ARCHITECTS URGE FAIR AT HOG ISLAND

Natural Advantages and Improvements Already Installed Make It Ideal Location

REACHED BY SEA AND RAIL

This is the third of a series of articles describing the various sites suggested for the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition and the advantages urged for each.

The shipyard area at Hog Island is indorsed by W. L. Plack, C. F. Neff and Victor Wierman, architects, 1200 Locust street, as the site of the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition in 1926.

The tract contains about 850 acres of Government land, with a frontage on the Delaware River of approximately two miles. It is in Delaware County, being bounded on the northeast by the Philadelphia County line.

On the north and east, adjacent to the site, are the Cannonball farm, 1000 acres of city land, and about 1000 acres of additional private farm land, which are available if necessary.

Unexcelled economic advantages, the architects say, are the arguments in favor of Hog Island as the site for the exposition.

"No other site suggested thus far has the impelling commercial assets for a vast world exposition Hog Island presents to even a casual observer," says Mr. Plack. "The condition of the yard is virtually the same today as it was during the war.

Improvements Already There

"The land is level and firm, and thousands of men could be put to work on the construction of buildings sixty days after its selection. The high-pressure water system, the electric light stations and wiring and the sewer system now existing are all adequate for the exposition requirements.

The two miles of Delaware River front, he said, afford excellent opportunity for meeting the international scope of the exposition. He says there are ten permanent concrete shipways, virtually new, and a wet basin 1000 feet long, protected by a sea wall.

"Within the wet basin," Mr. Plack continued, "are seven modern steel and concrete piers for loading and unloading freight during the construction of the buildings. The shipment of freight by water is not only an economy but also will divert heavy traffic from the city streets and adjacent roads. When the buildings have been built the piers can be used in bringing passengers from foreign ports direct to the site.

"The yard is traversed by eighty miles of railroad tracks and there is an abundance of cranes and derricks and storehouses for handling and storing freight coming by either land or water. In the center of the site is a freight yard with ten parallel tracks which can be converted into a passenger and freight terminus by building a superstructure.

"The Pennsylvania Railroad runs along the inboard boundaries of the yard, making it accessible from all directions."

Would Build Boulevard

The construction of a boulevard from Penrose avenue to the site, he says, will furnish a direct highway for motor traffic. There are, however, he added, a number of good roads leading to the yard from the north, west and south.

The Cannonball Farm and the adjacent tract, he said, readily could be adapted to parking automobiles and aviation fields and stadiums.

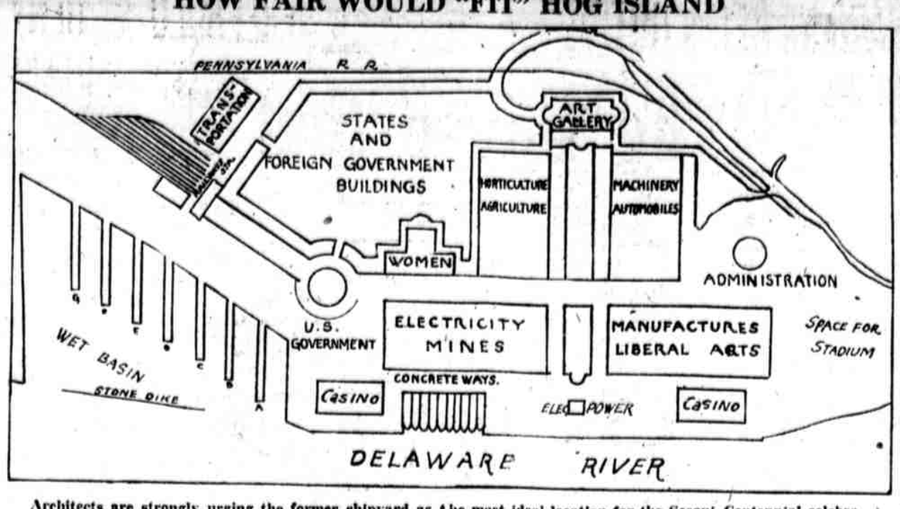
The plan for the construction of the buildings, he says, is merely a suggestion to indicate the great space available, provision being made for State and foreign Government buildings and halls for electricity, mines, manufactures, liberal arts, machinery and automobiles, agriculture and horticulture, and for an art gallery. Adequate space he said, is left for other buildings, such as a stadium, casinos, a powerhouse and an administration building.

"The advantages of the Hog Island site are so many and obvious that we wondered that it had not been suggested before. The land is owned by the Government and there would be little trouble incurred in obtaining permission for its use. The adjacent tracts suggested are open farm land and no costs of demolishing and condemning buildings would be entailed.

"The commercial location of the site is ideal," said Mr. Plack, summing up the advantages offered by the yard. "It is accessible by water, rail and highway. It is fully developed for immediate construction. It is already provided with sewerage, lighting, water and track systems, as well as piers, shipways and a wet basin. There are about 2000 acres of available farm land for extension purposes which can be utilized at once.

"What other site has been suggested which offers such a formidable list of essential advantages?"

HOW FAIR WOULD "FIT" HOG ISLAND



Architects are strongly urging the former shipyard as the most ideal location for the Sesqui-Centennial celebration in 1926. Supporters point out that facilities for rail, water and motor transportation, sewers, power plants and other improvements already installed are a great economical advantage

HELD ON FRAUD CHARGE

Three Say Man Got $44 for Auto Licenses That Never Came

Preston Wisner, 2518 South Eighteenth street, was held in $500 bail today on a charge of obtaining money by false pretense.

Wisner was accused by Robert Hoffman, Twenty-eighth and Brandywine streets, of having obtained $10 from him for a 1922 automobile license. The license did not come, and Hoffman alleged that when he wrote to Harrisburg he was informed no application for a license had been made in his name. He swore out a warrant yesterday.

Two others, Thomas Fisher, 1437 North Thirty-fourth street, and Samuel Minnick, 2619 Girard avenue, appeared against Wisner before Magistrate Roberts at the Twenty-eighth and Oxford streets station. The three complainants said they had given Wisner $44 in all.

BUCKBEE WILL ENDOWS BED

Remainder of $115,000 Estate Left in Trust for Nephews and Nieces

A bequest of $5000 is made to St. Joseph's Hospital to establish a free bed, under the will of Catherine Buckbee, 1426 North Sixteenth street, admitted to probate today. The bed is in memory of the decedent's mother, Mrs. Catherine Riley. The estate is estimated at $115,000. The residue is left in trust for three nephews and four nieces.

The wills of the following were filed: Frank C. Deere, 1532 Arrott street, $50,000; Marie J. Mischler, who died in the Samaritan Hospital, $17,100; Martha G. Campbell, 5011 Osage avenue, $5500; Edith Godfrey, Hamilton Court, $5200.

Inventories of the personal estates of the following were filed: Emma C. Nice, $96,707, and Lewis E. Herring, $58,647.

FINAL GRAFT HEARING

Investigating Committee Sits Today on Lower Merion Property Sale

The final hearing in the investigation of charges of graft in the sale of property to Lower Merion Township in 1914 will take pdace today in Ardmore by the Investigating Committee, of which Alba Johnson is chairman.

W. A. L. Barker, a Township Commissioner; George C. Klauder, formerly a real estate agent, but now practicing law, and Magistrate Stillwagon were originally mentioned in the charges, which were given publicity in connection with the campaign of Joseph J. Skelton, Treasurer-elect of the township, against Wm. G. Frankenfield.

URGE MUMMERS CHANGE

Committee Would Hold Parade in November or Easter

Members of the Councilmanic Committee on the Mummers' Parade will shortly meet captains of various New Year's associations to discuss a proposed change in the date of the New Year's parade to a time when severe temperatures will not so inconvenience both paraders and spectators.

The suggestion as put forward proposes either Easter Monday or the first Monday in November. Arguments are advanced against the first date that weather at that time of the year is rather unsettled.

ENDS LIFE BY GAS

Man Found Dead in Basement at 717 Sansom Street

J. C. Pikzell, who lived at the Windemere Hotel, Broad and Locust streets, was found dead in the basement of the Electro-Nite Carbon Company, 717 Sansom street, at 8 o'clock this morning, where he was employed. Death was pronounced due to illuminating gas poisoning self-administered.

According to employes of the company, Pikzell had been acting strangely for the last two weeks.

Councilman McCoach Improved

The condition of Councilman William McCoach, 719 South Twenty-second street, is reported to be much better today. Mr. McCoach is ill with pneumonia.

DOUGHNUT BAKERY BURNS

Employes Think Pan of Grease Ignited—Loss Set at $5000

Fire destroyed the interior of the Philadelphia Do Nut Shop, 223-25 South Fifth street, at midnight, ate its way to the basement and burned everything there. The upper floor of the building, occupied by the Royal Headwear Company, was damaged by smoke only.

Five employes were in the kitchen of the shop when the fire started. They have no clear idea how it originated, but think a pan of fat became ignited. Loss is estimated at about $5000.

BABY'S FINGERTIPS REVEAL FUTURE CRIMINAL LEANINGS

John Klein, City Hall Expert, Says Destiny Is Clearly Marked in "Whorls" and "Loops"—Insanity Also Distinguishable

A person's nature can, to a certain degree, be ascertained by his fingerprints, and when a child is born the possibility of his committing criminal offenses when older can be ascertained by the same method, in the opinion of John Klein, a fingerprint expert at City Hall.

Mr. Klein gave further opinions on the theory of Prof. Heinrich Pohl, the Berlin fingerprint authority, who goes so far as to say that a person's destiny is clearly marked on the tips of the fingers.

Prof. Pohl declares that with further study of fingerprints an insane person, or the possibility of one becoming insane, can be clearly defined. Prof. Pohl, who has studied thousands of finger tips, also asserts that racial differences and many other curious facts can be brought out by study along this line.

Commenting on the subject, Mr. Klein said:

"We have more than 90,000 photographs of fingerprints in City Hall, and, in studying more than half of them, I have noticed one distinct factor that goes toward showing a person's character. It is this:

Look at Yours

"There are two extreme kinds of lines on one's fingertips, the 'whorl' and the 'loop' or 'arch.' The 'whorl,' circular in shape, denotes an excitable temperament, while the loop or arch denotes the opposite—a cool or noncombatable temperament.

"Of course, there are many variations of these two extremes, such as the 'accidental' line, which is a combination of both. Then there are other lines, such as the 'twine loop,' 'central pocket' and 'lateral pocket,' but the clearest observations are gained from the extreme lines.

"Looking back over my records, I have found that if a man has possessed more whorls than loops or arches he has usually committed a daring crime, such as a hold-up or murder. Persons possessing the whorls on their fingertips are of a very combatable nature and are, of course, capable of doing rash things.

Many Criminals Eliminate

"On the other hand," continued Mr. Klein, "we find that persons who have been arrested for crimes that do not require a daring act have invariably possessed more loops or arches than whorls. Women, for instance, as a rule do not commit such daring crimes as men, and only a small percentage of them possess more whorls than loops.

"I have also noticed that many men, although criminals, have a 'lady-like' manner about them. Their fingertips, I have noticed, read almost like a woman's, and these men usually were taken by the law for offenses that could be committed without much courage.

"Pickpockets as a rule do not possess daring personalities. They usually use more skill than daring. This class usually possesses a fingerprint similar to a woman's.

Future Revealed

"From these observations I think it is possible to ascertain the future nature of a person when he or she is only an infant. Fingerprints remain the same from birth to death. If a child is found to possess many whorls you can bank on the fact that the child will grow up into an excitable person, and, if necessary, be combatable.

"If we were to take a child possessing many whorls on his fingertips and put him into a refined household and in the company of children with a cooler nature we would soon notice the difference. It would be much harder to 'keep the stranger down' than to keep the refined children from doing mischievous acts. And when the child finally matures this nature is more pronounced than ever."

Concluding, Mr. Klein declared that with further study along the almost unworked field of fingerprints he thinks it not improbable that we will be able to detect future insanity.

OLDEST "DEVIL DOG" SAILS FOR CUBA TO BE WITH BOYS

Ends Recruiting Duty Here—In Service 62 Years

Sergeant Henry B. Hallowell, oldest of the "devil dogs," who has been a marine for almost sixty-two years, will sail for Cuba January 6.

The aged "leatherneck"—he is eighty-two years old and still can swim, ride and dance—will spend the winter months in the balmy climate of the southern island.

"I hope to produce a play concerning the marines," said Sergeant Hallowell today. "There are no end of plots in my head, based on actual experiences in my years in the corps. I don't expect to have any difficulty getting a motion-picture concern to put the piece on for me."

Sergeant Hallowell has been here on recruiting service, and the marines at the Philadelphia Navy Yard are trying to persuade him to stay.

"Philadelphia is my home town," he said, "but all towns are pretty much alike to me now, and this looks like a hard winter here. I'm off for Cuba with the boys."

The sergeant will sail with a marine contingent on the Olympic, former flagship, when she leaves the Navy Yard Friday.

Sergeant Hallowell was in three wars—the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and the late World War. His ancestors have been in every scrap the Nation has had since the Revolution. His father was an officer in the American Army in the Civil War and lost his life in action. The sergeant is the proud possessor of a string of medals like a jeweler's window and "hash marks" for enlistments that cover his coat sleeve from cuff almost to shoulder with gold stripes.

BRIDGE BOND SECURED

National Surety Co. Furnishes Assurance for Contracting Concern

The National Surety Company, for which former Mayor Thomas B. Smith is general agent in this city, has furnished the bond for the construction of the two main piers of the Delaware River Bridge.

The former Mayor is a member of the Delaware River Bridge Commission, which awarded the pier-building contract jointly to the Holbrook, Cabot & Rollins Corporation, of Boston, and the Keystone State Construction Company.

The joint bid of the successful competitors was $1,843,750, the lowest of eleven submitted. The premium on the bond furnished the companies was $25,039.13.

NEW COIN IS DISLIKED

Bank Cashiers Say "Peace Dollar" Won't Stack

The new silver "Peace Dollar" is disliked by bank cashiers and others who handle large sums of money. It will not stack. The new dollar was placed in circulation yesterday. If twenty are piled up the slightest jar sends them tumbling and rolling.

Bank officials say the failure to stack is probably caused by the high relief of the head of Liberty on one side, and also that the coin edge on each face is smooth and not milled. A similar defect was found in the new $20 gold pieces when first issued, and a new issue was made.

NEWS OF BRINES' DEATH WITHHELD FROM MOTHER

She Is at Home of Brother Critically Ill—Collapse Followed Trial

Mrs. Annie Brines, mother of William P. Brines, the young man who was killed in an automobile accident Sunday near Los Angeles, a year after he was acquitted here of murdering Elmer S. Drewes, a Dartmouth student, is critically ill at the home of her brother, Thomas R. Wiggins, 6553 North Lambert street. She has not been told of the death of her son.

She is suffering from a general nervous collapse which had its beginning when authorities started the hunt for her son on a charge of murder. Now it is feared that the shock of hearing of his death might be fatal.

Meanwhile, her brother, a contractor and formerly influential in State politics, is endeavoring to make funeral arrangements for his nephew.

Mrs. Brines broke down when she heard that her son was being sought. After treatment at a hospital she recovered sufficiently to attend the trial, but since that her physical condition has been impaired and during the last four months she has been under the care of a nurse.

When freed Brines went West, but his mother remained here. Brines, who surrendered only after he had consulted an attorney, won the fight, as the Commonwealth could not prove that he was actually with the murdered man. Since then Mrs. Brines has been living with Mr. Wiggins.

LITTLE BENNY'S NOTE BOOK

By Lee Pape

FRANK FEERNOTS MASTER STROKE

A Play

Frank Feernot. Holey smoogs who's this guy with a mask on his face pointing a revolver at me?

Robber. Hands up or I'll shoot.

Frank Feernot. Theyre up you big coward.

Robber. Wats the idear calling me a coward? I'll fill you so full of bullit holes you'll wonder ware al the air is coming from.

Frank Feernot. If you aint a coward why you got that mask covering your principle feetures?

Robber. Thats jest to prove I belong to the union. Do you dare me to take it off?

Frank Feernot. I dubble dare you.

Robber. Do you tripple dare me?

Frank Feernot. Yes, I tripple dare you.

Robber. Well I haff to untie the nott in back and how can I untie it wile Im holding this revolver?

Frank Feernot. I'll hold it for you a minnut.

Robber. All rite. Be carefill its loaded. Now, my masks off. Who's a coward?

Frank Feernot. Hands up or I'll shoot.

Robber. Theyre up. You think youare smart dont you?

Frank Feernot. I know darn well I am. Ha ha no wonder you ware a mask with a funny looking face like that! Forward march to the station house.

Robber. Trapped foiled baffled!

The End

Uncommon Sense

By JOHN BLAKE

Looking Into the Future

WE CANNOT foretell earthquakes or the way a cat is going to jump. Despite the relation between sunspots and the weather on this little planet, no man can say whether we are going to have a hot or a cool summer.

Many things are unpredictable. There is an element of chance that makes all prediction liable to correction after the event.

HOWEVER, he who has been a close student of the past and is an attentive observer of the present is more likely to prophesy future events correctly than the man who studies nothing and thinks about matters of no consequence.

Most business success is based on predictions of the future. It must be.

Factories have to be built with an eye to future markets.

Today the telephone and telegraph companies are making careful surveys of all the cities of the world, seeking to estimate their future growth, and the direction it will take.

They base their estimates on the past and present, and make them with astonishing accuracy. And, because they can do this, they can provide for future service, and put down conduits and put up pole lines along the routes that will be needed by and by.

YOUR own private business, whatever it may be, will be greatly assisted if you know all that can be known about the future.

For example, if you are an engineer there is a better chance for you in a country that will have big engineering problems to settle by and by.

If you are a merchant, you must arrange to get markets for what you have to sell. You can do that only by making an intelligent guess as to where these markets are likely to be.

Only a study of the past will do that for you.

HISTORY never exactly repeats itself, despite the proverb. All prophecies are subject to change without notice. But the human mind has operated in much the same way for many generations, and will continue so to operate for many generations more.

And, if you have watched its workings in the past, you will be better able to make a good guess as to its workings in the future.

It will be only a guess, but it is on that kind of guesses that all business and most fortunes are founded.

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LATEST P. R. T. PLAN SPURNED BY MAYOR

Moore Says Company Would Be Getting Frankford "L" for Nothing

CITY OPERATION PREFERRED

Mayor Moore does not approve of the latest offer of the P. R. T. Company for operation of the Frankford elevated line. He made this plain yesterday following a conference with Richard Weglein, president of Council. All losses for the first year are to be assumed by the company, under the latest offer, after which the city is to be paid a rate of interest, on a sliding scale, until it reaches 5 per cent a year on construction costs by the sixth year.

Mr. Moore said he felt that the company was getting the elevated line for nothing, at least in the first year of operation. He indicated that he stood firm for a flat 5 per cent return upon the $15,000,000 invested by the municipality in constructing the line. While conceding that the latest offer from Thomas E. Mitten, persident of the company, was the most liberal recently made, the Mayor did not regard it as fair from the city's standpoint.

Mr. Weglein said he would place the new proposal before Council tomorrow. Also a meeting of the Councilmanic Committee of the Whole will be called for Monday next to consider the proposal.

The Mayor said that regardless of the negotiations he was preparing to have the city operate the road. The ordinance already introduced into Council providing for a bureau of operation will be supplemented tomorrow by an Administration ordinance authorizing the Director of City Transit to enter into a contract with the Philadelphia Electric Company to provide electric power for the road, municipally operated.

Mr. Moore said he felt that municipal operation of the road at a five-cent fare even for a year would force the company to recognize the fact that it was facing serious competition and would induce it to suggest an agreement that would provide for a return satisfactory to the city heads.

"I understand that representations have been made that Council is prepared to approve this latest offer of the P. R. T.," said the Mayor, turning to Mr. Weglein.

"I do not know of any one who would be authorized to make that statement," replied Mr. Weglein. "Nobody knows as yet what the Councilmen will do or how they will regard this offer."

CAMDEN POLICE ACCUSED

Three Patrolmen and Detective Are Charged With Taking Bribes

City Solicitor Bleakley, of Camden, today filed charges with Chief of Police Gravenor against City Detective George Murry and Patrolmen Hall, Latore and Draper, alleging misconduct in office and the accepting of bribes. The hearing has been set for tonight.

The charges are the outcome of an order issued by City Council to investigate alleged irregularities in the duties of the detective and patrolmen in the First and Fifth wards. Murry is charged with accepting a bribe of $42.50 from Richard Marchmon, 620 South Second street, in May, 1918, and also with having given police protection to Minnie Draper, charged with improper conduct.

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