

MEMORANDUM

NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1964-1965 CORPORATION

TO: MR. ROBERT MOSES

DATE: SEPTEMBER 9, 1965

FROM: M. R. PENDER

SUBJECT: FEDERAL AND STATES - SUMMARY REPORT

The formal special events program of the Federal and States Department will end with the visit of Governor John Volpe on Massachusetts Day on September 12.

This year we have had thirty official state days with twenty governors actually attending the ceremonies. In addition, a number of special days and weeks were held, all designed to encourage added attendance to the Fair. Today, Governor Burns of Florida is coming to the Fair for a celebration honoring the 5 millionth visitor to the Florida Pavilion.

At present practically all of our efforts are being directed toward assuring maximum fulfillment of all obligations by the exhibitors in our area.

To date, demolition contracts have been awarded by Alaska, Maryland, Missouri, New England, and West Virginia. Bids have been received by Florida, Hawaii, Hollywood, New Mexico, New Jersey, and Oklahoma, and contracts are expected to be awarded shortly. Bids have also been received by the Federal Government on demolition of the United States Pavilion. We have no indication as to when this contract will be awarded.

Negotiations are under way for the sale of the major structures of the pavilions of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Montana, Oregon, and Pennsylvania. These sales are expected to be completed before the end of September. In most cases the sale agreement will include demolition of foundations and restoration of the site. In one or two cases this will be a separate contract.

At the present time, it appears that the Fair Corporation will have to let the demolition contracts for Bourbon Street and Illinois. Neither exhibitor has made provision for demolition of their structure. However, we confidently hope to recover at least a portion of the demolition and restoration costs from these two exhibitors.



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