

### SKY · RIDE

SEE THE FAIR FROM THE AIR

## Interesting facts about the SKY-RIDE

COST-\$1,400,000.

Height of Towers—628 feet—64 stories. The highest points in Chicago.

Height of rocket ride—219 feet—23 stories.

View—Four states visible from towers tops on a clear day.

Elevators—Four to each tower. Two to the 219 foot level and two to the top. Speed—Low rise cars, 500 feet per minute, capacity 30. High rise cars, 700 feet per minute, capacity 20. There is an interesting exhibit of elevator machinery at the tower tops.

Rocket cars—Ten in number each weighing 6200 pounds. Capacity, 36 passengers. Speed, 520 feet per minute, about 6 miles per hour.

Rocket car operation—Traction cable pulls cars as they leave the trusses jutting from each tower. The cars operate on their own motors into and out of the loading and unloading platforms.

Span—1850 feet, second longest in the world.
The distance between counter-balances is
3050 feet.

Employment—1652 men at various phases of the work.

Engineers—Robinson and Steinman, New York,
Designers.
Joshua D'Esposito and I. F. Stern,
Consulting Engineers.
Robert W. Hunt Co., Inspection.

WE suggest that you make the observatories your first visit at the fair. From these vantage points it is made simple for you to locate the buildings you wish to explore. Plan your fair tour from here. Because of the great span of the Sky-Ride the view from each tower is vastly different but equally entrancing. Visit both, you will be well repaid. Also may we remind you that both the night and day views are exquisite and interesting.

Riding in rocket cars suspended high in the air has never been done before. Bringing the idea to successful fruition required more than five months of planning and seven months of actual construction. A safety factor of four to one has been maintained at all times. In other words each unit of the whole structure has been made to bear four

times the load we will place on it.

The premier bridge builders of the world provided the steel cables and suspended them, also the cars. The biggest elevator manufacturers made and installed Sky-Ride's lifts. The outstanding foundation makers of the country placed the beds for the great towers. Famous companies rolled and fabricated the steel.

### PARTICIPATING CONTRACTORS

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co.
Foundations
Otis Elevator Company
Elevators

Joh A. Roebling's Sons Co. Steel Wire Ropes Inland Steel Company Steel

Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co. Steel Fabrication

### SUB-CONTRACTORS

Overland Construction Co. Steel Erection Curtis Lighting Co., Inc.

Lights
Walker Jamar Co.
Steel Siding

Hibbard-Spencer-Bartlett Co. Finish Hardware

National Gypsum Company Gypsum Lining

Hooker Glass & Paint Co. Glass and Glazing

Federal Steel Sash Metal Sash Fries Walters Co.
Electrical Work
American Asphalt Paint Co.
Paint Materials
U. S. Gypsum Company
Metal Roof Decking
Marshall Field & Company
Magnacite Flooring
Sill Construction Company
Erection Gypsum Board
Advance Roofing & Sheet Metal Co.
Roofing and Sheet Metal
Rossing Paint Co.
Steel Painting
Richmond Fireproof Door Co.

Metal Doors

J. W. Wade In charge of operation

# SUPREME THRILL of the FAIR