

Weekend Douglas County Fair Activities Varied

2,500 Persons Witness 1st County Fair Rodeo

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Some 2,500 spectators were witnesses to another RCA-approved rodeo Saturday and Sunday at the fairgrounds arena, with some of the top stock out of the rodeo string of Harley Tucker, rodeo producer from Joseph, Ore., supplying the action.
More than 49 cowboys from all

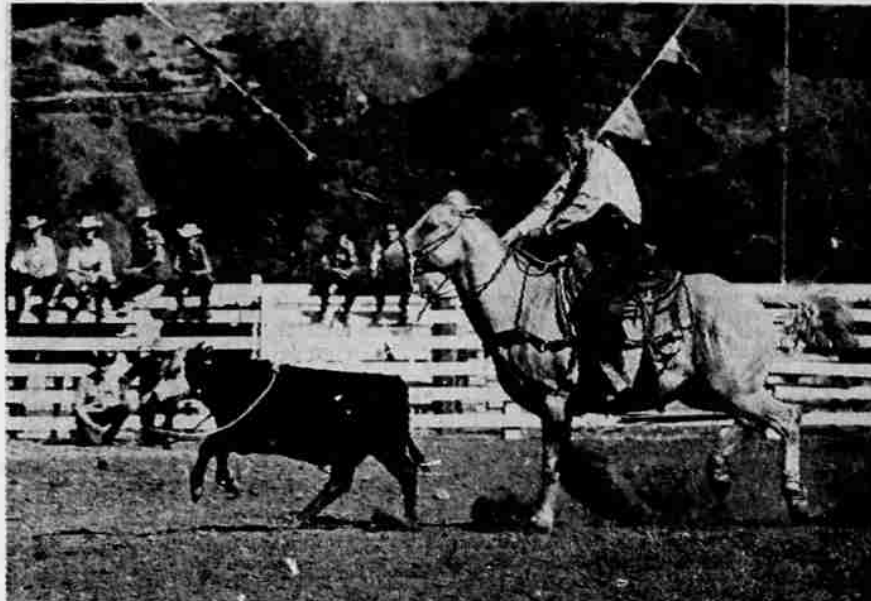
over the nation were entered in the events, which featured only the five main events of a rodeo, the bareback riding, bronc riding, bulldogging, calf roping and bull riding.
The show, which lasted less than two hours each day, moved with a perfection of a machine and at no time was there a lull in the activities.

Between the rodeo acts, the Lane Trio presented the crowd with some precision acts on the trampoline and Danny Ramberg, along with his cousin Karen Abraham, presented a Roman horse act.
Dave Woods, rodeo clown, kept the crowd in a good humor with his jokes and trained Brahma bull act.

Entrants Win Twice
Of the 49 entrants in the rodeo

only Norman Goree of Goldendale, Wash., and Jack Middleton of Redding, Calif., were able to take double wins.
Goree took firsts in the saddle bronc riding Saturday and Sunday and Middleton nabbed both first places in the bareback riding. Marvin Thompson of Medford took first in the Brahma bull riding Saturday but had to settle for a second place on Sunday as Ven Nadon of Vancouver, B. C., placed first on Sunday.
All three of the riders managed to snare the top averages of the two-day meet in their divisions.
One of the top riders of the meet was Cecil Swaggart of Long Creek, who entered both the saddle bronc riding and the bareback riding. Swaggart was slowed down by a bad knee both days and had to en-

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LEROY MCKAY of Salem is shown hot on the trail of a hard to catch calf in Saturday's action at the rodeo held at the fairgrounds. McKay failed in his attempt to rope the doggie and placed out of the money both days. The event was won by Jim Pyeatt, another Salem cowboy. (Paul Jenkins)



'LOOK OUT, BELOW' says Cecil Swaggart of Long Creek, as he flies through the air after being bucked from his horse in Saturday's saddle bronc event at the RCA rodeo held at the fairgrounds. Swaggart went on to place third in Sunday's events and end up in third place in the final averages. (Paul Jenkins)

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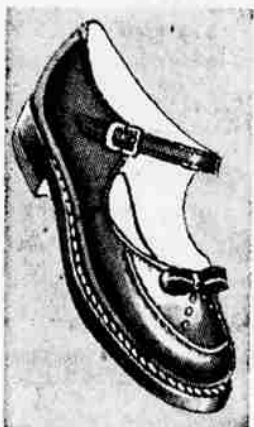
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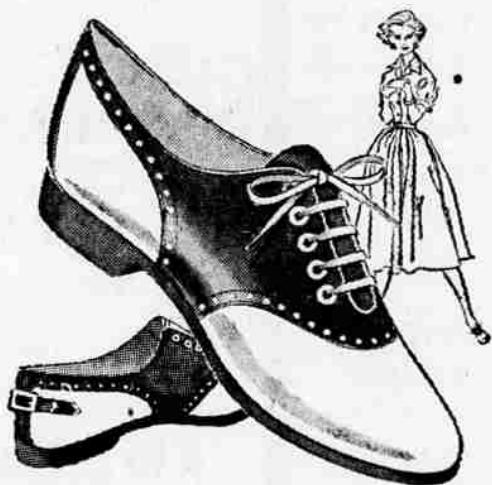
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By DARRELL MADDOX
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Eighteen-year-old Ann Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ferguson, Dillard, won the fifth annual Douglas County Talent Contest Sunday night at the county fair.

A total of sixty-two young persons performed in the four nights of the contest, which was presented by Ricketts' Music Store. The first place winner received \$50 and a trophy. Two other first-place winners received \$50 each. They were Bud Olsen and Sue Ladd, both of Roseburg.

The winner, Ann Ferguson, will leave Friday for Los Angeles where she hopes to begin a singing career. The June Douglas High School graduate will take with her a letter of commendation from Jester Hairston, a choral conductor, arranger and talent scout for the Walter Schumann singers.

Career Launched

Hairston heard Ann sing in Eugene early this year and indicated her voice had magnificent qualities but needed polish through more training. He asked her to have recordings made and sent to him in Los Angeles. After receiving about ten recordings, Hairston said he would do everything he could to get her started.

Because Ann will be short of money for her trip to Los Angeles, Mrs. William McLoughlin, junior and senior choral music instructor at Douglas High School, has scheduled a concert for her Tuesday night at 8 p.m. in the Dillard-Winston Methodist Church.

Second-place winners were Jackie Barnes and D'Ann Fullerton, who did a precision dance routine. D'Ann Fullerton, also received a third place individual prize with a toe dance. Fourth place winners were Sally Hill and Evangeline Chapman, who did a piano duet.

Large Crowd

Other finalists were Morris Kelley, Tom Bean, Frances Cathline, Kenny Cooper and Melody Davidson. Sunday night's finals were broadcast over two Roseburg radio stations. Del McKay, Roseburg radio announcer, served as master of ceremonies during the four nights of the contest. A wide variety of entertainment was provided for the fairgoers by the performers. Acts included pianists, acrobats, tap dancers, singers, and a Hawaiian dancer.

A capacity crowd watched the contest, which was held in the pavilion theater each night. Seats were provided for 1,200 people and the seats were full each night of the event. Sunday night's winners received cash prizes of \$400 from the fair board and merchandise prizes worth \$2,400 from Ricketts' Music Store.

Special Session Opposed By Tax League Chairman

KLAMATH FALLS — Mrs. Josephine Kittridge, chairman of the Nonpartisan Tax League, Saturday said she is opposed to the special session of the Legislature called by Gov. Holmes for Oct. 28.

Mrs. Kittridge said the session would enact only "stop-gap legislation" instead of the complete tax reform program Oregon needs to "help provide jobs and payrolls to relieve unemployment."



FINALISTS — Sixty-two performers competed in the fifth annual Douglas County talent contest presented by Ricketts' Music Store. Finalists who performed Sunday night are, left to right, first row, Frances Cathline, Bud Olson, Kenny Cooper and Melody Davidson. Second row, Jackie Barnes, D'Ann Fullerton, Sue Ladd, Ann Ferguson, Morris Kelley, Tom Bean, Sally Hill and Evangeline Chapman. (Paul Jenkins)



TIME TO EAT — Some 4,000 persons stood in line Saturday noon to share in the free barbecue prepared under direction of the Roseburg Lions Club and paid for by the Douglas County Fair Board. They were among 14,000

persons who attended the fair Saturday, and it was the biggest one-day crowd in the history of the fair. (Paul Jenkins)

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