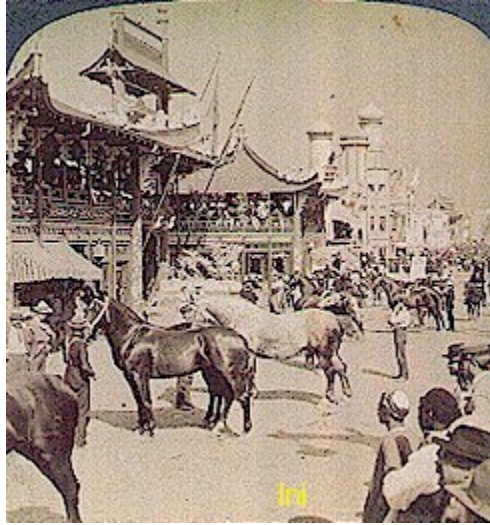


1904 St. Louis Worlds Fair

Morgan Horse Show

The Morgan breed at the World's Fair tied for largest breed. Morgans and Saddlebreds were the only ones that needed thirty-five different sections of classes. These ranged from stallions, stallions three years and under four, to under one year, to just yearlings and so forth. One yearling present was owned by President Roosevelt, and it placed second in its section.



Sometimes prize horses were paraded around the Fair or on the Pike

Unfortunately, breeders present at the fair could not agree as to which type would be adopted universally. There were all different shapes, sizes, and colors of Morgans present at the fair. Some fair exhibitors preferred the neat and trappy step. Others preferred Morgans having the trot more straddled out like an old fashioned Wilkes trotter. Short legs and long legs were jumbled together and it created confusion in the show ring. However, a short-legged close-going, thick little horse, Knox Morgan, came closer to filling the general impression in the public's mind as to what the typical Morgan should be. Knox Morgan became the senior champion stallion. One of the more successful competitors at the World's Fair was James L. Lynes from Plainfield, IA. He had an excellent showstring of Morgan mares, and took first prizes in two-year-olds, second in yearlings, and exhibited an unusually good type of Morgan stallion who came up second to Knox Morgan.

First prize winners were:

- Stallions- Four years old or over: Knox Morgan : Exhibitor F. G. Chandler, Peacham, VT.
- Stallions- Three years and under four: Lindell : Exhibitor J.C. Brunk, Rochester, IL.
- Stallions- Two years and under three: Lawrence : Exhibitor L.L. Dorsey, Anchorage, Ky.
- Stallions- One year and under two: Shakespeare : Exhibitor Joseph Bartell, Ripton VT.
- Stallions- Under one year: Ranger : Exhibitor C. F. Dewey, Amboy, IL.
- Mare- Four years old or over: Senata : Exhibitor J.C. Brunk, Rochester, IL.
- Mare- Three years and under four: Doc's Daisy : Exhibitor J.C. Brunk, Rochester, IL.
- Mare- Two years and under three: Carrie Gates: Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton, VT.
- Mare- One year and under two: Countess: Exhibitor C.F. Dewey, Amboy, IL.

- Mare- Under one year: Eva Morgan: Exhibitor: Morgan Horse Co., Carpentersville, IL.
- Four animals of either sex-any age, get of one sire-Sire; General Gates : Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton, VT.
- Two animals of either sex, any age, produce of one mare-Dam; Louise: Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton, VT.
- Stallion and four Mares- Three years old or over: General Gates :Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton VT.
- Stallion and four Mares-Under three years old: Goldsheen : Exhibitor L.L. Dorsey, Anchorage, KY.
- Stallions and Four Mares- All two years old and over, bred by exhibitor: General Gates 4411: Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton, VT.
- Gelding- Four years old or over: Denning Allen 74: Exhibitor Joseph Battell, Ripton, VT.
- Mare- Four years old or over: Bessie: Exhibitor J.C. Brunk, Rochester, IL.
- Mare- Two years and under three: Bengold : Exhibitor L.L. Dorsey, Anchorage, KY.

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