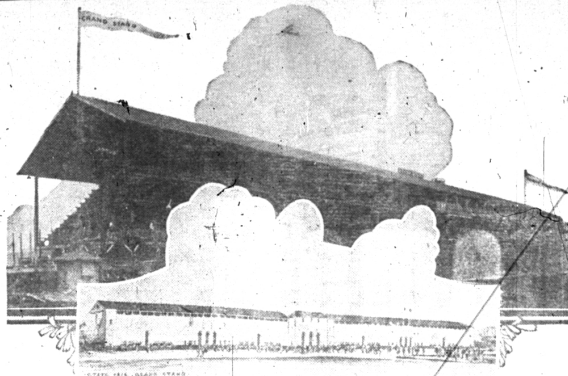


### \$250,000 State Fair Grandstand Started



The photograph reproduced here shows the progress of construction on the new 800-foot Grandstand being erected for the Michigan State Fair on the site of the old wooden structure. The new stand, designed by Lynn W. Fry, state architect and being erected at a cost approaching a quarter of a million dollars, will have a seating capacity of 15,000. The insert shows the architect's impression of the completed structure.

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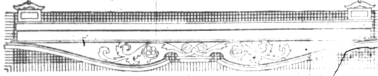
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#### SAVING OUR NATION

By THE REV. J. L. EDWARDS, Pastor of First Baptist Church.

Saving our nation implies that she is either lost or in danger of being lost. There are many signs of this danger. Powerful forces are working to completely change her course from the simple principles upon which she was founded and to force her out into a wild and uncharted sea—to incorporate ideas which have long since been exploded as visionary and visionary.

That we have grown big enough as a nation for additional principles of truth we readily concede. But that we have outgrown the need and power of the simple original principles upon which this government was founded, is as absurd as to say that we have outgrown the principles of mathematics. We should never suffer what is true to be destroyed by progress and growth.

It is the easy way of the human mind to believe that all is truth that harmonizes with its own notions or with our training or with our creeds. To confess our intellectual errors requires almost as much courage as to confess our sins. It is a real struggle to keep the mind and heart in the white light of sincerity and to sustain an attitude of reverence for truth in every realm of life. Yet this is the supreme task for the freedom of the soul and the salvation of the people.

So long as small and large groups of people within the life of a nation cultivate and practice those principles which they cherish but which they do not openly acknowledge and submit to the white light of investigation, we shall have a house divided against itself and such a house cannot stand. Or, so long as men and groups of people play the game to subvert the nation to their secret ideas, government which they all the while swear loyalty to the flag and thus deceive many unwary souls, we are in danger of serious peril.

Freedom of discussion in the open and without mental reservation to protect self and selfish institutions is absolutely necessary for our salvation. To think is to live, but to think right is to live within the embrace of righteousness which is the heart of truth. And this alone is the spiritual energy which is glorious to strengthen and perpetuate the heart and life of this, our glorious nation. Some people assume that where there is discussion there is strife and bitterness. But it need not be so, if only men will be sincere in the pursuit of truth. The world is full of men who will take up the sword for an idea, be it right or wrong, but few are they who will die for the truth. Yet the sword never conquers—it kills, but truth alone conquers.

Selfishness and wrath, these are the enemies which resort to all sorts of means to win, but destruction and death are their only ultimate rewards. No, truth is not always sweet to the man whose evil it exposes, but it is very effective for it never compromises. Hence, sometimes it is necessary to voice deception and wrath and, men who hate the truth, will not come to the truth to hold their meetings in. Like Pharaoh they harden their heart.

and thus make their destruction sure, which only serves to vindicate the truth and give the judgment of the criminal.

Facts are stubborn things and one fact is worth more than a million guesses. A lot of people keep fooling themselves, but mostly other people, by shouting passion or persecution or bigotry when their fallacies and their crimes are detected and exposed which only serves to identify their ineptitude and perversity. But truth will and must prevail though all its enemies are bent on its destruction. It is a fact in the hand of one man may be with a banner, with which he may win a better cause than he can expect. In the hand of another it may be a powerful light which shines on the eyes of a creature blind in its haunts. We need more light and more light-bearing in this nation to save it from destruction.

In every branch of learning we need the facts. No mere theory should become the basis of any system or superstition. Theories may be allowed to amuse men in the realms of speculation but only the true and the fact should become the basis of operation in law and religion. Therefore beware of the men who are fearful of the facts—who distort the facts to further their selfish purposes. Give us truth in religion, in politics, in education and business and we can perpetuate this nation and make her radiant with a life which will be like the city of God on earth.

### "Old Home Town" Will Call Them Back To Franklin

One hundred years ago this week, the village of Franklin was born. On August 9, the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society, and residents there will join in celebration of its 100th anniversary. Old citizens who have moved away, guests from other towns and cities, and residents will all be welcome at the all day home coming and anniversary celebration on Saturday. Something interesting and entertaining is promised for every minute during the morning and afternoon.

Dinner will be served at noon by the Auxiliary Society of Franklin. Some of the afternoon speakers will be James H. Lynch of Pontiac, President of the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society; M. E. Ferry, State Historian from Lansing; and Mrs. Lillian D. Avery of Pontiac. A special feature of the program will be the singing of old fashioned songs in the costume of the day by professional singers.

### Seek Crull As New Scout Master Here

Permission was given the Baldwin unit, Parent-Teacher Association, to approach F. J. Crull, manual training teacher, to assume the role of scout master of the new group of boys in the Baldwin unit. The school board also granted permission for the troop to hold their meetings in the high school during the school term.

Some question was raised in regard to the employment of teachers outside of their school hours by Superintendant Clarence Vliet. It is possible that during the coming year some provision may become necessary to establish a continuation school here and in such an event the hands of Mr. Crull for his decision as the continuation school is as yet a very questionable step. A community of 15,000 population is required by the state to provide for eight hours of schooling, known as a continuation school, for children of school age unable to attend the regular classes. While there has been no demand made for such a step, the population is rapidly approaching that number and the matter is being given consideration by the board.

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### STATE FAIR STAND WILL SEAT 15,000

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EXPERTS DECLINE BUILDING WILL BE FINEST IN COUNTRY

Visitors to the twenty-first annual Michigan State Fair, held at Pontiac, Aug. 29 to September 7, will welcome the addition of a new 800-foot grandstand to the already fast-growing group of modern steel constructions now on the grounds.

This structure, embodying every modern convenience and appointment of the up-to-date stand, is now being built. In fact the steel work is complete and stucco and plastering partially finished.

Designed By Fry  
Building of this new grandstand necessitated complete razing of the former wooden structure which was only 400 feet long. The new stand will be one of the finest spots of the fair grounds with a seating capacity near 15,000. The estimated cost of construction is placed at \$250,000.

Lynn W. Fry, state architect, is the designer of the building and experts also have looked over the plans and preliminary steel work say it is certain when completed to be the finest of its kind in this country. The new stand eliminates the loss of space to the front of the track where, in former years, crowds have congregated making it difficult to witness whatever entertainment happened to be in progress at the time.

With the possible exception of the new Dairy Cattle building which is estimated will cost \$175,000 when completed, the grandstand is perhaps the outstanding improvement of this year's big construction program.

Resembles Cup Stand  
Similar in type to the famous stands in the Chicago Cubs' ball park, the fair grandstand will be equipped with copper seats. Approximately 1,500 reserved chairs will front the seating arrangement.

Up and down state folks who have experienced no small difficulty in previous years in finding parking space for their automobiles will be happy to learn of the subway construction under the mile track which will permit 4,000 additional machines or 7,000 cars to be parked by the infield, in front of the grandstand. This is made possible not only by the construction of the subway, which, by the way, is a steel and cement job costing \$300,000, but also by the elimination of the mile track.

### STATE FAIR HEAD ANNOUNCES NEW BIG LIGHTING SYSTEM

Thousands of folks who visit the Michigan State Fair in the evening and leave partially disappointed because poor lighting facilities did not give them the same pleasure they could have seen for a day time visit, will approve construction of an underground lighting system which is being installed with 15 additional lamps to be placed along through the atrium.

Jay a Compliment  
When we come to the naming of the bluejay we find the name applies to the brilliant plumage of this state creature, says Nature Magazine. The source of "jay" is given as the French "jay" or "jay" equivalent to the English "jay." With this in mind one finds that the use of the term "jay" to describe a person is by no means as incongruous as it is generally supposed to be.

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One per cent penalty from August 16 to September 15, 1924, inclusive. Four per cent penalty from September 16 to October 31, 1924, inclusive. No taxes accepted by Village Treasurer after October 31, 1924, as the tax roll will be in the hands of the County Treasurer at Pontiac for collection. All taxes unpaid after October 31, 1924, will bear the four per cent penalty plus three-quarters of one per cent for each additional month or fraction thereof.

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