Contest	75.00
Plants and Flowers	210.10
Poultry	1,659.00
Public Safety	520.00
Sanitation	326.00
Sheep and Wool	421.50
Space Rentals	259,062.30
Swine	1,604.00
Sale of Lambs and Barrows	8,201.73
Sundry	332.50

TOTAL INCOME \$ 1,335,383.50

EXPENSE**FAIR:****Administrations:**

Annual Meeting	1,153.89
Clerical Salaries	42,873.51
Officers Expense	5,829.28
Officers Salaries	18,733.33
Postage	1,218.44
Telephones and Telegrams	6,577.84

Departmental:

Admissions	13,419.15
Agriculture	3,253.58
Amusement	111,985.35
Bee	802.69
Boys and Girls 4-H Club	8,441.68
Cattle	2,233.04
Conservation	275.00
Dairy	1,253.27
Education	9,369.00
Farm Boys Camp	7,412.92
Fine Arts	3,600.06
Forage	11,554.22
Future Farmers of America	7,662.91
Gas and Electric	85,031.26
Gopher Club	3,129.25
Home Activities	7,825.26
Horse	14,379.42
Horticulture	13,338.73
Hospital	1,051.10
Ice Department	794.00
Legislative Headquarters	517.25
Majorette Contest	322.84
Plants and Flowers	25,436.41
Poultry	2,008.16
Public Safety	29,097.77
Publicity	68,003.49
Race	29,081.74
Sanitation	31,501.17
Sheep and Wool	742.00
Space Rentals	32,989.17
Swine	1,542.75
Ticket Audit	1,428.50
Transportation	175.00
Treasurers	17,930.18

546,588.32

Exhibit Expense

5,797.29

Premiums:

Agriculture	11,759.00
Bee	653.50
Boys' and Girls' 4H Club	18,131.27
Cattle	22,580.00
Dairy	3,875.68
Education	7,051.50
Fine Arts	740.00
Future Farmers of America	11,211.00
Home Activities	1,990.00
Horse	35,080.00
Horticulture	5,246.23

Poultry	5,467.50
Race	43,215.00
Sheep	4,265.00
Swine	14,114.00
Market Sales	8,627.68
Mink	344.00

	194,351.36
Printing and Office Supplies	24,330.23
Tax on Admissions	35,051.22
Water	3,521.96
Retirement Fund Expense	6,172.68

Sundry Fair:

Accidents, Illness, etc....	2,396.82
Armed Forces Exhibit ..	2,101.09
Ag-Hort. Custodial	2,094.50
Bond and Ins. Premiums	1,235.19
Dues	437.00
Dust Treating Parking Lots	3,500.00
Fire Extinguisher Services	368.40
Hippodrome Custodial ..	861.00
Laundry Service.....	441.40
Leveling Dump	310.41
Matron Service	450.00
Mink Show.....	725.83
Portrait Hall & Log Ca- bin Exp.	641.66
Signs.....	1,018.00
Vacations.....	4,282.07
Sundry Fair	3,109.26

23,972.61

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION:

Labor General:

Superintendence	5,961.00
Janitor	775.89
Storekeepers	5,580.56
Timekeeper	1,784.88
Watchmen	10,589.03
Cleaning Bldgs. & Grounds	20,447.02
Grounds Dept.	18,234.23
Snow and Ice Removal .	225.71
Labor Rendered for Refund	10,398.48
Mowing and Raking Lawns	1,804.92
Plumbing Service	6,856.75
Cutting and Raking Hay	3,177.06
Placing Chairs and Benches	583.14

86,418.67

Auto, Truck and Tractor Maint	6,248.79	
Electric Plant Maint.....	6,114.74	
Fuel	1,740.52	
Personal Property Maint	10,114.16	
Painting Structures	23,993.20	
Pest Control	2,888.00	
Repairs to Structures	27,537.17	
Supplies	13,322.15	
Land:		
Fences and Guard Rails	5,418.21	
Flag Pole Maint	585.56	
Gas Mains.....	20.00	
Grading	1,777.71	
Sewer System	10.00	
Sidewalks.....	2,620.01	
Streets, Curbs & Gutters	3,401.16	
Trees and Shrubs.....	3,554.00	
Water Mains	1,254.53	15,641.18
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Electric Plant Depreciation	10,970.68	
Personal Property Depreciation	12,601.52	
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TOTAL EXPENSE		\$ 1,133,765.77
OPERATING GAIN		201,617.73

REPORT OF THE TREASURER 1956

To the Governing Board, State Agricultural Society:

Gentlemen: Herewith find my report as Treasurer of the State Agricultural Society for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1956:

Balance in General Fund, December 1, 1955....	\$435,514.61	
Balance in Contingent Fund, December 1, 1955.....	1,000.00	\$ 436,514.61
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Total Cash Disbursements.....	1,215,815.65	
Total Cash Receipts	1,340,986.17	
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Excess of Disbursements over Receipts		125,170.52
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Cash Balance, November 30, 1956.....	\$	561,685.13
Treasurer, State of Minnesota, for State Agricultural Society	560,685.13	
Contingent Fund, Midway National Bank, St. Paul	1,000.00	
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		\$ 561,685.13

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. SORENSON, Treasurer

Minneapolis, Minnesota

November 30, 1956

PART III
LAND INVENTORY — STATE FAIR GROUNDS
November 30, 1956

Fair Grounds Proper — 252 1/2 Acres inside fences:		
SE 1/4 Section 21, Twp. 29, R. 23 W.—(160 Acres)		
S 1/2—E 1/2—NE 1/4 Sec. 21, Twp. 29 N., R. 23 W.—(40 Acres)		
E 1/2—E 1/2—SW 1/4 Sec. 21, Twp. 29 N., R. 23 W.—(40 Acres)		
E 1/2—W 1/2—E 1/2—S 1/2—SW 1/4 Sec. 21, Twp. 29 N., R. 23 W.—(10 Acres)		
Also commencing at a point on the north line of Section 28, Twp. 29 N., Range 23 W., where said line is intersected by the center line of Como Avenue, being 195 feet west from the northwest corner of the NW 1/4 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 east one-half of the south one-half of the southwest quarter of Section 21, Twp. 29 N., Range 23 W. 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 said Section 28, to the point of beginning containing two and one half acres, more or less,		
Value approved December 1, 1955		\$ 379,476.00
Property South of Como Avenue:		
E 1/2 of Lots 2 and 9, and Lots 3 and 8, Block 1		
E 1/2 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, Saint 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		
Value approved December 1, 1955		20,000.00
Additional Property South of Como Avenue—10.807 Acres		
Lots 1 to 13, and 16 to 30, inclusive, Block 2 Longs 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, Minnesota, together with any portion of any vacated street or alley lying adjacent thereto.		
Bounded on the north by Como Avenue, east by Winston, south by Wynne, and west by State Fair Grounds property		
Value approved November 30, 1955		25,101.25
Additional Property South of Como Avenue—10.96 Acres		
Part east of extended center line of Packard Street and west of joint right-of-way of Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways of south 1/2 of northwest 1/4 of northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Township 29, Range 23		
Value approved November 30, 1956		4,000.00
Property East of Snelling Avenue:		
Lots 13 and 14, Block 3, Lake Park Addition, St. Paul		
Value approved December 1, 1955		600.00
Property at Northeast corner of Raymond and Como Avenues, West:		
All of Block 50, St. Anthony Park North, St. Paul except parts of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 14, 15, 16, Condemned by City for new street		
Value approved December 1, 1955		7,000.00
TOTAL LAND VALUE APPROVED NOVEMBER 30, 1956		\$ 436,177.25

UTILITIES:	Value		Deducted or Added for Improvements	Nov. 30, 1956 Present Value Approved
	Dec. 1, 1955			
Electric Plant	\$ 219,413.65		\$ 3,596.02	\$ 223,009.67
Fences and Guard Rails	22,191.72			22,191.72
Flag Poles	606.00			606.00
Gas Distribution System	68,288.20			68,288.20
Sewer System	232,387.03			232,387.03
Sidewalks	55,160.54	8,084.16		63,244.70
Stonework	39,767.39			39,767.39
Streets, Curbs and Gutters	233,859.18			233,859.18
Water Distribution System	70,337.83			70,337.83
PERSONAL PROPERTY	126,015.28	6,868.12		132,883.40

INVENTORIES:			
Fuel	177.55		
Forage			

STRUCTURES INVENTORY, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, NOVEMBER 30, 1956

Structure No.	Value		Deducted or Added for Improvements	Nov. 30, 1956 Present Value Approved
	Dec. 1, 1955			
103	Camp Grounds Office	\$ 8,842.81		8,842.81
111	Farm Boys Camp	34,778.27	795.44	35,573.71
121	Warehouse	23,407.39		23,407.39
122	Unloading Pit		2,577.12	2,577.12
151	Toilet	11,999.50		11,999.50
171	Superintendents Garage	323.00		323.00
172	Camp Grounds Toilet	1,300.00		1,300.00
173	Superintendents Residence	5,923.91		5,923.91
174	South Camp Grounds Kitchen	223.00		223.00
175	Camp Grounds Shower	1,279.00		1,279.00
176	North Camp Grounds Kitchen	223.00		223.00
181	Camp Grounds Turnstile	136.00		136.00

182	Camp Grounds Supply Depot	3,671.00		3,671.00
183	State Exhibits	76,584.05		76,584.05
241	Toilet No 5	3,269.00		3,269.00
242	Machinery Dept. Office	478.00		478.00
261	Dairy Bldg.	53,274.21		53,274.21
262	4-H Club	460,512.56	9,171.17	469,683.73
271	Paddock Barn	8,669.93		8,669.93
272	Blacksmith Shop	953.00		953.00
273	Speed Barn No. 1	4,070.00		4,070.00
274	Speed Barn No. 2	4,070.00		4,070.00
275	Speed Barn No. 3	4,070.00		4,070.00
276	Speed Barn No. 4	4,070.00		4,070.00
277	Speed Barn No. 5	4,070.00		4,070.00
278	Speed Barn No. 6	4,070.00		4,070.00
279	Animal Hospital	1,702.62		1,702.62
281	Race Track	48,958.17		48,958.17
282	Vaudeville Stage	40,324.34		40,324.34
283	Underpass to Race Track	11,960.00		11,960.00
284	East Bleachers	144,642.82		144,642.82
285	Ticket Booth	2,608.44		2,608.44
286	Grandstand	803,946.63	7,158.51	811,105.14
287	West Bleachers	69,984.34		69,984.34
288	Sanitation	13,346.43		13,346.43
289A	D. C. M. Bldg.		15,695.15	15,695.15
301	Toilet	2,119.00		2,119.00
302	Industrial No. 2	2,565.85		2,565.85
311	Industrial No. 3	26,165.46		26,165.46
321	Education	40,037.86	1,174.66	41,212.52
322	Home Activities Annex	8,999.47		8,999.47
323	Home Activities	89,300.44	5,074.88	94,375.32
331	Administration-Service	236,303.70	3,887.93	240,191.63
341	Garage	648.00		648.00
342	Crossroads	25,005.33		25,005.33
351	Concessions & Exhibits	316,454.93	7,540.34	323,995.23
362	Police Station	19,197.40		19,197.47
364	Postoffice	539.00		539.00
365	Toilet	1,523.00		1,523.00
366	Ticket Audit	510.00		510.00
368	Doll House	10,055.00		10,055.00
371	Toilet	3,662.00		3,662.00
372	Ramp to Grandstand	83,478.85		83,478.85
401	Toilet	11,716.00		11,716.00
411	Horse Barn	651,575.68	4,988.12	656,563.80
421	Arcade	114,878.69		114,878.69
422	Commissary	172,384.70		172,384.70
423	Poultry	238,504.98	1,392.60	239,897.58
431	Conservation	87,845.64		87,845.64
432	Conservation Pool	3,490.21		3,490.21
433	Ticket Booth, Advance Sale	1,317.37		1,317.37
441	Pioneer Portrait Hall	3,087.00		3,087.00
442	Industrial No. 10	5,002.00		5,002.00
443	Old Telephone Bldg.	134.00		134.00
444	Toilet	24,715.52		24,715.52
445	Information	147.00		147.00
451	Agriculture-Horticulture	584,007.08	3,072.16	587,079.24
461	Officers Cottage	6,475.14	65.87	6,541.01
462	Greer house	11,788.22		11,788.22
463	Como-Snelling Gate	7,379.00		7,379.00
464	Toilet	2,221.00		2,221.00
472	Rest Cottage	13,855.55		13,855.55
473	Hospital	1,451.89		1,451.89
491	Trolley Loop Pecedestrian Gate	8,347.20		8,347.20
501	Hippodrome	1,253,145.52	3,344.53	1,256,490.05
502	Hippodrome Gate	1,955.00		1,955.00
911	Livestock Pavilion	830,578.58	452.40	831,030.98
512	Livestock Arch	148,608.00		148,608.00
521	Swine Barn	427,349.36	1,906.59	429,255.95
522	Swine Barn Annex	41,940.00		41,940.00
531	West Commonwealth Gate	785.00		785.00
532	Canfield Gate	1,910.00		1,910.00
601	Fire Station	12,059.00		12,059.00
602	Transportation Office	909.00		909.00
603	Freight Terminals	20,506.00		20,506.00
604	Storebuilding	3,865.32		3,865.32
		\$ 7,418,281.36	\$ 68,297.47	\$ 7,486,578.83

SUMMARY OF INVENTORIES

Land	436,177.25
Structures	7,486,578.83
Utilities	953,691.72
Personal Property	132,883.40
	\$ 9,009,331.20

TABLE A
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
from

TICKET SALES AND CASH ADMISSIONS

Outside Gate	\$	441,504.50
Grandstand, Bleachers, Concourse		
Afternoon	\$	264,177.94
Evening		78,166.67
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Total	\$	342,344.61
Hippodrome Horse Show		45,645.00
Hippodrome Wrestling		3,920.99
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Total, Hippodrome and Grandstand		391,910.60
GRAND TOTAL	\$	833,415.10

TABLE I—SUMMARY OF OUTSIDE GATE ADMISSIONS—MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1956

	Saturday Aug. 25	Sunday Aug. 26	Monday Aug. 27	Tuesday Aug. 28	Wednesday Aug. 29	Thursday Aug. 30	Friday Aug. 31	Saturday Sept. 1	Sunday Sept. 2	Monday Sept. 3	TOTALS
PAID ADMISSIONS											
Adults, 50c tickets.....	83,833	120,853	52,955	65,863	78,880	89,445	55,837	103,029	142,374	78,751	871,820
4-H Club tickets.....	28	102	189	265	396	357	996	77	65	62	2,537
Round-Up tickets.....	215	863	498	526	470	548	546	683	1,178	706	6,253
TOTAL PAID.....	84,076	121,838	53,642	66,654	79,746	90,350	57,379	103,789	143,617	79,519	880,610
Non-paid											
Children free.....	11,502	16,820	32,430	11,642	12,074	13,598	7,322	16,109	23,295	11,334	156,126
Paid and non-paid GRAND TOTALS..	95,578	138,658	86,072	78,296	91,820	103,948	64,701	119,898	166,912	90,853	1,036,736

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TABLE II—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND, BLEACHERS, AND CONCOURSE
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1956

	Friday Aug. 24		Saturday Aug. 25		Sunday Aug. 26		Monday Aug. 27		Tuesday Aug. 28		Wednesday Aug. 29	
	Time Trials	Afternoon	Evening	Evening	Afternoon	Evening	Afternoon	Evening	Afternoon	Evening	Afternoon	Evening
PAID:												
Grandstand Track Box.....	\$2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	115	7	22	2	37	.....	108
Box.....	2.50	.....	629	321	900	311	124	153	226	250	487	291
Reserved.....	2.00	.....	7,787	2,920	9,106	3,161	2,570	1,516	5,835	2,271	6,584	3,290
General Admission.....	1.50	1,096	9,402	2,243	11,293	1,840	2,771	1,156	5,331	872	5,183	1,779
Totals.....		1,096	17,818	5,484	21,299	5,427	5,472	2,847	11,394	3,430	12,254	5,468
Day and Evening Totals.....		1,096	23,302		26,726		8,319		14,824		17,722	
NON-PAID												
Grandstand tax free.....		.....	30	32	68	33	48	33	79	35	92	82
Statistical.....		.....	616	676	925	568	486	326	678	327	793	458
Plaza Box Seats.....		.....	105	127	124	208	83	116	99	143	172	258
Totals.....		.....	751	835	1,117	809	617	475	856	505	1,057	798
NON-PAID Day and Evening Totals.....		.....	1,586		1,926		1,092		1,361		1,855	
GRAND TOTALS, Pd.-Non Paid.....		1,096	18,569	6,319	22,416	6,236	6,089	3,322	12,250	3,935	13,311	6,266
GRAND TOTALS, Day and Evening.....		1,096	24,888		28,652		9,411		16,185		19,577	

TABLE II—continued—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND, BLEACHERS, AND CONCOURSE, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1956

	Thursday Aug. 30		Friday Aug. 31		Saturday Sept. 1		Sunday Sept. 2		Monday Sept. 3		Totals		Grand Totals
	After- noon	Even- ing	After- noon	Even- ing	After- noon	Even- ing	After- noon	Even- ing	After- noon	Even- ing	After- noon	Even- ing	
PAID													
Grandstand Track Box.....\$2.00.....	.....	63	.....	48	.....	145	.....	251	.....	50	.....	9 839	848
Box	722	218	182	74	629	421	721	413	719	65	5,339	2,517	7,856
Reserved	7,764	2,641	3,888	1,514	7,900	4,026	7,799	5,536	7,819	922	67,052	27,797	94,849
General Admission..... 1.50.....	16,582	1,569	2,935	558	10,409	2,567	17,730	2,980	11,865	537	94,597	16,101	110,698
Totals	25,068	4,491	7,005	2,194	18,958	7,159	26,250	9,180	20,403	1,574	166,997	47,254	214,251
Day and Evening Totals.....	29,559	9,199	26,097	35,430	21,977	214,251	214,251					214,251	
NON-PAID													
Grandstand tax free.....	780	117	74	42	163	59	272	163	373	139	1,979	735	2,714
Statistical	740	648	560	284	851	516	804	550	1,063	375	7,516	4,728	12,244
Plaza Box seats.....	204	260	99	128	159	190	188	178	200	161	1,433	1,769	3,202
Totals	1,724	1,025	733	454	1,173	765	1,264	891	1,636	675	10,928	7,232	18,160
NON-PAID													
Day and Evening Totals	2,749	1,187	1,938	2,155	2,311	18,160							
GRAND TOTALS, Pd.-Non Paid.....	26,792	5,516	7,738	2,648	20,111	7,924	27,514	10,071	22,039	2,249	177,925	54,486	232,411
GRAND TOTALS, Day and Evening.....	32,308	10,386	28,035	37,585	24,288	232,411	232,411					232,411	

ATTENDANCE, OUTSIDE GATES, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

DAY	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952
Saturday	95,578*	89,436*	88,448	79,755*	76,724
Sunday	138,658*	131,411*	128,673	109,108*	119,650
Monday	86,072*	89,068*	80,430	71,167*	74,215
Tuesday	78,296*	71,626	76,520	59,460	69,792
Wednesday	91,820	83,636	84,580*	66,819	74,613*
Thursday	103,948*	104,470	98,701	91,799*	83,242*
Friday	64,701*	67,218	57,955*	67,175	56,989*
Saturday	119,898	110,131	105,363	99,943*	69,386*
Sunday	166,912	159,748	123,371*	137,187	126,599*
Monday	90,853	100,357	102,524*	83,110	67,805
TOTALS ...	1,036,736	1,007,101	946,565	865,523	819,015
*Rain					

ATTENDANCE, GRANDSTAND, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

DAY	1956		1955		1954		1953		1952	
	After-noon	Even-ing								
Friday	1,096		1,103		1,275					
Saturday	18,569	6,319	20,830	8,447*	19,834	10,716	14,682	11,803*	13,559	10,693
Sunday	22,416*	6,236	23,515	8,958*	24,714	9,181	21,084	9,590*	23,217	10,998
Monday	6,089	3,322	11,500	4,254	9,519	5,053	8,974	4,542*	11,271	5,756
Tuesday	12,250	3,935*	9,345	5,201	11,383	7,417	9,609	6,573	12,630	7,957
Wednesday	13,311	6,266	14,616	6,167	14,722*	8,037	12,056	7,250	14,627	8,631*
Thursday	26,792	5,516*	29,707	8,018	26,803	8,609	24,532	7,794*	22,443	8,684*
Friday	7,738*	2,648	10,694	5,573	9,176*	1,608*	10,958	5,822	10,024*	5,073*
Saturday	20,111	7,924	16,993	10,479	17,134	10,670	18,798	10,153*	10,573	8,766*
Sunday	27,514	10,071	30,290	12,577	22,196*	10,527	28,331	11,931	28,955	14,367*
Monday	22,039	2,249	26,440	3,304	27,074	3,722	22,187	2,987	17,811	2,601
TOTALS	77,925	54,486	195,033	72,978	183,830	75,540	171,211	78,445	165,110	83,526
G.R. TOTALS		232,411		268,011		259,370		249,656		248,636
*Rain										

MONEYS RECEIVED FROMSALE OF TICKETS, AND CASH ADMISSIONS, AT OUTSIDE GATES, GRANDSTAND, AND HORSE SHOWS, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR.

DAY	1956	1955	1954	1953	1952
Friday	\$ 1,297.44	\$ 950.95	\$ 796.25		
Saturday	75,559.71*	64,262.63	65,578.98	\$ 57,874.22	\$ 55,047.77
Sunday	109,935.22	105,883.95	104,414.79	88,092.53	97,126.26
Monday	42,377.33	49,008.79	45,371.30	40,029.96	45,701.05
Tuesday	60,959.88	51,344.11	57,907.81	46,322.74	55,103.03
Wednesday	70,498.96	63,720.89	61,169.20	53,351.13	63,110.75
Thursday	95,184.79	89,382.58	87,888.44	79,398.97	72,122.74
Friday	49,262.66	53,022.01	46,953.61	52,352.68	49,436.63
Saturday	92,064.88	78,648.90	73,729.62	74,141.29	49,924.91
Sunday	140,117.46	128,461.16	108,778.44	110,827.87	99,931.18
Monday	83,550.23	78,388.90	81,487.63	65,365.03	52,796.57
Jobbers strips...	11,194.50	11,029.00	11,405.50	10,627.50	10,509.50
Cash Admissions	3,127.00	2,884.50	2,612.00	2,827.50	2,814.50
TOTALS	\$ 835,130.06	\$ 776,988.37	\$ 749,093.62	\$ 681,205.42	\$ 653,624.89
Less reserved seat coups. exchange	417.52	552.37	431.34	404.21	336.15
Less other adjus.			48.87		
NET TOTAL	\$ 834,712.54	\$ 776,436.00	\$ 748,613.41	\$ 680,801.21	\$ 653,288.74

†Horse Show Scale—1952, 83c, \$1.25, \$1.67 net. 1953 to 1956 inc. \$1, \$1.50, \$2 net. Grandstand Scale—1952, 1953, 83c, \$1.25 and \$1.67 net. 1954, 1955, 91c, \$1.36 and \$1.82 net. 1956, \$1.36, \$1.82 and \$2.27 net. Outside gate admission all above years 50c.... *Includes \$3,920.59 Wrestling Show in Hippodrome, Saturday night.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY (MINNESOTA STATE FAIR) for the past ten years—1947 to 1956 Inc.

YR.	Cash Balance Beginning of Fiscal Year	State Apprs.	Receipts Other Than Appropriations	Grand Total Including Balance at Beginning of Year	Total Disbursements for Year	Cash Balance at End of Fiscal Year
1947	1,721,674.39	57,500.00	1,010,909.82	\$ 2,790,084.21	1,821,642.19	968,442.02
1948	968,442.02	50,000.00	1,008,911.88	2,027,353.90	1,058,048.40	969,305.50
1949	969,305.50	400,000.00	964,584.08	2,333,889.58	915,042.91	1,418,846.67
1950	1,418,846.67		1,099,637.97	2,518,484.64	2,066,019.70	452,464.94
1951	452,464.94		1,161,545.29	1,614,010.23	1,220,721.95	393,288.28
1952	393,288.28		1,098,968.43	1,492,254.71	1,094,283.53	397,971.18
1953	397,971.18		1,116,323.57	1,514,294.75	1,139,977.73	374,317.02
1954	374,317.02		1,226,648.20	1,600,965.22	1,268,707.36	332,257.86
1955	332,257.86		1,256,971.65	1,589,229.51	1,152,714.90	436,514.61
1956	436,514.61		1,340,986.17	1,777,500.78	1,215,815.65	561,685.13
TOT.	\$ 7,465,082.47	\$ 507,500.00	\$ 11,285,485.06	\$ 19,258,067.53	\$ 12,947,878.14	\$ 6,310,189.39
Ave.	\$ 746,508.24	\$ 50,750.00	\$ 1,128,548.50	\$ 1,925,806.75	\$ 1,294,787.81	\$ 631,018.93

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FROM PERCENTAGE ATTRACTIONS, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1956

Shows	Friday Aug. 24	Saturday Aug. 25	Sunday Aug. 26	Monday Aug. 27	Tuesday Aug. 28	Wednesday Aug. 29	Thursday Aug. 30	Friday Aug. 31	Saturday Sept. 1	Sunday Sept. 2	Monday Sept. 3	Totals	Grand Totals
Other than Carnival													
The Olde Mill ..	\$	\$ 451.19	\$ 516.39	\$ 510.85	\$ 436.32	\$ 472.47	\$ 457.55	\$ 282.99	\$ 534.36	\$ 594.29	\$ 366.60	\$4,623.01	. . . .
Carrousel .....	. . . .	255.00	345.00	270.00	. . . .	382.50	255.00	172.50	255.00	390.00	321.96	2,646.96	. . . .
Other than Car- nival Total ...	. . . .	706.19	861.39	780.85	436.32	854.97	712.55	455.49	789.36	984.29	688.56	7,269.97	7,269.97
ROYAL AMERI- CAN SHOWS													
Side Show	73.50	723.30	1,165.93	621.81	415.52	695.18	659.26	356.20	1,089.89	1,456.48	636.51	7,893.53	. . . .
Side Show, inside	14.10	100.65	142.35	106.27	64.59	102.29	102.38	77.19	144.95	172.98	113.83	1,141.58	. . . .
Snake Show	8.32	59.45	102.77	118.11	59.54	66.82	71.63	40.69	101.04	140.89	67.25	836.51	. . . .
Glass House	30.90	139.02	198.90	242.06	110.83	144.56	151.32	107.51	205.99	227.50	110.11	1,668.70	. . . .
Motordrome	52.92	347.31	553.44	305.66	240.43	342.91	366.40	216.16	456.10	726.05	303.42	3,910.80	. . . .
Harlem in													
Havana	46.65	381.30	574.93	182.98	152.10	262.03	288.77	135.20	458.09	708.50	290.22	3,480.77	. . . .
Watercade	29.38	265.61	515.93	159.98	194.19	276.58	347.75	119.76	562.09	840.61	337.03	3,648.91	. . . .
Fun House	64.20	297.60	445.74	422.50	284.37	350.02	338.97	195.00	452.72	512.53	240.98	3,604.63	. . . .
Ghost Trails	65.16	400.59	534.40	427.49	351.59	386.39	433.78	243.16	535.28	592.02	307.71	4,277.57	. . . .
Illusion Show .....	. . . .	147.81	192.40	244.38	86.72	108.13	126.93	72.15	179.87	219.11	96.12	1,473.62	. . . .
Outlaw Show	13.03	84.10	125.59	108.45	45.23	77.09	87.93	43.65	119.17	132.54	82.91	919.69	. . . .
Goliath	65.03	288.48	416.10	320.70	210.52	227.34	302.41	169.25	412.10	514.47	267.39	3,193.79	. . . .
Midget Horses	44.49	212.04	282.49	217.52	139.10	192.07	190.32	112.19	259.19	299.20	152.43	2,101.04	. . . .
Windsor													
Automobile ..	14.83	100.25	151.63	67.23	44.51	82.07	95.22	47.43	113.49	154.11	76.76	947.53	. . . .
Fat Show	33.30	199.84	348.95	232.53	145.12	201.97	237.31	136.06	330.04	439.97	212.26	2,517.85	. . . .
Alberta Slim ..	17.48	103.14	160.33	99.58	59.15	68.90	74.10	35.83	140.97	181.43	59.96	1,000.87	. . . .
Penny Arcade ..	27.02	173.91	190.28	241.56	133.18	130.17	191.93	113.79	177.23	198.09	119.87	1,697.03	. . . .
Carnival Shows ..	\$ 600.31	\$ 4,024.40	\$ 6,102.16	\$ 4,118.81	\$ 2,736.69	\$ 3,714.52	\$ 4,066.91	\$ 2,221.22	\$ 5,738.21	\$ 7,516.48	\$ 3,474.76	\$ 44,314.47	\$44,314.47

SUMMARY of RECEIPTS from PERCENTAGE ATTRACTIONS, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1956—continued

Name	Friday Aug. 24	Saturday Aug. 25	Sunday Aug. 26	Monday Aug. 27	Tuesday Aug. 28	Wednesday Aug. 29	Thursday Aug. 30	Friday Aug. 31	Saturday Sept. 1	Sunday Sept. 2	Monday Sept. 3	Totals	Grand Totals
Royal American RIDES													
Merry-go-Round	\$ 146.64	\$ 182.76	\$ 316.29	\$ 256.62	\$ 176.87	\$ 198.31	\$ 192.40	\$ 116.55	\$ 288.79	\$ 410.74	\$ 178.48	\$ 2,464.46	.....
Ferris Wheel	122.04	555.03	800.47	755.19	460.20	608.50	544.34	275.73	776.20	901.39	463.62	6,262.71	.....
Dodgem	90.90	455.40	524.26	622.24	454.06	487.40	542.59	367.77	553.90	588.99	394.19	5,081.70	.....
Tilt-a-Whirl	98.10	380.43	503.00	478.73	373.13	463.13	486.52	309.75	581.39	597.68	405.99	4,677.85	.....
Jet Comet	28.35	207.00	301.76	309.27	177.74	201.53	236.15	116.61	313.95	335.98	185.83	2,414.17	.....
Caterpillar	72.09	232.65	431.34	422.03	224.25	304.40	292.01	156.39	402.48	539.18	203.68	3,280.50	.....
Skyfighter & Tanks	36.48	75.42	131.56	111.60	57.66	86.12	77.80	49.66	128.96	150.85	75.01	981.13	.....
Fly-O-Plane	25.65	203.49	298.35	334.72	212.35	266.47	277.39	91.07	339.01	385.91	226.59	2,661.00	.....
Looper	35.19	209.43	311.03	403.36	220.06	272.71	271.05	166.04	314.83	370.60	205.43	2,779.73	.....
Rolo Plane	49.05	243.90	345.83	404.53	196.85	257.40	246.58	130.65	312.29	397.89	210.70	2,795.67	.....
Octopus	42.21	222.39	330.72	456.10	206.41	257.30	251.74	135.13	299.71	393.71	207.38	2,806.80	.....
Round Up	30.06	164.16	249.31	277.49	87.07	142.64	187.11	94.38	267.35	66.98	163.71	1,730.26	.....
Toy Autos	29.28	39.54	79.17	53.44	33.02	41.28	38.61	23.01	71.63	89.12	41.92	540.02	.....
Pony Rides	52.57	88.25	146.25	143.57	77.18	107.90	101.64	55.82	151.12	158.60	88.56	1,171.49	.....
Baby Ferris, Boats	62.10	101.23	175.17	154.41	85.80	120.31	104.32	52.98	169.00	195.32	96.53	1,317.17	.....
Jeeps	14.88	22.49	43.23	39.40	16.38	27.24	24.90	15.53	44.72	52.46	19.95	321.18	.....
Roller Coaster	73.89	399.36	533.91	446.60	368.16	443.52	435.82	271.83	595.92	684.06	370.50	4,623.57	.....
Scrambler	79.38	446.06	538.69	663.39	380.84	492.09	537.52	301.67	604.89	659.58	450.65	5,154.76	.....
Miniature Train	28.14	30.68	69.03	45.39	24.57	31.07	36.21	16.77	72.09	94.97	34.58	483.50	.....
Twistem	60.48	305.95	395.94	428.98	195.97	261.59	173.25	158.24	320.97	418.96	213.91	2,931.24	.....
Jolly Cat, Cho Cho	55.20	81.71	123.63	108.89	58.05	81.90	67.93	42.12	119.73	144.75	72.74	956.65	.....
Carnival Rides	\$1,232.68	\$4,647.36	\$6,648.94	\$6,912.95	\$4,086.62	\$5,152.81	\$5,125.88	\$2,951.70	\$6,728.93	\$7,637.73	\$4,309.96	\$55,435.56	\$55,435.56
Total Carnival Shows & Rides	1,832.99	8,671.76	12,751.10	11,031.76	6,823.31	8,867.33	9,192.79	5,172.92	12,467.14	15,154.21	7,784.72	99,750.03	.....
Grand Total All Rides & Shows	1,832.99	9,377.95	13,612.49	11,812.61	7,259.63	9,722.30	9,905.34	5,628.41	13,256.50	16,138.50	8,473.28	107,020.00	107,020.00

EXHIBITORS

- A. & K. FARM SUPPLY CO., Minneapolis 16, Minn. Grain Elevators.
 A.B.C. AWNING & SPECIALTY CO., Mpls. 11. Awnings.
 ADDO-X SALES AGENCY, Mpls. 16. Ten key adding machines.
 ADLER DISTRIBUTING CENTER, Mpls. 8. Adler sewing machines.
 AERMOTOR COMPANY, Mpls. 1. Farm water systems.
 THE AIRSUN COMPANY, St. Paul 3. Outdoor living supplies and equipment.
 ALBERS MILLING CO., SPECIALTY DIV., Kansas City 6, Mo. Livestock feeds, manna, mix.
 ALBRECHT COMPANY, Iowa City, Iowa. Radiator enclosures.
 ALLIS-CHALMERS MFG. CO., Mpls. 13. Farm machinery, A-C line.
 THE ALUMINUM COOKING UTENSIL CO., Mpls. 3. Wearever cooking utensils.
 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, St. Paul 4. Health education literature.
 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, Mpls. 3. Rehabilitation program information.
 AMERICAN LEGION CLUB, MIDWAY POST NO. 447, St. Paul 1. Headquarters, trophies.
 AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PIANO TECHNICIANS, Mpls. 21. Piano service information.
 AMERICAN STEEL PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 8. Radiator enclosures.
 AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, Mpls. 3. Non-sectarian Sunday School information.
 AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS' CLUB, Mpls. 8. Headquarters for members.
 ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN, St. Paul 1. Headquarters for members.
 ANDERSON DAIRY SUPPLY, Mpls. 24. Eulok milk coolers.
 BABSON BROS., Mpls. 1. Dairy equipment.
 BADGER MACHINE COMPANY, Winona, Minn. Badger trencher, Hopto Digger.
 BALZER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Mountain Lake, Minn. Forage boxes, windrowers.
 BARKER-LETZ SUPPLY CO., Mpls. 1. Blowers, mowers, boxes.
 BEHLEN MFG. CO., Columbus, Nebraska. Crop drying equipment, storage.
 BELTONE HEARING CENTER, St. Paul 2. Beltone hearing aid.
 BERG EQUIPMENT COMPANY, Marshfield, Wisconsin. Dairy, horse barn, equipment.
 BETZ, INC., St. Cloud, Minn. Portable radio phonograph.
 BLANEY FARMS, INC., Madison, RFD 3, Wis. Hybrid seed corn and grains.
 BLENDA LIFE, INC., Green Isle, Minn. Animal feed.
 BODINE'S, INC., Mpls. 2. Hammond organs and pianos.
 BOERSMA'S SEWING MACHINES, Mpls. 8. Pfaff sewing machines.
 THE BOOK HOUSE FOR CHILDREN, Lake Bluff, Ill. Reading plan for children.
 BORG & POWERS FURNITURE CO., St. Paul 1. Furniture.
 BRANDT SUPPLY CO., Madelia, Minn. Tractor, pulverizer, spreader.
 BRITISH CONSULATE, St. Paul 1. British products.
 BURKHARDT LARSEN CO., Mpls. 1. Farm equipment.
 BOB BURNS INSURANCE AGENCY, Mpls. 9. General insurance.
 BUTLER MFG. CO., Mpls. 14. Steel tanks, cribs, bins, bldgs.
 CARGILL, INC., Mpls. 15. Hybrid corn display.
 IVER H. CARLSON & SON, St. Paul 4. Home improvements, roofing, insulation.
 J. I. CASE COMPANY, Mpls. 15. J.I. Case farm machinery.
 CENTURY-ELCON, INC., Mpls. 1. Refrigeration, Ben Hur line.
 CHAMBERLAIN & CARLSON, Mpls. 27. Household appliances, G.E., Speed Queen.
 CHICAGO REFERENCE BOOK CO., Chicago 1, Ill. Webster dictionary.
 CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP, Mpls. 16. Home Bible clubs, literature.
 CHRISTIAN BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE, Mpls. 28. Headquarters.
 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE STATE FAIR COMM., Mpls. 14. Monitor, literature informatino.
 CITIZENS FOR EISENHOWER, St. Paul 1. Headquarters, literature.
 CIZEK MFG. & DISTRIBUTING CO., Clutier, Iowa. Hog handlers, cultivators, mowers.
 CLAY EQUIPMENT CORPORATION, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Farm equipment.
 E. G. CLINTON CO., Mpls. 1. Pole type bldg., farm equipment, appliances.
 COCKSHUTT FARM EQUIPMENT, INC., Mpls. 13. Farm machinery.
 COLLEGE OF MEDICAL TECHNIQUE, Mpls. 3. Training equipment machines.
 P. F. COLLIER & SONS CO., New York, N.Y. Publications, books.
 COMMUNITY BLDG. PRODUCTS, INC., Mpls. 2. Building supplies, stone, awnings.
 CONTOUR CHAIR-LOUNGE, INC., Mpls. 2. Contour chairs with viverator.
 COUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL CHURCHES OF ST. PAUL, 1. Religious files, music, literature.
 COWIN & CO. INC., Mpls. 14. Steeldrome sheds, corn cribs.
 CRANE CO. OF MINN., St. Paul 1. Pumps, plumbing, heating.
 CROP DRYING EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 4. Crop drying equipment.
 CROSBY IRRIGATION & EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 19. Portable sprinkler equipment.
 DAHLBERG HEARING CENTER, St. Paul 2. Dahlberg hearing aid.
 THE DAYTON COMPANY, Mpls. 2. Lounge, and merchandise.
 DEALERS MANUFACTURING CO., St. Paul 1. Re-manufactured Ford engines, parts.
 DEERE & WEBBER CO., Mpls. 1. Farm machinery.
 DEGREE OF HONOR PROTECTIVE ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Headquarters for members.
 DeKALB AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION, INC., DeKalb, Ill. DeKalb corn and Chix.
 DE LAVAL SEPARATOR CO., Chicago 6, Ill. Dairy farm equipment, milkers, heaters.
 DELOCO COMPANY, Mpls. 26. Aluminum doors and windows.
 THE DENESSEN COMPANY, INC., Mpls. 8. Aluminum awnings, doors, etc.
 DE VAC, INC., Mpls. 16. De Vac window products.
 DIESEL SERVICE CO., Mpls. 6. Pumps, magnetos, injectors.
 DODSON FISHER SHOE MFG. CO., St. Paul 1. Glov-Ett, ladies comfort shoes.
 DON'S CYCLE SHOP, Mpls. 6. Motorcycles and supplies.
 DOUGHBOY INDUSTRIES, New Richmond, Wis. Formula feeds.
 DURO PRODUCTS, St. Paul 1. Water pumps.
 DUTSHE METAL PRODUCTS, Mpls. 20. Metal outdoor incinerator.

E-Z DECORATIVE BRICK CO., Mpls. 8. Interior decorative cork brick.
 ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTING CO., St. Paul 14. Setchel-Carlson T.V. sets.
 ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA, INC., Mpls. 2. Volumes of information.
 ENSTVEDT BROS., Sacred Heart, Minn. Seed corn.
 ESCO PRODUCTS, St. Paul 1. Vertikel drapes, Fiberglass awnings, Aluminum doors.

FAIRBANKS, MORSE CO., St. Paul 1. Farm water supply systems.
 FARGO FARM EQUIPMENT SALES CO., Fargo, N.D. Elevator, tools, swather, etc.
 FARM ENGINEERING SALES, INC., Savage, Minn. Barn equipment, crop driers, etc.
 FARM POWER CORP., Fond du Lac, Wis. Viking and Algoma machinery, wagons.
 THE FARMHAND COMPANY, Hopkins, Minn. Snow plow, forage units, loaders.
 FARWELL, OZMUN, KIRK & CO., St. Paul 1. Metal building, Reynolds pole shed.
 FIELD ENTERPRISES, St. Paul 4. World Book and Childcraft, Encyclopaedia.
 FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, St. Paul 1. Church literature.
 FITZGERALD MFG. CO., Owatonna, Minn. Farm machinery.
 FLOOD MASTER ENGINEERING CO., St. Paul 4. Building materials.
 FORD MOTOR CO., TRACTOR DIV., Mpls. 1. Ford tractors, implements.
 FORTY AND EIGHT, St. Paul 1. War trophies.
 FOX RIVER TRACTOR CO., Appleton, Wis. Fox forage harvestors, attachments.
 FOXBILT, INC., Des Moines, Iowa. Hogs, Livestock and poultry feeds.
 FRIGIDAIRE SALES CORP., Mpls. 14. Electrical appliances, air conditioners.

GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL, Mpls. 5. Bibles, for hotels, hospitals, schools, etc.
 GORIAN COMPANY, Robbinsdale 22, Minn. Zolatone paint products.
 R. L. GOULD & CO., St. Paul 1. Power lawnmowers, garden tractors.
 GRAIN KING INDUSTRIES, INC., St. Paul 14. Wagons, boxes, harrows, grinders.
 GRAVELY MID-WEST, INC., Mpls. 16. Gravely garden tractor and attachments.
 GREEN COLONIAL FURNACE CO., Des Moines 7, Iowa. Heating and cooling equipment.
 GROLIER SOCIETY, INC., Mpls. 2. Book of Knowledge, Encyclopaedia of Science.

LEVI HAAPALA & SONS, INC., Dassel, Minn. Seed Corn.

HARBERTS MFG. CO., Sibley, Iowa. Corn crib, water heaters, equipment.
 HARLEY-DAVIDSON ST. PAUL CO., St. Paul 2. Motorcycles.
 HARRIS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, Mpls. 8. Siding material.
 HAZEL-ATLAS GLASS CO., Wheeling, West Va. Home canning, freezing jars.
 HEARTH AND HOME CO., Mpls. 8. Fireplace fixtures.
 HELIX CORPORATION, Crown Point, Indiana. Power unloading equipment.
 HIGHLAND PARK VAN & STORAGE CO., St. Paul 5. Mayflower moverama vans.
 HILEX COMPANY, St. Paul 1. Hilex products.
 HINMAN MILKING MACHINE CO., Oneida, N.Y. Milking machine, vacuum pumps.
 HOLLYWOOD BEAUTY SCHOOL, Mpls. 2. Information regarding courses.
 HOMELITE CORPORATION, St. Paul 4. Chain saws, generators, pumps.
 HOMES BEAUTIFUL, INC., Mpls. 6. Windows or kitchens.
 V. R. HOPPMAN CO., Mpls. 22. Grain storage & handling equipment.
 HOWE, INC., Mpls. 12. Fertilizer and insecticides.
 R. R. HOWELL COMPANY, Mpls. 14. Water systems, heaters, air conditioners.
 HUDSON EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 1. Poultry & livestock equipment, ventilation.
 HY-LINE POULTRY FARMS, Des Moines 9, Iowa. Live birds, animated display.

IDEAL EQUIPMENT CO., Morristown, Minn. Dairy barn equipment, feeders, stalls.
 IND. ORDER OF FORESTERS, Mpls. 8. Headquarters for members.
 IND. ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS, St. Paul 2. Headquarters for members.
 INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY, St. Paul 14. Trucks, tractors, machines.
 INTERSTATE KIRBY CO., St. Paul 4. Vacuum cleaner, floor polisher.
 THE IRON MINING INDUSTRY OF MINN., Duluth 2, Minn. Iron ore, taconite display.
 IRONRITE OF ST. PAUL, St. Paul 1. Ironrite ironers.
 IRONRITE OF MPLS., Mpls. 8. Ironrite ironers.

JACQUES SEED CO., Prescott, Wis. Hybrid seeds.
 JACUZZI BROS., INC., Mpls. 1. Jacuzzi & Universal pump water systems.
 JAMES MFG. CO., Fort Atkinson, Wis. Hog & poultry equipment, ventilation, etc.
 A. & C. JOHNSON CO., St. Paul 1. Wallpaper and paint.
 JOHNSON HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 23. Ferguson, Work Horse tractors, loaders.
 MRS. VICTORIA JOYNER, Osseo, Minn. Political advertising, headquarters.
 K E V E RADIO STA., Mpls. 2. Promotional display.

V. MEL S. KAUFMANN, Mpls. 16. Steel buildings.
 KEEGAN EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 1. Harvest Handler, Keegan equipment.
 KEWANEE MACHINERY & CONVEYOR CO., Kewanee, Ill. Elevators, wagons, discs.
 KING & HAMILTON CO., Ottawa, Ill. Elevators, shellers, mulchers, equipment.
 KINGSLEY AND CARSON DISTRIB. CO., Mpls. 11. Darkopp, Stradivaro sewing machines.
 K. OF C. STATE COUNCIL, Shakopee, Minn. Organization information.
 KNOEDLER MANUFACTURERS, INC., Streator, Ill. Burr mill, oat huller.
 JOHN R. KOVAR MFG. CO. INC., Anoka, Minn. Spike & spring tooth harrows, cultivators.
 KRETZSCHMAR VENTILATION, Mankato, Ill. Fan Pac ventilation.
 O. W. KROMER CO., Mpls. 11. Garden and farm equipment.

LAKESHORE MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. 26. Cropgard farm dryer.
 LAND O'LAKES CREAMERIES, INC., Mpls. 13. Van Vetter bulk tanks, packaging butter.
 LORAN-BERNINA CO., Mpls. 7. Swiss zigzag automatic sewing machine.
 LE ELLIOTT MOTOR IMPORTS, Mpls. 23. German-Mercedes, Perz, Fritish motor cars.

- THE H. D. LEE CO., Mpls. 1. Jumbo Lee bib overall.
 LEGION OF MARY, New Market, Minn. Church activity information.
 THE LINCOLN ELECTRIC CO., Cleveland 17, Ohio. Farm welding equipment.
 LINDSAY BROTHERS, Mpls. 1. Farm implements.
 THE LINDSAY COMPANY, St. Paul 4. Automatic water softeners.
 LINDSTROM BLOCK & SILO WORKS, Lindstrom, Minn. Silo or corn crib.
 LLOYD REFRIGERATION, Gibbon, Minn. Automatic egg cooler.
 LOUDON MFG. & SALES, INC., Mpls. 6. Refrigeration, freezers, commercial, etc.
 LUEDTKE BROS., St. Paul 8. Hardwood flooring, patterns.
 LYONS UTILITY CO., St. Paul 5. Millwork, general manufacturing.
- M. L. MCGINNIS PIANO CO., Mpls. 2. Pianos and organs.
 ORMAN O. MCKINLEY COMPANY, Indianapolis 5, Ind. Aluminum windows, awnings, etc.
 McMASTER DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. 3. Viking sewing machines.
 M & W. GEAR CO., Anchor, Ill. Tractor equipment.
 MADSEN SERVICE, Mpls. 8. Madsen oil and gas burners, Shell burners.
 MAICO, Mpls. 1. Auditory training equipment, hearing aids.
 MANUFACTURERS DISTRIBUTORS, INC., St. Paul 2. Economy Food Plan.
 J. C. MARLOW MILKING MACHINE CO., Mankato, Minn. Wilson bulk milk coolers, machines.
- BARRY E. MARSHALL, Mpls. 19. Knapp Bros. shoes.
 MASSEY-HARRIS-FERGUSON, INC., Hopkins, Minn. Farm machinery.
 MAYRATH, INC., Dodge City, Kansas. Grath augers, hay and corn elevators.
 MELROE MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. 20. Windrow pickup, truck hoist, harrow.
 ROBERT A. MENGE, St. Paul 6. Knapp Aerotreds, cushion sole shoes.
 MERICKEL LUMBER MILLS, Wadena, Minn. Scale model home.
 MEYER MFG. CO., Morton, Ill. Bucket and portable elevators, conditioners, loaders.
 MIDLAND DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. 11. Sewmor, Holiday, sewing machines.
 THE MIDWEST CO. INC., Mpls. 1. Harvestors, movers, mowers, loaders.
 MILEY TRAILER CO., Savage, Minn. Horse trailer.
 MINHYBRID GROWERS ASS'N., Waterville, Minn. Certified Minhybrid seed corn.
 MINN.-KOTA MFG. CO., Moorhead, Minn. Farm equipment.
 MINNEAPOLIS-FREEMAN MFG. CO., Mpls. 16. Hydraulic loaders and attachments.
 MINNEAPOLIS-MOLINE CO., Hopkins, Minn. Agricultural implements.
 MINNEAPOLIS STAR AND TRIBUNE, Mpls. 15. Information booth, advertising.
 MINNEAPOLIS ZONE CHEVROLET DEALERS ASS'N. Chevrolet cars and trucks.
 MINNESOTA BREWERS' ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Barley display.
 MINNESOTA CHIROPRACTIC ASS'N., Mpls. 7. Health education.
 MINNESOTA DFL STATE CENTRAL COMM., St. Paul 1. Literature, headquarters.
 MINNESOTA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION, St. Paul 1. Headquarters for members.
 MINN. FARM BUREAU SERVICE CO., St. Paul 1. Paint, farm chemicals, feed, tires.
 MINNESOTA FARMER, Mpls. 1. Farm publication.
 MINNESOTA FARMERS UNION, St. Paul 14. Educational literature.
 MINN. FED OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, St. Paul 5. Headquarters, literature.
 MINNESOTA PAINTS, INC., Mpls. 15. Paints, varnishes, oils.
 MINN. PETROLEUM GAS ASS'N., Mpls. 3. L.P.G. appliances.
 MINN. PRE-CAST CONCRETE STEP CO., St. Paul 4. Steps, railings.
 MINN. REPUB. STATE CENTRAL COMM., St. Paul 1. Headquarters.
 MINN. SOCIETY PREVENTION BLINDNESS, Mpls. 14. Eye care, health education.
 MINN. STATE COUNCIL OF BREWERY WORKERS, St. Paul 4. Mankato brewery miniature.
- MINN. STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR, St. Paul 2. Union industries production.
 MINN. STROLL-O-CHAIR CO., Mpls. 11. Baby safety equipment.
 MINN. TUBERCULOSIS & HEALTH ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Health Education.
 MINN. UNITED NATIONS ASS'N., Mpls. 1. Headquarters.
 MINN. WOOLEN CO., Mpls. 9. Clothing for all the family.
 MODERN GREENHOUSE MFG. CO., Mpls. 18. Residence greer house.
 J. STUART MOORE CO., Mpls. 6. Rondel flding aluminum awnings, etc.
 MORIN ROOFING CO., St. Paul 7. Aluminum siding, awnings.
 MOULTON IRRIGATION CO., Withrow, Minn. Irrigation equipment, supplies.
 THE F. E. MYERS & BRO. CO., Ashland, Ohio. Water systems, softeners, power pumps.
- NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS, St. Paul 2. Promoting use of vaccine.
- NATVIK & COMPANY, Columbus, Wis. Farm machinery.
 NELSON DAIRY EQUIPMENT CO., Rochester, Minn. Milk coolers.
 NEW HOLLAND MACHINE CO., Mpls. 20. Forage harvestors, haying equipment.
 NEW IDEA FARM EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 1. Farm machinery.
 NORLING BROS., Svea, Minn. Cribbs, silo and roofing.
 NORTH CENTRAL ELECTRICAL LEAGUE, Mpls. 2. Farm electric equipment.
 NORTHRUP, KING & CO., Mpls. 13. Seeds.
 NORTHWEST STANDARD PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 8. Home improvement, shingles, siding
 NORTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO., St. Paul 2. Telephone communications.
 NORTHWESTERN BLAUGAS COMPANY, St. Paul 14. Gas cooking & heating equipment.
- OLD DUTCH FOODS, Mpls. 1. Old Dutch food display.
 OLIVER CORPORATION, Mpls. 14. Farm machinery.
 OLSON MFG. CO., Albert Lea, Minn. Dairy barn equipment.
 OLSON RUG CO., Chicago 41, Ill. Olson reversible rugs.
 OMAHA STANDARD EQUIPMENT COMPANY, South St. Paul. Truck bodies and hoists.
 ORDER OF HERMAN SISTERS, St. Paul 4. Headquarters for members.
 OWATONNA MFG. CO. INC., Owatonna, Minn. Portable elevators, windrowers.

PAPEC MACHINE CO., Hopkins, Minn. Forage harvestors, blowers, mills, mixers.
 PATZ COMPANY, Pound, Wis. Barn cleaner, unloader, carts, etc.
 PERFECTION MFG. CORP., Mpls. 13. Milking and dairy equipment.
 PFISTER ASSOCIATED GROWERS, INC., Mankato, Minn. Hybrid seed corn.
 PIONEER FANNING MILL CO., Mpls. 11. Mills, cribs, elevators, wagons, harrows.
 PIONEER HI-BRED CORN CO., Des Moines 9, Iowa. Seed corn, chicks.
 PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF MPLS., Mpls. 3. Literature.
 POWER TOOLS, INC., St. Paul 4. Power chain saws, lawn mowers, outboards.
 PRIDE HYBRID COMPANY, Dassel, Minn. Hybrid seed corn, grains.

QUEEN STOVE WORKS, INC., Albert Lea, Minn. Gas and oil space heaters, etc.

RANGER PRODUCTS COMPANY, Delphi, Indiana. Livestock scales, cattle chutes.
 RED E GARDEN TRACTORS, Richfield, Wis. Red E tractor and mower.
 RED WING SHOE CO., Red Wing, Minn. Red Wing shoes.
 RICH PLAN OF TWIN CITIES, INC., Wayzata, Minn. Carrier freezers and food plan.
 RICHFIELD YARDS, Mpls. 23. Aluminum combination windows, doors.
 RI-TCHIE MFG. CO., Conrad, Iowa. Livestock, poultry watering equipment.
 ROBINSON SCHOOL OF BEAUTY CULTURE, Mpls. 14. School information.
 ROTO-HOE SALES, Coon Rapids, Minn. Garden, lawn and snow equipment.
 ROWELL, INC., St. Paul 14. Silo, unloader, automatic feeder.
 ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA, Mpls. 6. Headquarters for members.
 RUDD HAMMOND ORGAN STUDIOS, INC., St. Paul 16. Hammond organs.
 S. J. RUTHERFORD CO., Mpls. 16. Garden tractors, power mowers.

S. & H. MFG. CO., Winthrop, Minn. Silo unloader and chipper.
 ST. PAUL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, St. Paul 1. Information booth.
 ST. PAUL DISPATCH-PIONEER PRESS, St. Paul 1. Newspaper display.
 SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE, ALUMNI ASS'N., St. Paul 13. Headquarters, literature.
 SCHWARTZ MFG. CO., Lester Prairie, Minn. Hydraulic mechanical equipment.
 SEAL-O-MATIC, INC., Mpls. 24. Stainless steel cookware, flatware.
 SEAMAN-AND-WALL CORP., Milwaukee 3, Wis. Rotary farm tillers.
 SEWMATIC, INC., St. Paul 14. Phoenix sewing machine.
 SHADE MASTERS, INC., Mpls. 9. Aluminum awning, window shades.
 W. F. SHARPE, INC., Mpls. 6. Vertical drapes of fabric.
 T. K. SHAVER IMPROVEMENT CO., St. Paul 17. Nelson aluminum windows.
 SHEDLOV SUPPLY CO., Mpls. 3. Electric appliances.
 SHUR-RANE IRRIGATION SYSTEMS, Osakis, Minn. Irrigation equipment.
 THE SIEGLER CORPORATION, Centralia, Ill. Oil, gas space heaters.
 SILVER-LAMB, INC., St. Paul 4. Aluminum building products.
 SINGER SEWING MACHINE CO., Mpls. 3. Singer sewing machines.
 SKELGAS DIV., SKELLY OIL CO., 5340 Wayzata Blvd., Mpls. 16. Appliances.
 A. O. SMITH, CORP., Kankakee, Ill. Harvestors and accessories.
 SNELLER MUSIC CO., Mpls. 2. Hammond organs.
 SNYDER-KEYLOR CO., Sheldon, Iowa. Fertilizers, spreaders, transports.
 SOCONY MOBIL OIL CO. INC., St. Paul 14. Farm automotive petroleum products.
 SONOTONE OF MINNEAPOLIS, Mpls. 2. Hearing aid.
 SPENCER CHEMICAL CO., Kansas City 5, Mo. Agricultural chemicals.
 STAINLESS & STEEL PRODUCTS CO., St. Paul 14. Milk trucks, trailers.
 STANDARD DRY WALL PRODUCTS, INC., New Eagle, Penna. Thoro system products.
 STANDARD ENGINEERING CO. INC., Fort Dodge, Iowa. Stan-Hoist and loaders.
 STANDARD HOME SERVICE CO., Mpls. 8. Porch units, combination windows.
 STANDARD OIL COMPANY, Mpls. Petroleum and chemical specialties.
 STANDARD SEWING SUPPLY CO., Mpls. 1. Necchi sewing machines, supplies.
 STATE FARM INSURANCE CO., St. Paul 5. Insurance, auto, life, fire.
 STATE GRANGE OF MINN., Mpls. 3. Headquarters.
 STECKLEY HYBRED SEED CORN CO., Lincoln, Nebr. Seed corn.
 STEEL STRUCTURES, INC., Mpls. 14. Steel buildings.
 STEELCO. STAINLESS-STEEL, INC., Chicago 40, Ill. Stainless steel cookware.
 W. R. STEPHENS CO., Mpls. 2. Buick autos and trucks.
 STORM INDUSTRIES, INC., Dassel, Minn. Rol-Way hen, turkey nests, coolers, baskets.
 STYLELINE, INC., Mpls. 5. Awnings, canopies for doors, patios, porches.
 SUPER SIX MFG. CO., Mpls. 18. Hydraulic loaders, sprayers.

TEMPCON, INC., Mpls. 8. Kool bulk milk coolers.
 THOMAHAWK HYBRID CORN CO., Belmond, Iowa. Hybrid seed corn.
 TRACTOR SUPPLY CO., St. Paul 4. Farm implement parts and accessories.
 TROJAN SEED CO., Olivia, Minn. Hybrid corn.
 TWENTIETH CENTURY MFG. CO., Mpls. 20. A. C. arc welders.
 TWIN CITY BEDDING, INC., St. Paul 1. Dr. Fuller Restonic mattress.

UNITED HAGIE HYBRIDS, INC., Des Moines 9, Iowa. Hybrid seed corn.
 UNITED STATES BEDDING CO., St. Paul 14. Convertible sofa, King Koil mattress.
 UNITED STATES ROOFING & SIDING CO., St. Paul 1. Building materials.
 UNIVERSAL MILKING MACHINE DIV., Albert Lea, Minn. Dairy equipment, milking machines.

V F W LADIES AUXILIARY, Mpls. 1. Activities of auxiliary.
 VAN DALE FARM MACHINES, INC., Wayzata, Minn. Silo unloaders, cleaners, feeders.
 VENT-A-HOOD OF TWIN CITIES, Mpls. 21. Range ventilating hoods.
 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, St. Paul 1. Headquarters.
 VIS-VITA COMPANY, Sioux City, Iowa. Livestock, poultry feed.
 VOGT HEALTH APPLIANCE CO., St. Paul 16. Polorator, massager.

WCCO-MIDWEST RADIO-TV INC., Mpls. 2. Teletype, broadcasts, advertising.
 W I S K RADIO STA., St. Paul 6. Disc Jockey show.
 W T C N RADIO, TV, Mpls. 16. Promotional radio, TV.
 WALL MANUFACTURING, INC., Hutchinson, Minn. Steel buildings.
 WALSH MANUFACTURING CO., Charles City, Iowa. Wagons, cribs, stalls, hoists.
 WEATHER-SEAL, INC., Barberton, Ohio. Combination windows.
 WEBB PUBLISHING CO., THE FARMER, St. Paul 1. Headquarters.
 WHITE SEWING MACHINE CORP., Cleveland 11, Ohio. White sewing machines.
 WILLYS MOTORS, INC., Mpls. 16. Station wagons, jeeps, trucks.
 D. F. WINTER MFG., Ceylon, Minn. Stubble cleaner.
 WOMAN'S BENEFIT ASS'N., Mpls. 8. Headquarters for members.
 W C T U, Mpls. 5. Headquarters, posters and literature.
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, Mpls. 8. Headquarters for members.
 WONDER BUILDINGS OF MINNESOTA, St. Paul 4. Wonder steel buildings.
 KENNETH M. WRIGHT STUDIOS, INC., St. Paul 1. Minn. photographs, artist painting.

YOUNG CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, Mpls. 19. Garages, bars.

ZEPHYR VENTILATED AWNING CO., INC., St. Paul 14. Redwood, fiberglass awnings.
 WM. H. ZIEGLER CO., INC., Mpls. 14. Farm machinery, tractors, discs.

CONCESSIONAIRES

ACME WHOLESALE JEWELRY CO., Louisville, Box 642, Cherokee Station, 5, Ky. Jewelry.
 ALBRECHT, MRS. ROSE L., Minneapolis 17, Minn. Gifts and novelties.
 AMERICAN LEGION, EAST SIDE POST NO. 358, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.
 AMERICO PIZZA CO., St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments, Pizza specialty.
 ANCKER HOSPITAL, St. Paul 2. Merchandise made by patients.
 ANDERSON GROCERY, St. Paul 3. Tourist Camp grocery.
 ANDERSON'S OF MINNESOTA, Mpls. 5. Headlines in newspapers.
 ARLIS SALES CORP., Los Angeles 15, Calif. Hollywood Hed Topper.
 ASSOCIATED WHOLESALEERS, St. Paul 4.
 ASS'N. OF TWIN CITIES HOBBY RETAILERS, Mpls. 8. Ceramics, copper jewelry, items.

B. & W. WHOLESALE SUPPLY CO., Mpls. 15. Tools, hardware items.
 BABY CARE GUILD, Mpls. 18. Baby butler.
 BAUGHN, MRS. MURIEL, Mpls. 5. Hobby shop and art supplies.
 BERMAN BUCKSKIN COMPANY, Mpls. 1. Buckskin jackets, gloves.
 BLACKSTONE, MRS. HELENE, St. Paul 6. Lavendar sachet.
 BLUE & WHITE CAB CO., Mpls. 15. Taxi privilege to Minneapolis.
 BOMAN-REEDY CO., Plainfield, Indiana. Iron cord holder, iron board cover.
 BOWYER, T. J., Duluth, Minn. Jewelry and engraving.
 BRAATHEN, HENRY, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 BRANSCOMBE, J. C. PRODUCTS, Chicago 44, Ill. Automobile polish.
 BREDE, WILLIAM S., Mpls. 13. Beer garden, Carrousel, pronto pups.
 BRIXON, LOUIS, Mpls. 6. Hi-striker, short gallery.
 BROGAN, PAUL, Rochester, Minn. Jewelry & engraving.
 BRONSON SHOE CO., Mpls. 8. Bronson air cushion shoes.
 BROWN AND KLOSS, St. Paul 7. Handmade plates, plaques, shirts.
 BUILDERS IMPROV. & SUPPLIES, INC., Mpls. 4. Stor-All sheds, shelves.
 BURKE, ARTHUR C., Springfield 4, Mo. Black walnut salt water taffy.

CANNON, MR. & MRS. G. V., St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments,—"Mexican Hat."
 CEDAR SANITARY ICE CO., Mpls. 5. Wholesale, retail ice service.
 CHILDREN'S SHOP, St. Paul 13. Children's clothing, toys.
 CHRISTENSEN, MARTIN J., St. Paul 1. Lunch, refreshments, soft drinks, plants.
 CHRISTENSEN POTATO CO., St. Paul 1. Wholesale fruits, vegetables.
 CHRISTENSEN, R. J., St. Paul 5. Richard's Pizza Palace.
 COLIHAN, JOE, Excelsior, Minn. Dart balloon game.
 CO-OPERATIVE WOOL GROWERS, Mpls. 14. Wool products promotion.
 CURRAN, (ETTA) AND HALLIGAN (MARGUERITE), Mpls. Aprons, crimper, plants.

CHURCHES

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH GUILD, St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 BETHLEHEM ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 CATHOLIC YOUTH CENTER, Mpls. 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, St. Paul 2. Lunch, refreshments.
 CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 3. Lunch, refreshments.
 CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH, St. Paul 7. Dining Hall.
 CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA, St. Paul 13. Dining Hall.
 CLEVELAND AVE. METHODIST CHURCH, St. Paul 5. Lunch, refreshments.
 COMO PARK LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 CORONADO, MRS. VERA, St. Paul 1. Dining Hall. Mexican art objects, items.
 EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 7. Lunch, refreshments.

- EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 EVANG. LUTH. CHURCH OF HOLY COMMUNION, Mpls. 6. Lunch, refreshments.
 EVANG. LUTH. CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, St. Paul 17. Lunch, refreshments.
 FALCON HEIGHTS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH MEN'S CLUB, St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 FATHER VAL. WIWCHAROWSKY, Chisholm, Minn. Dining Hall, 3.2 beer in bottles.
 FIRST ENG. LUTH. CHURCH OF ST. LOUIS PARK, St. Louis Park, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.
 GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 5. Lunch, refreshments.
 HAMLIN METH. CHURCH SOCIETY, St. Paul 4. Dining Hall, lunch, refreshments.
 HOLMAN METH. CHURCH, St. Paul 17. Lunch, refreshments.
 JEHOVAH LUTH. CHURCH AID, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 K.I. GIRLS' CLUB, ST. PETRIE LUTH. CHURCH, Mpls. 18. Lunch, refreshments.
 LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE, St. Paul 4. Lutheran literature, novelties.
 ST. ANTHONY PARK METH. CHURCH CLUB, St. Paul 8. Lunch, refreshments.
 ST. COLUMBA MEN'S CLUB, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments, 3.2 beer in bottles.
 ST. JOHN'S CHURCH OF NEW CANADA, St. Paul 17. Dining Hall, lunch, refreshments.
 ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, St. Paul 8. Dining Hall.
 ST. OLAF'S LUTH. CHURCH GUILD, Mpls. 11. Dining Hall.
 ST. PATRICK'S GUILD, St. Paul 5. Catholic literature and supplies.
 SALEM EVANG. LUTH. CHURCH, Mpls. 12. Lunch, refreshments.
 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 1. Lunch, refreshments.
 TRINITY EVANG. LUTH. CHURCH, Rice & Aurora, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 VICTORY LUTH. CHURCH, Mpls. 16. Lunch, refreshments.
 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
- DAIRY FAIR EXHIBIT FUND, St. Paul 8. Dairy bar, dairy product sandwiches.
 DANIELSON, WM. F., St. Paul 6. Pizza pie.
 DANIELSON ADVERTISING, WOODY I., Mpls. 6. Advertising benches.
 DAVIS, JAMES A., Mpls. 1. Lunch, refreshments, Coca Cola, Candy Apples, Ice Cream.
 DAYLESS MANUFACTURING CO., Chicago, Ill. Kleen-Rite, sponge mop, exaer.
 DEE'S STUDIO, St. Paul 3. Ceramics.
 DEERE & WEBBER CO., Mpls. 1. Miniature farm machinery toys.
 DENNET, ROY, St. Paul 3. Pop corn machine.
 DESPLENTER BROS., Chicago 47, Ill. Jewelry, novelties, whistles, pennant machines.
 DEVINE, MRS. VICTORIA, Robbinsdale, Minn. Lunch, refreshments, ice cream.
 DICKINSON CONCESSION CO., R. 1, Rogers, Minn. Sandwiches, drinks, pop corn.
 DICKSON PUB. CO., JOHN A., North St. Paul, Minn. Dickson Bible, protestant.
 DOLL'S ART NEEDLE, Mpls. 3. Lunch needle, burrap rugs, fancy work.
 DOUBLE WEAR SHOE CO., Mpls. 8. Shoes, rubber boots.
 DOUGHTY, MRS. RAY, St. Paul 3. Race Horse game.
 DOWNTOWN Y'S MEN'S CLUB, Mpls. 22. Lunch, refreshments.
 DROPIK, JOHN R., St. Paul 13. Root beer cabin.
 DUFFY, WALTER E., Mpls. 10. Lunch, refreshments, game.
 DUNHAM CO., L. T., St. Paul 7. Auto parking, south of Como Ave.
 DYPWICK, OTIS J., Mpls. 16. Program in Hippodrome.
- EDDIE'S TEDDY LAND, Mpls. 19. Toys and dolls.
 EHLER, MILDRED, Newport, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.
 ELDRIDGE, WM. F., St. Paul 17. Official check room.
 ELDRIDGE, WM. F. AND VOLIN, CHAS. J., Tobacco products, cigarettes, cigars.
- FAIR ENTERPRISES, Mpls. 2. Grandstand programs, cushions, hats, binoculars, visors.
 FAMILY ALTAR BOOK STORE, St. Paul 1. Religious novelties, items.
 FANELLI, JAMES, Mpls. 4. Famous painting reproductions.
 FISCHER (J.A.) AND HUSNIK, (DONALD), St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 FISCHER & CO., R. A., Glendale 2, Calif. Vibra-tone, massage unit.
 FISHER, S. S., St. Paul 14. Peanuts, salted in shell.
 FLYNN, MICHAEL H., Mpls. 5. Antique auto in tent, photo gallery, pop corn.
 FOHLBROOK, T. R., New Port Richey, Fla. Iron cord holder.
 FOLEY MFG. CO., Mpls. 18. Foley food mill, kitchen utensils.
 FORSMAN, MISS INA M., St. Paul 1. Lunch, refreshments, 3.2 beer in bottles.
 FOSTER, MRS. PATRICIA, St. Paul 7. Gift novelties, jewelry, games.
- GANTMAN'S DELICATESSEN, St. Paul 5. Kosher food, beverages.
 GATES, JOHN, Mpls. 17. Iron cord holder, Chem-O-sel sponge.
 GIFTS PRODUCTS, Chicago 12, Ill. Cersite eye glass cleaner, metal polish.
 GLEN LAKE SANATORIUM, Oak Terrace, Minn. Handicraft made by patients.
 GOLDBERG, N., Detroit 23, Mich. Jewelry.
 GORAL SALES CO., Detroit 27, Mich. Wil-Krc razor blade planer.
 GREENE, GORDON, St. Paul 1. Long range shooting gallery.
 GROFF AND PAYTON, Mpls. 7. Protestant and catholic bibles.
 GUNNARD COMPANY, Mpls. 23. Gunnard canning set.
 GUSTAFSON, MRS. V. H., Mpls. 12. Handpainted plaques, novelties.
- HANNASCH, JAMES F., Mpls. 22. Games.
 HANNASCH, THEODORE A., St. Paul 5. Toys.
 HANZELY, JOHN, Mpls. 7. Lunch, refreshments.
 HARMONY CHAPTER NO. 8 OES, Mpls. 7. Lunch, refreshments.
 HARRIS, JIM, Mpls. 3. Glass cutter, tool sharpener.
 HAUB, GEORGE J., St. Paul 5. Lunch, soft drinks.
 HOBBY PAINTERS' STUDIO, Robbinsdale 22, Minn. Hobby supplies, gift items.
 HOLLYWOOD FIXTURE WORKS, St. Paul 17. Drapery hardware, plastic articles.

HOLMBERG, LYNN M., Mpls. 7. Lunch, refreshments.
 HOLMQUIST, MRS. HAROLD, Willmar, Minn. Popcorn, carmel corn, soft drinks.
 HOLT, JOE, St. Louis Park, Minn. J-H garment hanger.
 HOLTZERMAN'S, INC., Mpls. 4. Table decorations, food specialties, imports.
 HOROVITZ, ALLAN, St. Louis Park 16. Dairy bar.
 HOTJON COMPANY, Crystal 22, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.
 HOUGH, CHARLES M., Mpls. 11. Lunch, refreshments, M.O. Skeet range.
 HOWARD, FRED, Menomonie, Wis. Short range shooting gallery.

INDIA GIFT HOUSE, Mpls. 18. India artware, carvings in ivory, metals, wood.
 INTERNATIONAL GRAPHIC ANALYSIS SOCIETY, St. Paul 5. Hand writing analysis.
 INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CO., St. Paul 14. Miniature farm machinery toys.
 IRRTHUM, MRS. JENNIE, Mpls. 21. Pop corn and cold drinks.

JAN'S CERAMIC STUDIO, St. Paul 6. Ceramics, porcelain and jewelry.
 JAROS LUGGAGE & LEATHER GOODS, Mpls. 2. Luggage, etc.
 JOYCE MFG. CO., St. Paul 1. Johnson iron cord holder, blind cleaner.

KALLESTAD AND WITTE, Mpls. 10. Lunch, refreshments.
 KASINAK, LEO S., St. Paul 6. Miniature railway ride, pop corn machine, little cars.
 KERR, MRS. B. W., St. Paul 6. Candy, jewelry, Ti plants, eye glass cleaner.
 KERR GLASS MFG. CORP., Mpls. 3. Kerr-Mason jars, lids, recipe books, caps.
 KIHLLSTROM AND ODBERG, Mpls. 6. Lunch, refreshments.
 KINGEN, JAMES B., Mpls. 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 KIRCHNER, RALPH, St. Paul 2. Lunch, refreshments.
 KORNMANN, A. E., St. Paul 1. Candy, 7-Up, tobacco products.
 KNAPP, FRANK A., Mpls. 23. Miniature farm toys—A.C. line.
 KRESS (GERTRUDE) AND KRESS (RUSSELL), Mpls. 19. Novelties, gift items.
 KRUG, EMMETT, Normal, Ill. Plastic flowers, Slinky Eyes, flying saucers.
 KUENZLI, MRS. MYRTLE, St. Paul 4. Lunch, refreshments.
 KUGLER, JAMES, La Feria, Texas. Hand painting on mirrors.
 KUEHN, MRS. CLYDE, Mpls. 8. Wire jewelry.
 KYLE, MRS. LEE S., St. Paul 6. Lunch, refreshments.
 KYLE & CROWE, St. Paul 6. Lunch, refreshments.

LATIN AMERICAN IMPORTING CO., Mpls. 19. Imports of leather, silver, leather, wood.
 LA VAQUE, E. R., St. Paul 17. Refrigerated fresh fruit stand, and juice.
 LAWRENCE, MRS. DONOVAN M., Mpls. 6. Wild life plaques.
 LE LIEVRE, J. N., Chicago 40, Ill. Short range gallery, dart game.
 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINN., Mpls. 14. Booklets, pamphlets, folders.
 LEE'S CANDIES, Mpls. 2. Fudge, Divinity, Pecaramels, jelly & chocolate.
 LEITTE, VERNON G., Excelsior, Minn. Games.
 LIFETIME SALES, INC., Mpls. 16. Lifetime stainless steel cookware, China.
 LITTLE, MRS. KATIE R., Dallas, Texas. Dining Hall, 3.2 beer, candy floss, games.
 LODENFREY CORPORATION, New York 10, N.Y. Bavarian sportwear, imports.
 LUND, MRS. ETHEL J., South Saint Paul, Minn. Pop corn.
 LUSK, MRS. J., Dallas, Texas. Lunch, refreshments.
 LUSTRE-GLO CANDLE & SUPPLY CO., St. Paul 17. Ornamental candles, centerpiece.
 LUTHERAN COLPORTAGE SERVICE, Mpls. 4. Gospel literature, supplies.

M. & M. ENTERPRISES, Faribault, Minn. Pop corn, peanuts.
 MAGEL, LEO, Mpls. 3. Games
 MARKS, AL, Naples, Florida. Gyroscope tops.
 MARKS, CLEM T., Windsor, Calif. Archery & shooting range.
 MARLIE TRADING, INC., New York 36, N.Y. Tyler Spiral saw blades.
 MARVEL FOODS, INC., Mpls. 1. Marvel chow mein, frozen, packaged.
 MARVY'S SUPPLY CO., St. Paul 2. Jewelry & novelty items.
 MASSEY-HARRIS-FERGUSON, INC., Hopkins, Minn. Miniature farm machinery toys.

McLINDEN, H. A., Yucaipa, Calif. Candy butcher shop, simulated meat candy.
 McMullin, Clint, Chelsea, Oklahoma. Jewelry, gift and costume.
 MER-SHA CANDY SHOP, St. Paul 13. Candy, root beer, orange, carmelcorn.
 MERRISS, MRS. MABEL E., Mpls. 12. Plaques, mottoes, flowers, figurines.
 MICKMAN, JOHN V., Mpls. 21. Live donkey rides.
 MIDLAND POP CORN COMPANY, Mpls. 13. Wholesale pop corn, supplies, equipment.
 MIDWAY SIGN COMPANY, St. Paul 4. Sign and card painting.
 MILNER, MR. AND MRS. MATT, Mpls. 21. Novelty Stand.
 MPLS. CHAPTER NO. 9, OES, Mpls. 8. Lunch, refreshments.
 MINN. BROILER PRODUCERS ASS'N., Mpls. 21. Barbecue chicken, lunch.
 MINN. DAIRY INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, St. Paul 8. Milk Stand—all you can drink.
 MINN. FIRE EXTINGUISHER CO., St. Paul 14. Demonstration, display, sale.
 MINN. PET SUPPLY ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Turtles, chameleons, pet supplies.
 MINNETONKA MOCCASIN CO., INC., Mpls. 15. Indian moccasins, souvenirs, dolls.
 MOBERG AND HAGSTROM, Mpls. 8. Portrait photography.
 MOBILE RECORDING SERVICE, Gary, Indiana. Recording.
 MODERN MANOR, North St. Paul, Minn. Furniture hobbycraft kits.
 MONDSHANE, GEROLD, St. Louis Park 16. Jewelry.
 MORRISON, MRS. ELLA, Mpls. 11. Lunch, refreshments.
 MORTON, JOHN S., St. Paul 4. Cooking gadgets, egg & cream shipper, etc.
 MUNN, ALFRED J., White Bear Lake 10. Confectionery, tobacco.
 MURRAY, HUGH T., St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.

NATURAL FOODS, INC., Olmsted Falls, Ohio. Vita Mix food grinder, juicer.
 NAUSS, MRS. SADIE, Mpls. 11. Cake decorator, auto fuel saver.

NELLAR, E. T., Los Angeles 43, Calif. Astrological horoscope.
 NELLER, ROBERT, Appleton, Wis. Humatone whistles, and Reggie.
 NELSON (MRS. SELMA) AND SHOGREN (A.V.), Mpls. 8. Penny arcade, games.
 NEMER, RONALD, St. Paul 16. Watermelon, chilled, packaged.
 NERNEY, MRS. MAY L., Pontiac, Mich. Saf-site eye glass & windshield cleaner.
 NEW HORIZONS COMPANY, Morris, Minn. Unusual cook book.
 NIAGARA MIDWESTERN, INC., St. Paul 6. Niagara message unit vibrator.
 NIELSEN, RICHARD E., St. Paul 5. Miniature model railway, exhibition.
 NORTH STAR MUSIC CO., St. Paul 4. Phonograph playing records.
 NORTHWEST ORGAN CO., Mpls. 23. Electronic organs and accessories.
 NORTHWESTERN BOOK & BIBLE HOUSE, Mpls. 2. Religious literature, store items.
 NORTHWESTERN WOOLEN CO., Mpls. 1. Snow suits, jackets, wearing apparel.

OLD MILL COMPANY, Oklahoma City 18, Okla. Canal boat ride.
 OLIVER CORPORATION, Mpls. 14. Miniature farm machinery toys.
 OLSON, THURE W., St. Paul 4. Pop corn, orangeade, chocolate milk, cigars.
 O'NEIL, FRED, St. Paul 2. Glass cutter, knife sharpener, "Stick Dog", Lunch, games.

O'NEIL, MRS. GEORGE J., Mpls. 7. T shirts, scarves, aprons.
 ORIENTAL GIFT SHOP, St. Paul 1. Oriental art goods, gifts, novelties, imports.
 OVERBACH, SAM, Mpls. 11. Tricks, novelty toys.

PETERS MEAT PRODUCTS, INC., St. Paul 7. Peters weiners, coffee, coca cola.
 PETERS SALES CO., Mpls. 11. Water control, sewer care, supplies.
 PICKETT, HAROLD, Joplin, Mo. Root beer barrel.
 PLASTIC SILO COVER CO., Northfield, Minn. Plastic silo covers.
 PLATZ PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 3. Weatherella, plastic rain hat-umbrella.
 PLEASONING, La Crosse, Wis. Food seasoning shaker.
 POP DROP BEVERAGE CO., St. Paul 1. Drink, six flavor tablets.
 PURYEAR COMPANY, Clarinda, Iowa. Cake decorator.

R. & S. SALES CO., St. Paul 1. Needle threader, toys, tools.
 RAICHE, CHESTER J., St. Paul 13. Garment hanger, basement butelr.
 RAUEN, MISS DELLA, St. Paul 2. Religious items, gifts, novelties.
 RIBAR, L. E., Mpls. 6. Pop corn, soft drinks, lunch, refreshments.
 ROBINSDALE CHAPT. NO. 238 OES, Mpls. 22. Lunch, refreshments.
 ROBINSON & BREDE, Mpls. 18. Dining Hall, barbecue, cafeteria, waffles, lunch.
 ROBINSON, JACK L., Mpls. 13. "Grandma's House in miniature".
 ROBINSON ENTERPRISES, Chicago 30, Ill. Lunch, refreshments, games, scales.
 ROLLA CHAPTER NO. 254, OES, Mpls. 1. Lunch, refreshments.
 ROSENZWEIG, A. D., Dallas, Texas. Jewelry, leather goods.
 ROSENZWEIG, SOL, Dallas, Texas. Jewelry, leather goods.
 ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS, Tampa, Florida. Carnival, and concessions.
 RUNYON, V. V., Bradenton, Fla. Cake decorator, rosette irons.

ST. PAUL BOOK & STATIONERY CO., St. Paul 1. Arts and crafts supplies, toys.
 SCHNEIDER, M. J., St. Paul 13. Pop corn.
 SCHROEDER, RILLING & RYDBERG, St. Paul 8. Lunch, refreshments.
 SCHUNEMAN'S, INC., St. Paul 2. Faribo blankets, and merchandise.
 SCHUPPEL, WILLIAM A., Mpls. 12. Lunch, refreshments.
 SEIDL DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, Shakopee, Minn. Tappers trouser & skirt hangers.
 SETTERHOLM, EDWARD W., Mpls. 9. Lunch, refreshments.
 SHAW, GEORGE P., Mpls. 1. Game.
 SIGNOR, SIG, Mpls. 8. Long and short range shooting galleries.
 SLAVIN, J. EDWARD, Woodbridge, Conn. "Jail on Wheels" show.
 SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY OF MINN., Mpls. 26. Literature, headquarters.
 SPRINGER CO., RALPH C., Culver City, Calif.
 SPUDNUT SHOP, Mpls. 12. Spudnut doughnuts.
 STANGER, MRS. E. C., Mpls. 6. Hand painted novelties.
 STAR IMPORT COMPANY, Olmsted Falls, Ohio. German made Cuckoo Clocks.
 STATE FAIR TRANSPORTATION CO., Mpls. 1. Bus route.
 STEELMAN, ROY D., Rockford, Iowa. Ray gurs.
 STEICHEN FOOD MARKET, St. Paul 4. Super food market.
 STRAND, MRS. CLARA A., Stillwater, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.
 STRONG MOTOR CO., Atwater, Minn. Antique automobile show.
 SWANSON DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. 4. Brownberry bread.
 SWEDISH AGENCY, Mpls. 7. Swedish imports and household items.
 SWEDISH GIFT SHOP, Mpls. 3. Scandinavian imports, gifts, merchandise.
 SWISS SHOP, Mpls. 10. Swiss materials and embroidery.
 SYNDICATE SALES CO., Mpls. 1. Plastic flowers, Ti logs, gadgets, foot ease.

TANDY LEATHER CO., St. Paul 1. Leathercraft, kits, tools, etc.
 THOMPSON, CLIFFORD J., St. Paul 13. Lunch, refreshments.
 THOR, MARTIN FRANKLIN, St. Paul 5. Lunch, refreshments, 3.2 beer in bottles.
 THORNTON'S STEAM TRAIN, Duluth 7, Minn. Miniature steam railway, kiddie ride.
 TINY TIM DONUTS, St. Paul 8. Tiny Tim donuts.
 TOM THUMB DONUT CORP. OF MINN., Mpls. 4. Donuts, fried pies.
 TOWNSEND AND JOHNSON, Fergus Falls, Minn. Roman Target game, foot long hot dogs.
 TROPICAL SHELL SHOP, Marine-on-St. Croix, Minn. Shell jewelry.
 TYROLEAN LODEN CO., New York 23, N.Y. Sport clothes.

UKRAINIAN GIFT SHOP, Mpls. 1. Ukrainian art, gift items. Easter egg painting.
 UNITED TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT, Mpls. 1. Lunch, refreshments.

WARD, PAUL S., Dallas, Texas. Lunch, refreshments.
WARREN, PAUL M., New Brighton, Minn. Short range shooting gallery.
WARREN, WAYNE, Mpls. 19. Pop corn and carmel corn.
WATERS, MRS. WINIFRED S., St. Petersburg 7, Fla. Shell jewelry.
WEINHOLZER, MRS. ILDA, St. Paul 13. Stuffed toys.
WERDIER, ERICK, Mpls. 11. Lunch, refreshments.
WINGE, HENRY, Mpls. 12. Figurines, plaques.
WISNIEWSKI, VINCENT S., St. Paul 13. Press Ever hangers, cleaning pads, Kleenex.
WOLFENBARGER, I. H., San Antonio 10, Texas. Photo machine, gallery.
WOODIN, C. A., Joplin, Mo. Roman target games.
WORKSHOP FOR BLIND, St. Paul 1. Merchandise made by visually handicapped.

YANKOVICH, BOB F., Mpls. 15. Lunch, refreshments.
YELLOW CAB CO OF ST. PAUL, MINN. Taxi cab service to St. Paul.

PUBLIC EXAMINER'S REPORT

Comments and Recommendations

This report covers an examination of the financial affairs of the State Agricultural Society for the year ended November 30, 1956.

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

1. Three delegates from each agricultural society or association in the State which maintains active existence, holds annual fairs, and is entitled to State aid.
2. One delegate from each county where no county or district agricultural society exists.
3. Individuals elected by the State Agricultural Society as honorary members.
4. Delegates from qualified state societies and associations listed in the statutes.
5. Members of the Governing Board of the State Agricultural Society.

The Governing Board consists of a president, two vice-presidents, and one member from each congressional district not represented by a vice-president.

Activities of the State Agricultural Society during the past years have been financed by receipts from annual fairs and from rents of buildings and grounds.

Scope and Limitations of Examination

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.

Attendance

Attendance at the 1956 Fair exceeded a million for the second time in the history of the Fair. The following tabulation shows a comparison of attendance during the last four years:

	1956	1955	1954	1953
Admitted through outside gates	1,036,736	1,007,101	946,565	865,523
Admitted to grandstand	232,411	266,935	259,270	249,656
Admitted to horse show	34,611	37,001	34,671	33,919
Admitted to Gene Autry show		6,283		
Admitted to wrestling matches	2,241			

Balance Sheet

A balance sheet as of November 30, 1956 and November 30, 1955 is shown in Exhibit A.

Some of the amounts in the November 30, 1956 balance sheet differ from those in the balance sheet presented by the Society. These differences include:

1. A book overdraft of \$88.00 in the premium bank account because the Society had not transferred sufficient money to the account to cover all premium checks issued.
2. Items totaling \$649.55 which had been paid from the Contingent Fund but not reimbursed. This is reflected as a reduction of cash in the Contingent Fund rather than an item in accounts payable.
3. Several other items of a minor nature which relate to accounts receivable and accounts payable as well as to the net income for the year.

Operations

A comparative statement of income and expense for the years ended November 30, 1956 and November 30, 1955 is presented in Exhibit B.

The increase in income was due mainly to greater attendance, a fifty cent increase in admission to the Grandstand, and to larger receipts from the rental of buildings between fair periods.

Net income for the year ended November 30, 1956 shown in Exhibit B exceeds by approximately \$300.00 the net income shown in statements presented by the Society. The difference consists of items referred to in the comments relating to the balance sheet.

During the course of the examination it was found that there were other items that had not been incorporated in the operating statement.

A purchase of tan bark in the amount of \$2,103.21, including freight, was invoiced on October 26, 1956 and received prior to November 30 and should have been credited to operations and considered as inventory on November 30. Also, invoices for goods and services for the year under review which totaled approximately \$3,700.00, were entered during December, 1956 as charges for the year ended November 30, 1957.

It is suggested that so far as possible, invoices be entered so that the charges become applicable to the year to which they apply.

Funds Applied

The following statement shows how the funds provided by profits have been applied:
Funds Provided By:

Profits—

Net income per statement of income and expense	\$ 201,899.73	
Add charges to income not requiring funds—		
Depreciation of electric plant	10,970.68	
Depreciation of personal property	12,601.52	
Total Funds provided by profits		\$ 225,471.93
Correction of previous years' operations		868.77
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Total Funds Provided		\$ 226,340.70

Funds Applied To:

Additions to Plant—

Structures	\$ 68,297.47	
Sidewalks	8,084.16	
Electric plant	14,566.70	
Personal Property	19,469.64	
Total Additions to Plant		\$ 110,417.97
Increase in working capital		115,922.73
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Total Funds Applied		\$ 226,340.70

Opinion

It is the opinion of this department that the balance sheet and statement of operations contained in this report, except as noted herein, present fairly the financial position of the State Agricultural Society at November 30, 1956, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Minutes of the Governing Board

Minutes of the Governing Board for the year ended November 30, 1956 were not reviewed during the course of the examination because they were not complete.

Copies of the minutes were finally reviewed on August 12, 1957. At that time, the Secretary stated, they had been approved only by the Executive Committee.

Cash Procedures

Recommendations for changes in procedures have been made in prior audit reports. If followed, there would be an improvement in the accounting control over cash.

Several departments in the state government have installed the system of central cashier and have found it to be a worth-while procedure.

August 30, 1957

Raymond B. Verellio
Public Examiner

EXHIBIT A
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

— November 30, 1956 and 1955 —

Assets	November 30 1956	November 30 1955	Increase (Decrease)
Cash:			
Cash on hand.....	\$ 7,385.89		\$ 7,385.89
Cash with State Treasurer	543,061.96	\$ 444,202.67	98,859.29
Cash in bank	10,024.68	5,985.36	4,039.32
Contingent Fund	350.45	1,000.00	(649.55)
Premium Fund	(88.00)		(88.00)
Total Cash	\$ 560,734.98	\$ 451,188.03	\$ 109,546.95
Accounts Receivable	\$ 13,072.03	\$ 2,788.81	\$ 10,283.22
Accounts Receivable Suspense	981.17		981.17
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 14,053.20	\$ 2,788.81	\$ 11,264.39
Inventories		\$ 177.55	\$ (177.55)
Plant:			
Land	\$ 436,177.25	\$ 436,177.25	
Structures	7,486,578.83	7,418,281.36	\$ 68,297.47
Electric plant	223,009.67	219,413.65	3,596.02
Fences and guardrails	22,191.72	22,191.72	
Flagpoles	606.00	606.00	
Gas distribution system	68,288.20	68,288.20	
Sewer system	232,387.03	232,387.03	
Sidewalks	63,244.70	55,160.54	8,084.16
Stonework	39,767.39	39,767.39	
Streets, curbs, and gutters	233,859.18	233,859.18	
Personal property	132,883.40	126,015.28	6,868.12
Water distribution system	70,337.83	70,337.83	
Total Plant.....	\$ 9,009,331.20	\$ 8,922,485.43	\$ 86,845.77
Deferred Charges:			
Postwar planning	\$ 22,207.20	\$ 22,207.20	
Total Assets	\$ 9,606,326.58	\$ 9,398,847.02	\$ 207,479.56
Liabilities and Surplus			
Accounts Payable	\$ 23,777.50	\$ 19,066.44	\$ 4,711.06
Surplus—Schedule A-1	9,582,549.08	9,379,780.58	202,768.50
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 9,606,326.58	\$ 9,398,847.02	\$ 207,479.56

PROCEEDINGS

of the

NINETY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

of the

MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

January 7, 8, 9, 1957

RADISSON HOTEL

Minneapolis

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

January 7, 1957

State Agricultural Society of Minnesota

The Ninety-Eighth Annual Meeting of the State Agricultural Society of Minnesota, held at the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota, was called to order at 11:00 o'clock, A.M. in the Gold Room, President T. H. Arens, Aitkin, presiding.

PRESIDENT ARENS: For the most part, the announcements "Cap" made for the Federation of County Fairs will hold for the similar committees of the State Agricultural Society. We are about to proceed to caucus, and you will form your stations in the manner indicated by Mr. Anderson previously. You will submit the findings of the caucus on the report forms to us here at the desk before we adjourn.

Now, our Resolutions and Credentials Committees will meet tomorrow morning at 10:30, and the place will be announced on the blackboard just outside of the entrance.

So unless you have some announcements, Mr. Secretary, we shall proceed to take places for our caucus, and make it as bloodless as you can and as short as you can.

(A brief recess was taken.)

PRESIDENT ARENS: Our secretary, Mr. Baldwin, will give you the list of the State Agricultural Society Credentials and Resolutions Committees.

...Secretary Baldwin read the names of those selected for the Credentials

Committee and Resolutions Committee as follows:

CREREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

1st District, William Korff; 2nd District, Robert Ulrich; 3rd District, George Larson; 4th District, Jacob Jordan; 5th District, I. B. Byers; 6th District, Alex Brommenschenkel; 7th District, Russel Skunberg; 8th District, William Haenke; 9th District, Theodore Holum.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

1st District, Frank Duncan; 2nd District, Olof Hunstad; 3rd District, Mike Zipoy; 4th District, Joe Germann; 5th District, George Rerat; 6th District, B. C. Wilkins; 7th District, Clem Chase; 8th District, Verne Carlson; 9th District, Paul Sorenson.

MR. BALDWIN: The meetings of both committees will be at 10:30 tomorrow morning, and the rooms available will be posted on the blackboard just outside the door as soon as we can determine from the hotel what rooms will be available.

PRESIDENT ARENS: The meeting is adjourned, and we will meet again tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

...There being no further business, the meeting was regularly adjourned

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TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

January 8, 1957

State Agricultural Society of Minnesota

...The meeting was called to order by the President, T. H. Arens, at 2:15 o'clock, P.M. ...

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT ARENS: Our most efficient secretary says, "Let's get the show on the road." I am pleased with the attendance we have here. Our regular good and faithful friends year after year are here with us again today.

We have got quite a lengthy program, so in starting this meeting with the president's remarks, I am going to confine myself entirely to a manuscript, even though the thing haunts me as some people's mother-in-law haunts them. It is my desire to discuss a few matters pertaining primarily to the future of our Fair. More specifically, I hope to initiate in your mind a trend of thought that will help to project the present esteem and prestige of the Minnesota State Fair for many years into the future. If we can find ways and means of keeping our State Fair abreast of the rapidly changing and booming economy in agricultural and non-agricultural fields as we have in the past, we will be assured and will continue to hold top place for the Minnesota State Fair in the future.

It is only natural that we of the present should want to continue the over-all plans and policies laid down by our predecessors in office, which plans and policies have resulted in outstanding state fairs over the past quarter of a century. These well-established plans and policies of the Minnesota State Fair stem from a desire to keep faith with the agricultural pioneers and from a desire to carry out the intent and the will of our Legislature to promote the State's economy based on the products of our farms, ores, water, and mines. The men and women who came to Minnesota Territory more than a hundred years ago left indelible records of their unlimited enthusiasm and faith in the agricultural potential of Minnesota. One of our early explorers referred to Minnesota Territory in his diary as a veritable Garden of Eden. The high rank of our State in the field of agriculture in this nation attests to the correctness of our pioneers' vision and appraisal of Minnesota becoming an outstanding agricultural state.

Being a relatively young state, ranking 18th in population, 12th in land area, 6th in crop land, Minnesota holds 6th place among the states in total agricultural income, 7th in cattle, 5th in hogs, 4th in chickens, 3rd in dairy products, and 2nd in turkeys. In major crop production, our state ranks in the upper 10th, and very recently, I am sure you read the article in the daily papers of the state chalking up another top for Minnesota: We have acquired 3rd place in the production of corn. It wasn't too long ago that Illinois and Iowa were far ahead. We were a little too far north to ever be a menace to honors in corn production, but today we hold third place, with this year's immense 322,000,000 bushel crop.

It is noteworthy too that the largest marketing organizations of farm products in the world, Land O' Lakes Creamery, Central Livestock Shipping Association, Farmers Union Terminal Grain Association, had their inception and their origin in Minnesota, and they still continue to have their home office and direct their affairs from the Twin Cities. These outstanding farm organizations have exported Minnesota agricultural farm fame to all states of this great Northwest.

Minnesota's Territorial Assembly and subsequent Legislatures gave stature to our pioneers' faith in the future of Minnesota's agriculture by enacting early statutes which provided for the organization of a Territorial Agricultural Society in 1849 and a State Society a few years later. These early legislators, imbued with the enthusiasm and aggressiveness of our agricultural pioneers, placed major emphasis on the importance of our state's agricultural development. As a direct result, more space in Minnesota statutes is devoted to agriculture than is devoted to the same topic in the statutes of any other state.

In the enactment of statutes providing for the organization of the State Agricultural Society, the Legislature indicated to the officers and managers of the State Fair a clear direction to conduct an annual State Fair in keeping

with the importance of Minnesota agriculture. And so through the space of the last century, the plans and the policies and the management of Minnesota's 98 State Fairs were formulated to keep faith with our pioneers and to carry out the mandate of the legislators.

To this end has accrued our great Minnesota State Fair which repeatedly has been and is the outstanding exhibition in the Western Hemisphere, a model for the whole nation. It is first in area, first in plant investment, nearly \$11,000,000.00, which it is now said cannot be replaced by \$30,000,000.00. I think Kentucky or Tennessee, vying for first place, just came through with erection of a \$16,000,000.00 plant, leaving them mostly in debt. We on a comparable basis have a \$30,000,000.00 plant if it were to be replaced today, and without debt.

By actual count, for any ten-day fair, one million plus attendance, we are first in size among the states of the United States with the respective buildings, Hippodrome, Conservation Building, grandstand, largest exclusively 4-H Club Building housing 2,500 youngsters, largest machinery display in the world, and the only place where all major manufacturers of farm machinery meet in competition, the largest premium exhibitors and contestants, 206,000, largest expenditure for grandstand amusements, \$120,000.00, largest midway area to accommodate the largest traveling carnival in the world, and a race track which produces world record horse races, and the first auto race in the nation was staged on our fair grounds in 1905. Every year several other states send delegations to Minnesota to study our Fair's organization and management and, incidentally, to tempt members of our administrative staff with lucrative offers of employment at their State Fair. This season several foreign delegations came, including, of course, Canada, Japan, Germany, Great Britain, and many, many people, I'm sure, from nearly every state in the Union. And I throw that in for this reason: This year for the first time we had an exhibit of fresh refrigerated meat in packages that the housewife purchases at our food show. The organization promoting this meat exhibit attempted to register as many as they could of the people that visited there. They registered 12,000 people, and it is estimated that they did not get one out of ten that viewed the booth. These 12,000 registered visitors to that one booth in the food show—which was not on the main avenue of the Fair, was not in the center of population—represented 888 cities of the nation, 36 states, from every corner of the nation, and I'm sure that if they could have registered every viewer of that booth, we would have had every state represented. It just goes to show the popularity of another angle of our Fair.

The federal government recognizes the importance of our State Fair. More U. S. presidents have visited our grounds than any other fair in the nation. The Defense Department has singled out Minnesota by repeated visits of the U. S. Army Band and large army exhibits. The U. S. Patent Office regards our Machinery Hill as the best place in the nation for its agents to make a first-hand observation of the development of agricultural implements.

In earlier years, the Legislature provided for a biannual appropriation of \$50,000.00 for maintenance of fairs. Although this was a major financial assistance in the earlier fairs, it is no longer sufficient to meet the annual repairs to the plant or to sustain the operating expenses of either the Sanitation Department or the Public Safety Department, or even of our greenhouse. This appropriation has not been requested of the Legislature during the past eight years. The last time we received a maintenance appropriation was in 1932, and the last maintenance appropriation of any amount was \$25,000.00 in 1944. Thereby, we have acquired another first for our Fair as the only state fair operating consistently in the black without financial assistance from the taxpayers, with the additional fact that we do not have a debt. However, the Legislature has contributed about a third of our \$11,000,000.00 plant invested.

Recently, the Chicago daily paper commented editorially that the aggregate three-year operating loss of the Illinois State Fair cost the Illinois taxpayers more than the 98 past Minnesota State Fairs cost Minnesota.

It is evident then from the above record that the management of the Minnesota State Fair has kept faith with our pioneers and our Legislature.

There is still another group with whom we must keep faith. They are the men and women on our full-time executive staff, they who are performing most efficiently between the past and the future. I refer to four department heads who have been with our Fair since 1911. I refer to the leading dozen employees of our full-time staff who point up an aggregate experience in fair management exceeding 500 years. I refer specifically to our late beloved Mr. Lee, and among us, Ed Deemer, Ralph Zimmerman, Harry Frost, Doug Baldwin, who all have an enviable record of more than 50 years of continuous service to the welfare of the Minnesota State Fair. These are the folks who are carrying the ball of progress for us. We who are members of the State Agricultural Society and who for the most part stand on the sidelines to get into the act only occasionally have a distinct obligation to the full-time members of our executive staff. The least we can do is to instill in our membership a desire to acquire a greater conversational knowledge of our State Fair.

The greatest threat to projecting the present prestige of our Fair into the future is the general apathy of the membership of the State Agricultural Society. As you know, the membership of our Society falls into three groups, the County Agricultural Association, 92 in number, 276 voting delegates; the Agricultural Trade Service, Stock Production, and Breed Association, 42 in number, 68 voting delegates; and then the individual membership composed of the Board of Managers and the honorary life members, composing 22 votes. So if all of our membership were properly represented here as is provided by law, we would have an audience of 366 voting delegates in this room alone. We have possibly 150 people here.

Doug gave me a few notes. Twenty-one counties didn't qualify—they were absent entirely—and of the state-wide organizations, 19 are absent. So I'm sure that you will not be too critical of me and will support me in my indictment of the general apathy of too large a segment of the membership of the State Agricultural Society. Then another thing, those who are qualified of the state organizations, 29 county fairs, more than ten percent fail to qualify to attend our annual meetings, and less than half of those qualified attend the regular sessions of our convention. Of the 42 Trade Service Crop and Breed Associations, less than half qualify to attend our annual meetings, and more than half of those qualified attend by proxy only, and for the most part, those proxies are obtained by candidates for election to the Board of Managers. I am merely bringing this out as one report of my indictment of general apathy which may bring damage to the future prestige of our fair.

I would be negligent if I did not attempt to except some of our members from my present indictment. I wish to make special reference to the Federation of County Fairs. They are the pillar of support of the State Agricultural Society without fail and without solicitation. They have a general interest in the welfare of our organization. They are the most constructive critics and supporters. From their membership comes the majority of the candidates for our Board of Managers.

Then too, I want to give credit to another group member, the Minnesota Implement Dealers Association, representing 1500 firms over the State for their constant and unsung attendance and support of our Machinery Hill. It has been my observation over the past 12 years that some one member of their executive staff has visited Machinery Hill daily throughout the Fair. This past year they contributed very materially to making our Implement Dealers Day Dedication a grand success. They contributed much effort toward tripling our implement dealers attendance on that day.

What can we do to arouse in our members a better understanding of the problems of our State Fair? When a member organization who in one way or another receives state aid, it is suggested that we seek legislation making it compulsory for the organization to attend our annual meeting and to be pres-

ent to receive at our meeting their aid from the state. This has been tried elsewhere, and it works magic on attendance. As for the rest of the member organizations, it remains for you and I to act as a committee of one to plead with them to be prepared to come to the support of the State Fair at some future date when it may be vulnerable to a siege of destructive criticism. We can't ride forever and be the top fair and not have the fear of being toppled from some unsuspected source. It is my opinion that the next decade will be the most critical period in the history of our Fair.

That period is on us right now. We are facing in the immediate years ahead the loss of the executive staff referred to above. These major department heads, each with a half century or more of experience in fair management, will have to be replaced by younger blood, and I am sure that Mr. State Fair himself, our most efficient secretary, and referred to over the entire nation as the most successful fair manager, will seek retirement by the time another decade is behind us. It is said that married women live longer than married men, and married men live longer than bachelors. I am afraid—

MR. BALDWIN: Maybe it just seems longer (Laughter).

PRESIDENT ARENS: But most seriously, it is hoped that our entire membership of the State Agricultural Society can be aroused to a greater support of the State Fair by the time our new and inexperienced executives are called upon to take the helm of our good ship, Minnesota State Fair.

Most assuredly, this ship has accumulated a hoard of barnacles which will retard the future of progress of our Fair if not removed or corrected. These barnacles represent for the most part grievances and unfilled requests by an ever-increasing group of our citizens. The combined exposition of these grievances at a vulnerable period as referred to above may result in a serious damage to the future prestige of our Fair.

In order to minimize this potential source of damage, it may be well to catalog our critics so that their cause may not be forgotten and remain unrendered. We are aware of the criticisms of our friends and neighbors in Fountain Heights, of the ever-growing dissatisfaction of concessionaires, exhibitors, and contestants, and it wouldn't be too unusual if Doug in another ten years hence seeking retirement would cast a critical eye at the Fair if his 60 years of experience did not give him enough time off to get married (Laughter). And in this group, we include our displeased race horse friends, politicians, publicity seekers, rejected applicants for concessions or attractions, rejected applicants for use of the Fair Grounds facilities, critics who object to the leasing of our plant facilities, real estate, business, and educational groups competing for the area with us adjacent to our grounds. I'm not quite sure but there may be some folks who may criticize the Fair management for malfeasance in not acquiring grounds early when prices were down, grounds at the Fair needed for parking facilities and otherwise, and I'm not too sure but what we may be criticized for malfeasance by some who think we did pay too much for the limited acreage we did acquire.

So you can see how easy we are acquiring a mass group of unsung critics awaiting for the day to combine their efforts. And we have various dissidents of the sports world, baseball stadium fans, aggrieved publicity agents, organized labor, the huge volunteer army of fair workers who for the most part year after year spend their vacations at a detail fair grounds job with compensation the least of their consideration. In addition to the above, we have a very friendly group of constructive critics who have a prior claim on compliance with their wishes. I refer specifically to the dairy industry which wants, and should have, a building in keeping with the promise of the dairy industry on the fair grounds. The petroleum industry is not properly represented on the grounds. The F.F.A. made the point that their organization should have headquarters comparable to the 4-H Building, and sooner or later we are going to have to provide facilities in keeping with the dignity of our state government.

Thus far, I have pointed out some of the many problems standing between us and the enhancement or the detriment of the future prestige of the Minnesota State Fair. The ultimate and correct solution of these problems will never be in doubt if our county executives with the support of an active and well-informed membership of our Society will proceed into the future on the foundation so well laid by our present veteran full-time staff of executives. They have given first consideration to operating the Fair on a business basis and without political machinations or interference. They left no stone unturned to gain and hold the continuing confidence of the governor, of the Legislature, the state departments of administration, the Attorney General's Office, regardless of the political complexion of the state administration in charge. They have gained for themselves the confidence and the voluntary support of the entire publicity world. We cannot be grateful enough, nor can we ever pay the press, the radio, or the TV for the tremendous amount of effective and instructive unsolicited support their groups have given the State Fair.

And lastly, for the glory of the future prestige of our Fair, we should continue to ask God's blessing. When the missionaries first viewed our fair land and compared it to the Garden of Eden, they most assuredly offered a prayer of thanksgiving, and I am sure in that prayer of thanksgiving, they must have asked God's blessing on the State of Minnesota, or it couldn't have prospered. Man cannot stand by itself alone. Here our State in a short period of time has acquired top honors in every agricultural pursuit, and our State Fair has continued abreast with those accomplishments, and our State Fair has shared these blessings. You can't pour on the preacher and not drip on the deacon.

In our State Fair, our present management has seen to it to have met the wishes and demands of more than 50 church organizations in our State, and out of the efforts of these good people has gone up many an edifice to the glory of God out of earnings and efforts on the State Fair Grounds, so I hope the blessings and prayers of these good people will remain with us in the future.

God be with you (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: We will now have the report of the treasurer, Mr. Sorenson.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Presented by R. C. Sorenson

MR. SORENSON: Mr. President, members and friends of the Society: The president said his speech haunted him. I hope the following report will not have the same effect upon him, because I believe he had a very successful failure this last year, and this report will show it.

The balance in the general fund as of December 1, 1955 was \$435,-514.61; the balance in the contingent fund, same date, was \$1,000.00, making a total of \$436,514.61.

The total cash receipts, \$1,340,986.17, and the disbursements, \$1,215,815.-65, leaving the grand total of \$125,170.52.

The net cash balance as of November 30, 1956 was \$561,685.13.

This amount is carried in the following manner: With the treasurer of the State of Minnesota for the State Agricultural Society, \$560,685.13, and in the contingent fund in the Midway National Bank in St. Paul, \$1,000.00.

Mr. President, I move that this report be accepted.

. . .The motion was regularly seconded. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: The motion has been made and seconded that Mr. Sorenson's report be accepted.

. . . There was no discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: Next, we will have the report from our secretary, Mr. Baldwin.

REPORT OF SECRETARY

Presented by D. K. Baldwin

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen: I don't know, after listening to the president's remarks, whether I should consult a matrimonial bureau or a mortuary (Laughter).

Last year, when referring to the spectacular breach of the million mark, I commented, "Can this admissions record be repeated? Probably yes, probably no." The probabilities had it, as you know, in 1956, with 1,036,736, establishing a new record. On five different days, the records of previous years for the corresponding days were broken. The second Sunday shattered that of 1955 and established a new one-day record, on an audit account of 159,748.

Going back into history, the only day on our record books that exceeds that was established in 1919. In those days, the bulk of our people came to the fair by streetcar. There were very few automobiles. It was immediately following World War I. The crowds were so great that they crashed the gates at the streetcar loop right past the turnstiles, and the late Frank Murphy of Wheaton, Minnesota, who was president at that time and head of the Admissions Department, made an estimate of the attendance on that day. I was working in the Publicity Department at the time, and I can assure you that they did not err on the conservative side in making that estimate (laughter), so it may be that it will be some years yet before we break that unofficial record of Labor Day of 1919.

Looking back at this last year, one of the dangers involved in operating a fair, on Wednesday and the first Sunday, rain came in the morning and through the night with the race track a sea of mud. The loyal auto race fans sat in the grandstand until 4:00 o'clock before we could get the track in shape to put on the races, and had it not been for the loyalty of those fans and the efficiency of our ground crew, we would have lost \$72,000.00 on those two performances.

As the president told you, for many years we have received no maintenance appropriation from the State, and for many years there has been no charge against the taxpayers of the State for the operation of your State Fair.

One of the comments frequently heard is that "It's the same old fair." Certainly, it is. And people are the same old people. Put as the Minneapolis Star remarked editorially, and I quote, "Yet that is perhaps why about a million people paid admission this year. They liked the formula. Within that formula, your Board is constantly seeking innovations, improvements, and service. The youth programs have developed from a most modest beginning into an important factor in your youth education. These youth programs have been a mighty important economic factor in the development of the State. The formula is the same, but the variation upon the basic theme is infinite. Simple nursery songs and great symphonies are built from the same basic musical scale."

Now, getting to finances, the operating statement shows an operating income of \$1,335,383.50, an increase of \$95,000.00 approximately over last year and substantially greater than the amount set up in the budget on the operating expenses, \$1,133,765.00, an increase of \$80,000.00 over last year, and—this is an interesting thing; our glass crystal ball was not foggy—\$1,156,43 under the amount estimated in the budget, one-tenth of one percent. Whether

we can ever hit that close again, I don't know. There was an operating gain of \$201,000.00.

It should be borne in mind, however, with that operating gain of \$201,000.00 that had we lost five important grandstand performances, that operating gain would have been reduced by \$172,000.00, and weather sufficiently adverse to affect that grandstand attendance would have affected the other income of the fair to the point that instead of having an operating gain of \$201,000.00, we could have had an operating loss. For that reason, it is very important that we keep a substantial reserve on hand to pay our bills in the event of adverse conditions.

Parking still remains a very serious problem at the fair at present as touched upon. It's going to be worse this year, not only for us but for every county fair in the State, because the manufacturers of automobiles in their infinite wisdom have seen fit to lengthen them and widen them. There will be more automobiles, and they will be taking up more space. It's a very serious problem. Some of the streets on which we have angle-parked can no longer be used for that type of parking because of the length of the new automobiles. Some of you have found that the case in your garage. The only happy side to this automobile parking situation is that it has very substantially reduced the crime of horse stealing (laughter).

Another problem the president touched on briefly is the suit brought by a citizen of Ramsey County seeking to enjoin the Fair from operating or using the grounds for any purpose other than the State Fair during the 10-day period of the Fair itself. We have this well in hand with attorneys. We are working closely in cooperation with the Legislative Committee of the Federation of County Fairs, and you can be assured that every effort will be made to protect the interests of the Fair.

One complaint, you know, that is most frequently heard about the State Fair and the county fairs is that it's a crime that a facility of that kind is not used more often during the year.

As your president pointed out, our State Fair is unique among state fairs in that its Board of Managers is selected from every district of the State, representing all of the diversified interests, agricultural, educational, and economical, and it is undoubtedly due to this method of representation that the tremendous number of volunteer workers and exhibitors feel that the State Fair belongs to them, really belongs to the people of Minnesota.

The Board of Managers and your official staff accept this as a challenge to present to the people an even greater Minnesota State Fair in the future. I would be derelict did I not at this time express my deep appreciation of the splendid support and earnest efforts of the members of the Board in dealing with the many diverse problems in the past year. To them, to the dedicated and devoted workers who made possible the record of 1,036,736, and to you members of the State Agricultural Society, I extend my most grateful thanks. (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Doug.

We are most proud to have with us a representative of one of the most popular activities on the fair grounds. We have the outstanding 4-H Club building devoted entirely to the use of our 4-H Club movement. We have with us today the president of the Minnesota 4-H Foundation who will give the talk, "A 4-H Member Looks at Fairs."

Miss Phyllis Woestehoff. (Applause)

"A 4-H MEMBER LOOKS AT FAIRS"

By Miss Phyllis Woestehoff
President, Minnesota 4-H Foundation

MISS PHYLLIS WOESTEHOFF: Thank you so much.

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During the Christmas vacation, I received an invitation to be with you this afternoon. My sister, who is a year older than I, was home for the Holiday Season. She goes to school in Iowa. I was so happy and so excited and so thrilled that I couldn't help but run in to her and say, "Look, I have an opportunity to tell the people exactly what fairs mean to me through 4-H Club work."

Well, it took just that and we started to reminisce, and we began to go through the years that we had gone to fairs. We could remember the first time that we had ever gone to a county fair. It was through 4-H Club work. Our Club was new, and we didn't know exactly what was expected of us as demonstrators, but we each took a demonstration. It didn't take us long to discover that we had forgotten a few things that all demonstrators had, such as a host of introductions and a conclusion or something. I was becoming a mite frustrated, but my sister, in her calm, cool, and collected way, said, "Oh, don't worry, Phyllis. This year we will present our demonstrations just like we planned, and next year we will know how to improve them."

That's almost what happened. We observed how demonstrations went at the county fair, and the next year we knew how to plan and how to work to improve ourselves.

We always looked forward to the opportunity that some day we might be able to win a State Fair trip. We knew that the only way that we could do this would be to continually improve what we were doing until we achieved our goal. Sometimes it was a challenge almost more than that which we were ready to accept to sincerely think that someone else won the trip because they had reached more perfection than we had succeeded in reaching. Yet, because of our parents, our leaders, all our elders, and all the 4-H Club members, it wasn't a frustrating experience, but everyone was so understanding and co-operative that it was really fun.

The thrill of coming to a State Fair is something that one never gets over. I will never forget the first time I walked in the State 4-H Club building. I was so excited, and yet a little bit afraid. Erickson Hall was so large. Then we went up to where we were sleeping, and that too was simply immense. We were making our bunks, and it didn't take very long before we met some girls. We became acquainted, and it seemed that we made friends that we will never forget.

We met 4-H'ers from all over the State of Minnesota. In fact, I even met a girl that lived north of Duluth, and when I was 12 years old, that was a long ways away.

It seems that all 4-H'ers enjoy the State Fair as much as I do. I can remember, anyplace I went in the State Fair Grounds, I could see youth with a little round green button with a four-leaf clover on it.

We reviewed demonstrations, and we saw exhibits. It was educational, and it was a lot of fun. It would be impossible to list or to state exactly what we learned. It was just an experience that we will never forget. We not only viewed what others did, we not only showed others how we learned, others not only showed us what they learned to do, but we had the opportunity to exhibit and to demonstrate.

I will never forget my first demonstration at the State Fair. After my shaky and frightening introduction, I glanced up to see the smiling face of the judge and realized that it was going to be fun.

The first time I exhibited an animal at the State Fair, I was real anxious to get it ready for showing. It seemed that we got it down quite early, and our animals were ready for showing, and we thought it would be a shame if they were to lie down and become dirty again, so we encouraged them to stand. Well, we didn't get to show our animals when we anticipated that we would be able to, so the time got kind of long. Finally, when we were called

into the arena, Katie was tired, and so she just laid down. It was through the wonderful efforts of a 4-H father that I succeeded in showing my animal (Laughter).

This last year at the State Fair, I had a wonderful opportunity to meet the fine staff of Mr. Baldwin. It was just nice to be able to meet with people and realize what they were doing for us.

We also look forward every year at the State Fair to 4-H Night at the grandstand. We always line up early in front of the 4-H building and walk down to the grandstand. There is a lot of pride in being with a group of 4-H'ers.

It seems that 4-H'ers have great pride in the 4-H Club building. In Erickson Hall, we can sort of feel that we have an interest in it by looking at the ceiling and seeing the acoustic tile that was put there through the efforts of the 4-H Club State Federation.

This year at the State Fair, we had the opportunity to celebrate Dad's 85th birthday on one of the grandstand nights.

We not only learn at the State Fair, but we also make a lot of friends. We make friendships that will never be forgotten. In fact, when my sister and I were reminiscing, we couldn't help but remember some of the kids that we had met.

Today, we have a State Fair that is the greatest, as the president said, and we 4-H'ers feel that it is too. That is why I think the State Fair is the highlight in every 4-H Club member's year. It has certainly always been the highlight in mine.

Thank you (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Phyllis. We are proud of you, and I am sure the 4-H Club is proud of you.

I wonder if your trend of thought is the same as mine. Whenever I think or refer to 4-H, just automatically I think about that other great youth movement, the F.F.A. We have a representative on our program who will talk and has as his topic "A Human Interest Exhibit." He is the vice president of the Future Farmers of America, and he is from the Mountain Lake Chapter.

Arnold Harder (Applause).

"A HUMAN INTEREST EXHIBIT"

By Arnold Harder

Vice-President, Mountain Lake Chapter, F.F.A.

MR. ARNOLD HARDER: Thank you, Mr. President and Mr. Baldwin. I should probably make a little correction on that. I am the vice-president of our local chapter—not of the whole State of Minnesota.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Why didn't you let it stand as it was? (Laughter)

MR. HARDER: This year there was a new activity at the State Fair which most of you probably know about and probably helped think about and build. This was a children's barnyard for city children. They probably couldn't go to a farm, but they could come to the State Fair and look at it there.

This farm or barnyard was located at a pretty good place. It was located east of the poultry barn. Most of you should know where that is. Most of the people really enjoyed coming there, and they must have told pret-

ty many of their relatives when they were there, because quite a large attendance did come.

The volume of people that moved through the barn was—well, it was tremendous. We had a system of counting them. Every two hours, for ten minutes we would count the people, and in this way, we estimated that around 200,000 people moved through the barn. This was only an estimate, but I think it was pretty close, and it might be a little bit under even, because at one 6:00 P.M. counting, we counted 450 people come in through the gate in ten minutes, and the average wasn't that great, but it was tremendous the way the people came through the barn.

The management of the barn was conducted by five F.F.A. boys from my local chapter. Two of the fellows helped me the first five days, and two of them the last five days, and I was there for the ten days of the Fair. Four men helped us in supervising. These men were Mr. Cochran, Mr. Kortemaki, Mr. Willinsky, and Mr. Luedke. They helped us tremendously in doing the right things at the right times and kind of guided us along when we had a little question.

Our main job was to feed the animals that were in the barn and keep them clean, plus answering the thousand and one questions that all of the youngsters had—and the adults, that did come. In the barn, we had animals that would most likely be found on a farm. They consisted of a cow and a calf, a goat with two kids, a heifer, a duck pond with ducks in it, a sow and litter, a ewe and lambs, some burros, a Shetland pony with a colt, and an incubator filled with eggs that were constantly hatching. It was really interesting how the people came, and mostly the youngsters. They would stand and stare for the longest time at the different animals, and finally, their parents had to just kind of pull them away from the fence to make them leave.

One of the interesting sidelights at the Fair in the barnyard was that many of the children wanted to pet the little calf that we had with the cow, so it was arranged that we put it into the isle, and one at a time, the city children came through the gate and pet the calf. I don't think all of these children were city children; I think many of them were farm children that came to the Fair, and I think they were just about as interested as the city children. They probably wouldn't have admitted right there they were farm children, but I think lots and lots of them were farm children that came to see the animals, and they were just as much thrilled at seeing them as the city children were.

In the goat pen, we placed bales of chips or straw, and then the goats would jump onto these and butt each other off, and whenever this would happen, the people would crowd around the fence four or five deep sometimes, and they would stand there and laugh and try to get the goats to jump on and push each other off. Also, the goats would jump onto the heifer that we had in the goat pen. Whenever this would happen, the people would really enjoy it since goats don't usually ride around on larger animals.

We had burros there. You probably think that burros aren't found on a farm very often. Well, I thought it was a very good thing to have burros there. These were the beggars of the barnyard, because whenever little children came around they would reach over the fence and start begging for things to eat, and the children would really feed them a lot. Sometimes I wondered why the burros didn't get sick from everything they ate. If the children didn't have anything to feed them, they would let them nibble on their clothing or fingers. Anything they could get within reach, they would nibble on.

We had a duck pond, and we had 19 ducks in the pond. There the children would really hang over the fence, and once I picked up a duck and let a little child hold it, and she really thought that was a thrill to hold a little duck. Most of the people stood there for the longest time admiring the little ducks and watching them swim around and dive under the water.

We had a pig pen, and you could really call it that. There was a sow and litter, and we had a very nice litter of pigs there, and whenever one would squeal or something like that, most of the people would rush over to see what was the matter, and usually they were nursing or one of the bigger ones was biting the smaller ones of the litter, and the people would remark that he was kind of bulling his way around, but I think it's kind of the survival of the fittest in a litter like that.

We had a very nice cow at the barnyard. It was a Jersey cow, and I believe it was supposed to be a show animal, but they brought it to the barnyard because she had been kind of sick before the fair, and many people remarked that that cow was probably even a little better than some of the cows at the dairy barn, and I do think it was a very nice cow.

Another attraction that we had was the incubator. Every day we would put in new eggs so that they would be hatching during the day. Whenever one would start to crack open, the little children, and adults as well, would crowd around and watch as a chick would make its way into life. Some of the questions that they would ask there were, "How long would it take for a little chick to come out after it's started cracking open the shell?" Well, one woman asked me this, and I told her it would take approximately an hour, and she said she couldn't wait that long, but she would be back within the hour, and she was back, and she asked me again, and I told her "Within the hour," and she said, "Well, you told me that before," and it just so happened that the egg that she had been watching did hatch out, but it was a new one that she asked me about that time (laughter).

Some of the things that the adults and children wanted to know were the age of all the animals and the age of ducks.

And by the way, I should mention that the beef heifer was a dwarf, and they asked why a dwarf was a dwarf, and that's kind of hard to answer at times, because those are kind of big words for me to use.

Some of the questions were, where they could buy some of the animals, where we had obtained the animals for the barn, how much milk the cow gave, and general questions that would probably seem kind of ridiculous to most farm kids.

Most of the kids would stand by the fence and just stare at the animals, and they wouldn't know what to say, because they would just be so thrilled. The adults did most of the asking of questions and things like that. The adults were also more excitable than the children. Sometimes things would happen, like a little pig would squeal or a duck would fall off the little island we had in the pond, and then the adults would usually say things more than the little children. They would usually just say "Oooh" or "Aaah" and leave it at that.

Many of the people came back more than once. I was standing in the middle, and I heard many people say that they were there the day before, or this was the third or fourth time they had been to see the barn on different days, and I think even a few children as well as adults came back every day of the fair to see the animals that we had there.

There were a few people that were more distinguished who you probably would know. The governor's wife and their children were there for at least an hour watching the animals lie around or act up the way they did. I think that was really a thrill and a pleasure for me to be manager of this barnyard when even the governor's wife came to see what we were doing there. Also, All Jass, the TV news commentator, was at the barnyard watching and looking around.

We did make radio and TV appearances. We made one radio and one TV appearance, kind of advertising the barnyard, and the newspapers and TV gave a lot of advertising at different times of the day concerning the barnyard.

Our group of five fellows had pretty good board and room, you might say. That was pretty well taken care of considering this was the first year of this exhibit. This was the first year that such an exhibit has ever been attempted, and we were really well taken care of considering the past. We slept in the barn. The barn was kind of a bowl-type shed, and at times it got a little chilly, and people didn't want to leave us alone at night. They always wanted to come through and look at the animals.

Some suggested improvements for the barnyard would be a door across the gateway so that at night, when the animals should be sleeping, the people couldn't get in and wake them up and disturb them. As was mentioned previously, if and when the F.F.A. does get a headquarters building, a suggestion would be that in there, they could probably build a room where they could have bunks where these members that would be taking care of this barnyard could sleep and have a little privacy when off duty.

As a kind of a delegate from the F.F.A., I would really like to thank the Fair Board and Mr. Baldwin for their splendid cooperation in building this barnyard. I think that we of the F.F.A. should really thank them for cooperating and doing the things that they have done in building this barn. Personally, I think this barnyard will be a success. Many little children, city children and farm children alike, haven't seen farm animals, the common animals on a farm, and they want to see them, and as long as we have a barnyard like this, I think the Fair Board and the F.F.A. will always benefit from it.

Thank you (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Arnold. Judging from the success and popularity of that model barnyard on our grounds, it looks as though it's going to be a permanent fixture and exhibit on the grounds. It looks to me, Arnold, as though you and your friends are going to have a lifelong job looking after that exhibit.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Presented by George Larson

MR. LARSON: Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen: The Credentials Committee report will be given on the basis of naming the counties and state-wide organizations whose affairs are not in order so far as this convention is concerned. You will notice, on your program, you are referred to as duly-accredited delegates. If your name appears on these lists that I have, I take it that you are not duly accredited. If you do not hear the name of your organization, I assume that you can participate in voting in the caucuses that are to follow this meeting. I will read the county only, not the entire name of the organization.

The following counties do not have their credentials in: Anoka, Big Stone, Blue Earth, Carlton, Cass at Pine River, Chippewa, Cook, Hubbard at Nevis, Kanabec, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomon, Morrison, Norman, Pine, Red Lake, Scott at Shakopee, Scott at Jordan, Sibley, Wabasha, and Wright. Hubbard County at Park Rapids, credentials not certified and no report filed with the public examiner, and Murray and Sherburne Counties, credentials not properly signed by the president.

The following state-wide organizations have filed no credentials, and they are not certified by the Secretary of State: The State Dairymen's Association, State Beekeepers' Association, Minnesota Cattle Breeders' Association, State Poultry Association, Minnesota Florists Association, State Forestry Association, Minnesota Saddle Horse Owners and Breeders Association, Land O'Lakes Creameries, Inc., Minneapolis Market Gardeners Association of Minnesota, Minnesota Jersey Cattle Club, Minnesota Red Polled Breeders' Association, Minnesota Poland China Breeders' Association, Minnesota Duroc-Jersey

Breeders' Association, Minnesota Chester White Breeders' Association, Minnesota Berkshire Breeders' Association. Three organizations have no credentials, The Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation, Minnesota Hereford Breeders' Association, and Minnesota Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association.

Mr. Chairman, that is the report of the Credentials Committee. I move its adoption.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Do I hear a second to adopt the report of the Credentials Committee?

. . .The motion was regularly seconded. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: The motion has been made and seconded that we adopt Mr. Larson's report. Any questions?

. . .There was no discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried. . .

. . .A few announcements were made and, there being no further business, at 4:00 o'clock, P.M. the meeting was regularly adjourned. . .

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

January 9, 1957

State Agricultural Society of Minnesota

. . .The meeting was called to order by the President, T. H. Arens, at 10:30 o'clock, A.M. . . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: We will start out with a few committee reports. The Resolutions Committee will be first, if you please.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented by Mr. George J. Rerat

MR. RERAT: Mr. President, officers, members: The Resolutions Committee have gotten up nine resolutions. I imagine it will be well to read them all and then pass on them.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Yes.

MR. RERAT: I would like to offer the following resolutions and move the adoption of the same:

Resolution No. 1: Resolved that we express our special thanks to the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce and to the Radisson Hotel for its valuable services and cooperation rendered to our 1957 annual meeting.

Resolution No. 2: Resolved that we do acknowledge the support received from the Chamber of Commerce of Minnesota each year in promoting the welfare and success of the State Fair and county fairs.

Resolution No. 3: Resolved that we express to the Minnesota Editorial Association, the daily and weekly press, the radio stations, and the television stations of Minnesota our sincere appreciation of their efforts in publicizing the worth and the scope of our various state and county fairs.

Resolution No. 4: Resolved that we endorse and continue to support the school in fair management so successfully conducted by the Agricultural School Short Course Department of the University of Minnesota under the leadership of Dr. J. O. Christianson, director.

Resolution No. 5: Resolved that the concession departments of the State Fair and all county fairs be urged to request all firms and individuals oper-

ating eating concessions to use butter whenever possible in the preparation and service of food.

Resolution No. 6: Resolved that we extend our thanks and appreciation to all individuals and institutions who cooperated to make the 1956 Fair, which for the second consecutive year reached 1,000,000 attendance, the largest and most successful fair in the State's history, first to the Board of Managers who, with D. K. Baldwin, secretary, 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, FFA members for bringing the most colorful exhibits, to the various state departments for their interesting story of the State's resources and activities, to the farm equipment manufacturers and dealers for their most elaborate show, and to the multitude of commercial firms who displayed their products so effectively. All these combined with the splendid amusement features offered made this the State's greatest fair.

Resolution No. 7: Resolved that the Planning Committee be encouraged to hasten the development of additional parking facilities adjacent to the fairgrounds.

Resolved No. 8: Resolved that the Planning Committee give top priority to the construction of a new Educational Building.

Resolution No. 9: Raymond A. Lee passed away in July of 1956. Mr. Lee began his association with the Fair as an errand boy in the Machinery Department. He was with the Machinery Department and the Concessions Department continuously for more than forty years. A member of the Board from the 6th District from 1924 to 1930 and Secretary from 1931 to 1950. During all these years, Mr. Lee was also active in the management of the Todd County Fair, his home county. Therefore, be it resolved that this convention note the passing of Mr. Lee as a distinct loss to the State Agricultural Society and to the State at large. Be it further resolved that the Secretary be instructed to spread a copy of this resolution on the Minutes of the State Agricultural Society and that a copy be sent to Mr. Lee's widow. Respectfully submitted District No. 1, Frank Duncan, No. 2, Olaf Hunstad, No. 3, Mike Zipoy, secretary, No. 4, Flora Luedke, No. 5, George J. Rerat, chairman, No. 6, Birney C. Wilkins, No. 7, Clem Chase, No. 8, Verne Carlson, and District No. 9, Paul Sorenson. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ARENS: It's been moved that these resolutions just read be adopted. Any comments or additions?

. . .There was no discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: We have greetings from our past president, Mr. Ralph Thornton: "The circumstances are such that I will be unable to attend our 98th Annual Meeting. I extend my regrets, however, and my greetings to all members assembled for your final meeting. My congratulations for your past most successful year. The movies taken last fall turned out good. What a historical reel I have. You will see them next fall. Greetings and salutations."

Mr. Scott, secretary of the North Dakota Fair Association requests an announcement be made saying that their meeting to be held at Grand Forks has been postponed to January 21, 22, and 23.

Has the Credentials Committee any further report to make?

. . .No response. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: Have you anything further, Mr. Baldwin?

MR. BALDWIN: No.

PRESIDENT ARENS: We are about to proceed with the election of officers. In order that there be no railroading, I am going to call on a member of our Public Safety Department to ride herd on our able vice president, Bob Andrews.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

VICE-PRESIDENT ANDREWS: Gentlemen, for the office of president, we are ready to accept nominations for the year 1957.

MR. CHARLES CHRISTIANSON (Roseau County): Mr. Chairman, I would like to place in nomination the name of Ted Arens of Aitkin to succeed himself as president of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society. I believe Ted's speech yesterday was enough to entitle him to reelection on that point alone, and you talk about railroading, but I do hope that he has a clear path ahead in his succession to the presidency again for the forthcoming year, so able, effective Ted Arens I would like to place in nomination to succeed himself.

MR. B. C. WILKINS (Crow Wing County): I would like to second the nomination.

MR. WILLIAM R. JOHNSON (Kandiyohi County): I also would like to second that nomination for Ted Arens.

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: Are there any further nominations.

MR. NORRIS K. CARNES (Ramsey County): Mr. Chairman, I move that the nominations cease and that the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Ted Arens to succeed himself as president of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for the year 1957.

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: You have heard Mr. Carnes. Any further discussion?

... There was no discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried... (Applause)

PRESIDENT ARENS: Well, thank you very much. I am not going to make a speech. We will proceed with the election of officers. Next, we have to fill for the two-year term in the Fourth Congressional District the position of vice president. Do I hear a nomination?

MR. BALDWIN: From the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, we have a letter: "We understand that the office of vice president which Mr. Norris Carnes has held so admirably on the State Fair Board is up for nomination. We on the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce are proud of the outstanding record Mr. Carnes has established in every civic venture he has undertaken, and we most wholeheartedly recommend him for renomination to serve on the State Fair Board. He has served as a director and member of the Executive Committee and on many committees in the Chamber. His leadership is not only recognized in the City of St. Paul but the entire State of Minnesota."

That is the customary recommendation from the Chamber of Commerce. Did you write that, Norris? (Laughter)

MR. MOSCRIP: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Baldwin, in the letter from the Chamber, has stolen most of my thunder. I do, however, this morning represent the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, and we believe, in nominating Mr. Carnes, we bring to the State Agricultural Society Board a man that no one surpasses in their qualifications and few equal here to serve on the Minnesota Board of Managers. It would be idle for me to relate to you men who know him so well the many contributions that he has made to the Society and to the Fair, and on behalf of the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, I consider it a privilege to nominate Mr. Carnes to succeed himself for the two-year term as vice president.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Mr. Moscrip. Any further comment? I am sure Mr. Carnes wishes that his wife were here to hear all the good things said about him (Laughter).

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: Ted, I would like to second the nomination of Norris Carnes, and when a man from Minneapolis gets up to nominate a man from St. Paul, you know he's good (Laughter).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Anybody want to add to that? There is much to be said about Norris Carnes, you know. I could tell you a few things if I wanted to.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It's just as well you don't (Laughter).

MR. CHRISTIANSON: Mr. Chairman, is Mr. Carnes willing to accept the election if we go to the work of electing him?

PRESIDENT ARENS: I think it may be safe to say that he will be a reluctant volunteer.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: That's right.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Any further comment? In the face of this letter, we don't dare ask for further nominations, do we?

MR. WILKINS: Mr. President, I move that a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Carnes.

PRESIDENT ARENS: A motion has been made that the rules be suspended and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Carnes as vice president. The secretary is instructed to cast a unanimous ballot.

MR. BALDWIN: It's already cast.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I do wish that my wife could have been here this morning to hear the very flattering statements that were made.

MR. BALDWIN: Mrs. Luedke is here too.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Ladies and gentlemen: (Laughter) I think it might have made things just a little bit easier for me around home. But seriously speaking, I do appreciate the splendid expression of confidence that has been manifested here this morning. I consider that a signal honor has been conferred upon me, and I can assure everyone in attendance that as long as I am a member of the Board of Governors of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society that I will continue to work for what I consider to be the best interests of that institution, and gentlemen, I thank you very much (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Mr. Carnes. Those of us who have worked with you know that you mean every word you say.

We now approach the election of manager for a term of three years from the 1st Congressional District.

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, in accordance with the law, a caucus of the 1st Congressional District was held yesterday, and I have a duly certified copy of the nomination of Stan Muckle to succeed himself.

PRESIDENT ARENS: That is the result of the caucus.

MR. C. A. MOORE (McLeod County): Mr. President, I wish to second the nomination of Mr. Muckle.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Any further nominations?

MR. FRANK DUNCAN (Rice County): Mr. President, I move that

nominations be closed and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Mr. Muckle as manager from the 1st Congressional District.

PRESIDENT ARENS: The motion has been made that the rules be so far suspended with no further nominations and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Muckle to succeed himself on the Board of Managers from the 1st Congressional District. Mr. Secretary, you are so instructed.

MR. BALDWIN: It's all cast.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Mr. Muckle, you are in. Where do we see Stan? (Applause)

MR. MUCKLE: Mr. President, I am sitting just where you told me to sit. Ladies and gentlemen, I wish to assure you that it's my pleasure to be again elected to this Board, and I wish to say to my fellow Fair men from the 1st District, I wish to thank you for your support. Thank you all (Applause).

MR. DUNCAN: Mr. President, I would like to have it known that he had a pretty rough fight to get that job. The meeting was scheduled for 2:15. I and Mr. Jessen were about 18 seconds late, and when we got there, the chairman said, "Is there any other unfinished business?" He already had worked his way through (Laughter).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Now, that was the end product of Stanley campaigning in the Twin Cities for 30 days prior.

Now, a member from the 3rd Congressional District to the Board of Managers. Mr. Secretary?

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, I have here the duly certified report from the caucus held by the 3rd Congressional District yesterday placing in nomination the name of Fred S. Lammers to succeed himself.

MR. AL STRONG (Washington County): Mr. Chairman, I would like to second the nomination.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Any further nominations? We should have a little opposition here. Any further nominations?

MR. CHRISTIANSON: Mr. Chairman, I move that the nominations be closed and the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for my good friend and able worker on the Fair Board of Managers, Mr. Fred S. Lammers of Stillwater.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Do I hear a second to that?
...The motion was regularly seconded...

PRESIDENT ARENS: The motion has been made and seconded that the rules be suspended, nominations cease, and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Lammers to succeed himself. Mr. Secretary, you are so instructed.

Mr. Lammers, you are in, and you are up on your feet (Applause).

MR. LAMMERS: Ladies and gentlemen, I appreciate the honor and the opportunity to serve on the Board of Managers for the next term of three years. I would like to state at this time, I again want to thank you for the support given me in the 3rd District caucus yesterday afternoon, and I will do everything in my power to be worthy of the consideration. Thank you a lot (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Fred. I hope you didn't vote for yourself.

Next, election of a manager from the 6th Congressional District for a term of three years.

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, the certificate of nomination from the caucus of the 6th District places the name of Birney C. Wilkins of Brainerd in nomination.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Do I hear a second?

MR. D. T. GRUSSENDORF (St. Louis County): Mr. Chairman, I second the nomination of Mr. Wilkins.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Any further nominations? Now, we want a little opposition here in the 6th District. That's my home stamping grounds. I can feel free to ask for a fight there. Let's have two or three other nominations.

MR. WILLIAM LINDEMANN (Brown County): Mr. Chairman, I move the rules be suspended and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Wilkins.

...The motion was regularly seconded...

PRESIDENT ARENS: The motion has been made and seconded that the nominations cease and the rules be so far suspended and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Wilkins to succeed himself on the Board of Managers. Mr. Wilkins?

MR. WILKINS: I am very glad for the support people gave me in this election. It's been a rough campaign, but it has been a privilege to work for the State Board, and I thank you very much, and I wish to thank you for your support. (Applause).

PRESIDENT ARENS: You would have made it easier for yourself, Bernie, if you had spent less time selling seed corn and more time campaigning.

That concludes the election of officers and the Board of Managers. Is there any unfinished business? I kind of hurried over that before we proceeded to the election — or any new business?

MR. MOSCRIP: Mr. Chairman, if it's in order to suggest life members at this time —

PRESIDENT ARENS: This is the time, Mr. Moscrip.

MR. MOSCRIP: Well, I am going to suggest, Mr. President, a man who over the years, I believe, has contributed as much as many, many individuals perhaps more widely recognized and connected with the Minnesota State Fair. He has done a magnificent job in connection with the Livestock Department. He has been a tremendous help in legislative matters. His interest today is unflagging for the best good of the State Agricultural Society. Now, I think it would be a very fitting recognition to make him a life member of this organization as a recognition of the services rendered and the contributions he has made to the Society. I move, Mr. Chairman, that Axel Hanson of Minneapolis be made a life member of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Mr. Moscrip. That is very cheering news indeed. Do I hear a second?

MR. CARNES: Mr. Chairman, I should like to second everything that Mr. Moscrip has said relative to Axel Hanson and to second his nomination.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Do we have any further comment?
...No response...

PRESIDENT ARENS: If not, I hope you will pardon the Chair if I add a few remarks. I just can't refrain. It isn't entirely appropriate from the Chair to interfere with the deliberations of the body, but in the case of Axel Hanson, I have a little bit of a debt of gratitude to perform, and this

gives me an opportunity for it to go into the record so Axel can read it. He is not here to hear it. If I was a little bit reluctant to think yesterday that my certificate of graduation from the University was legal, I still had to go back to the days when Axel Hanson made it possible for me to pass one of the rigid final examinations in a course at the University that our good friend A. J. McGuire gave. He had one stock question that he asked on the final examination, and that was, "Name the cow that made the first world record in fat production — not only name the cow, but name the breed and name the herdsman," and of course, Axel Hanson was the herdsman. Dutchess Scott of Ormsby was the cow. She had made a record of over 1,200 pounds of butter fat, which would exceed a little over 1,500 pounds of fat, which at that time was the world's record producing cow for all breeds, and it was just lucky for me that I knew the answer, because A. J. McGuire was a Holstein fan. He had just two or three weeks before that sold a carload of Holstein steers to South St. Paul. He figured he should get the top market and didn't, and so he ruled South St. Paul out of his social register, but I am sure that I would never have graduated from the University if I hadn't known Axel Hanson's accomplishments, so it does give me a lot of pleasure to join in greeting Axel Hanson as a life member of the State Agricultural Society. Do I hear any further comment?

...There was no further discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried...

PRESIDENT ARENS: There being no "No's" Axel Hanson is declared a life member of our Society.

Is there any further business?

MR. MOSCRIP: I had the opportunity, ladies and gentlemen, last evening to talk with Earl Brown. He was very hopeful, and so was I, that he could be in attendance here today, but he was unable to be here, but he did ask me to greet all of you most wholeheartedly for him and give you every good wish of his for the meeting and for the Society, and I am conveying that message to you. It was given in all sincerity with great regret that he could not be here. I want to move, Mr. Chairman, that our secretary be instructed to carry the greetings of this organization to Mr. Brown with an expression of regret he was unable to be here in appreciation of his services to this Society.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Mr. Moscrip. We are always interested in a word from our good friend, Earl Brown.

MR. CARNES: Mr. Chairman, I am happy to second that motion.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Mr. Carnes. Any further comment?

...There was no further discussion, the question was called, and the motion carried...

MR. BALDWIN: Mr. President, may I say to Mr. Moscrip that that will be one of the happiest assignments I will have, and speaking of absentees, we have greetings from Lee Shell of Worthington, former president and life member of the Society, saying that illness in the family made it impossible for him to attend the meeting this year, and from Tom Canfield, life member, saying it's too cold for a Californian to come here for the meeting. He extends greetings.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Doug. May I refer just a bit again to Axel Hanson. Some of you may wonder why he isn't here. He has been the most regular in attendance here year after year after year. He isn't here today because he is absent from the State. He is attending a dairy conference down in Ohio, so that is the reason for his absence here.

Does anyone have anything to bring up at this time?

...No response...

PRESIDENT ARENS: Well, folks, before we close, I do want to ex-

press my appreciation for your confidence all during the past 12 months, and your confidence shown here at this meeting, and I hope I may carry on in a proper manner to discharge my obligations to all of you and for the best interests of our Society. Thank you.

Does anyone else wish to add anything?

...No response...

PRESIDENT ARENS: If not, the meeting is adjourned, and God bless you.

...Whereupon, at 11:05 o'clock, a.m., the meeting was duly adjourned...

**MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis

1:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 9, 1957

Present —

T. H. Arens, President
Robert R. Andrews, 1st Vice President
Norris K. Carnes, 2nd Vice President
Charles Christianson
Fred S. Lammers
C. A. Moore
Stan Muckle
Albert E. Thompson
Birney C. Wilkins
D. K. Baldwin, Secretary
R. C. Sorenson, Treasurer

President Arens, Vice President Carnes, Board Members, Lammers, Muckle and Wilkins took the oaths of their respective offices.

MINUTES IN VACATION

January 7-8-9, 1957—The 98th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society was held at Hotel Radisson in Minneapolis.

The morning of Monday, January 7 at 11:00 A.M. there was held a short business session at which time the Credentials Committee and the Resolutions Committee were appointed.

The afternoon of Monday the 7th was given over to the Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs consisting of a program of speakers and a business session at which officers were elected for the year 1957.

The morning of Tuesday, January 8th, there was held a breakfast session by the Federation of County Fairs consisting of a report of the Resolutions Committee,—open discussion, short course, conduct of county fairs, Federation plans for the future.

The afternoon of Tuesday the 8th, the State Agricultural Society presented its program of speakers, as follows—

Address of President—T. H. ARENS

Report of Treasurer—R. C. SORENSON

Report of Secretary—D. K. BALDWIN

Address "A 4-H Member Looks at Fairs"—Miss Phyllis Woestahoff, President, Minnesota 4-H Foundation

Address "A Human Interest Exhibit"—Arnoid Harder, Vice President, Mountain Lake Chapter, Future Farmers of America

Address—Harold Macy, Dean, Institute of Agriculture, University of Minnesota

The Credential Committee's Report was presented and accepted.

The evening of Tuesday the 8th, there was held at the Radisson Hotel a banquet and social session which was addressed by Dr. J. O. Christianson, jointly sponsored by the State Agricultural Society and the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs.

The State Agricultural Society held its business meeting on the morning of January 9th at which time the Resolutions Committee made its report, and the Credentials Committee offered no changes from the report which they had submitted the day previous.

The following elections then took place:

T. H. Arens, Aitkin, President, one year term.

Norris K. Carnes, St. Paul, Vice President, two year term.

Stan Muckle, Owatonna, member of the Governing Board from the first Congressional District for a term of three years.

Fred S. Lammers, Stillwater, member of the Governing Board from the Third Congressional District for a term of three years.
 Birney C. Wilkins, Brainerd, member of the Governing Board from the Sixth Congressional District for a term of three years.
 Axel Hansen, Minneapolis, was elected a Life Member of the Society.
 The Board then went into Executive Session.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried, D. K. Baldwin was elected secretary of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for the ensuing year; that his salary be fixed at \$12,000.00 for the year and that in addition thereto, he be required to live in the residence portion of the Administration Building upon the State Fairgrounds, with free rent, water, light, fuel and use of car; further, that he be required to furnish bond in the sum of \$10,000.00 the premium on same to be paid by the State Agricultural Society, said bond to be subject to approval by the Attorney General as to form and execution and to acceptance by the Board.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried, R. C. Sorenson was elected Treasurer of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for the ensuing year; that his salary be fixed at \$500.00 for the year and that his bond be fixed at \$10,000.00 for the year except during the months of August, September and October, when the surety is to be increased by \$100,000.00, making it \$110,000.00 during the said three months, premiums on said bonds to be paid by the State Agricultural Society, and said bonds to be subject to approval by the Attorney General as to form and execution and to acceptance by the Board.

Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Sorenson were called back into the room, thanked the Board and took the oaths of their respective offices. On motion of Mr. Andrews, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried the minutes in vacation were approved.

At the suggestion of Treasurer Sorenson, the Board approved the election of Harry J. Jensen as Deputy Treasurer for the ensuing year.

In accordance with Treasurer Sorenson's recommendation, Mr. Carnes moved that the bank depositories for the State Agricultural Society's several funds be as follows:

Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis—

Advertising Fund
 General Fund
 Payroll Fund
 Premium Fund

Midway National Bank of Saint Paul

Contingent Fund

which was seconded by Mr. Lammers and carried.

It was moved by Mr. Lammers and seconded by Mr. Christianson and carried that on checks drawn on the Society's various checking accounts the following signatures be required—

Advertising Fund: One signature, that of D. K. Baldwin, Secretary

Contingent Fund: One signature, that of D. K. Baldwin, Secretary

General Fund: Three signatures, those of (1) T. H. Arens, President or Robert R. Andrews, Vice President or Norris K. Carnes, Vice President; (2) D. K. Baldwin, Secretary; (3) Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer or Harry J. Jensen, Deputy Treasurer.

Payroll Fund: One signature, that of D. K. Baldwin, Secretary or Harry J. Frost, Space Rentals Superintendent or John E. Libby, Executive Assistant.

That for the purpose of transferring funds from the General Fund Account of the Society to the Treasurer of the State of Minnesota, the signature of Roy

C. Sorenson, Treasurer, or the signature of the Deputy Treasurer, will be sufficient, and

That Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer, or the Deputy Treasurer, or other Treasurer's Department personnel as designated by Treasurer Sorenson be authorized to draw checks, during the period August 1 to October 15 on the Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer, Account set up for that period.

The Standing Committees were set up as follows on motion of Mr. Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried:

Admissions—Muckle, Chairman; Andrews; Thompson; Carnes; Moore; Sorenson; Arens, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.

Advertising—Lammers, Chairman; Christianson; Wilkins; Muckle; Thompson; Arens, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.

Amusement—Baldwin, Chairman; Andrews; Carnes; Christianson; Grussendorf; Lammers; Moore; Muckle; Sorenson; Thompson; Wilkins; Arens, ex officio.

Budget—Arens, Chairman; Andrews; Christianson; Carnes; Moore; Muckle; Sorenson; Baldwin, ex officio.

Executive—Andrews, Chairman; Carnes; Arens, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.

Planning—Andrews, Chairman; Thompson; Moore; Arens, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.

Reception—Arens, Chairman; Moore; Muckle; Wilkins; Baldwin, ex officio.

Rule and Premium List—Carnes, Chairman; Christianson; Grussendorf; Lammers; Moore; Thompson; Arens, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.

Space Rentals—Arens, Chairman; Andrews; Carnes; Thompson; Baldwin, ex officio.

The Department Supervisors and Superintendents were set up as follows upon motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Grussendorf and Mr. Wilkins and carried.

Admissions—Muckle, Supervisor; Ty Sincock, Owatonna, Superintendent.

Agriculture—Moore, Supervisor; L. O. Jacob, Anoka, Superintendent.

Amusement—Baldwin, Supervisor; Robert E. Gehan, St. Paul, Superintendent of Music.

Bee Culture—Moore, Supervisor; C. D. Floyd, Excelsior, Superintendent.

Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Work—Lammers, Supervisor; Leonard L. Harkness, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Cattle—Carnes, Supervisor; Ramer D. Leighton, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Conservation—Thompson, Supervisor; Carl W. Moen, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Dairy—Thompson, Supervisor; Robert Geiger, Minneapolis, Superintendent.

Education—Christianson, Supervisor; Milo J. Peterson, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Farm Boys' Camp—Lammers, Supervisor; Harold A. Mullen, Chicago, Superintendent.

Fine Arts—Christianson, Supervisor; Foster Kienholz, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Future Farmers of America—Grussendorf, Supervisor; G. R. Cochran, St. Paul, Superintendent.

Home Activities—Christianson, Supervisor; Mrs. Mildred Harrington, Minneapolis, Superintendent.

Horse—Carnes, Supervisor; Dr. A. L. Harvey, St. Paul, Superintendent.

- Horticulture—Moore, Supervisor; Eldred M. Hunt, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Legislative-Editorial—Wilkins, Supervisor.
- Poultry—Grussendorf, Supervisor; Harold Thomforde, Crookston, Superintendent.
- Publicity—Baldwin, Supervisor; Ray P. Speer, Minneapolis, Superintendent.
- Public Safety—Andrews, Supervisor; George Cockriel, St. Paul Park, Superintendent.
- Race—Baldwin, Supervisor; C. A. Tincer, Owatonna, Superintendent.
- Services—Baldwin, Supervisor; E. H. Deemer, Superintendent of Grounds; Ralph H. Zimmerman, Superintendent of Greenhouses; James L. Libby, Minneapolis, Superintendent of Sanitation; H. J. Noonan, Mah-tomed, Superintendent of Transportation.
- Sheep and Wool—Grussendorf, Supervisor; Philip A. Anderson, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Space Rentals—Arens, Supervisor; Harry J. Frost, St. Paul and H. D. Johnston, St. Paul, co-Superintendents; Carl O. Linnee, St. Louis Park, Superintendent, Machinery Division; Elmer Fisher, St. Paul, Superintendent, Varied Industries Division.
- Swine—Grussendorf, Supervisor; H. G. Zavoral, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Ticket Audit—Wilkins, Supervisor.

The appointment of a Superintendent of Attractions was held in abeyance at this meeting. D. T. Sargent, Little Falls was named to act in an advisory capacity in Ticket Audit, later A. H. Winkel was named Superintendent.

As suggested by Mr. Christianson, Mr. Andrews moved that the premium offering in the Education Department for the 1957 Fair be set at \$9100.00 which was carried.

Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mr. Lammers and carried that the secretary be authorized to obtain bids for (1) the remodeling and renewal of all the toilets in the Grandstand, (2) New toilet in Block No. 46 south of the Greenhouses and (3) new toilet in Block No. 36, west of the Police Station.

Aut Swenson's Thrillcade was, upon motion by Mr. Christianson, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried, hired for appearance on the first Saturday evening and Wednesday afternoon at a fee of \$9,500 for the two performances.

American Motorcycle Association was approved for the second Saturday afternoon, on motion by Mr. Christianson, seconded by Mr. Thompson and carried.

The secretary stated that the preliminary Saddle Club eliminations will be held on June 14th under State Fair auspices, which action was approved by motion of Mr. Lammers, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

Mr. Carnes moved to extend the support of the Board in every way possible toward promoting the Dealers Day program on Machinery Hill, including an invitation to the Board of the Minnesota Implement Dealers Association for luncheon on that day. This was seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

The Minnesota Junior Association of Commerce was authorized to put on a safe driving tractor exhibition on Wednesday morning of the 1957 State Fair in front of the Grandstand, which action was taken on motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Lammers and carried.

A letter from Poultry Exhibitors was read pleading for more space for live bird exhibit. No action was taken.

A communication was read from Harold Macy, Dean, Institute of Agri-

culture, stating that no access road could be allotted from the University Property for the Fair to have an exit or entrance from Larpenteur Avenue.

Discussion was held in reference to holding of the June meeting of the Board in Duluth on Dairy Day, June 18th and the matter was put over until the next meeting.

The secretary reported that the details of the Grandstand Show for 1957 was not yet completed, and that Ringling Bros. had offered their circus as a grandstand attraction but it was not thought practical.

The Board then recessed until Tuesday, January 15th at the Administration Building on the State Fair Grounds.

T. H. Arens, President

D. K. Baldwin, Secretary

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