## **FAIRMOUNT PARK URGED AS FAIR SITE**

C. F. Albright Would Use 1876 Exposition Grounds for 1926 Display

### CALLED THE LOGICAL SPOT

This is the fourth of a series of gested for the Sesqui-Centennial Ex-position and the advantages urged for

The site of the Centennial Exposition of 1876 on Belmont Plateau, Fairmount Park, has been suggested by Chester E. Albright and Charles F. Mebus, prehitects, of the Land Title Building, for the 1926 Sesqui-Centen-

The area comprises about 700 acres of city land, extending north three miles on the west bank of the Schuylkill River from Spring Garden street to Wissahickon Creek. It is bounded on the north by Midvale avenue and the west by Belmont avenue. Relmont Pla-teau, Belmont Knoll and Chameunic Knoll are included in the tract

#### Called Logical Site

Mr. Albright, a former chief engineer of the city Bureau of Surveys, says that accessibility, beauty of location and immediate adaptability make site the most logical of any sug-

"In considering necessibility," said Mr. Albright, "railroads, traction lines and highways are the essentials. With-out these, no site can be deemed a logical location for the exposition.
"The upper Fairmount Park site. as

we have called it, offers these advan-tages in a complete manner. The Schuylkill Valley branch of the Pennerlyanta Railroad passes through the tract along the river bank. This line would transport adequately both passengers and freight to the site, but its able for artistic reasons.
"The Chestnut Hill electric line of

the same railroad is just west of the tract and could be utilized to facilitate passenger service from the city.

### Many Trolley Lines Available

There are numerous street railway lines direct to the site, he said; there being two traction terminals adjacent, one at Forty-fourth street and Parkside avenue, on the southwest boundary, and one at Strauberry Mansion, on the northeast. He said that the Fairmount Park Transportation Line is the con-necting link between the two terminals

providing excellent transit service from all parts of the city.

The scenic beauty of the site, he said, is unusual. Belmont Plateau and Chamounix Knoll being two of the garden spots of Philadelphia and vi-cinity. He said the land is high and indulating dotted with wooded tracts and picturesque glens,

### Avtation Provided For

"Chamounix, overlooking the river, would be an ideal place for a huge stadium. The plateau would prove an excellent aviation field.

"There is an island, a few hundred yards long, in the riger upon which could be constructed an electric fountain. The river provides adequate space for water exhibits and carnivals." He said that the land is ready for the immediate construction of buildings Many improvements and buildings the Centennial Exposition are intact

Demolition and condemnation cost eliminated, as the land is owned the city, he added. The environs of the site are beau-I, he said. On the northwest is Philadelphia Country Club, with well-kept golf course. On the west

south are residential sections



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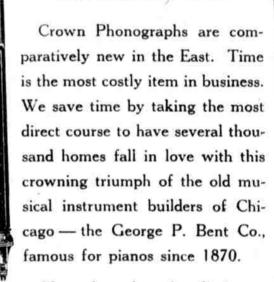
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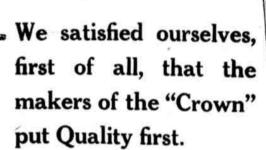
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