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## MINNESOTA

### STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

DECEMBER 1, 1956 TO NOVEMBER 30, 1957

#### Officers

President—T. H. Arens, Aitkin  
 First Vice President—Robert R. Andrews, Minneapolis  
 Second Vice President—Norris K. Carnes, St. Paul  
 Secretary—D. K. Baldwin, St. Paul  
 Treasurer—R. C. Sorenson, Minneapolis

#### Managers

	Congressional District	Term Expires
Albert F. Thompson, Spicer.....	7	1958
Charles Christianson, Roseau.....	9	1958
C. A. Moore, Hutchinson.....	2	1959
D. T. Grussendorf, Duluth.....	8	1959
Stan Muckle, Owatonna.....	1	1960
Fred S. Lammers, Stillwater.....	3	1960
Birney C. Wilkins, Brainerd.....	6	1960

#### Standing Committees

**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.  
**Rules 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.

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## Department Supervisors and Superintendents

- Admissions**—Muckle, Supervisor; Ty Sincok, Owatonna, Superintendent.
- Agriculture**—Moore, Supervisor; L. O. Jacob, Anoka, Superintendent.
- Amusement**—Baldwin, Supervisor; Al Sheehan, Minneapolis, Superintendent of Attractions; 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; C. 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; Jas. L. Libby, Minneapolis, Superintendent of Sanitation; H. J. Noonan, Mahtomedi, 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; A. H. Winkle, St. Paul, Superintendent.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 96th annual Minnesota State Fair was staged August 23rd thru Monday, Labor Day, September 1st, with a preview on Friday evening, August 22nd.

In 1955 and 1956 records of over one million admissions were established ... and then, in 1957 the rains really came.

Despite rains on seven of the ten days of the fair and the loss of three grandstand performances (two complete night show washouts and the postponement of Friday afternoon auto racing to Labor Day morning) ... a new all-time outside gate admissions record of 1,054,484 was established.

Three new record days were established. The opening Saturday, with 97,768, beat the previous record set in 1955; Monday, Children's Day, with 103,138, bettered the 1955 record; and the second Saturday, 124,454, shattered the 1947 record. Thursday came within 176 of equaling the record set for that day in 1955.

The hard-surfaced streets, the vast network of sidewalks and gutters, the spectacular exhibits staged under acres and acres of roofs have given our people the assurance that they can enjoy the educational features of the fair in adverse weather.

Then, too, a very large number of farmers, finding it impossible to work in bogged down fields, decided to spend a day at the fair.

In the face of constantly and substantially increasing costs, the charge at the outside gate was kept at fifty cents. Again, this year, more of the major fairs of the country raised their admission fees, one in fact, to \$1.50. It is the continuing hope of your Board that the present fee can be retained to the end that the greatest possible number of people can take advantage of the educational features of the fair at a minimum cost to the entire family.

It should not be out of line to again mention that it has been many years since the fair has received any appropriation from the state for maintenance, expenses or repairs. Its operation is no charge against the taxpayers of the state, save as they may elect to attend the annual show and thus contribute to its maintenance thru their admission fees.

Many major improvement programs are financed thru the annual earnings of the fair. This year, for example, three new restrooms were constructed. These modern and enlarged facilities replaced obsolete and inadequate buildings, and greatly added to the comfort and convenience of the visiting public. All the toilets in the grandstand building were enlarged and modernized. Some of these toilets had had more than a half-century of service.

Permanent, folding theatre-type seating was installed in the first forty rows of the grandstand, replacing moveable folding chairs. These new seats added greatly to the pleasure of grandstand patrons and eliminated an accident hazard inherent in large numbers of temporary seats.

These, and many other non-spectacular improvements aimed to serve the comfort, safety and convenience of the public, represented an expenditure of over \$225,000.00 which came out of the earnings and reserve of the Society.

The legislature at the last session passed an amendment to the basic statute governing the fair making it illegal to stage auto races, other than

during the actual operation of the fair. This prohibition resulted in a substantial reduction in revenue outside of the actual fair period.

Despite adverse weather and other handicaps the State Agricultural Society shows an operating gain in the staging of the 1957 Minnesota State Fair of \$97,383.09. Not as good as last year, but under all the circumstances, a most favorable showing.

Again, as in recent years, it was necessary to close the gates to automobile traffic on one day of the fair. Parking problems continue to be chronic. There is an ever increasing number of autos in the state, and the ratio of the number of persons per car is decreasing each succeeding year. This is a problem calling for continued intensive study by the board. It is a problem that can well be a block to increased attendance.

The exhibits in all departments were outstanding. The capacities of all livestock barns were taxed to the limit, and it was necessary in some instances to turn down entries. To meet this need in part, additional facilities were provided for swine and horses. The cattle overflowed into the basement.

The records made at the 1957 Minnesota State Fair were possible only thru the cooperation and participation by thousands of exhibitors and the unselfish, dedicated services of the superintendents of the departments and their staffs and the administrative staff, implementing the wise overall planning of the Board of Governors. To all of them great credit is due.

The press, radio and television of the state played their usual important part in presenting the Minnesota State Fair to the people of the state. To them, again, our grateful thanks.

A brief resume of the 1957 fair follows:

### **Friday, August 23**

#### **Preparation Day**

Again, the large number of speedway car entries necessitated the holding of time trials on Friday afternoon.

A pre-view of the Royal American Shows was held in the evening. The large number of visitors posed a serious problem to exhibitors and concessionaires who were putting the last touches on their displays. No admission was charged at the outside gates. This opening is going to call for serious study by the Board for future fairs.

### **Saturday, August 24**

#### **Dairy Princess, Stock Car Race and Thrill Day**

It had rained from Thursday night until 10 a.m. Friday morning and continued hot and humid all day Friday. Saturday morning dawned clear and cool, turning cloudy and humid in the early afternoon.

Stock car races with sprints and featuring a one hundred lap finale were staged in front of the grandstand.

All exhibits were open and ready for the big ten days to come.

Judy Merritt of Lakeville was crowned Princess Kay IV of the Milky Way in front of the evening grandstand. She and her court of honor were escorted by officers from the Wold Chamberlain Naval Air Base. The coronation was followed by the Aut Swenson Auto Thrillcade.

For the first time in history a boxing match was staged in the Hippodrome. Del Flanagan, a well known local boxer, defeated Tiger Jones in the headline event.

### Sunday, August 25

#### Veterans' and Auto Race Day

It was a beautiful clear day.

Non-denominational worship services were conducted in the morning by Reverend Alfred Jeffries.

The opening horse show was held in the Hippodrome.

The 4-H Club youngsters spent the evening in a songfest.

For some time, amongst all the leading fairs, there was serious discussion regarding the type of entertainment to be presented in front of the evening grandstand. The Minnesota State Fair pioneered in the presentation of the revue type show which has been used in recent years. The development of wide range movie screens and the competition of television as an entertainment medium led many to believe that a radical change should be made in the format. After serious discussion amongst many leaders in this field of entertainment it was decided to make a radical experiment in presentation. As a result of this study, "West-O-Rama" had its debut. The set represented the re-creation of a western frontier town, with the set extending more than eight hundred feet along the track. Television stars Brad Johnson and Doug Kennedy were the featured performers. The acts and chorus were woven into action and episodes typical of a day in a frontier town. The Shrine Horsemen of Minneapolis presented a mounted drill each evening as an overture. Darryl Hornbeck, as a finale before the fireworks, presented for the first time in public a daring change from helicopter to the top of a one hundred eighty foot pole.

The adverse weather during most of the nights did not serve as a fair test to this new type of entertainment.

The tune "Which Way Does the Wind Blow" introduced by Doug Kennedy in "West-O-Rama" hit the top ten tunes of the nation shortly after it was sung here.

With 139,248 people on the grounds this day, the huge World Lutheran rally was being held on the State Capitol grounds. Great credit must be given to the traffic officers of the Twin Cities and the State who handled the problems involved in directing close to a quarter of a million people concentrated in two such tremendous events in the splendid manner they did.

### Monday, August 26

#### Children's, Teacher Recognition, Livestock and Stock Car Race Day

The weather started clear and cool, with all forecasts predicting rain by late morning. By mid-afternoon the wind shifted to the north with a severe drop in temperature, down to 58 degrees by nine in the evening. The predicted rain finally hit with a cold drizzle just as the fireworks finale finished.

As a special attraction for the youngsters on Children's Day, TV and juke box stars Ricky Nelson and Brenda Lee were secured for a special morn-

ing matinee before the grandstand. More than 30,000 youngsters from six to sixty enjoyed this free show.

The teachers had a busy day. It was Quiz Contest day in the Education Department, and following the custom established some years past, recognition was given to educators who had the greatest length of service in the schools of the state. This year such honor was given to Miss Ida A. Koivisto of the Motley High School for her forty-nine years of teaching service.

Presentations were made just before the opening of the evening grandstand show.

The Ninety Minute Marathon stock car race featured the afternoon grandstand show.

President Arens escorted our honored educators and addressed the Farm Boys' Camp assembly.

### **Tuesday, August 27**

#### **Minneapolis, Rotary and Auto Race Day**

The cold weather of the night before continued thru the morning. Rain was forecast thruout the day, and appeared in sprinkles thru the auto races in the afternoon, becoming heavy at five fifteen, turning into heavy downpour at seven o'clock, necessitating the first cancellation of a night grandstand show in more than ten years. This rain also called for the cancellation of the traditional 4-H Club parade at the grandstand.

Speedway type race cars participated in sprint races in the afternoon, despite the drizzle.

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

### **Wednesday, August 28**

#### **Duluth, Arrowhead, Farm Machinery, Implement Dealers and Thrill Day**

The rain of Tuesday continued thru the night and into the late morning with a temperature of fifty degrees and a high wind.

This rain made it necessary to transfer the State Safe Tractor Driving Contest from the race track to the infield in the morning.

Under some handicaps the afternoon THRILLCADE was presented with members of the Minnesota Implement Dealers' Association as honored guests. Many implement dealers in the territory closed their stores and plants so that their staffs could visit the fair and study the Machinery Hill Show. Mrs. Donna Hustad, wife of an implement dealer in Alexandria, and currently "Mrs. Minnesota" was official hostess for the visiting implement dealers.

Credric Adams officiated at the statewide "Search for 4-H Club Talent." Leonard Harkness spoke before the Farm Boys Camp.

### **Thursday, August 29**

#### **Territorial Pioneers' and Stock Car Race Day**

Humid and heavy overcast; temperature 55 degrees; drizzle at eight in the morning. Cleared but started again just as the auto race program was

ready to start. This handicapped but did not stop the 100 mile stock car race.

Senior livestock exhibits were released in the late afternoon to make room for the 4-H and FFA shows.

Programs and activities by pioneers were featured thruout the day.

Gloria Hannay of Amboy was crowned 4-H Dress Revue Queen.

Members of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce were hosts to the members of the 4-H Club participating at the fair at a banquet in Coffman Memorial Union.

Again it was necessary to stage a Horse Show matinee to take care of the large number of entrants in horse show events.

### Friday, August 30

#### Saint Paul, Legislative, Editorial, Radio-TV, State Departments, Conservation and Auto Race Day

Humidity of almost one hundred percent, heavy clouds, temperature in the low fifties together with thunder storm predictions started off the day. Thunder and rain came at one-fifteen. A cloudburst hit at University and Snelling avenues. After three auto race events it was necessary to postpone the scheduled big car races to Labor Day morning. Heavy rain from four to six o'clock, dropped off to a drizzle. The West-O-Rama show was staged thruout intermittent showers. It rained hard all night.

Our special guests for the day saw at first hand the problems involved in the gamble with the weather. It is usual for tired feet and headaches to head the list of complaints at the State Fair Hospital, but this year a new headliner appeared—colds.

The stake events featured the closing night of the first section of the Horse Show.

### Saturday, August 31

#### 4-H Club, FFA, Motorcycle and Auto Race Ray

It rained all night and into the early morning. Clouds and heavy fog cleared about nine o'clock and the balance of the day was hot and humid. The thunderstorms freely predicted thruout the day did not materialize. It is difficult to determine how many patrons are discouraged from coming to the fair by such forecasts.

The livestock judging programs of the 4-H and FFA groups swung into high gear. For lack of facilities some livestock exhibitors in both groups had to be turned back.

A national championship motorcycle race meet was combined with a speedway type auto race program for the afternoon grandstand.

A 4-H dairy parade, award program and dairy showmanship contest filled the Hippodrome in the evening.

### Sunday, September 1

#### Wisconsin, Minnesota Flying Farmers and Auto Race Day

Hot and cloudy with thunderstorms predicted for the day. At ten thirty we were surrounded by storms. Cloudburst at Hudson, Wis. Later forecast

for heavy rains and high winds to hit at dusk. By eight thirty there was spectacular lightning with heavy thunder. Night show concluded at nine twenty-five and cloudburst hit just as the largest night crowd of the year headed for the midway. Water was over curbs and sidewalks on Commonwealth avenue.

All in all it was a hectic day.

Non-denominational services were conducted by Rev. Orva Lee Ice.

IMCA speedway type cars raced in a program featuring the International Circuit Championship Derby (50 laps)

The Western Horse Show opened with matinee and evening performances in the Hippodrome.

### Monday, September 2

#### Labor and Stock Car Race Day

It had rained thruout the night. The morning was cold, cloudy and threatening. There were five intermittent showers during the afternoon races. A cold wind and heavy rain at seven thirty caused the cancellation of the final performance of West-O-Rama.

The speedway type races postponed from Friday afternoon were run in the morning. The grandstand was cleared and re-opened for the first North Star 350 lap stock car race. A large crowd braved the rain to watch this spectacle. The Plug Horse Derby finals produced by the Saint Paul Pioneer Press and Dispatch, brought the performance to a close.

A hardy crowd of more than two thousand bought tickets in the rain for West-O-Rama but the rain was so heavy that no performance could be staged and the show was cancelled. An enthusiastic round of applause greeted the fireworks shot off as the announcement of the cancellation was announced. Thus, in applause and a blaze of wet glory the 1957 "Waterama" Minnesota State Fair came to a close.

### ORGANIZATION

The 98th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society took place January 7, 8, 9, 1957 at the Hotel Radisson in Minneapolis.

A short business session was held on the morning of January 7 at which Resolutions and Credentials Committees were appointed.

The afternoon session was given over to the business of the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs. A Breakfast session of that organization was held on Tuesday morning.

On Tuesday afternoon President T. H. Arens, delivered his address and reports were made by Treasurer Sorenson and Secretary Baldwin. Phyllis Woestehoff, President, Minnesota 4-H Foundation, Arnold Harder, Vice-President, Mountain Lake Chapter, Future Farmers of America and Dean Harold Macy delivered addresses.

On Tuesday evening the annual joint banquet of the State Agricultural Society and the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs was presided over by President Arens.

The business session of the Society was held on Wednesday morning at

which the Resolutions Committee report was adopted and the following elections took place:

Theodore 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 1st Congressional district for a term of three years.

Fred S. Lammers, Stillwater, member of the Governing Board from the 3rd Congressional district for a term of three years.

Birney C. Wilkins, Brainerd, member of the Governing Board from the 6th Congressional district for a term of three years.

Axel Hansen was elected a life member of the Society.

At the board meeting held immediately following these elections Secretary D. K. Baldwin and Treasurer Roy C. Sorenson were re-elected and standing committees of the Board, department supervisors and superintendents were appointed.

## FINANCES

### PART I—BALANCE SHEET

#### Resources and Liabilities

Real Estate—\$8,879,534.57. The largest amount spent for improvements was in the grandstand building. Folding, theatre-type seats were installed in the first forty rows and all of the toilet facilities were enlarged and modernized. This represented an expenditure of \$125,519.62. Three old toilets on the grounds were replaced. Some of these facilities had been used for over sixty years. The program of installing insulation in the ceiling of the first floor of the 4-H Club building was started. Stalls in the Horse Barn were rearranged in the draft horse section to permit an increase of stabling. The Arcade and Commissary Buildings required new roofs. Additional pens were added on the south side of the Swine Barn. Display cases were added in the Education Building. Improvements were made to the acoustical tile in the Hippodrome. We acquired the building formerly owned by the Ancient Order of United Workmen and converted it to the use of the Publicity Department. The old farm house in the camp grounds and three old toilets were razed and removed from the inventory. This gives a net addition to real estate (buildings) of \$226,096.44.

Electric Plant—\$218,106.16. The depreciation this year exceeded the cost of additions so this item shows a decrease.

Personal Property—\$137,304.04. After depreciation, this item shows an increase due mainly to the acquisition of new vehicle gate registers, bunks and mattresses, cover for grandstand seats, truck, power mower, fire extinguishers, street line marker, refrigerators and miscellaneous other equipment.

Postwar Planning—\$27,207.20. This is the same figure as last year and represents investment in architectural and engineering plans for proposed new buildings.

Cash—\$415,956.34. The General Fund holds \$414,956.34 and there is \$1,000.00 in the Contingent Fund. This is a reduction of \$155,728.79 from the cash balance of a year ago and reflects the money taken from reserve for the program of improvements.

Accounts Receivable—\$16,476.17. A slight increase over a year ago.  
 Total Resources of the Society—\$9,689,584.48—offset by the Surplus Account and Accounts Payable of \$24,284.22.

## PART II—OPERATING STATEMENT

The Operating Statement includes only the receipts and disbursements directly accruing from and to the operation and staging of the 1957 annual Fair, and the maintenance of the real estate and other properties of the Society during the fiscal year.

Operating Income—\$1,306,383.50. A decrease of \$9,708.22 from last year, but substantially greater than the amount contemplated in the budget. In view of the general inclemency of the weather and its effect on grandstand and midway revenues this is a most remarkable showing.

Operating Expense—\$1,209,293.19. An increase of \$75,527.42 over the cost of last year, but within six tenths of one percent of the cost anticipated in the budget. The cost of material and labor were increased over last year. A comprehensive painting and repair program was maintained. Over \$30,000.00 was spent for street, gutter and sidewalk maintenance. Premiums came within \$13.45 of the amount provided in the budget. Every department superintendent is to be commended for their active co-operation in keeping costs within the budget limitations.

Net Operating Gain—\$97,382.09. This is a reduction from last year, but is greater than was anticipated in the budget.

Had we completely lost the battle of the rains on Labor Day alone, this figure would have been changed from black to red.

This figure is a tribute to the loyalty of the patrons of the fair who do not hesitate because of adverse weather to make their annual pilgrimage to the great ten day annual educational institution. The mention of ten days brings to mind the fact that we spend money for 365 days of the year with the anticipation of recouping it during a mere ten day period. We cannot have a fire sale or a rain sale the day after Labor Day.

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To the staff, to the countless volunteer workers and the thousands of exhibitors who made possible the new record of 1,054,484 goes the warm and heartfelt thanks of your secretary.

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1958 will be the Centennial Year of Minnesota. It is our hope to pay due and proper homage to the pioneers who built the foundation of our state so well, and taking inspiration from their accomplishments and the heritage we are privileged to enjoy today, project into the future the will to make our Minnesota an even greater and better state for those who are to follow us in the next hundred years.

D. K. BALDWIN, Secretary

Dec. 15, 1957

Approved by the Executive Committee  
 ROBERT R. ANDREWS, Chairman  
 NORRIS K. CARNES  
 T. H. ARENS

**PART I**  
**STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**  
**BALANCE SHEET**

**November 30, 1957**

**RESOURCES**

**Real Estate:**

Land .....	\$ 436,177.25	
Structures .....	7,712,675.27	
Fences and Guard Rails .....	22,191.72	
Flag Poles .....	606.00	
Gas Distribution System .....	68,288.20	
Sewer System Inventory .....	232,387.03	
Sidewalks .....	63,244.70	
Stonework .....	39,767.39	
Streets, Curbs and Gutters ..	233,859.18	
Water Distribution System ..	70,337.83	\$ 8,879,534.57

Electric Plant Inventory .....

218,106.16

Personal Property (Furniture

Fixtures and Equipment) .....

137,304.04

Inventories:

Post War Planning .....

22,207.20

Cash:

General Fund .....

414,956.34

Contingent Fund .....

1,000.00

415,956.34

Accounts Receivable .....

15,495.00

Accounts Receivable (In Suspense) .....

981.17

\$9,639,584.48

**LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL**

Accounts Payable .....

24,284.22

Surplus:

State Appropriations for

Lands, Improvements,

Maintenance and Expen-

ses through 1957 .....

3,635,099.90

Emergency Relief Appro-

priations .....

100,063.01

Increase in Value of Real

Estate and Profits of Fair

reinvested in Permanent

Improvements .....

5,930,137.35

9,665,300.26

\$ 9,639,584.48

**PART II**  
**OPERATING STATEMENT**  
**For Fiscal Year Ending November 30, 1957**

**INCOME**

**FAIR:**

Refund, Labor General .....	\$ 5,677.40
Premium List Advertising .....	2,039.50
Rent of Barns & Stalls .....	3,236.50
Rent of Buildings & Grounds .....	46,268.15
Rent of Personal Property .....	857.00
Sale of Manure .....	322.50
Sale of Old Material .....	279.06
Income from Special Premiums .....	403.00
Tax on Admissions .....	34,819.20
Ticket Sales .....	824,415.44

**Departmental:**

Agriculture .....	1,200.00
Cattle .....	2,421.00
Dairy .....	2,974.64
Fine Arts .....	364.85
Forage .....	12,144.64
Future Farmers of America .....	2,131.85
Gas and Electric .....	55,108.89
Horse .....	24,575.50
Horticulture .....	11,540.42
Plants and Flowers .....	293.50
Poultry .....	2,008.75
Public Safety .....	819.00
Sanitation .....	574.70
Sheep and Wool .....	468.40
Space Rentals .....	262,338.79
Swine .....	1,766.89
Sale of Lambs and Barrows .....	7,587.23
Sundry .....	38.43

**TOTAL INCOME** ..... \$ 1,306,675.24

**EXPENSE**

**FAIR:**

**Administrations:**

Annual Meeting .....	1,291.47
Clerical Salaries .....	42,365.25
Officers Expense .....	4,976.23
Officers Salaries .....	19,399.98
Postage .....	1,204.14
Telephones and Telegrams .....	7,272.83

## Departmental:

Admissions .....	13,118.16
Agriculture .....	1,841.95
Amusement .....	110,802.81
Bee .....	673.00
Boys and Girls 4-H Club	9,179.31
Cattle .....	2,346.11
Conservation .....	275.00
Dairy .....	1,098.45
Education .....	8,948.56
Farm Poys Camp .....	7,895.28
Fine Arts .....	3,921.24
Forage .....	10,847.21
Future Farmers of America	4,409.03
Gas and Electric .....	93,195.07
Gopher Club .....	3,007.01
Home Activities .....	7,748.58
Horse .....	18,629.04
Horticulture .....	15,319.91
Hospital .....	901.95
Ice Department .....	740.00
Legislative Headquarters	500.00
Mink Show .....	1,263.44
Plants and Flowers .....	29,558.49
Poultry .....	2,324.34
Public Safety .....	29,706.59
Publicity .....	71,585.85
Race .....	29,830.93
Sanitation .....	33,178.07
Sheep and Wool .....	997.80
Space Rentals .....	35,414.87
Swine .....	1,759.74
Ticket Audit .....	1,411.30
Transportation .....	175.00
Treasurers .....	17,415.89

570,019.98

Exhibit Expense .....

7,915.18

## Premiums:

Agriculture .....	12,015.00
Bee .....	698.00
Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club	18,675.61
Cattle .....	21,770.00
Dairy .....	4,228.60
Education .....	8,926.25
Fine Arts .....	625.00
Future Farmers of America	11,983.00
Home Activities .....	2,126.50
Horse .....	36,880.00

Horticulture .....	5,491.50	
Poultry .....	6,248.75	
Race .....	51,715.00	
Sheep .....	4,305.00	
Swine .....	14,793.00	
Market Sales .....	8,005.50	
Mink .....	349.80	
		208,836.51
Printing and Office Supplies .....		27,383.44
Tax on Admissions .....		34,819.20
Water .....		3,715.31
Retirement Fund Expense .....		8,143.80
Sundry Fair:		
Accidents, Illness, etc. ....		4,891.95
Armed Forces Exhibit .....		1,429.55
Ag-Hort. Custodial .....		2,544.00
Bond and Ins. Premiums .....	1,029.33	
Dues .....	417.00	
Dust Treating Parking Lots .....	3,300.00	
Fire Extinguisher Services .....	497.30	
Hippodrome Custodial .....	1,077.00	
Laundry Service .....	460.85	
Legal Service .....	2,164.95	
Level and Fill Dump .....	1,954.32	
Matron Service .....	450.00	
Portrait Hall & Log		
Cabin Exp. ....	683.97	
Signs .....	94.00	
Vacations .....	3,986.98	
Sundry Fair .....	2,890.93	
		27,872.13
<b>MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION:</b>		
Labor General:		
Superintendence .....	6,400.00	
Janitor .....	1,269.07	
Storekeepers .....	6,802.10	
Timekeeper .....	1,711.62	
Watchmen .....	11,431.55	
Cleaning Bldgs. & Grounds .....	16,333.41	
Grounds Dept. ....	21,146.70	
Snow and Ice Removal .....	178.00	
Labor Rendered for Refund .....	5,538.66	
Mowing and Raking Lawns .....	2,489.37	
Plumbing Service .....	7,686.45	
Cutting and Raking Hay .....	3,655.65	
Placing Chairs & Benches .....	477.05	
Place Chairs in Hipp.		
for fight .....	286.50	85,406.13

Auto, Truck and Trac'or Maint. ....	7,361.55	
Electric Plant Maint. ....	13,318.02	
Fuel .....	1,968.85	
Personal Property Maint. ....	16,228.17	
Painting Structures .....	15,013.38	
Pest Control .....	3,498.12	
Repairs to Structures .....	30,353.22	
Supplies .....	15,668.63	
Land:		
Fences and Guard Rails .....	5,421.85	
Flag Pole Maint. ....	40.00	
Gas Mains.....	84.37	
Grading .....	3,469.18	
Sewer System .....	962.42	
Sidewalks.....	1,819.47	
Stonework Maint. ....	50.40	
Streets, Cutbs & Gutters .....	10,915.89	
Trees and Shrubs.....	5,011.39	
Water Mains .....	3,047.88	30,822.85
Electric Plant Depreciation .....	11,150.48	
Personal Property Depreciation .....	13,288.34	
TOTAL EXPENSE .....		\$ 1,209,293.19
OPERATING GAIN .....		97,382.09

### REPORT OF THE TREASURER 1957

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, 1957:

Balance in General Fund, December 1, 1956....	\$ 560,685.13	
Balance in Contingent Fund, December 1, 1956.	1,000.00	\$ 561,685.13
Total Cash Disbursements.....	1,463,648.50	
Total Cash Receipts .....	1,317,919.71	
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts .....		145,728.79
Cash Balance, November 30, 1957.....	\$	415,956.34
Treasurer, State of Minnesota, for State Agricultural Society .....	414,956.34	
Contingent Fund, Midway National Bank, St. Paul .....	1,000.00	
		\$ 415,956.34

Respectfully submitted,  
R. C. SORENSON, Treasurer

Minneapolis, Minnesota  
November 30, 1957

## PART III

## LAND INVENTORY — STATE FAIR GROUNDS

November 30, 1957

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, 1956 .....	\$ 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, 1956 .....	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 about 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, 1956 .....	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, 1956 .....	7,000.00

TOTAL LAND VALUE APPROVED NOVEMBER 30, 1957 .....

\$ 436,177.25

UTILITIES:	Value	Deducted or	Nov. 30, 1957
	Dec. 1, 1956	Added for	Present Value
		Improvements	Approved
Electric Plant .....	223,009.67	(4,903.51)	218,106.16
Fences and Guard Rails .....	22,191.72		22,191.72
Flag Poles .....	606.00		606.00
Gas Distribution System .....	68,238.20		68,238.20
Sewer System .....	232,387.03		232,387.03
Sidewalks .....	63,244.70		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 .....	132,883.40	4,420.64	137,304.04

## INVENTORIES:

Fuel .....			
Forage .....			

## STRUCTURES INVENTORY, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, NOVEMBER 30, 1957

Structure No.	Value	Deducted or	Nov. 30, 1957
	Dec. 1, 1956	Added for	Present Value
		Improvements	Approved
103 Camp Grounds Office .....	8,842.81	(8,842.81)	
111 Farm Boys Camp .....	35,573.71	2,818.31	38,392.02
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	1,270.05	1,493.05
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	1,070.56	77,654.61
241	Toilet No 5	3,269.00		3,269.00
242	Machinery Dept. Office	478.00		478.00
261	Dairy	53,274.21	684.18	53,958.39
262	4-H Club	469,683.73	8,682.82	478,366.55
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 State	40,324.34	3,215.10	43,539.44
283	Underpass to Race Track	11,960.00		11,960.00
284	East Bleachers	144,642.82	2,325.35	146,968.17
285	Ticket Booth	2,608.44		2,608.44
286	Grandstand	811,105.14	125,519.62	936,624.76
287	West Bleachers	69,984.34	189.98	70,174.32
288	Sanitation	13,346.43		13,346.43
289A	D. C. M. Pldg.	15,695.15		15,695.15
301	Toilet (Old)	2,119.00	(2,119.00)	
301	Toilet (New)		15,172.30	15,172.30
302	Industrial No. 2	2,565.85		2,565.85
311	Industrial No. 3	26,165.46		26,165.46
321	Education	41,212.52	1,136.55	42,349.07
322	Home Activities Annex	8,999.47	214.50	9,213.97
323	Home Activities	94,375.32	862.29	95,237.61
331	Administration-Services	240,191.63	2,551.51	242,743.14
341	Garage	648.00		648.00
342	Crossroads	25,005.33		25,005.33
351	Concessions & Exhibits	323,995.27		323,995.27
362	Police Station	19,197.40		19,197.47
364	Postoffice	539.00		539.00
365	Toilet (Old)	1,523.00	(1,523.00)	
365	Toilet (New)		15,577.08	15,577.08
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	146.18	11,862.18
411	Horse Barn	656,563.80	11,683.54	668,247.34
421	Arcade	114,878.69		114,878.69
422	Commissary	172,384.70	5,349.68	177,734.38
423	Poultry	239,897.58	2,624.21	242,521.79
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 Pldg.	134.00		134.00
444	Toilet	24,715.52		24,715.52
445	Information	147.00		147.00
451	Agriculture-Horticulture	587,079.24	474.30	587,553.54
461	Officers Cottage	6,541.01		6,541.01
462	Greenhouse	11,788.22		11,788.22
463	Como-Spelling Gate	7,379.00		7,379.00
464	Toilet (Old)	2,221.00	(2,221.00)	
464	Toilet (New)		16,491.90	16,491.90
471	Publicity Headquarters		2,776.68	2,776.68
472	Rest Cottage	13,855.55		13,855.55
473	Hospital	1,491.89		1,491.89
491	Trolley Loop Pedestrian Gate	8,347.20		8,347.20
501	Hippodrome	1,256,490.05	14,428.79	1,270,918.84
502	Hippodrome Gate	1,955.00		1,955.00
511	Livestock Pavilion	831,039.98		831,039.98
512	Livestock Arch	148,608.00		148,608.00
521	Swine Barn	429,255.95	5,536.77	434,792.72
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	3,865.22		3,865.32
		\$7,486,578.83	\$226,096.44	\$7,712,675.27

## SUMMARY OF INVENTORIES

Structure	7,712,675.27
Utilities	948,788.21
Personal Property	137,304.04
	<u>\$9,234,944.77</u>

TABLE A  
 MINNESOTA STATE FAIR  
 SUMMARY of RECEIPTS  
 from  
 TICKET SALES and CASH ADMISSIONS

Outside Gates .....		\$ 435,629.50
Grandstand, Bleachers, Concourse:		
Afternoon .....	\$ 257,228.65	
Evening .....	78,737.85	
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Total .....	\$ 335,966.50	
Hippodrome—Horse Show .....	43,756.50	
Hippodrome—Boxing Show .....	1,973.16	
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Total, Hippodrome and Grandstand .....	\$ 381,696.16	
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GRAND TOTAL .....		\$ 817,325.66

TABLE I—SUMMARY OF OUTSIDE GATE ADMISSIONS—MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1957

	Saturday Aug. 24	Sunday Aug. 25	Monday Aug. 26	Tuesday Aug. 27	Wednesday Aug. 28	Thursday Aug. 29	Friday Aug. 30	Saturday Aug. 31	Sunday Sept. 1	Monday Sept. 2	TOTALS
PAID ADMISSIONS											
Adults, 50c tickets.....	85,244	117,347	58,440	61,943	66,373	87,315	51,432	103,224	132,796	96,659	860,773
4-H Club tickets.....	44	68	224	347	334	419	929	87	47	63	2,562
Round-Up tickets.....	187	1,317	627	410	383	558	594	739	1,558	588	6,961
TOTAL PAID.....	85,475	118,732	59,291	62,700	67,090	88,292	52,955	104,050	134,401	97,310	870,296
Non-paid .....											
Children free.....	12,585	21,256	44,528	11,323	11,599	15,867	8,302	20,647	22,448	15,633	184,188
Paid and non-paid GRAND TOTALS..	98,060	139,988	103,819	74,023	78,689	104,159	61,257	124,697	156,849	112,943	1,054,484

TABLE II—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND, BLEACHERS, AND CONCOURSE  
MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1957

	Friday Aug. 23 Time Trials Afternoon	Saturday Aug. 24 After- Even- noon ing	Sunday Aug. 25 After- Even- noon ing	Monday Aug. 26 After- Even- noon ing	Tuesday Aug. 27 After- Even- noon ing	Wednesday Aug. 28 After- Even- noon ing
<b>PAID:</b>						
Grandstand Track Box.....\$2.50.....	.....	.....	..... 208	..... 40	..... Rain	..... 41
Box ..... 2.50.....	..... 418 444	..... 688 403	..... 154 256	..... 264 "	..... 196 274	..... 4,158 2,540
Reserved ..... 2.00.....	..... 6,507 3,068	..... 9,626 3,430	..... 2,954 1,863	..... 3,449 "	..... 4,158 2,540	..... 2,848 1,820
General Admission..... 1.50.....	..... 803	..... 6,775 2,819	..... 9,014 2,721	..... 4,093 1,312	..... 4,743 "	..... 2,848 1,820
Totals .....	..... 803	..... 13,700 6,331	..... 19,328 6,757	..... 7,201 3,471	..... 8,456	..... 7,202 4,675
Day and Evening Totals.....	..... 803	..... 20,081	..... 26,085	..... 10,672	..... 8,456	..... 11,877
<b>NON-PAID</b>						
Grandstand tax free .....	..... 1	..... 43 21	..... 89 34	..... 381 70	..... 91 "	..... 73 37
Statistical .....	..... 241	..... 733 573	..... 1,827 621	..... 734 600	..... 535 "	..... 604 548
Plaza Box Seats.....	.....	..... 111 118	..... 204 221	..... 103 172	..... 114 "	..... 95 196
Totals .....	..... 242	..... 887 712	..... 2,120 876	..... 1,218 842	..... 740	..... 772 781
Day and Evening Totals .....	..... 242	..... 1,599	..... 2,966	..... 2,060	..... 740	..... 1,553
GRAND TOTALS, Pd.-Non Paid.....	..... 1,045	..... 14,587 7,043	..... 21,448 7,633	..... 8,419 4,313	..... 9,196	..... 7,974 5,456
GRAND TOTALS, Day and Evening.....	..... 1,045	..... 21,630	..... 29,081	..... 12,732	..... 9,196	..... 13,430

TABLE II—continued—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO GRANDSTAND, BLEACHERS, AND CONCOURSE, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1957

	Thursday Aug. 29		Friday Aug. 30		Saturday Aug. 31		Sunday Sept. 1		Monday Sept. 2		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.....\$2.50.....	....	72	....	34	....	218	....	144	....	18	....	770	770
Box.....2.50.....	698	351	140	88	436	504	733	547	737	42	4,459	2,909	7,430
Reserved.....2.00.....	9,657	3,715	3,769	1,293	8,144	5,108	10,994	5,563	10,614	797	69,872	27,377	98,578
General Admission.....1.50.....	8,564	2,729	2,294	484	7,009	3,184	10,776	3,352	14,464	271	71,388	18,692	91,898
Totals.....	18,914	6,867	6,203*	1,899	15,589	9,014	22,503	9,606	25,815	1,128	145,714	49,748	195,462
Day and Evening Totals.....		25,781		8,102		24,603		32,109		26,943		195,462	195,462
NON-PAID													
Grandstand tax free.....	437	67	45	12	144	172	236	122	450	94	1,990	629	2,678
Statistical.....	791	592	495	280	809	628	792	546	1,973	814	9,534	5,202	15,148
Plaza Box seats.....	164	215	70	118	176	249	211	214	191	60	1,439	1,563	3,037
Totals.....	1,392	874	610	410	1,129	1,049	1,239	882	2,614	968	12,963	7,394	20,357
Day and Evening Totals.....		2,266		1,020		2,178		2,121		3,582		20,357	20,357
GRAND TOTALS, Pd.-Non Paid.....	20,306	7,741	6,813	2,309	16,718	10,063	23,742	10,488	28,429	2,096	158,677	57,142	215,819
GRAND TOTALS, Day and Evening.....		28,047		9,122		26,781		34,230		30,525		215,819	215,819

\* Rain - Postponed and rescheduled for Labor Day Morning

TABLE III—SUMMARY OF ADMISSIONS TO HORSE SHOW—MINNESOTA STATE FAIR—1957

	Sunday Aug. 25 Evening	Monday Aug. 26 Evening	Tuesday Aug. 27 Evening	Wednes- day Aug. 28 Evening	Thurs- day Aug. 29 Evening	Friday After- noon	Aug. 30 Even- ing	Sunday After- noon	Sept. 1 Even- ing	Monday Sept. 2 After- noon	Totals After- noon	Even- ing	Grand Totals
<b>PAID:</b>													
Box .....	512	427	546	569	683	123	543	377	867	237	737	4,147	4,884
Reserved .....	1,309	806	1,350	1,262	1,363	478	1,545	1,420	1,969	792	2,690	9,604	12,294
General .....	1,444	955	1,674	1,291	1,417	774	1,148	2,114	2,093	1,243	4,131	10,022	14,153
Totals .....	3,265	2,188	3,570	3,122	3,463	1,375	3,236	3,911	4,929	2,272	7,558	23,773	31,331
Afternoon & Evening.....	3,265	2,188	3,570	3,122	3,463		4,611		8,840	2,272		31,331	31,331
<b>NON-PAID</b>													
Tax free.....	28	58	27	68	93	6	283	..	223	89	95	780	875
<b>GRAND TOTALS PAID &amp; NON-PAID</b>	3,293	2,246	3,597	3,190	3,556	1,381	3,519	3,911	5,152	2,361	7,653	24,553	32,206
Afternoon & Evening.....	3,293	2,246	3,597	3,190	3,556		4,900		9,063	2,361			

**ATTENDANCE, OUTSIDE GATES, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR**

DAY	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953
Saturday .....	98,060	95,578*	89,436*	88,448	79,755*
Sunday .....	139,988	138,658*	131,411*	128,673	109,108*
Monday .....	108,819	86,072*	89,068*	80,430	71,167*
Tuesday .....	74,023*	78,296*	71,626	76,520	59,460
Wednesday .....	78,689*	91,820	83,686	84,580*	66,819
Thursday .....	104,159*	103,948*	104,470	98,701	91,799*
Friday .....	61,257*	64,701*	67,218	57,955*	67,175
Saturday .....	124,697	119,898	110,131	105,363	99,943*
Sunday .....	156,849*	166,912	159,748	123,371*	137,187
Monday .....	112,93*	90,853	100,357	120,524*	83,110
TOTALS ...	1,054,484	1,036,736	1,007,101	946,565	865,523
*Rain					

**ATTENDANCE, GRANDSTAND, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR**

DAY	1957		1956		1955		1954		1953	
	After-noon	Even-ing								
Friday .....	1,045		1,096		1,103		1,275			
Saturday .....	14,587	7,043	18,569	6,319	20,830	8,447*	19,834	10,716	14,682	11,803*
Sunday .....	21,448	7,633	22,416*	6,236	23,515	8,958*	24,714	9,131	21,084	9,590*
Monday .....	8,419	4,313	6,089	3,322	11,500	4,254	9,519	5,053	8,974	4,542*
Tuesday .....	9,196*		12,250	3,985*	9,345	5,201	11,383	7,417	9,609	6,573
Wednesday .....	7,974	5,456	13,311	6,266	14,616	6,167	14,722*	8,037	12,066	7,250
Thursday .....	20,306*	7,741	26,792	5,516*	29,707	8,018	26,803	8,609	24,532	7,794*
Friday .....	10,533**	2,309*	7,738*	2,648	10,694	5,573	9,176*	1,608*	10,958	5,822
Saturday .....	16,718	10,063	20,111	7,924	16,993	10,479	17,134	10,670	18,798	10,153*
Sunday .....	23,742	10,488	27,514	10,071	30,290	12,577	22,196*	10,527	28,331	11,931
Monday .....	28,429*		22,039	2,249	26,440	3,304	27,074	3,722	22,187	2,987
TOTALS .....	162,397	55,046	77,925	54,486	195,033	72,978	183,830	75,540	171,211	78,445
GR. TOTALS	217,443		232,411		268,011		259,370		249,656	
*Rain										

\*Rain - Postponed and rescheduled for Labor Day Morning

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

DAY	1957	1956	1955	1954	1953
Friday .....	\$1,117.92	\$ 1,297.44	\$ 950.95	\$ 796.25	
Saturday .....	68,832.64**	75,559.71*	64,262.63	65,578.98	\$ 57,874.22
Sunday .....	108,075.23	109,935.22	105,883.95	104,414.79	88,092.53
Monday .....	49,920.02	42,377.33	49,008.79	45,371.30	40,023.96
Tuesday .....	50,186.75	60,959.88	51,344.11	57,907.81	46,322.74
Wednesday .....	53,136.99	70,498.96	63,720.89	61,169.20	53,351.13
Thursday .....	87,887.14	95,184.79	89,382.58	87,888.44	79,398.97
Friday .....	37,259.34	49,262.66	53,022.01	46,953.61	52,352.68
Saturday .....	88,277.56	92,064.88	78,648.90	73,729.62	74,141.29
Sunday .....	133,679.04	140,117.46	128,461.16	103,778.44	110,827.87
Monday .....	127,504.03	83,550.23	78,388.90	81,487.68	65,365.03
Jobbers strips...	10,620.00	11,194.50	11,029.00	11,405.50	10,627.50
Cash Admissions.	3,481.50	3,127.00	2,884.50	2,612.00	2,827.50
TOTALS .....	\$819,928.16	\$ 835,130.06	\$ 776,988.37	\$ 749,093.62	\$681,205.42
Less reserved seat coups. exchange		417.52	552.37	431.34	404.21
Less other adjus.	2,602.50			48.87	
NET TOTAL	\$17,325.66	\$ 834,712.54	\$ 776,436.00	\$ 748,613.41	\$680,801.21

Horse Show Scale—1953-1957 inc. \$1. 1.50, 2.00 net. Grandstand Scale—1953 85c, 1.25 and 1.87 net; 1954-1955 91c, 1.36 1.82 net; 1956 1.36, 1.82 and 2.27 net; 1957 1.36, 2.27, 2.73, and 3.18 net.

\*\*Includes \$3,920.99 Wrestling Show in Hippodrome, Saturday night

\*\*Includes \$1,973.16 Boxing 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
1948	968,442.02	50,000.00	1,008,911.88	2,237,353.90	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		1,098,966.43	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
1957	561,685.13		1,317,919.71	1,879,604.84	1,463,648.50	415,956.34
TOT.	\$ 6,305,093.21	\$450,000.00	\$ 11,592,449.95	\$ 18,347,588.16	\$ 12,594,980.63	\$ 5,752,607.53
Ave.	\$ 630,509.32	\$ 45,000.00	1,159,244.95	\$ 1,834,758.82	\$ 1,259,498.06	\$ 575,260.75

[ SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS FROM PERCENTAGE ATTRACTIONS, MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, 1957

	Friday Aug. 23	Saturday Aug. 24	Sunday Aug. 25	Monday Aug. 26	Tuesday Aug. 27	Wednes. Aug. 28	Thursday Aug. 29	Friday Aug. 30	Saturday Aug. 31	Sunday Sept. 1	Monday Sept. 2	Totals	Grand Totals
Other than Carnival:													
Ye Olde Mill .....	\$ .....	\$ 442.74	\$540.45	\$ 510.42	\$ 355.47	\$ 377.12	\$ 452.74	\$ 269.36	\$ 581.25	\$ 542.84	\$ 366.55	\$ 4,438.94	
Carrousel .....	.....	183.75	352.50	345.00	232.50	157.50	213.75	135.00	296.26	345.00	252.35	2,513.60	
Total, other than Carnival	.....	626.49	892.95	855.42	587.97	534.62	666.49	404.36	877.50	887.84	618.90	6,952.54	\$6,952.54
ROYAL AMERI- CAN SHOWS													
Side Show .....	64.27	573.60	922.19	733.37	317.85	465.57	574.52	285.18	804.53	1,132.14	581.01	6,454.23	
Side Show inside .....	.....	97.57	153.48	168.18	74.58	108.55	119.52	68.50	127.48	148.12	121.79	1,187.77	
Snake Show .....	17.22	91.68	126.68	125.97	34.26	47.51	75.07	26.91	115.31	128.37	73.78	862.76	
Glass House .....	29.40	123.15	163.40	255.94	113.34	126.91	164.53	68.08	143.81	173.88	91.08	1,453.52	
Motordrome .....	51.21	329.49	555.16	336.21	200.56	287.24	349.64	175.11	401.31	583.44	311.61	3,580.98	
Harlem in Havana	43.65	409.88	535.84	231.97	163.64	197.27	273.97	126.27	468.08	688.02	424.13	3,562.72	
Green Door .....	24.75	356.55	469.79	253.75	134.22	238.72	320.29	131.62	399.10	670.15	418.27	3,417.21	
Fun House .....	77.70	266.40	432.25	451.10	252.52	275.60	330.52	147.39	419.42	476.78	244.81	3,374.49	
Ghost Trails .....	91.53	404.73	575.45	525.13	321.27	373.91	471.71	210.31	570.66	588.21	343.59	4,476.50	
Monkey Show .....	26.04	89.82	120.90	120.97	55.57	59.21	86.90	46.34	117.64	138.94	99.45	961.78	
Twins .....	27.38	160.57	254.63	235.91	105.38	135.85	164.94	70.61	270.23	329.88	193.29	1,948.67	
Alligator Show .....	12.57	92.16	195.20	217.10	82.68	92.89	127.92	46.60	137.09	200.65	91.65	1,296.51	
Hitler Car .....	16.05	91.20	111.15	82.98	55.42	80.60	107.98	41.36	118.38	148.85	116.43	970.40	
Fat Show .....	34.87	219.78	335.55	299.96	146.10	230.49	282.70	121.83	340.03	398.92	228.05	2,638.28	
Lash La Rue .....	76.80	527.63	642.93	468.97	135.93	310.54	409.99	.....	568.43	733.85	331.59	4,206.66	
Midjet Pony .....	20.22	78.33	105.20	140.37	51.71	59.54	89.31	39.00	100.84	117.75	66.69	868.96	
Hippopotomus .....	12.90	72.15	114.33	157.79	38.32	48.26	63.25	24.50	68.12	126.13	44.59	770.34	
Penny Arcade .....	41.96	178.13	209.33	310.82	144.05	152.05	176.78	111.50	169.76	194.96	152.87	1,842.21	
TOTAL Carnival Shows	668.52	4,162.82	6,023.46	5,116.49	2,427.40	3,290.71	4,189.54	1,741.11	5,340.22	6,979.04	3,934.68	43,873.99	43,873.99

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	Friday Aug. 23	Saturday Aug. 24	Sunday Aug. 25	Monday Aug. 26	Tuesday Aug. 27	Wednesday Aug. 28	Thursday Aug. 29	Friday Aug. 30	Saturday Aug. 31	Sunday Sept. 1	Monday Sept. 2	Totals	Grand Totals
<b>ROYAL AMERICAN RIDES</b>													
Merry-go-round . . .	\$ 121.38	\$ 139.98	\$ 225.10	\$ 207.67	\$ 96.13	\$ 111.60	\$ 149.17	\$ 70.46	\$ 221.78	\$ 262.93	\$ 136.11	\$ 1,742.31	
Ferris Wheel . . . . .	130.23	525.24	773.66	861.80	304.01	431.44	564.04	213.53	764.50	844.64	388.83	5,801.92	
Dodgem . . . . .	111.15	495.09	594.75	769.77	441.28	479.99	565.69	311.90	575.06	557.21	408.62	5,310.51	
Tilt-a-Whirl . . . . .	95.67	376.29	480.58	511.38	304.79	362.02	420.38	217.52	499.10	489.45	343.49	4,100.62	
Jet Comet . . . . .	30.96	156.06	248.23	356.41	127.92	137.38	155.41	57.92	233.90	284.22	127.73	1,916.14	
Caterpillar . . . . .	76.05	191.25	321.36	468.25	176.28	181.25	248.63	79.26	308.69	379.27	190.32	2,620.61	
Fly-o-plane . . . . .	54.18	245.88	313.66	437.48	191.29	261.40	291.33	139.62	307.32	328.28	233.61	2,804.05	
Looper . . . . .	36.90	195.03	293.38	478.24	205.82	197.53	236.63	109.98	289.47	312.00	198.51	2,553.49	
Roto-plane . . . . .	53.28	215.91	297.37	492.23	150.06	178.62	223.08	103.16	265.79	309.18	196.85	2,485.58	
Octopus . . . . .	18.00	235.89	344.47	580.41	171.69	203.97	241.70	66.49	...	...	...	1,862.62	
Round-up . . . . .	35.19	172.98	247.75	313.95	101.40	147.42	160.88	67.38	209.92	270.46	134.65	1,861.98	
Pony Ride . . . . .	47.03	80.44	119.84	130.17	50.95	65.74	90.84	35.83	117.40	137.72	65.40	941.36	
Roller Coaster . . . .	125.46	520.06	623.91	762.15	335.20	486.33	548.53	285.87	644.87	639.79	391.47	5,363.64	
Scrambler . . . . .	117.99	470.24	594.36	743.25	381.52	451.62	551.17	235.95	608.69	587.73	461.07	5,203.59	
Twister . . . . .	90.90	300.60	394.68	581.58	185.74	254.37	273.68	125.67	371.06	422.96	255.55	3,257.79	
Kiddy Land . . . . .	358.14	459.68	771.81	691.23	282.81	348.92	492.50	182.85	716.56	841.69	393.97	5,540.16	
<b>Total RIDES . . . . .</b>	<b>1,502.51</b>	<b>4,780.62</b>	<b>6,644.91</b>	<b>8,386.02</b>	<b>3,506.89</b>	<b>4,299.60</b>	<b>5,213.61</b>	<b>2,303.39</b>	<b>6,135.11</b>	<b>6,667.53</b>	<b>3,926.18</b>	<b>53,366.37</b>	<b>53,366.37</b>
<b>Total Carnival Show &amp; Rides . . . . .</b>	<b>2,171.03</b>	<b>8,943.44</b>	<b>12,668.37</b>	<b>13,502.51</b>	<b>5,934.29</b>	<b>7,590.31</b>	<b>9,403.15</b>	<b>4,044.50</b>	<b>11,475.33</b>	<b>13,646.57</b>	<b>7,860.86</b>	<b>97,240.36</b>	
<b>Grand Total All Shows &amp; Rides</b>	<b>2,171.03</b>	<b>9,569.93</b>	<b>13,561.32</b>	<b>14,357.93</b>	<b>6,522.26</b>	<b>8,124.93</b>	<b>10,069.64</b>	<b>4,448.86</b>	<b>12,352.83</b>	<b>14,534.41</b>	<b>8,479.76</b>	<b>104,192.90</b>	<b>104,192.90</b>

## COMMERCIAL EXHIBITORS

- A. & K. FARM SUPPLY CO., Minneapolis 16. Spreaders, sprayers, elevators, augers.  
 ADDO-X SALES AGENCY, Mpls. 3. Ten key adding machines.  
 ADLER DISTRIBUTING CENTER, Mpls. 8. Adlermatic sewing machines.  
 AERMOTOR COMPANY, Mpls. 1. Electric water systems.  
 ALBERS MILLING COMPANY, Kansas City 5, Mo. Animal feeds.  
 ALBRECHT FURS, St. Paul 2. Shadow box merchandise display.  
 ALLIS CHALMERS MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. 15. Farm equipment.  
 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, St. Paul 4. Educational control material.  
 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, Mpls. 3. Poppy making demonstration.  
 AMERICAN LEGION CLUB, INC., Midway Post No. 447, St. Paul 1. Headquarters.  
 AMERICAN STEEL PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 8. Radiator enclosures.  
 AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, Mpls. 3. Non-sectarian literature.  
 AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS ASS'N., St. Paul 13. Headquarters.  
 ANDERSON DAIRY SUPPLY, Mpls. 24. Bulk coolers, milk house equipment.  
 ARCHER-DANIELS-MIDLAND CO., Mpls. 2. Formula feeds.  
 ARTSWAY MFG. CO., Armstrong, Iowa. Feed mixers.
- BABER'S VIS-VITA SALES, INC., Sioux City, Iowa. Livestock, poultry feeds.  
 BABSON BROS., Mpls. 1. Dairy equipment.  
 BADGER MACHINE COMPANY, Winona, Minn. Badger trencher, Hopto digger.  
 BALZER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Mountain Lake, Minn. Cattle feeder, windrower, boxes.  
 BARKER-LETZ SUPPLY CO., Mpls. 1. Forage blowers, boxes, farm wagons.  
 JOHN BEAN DIVISION, Lansing, Mich. Irrigation equipment, sprayers, tractors.  
 BERNARD N. BECK, St. Paul 3. Guide canoe and motor.  
 BEHLEN MFG. CO., Columbus, Nebraska. Grain dryer, corn crib.  
 BELTONE HEARING SERVICE, Mpls. 3. Beltone hearing aid.  
 BERG EQUIPMENT COMPANY, Marshfield, Wis. Farm equipment, barn cleaners.  
 BLANEY FARMS, INC., R.3, Madison, Wis. Hybrid seed corn, seed grains.  
 BLENDIA LIFE, INC., Green Isle, Minn. Stock food products.  
 BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD, St. Paul 14. Medical & surgical insurance.  
 BODINE'S, INC., Mpls. 2. Hammond organs, pianos.  
 BOOK HOUSE for CHILDREN, Des Moines, Iowa. Children's books.  
 BOYD TRANSFER & STORAGE CO., Mpls. 8. Mayflower moving vans.  
 BRANDT SUPPLY CO., Madelia, Minn. Strawmasters, choppers, hoes, garden equipment.  
 BRITISH CONSULATE, St. Paul 1. British products.  
 BURKHARDT-LARSEN COMPANY, Mpls. 1. Farm & industrial equipment.  
 BUTLER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Kansas City 26, Mo. Steel buildings, farm equipment.
- IVER H. CARLSON & SON, INC., St. Paul 4. Siding, screen house, roofing, windows.  
 CARSON DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. 11. Sewing machines.  
 J. I. CASE CO., Mpls. 15. Farm machinery.  
 CASWELL MANUFACTURING CO., Cherokee, Iowa. Steel farro-crate, scoops, blades, oilers.  
 CENTURY BUILDERS, INC., Mpls. 4. Building materials.  
 CENTURY-ELCON, INC., Mpls. 1. Freezers, Easy washing machines.  
 CHAMBERLAIN AND CARLSON, Mpls. 27. TV, electric household appliances.  
 CHASE CO., INC., Mpls. 8. Aluminum awnings, windows, doors.  
 CHICAGO REFERENCE BOOK CO., Chicago 1, Ill. Webster International dictionary.  
 CHRISTIAN BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE, Mpls. 22. Headquarters.  
 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR BOOTH, Mpls. 14. C. S. Monitor, literature, pictures.  
 CLAY EQUIPMENT CORPORATION, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Milking parlor stalls, ventilation.  
 E. G. CLINTON CO., Mpls. 1. Surge dairy equipment, pole type buildings.  
 COCKSHUTT FARM EQUIPMENT, INC., Mpls. 13. Farm equipment.  
 P. F. COLLIER & SON CORPORATION, Oklahoma City, Okla. Publications, books.  
 COMMUNITY BUILDING PRODUCTS, INC., Mpls. 8. Pre-cast steps, awnings, windows.  
 CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY CO., St. Paul 4. Power shovels.  
 CONTINENTAL MOTOR IMPORTS, Mpls. 3. English built Fords, Jaguar automobiles.  
 CONTOUR CHAIR-LOUNGE, INC., Mpls. 2. Contour chair vibrator. Stuffed animals.  
 COUNCIL of EVANGELICAL CHURCHES of ST. PAUL, St. Paul 1. Music, films, literature.  
 COWIN & CO., INC., Mpls. 14. Steel buildings.  
 CRANE COMPANY of MINNESOTA, St. Paul 1. Plumbing, heating, pumps.  
 CROSBY IRRIGATION CO., Mpls. 19. Irrigation products, pumps, etc.
- DAHLBERG HEARING CENTER, St. Paul 2. Dahlberg hearing aid.  
 THE DAYTON COMPANY, Mpls. 2. Merchandise, and lounge.  
 DEALERS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, St. Paul 16. Remade Ford engines and parts.  
 DEERE & WEBBER CO., Mpls. 1. Tractors, farm implements.  
 DEGREE of HONOR PROTECTIVE ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Headquarters.  
 DEKALB AGRICULTURAL ASS'N. INC., De Kalb, Ill. Corn, sorghum, chix.  
 THE DE LAVAL SEPARATOR CO., Chicago 6, Ill. Dairy equipment, heaters, coolers.  
 DELOCO COMPANY, Mpls. 26. Aluminum combination windows, doors.  
 THE DENESSEN COMPANY, INC., Mpls. 8. Jalousie porch enclosures, awnings, windows, doors.  
 FRANK DIAMOND, Mpls. 2. Optometric activities, examinations, literature.  
 DIESEL SERVICE COMPANY, Mpls. 6. Fuel injection & electrical equipment.  
 DURO PRODUCTS CO., St. Paul 1. Household water pumps.
- ELECTROLUX CORP., West St. Paul 7. Electrolux cleaner.  
 ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTING CO., St. Paul 14. Television.  
 ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA, INC., Mpls. 2. Encyclopaedia.

ENESTVEDT BROS., Sacred Heart, Minn. Seed grains and corn.

EXCO PRODUCTS, St. Paul 1. Fiberglass awnings, aluminum windows, doors.

FAIRBANKS, MORSE & CO., St. Paul 1. Pumps, water systems, scales, lawn mowers.  
 FARGO FARM EQUIPMENT SALES CO., Fargo, N. D. Auger grain elevators, sprayers, parts.  
 FARM ENGINEERING SALES, INC., Savage, Minn. Barn cleaner, mixmills, ventilation, fans.  
 FARM POWER CORPORATION, Fond du Lac, Wis. Harvestors, forage racks, elevators.  
 THE FARMHAND COMPANY, Hopkins, Minn. Loaders, spreaders, feeders, rotary snow plow.  
 FARWELL, OZMUN, KIRK & CO., St. Paul 1. Reynolds pale bldg. Namco arch buildings.  
 FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION CO., Mpls. 11. Exterior home improvements.  
 FIELD ENTERPRISES, INC., Oak Park, Ill. Childcraft, color pictures, flashed on wall.  
 FIELD ENTERPRISES, INC., St. Paul 4. World Book, encyclopaedia.  
 FIRST SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH, St. Paul 5. Religious literature, films.  
 FLOOD MASTER ENGINEERING CORP., St. Paul 4. Fiber glass awnings, windows, roofing.  
 FORD MOTOR COMPANY, Hopkins, Minn. Tractors, farm machinery.  
 FORTY & EIGHT, St. Paul 1. War trophies, headquarters.  
 FOX RIVER TRACTOR COMPANY, Appleton, Wis. Fox forage harvester, attachments.

E. S. GANDRUD COMPANY, Owatonna, Minn. Chemical applicator, spreader, seeder.  
 FRANK W. GEORGE, Edina, Minn. Wood specialties, formica tops, cabinets, benches.  
 THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL, Mpls. 5. Bibles, for hotels, hospitals, services.  
 GORIAN COMPANY, Robbinsdale 22, Minn. Zolatone paint products.  
 R. L. GOULD & COMPANY, St. Paul 1. Power lawn mowers, garden tractors.  
 GRAIN KING INDUSTRIES, INC., St. Paul 14. Harrow, feed grinders, land rollers.  
 GRAVELY MIDWEST, INC., St. Louis Park 16, Minn. Garden tractor, attachments.  
 GROEN MFG. CO., Chicago 39, Ill. Bulk milk cooling tank.  
 THE GROLIER SOCIETY, INC., Mpls. 3. Book of Knowledge, Lands & People, encyclopaedia.  
 GROUP HEALTH MUTUAL, INC., St. Paul 8. Insurance information.

LEVI HAAPALA & SONS, INC., Dassel, Minn. Seed corn, Haapala hybrids.  
 HARBERTS MFG. CO., Sibley, Iowa. Corn crib, water heater, miscellaneous.  
 F. C. HAYER COMPANY, Mpls. 1. RCA Victor TV, Whirlpool appliances.  
 HEARTH & HOME CO., Mpls. 8. Fireplace furnishings.  
 HEIDER MANUFACTURING CO., Carroll, Iowa. Auger wagon boxes, miscellaneous.  
 HELIX CORPORATION, Crown Point, Indiana. Power unloading equipment.  
 HERMAN SISTERS OF MINNESOTA, St. Paul 4. Headquarters.  
 HIGHLAND PARK VAN & STORAGE, St. Paul 5. Mayflower moving and furniture van.  
 HILEX COMPANY, St. Paul 1. Disinfectant products.  
 HINMAN MILKING MACHINE CO. INC., Oneida, N. Y. Milking machines, equipment.  
 HOLLYWOOD FIXTURE WORKS, INC., Mpls. 8. Drapery hardware, materials.  
 HOLSTAD MUSIC HOUSE, Mpls. 3. Pianos.  
 HOMELITE CORPORATION, St. Paul 4. Chain saws, pumps, generators.  
 HOUSEHOLD SERVICE CO., St. Paul 6. Aluminum doors, windows, awnings.  
 HOWE, INCORPORATED, Mpls. 12. Fertilizer, insecticides.  
 R. R. HOWELL CO., Mpls. 14. Water well systems, grain handling equipment.  
 HUDSON EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 1. Barn, ventilation, poultry equipment, sprayers.  
 HY-LINE POULTRY FARMS, Des Moines 9, Iowa. Poultry equipment, chicks, hens, feed.

IDEAL EQUIPMENT COMPANY, Morristown, Minn. Cow stalls, barn cleaner, silo unloader.  
 INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS, Mpls. 1. Headquarters.  
 INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY, St. Paul 14. Motor trucks, tractors, farm machinery.  
 INTERSTATE KIRBY COMPANY, St. Paul 4. Vacuum cleaner, attachments, polisher.  
 IRON MINING INDUSTRY OF MINNESOTA, Duluth 2, Minn. Iron ore, taconite display.  
 IRONITE OF MINNEAPOLIS, INC., Mpls. 8. Ironers and accessories.  
 IRONITE OF ST. PAUL, INC., St. Paul 1. Ironers and accessories.

JACQUES SEED CO., Prescott, Wis. Hybrid seed corn, silage.  
 JAMES MANUFACTURING CO., Fort Atkinson, Wis. Ventilation, barn, poultry equipment.  
 JOHNSON HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 23. Hydraulic loaders.

V. MEL S. KAUFMANN, Mpls. 16. Steel buildings.  
 KEEGAN EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 20. Lundell forage harvester, elevators, wagons.  
 KEMCO SALES CO., Mpls. 4. Sure-Weigh scales.  
 KEWANEE MACHINERY & CONVEYOR CO., Kewanee, Ill. Portable elevators, discs, harrows.

KING AND HAMILTON CO., Ottawa, Ill. Farm equipment, elevators, shellers.  
 E. J. KLAMPE CO., Rochester, Minn. Aluminum marques, canopy and doors.  
 A. F. KLINZING CO., Fond du Lac, Wis. Barn & gutter cleaner, silo unloader, etc.  
 KNAPP BROS. SHOE CO., Mpls. 19. Men and women shoes.  
 KNOEDLER MANUFACTURERS, INC., Streator, Ill. Burr mill grinders, conveyors, wagons.  
 JOHN R. KOVAR MFG. CO. INC., Anoka, Minn. Spike & spring tooth harrows, cultivators.  
 KRETZSCHMAR VENTILATION, Mankato, Minn. Fan Pac ventilation for barns.  
 O. W. KROMER COMPANY, Mpls. 11. Beet topper, cultivator, seed sprayers & treaters.

LAKESHORE MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. 26. Cropguard farm dryer.  
 LAND O' LAKES CREAMERIES, INC., Mpls. 13. Van Vetter bulk tanks, butter packaging.  
 ELMER R. LARSON, Mpls. 2. Nutria fur.  
 LARSON-BERNINA CO., Mpls. 6. Bernina sewing machines, Swiss Zig-Zag machines.  
 THE H. D. LEE COMPANY, Mpls. 1. Lee bib overalls.  
 LENNOX INDUSTRIES, INC., Marshalltown, Iowa. Heating, air conditioning.  
 JOHN E. LENZ & SONS, Eagle Bend, Minn. Crop drying equipment.  
 LINCOLN ELECTRIC CO., Cleveland 17, Ohio. Farm arc welders, electrodes, supplies.

- LIND MUSIC CO., St. Paul 5. Wurlitzer pianos and organs.  
 J. W. LINDQUIST CO., Mpls. 8. Styleline aluminum windows and awnings.  
 LINDSAY BROTHERS, Mpls. 1. Mercedes-Benz 4-wheel tractors, farm machinery.  
 THE LINDSAY COMPANY, St. Paul 4. Water softeners.  
 LINDSTROM BLOCK & SILO WORKS, Lindstrom, Minn. Silo or corn cribs.  
 LOUDON MFG. & SALES, INC., Mpls. 6. Walk-in coolers, home freezers, refrigerators.  
 LUEDTKE BROS., St. Paul 8. Parquet patterns, hardwood flooring.  
 LUTHERAN WELFARE SOCIETY, Mpls. 4. Christian family living.  
 LYONS UTILITY COMPANY, S. Paul 14. Millwork, Armstrong building materials.
- McGINNIS PIANO & ORGAN COMPANY, Mpls. 2. Organs and pianos, Allen electric organ.  
 McKEE HARVESTER, Mpls. 14. McKee harvesters.  
 O. O. MCKINLEY CO. INC., Mpls. 23. Awnings, canopies, windows.  
 McMASTER DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, Mpls. 3. Viking sewing machines.  
 M & W GEAR COMPANY, INC., Anchor, Ill. Hydraulics, dynamometer, tractor piston sets.  
 MADSEN SERVICE, Mpls. 8. Madsen oil and gas burners.  
 MAICO-MIDWESTERN DIV., Mpls. 1. Audiometer, hearing aids, training equipment.  
 MALLEABLE IRON RANGE CO., Beaver Dam, Wis. Monarch stoves, ranges.  
 J. C. MARLOW MILKING MACHINE CO., Mankato, Minn. Marlow milking machines.  
 MASSEY-HARRIS-FERGUSON, INC., Hopkins, Minn. Farm machinery.  
 MAYRATH, INC., Dodge City, Kansas. Grain auger, elevators, spraying equipment.  
 MELROE MFG. CO., Mpls. 20. Drawbar windrow pickup sprayers, straw chopper, harrow.  
 MEYER MFG. CO., Morton, Ill. Hay conditioners, elevators, loaders, driers.  
 MIDLAND DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. 11. Sewmrow, Holiday sewing machines.  
 MIDWEST COMPANY, INC., Mpls. 1. Davis loader and back-hoe, grain dryer, ditcher.  
 MILEY TRAILER COMPANY, Savage, Minn. Miley tandem 2 horse trailer.  
 MINNHYBRID GROWERS ASS'N., Waterville, Minn. Certified Minhybrid seed corn.  
 MINN-KOTA MANUFACTURING CO., Moorhead, Minn. Rock pickers, swathers, best toppers.  
 MPLS. CURIA of LEGION of MARY, Mpls. 9. Church activities information.  
 MINNEAPOLIS FREEMAN MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. 16. Front end loaders, attachments.  
 MINNEAPOLIS MOLINE COMPANY, Hopkins, Minn. Farm machinery.  
 MINNEAPOLIS STAR AND TRIBUNE, Mpls. 15. Information, maps, program.
- MINNESOTA AFL-CIO FEDERATION of LABOR, St. Paul 2. Union productions.  
 MINNESOTA BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT ASS'N. INC., St. Paul 4. Asphalt paving materials.  
 MINNESOTA BREWERS' ASS'N., St. Paul 2. Barley display with U of M.  
 MINNESOTA CHIROPRACTIC ASS'N., Mpls. 7. Chiropractic health education.  
 MINNESOTA DFL STATE CENTRAL COMM., Mpls. 4. Headquarters.  
 MINNESOTA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION, St. Paul 1. Headquarters.  
 MINNESOTA FARM BUREAU SERVICE CO., St. Paul 1. Farm hardware, chemicals, feeds.  
 MINNESOTA FARMER MAGAZINE, Mpls. 3. Farm publication.  
 MINNESOTA FARMERS UNION, St. Paul 14. Activities display.  
 MINNESOTA FEDERATION of WOMEN'S CLUBS, St. Paul 5. Literature, Year Book, pictures.
- MINNESOTA HEART ASSOCIATION, St. Paul 4. Informative display.  
 MINNESOTA PAINTS, INC., Mpls. 15. Paints, varnish, oils.  
 MINNESOTA PETROLEUM GAS ASS'N., St. Paul 1. L P G appliances.  
 MINNESOTA PRE-CAST CONCRETE STEP CO., St. Paul 4. Concrete steps, railings.  
 MINNESOTA SOCIETY for PREVENTION of BLINDNESS, Mpls. 1. Literature, mobile unit.  
 MINNESOTA TUBERCULOSIS and HEALTH ASS'N., St. Paul 2. T B literature.  
 MINNESOTA UNITED NATIONS ASS'N., Mpls. 1. U N Bldg. model, literature, flags.  
 MINNESOTA WATCHMAKERS' ASS'N., Hector, Minn. Activities display.  
 MINNESOTA WOOLEN CO., Mpls. 17. Family clothing.  
 MODERN GREEN HOUSE MFG. CO., Mpls. 18. Private, commercial green houses.  
 MONARCH CHEMICALS, INC., Mpls. 21. Dairy industry chemicals.  
 THE J. STUART MOORE CO., Mpls. 6. Awnings, shutters, doorheads, windows, doors.  
 THE MORIN COMPANY, St. Paul 7. Roofing, siding, awnings, doors, windows.  
 MOULTON IRRIGATION CO., Withrow, Minn. Pipe, valves, fittings, pumping units.  
 MUSCULAR DISTROPHY ASS'N. of AMERICA, St. Paul 4. Association activities.  
 THE F. E. MYERS & BRO. CO., Ashland, Ohio. Power pumps, water systems, softeners.
- NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of ACCOUNTANTS, Mpls. 3. Association information.  
 NATIONAL BUSHING & PARTS CO., Mpls. 3. Chain saws, Clinton engines.  
 NATIONAL FOUNDATION for INFANTILE PARALYSIS, Mpls. 16. Vaccine program, literature.
- NATVIK & COMPANY, Columbus, Wis. Farm machinery.  
 NECCHI DISTRIBUTORS of MINN., Mpls. 23. Necchi sewing machines, supplies.  
 NEW HOLLAND MACHINE COMPANY, Mpls. 20. Baler, raker, spreader, mower, wagons.  
 NEW IDEA FARM EQUIPMENT CO., Mpls. 1. Farm equipment.  
 NIENAS TRACTOR & IMPLEMENT, St. Paul 17. Farm machinery.  
 NORLING BROS., Svea, Minn. Silo, corn crib.  
 NORTH CENTRAL ELECTRICAL LEAGUE, Mpls. 2. Electric farm equipment, appliances.  
 NORTHWEST STANDARD PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 8. Home improvement exterior materials.  
 NORTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO., St. Paul 2. New equipment and services.  
 NORTHWESTERN BLAUGAS CO., St. Paul 14. Blaugas appliances, equipment.  
 NORWOOD STROLL-O-CHAIR CO., Mpls. 4. Baby safety equipment.
- ODD FELLOWS GRAND LODGE of MINNESOTA, St. Paul 2. Rest cottage, headquarters.  
 THE OLIVER CORPORATION, Mpls. 14. Farm machinery.  
 OLSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, Albert Lea, Minn. Hay tools, roto rakes, equipment.  
 OLSON RUG COMPANY, Chicago, Ill. Olson reversible rugs.  
 JOHN OSTER MFG. CO., Mpls. 26. Electric kitchen appliances.

OWATONNA MANUFACTURING CO. INC., Owatonna, Minn. Wirecrows, elevators, wagons

PAPEC MACHINE COMPANY, Hopkins, Minn. Forage harvesters, blowers, mixers, mills.  
 PAPER, CALMENSEN & CO., St. Paul 8. Feed mill hammers, scoop blades, etc.  
 PATZ COMPANY, Pound, Wis. Silage carts, manure spreaders, barn cleaners.  
 PERFECTION MANUFACTURING CORP., Belvidere, Ill. Milking machines, equipment.  
 PFISTER ASSOCIATED GROWERS, INC., Mankato, Minn. Pfister hybrid seed corn.  
 PIONEER FANNING MILL CO., Mpls. 11. Farm equipment specialties  
 PIONEER HI-BRED CORN CO., Des Moines 9, Iowa. Seed corn, and chicks.  
 PLANNED PARENTHOOD-MPLS. & ST. PAUL, Mpls. 3. Health, welfare education.  
 POWER TOOLS, INC., St. Paul 4. Power chain saws, outboard motors, lawn mowers.

R. B. S. MFG. CO., Montevideo, Minn. R B S breaker points.  
 RAINMAKER WATER SOFTENER CO., Mpls. 26. Water softener  
 RANGER EQUIPMENT CO., Delphi, Indiana. Portable chutes, scales, equipment  
 RATH MANUFACTURING CO., Janesville, Wis. Creamery equipment  
 RED WING SHOE CO., Red Wing, Minn. Red Wing shoes.  
 REPUBLICAN STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, St. Paul 1. Headquarters  
 RICHFIELD YARDS, Awning Div., Mpls. 8. Awnings.  
 RICHFIELD YARDS, Window Div., Mpls. 23. Aluminum combinations, enclosures  
 RITCHIE MFG. CO. INC., Conrad, Iowa. Frost proof hydrants, Livestock waterers.  
 ROCHESTER BREEDING FARMS' HATCHERY, Rochester, Minn. Viking chicks.  
 ROWELL, INC., St. Paul 14. Silo.  
 ROYAL ALUMINUM PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. 11. Aluminum building materials.  
 ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF AMERICA, Mpls. 6. Headquarters for members.  
 ROYCRAFT CO., Mpls. 3. Pfaff sewing machines.  
 RUDD HAMMOND ORGAN STUDIOS, INC., St. Paul 16. Hammond organs.  
 S. J. RUTHERFORD COMPANY, Mpls. 16. Power mower, garden tractors.

S. & H. MFG. CO., Winthrop, Minn. Silage chipper and unloader.  
 SAINT 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 8. Pictures, folders, headquarters.  
 SCHWARTZ MANUFACTURING CO., Lester Prairie, Minn. Hydraulic, mechanical equipment.  
 SEAL-O-MATIC, INC., Mpls. 16. Stainless steel cookware.  
 W. F. SHARPE, INC., Mpls. 6. Vertical drapes of fabric.  
 T. K. SHAVER IMPROVEMENT CO., St. Paul 17. Combination windows, doors.  
 SIEBRING MANUFACTURING CO., George, Iowa. Crop drying machine.  
 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., Mpls. 16. Skelgas appliances.  
 A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, Kankakee, Ill. Harvestore.  
 SNELLER MUSIC CO., Mpls. 2. Hammond organs.  
 SOCONY MOBIL OIL CO., INC., St. Paul 14. Petroleum products, oils, greases.  
 SONOTONE OF MINNEAPOLIS, Mpls. 2. Hearing aids.  
 SPENCER CHEMICAL CO., Kansas City 5, Mo. Ammonium nitrate fertilizer.  
 THE SPERRY & HUTCHINSON CO., Mpls. 3. S & H green stamp premium information.  
 STAINLESS & STEEL PRODUCTS CO., St. Paul 14. Bulk milk truck transport tanks.  
 STANDARD DRY WALL PRODUCTS, INC., New Eagle, Pa. Thor System products.  
 STANDARD ENGINEERING CO., Fort Dodge, Iowa. Grain elevator, wagon box and gear.  
 STANDARD OIL CO., Mpls. 1. Petroleum products, refining display.  
 STATE FARM INSURANCE CO., St. Paul 5. Insurance, auto life, fire information.  
 STATE GRANGE OF MINNESOTA, Mpls. 3. Publicity booth and headquarters.  
 STECKLEY HYBRID SEED CORN CO., Lincoln, Nebraska. Seed corn and sorghums.  
 STEEL STRUCTURES, INC., Mpls. 14. Steel buildings.  
 STEELCO STAINLESS STEEL CO., Chicago 40, Ill. Stainless steel cookware.  
 STELLIAN CO., St. Paul 13. Electrical appliances, Frigidaire, air conditioners.  
 W. R. STEPHENS CO., Mpls. 2. Buick automobiles, trucks.  
 STORM INDUSTRIES, INC., Dassel, Minn. Nests & cages for turkeys, chickens.  
 SUDENGA INDUSTRIES, George, Iowa. Grain auger, wagons, etc.  
 SUNSET EQUIPMENT CO., St. Paul 1. Dairy equipment.  
 SUPER SIX MFG. CO., Mpls. 18. Hydraulic loaders, sprayers.

TEMPCON, INC., Mpls. 8. Dari-Kool farm bulk milk cooler  
 TOMAHAK CORN CO., Belmond, Iowa. Seed corn.  
 TRACTOR SUPPLY CO., St. Paul 4. Farm implements, parts, accessories.  
 TRAIL-IT-MARINE DISTRIBUTORS, Mpls. 12. Amphibious house trailer.  
 TROJAN SEED CO., Olivia, Minn. Trojan hybrid seed corn.  
 TWENTIETH CENTURY MFG. CO., Mpls. 20. A. C. Welders.

UNITED-HAGIE HYBRIDS, INC., Des Moines 9, Iowa. Hybrid seed corn.  
 UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, St. Paul Div., St. Paul 1. Informative.  
 UNITED STATES POST OFFICE, Regional Vehicle Div., Mpls. 2. Mail truck display.  
 UNITED STATES ROOFING & SIDING CO., St. Paul 3. Siding, building materials.  
 UNIVERSAL MILKING MACHINE DIV., Albert Lea, Minn. Dairy equipment.

VAN DALE FARM MACHINES, INC., Wayzata, Minn. Automatic bunk feeder, unloaders.  
 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, St. Paul 1. Headquarters.  
 VOGT HEALTH APPLIANCE CO., St. Paul 16. Polorator, all purpose massager.

W C C O RADIO-T V, Mpls. 2. Teletype machine news, radio personalities.  
 W I S K RADIO STATION, St. Paul 6. Display and advertising promotion.



- COMO PARK LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 EVANG. LUTHERAN CHURCH OF HOLY COMMUNION, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 FALCON HEIGHTS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 FATHER VAL WIWCHAROWSKY, Chisholm, Minn. Dining Hall, lunch, 3.2 beer.  
 FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF ST. LOUIS PARK, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 HADASSAH—ST. PAUL CHAPTER, St. Paul. Kosher lunch, refreshments.  
 HAMLINE METHODIST CHURCH, At. Paul. Dining Hall, lunch, refreshments.  
 HOLMAN METHODIST CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 JEHOVAH LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 K. I. GIRLS CLUB, ST. PETRIE CHURCH, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 LUTHERAN COLPORTAGE SERVICE, INC., Mpls. Gospel literature, church supplies.  
 LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE, Mpls. Religious literature, novelties.  
 LUTHERAN WELFARE SOCIETY, Mpls. Christian Family Living coloring books.  
 MATERNITY OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH, St. Paul. Aprons.  
 OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ST. ANTHONY PARK METHODIST CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ST. COLUMBA MEN'S CLUB, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments, 3.2 beer.  
 ST. GEORGE SYRIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ST. JOHN'S CHURCH OF NEW CANADA, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments, Dining Hall.  
 ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, St. Paul. Dining Hall and lunch.  
 ST. OLAF LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mpls. Dining Hall.  
 ST. PATRICK'S GUILD, St. Paul. Catholic literature and supplies.  
 ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH, St. Paul. Dining Hall.  
 SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 TRINITY EVANG. LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.
- DAIRY FAIR EXHIBIT FUND, St. Paul. Dairy bar items, cheese, ice cream, cones.  
 WILLIAM F. DANIELSON, St. Paul. Pizza pie.  
 J. P. DART, Chicago, Ill. Clerisite eye glass cleaner. Fruit extracts.  
 JAMES A. DAVIS, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments, soft drinks, pop corn, cider, candy apples.  
 DAYLESS MANUFACTURING CO. INC., Chicago, Ill. Self-wringing sponge mop, waxer.  
 DE SHANE PRODUCTS, Mpls. Jewelry, watch bands, pins, earrings.  
 DEERS & WEBBER CO., Mpls. Miniature farm toys.  
 HAROLD W. DELVAUX, Mpls. Sling shot, miniature bowling.  
 DESPLENTER BROS., Chicago, Ill. Novelties, jewelry, pennants, paintings, whistles.  
 MRS. VICTORIA DEVINE, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 DICKINSON CONCESSION CO., Rogers, Minn. Grandstand refreshments, pop corn, drinks.  
 JOHN A. DICKSON PUBLISHING CO., St. Paul. Bibles, protestant, analytical.  
 DOANE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE, INC., Mpls. Agricultural Digest subscriptions.  
 DOUBLEWEAR SHOE CO., Mpls. Insulated rubber boots, shoes.  
 MRS. RAY DOUGHTY, St. Paul. Metro Derby race horse game.  
 DOWN TOWN Y'S MEN'S CLUB, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 WM. G. DRESSSEL, Mpls. Truck rear view mirror.  
 JOHN H. DROPIK, St. Paul. Root beer cabin.  
 DUFFY, WALTER E., Mpls. Lunch, refreshments. Games.  
 L. T. DUNHAM CO., St. Paul. Car parking south of Como Ave.  
 OTIS J. DYPWICK, St. Louis Park, Minn. Horse Show program and advertising.
- EAST SIDE POST NO. 358, AMERICAN LEGION, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 MILDRED EHLERS, Newport, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 BERTEL L. EKLUND, St. Paul. Lunch, donuts, coffee, soft drinks.  
 WM. F. ELDRIDGE, St. Paul. Official check room. Tobacco products.  
 MRS. LOUISE ELY, Mpls. Show "Enchanted Castle".  
 FAIR ENTERPRISES, Mpls. Programs, visors, hats, cushions, pennants, buttons.  
 FAMILY ALTAR BOOK STORE, St. Paul. Religious items, booklets, novelties.  
 JAMES FANELLI, Mpls. Famous painting reproductions.  
 FEATHER AND FIN PET SHOP, UPTOWN PET SHOP, Mpls. Birds, turtles, camelons, sup-  
 plies.
- R. A. FISCHER & CO., Glendale, Calif. Vjbra-tone massage unit.  
 J. A. FISCHER & DONALD HUSNIK, St. Paul. Weiners in bun, beverages.  
 S. FISHER, St. Paul. Peanuts, salted in shell.  
 FOLEY MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. Foley kitchen utensils.  
 FOREIGN BAZAAR, Mpls. India artware, metals, silk, ivory, rosewood.  
 MISS INA M. FORSMAN, St. Paul. Dining Hall, 3.2 beer in bottles.  
 MRS. PATRICIA M. FOSTER, St. Paul. Gift novelties, jewelry, games.
- JATES SALES, Mpls. Cord King iron cord holder, board pad.  
 HEN LAKE SANATORIUM, Oak Terrace, Minn. Handicraft made by patients.  
 V. GOLDBERG, Detroit, Mich. Jewelry.  
 TANLEY F. GORAL CO., Detroit, Mich. English foil prints.  
 J. V. GORMAN, Apple Valley, Calif. Gem shop, turquoise, African tiger eye, quartz.  
 JORDON L. GREENE, St. Paul. Long Range shooting gallery.  
 JROFF AND PAYTON, Mpls. Bibles, catholic and protestant.  
 GUNNARD COMPANY, Mpls. Gunnard canning set.  
 MRS. VICTOR H. GUSTAFSON, Mpls. Novelties, figurines, painted and unpainted.
- I. BAR Z. WESTERN STORE, Riverside, Mo. Ranch wear for horse and rider.  
 HENRY C. HAAS, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.

- DANNY HANIAN, Dallas, Texas. Lemonade.  
 JAMES F. HANNASCH, Mpls. Baseball game, Hi-Striker, Sno cones.  
 THEODORE A. HANNASCH, St. Paul. Toys.  
 EDWARD J. HANZELY, Hugo, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 HARMONY CHAPTER NO. 8, OES, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 JIM HARRIS, Mpls. Glass cutter, tool sharpener.  
 NELLIE E. HARRIS, Mpls. Punch needle, burlap rugs, fancy work.  
 GEORGE J. HAUB, St. Paul. Hamburgers and soft drinks.  
 LLOYD K. HAYS, Wisconsin Dells, Wis. Emblems, names stamped on felt.  
 HOBBY PAINTERS' STUDIO, Robbinsdale, Minn. Hobby supplies, gift items, plates.  
 LYNNE M. HOLMBERG, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 MRS. HAROLD HOLMQUIST, Willmar, Minn. Caramel corn, pop corn, soft drinks.  
 HOLTZERMANN'S, INC., Mpls. Table decorations, glass birds, food specialties.  
 HONEY WONDER CUP, Excelsior, Minn. Honey measuring cup.  
 ALLAN HOROWITZ, Mpls. Dairy bar, malted milk, sundaes, floats, sandwiches.  
 CHARLES M. HOUGH, Mpls. M. O. Skeet Range. Dining Hall. Kitchen gadget.  
 FRED HOWARD, Menomonie, Wis. Short range gallery.  
 HUTCHINSON SALES PABLION, Hutchinson, Minn. Leather goods for animals.
- INTERNATIONAL GRAPHO ANALYSIS SOC. INC., St. Paul. Hand writing analysis.  
 INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER CO., St. Paul. Miniature farm machinery toys, hats.  
 MRS. JENNIE IRRTHUM, Mpls. Soft drinks, pop corn.
- PAUL B. JACOBSON, Mpls. Archery, game of skill.  
 TED JAMBECK, Marine-on-St. Croix, Minn. Perfumes, colognes.  
 JAROS LUGGAGE, Mpls. Luggage and leather goods.  
 RAY L. JORDAN & SONS, INC., Mpls. Lawn ornaments.  
 JOYCE MFG. CO., St. Paul. Johnson iron cord holder.
- KALLESTAD AND WITTE, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 LEO KASINAK, San Diego, Calif. Miniature railway rides, car ride, Pop corn machines.  
 MRS. B. W. KERR, St. Paul. Jewelry, candy, Ti logs, handwriting, eye glass cleaner.  
 KERR GLASS MFG. CORP., Sand Springs, Okla. Kerr-Mason jars, lids, recipes.  
 KING MANUFACTURING CO., Mpls. Insect repellent. Laundry baskets.  
 KING SAFETY LADDER ARMS CORP., Mpls. Ladder arms supports.  
 JAMES B. KINGEN, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 MRS. GERTRUDE A. KRESS, Mpls. Gift items.  
 EMMETT KRUG, Normal, Ill. Flying saucers, crawling baby, pecking chicks.  
 MRS. MYRTLE KUENZLI, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 JAMES KUGLER, La Feria, Texas. Hand painted mirrors.  
 MRS. CLYDE and JAMES D. KUHN, Mpls. Wire jewelry.  
 MRS. DEVENDRA KUMAR, Mpls. East India recipes, food, pastries, candies.  
 MRS. LEE S. KYLE, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 KYLE & CROWE, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.
- LARRY AND BOB'S, Mpls. Styrofoam wood fibre flowers, table decorations.  
 LATIN AMERICAN IMPORTING CO., Mpls. Imported goods, wood, metal, straw.  
 MRS. GONOVAN M. LAWRENCE, Mpls. Wild life plaques.  
 LEE'S CANDIES, Mpls. Divinity, fudge, pecarmels, jelly candies, chocolates.  
 VERNON G. LEITE, Excelsior, Minn. Ball games.  
 J. W. LE LIEVRE, Chicago, Ill. Dart game, Short Range gallery.  
 LIFETIME COOKWARE CORP., Mpls. Lifetime stainless steel cookware.  
 MRS. K. R. LITTLE, Dallas, Texas. Dining Hall & 3.2 beer, Candy floss, games, scales.  
 LODENFREY CORPORATION, New York, N. Y. Bavarian sportswear imports.  
 WM. LOHMEIER, St. Paul. Films, cameras, photo finishing.  
 MRS. J. LUSK, Dallas, Texas. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ARTHUR E. LUX, St. Paul. Photos and photo specialties.
- H. A. McLINDEN, Yucaipa, Calif. Candy butcher shop, simulated meat candy.  
 CLINT McMULLIN, Chelsea, Okla. Gift and costume jewelry.  
 M. & M. ENTERPRISES, Faribault, Minn. Caramel, pop corn, peanuts.  
 LEO MAGEL & SON, Mpls. Bottle game.  
 MANUFACTURERS REMNANTS, Mpls. Piece goods, remnants, trimming.  
 AL MARKS, Naples, Fla. Gyroscope tops.  
 MARLIE TRADING, INC., New York. Tyler spiral saw blades.  
 MARVEL FOODS, INC., Mpls. Marvel chow mein, packaged, frozen, tea.  
 MARCY'S SUPPLY CO., St. Paul. Jewelry, novelty items.  
 MENGE AND KURSCHNER, St. Paul. Paint brush combination, electric cord reel.  
 MER-SHA CANDIES, St. Paul. Candy, caramel corn, root beer.  
 MERRIAM PARK CHAPTER NO. 199, OES, St. Paul. Cook book.  
 MRS. MABEL E. MERRISS, Mpls. Artificial flowers, figurines, plaques, mottoes.  
 JOHN V. MICKMAN, Mpls. Mexican burro rides.  
 MIDDLE STATES DISTRIBUTING CO., Mpls. Stuffed animals, toys, dolls.  
 MIDLAND POP CORN COMPANY, Mpls. Wholesale pop corn, supplies.  
 MIDWAY SIGN CO., St. Paul. Sign and card painting.  
 MIDWEST CONCESSION CO., Mpls. Long range shooting gallery, short range gallery.  
 MATT & ALICE MILNER, Mpls. Novelty stands.  
 MINN. DAIRY INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, St. Paul. Milk bar—"All you can drink for a dime."  
 MINNETONKA MOCCASSIN CO., Mpls. Indian moccasins, dolls, souvenirs.  
 LOUIS MITCHELL, Mpls. Engraving on glass, dishes, goblets, etc.  
 MODERN HOMECRAFT CO., St. Paul. Stainless steel flatware and cook wear.  
 MOEN MFG. CO., Mpls. Fishing tackle gadget, hook and leader holder.

- THE MONOGUE COMPANY, St. Paul. "Flip-It" ball in cup toy.  
 MRS. ELLA MORRISON, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 JOHN S. MORTON, St. Paul. Cooking gadgets, egg and cream whipper.  
 ALFRED J. MUNN, White Bear Lake, Minn. Tobacco, cigarettes, candy, gum.
- NATURAL FOODS, INC., Olmsted Falls, Ohio. Vita Mix, Food grinder, mixer, juicer.  
 MRS. SADIE NAUSS, Mpls. Cake decorator.  
 ROBERT NELLER, Appleton, Wis. "HUMATONE" whistles, and "Reggie."  
 MRS. MAY L. NERNEY, Pontiac, Mich. Saf-T-Site eye glass cleaner.  
 NEW HORIZONS CO., Morris, Minn. Unusual cook book.  
 NEW PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. Personalized stencils. Putty knife.  
 NIAGARA MINN. CO., Mpls. Niagara massage equipment.  
 RICHARD E. NIELSEN, St. Paul. Scale model railroad exhibit, miniature.  
 NORTHWEST ORGAN CO., Mpls. Electronic organs and accessories.  
 NORTHWESTERN BOOK & BIBLE HOUSE, Mpls. Religious literature, pictures, cards.  
 NORTHWESTERN WOOLEN CO., Mpls. Snow suits, jackets, wearing apparel.
- MISS TILLIE ODBERG, Center City, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 OLD DUTCH FOODS, Mpls. Old Dutch food products.  
 OLD MILL COMPANY, Oklahoma City, Okla. Canal boat ride.  
 FRED C. O'NEIL, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments, games, "Stick Dog".  
 MRS. GEORGE J. O'NEIL, Mpls. T shirts, scarves, aprons.  
 ORIENTAL GIFT SHOP, St. Paul. Imported Oriental goods, novelties, souvenirs.  
 SAM OVERBACH, Mpls. Tricks, novelty toys.
- PETERS MEAT PRODUCTS, INC., St. Paul. Peters weiners, coffee, Coca Cola.  
 PETERS SALES CO., Mpls. Water control, sewer care, supplies.  
 Harold Pickett, Joplin, Mo. Root beer barrel.  
 PLATZ PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. Weatherella, plastic rain hat. Pencil sharpener.  
 PRAIRIE SUNSET RANCHWEAR, INC., Howard Lake, Minn. Family clothing items.  
 THE PURYEAR COMPANY, Clarinda, Iowa. National cake decorator, cookie press.
- R. & S. SALES, St. Paul. Appliances, needle threader, wrench sets, tools, toys.  
 CHESTER J. RAICHE, St. Paul. Garment hangers, for pants, skirts, belts, ties.  
 MISS DELLA RAUEN, St. Paul. Gifts and religious items.  
 REELWAY PRODUCTS CO., Mpls. Clothes line reel.  
 L. E. RIBAR, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments, soft drinks, pop corn.  
 RICHFIELD JAYCEES, Richfield, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 ROBBINSDALE CHAPTER NO. 238, OES, Robbinsdale, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 JACK L. ROBINSON, Mpls. Pizza Palace.  
 ROBINSON & BREDE, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments, Barbecue, 3.2 beer, waffle shop.  
 ROBINSON ENTERPRISES, Chicago, Ill. Weight scales, games, lunch, refreshments.  
 ROLLA CHAPTER NO. 254, OES, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 A. D. ROSENZWEIG, Dallas, Texas. Jewelry and leather goods.  
 SOL ROSENZWEIG, Dallas, Texas. Leather goods and jewelry.  
 ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS, Tampa, Fla. Carnival, and concessions.  
 MRS. CHARLES RUDIGER, St. Paul. Ceramics, for planters, lamps, etc.  
 V. V. RUNYON, Bradenton, Fla. Cake decorator, rosette irons.
- WALTER SARVIE, Alexandria, Minn. Hamburger shop.  
 PAUL A. SCHMITT MUSIC CO., Mpls. Conn organ and instruction book.  
 MICHAEL J. SCHNEIDER, Jr., St. Paul. Pop corn.  
 SCHROEDER, RILLING & RYDBERG, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 SCHUNEMAN'S, INC., St. Paul. Faribo blankets and woolen mill products.  
 WILLIAM A. SCHUPPEL, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 SEIDL DISTRIBUTING CO., Shakopee, Minn. "Toppers" trouser and skirt hangers.  
 EDWARD W. SETTERHOLM, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 GEORGE P. SHAW, Phoenix, Ariz. Jewelry.  
 MRS. N. D. SHENEMAN, Little Falls, Minn. Oil painting on art board.  
 A. V. SHOGREN, Mpls. Penny Arcade, and games.  
 SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY OF MINN., Mpls. Literature and headquarters.  
 RALPH C. SPRINGER CO., Culver City, Calif. Crazy Daisy Winder.  
 ST. PAUL BOOK & STATIONERY CO., St. Paul. Arts and crafts supplies, toys.  
 ST. PAUL SOCIETY FOR BLIND, St. Paul. Blind made products.  
 MRS. E. C. STANGER, Mpls. Hand painted, and hand made articles.  
 STAR IMPORT CO., Olmsted Falls, Ohio. Black Forest cuckoo clocks.  
 STATE FAIR TRANSPORTATION CO., Mpls. Bus line on Fair Grounds schedule.  
 ROY D. STEELMAN, Rockford, Iowa. Ray guns, games.  
 STEICHEN FOOD MARKET, St. Paul. Super food market and meats.  
 MRS. CLARA A. STRAND, Stillwater, Minn. Lunch, refreshments.  
 K. T. SWANSON, Mpls. Social Security cards, medallions.  
 SWEDISH AGENCY, Mpls. Swedish and other imports for household.  
 SWEDISH GIFT SHOP, Mpls. Scandinavian imports, gift merchandise.  
 THE SWISS SHOP, Mpls. Swiss materials, handkerchiefs, aprons.  
 SYNDICATE SALES CO., Mpls. 1. Plastic plants, kitchen gadgets, pastry tools.
- TANDY LEATHER CO., St. Paul. Leather Do-it-Yourself kits, supplies.  
 TEASLEY'S, St. Paul. Imported hard candies.  
 CLIFFORD J. THOMPSON, St. Paul. Lunch, refreshments.  
 MARTIN FRANKLIN THORI, St. Paul. Dining Hall and 3.2 beer. Lunch, refreshments.  
 THORNTON'S KIDDELAND, Duluth, Minn. Steam train rides.  
 TINY TIM DONUTS, (Davis) St. Paul. Tiny donuts.  
 TOM THUMB DONUT CORP. of MINN., Mpls. Donuts, cream puffs, fried pies.

TOWNSEND and JOHNSON, Fergus Falls, Minn. Foot long hot dogs, Roman Target game.  
 TROPICAL SHELL SHOP, Marine-on-St. Croix, Minn. Shell jewelry.  
 TWIN CITY NOVELTY CO., Mpls. Penny Arcade.  
 TYROLEAN LODEN CO., New York. Sportswear imports from Vienna, Austria.  
 ARTHUR L. TYSK, St. Paul. Pop corn, soft drinks.

UKRAINIAN GIFT SHOP, Mpls. Easter egg painting, Ukrainian art novelties.  
 M. E. ULRICH, Mpls. Desk sets, pens, leather specialties.  
 UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY WORK SHOP, St. Paul. Merchandise made by patients.  
 U. S. COURTESY BENCH CORPORATION, Mpls. Advertising on courtesy benches.  
 UNITED TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.

JAMES D. VALEZQUEZ, Asbury Park, N. J. Fizz or bottle caps.  
 VIN-ORG, of Mid-American Milling, Omaha, Nebr. Fertilizer advertising.

V. W. WALLGREN, Mpls. Color Pix, adapter for T V.  
 PAUL S WARD, Costa Mesa, Calif. Lunch, refreshments.  
 PAUL M. WARREN, New Brighton, Minn. Short range shooting gallery.  
 WAYNE WARREN, Mpls. Pop corn and caramel corn.  
 MRS. WINIFRED S. WATTERS, St. Petersburg, Florida. Shell jewelry.  
 MRS. ILDA G. WEINHOLZER, St. Paul 13. Stuffed animals, toys.  
 WILLIAMS AND RODRIGUEZ, St. Paul. Cafeteria.  
 HENRY M. WINGE, Mpls. Hand painted plaques, figurines, pins.  
 WISCONSIN CHERRY INSTITUTE, Sturgeon Bay, Wis. Cherry products display.  
 VINCENT S. WISNIEWSKI, St. Paul. Press Ever hangers, steel pads. Kleenex.  
 I. H. WOLFINBARGER, San Antonio, Texas. Photo gallery.  
 C. A. WOODIN, Joplin, Mo. Roman target game.

B. F. YANKOVICH, Mpls. Lunch, refreshments.  
 YELLOW CAB CO., St. Paul. Taxi cab service to St. Paul.

# PROCEEDINGS

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NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

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# MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

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## MONDAY MORNING SESSION

January 6, 1958

### Minnesota State Agricultural Society

The Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, held at the Hotel St. Paul, St. Paul, Minnesota, was called to order at 11:00 o'clock, A.M., in the Continental Room, First Vice President Robert R. Andrews, Minneapolis, presiding.

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: Ladies and gentlemen, Ted Arens is not able to be here due to serious illness in his family, and I'm going to substitute for him.

Welcome to the Ninety-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Association. The order of business is to have the delegates assemble into congressional districts and nominate a member to the Credentials Committee and a member to the Resolutions Committee. If you would assemble into congressional districts in the room here and do that now, we'll wait for your nominees' names.

(A brief recess was taken.)

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: Mr. Baldwin, the Secretary of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society will read the report.

. . . Secretary Baldwin read the names of those selected for the Credentials Committee and Resolutions Committee as follows: . . .

#### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY:

SECRETARY BALDWIN: 1st District, Merle Almo; 2nd District, Lewis Merrill; 3rd District, George W. Larson; 4th District, Ed Heckeroth; 5th District, Ike Byers; 6th District, Verner Anderson; 7th District, Winn Lange; 8th District, Mrs. Margaret Laurin; 9th District, Harveydale Maruska.

The Credentials Committee will meet at 11:00 o'clock tomorrow morning in the University Room, which is right across the hall from this meeting room

#### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY:

1st District, Herman Jensen; 2nd District, Everett Oleson; 3rd District, E. K. Irvine; 4th District, Robert Freeman; 5th District, Ike Byers; 6th District, Birney Wilkins; 7th District, Frank Mitchell; 8th District, Norbert Harms; 9th District, D. B. Franklin.

And the Resolutions Committee will meet in the Sibley Room, which is directly across from this meeting room, at 11:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.

VICE PRESIDENT ANDREWS: And the State Agricultural Society will adjourn until 2:00 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and that meeting takes place in this room.

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

## TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

January 7, 1958

### Minnesota State Agricultural Society

The meeting was called to order at two o'clock by President Arens.

PRESIDENT ARENS: May I have your attention? We're a little late in getting started for this afternoon's program. Inasmuch as our feature speaker wants to get away quickly we are going to change our procedure on the program a little bit.

Without ado, I want to present to you our Governor, Orville Freeman.  
(Applause.)

## ADDRESS BY THE HONORABLE ORVILLE L. FREEMAN

### Governor of Minnesota

GOVERNOR FREEMAN: Thank you very much President Arens, Secretary Baldwin, members of the Board, officers, officers and directors of the local fairs and county societies, our distinguished guest from Tennessee Mr. Wynne, and ladies and gentlemen.

I appreciate your courtesy, Ted, in permitting me to appear on this program a little bit early. I regret that I will miss your report, which will come in a few minutes, and I know will be very informative. But I can assure you that I'm looking forward to reading it as I do the proceedings and reports and try and keep a bit informed as to the progress of this organization and the outstanding work that you're all doing.

I note on this program I'm scheduled to give an "Address." That sounds awfully formal to me, and I'm sure it does to you. It reminds me a little bit about the quip of the fellow who was called on at the conclusion of a long long program, and introduced by the toastmaster in terms that he was to present his address. And he stood up and he said, "My address is 2316 Seabury Avenue. Let's go home." (Laughter.)

I always look forward to the chance to visit with you a bit, and more particularly and more especially to pay my respects to all of you for the outstanding work that you are doing. Last evening I enjoyed seeing and visiting some of you, and Mr. Baldwin very graciously gave me a copy of the report that just came from the printer this morning. And I had a chance to look it over, and it certainly is another year of progress and effective service to the people of the State of Minnesota. It evidences your interest, your participation in decision making, and the very fine officers you've selected, and the fine management of our State Fair of the State Society. It's good to note that we actually did break that outer gate record. Doug, you'll remember and, Ted, that I participated in that because you had me over there for dinner, and I was praying right along with you that the weather would permit it. And even though it did rain a bit here and there, why, you came through.

It's good to see again that you're in the black. I hope I'm not stealing anybody's part by repeating these things at this stage of the game, but they impressed me that you are in the black even though because of the weather, the receipts and the over-all were down just a little bit.

By the same token that the program of improvement continues and the policies in relation to improvements that have been financed by this organization and our fair as a self-liquidating--or, we shouldn't say liquidating--a self-sustaining operation continues. All of these surely are encouraging and positive things to know. And for that record, most assuredly I congratulate each and everyone of you. And I want to say with real sincerity that I'm extremely proud of this fine work.

The same thing can be said for your county fairs. I didn't get to quite as many this year as the one before; although, in the last two years I haven't missed very many. And may I thank you all for the many invitations that I received, and assure you that if the schedule doesn't permit my getting there, it isn't because I don't want to. Because every time I visit a county fair, have a chance to drift around and look at the exhibits, see what you're producing in the area, visit with people, and see the good fellowship and enjoyment as well as the constructive effort that goes into each of those, believe me it gives me a feeling of pride. And, although, my direct participation is most limited, none the less, it's a very real feeling of accomplishment just as another Minnesotan.

A personal word, too, you made me feel very much at home in all of these instances. And the little courtesies of helping me to get around and see peo-

ple and feel that I'm genuinely welcome are really and sincerely appreciated. And, of course, the same thing has been true at the State Fair, and especially this last year where I spent really several days and had an opportunity to spend a good bit of time with some of the members of the Board and the officers. And it helped me to inform myself a bit more as to your operation.

I didn't notice in this report anywhere, Doug, and I'm going to do a little bit of bragging here now, but I am proud of the improvement of the exhibits of the State of Minnesota. And after the previous year, why, we went back and went to work, and I think I can say that the displays in the building—and I agree with all of you that it's not a good enough building, with every other exhibitor, too, as a matter of fact. I'm sure that's the usual tune. But the displays from our state were vastly improved. And corresponding, in the number of people who visited it, and I think the information about what goes on in state government was substantially increased. And for that we're very grateful and humbly proud. I think our state government departments really outdid themselves. All in all, you can surely feel the satisfaction of a job well done.

I even had the opportunity under the instance of Norris Carnes to present a trophy to one of the winners in the horse show contest. And the only problem about that is that I rode out in a car and this very very lovely young girl walked out in high-heeled shoes, but it all worked out very very well. As a matter of fact, as I said, you've been most friendly, and for that I thank you.

It reminds me a little bit of a story, speaking about friends. It's somewhat pertinent to me, because as you may have heard, Mrs. Freeman and I and a group of representative Minnesotans went to the orient recently. I heard this story about the man who was getting prepared to go overseas in one of these countries where you run into strange diseases and maladies, and, of course, you're supposed to take shots for just about everything. Well, this fellow went back to the doctor three or four times and he had shots for just about everything in the book. And finally when he thought he was all through the night before he was to leave on his trip he woke up in the middle of the night and had the terrible thought that nothing had been done for him in the event of snake bites. So he immediately got up as soon as it was light and called the doctor for an appointment. By this time the doctor was rather disgusted. He came in and he was all out of breath and he said, "Doctor, what am I going to do if I get bit by a snake?" And the doctor looked at him, and he raised his eyebrows, and he said, "Have you got a penknife?" He said, "Suppose that you were bit on the arm here. Take that knife and just slit it a little bit on both sides of the place where the snake struck you." And he said, "Put that to your mouth and suck out the venom and spit it out, and that's all there is to it." The fellow thought for a moment and he said, "But, doctor, what if I get bit on the seat?" The doctor said, "Well, that's when you find out if you've got any friends or not." (Laughter.)

The comment to the left was that you didn't have to go to Japan to get that. No, Ted, I got that right here in good ole Minnesota.

Permit me if you will just a few comments by way of a quick report in connection with some things that go on in our State of Minnesota. I know that all of us have been viewing with very deep concern, and we will be participating as individuals in the great debate that takes place in our country today to decide a number of very very vital and important questions. Questions pertaining to our national defense, to the position of our preparedness in relation to the Soviet Union. How much we can and should invest, and what we should invest it in. Grave and vitally important questions. Basic debate is shaping up in connection with education in this land of ours. What it should be all the way up the line. If we have not been offering the kind of subject matter and the kind of stimulus and incentive that's going to build the kind of informed and able citizenry that's essential to this space age in which we live.

By the same token our place in the world in connection with economic aid, and what we're to do in terms of trying to support far-flung countries where over a billion people have in recent years become free and are filled with desires, wants, and aspirations. Aspirations which in their own resources in some instances, and particularly the limit of their knowledge and abilities, indicate that it will take some time for them to attain even under the best of circumstances. And what we should do about this, and how we make these basic decisions. This is indeed a critical period in the world's history. And we, as a state, and all of us as individuals, have a very very vital and important part to play in making these decisions and in carrying them out.

One realizes that, especially when you have had the opportunity to see some of these other lands. I could pick out a number of them, but I'm just struck with the thought here now looking at you men and women, all of you outstanding leaders in a lot of different kinds of activities. All of you dedicated public servants in view of the service that you render and the accomplishments here. The real talents and capacities in terms of working with others and in communities and in organizations.

I don't suppose you have thought, and I haven't much until I was on this trip, just what an outstanding and remarkable organizational structure we have in this nation of ours. And this very organization is a good example of it. The local societies. Their democratic functioning. Their centralized kind of administration, of the effective job it's done. The rather unusual and the enormously far-flung make-up of this State Society. And the fact that although it is in a sense rather loosely organized in terms of its legal structure, that it's administered this program so effectively, and such fine leadership has come to the front. You know, if upon a political scientist's organizational chart this pattern of organization would hardly rate as one that would be expected to be efficient, but it surely has been. And it has been because of you, and because we have the kind of people that work and co-operate together to get a job done.

Let me take, for example, under contrast, the nation of Korea. Wonderful, dedicated people; extremely desirous of building their nation with a feeling of pride and a real consideration for others. I was tremendously impressed with the people in that little country. A country under 50 years of hard Japanese occupation and a very rugged civil war. Four million refugees today in southern Korea. And I visited with some of their government leaders, outstanding people, but oh so few. And this may be an exaggeration, but I would venture to say that there are not in the whole nation of Korea today as many people as there are in this room with comparable skills of working and living and administering things together. This is in one sense the dimension of the problem that we face in trying to help these lands. And, believe me, the very very precious and basic resources we have in this great nation, and I believe we have particularly in our state, is our people. Their degree of education, of experience. Their dedication to sound ideas and decent principles, and their willingness to work with others to build better communities. Their kind of experience and background and understanding is so likeable, and indeed we're so very very fortunate to have it. And I think, as it is said, that "He who has much also has a great responsibility," and indeed we have it. And we have it as we help make these decisions on a national level. And we surely have it here as we do our part of building our state, of setting an example and of adding to the collective strength of our nation. And in that connection, I'm happy to report to you with confidence and optimism that I believe that we are making very substantial progress in the State of Minnesota.

This coming week-- I just finished this morning working over a manuscript-- I'll start a series of some 80 speeches and stops around the State of Minnesota on the biennial report to the people that I started in 1956, based on the premise that an off-legislative year there were budget purchases in state government. And the Governor had an obligation to get out and talk to people about it. This report that we've shaped up is, as I say, one of optimism

and I think one of accomplishment. It points the way to a lot to be done, but also to a substantial groundwork laid.

Let me refer to just a few of these things quickly, because this is neither the time nor the place to elaborate on them in any great detail, but I may not have a chance to talk to you and I would like to make just a few comments. One of the burning questions and one of the great obligations and one factor that's basically important to our future is that of education. Happily, the last session of our legislature showed the greatest step forward in education in the history of this state. And I say that without qualification. The increase in appropriation was substantial, approximately 32 per cent. But it supports a program which insures minimum standards throughout the state for primary and secondary school children, and an enormous investment in our colleges and universities. An increase in the number of professors. An increase in their pay and operating budget. An increase in the building program in our state colleges, the former teachers colleges of 325 per cent. An increase in the building program of the university of 150 per cent. And for the first time in the history of this state, the payment of basic aid for junior colleges. Because, my friends, within 10 years without a shadow of a doubt we're going to have twice as many children seeking higher education in the State of Minnesota. And we're not going to produce teachers or build buildings with a snap of a finger. And the beginning has been launched, and hopefully it can carry on.

In terms of our economy. We've had great problems in agriculture this last year, and no one knows better than you. Bad weather, especially in the northwestern and the southwestern part of the state, has resulted in some serious losses. I recently sent a survey team up to the northwestern part of the state, in six of the most hard-hit counties. They went to every farmer in a number of townships. The report is indeed a grave and serious one in relation to the fall-off in income, which is more than one-half of every single farm surveyed as compared with 1954, which was the last decent crop year. There have been other faults in agriculture. And they, of course, in part are part of the great debate in terms of the national farm program.

Outside of agriculture, which, of course, is basic to our state, continued progress happily continues. For the first time we reversed an old ten-year trend and more people came into Minnesota than moved out of it. Not a great many, about 4300 to be exact. But up until this last year we have been losing people in terms of net figures, when you take the number who are born and the number who die, and then see where you are. It's obvious that some moved out instead of moving in. We've attracted new industry. Our personal income has gone up. We have more development in corporations to attract industry in this state than any other state in the United States. And a new development in credit corporations to make credit available to small minute businesses otherwise unable to gain financing will go into operation very soon.

We have today the greatest promotion and advertising program in the history of this state. The series in the "Wall Street Journal" emphasizing Minnesota's people and our state as the place to live is the most extensive in the history of that publication. This is financed, as some of you know, both by contributions from local communities, Minnesota business, and state government. The display space is shared by all three. And this is a long-term proposition. We measured and carefully surveyed the effects of our other advertising, and we feel that it's getting good results.

Personally, one of the things that's most gratifying to me is the fact that I believe our people by enlarge have a greater understanding and realization of the real benefits and the real privileges that we have in this state, and really what a wonderful place it is to live. And as we become increasingly aware of that fact, and anxious to talk about it, I think it's going to have an increasingly important effect in further expansion and more gains.

We've got plenty of problems. I spent this morning with the Highway Department. And many of you in rural areas, this is a tough one. We're en-

gaging in an enormous highway building program, which has grown almost overnight, with a new distribution of funds, with some new laws, with a shortage until at least very very recently of skilled personnel, and an enormous administrative and organizational job, to get the plans and to get the program under way. I'm confident we're making real progress, but it's hard work and there's surely a lot more to be done.

Well, I could spell out a number of other things, but I'm not going to burden you with them. This is an example of some of the things I'm going to visit about all over the state with other elected officials of both parties—this isn't a partisan thing in any sense of the word—and with department heads from all of our departments. So people can come on in and sit down, listen to a presentation, ask questions, get information, and get orientation as to what we do, because I feel so firmly, and the more I'm in government I feel it more firmly, that an informed and active and concerned citizenry is the only way to good government. Because if the public isn't informed, why, then the pressures and the pressure groups and the special interests have an influence, and it's disproportioned. Because, after all, the matter of public office is subject to a host of pressures. And the net result is if people who want to interest themselves and to guide programs into serving all of our people are concerned, why, then the special pressure boys get more than they should. And so I feel this very very strongly. Public opinion determines and, of course, public opinion is you. It's everyone who bothers to find out and takes the trouble to say something, and in the process helps to formulate public opinion which determines where we go and what we do.

One closing shot about this: Our fiscal situation is excellent as of now. If we have a downturn in terms of the national economy, which seems so present today,—inflation is changed to deflation ever so rapidly in this nation—why, we'll feel it as well as the rest of the nation. Not as quickly because we have a more balanced economy than most states. When you can divide up your big income producers into five groups, namely: agriculture, forest products, tourism, mining, and industry, you've got a pretty good distribution. So we don't feel it so quick. Happily, as of the end of this year, we are in better shape than we were a year ago. Our general revenue fund has a balance today of approximately \$16,000,000 in the black. A year ago at this time it was about \$6,000,000. Frankly, three, four years ago at this time the figures were pretty red.

Education accounts at the moment as we project them are about balancing out despite the fact of a stranded program. Happily, this was done, as you know, without increasing taxes. State taxes at the last session of the legislature were decreased. The head tax was repealed. The credits on income taxes were changed on the bonus surtax. The net result is a tax reduction in the neighborhood of \$15,000,000 over the biennium. There were certain small increases in other areas, but they don't balance out the decreases.

The debt figures, of course, are growing as they are in any expanding business, co-operative organization, or what have you. We're financing part of our highways through bonds. And, of course, our public buildings, our hospitals, our colleges and our university programs are financed now on a 15 year basis, which means we pay for them as we use them. And in that process we're incurring capital investments, and along with it a debt structure which is retired and has to be under law by revenues that are pledged to systematically retire those obligations year by year.

But on the over-all, the picture fiscalwise at this point, assuming that we do not have economic turndown in the next year, is I think going to continue strong. All in all, it is a picture of optimism and confidence. And I feel that we can more than continue to play the part we have in helping to strengthen our nation, and by the same token to set an example just as you set it.

For example, one time I had some visitors to see me from Burma, and they wanted to know about democracy and how we work. And I took out

the statute book and I told them about this organization, and how the county fair boards were selected and the local societies, and how the State Society functioned, and how many people were involved, an example of functioning working democracy. And I think we've got to continue that example and perhaps even improve it to build our strength, to improve the lives of our people, to plan intelligently in terms of the changes that this kind of a world entails. But in the process I think here we can do it with confidence and optimism, with mutual co-operation, understanding and consideration with one another.

Your record here for this past year has been outstanding. I salute and commend you for it, and wish you the very very best for what I know will be another year of progress for this great organization. Good luck, thank you, and God speed. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Governor, for your talk to us. We're sorry that you can't stay for the rest of our program. We're thankful that you took time out in your busy program to spend this half hour with us.

Now, it becomes my duty to take my part on the program.

## ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT

T. H. ARENS

PRESIDENT ARENS: Just a year ago I discussed with you matters concerning the safe-guarding and extending into the future the prestige of the Minnesota State Fair. Today I request you to bear with me while I review briefly the theme of my talk last year and extend my remarks on the basis of observations and experiences relative to this topic since a year ago. I called to your attention the indomitable will and faith and foresight of our agricultural pioneers, who in less than one life span developed Minnesota into an outstanding agrarian empire. Hardly out of its infancy Minnesota ranks 18th in population, 12th in land area, 6th in cropland, 6th in total agricultural income, 7th in all cattle, 5th in hogs, 4th in chickens, 3rd in dairy products, and 2nd in turkeys. In major crop production we place in the upper ten with third rank for corn. We can boast, too, that our state gave to the world the three largest farm marketing organizations and that these firms, the Land O Lakes, The Farmers' Union Grain Terminal Association, and the Central Livestock Shipping Association—continue to maintain their home offices in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

We noted further, a year ago, that members of our Territorial Assemblies and subsequent legislatures, took note of the great agricultural potential of our region and of the progressive and aggressive spirit of our early citizens, and properly emphasized the development of agriculture by the enactment of a long series of specific statutes. It follows that we now have on our statute books more space devoted specifically to agriculture than has any other state in the Union, that one of the very first such statutes passed nearly a hundred years ago provided for the creation and functions of our present State Agricultural Society. We indicated as a logical sequence, that the state fair secretaries and members of the board of managers all through the years kept faith with the early pioneers and noted carefully the mandates of the legislature to the end that we now have and have had for a decade or more the outstanding state fair of the Nation—a fair that truly represents in a most expressive way the industry which stems from the products of our fields, forest, mines and waters.

I listed for you at our last annual meeting the many firsts we claim for our fair: (1) largest in area, nearly 300 acres; (2) largest plant investment, actually \$11,000,000 and with an estimated replacement of \$30,000,000; (3) largest actual count attendance for a ten day fair—in excess of 1,000,000 patrons; (4) largest livestock buildings, horticulture building, Hippodrome, Conservation Building, and largest exclusive 4-H Club Building; (5) largest and most colorful Machinery Hill in the Western Hemisphere, eighty acres in one area dedicated to the display of agricultural equipment, and allied machines and attachments;

the only place in the nation where all the major manufacturers of farm machinery display their complete lines in competition with each other; our machinery hill is recognized by the U. S. Patent Office as the only place on the North American Continent where they can obtain a composite picture of the progress in the improvement and development of farm equipment; (6) largest premium purse for exhibitors and contestants, now approaching a quarter of a million dollars annual; (7) largest expenditure for grandstand amusement, in excess of \$120,000; (8) largest midway area which accommodates the largest traveling carnival in the world; (9) we have the most popular one-half mile dirt race track on the continent. In 1905 the first automobile race in the United States was staged here. It has produced some of the outstanding world's record harness horse races and it has produced a large majority of the world's record one-half mile dirt track auto races. All of the big name auto race drivers have performed on the State Fair track; (10) we are the only state fair which has eliminated entirely free passes through the outside gates. It is estimated that our "Everybody Pays" policy has resulted in additional fair revenue of approximately \$70,000 annually; (11) we are one of the few state fairs in the nation still maintaining a fifty cent charge on the outside gates; (12) we are the only fair operating consistently in the black without assistance from the state treasury; (13) No fair has a full time executive staff in experience and length of service such as ours. Twelve of our leading employees have amassed a length of service in fair work with Minnesota exceeding five-hundred years. Four of our department heads have been with our fair since 1911. Our Secretary Doug Baldwin has been with the Minnesota State Fair since 1906. He was appointed assistant secretary in 1921 and secretary in 1951. We are most proud to have him regarded by the other fair managers of the nation as the Dean of Fair Managers. However, we are not proud of the fact that he is also the lowest paid State Fair secretary in the U. S.

This outstanding list of first and exclusives for our fair caused the nation to recognize us as the top fair. It took us nearly a hundred years to reach the top. Being at the top, we have the extra problem of defending our laurels. However, that is not sufficient effort. We cannot remain stationary. We have a choice of two directions to follow: continue to go up or follow the course of least resistance and go down and become a second-rate fair. I believe you know what our choice will be. We shall continue to keep faith with our forebears; the progressive pioneers who forged Minnesota's economic greatness and the legislatures who gave our State Society of Agriculture a clear mandate to reflect correctly our states' progress. Last year I tried to sound a warning that we have a terrific job on our hands to continue into the future the present prestige of our Minnesota State Fair. In my discussion I merely outlined our problems and made a brief reference to sources of trouble. Observations and incidents since a year ago caused me to decide to comment in greater detail on the major problems the management of the State Fair has.

There are signs on the horizon that challenge our position as the leading fair. Several other states are acquiring grounds and facilities which exceed ours in area and plant investment. Toronto and Dallas contest our ten day attendance records. Two of our most efficient full time executives who have been with our fair nearly a half century have made preparations to retire. Legislation having a specific bearing on our public relations and financial problems was passed at the last session of the legislature.

With your indulgence and on the above premises I desire to outline in greater detail our problems of (1) personnel, (2) public relations, (3) financial, and (4) legislative.

In reference to our personnel problems we are concerned with the general concern of our state membership. Of these 92 are county fair associations, 42 are farm organizations, and 22 are individuals, who in the aggregate can send a total of 366 voting delegates to this convention. Less than one-fourth of this large vote bother to take part in the deliberations of our annual meeting. However, two of our member organizations should have special mention for their consistent and continuous support and co-operation. I refer speci-

fically to the Federation of County Fairs and the Minnesota Implement Dealers' Association. It should be noted, too, that some of the breed and crop associations have become less active due to major changes in their respective fields. Then, too, there are several very active agricultural organizations that should be recommended to the legislature for membership in the State Society of Agriculture. I refer specifically to the Minnesota Turkey Federation, whose members have gained for Minnesota second place in the nation's turkey production. They are anxious to have adequate and suitable representation on our fairground. The Minnesota Farmers' Union and the Minnesota Chapter of Future Farmers should also be given consideration for membership.

Reference has already been made to our full time veteran executive staff. Two department heads with more than 40 years service have made preparations to retire. Ralph Zimmerman, in charge of the green house and grounds for the past 47 years retired a month ago. Harry Frost, manager of our space rental department, has filed his application for retirement. Mr. Frost has the enviable record of having developed the space rental department as one of the three major sources of revenue. His department yields a stable income exceeding a quarter of a million dollars annually. In further reference to personnel, we regret the start of the departure of our loyal corp of part-time clerks and assistants. For the past quarter of a century our fair has been blessed with the services of a group of loyal workers, who for the most part, spent their vacation periods working during the fair with the welfare of our fair uppermost and time and compensation of minor consideration.

In reference to public relations our problems concern proper regard to our critics, friendly and otherwise; grateful acknowledgment of the support to the publicity agencies of the newspapers, radio, and TV; assistance and respect to our religious and fraternal organizations; co-operation with and prayerful approach to our Centennial Commission; and lastly, constant, correct and sufficient liaison with our state government. I want to make special reference to the support from our friends in the publicity world. Here our public relations are near perfect. Volumes and reems, and hours without end of unsolicited, free, enthusiastic and constructive support is given the state fair by the daily and weekly press, radio, and TV. These agencies seem to vie with each other to sell our fair to the public. This vast amount of favorable publicity is inestimable in value. It constitutes, in my opinion, one of the four major factors contributing to the outstanding success of our fair. In this regard we are inclined to claim another exclusive for our fair. We doubt whether another state fair on the continent has such a wholehearted and voluminous support of the entire array of publicity agencies. We are very much aware that this situation points up a serious problem. And that problem is to conduct the management of our future fairs so as to merit and to continue to receive this tremendous support.

Our liaison with the legislature constitutes our major public relations problem. It has also a most important bearing ultimately on our financial structure. To place the greatest amount of emphasis on the importance of our relations with the legislature I prefer to review our financial problems and then return for further comments on legislative matters.

There is no cause for immediate alarm relative to our financial problems. I want to repeat that. There is no cause for immediate alarm relative to our financial problems. However, it is well to make an appraisal and review of our present and future monetary needs in order to chart a correct course. In order to avoid an indictment of non-feasance in this regard it may be well to note here that blueprints are on the board for some of the major needs in the immediate years ahead. It is my opinion that as much will have to be invested in our plant within the next decade as there is presently invested if we are to continue to be the leading fair. Our fair facilities represent an actual investment of \$11,000,000, three million dollars of which came from the state treasury. Whether we can repeat that in like manner is of major concern to us now.

The cost of an annual fair exceeds a million and a quarter dollars. Maintenance and improvements of plant is approaching a quarter of a million dollars expenditure annually. In view of these huge annual expenditures, each phase of our monetary structure—plant maintenance, current operations, and new building investment—becomes a major problem. Restrained with the knowledge that we have been created as a non-profit institution, faced with an annual \$75,000 increase in cost of doing business, and with our maintenance needs threatening to absorb our average annual net gain our cash reserves are not in keeping with our growing needs.

With an aging plant, we are facing major outlays for repair and maintenance. During this past season \$80,000 was spent on repairing and improving the seating in the grandstand. An equal amount was spent on the sanitation system. Thirty thousand dollars went into repair of streets, sidewalks and water ways. Miscellaneous other repair expenditures totaled our maintenance expenditures to an amount approaching a quarter of a million dollars. The need for similar expenditures is evident. The race track needs to be rebuilt at an estimated cost of \$90,000. Sizeable expenditures are planned for additional parking facilities. Our biennial appropriation of \$50,000 has not been requested since 1932. If we did avail ourselves of this, it would no longer cover our annual paint and minor repair bills.

With our annual maintenance expenditures threatening to absorb our average annual net gain, our operating fund is not increasing rapidly enough to remove the precariousness of financing current fair or to protect us against major hazards. Deducting our annual maintenance we venture approximately a quarter million dollars on a fair that costs in excess of a million and a quarter dollars. The odds on a successful recovery is one to five. I am told that authors of books on poker consider odds of one to twelve a very hazardous gamble and a minimum odds to use. The poker player has some protection against losses from a hazardous bet by proper appraisal of his opponent's strategy, their idiosyncrasies and their courage. The state fair management cannot employ like fortifications against its chief opponent—the weather. The professional gambler has as many deals and as many days as he wants to stage a recovery. The state fair is confined to only one deal and a fleeting ten days. Our secretary has played these odds successfully for the past decade as attest the fact that our fair has operated in the black during that period without the taxpayer's help. I would be amiss if I didn't give special credit to our secretary, Mr. Baldwin. His continuous 51 years of association with the Minnesota State Fair has gained for him the distinction and applause of being the Dean of Fair Managers in the United States. He has been most proficient and uncanny in creating budgets for the board of managers perusal and adoption. He has been consistently adept in estimating total expenditures within less than one per cent of actual. And his estimates of net gain are as consistently in the red. Although our operating gains show otherwise, I am convinced that Doug's budget compilations has proven an effective and subtle design to estop any ambitious department head from going overboard.

Now, just as I was coming up here I was given the very interesting and appropriate information and further award that came to Mr. Baldwin at the last annual meeting a month ago of the International Association of Fairs and Exhibitions in Chicago. This represents all the state fairs in the United States and all the provincial fairs of the Dominion of Canada. He was given the annual award of the Hall of Fame. Now, this award was created for the first time this year, and it was awarded to the man who in the estimation of the International Association of Fairs and Exhibitions contributed the most to fair work. The honor comes to Minnesota with the person of our secretary, Doug Baldwin. (Applause.) That doesn't call for an increase in salary, Doug. (Laughter.)

By now some of you are ready to ask about the possibilities of increasing our revenue. Satisfaction to your curiosity can be partially found in an examination of the major factors contributing to a successful fair. These factors in my mind are management, publicity, patronage, and weather.

I have already referred to management. Can our costs be decreased? Quite to the contrary, our costs can be expected to continue upward. They are increasing about \$75,000 yearly. The salaries of our full time executive staff, including our secretary, are the lowest paid to comparable staffs of major state fairs. Our part-time executive staff, who are with us only for the duration of the fair, is composed of a loyal army of volunteer workers, who have grown up with the fair. They spend their vacation time working at the fair without regard to time or compensation. The majority of these loyal workers have been with us for a quarter of a century. It is anticipated that a complete replacement of this group is going to require a considerable increase in personnel and at a substantial increase in remuneration.

Can we increase space rental? Possibly. There are indications of limited possibilities here except on the Midway and on Machinery Hill. Space rental was a minor source of revenue not too many years ago. Under the most efficient management of Harry Frost, it has become one of the three major sources of revenue. I am certain that Mr. Frost has attained the near maximum of revenue in his department. We cannot look with good grace for a larger percentage of the gross income from the Midway. To raise space rental rates on Machinery Hill would place us in the immediate danger of becoming a second-rate fair. The brightest jewel in our state fair's crown of glory is Machinery Hill. Increase in space rental here will ultimately drive away many of our exhibitors there as it has in many other fairs. Any loss of interest in our farm machinery display by exhibitors and patrons will reduce us to a second-rate fair.

Our budget provides for an expenditure for \$70,000 in our Publicity Department. Although this is a very considerable amount of money, in my opinion it represents a very small fraction of the monetary value of the extreme volume of free publicity that the Minnesota State Fair receives constantly from the radio, TV, the daily and weekly papers, and various trade journals. To spend less would not be to the best interests of our fair and it would be an indication of ungratefulness and lack of appreciation of our friends in the publicity field.

Is it possible to increase attendance at the outside gates? Apparently not to any great extent until we can provide ample convenient and safe car parking on the grounds. In spite of the fact that the fair management has spent nearly \$100,000 in the last two years to acquire and improve additional parking space, we continue to close our gates too often to a considerable number of cars. I am aware, as you are, that we have exceeded the millionth mark at our outside gates the past three years. The increase each year since we enjoyed our millionth patron has exceeded 20,000 people. It is necessary, however, to point out that this annual increase is due almost entirely to the increase attendance of youngsters on our annual Children's Day. Thirty thousand kiddies enjoyed the 1957 Children's Day. In the absence of future epidemic scares we anticipate our major increase in patronage will be credited to the influx of youngsters on Children's Day.

Can we charge our patrons more admission at the outside gates? Hardly. In my opinion we have reached the ceiling there. The fifty cent outside gate has become traditional at Minnesota. It is one of the main pillars of our fair's greatness. Our records indicate that for the past five years an average of 75 per cent of our fair patrons do not attend the grandstand. That's on an average of our last five years. Very apparently this large percentage of our patrons, come rain or shine, recognize our fifty cent gate as the outstanding half-dollar purchase available. To us it means an unqualified endorsement of this popular admission fee. This policy, too, permits us to comply to the fullest measure to the mandate from the legislature to operate primarily as an educational institution. Being mindful that about one-third of our gross revenue is produced by the outside gates, the management is inclined to let well enough alone.

Can we raise admissions to the grandstand? All major indices warn us

that we have hit the ceiling here. As indicated above, an average of a fourth of the fair patrons over the past five years attend the grandstand. Further observation shows that during these same five years the average yearly increase in total attendance at the fair exceeded 50,000 people. But while the admission at the outside gates was increasing substantially year by year, the percentage each year of patrons attending the grandstand decreased consistently each succeeding year. Apparently our grandstand patrons are trying to tell us that the grandstand admissions are too high and also that we need to change or improve the type of entertainment. The management agrees with both contentions and has already made extensive efforts to change and improve the type of entertainment.

This brings me to a brief discussion of the last of the major factors contributing to a successful fair. In this formula of Management, Publicity, Patronage, and Weather, the latter is the unknown quantity. It is unpredictable and uncontrollable. It is our greatest hazard. It can make or break a fair. And it has done both for us. We have suffered a complete ten day rain-out and we have enjoyed ten days of perfect fair weather. An occasional repetition of perfect fair weather would remove all worry for sufficient finances for all phases of the fair's problems. A repetition of another complete rain-out will send us to the State House in a hurry.

This brings me to a brief reference to the needs for major capital investment within the immediate years ahead. Twenty-seven thousand dollars have already been invested on plans and blueprints for our first needs in this regard. We have been entertaining a prayerful desire to have our Centennial Commission erect a permanent headquarters building on our fairgrounds. Such a structure would serve as a permanent monument to the traditions accumulated during the first century of Minnesota's history. It would also allay the inevitable expenditure of additional taxpayer's funds for a like and much needed building on our fairgrounds. A quarter of a million dollars will soon have to be spent on adequate, safe, and convenient car parking. Car parking is our number one problem and next to the weather it presents our greatest hazard to our plant and to our patrons. Lack of adequate parking is holding down our attendance. Our present method of jam-packing cars on our lots, boulevards, and streets makes all parts of our fairgrounds almost inaccessible during our peak days. In excess of 20 acres of additional land has been acquired and will be developed for adequate parking facilities as soon as funds are available. Part of the land dedicated eventually for parking is now being used for dump grounds for waste material from the fairgrounds. When the dump area is eventually converted to car parking, the fair will have to provide for a sizeable investment in a waste disposal plant.

An all inclusive Administration Building is needed. Our executive personnel is housed presently in makeshift quarters in five widely scattered buildings on the fairgrounds. Our livestock buildings, though the largest in the land, have been inadequate for several years. Cattle have to be housed in basements and tied to fence rows. Our Dairy Industry, which ranks third in the nation, has a commitment given five years ago on our minutes for a new building if and when funds are available. Our Turkey Industry ranking second in the nation has nothing dedicated to their proper use on our grounds. There is a crying need for a State Departments' Building in keeping with the dignity of our State Government. Our rapidly expanding Department of Education could easily absorb all the space now allocated to all State Governmental Divisions. The progressive and efficient supervisor of our Department of Education, Board member Christianson, believes heartily that the title of the theme song for our fair's existence is "Education".

I hope by now I have given you a conversational knowledge of our fair's financial problems. We have had a decade of fairs in which that intangible asset—Good Luck—played an important part. That unknown factor—weather—has played in our favor. However, we cannot expect weather to continue to be as favorable as it has been in the past ten years. If our cycle of fortune completes itself, as eventually it will, we can expect serious inroads in our net

gains due to inclement weather. If we should suffer another ten day rainout, as we have within the memory of everyone in this room, or should the immediate years ahead have a series of four-day grandstand losses, the State Fair management will find themselves on their way to the Capitol.

This brings me to the discussion of our legislative problems. The State Fair's reception at the Capitol will be satisfactory if the needs of our lawmakers for detailed information is fully satisfied. We must acknowledge the fact that all the financial assistance to the State Society of Agriculture in the past came during a period when members of the Legislature most concerned were gaining stature while our State Fair was attaining its maturity. These veteran lawmakers who carried the ball for us, who witnessed and helped our fair attain its present prestige, are no longer with us. I refer to the Claude Allens of the Appropriation Committee and the Senator Rocknes of the Finance Committee. These men knew the problems of the State Fair intimately and made every effort to inform the Legislature of our problems, our hazards, our insufficiencies, and our importance to our state. The men who have taken their places came on the scene when the fair management ceased to make the request for the biennial maintenance appropriation. These men had occasion only to witness our phenomenal success, our sizeable cash balances, and our ability to remain self-sufficient over a quarter century. In the presence of more sizeable and more urgent need of state government they had no occasion about the fair's problems attendant to becoming mature, or of the efforts to remain on top, and of the necessity of maintaining and expanding our aging plant. New men in the Legislature and new and greater problems there has to some extent relegated the problems of the State Fair to the background. Our immediate problem is to establish a more effective liaison with our lawmakers in order to bring to the attention of every member of the House and the Senate the traditions of our fair, its standing in the nation, what it means to the economy of our people, and what is necessary to maintain our present prestige and at the same time continue to be representative of our expanding population and industry.

Do not conclude from my statements that our department with the Legislature has been or is incompatible. It has always been very correct and mutually pleasant. Our Secretary's relationships with the Legislature has been perfect. No executive of any other State Department has been better received or enjoyed a greater confidence. Yet Mr. Baldwin is only one man to carry the message to the hundreds of people in the State House who should know every detail of our story. To supplement our Secretary's efforts, it would be most helpful if the membership of our society over the state would on every occasion impart to their local representatives and senators the problems of the State Fair. This is paramount because sooner or later we will approach that inevitable day when our executives will find themselves at the portals of our legislative chambers seeking assistance. To remain inarticulate now may cause the legislators to conclude that we can get along as well in the future as we have in the immediate past. To permit such conclusions would make us guilty of presumption. And presumption is not a respectful or safe premise on which to approach our lawmakers.

We had a passing sputnik warning from the last session of the Legislature not to rest on our laurels. Here is a case in point of some of our unfriendly critics winning an inning against the State Fair. A combination of forces came together from the dissidents in the sports field and from among baseball stadium promoters who teamed up with willing ears in the Legislature. The efforts of this combination resulted in a statute prohibiting auto racing on the fairgrounds between fairs. This precedent projected to its fullest implication could easily cause the prohibition of all extra-curricular activities on the fairgrounds. This in turn would cause a loss of revenue approximating a hundred thousand dollars yearly and would also disturb seriously our public relations with our very friendly religious and fraternal groups and the Future Farmers and Scouts who use the fairgrounds periodically. In the light of my review of our financial and public relation problems, I am sure I need not elaborate fur-

ther on our mission to the Legislature. I am confident that a fully enlightened Legislature will not fail the State Fair.

I dare not conclude inasmuch as this is my last act, official act, after a long 14 years of pleasant associations with the State Fair without expressing my gratefulness to all of you, and particularly to my associates and officers on the State Fair Board. May God's Blessing be with you to carry on. (Applause.)

Next is the Report of the Treasurer. Mr. Sorenson.

## REPORT OF TREASURER

**R. C. Sorenson**

TREASURER SORENSON: Mr. President, Members, and Friends of the Society: If you'll turn to Page 17 I'll read my short report.

The State Agricultural Society had in the bank or with the State Treasurer as of December 1, 1956 \$561,685.13. During the year total cash disbursements was \$1,463,648.50; total cash receipts, \$1,317,919.71; excess of disbursements over receipts was \$145,728.79, leaving a balance as of November 30, 1957 of \$415,956.24.

These moneys at the present time are with the Treasurer of the State of Minnesota for the State Agricultural Society, \$414,956.34; with the Midway National Bank Contingent Fund, \$1,000.00.

And to you, Ted, on behalf of the Treasurer's Department, now that you're leaving the Board, many thanks for the pleasant associations which we have had with you all of these past years. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT ARENS: We'll now have the Secretary's Report. Mr. Baldwin. (Applause.)

## REPORT OF SECRETARY

**D. K. Baldwin**

SECRETARY BALDWIN: Ted, Mr. Wynne, Friends: I did not know that Ted was going to spring this business about the International Association. When they start giving memorials before you die you wonder if you're still living. I do want to report to you, however, that in accepting that honor I accept it not for myself but for my Board and the members of the Society who have made the Minnesota State Fair possible. (Applause.)

There are just two or three things I want to emphasize by calling your attention to the Secretary's Report. We had rain on seven of the ten days this year with a loss of three grandstand performances, two complete night show washouts and a postponement of a Friday afternoon automobile race. Despite that, a new record was established at the outside gates.

Rain is a very peculiar thing. Many of our people in the rural areas who were unable to get into their fields decided that they wanted to take advantage of the educational features of the fair and the buildings. Our pavements and sidewalks paid off because they knew they could go there without wading through the mud. And they put on their old clothes and came to the fair despite the rain, despite the threats of rain, and despite the prognostications of rain which blasted over the radio and television almost hourly.

We had three new daily records set. The opening Saturday was 97,768 which beat the previous record set in 1955; Monday, Children's Day, with 103,138, bettered the 1955 record; and the second Saturday of 124,454 shattered the 1947 record, which was the previous one. Thursday came within 176 of breaking the preceding record.

Despite adverse weather and other handicaps the State Agricultural Society shows an operating gain in the staging of the 1957 Minnesota State Fair of \$97,383.09. Not as good as last year, but under the circumstances, a most favorable showing.

The Operating Income was \$1,306,383.50. A decrease of \$9,708.22 from last year, but substantially greater than the amount contemplated in the budget. In view of the general inclemency of the weather and its effect on grandstand and midway revenues in my opinion this is a most remarkable showing.

The Operating Expense was \$1,209,293.19. An increase of \$75,527.42 over the cost of last year, but within six-tenths of one per cent of the cost anticipated in the budget.

The Net Operating Gain, as I said, was \$97,000.00. Had we completely lost the battle of the rains on Labor Day alone, this figure would have been changed from black to red.

This figure is a tribute to the loyalty of the patrons of the fair who do not hesitate because of adverse weather to make their annual pilgrimage to the great ten day educational institution. The mention of ten days brings to mind the fact that we spend money for 365 days of the year with the anticipation of recouping it during a mere ten day period. We cannot have a fire sale or a rain sale the day after Labor Day. When the curtain rings down on Labor Day we're out of business.

1958 will be the Centennial Year of Minnesota. It is our hope that the State Fair pays due and proper homage to the pioneers who built the foundation of our state so well, and taking inspiration from their accomplishments and the heritage they have given us that we are privileged to enjoy today. We hope to project into the future the will of all of us to make our Minnesota an even greater and better state for those who are to follow us in the next 100 years. (Applause.)

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you, Doug.

## REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

George W. Larson

MR. GEORGE W. LARSON: (Chisago County) Mr. Chairman, Delegates, and Friends of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society: The report of the Credentials Committee will be based on organizations and fairs who are not qualified to participate in the voting of the State Agricultural Society.

The following state wide associations were not certified by the Secretary of State and have not filed credentials: State Beekeepers Association; Minnesota Garden Flower Association; Minnesota Saddle Horse Breeders' Association; Land O' Lakes Creameries, Inc.; Minnesota Swine Breeders' Association, that report was in but received too late; the Minneapolis Market Gardeners' Association; Minnesota Jersey Cattle Club; Minnesota Aberdeen Angus Breeders' Association; Minnesota Red Polled Breeders' Association; Minnesota Poland China Breeders' Association; Minnesota Duroc-Jersey Breeders' Association; Minnesota Chester White Breeders' Association; Minnesota Berkshire Breeders' Association; and the Minnesota Gladiolus Society. Now, this last one, the report was in but received too late.

The State Auditor reports that Hubbard County Agricultural Association at Nevis and the Scott County Agricultural Society at Shakopee have not filed their financial statements with the Public Examiner and are therefore not certified.

Carver County Agricultural Society's credential blank has not been signed by the President and Secretary.

The Minnesota Ayrshire Breeders' Association shown as one of their delegates from District No. 5, and it appears this should be District No. 3.

The Minnesota Gladiolus Society shows one delegate as being from the 5th District, and it also appears that this should be in the 3rd District.

The Credentials Committee was unanimous in their belief that the Secretary, particularly of the State Wide Associations, might be a little more careful in listing the Congressional Districts from which their delegates are sent in, because they can only vote in the district in which they live.

Now, county fairs with no credentials filed are as follows: Becker County; Blue Earth at Garden City and Blue Earth at Mankato; Carver County at Waconia; Cass County at Pine River; Cook County; Hubbard County at Park Rapids; Kanabec County; Kittson County at St. Vincent; Lake of the Woods County; Lincoln County; Meeker County; Mille Lacs County; Morrison County at Motley; Pine County; Red Lake County; and Scott County at Jordan.

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

PRESIDENT ARENS: Thank you. Do I hear a second to the motion to adopt the credentials report?

MR. STAN MUCKLE: (Steele County) I'll second it.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Stan Muckle seconds the motion that Mr. Larson's report of the Credentials Committee be adopted. Any question?  
(No response)

PRESIDENT ARENS: Any discussion?  
(No response)

PRESIDENT ARENS: All in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, by the same sign.

. . .The motion was carried. . .

PRESIDENT ARENS: The report is adopted. Mr. Baldwin has some announcements to make.

SECRETARY BALDWIN: As provided by statute it is required that caucuses be held today in the districts where the term of membership or the member of the Board is expiring. The 7th District caucus will be held in the University Room immediately, across the hall. The caucus for the 9th Congressional District will be held in this room immediately following adjournment. Caucus for the 2nd Congressional District will be held in the Sibley Room directly across the hall. These caucuses will be called to order immediately following the adjournment of this afternoon's session.

PRESIDENT ARENS: Is there anything anyone wishes to bring up from the floor?  
(No response)

PRESIDENT ARENS: If not, we stand adjourned.  
. . .The meeting was regularly adjourned. . .

### WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

January 8, 1958

#### Minnesota State Agricultural Society

. . .The meeting was convened at 10:30 o'clock, A.M., Second Vice President Norris K. Carnes presiding. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Ladies and gentlemen, may I have your

attention. Will the meeting please come to order.

I understand that it has been the practice for this association to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. The Chair will assume that that practice is still in effect this morning.

I think the first order of business is Committee Reports, and the Chair will now entertain a motion to make the tentative report of the Credentials Committee that was made yesterday afternoon a permanent report.

MR. CHARLES CHRISTIANSON: (Roseau County) Mr. Chairman, I so move.

MR. AXEL HANSEN: (Hennepin County) I'll second the motion.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved and seconded that the tentative report of the Credentials Committee that was made yesterday afternoon become the permanent report. Is there any discussion?

(No response)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: If not, we're ready for the question. All those in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".  
... The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it, and the motion is carried.

I neglected to inform this group, although I think most of you were present at the banquet session last evening, that the President of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, Mr. Theodore Arens, was called home because of sickness in the family. And under those circumstances it becomes my pleasant duty to preside here this morning.

The next committee report is the report on resolutions. Mr. Frank Mitchell I believe is the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. Mr. Mitchell, you have the floor.

## REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Frank Mitchell

MR. FRANK MITCHELL: (Yellow Medicine County) Mr. Chairman, Members of the Society: I happen to be the Secretary of this committee, and this is the report of the Resolutions Committee.

Resolution No. 1: Resolved that we express our special thanks to the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce and to the Saint Paul Hotel for its valuable services and co-operation rendered to our 1958 annual meeting.

Resolution No. 2: Resolved that we do acknowledge the support received from the Chambers 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 for their efforts in publicizing the worth and 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 operating 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 1957 Fair, which for the third consecutive year surpassed 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.

Resolution No. 8: Resolved that the Planning Committee give top priority to the construction of a new Educational Building in any building program.

Resolution No. 9: Be it resolved, that the State Agricultural Society go on record as recognizing the Centennial birthday of the State of Minnesota, and be it further resolved, that all members be urged to pay due and proper homage to the pioneers who have made this great state what it is today.

Those are the resolutions and I move their adoption.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Is there a second?

MR. ALBERT E. THOMPSON: (Kandiyohi County) Mr. Chairman, I second the motion.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Is there any discussion?  
(No response)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: All those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".

...The motion was carried...

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it, and the motion is carried.

The next order of business is the election of officers.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The Chair will entertain a nomination for the office of president for the term of one year and for the year of 1958.

MR. WILLIAM A. LUNDEMANN: (Nicollet County) Mr. Chairman, and Ladies and Gentlemen: I represent the Second District, and in our district it has been the tradition that when we once elect a man to serve on the Board of Directors of the Minnesota State Fair we keep him there until the time comes that he's to be elevated to a higher position in the Minnesota State Fair. And, of course, before a man reaches this stage he has to meet certain qualifications. And we have a man who has met those qualifications and has been a credit to the Minnesota State Fair, and we wish to elevate this man this morning to a higher position. And it is my great pleasure and distinct honor to nominate Chet Moore to be President of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for the year of 1958.

MR. EVERETT OLESON: (McLeod County) Mr. Chairman, having served with Mr. Moore on our local fair association I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Mr. Moore's name has been submitted as a nominee for the office of president. The nomination has been seconded. Are there any other nominations, gentlemen?

MR. H. E. SWENSON: (Otter Tail County) Mr. Chairman, I move that the nominations cease.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved that the nominations cease. Is there a second to that motion?  
 . . . The motion was regularly seconded. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved and seconded that the nominations cease. All in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".  
 . . . The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it. In view of the fact that we have only one nominee, the Chair will instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Chet Moore to serve as President of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society for the year 1958. (Applause.)

Mr. Moore, you have the floor.

MR. CHET MOORE: (McLeod County) Well, I want to thank you for this vote of confidence in me. It was 10 years ago since I took Bill Lundemann's place on the Board and now I got the top it seems. And I wish to thank you again. (Applause.)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The next order of business, gentlemen, is the selection of a vice president for a term of two years from the 5th Congressional District.

SECRETARY BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I have here from the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce the following letter. It is my privilege on behalf of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce to nominate Mr. Robert R. Andrews for re-election for a two-year term.

"We are proud of the record that Mr. Andrews has made as a member of your Board and know that he will continue to perform his duties with credit. Sincerely, Harry R. Hall, Executive Vice President, Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce."

MR. CHET MOORE: I wish to second the nomination.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Are there any other nominations, gentlemen?

MR. CHARLES CHRISTIANSON: (Roseau County) Mr. Chairman, I move that the rules be suspended and that the election of Bob Andrews be automatic.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: You've heard the motion, gentlemen. Is there a second to that motion?  
 . . . The motion was regularly seconded. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: All those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".  
 . . . The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it and the motion is carried.

The next order of business is the selection of a manager for a term of three years from the 7th Congressional District.

SECRETARY BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I have a certificate of nomination following the caucus of delegates from the 7th Congressional District

held according to statute, signed by Robert L. Wells, chairman, and Albert Nelson, secretary, nominating Albert E. Thompson of Spicer, Minnesota.

MR. FRANK L. MITCHELL: (Yellow Medicine County) Mr. Chairman, I wish to verify the certification of Al Thompson who is director of the State Fair Board of Managers from the 7th District. I knew now for sometime he has been very effective in Kandiyohi County. He served for 20 years on the Fair Board, the last 14 as secretary. He's quite able and energetic, and he's the type of fellow we would like to serve from the 7th District. I heartily approve the nomination of Al Thompson.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Are there any other nominations, gentlemen?

(No response)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Are there any other nominations for the 7th Congressional District?

MR. FRANK H. DUNCAN: (Rice County) I move that the nominations be closed.

. . .The motion was regularly seconded. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved and seconded that the nominations be closed. All those in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".

. . .The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it. In view of the fact that we have only one nomination, the Chair will instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Thompson, would you like to say a word?

MR. ALBERT E. THOMPSON: (Kandiyohi County) Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: I want to thank you most heartily for this great honor, especially to my good friends in the 7th District, and I will do everything worthy of this position. Thank you. (Applause.)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you, Mr. Thompson.

The next order of business is to select a manager for a term of three years from the 9th Congressional District. The Chair will entertain a nomination.

SECRETARY BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, I have a certificate of nomination from the caucus of the delegates of the 9th Congressional District, signed by O. M. Mattson, chairman, and J. M. Rocha, secretary, nominating Charles Christianson of Roseau to succeed himself.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Charles Christianson has been nominated.

MR. REUBEN TWETEN: (Polk County) Mr. Chairman, we in the 9th District are very proud of our member of the Board of Managers of the State Agricultural Society, Charles Christianson, and I'm very happy to second the nomination of Mr. Christianson to succeed himself.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you. Are there any other nominations, gentlemen, for manager from the 9th District?

MR. RICHARD W. FITZSIMONS: (Marshall County) Mr. Chairman, I move that the nominations be closed.

MR. ALBERT E. THOMPSON: (Kandiyohi County) I second that, Mr. Chairman.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved and seconded that the nominations for a manager from the 9th Congressional District be closed.

All of those in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".  
 . . .The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it and the motion is carried. In view of the fact that we have only one nominee, the Chair will instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Christianson.

Mr. Christianson, you have the floor.

MR. CHARLES CHRISTIANSON: (Roseau County) Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: Thank you for your confidence. It has been a great pleasure for me to serve on This Board for the past eight years, and I shall look forward to trying to better the Minnesota State Fair during my next term of office. (Applause.)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you, Mr. Christianson.

The next order of business is the selection of a manager for a term of one year from the Second Congressional District.

SECRETARY BALDWIN: Mr. Chairman, anticipating the action of this body this morning in elevating Mr. Moore to the presidency, the delegation from the Second Congressional District held a caucus on the 7th of January and places in nomination Anthony Geiger of Jackson, Minnesota to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Moore.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Anthony Geiger has been nominated for the office of manager from the Second Congressional District.

MR. WILLIAM A. LUNDEMANN: (Nicollet County) Mr. Chairman, it gives me great pleasure to second the nomination of Mr. Geiger.

MR. CHARLES WINZER: (Jackson County) I would like to second the nomination of Mr. Anthony Geiger, better known to us as Tony Geiger. He has been our fair secretary for 17 years and he'll make an excellent working member of your Board because he's a public spirited individual. He is secretary-treasurer of the Farm Loan Association. That is his permanent job, and that's where he gets his pay checks from, so it shouldn't bother you folks too much then. And he's also a member of the Minnesota Council of State Parks and a secretary of the Highland Woods State Parks Association, so I'm sure if you select him to your Board you'll make an excellent selection.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you, Mr. Winzer. Are there any other nominations for manager from the Second Congressional District?

MR. ANDRES SCHOONE: (Cottonwood County) I move that the nomination be closed.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved that the nominations be closed.

. . .The motion was regularly seconded. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: It has been moved and seconded that the nominations close. All of those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye"; contrary, "No".

. . .The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it. In view of the fact that we have only one nominee for the Second Congressional District, the Chair will instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot.

Mr. Geiger, do you wish to have the floor?

MR. ANTHONY C. GEIGER: (Jackson County) Mr. Chairman,

Friends, and Members of the Society: I know this is a very important step for me, and I appreciate the support of the delegates from the Second District and their vote of confidence, and the support from the members and delegates of the Society. I will endeavor to serve and co-operate with the other members of the Board to promote the best interests of the fair. I thank you. (Applause.)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you very much.  
Mr. Meschke, you have the floor.

MR. GEORGE MESCHKE: (Martin County) Mr. President, and Friends: It has long been the custom of the Society that at this meeting to recognize some person who has rendered outstanding service to the State Agricultural Society, and it is my privilege this morning to present the name of one who very definitely meets that situation and provision. It is a matter I know of great regret to all of us that the man that I am to nominate is not able to be here, as pointed out by our Chairman, on account of illness. I have known Ted Arens for many years. In fact, I think his first employment was at our farm at Lake Elmo. And I want to say that I never had in my employ a better man who tried harder to do his job as it ought to be done than Ted Arens. I followed his career all of these years, and I think that the qualifications that I saw in Ted way back when he was going to school and working for me have followed all through the various positions that he has held; positions of responsibility to the public and later on to the State Agricultural Society. So that I know that in every qualification that should be had in elevating a person to life membership, Ted fully justifies that recognition. And it is my privilege, Mr. Chairman, to move that Mr. Arens be made a life member of the State Agricultural Society.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: You've heard the motion.

MR. BIRNEY C. WILKINS: (Crow Wing County) I wish to second the motion for a life membership for Mr. Ted Arens because of his faithful service performed for this organization.

MR. GEORGE MESCHKE: Mr. Chairman, I would just like to add, too, — and I'm sure that Mr. Wilkins will agree — that we instruct the secretary to notify Mr. Arens immediately, and express in that notification our regret that he wasn't able to be here.

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: You have heard the motion, gentlemen. All in favor signify by saying "Aye"; contrary minded "No".  
... The motion was carried. . .

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: The "Ayes" have it and we will notify Mr. Arens.

We have a wire this morning that I think this group might be interested in. It's a wire from one of the great supporters of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society. I think I should say that he is a "dyed in the wool" fair man. He served with distinction on the Board of Governors for a number of years and served as president to the Minnesota State Agricultural Society. It's Mr. R. S. Thornton.

And he said, "I am extremely sorry I was not able to get down to the annual meeting. Wish you would greet all of my old friends and associates. Congradulations on the out come of the 1957 fair, and best wishes for this year's Centennial Fair." Signed, "R. S. Thornton."

There are many dignitaries that are in the audience this morning that I should like to call on for remarks. I don't know if time will permit me to do so, but there is one man that I think we should hear from. He has been one of the greatest supporters of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society that that institution has ever enjoyed over a period of a great many years. He has served with distinction as the superintendent of the Cattle Department for a number of years, and he started in as an assistant with the Cattle Department

and came up through the Cattle Department until he became superintendent. He has been on the staff of the Minneapolis Tribune for a great many years. And I think that you are all familiar with the fact that he has contributed very materially to that paper by editing its farm column. And I say for many many years he has never lost the opportunity to push the welfare of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society whenever the opportunity presented itself. So I should like to call on Axel Hansen for a few words at this time.

Axel, will you please say a few words? (Applause.)

MR. AXEL HANSEN: (Hennepin County) Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: I want to thank all of you who were present last year and who participated in electing me a life member of the State Agricultural Society.

I want to say to you, as the Chairman has just outlined, that I have been connected with the State Fair for a good many years, and I don't know of any work that I've ever had anywhere that I have enjoyed more than my connection with the Minnesota State Fair and the State Agricultural Society. It has covered a good many years, 25, 28 years. And I want to say that when I retired two or three years ago I retired with a great deal of regret but I felt that I had better retire because of the fact that I had been sitting in the Cattle Barn for about 25 years, and felt that in justice to other people, to other men in the department, that I should retire and let someone else have the job. I have worked both as an exhibitor and as superintendent of cattle at the Minnesota State Fair, and because I, too, take great pride in the fact that we collectively have built what has been said yesterday and again today—we have built the greatest State Fair in the United States.

I was very much amazed last year. I was in Europe for a while, and I attended a couple of the big fairs in Denmark. And I was amazed at the way they talked about the Minnesota State Fair when they knew, of course, I was from Minnesota, and I was out visiting their big fairs. They wanted me to tell them something about our State Fair, because they have had fairs in Europe for many many years like we have, and they have done a very constructive job. But some how, the size and the magnitude and the importance of the Minnesota State Fair, its reputation is world wide. It's world wide because those people, the leaders in agriculture in Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Germany knew all about our great State Fair.

And again I want to thank you for electing me a life member last year, and I assure you that I shall always be a booster for the Minnesota State Fair whether in official capacity or not. Thank you very much. (Applause.)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: Thank you very much, Axel.

Now, I see there are many gentlemen in the audience that I shall like to call on, but I don't think that time will permit me to do so.

I'm going to ask for volunteers. If there is anyone who would like to make a statement at this time, the Chair will be glad to yield the floor to him. (No response)

VICE PRESIDENT CARNES: If there isn't anyone who has anything to say and there is no other new business to come before this body, the meeting will stand adjourned.

Thank you very much, gentlemen.

... Whereupon, at 11:00 o'clock, a.m., the meeting was regularly adjourned. . . .

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

Saint Paul Hotel, St. Paul

1:10 P.M., Wednesday, January 8, 1958

Present —

C. A. Moore, President  
 Norris K. Carnes, 1st Vice President  
 Robert R. Andrews, 2nd Vice President  
 Charles Christianson  
 Albert F. Thompson  
 Fred S. Lammers  
 D. T. Grussendorf  
 Stan Muckle  
 Birney C. Wilkins  
 Anton C. Geiger  
 Albin Johnson  
 Roy C. Sorenson, Treasurer  
 D. K. Baldwin, Secretary-General Manager

President Moore, Vice President Andrews, Board Members Thompson and Geiger took the oaths of their respective offices.

**MINUTES IN VACATION**

**1957—December**

- 1—Secretary advised that the University of Minnesota had indicated that title clearance had been had on the property for which we had been negotiating with the University fronting on Snelling Avenue north of the present Fairgrounds and that the property should be available by March 1.
- 2—International Association of Fairs and Expositions and International Live-stock Show held in Chicago.
- 6—Secretary and John Libby attended the International Motor Contest Association meeting in Des Moines.
- 13—Mr. Carnes, Dr. Harvey and secretary met with draft horse breeders.
- 14—Secretary was made an Honorary Recruiter for the U. S. Army.
- 15—Ralph Zimmerman who for many years has been superintendent of Greenhouses and Lola Hanna an office employee retired.  
 Mr. Carnes, Mr. Leighton and Secretary met with cattle breeders.

**1958—January 6-7-8**—The 99th Annual Meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society was held in the Saint Paul Hotel.  
 The morning of Monday, January 6, a short business session was held at 11:00 A.M. for the purpose of appointing a Resolutions and Credentials Committee.

The afternoon of Monday the 6th 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 1958.  
 The morning of Tuesday, January 7th, the Federation of County Fairs held a breakfast meeting for the purpose of receiving the report of the Credentials Committee and open discussion on matters of interest to county fairs.

The afternoon of Tuesday, January 7th, the State Agricultural Society presented its program of speakers as follows—

Address of President  
 T. H. ARENS

Report of the Treasurer  
R. C. SORENSON

Report of the Secretary  
D. K. BALDWIN

Address  
HON. ORVILLE L. FREEMAN, Governor

Address  
G. W. WYNNE, Manager, Mid-South Fair, Memphis, Tennessee

The Credential Committee's Report was presented and accepted.

The evening of Tuesday the 7th, there was held at the Saint Paul Hotel a banquet and social session 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 8th at which time the Resolutions Committee made its report and the Credentials Committee presented their final report.

The following elections then took place:

C. A. Moore, Hutchinson, President, one year term.

Robert R. Andrews, Minneapolis, Vice President, two year term.

Albert E. Thompson, Spicer, member of the Governing Board from the Seventh Congressional District for a term of three years.

Charles Christianson, Poseau, member of the Governing Board from the Ninth Congressional District for a term of three years.

Anton C. Geiger, Jackson, member of the Governing Board from the Second Congressional District for the unexpired term of one year created by the elevation of C. A. Moore to the presidency.

T. H. Arens, Aitkin, retiring president was elected a Life Member of the Society.

Secretary announced that a testimonial dinner was to be given in Aitkin for T. H. Arens on January 29.

Secretary reported on progress of negotiations with the Civil Air Patrol with the hope that a small contingent of Swedish Air Patrol would be available for the contest this year. It would require housing for 5 boys for 5 days. (Later negotiations with the Swedish government indicated that transportation would be unavailable and the participation of the Swedish Civil Air Patrol was cancelled.)

At this point the Board went into Executive Session and the secretary and treasurer left the room. Upon their return the president announced that D. K. Baldwin had been re-elected secretary of the Society for the ensuing year; that his salary be fixed at \$14,000.00 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.

The president also announced the re-election of R. C. Sorenson as Treasurer of the 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.

Messrs. Baldwin and Sorenson took oaths of their respective offices.

Upon motion by Mr. Grussendorf and seconded by Mr. Lammers and carried the bond in the sum of \$10,000.00 covering the secretary was approved.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried, Harry J. Jensen was named Deputy Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Upon motion by Mr. Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Andrews and carried the following banks were designated as depositories for the Society's several funds as follows:

Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis  
 Advertising Fund  
 General Fund  
 Payroll Fund  
 Premium Fund

Midway National Bank of Saint Paul  
 Contingent Fund

Upon motion by Mr. Wilkins and seconded by Mr. Andrews and carried the following signatures were authorized on the Society's various funds as follows:

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) C. A. Moore, President or Robert R. Andrews or Norris K. Carnes, Vice Presidents; and (2) D. K. Baldwin, Secretary; and (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 or John F. 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 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 secretary reported that the Minnesota Turkey Growers Association had indicated a desire to build a building on the Fairgrounds. In as much as preliminary negotiations had indicated that they wished to incorporate in the building office space for year-round occupancy, it was the sense of the Board that further negotiations be had before action will be taken.

Secretary reported that there were indications that one or two of the structures on Fraternal Row would be given up this year and requested authorization to buy them at a reasonable figure. Upon motion made by Mr. Christianson, seconded by Mr. Muckle and carried the secretary was authorized to purchase such buildings if available.

Invitation was presented from the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association and one from Julius Perlt, Convention Secretary, inviting the Society to hold their next annual meeting at the Fadisson Hotel.

Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Andrews, the contract for Auto Racing, Inc. and the Attebury and Hornbeck, high pole act were approved.

In the discussion before approval the secretary indicated that a thrill show had been eliminated for Friday of Fair Week with midget auto racing substituted therefore.

The secretary reported that he had been working with the officers of the Iowa State Fair so that the two Fair's racing dates would conflict as little as possible.

Secretary reported that he had released the Aut Swenson Thrill Show for 1958 since the thrill show had an opportunity to play the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto for six consecutive days which would conflict with the date upon which we had option. Upon motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Andrews and carried a contract with Leo Overland to supply the Saturday night Thrill Show was approved.

Proposal was presented from Bob Hope indicating a desire to appear at the Minnesota State Fair for \$15,000.00 a day. The proposal was tabled.

The following committee assignments, department supervisors and department superintendents were appointed.

### Standing Committees

- Admissions—Muckle, Chairman; Andrews; Thompson; Carnes; Lammers; Sorenson; Moore, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Advertising—Lammers, Chairman; Christianson; Wilkins; Muckle; Thompson; Moore, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Amusement—Baldwin, Chairman; Andrews; Carnes; Christianson; Grussendorf; Lammers; Muckle; Sorenson; Thompson; Wilkins; Moore, ex officio.
- Budget—Moore, Chairman; Andrews; Christianson; Carnes; Thompson; Muckle; Sorenson; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Executive—Carnes, Chairman; Andrews; Moore, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Planning—Andrews; Chairman; Thompson; Moore, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Reception—Moore, Chairman; Geiger; Muckle; Wilkins; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Rules and Premium List—Carnes, Chairman; Christianson; Grussendorf; Lammers; Wilkins; Thompson; Moore, ex officio; Baldwin, ex officio.
- Space Rentals—Thompson, Chairman; Andrews; Carnes; Muckle; Baldwin ex officio.

### Department Supervisors and Superintendents

- Admissions—Muckle, Supervisor; Ty Sincock, Owatonna, Superintendent.
- Agriculture—Wilkins, Supervisor; L. O. Jacob, Anoka, Superintendent.
- Amusement—Baldwin, Supervisor; Robert E. Gehan, Superintendent of Music.
- Bee Culture—Wilkins, 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—Geiger, Supervisor; Carl W. Moen, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Dairy—Lammers, 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—Wilkins, Supervisor; Eldred M. Hunt, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Legislative-Editorial—Lammers, Supervisor.
- Poultry—Grussendorf, Supervisor; Harold Thomforde, Crookston, Superintendent.
- Public Safety—Andrews, Supervisor; George Cockriel, St. Paul Park, Superintendent.
- Race—Baldwin, Supervisor; C. A. Tincher, Owatonna, Advisor.
- Services—Baldwin, Supervisor; E. H. Deemer, Superintendent of Grounds. Albert Keller, Superintendent of Greenhouses; James L. Libby, Minneapolis, Superintendent of Sanitation; H. J. Noonan, Mahtomedi, Superintendent of Transportation.
- Sheep and Wool—Grussendorf, Supervisor; Philip A. Anderson, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Space Rentals—Thompson, Supervisor; H. D. Johnston, St. Paul, Superintendent; Carl O. Linnee, St. Louis Park, Superintendent, Machinery Division; Elmer Fisher, St. Paul, Superintendent, Varied Industries Division.
- Swine—Grussendorf, Supervisor; H. G. Zavor?l, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Ticket Audit—Geiger, Supervisor; A. H. Winkle, St. Paul, Superintendent.
- Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

C. A. Moore, President

D. K. Baldwin, Secretary

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