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California Day, September 9, 1893

at the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago.

California marked her day by pouring from her "horn of plenty" the abundant products of her orchards, vineyards, and orange groves without stint upon all comers. This day was the forty-third anniversary of the admission of California into the Union, and all her natural treasures were brought out to make attractive the old Spanish mission house built to represent her at the Fair.



CALIFORNIA STATE BUILDING. Next to Illinois, the largest State Building. Size, 144 by 435 feet. Cost, \$75,000.

Eight car loads of fruit were provided for free distribution, and most extensive and striking decorations were arranged. The three banners representing the three epochs in her government—the Spanish, the Mexican, and the "Bear" flag—were blended everywhere with the Stars and Stripes, and a profusion of



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flowers, fruits, and tropical plants gave the visitor a general impression of richness and plenty, in all of which was the glow of yellow—the yellow of her gold, of her lemon and orange groves, of her poppy, and of her flag, and the yellow of the ribbon badges worn with pride by her citizens.

Short formal exercises were held in the afternoon, at which the address of welcome was made by James D. Phalen, Vice-President of the California Commission, and the principal oration by Senator Stephen M. White. A poem, entitled The Voice of California, was read, and other addresses, music, and reading of poems rounded out the program.