

Pendleton Folk Had Grand Time in St. Paul

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one evening at a banquet so elaborate that the memories of it will make them "place their fingers on their head and dance around until they're dead." At this banquet Jinks Taylor, Bill Switzer, Jim Sturgis, Glen Bushie, Herb Thompson were berated and befeathered as any Indian that ever did a war dance and their dances would have done credit to a bunch of Umatilla crabs with firewater. They made so much noise with their shouting from that traffic was blocked by the crowd trying to get a glimpse of what was going on inside.

One of the first things that Hill did was to provide horses for the Pendleton party for a cowboy on foot is a real spectacle. St. Paul never saw such a spectacle as these picturesque pseudo cowboys, cowgirls, Indians made as they dashed about over the snowbound streets with the recklessness of the real product of the plains.

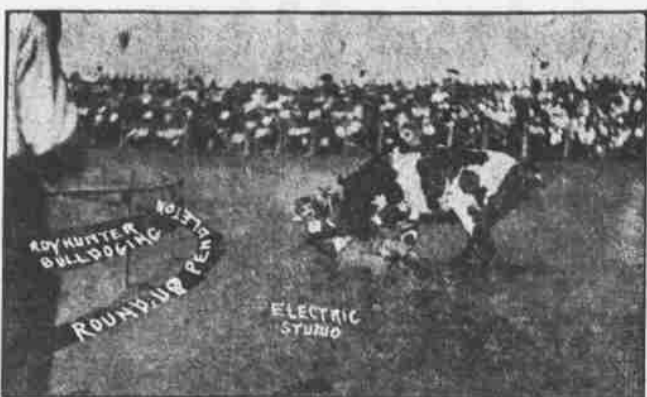
Hit of the Parade.
Their appearance in the grand parade in which 30,000 people participated was heralded far and wide as the feature of the program. A St.

Paul paper spoke as follows:
"The fact is that honors rest between the whooping Indians and the Pendleton Ore. cowboys and cowgirls who, charging down upon the deeply populated curbs, provided a majority of the thrills that belonged to the occasion."

There were 20,000 uniformed marchers. Each section, each division, each club was something to be admired, but the spirit and dash of the far northwest horsemen, who came by upon prancing steeds, was by far the biggest novelty. Their daring was something few spectators will forget.

Horses Have Excellent Spirit.
"Stopping high up Fourth street through a maze of onlookers, these Oregon steeds to all intents and purposes, imbued with the same spirit that has gripped the 250,000 persons who have pledged themselves to the celebration, reared on their hind legs at the signal from their masters as they approached the reviewing place. There stood L. W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad and of the carnival association and all his cohorts.

"Moving picture machines by the score registered the meeting of Ore-



gon with Minnesota, while thousands upon thousands of visitors observed. A rapid fire of revolvers, whipped from the hips of the riders, and shouts of enthusiasm from the throats proclaimed that the middle west and the far west had met.

Crowds Gather at Hotel.
"The parade over, the Pendleton cowboys and cowgirls dashed through the streets to their quarters at the St. Francis hotel, where thousands gathered to witness the spectacle of curly sons and daughters of the coast sporting buckskins and broad-brimmed hats, mingling with the cheer fitting uniforms of a well thought out institution.

"St. Paul people will not soon forget the appearance on their streets of the Oregon riders, for it is one of the real events of a remarkable festival."

The Pendleton contingent was headed by the best band of the 40 which were in the parade. The line of march covered many miles and it was a bitter cold day for the sons and daughters of temperate Oregon. Toward the latter end of the march, Mr. Hill pulled them out of line and gave them stations where they could review the other sections.

Rope the Queens.
To keep themselves warm while watching the paraders, Bill Switzer, Jinks Taylor and George Strand amused themselves by swinging their lariats and dropping the loop over the pretty queens who rode with each of the many marching clubs.

The Pendleton bunch never took the street that they were not the cynosure of all eyes, and they managed to startle the natives with various kinds of impromptu stunts. Stooping down from their saddles, a "cowboy" would suddenly swoop up the form of some pretty girl celebrator, swing her up behind and dash off amid her soprano squeals. Right into hotel lobbies they rode their horses time and again or into bar-rooms and even into elevators.

Rode into Legislature.

The legislature was in session in St. Paul during the carnival and the boys thought it would be highly proper that they should pay their respects to the Minnesota lawmakers. Right up the steps of the capitol building they rode their bronchos and into the marble lobby. The sober-faced solons were not a little surprised and startled when their deliberations were interrupted by the entrance of a dozen rechopped and sombered visitors. However, they arose to the occasion and extended a welcome.

Chief Tall Pine Talks.

Then it was that Chief La-ka-ka-hata (Tall Pine), who in everyday life is Glen Bushie, made the hit of his long career as Indian impersonator. In his buckskins and war bonnet he stalked slowly up the aisle between the lawmakers to the speaker's desk and, turning, addressed them in the tongue of the native American. Cowboy Bill Thompson acted as interpreter, explaining that the chief was tendering them an invitation to come out to his country and see his people during the annual Round-Up. At the conclusion of his speech in Indian, Tall Pine amazed the solons by addressing them in eloquent English and reciting them some verses extolling Pendleton and her Round-Up.

Throughout his stay in St. Paul, Bushie wore his Indian costume and so much did he resemble the native Indian in speech, walk and action, that few there were who learned that he has nothing but a white man's blood in his veins.

On to New York.

When the carnival came to an end the Pendleton party began preparations for the return journey. However, Mr. Hill was not satisfied with the entertainment he had already given them and suggested that they go on to New York. A number of the party were forced to decline because of duties at home that must be attended to, but about half the party left together for old Gotham.

Unknown to the party, Hill and Kinney had wired ahead to the representatives of the Great Northern to take care of them. The telegram of instructions was evidently very positive for, from the time of their arrival in New York until their de-

parture, they were entertained by Great Northern representatives. They did not arrive in New York until 2:30 a. m., but despite the hour were met by a G. N. official who escorted them to the Waldorf-Astoria, New York's most famous hotel. They were told to lock their purses in the safety deposit vaults as all expenses would be taken care of by the company.

They remained in New York six days, during which time they were escorted to theaters and to many points of interest. They saw New York by day and by night and, in their limited time, under the direction of the railroad officials were able to take in more of the city than if they had remained a month under ordinary circumstances. The company gathered to witness the spectacle of many refused to permit them to spend money for anything.

Returning west, the Pendleton party spent Sunday at Niagara Falls and returned to St. Paul by way of Chicago. Even in Chicago, the Great Northern representatives entertained them and, when they got back to St. Paul, Messrs. Hill and Kinney gave them another dinner.

Those in the party going on to New York included W. L. Thompson, president of the American National Bank, and wife; James H. Sturgis, former livestock director of the Round-Up and one of the Happy Canyon directors, and Mrs. Sturgis; Herbert Thompson, who assists each year in handling the Round-Up livestock, and wife; George Strand, former deputy sheriff who is now farming, and wife; J. N. Burgess, one of the Round-Up judges last year and prominent stockman, and Mrs. Burgess; Roy T. Bishop, director of Indians at the Round-Up, and Mrs. Bishop; Mrs. W. P. Temple, George Peringer, prominent farmer and one of the Round-Up timers, and wife.

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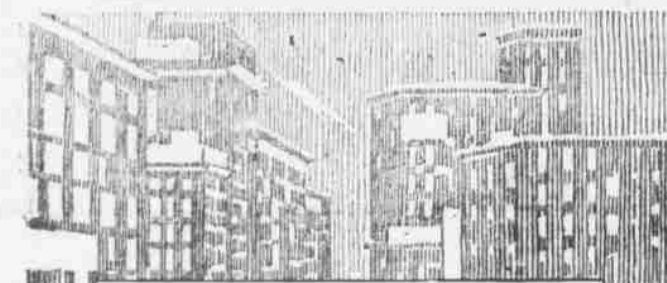
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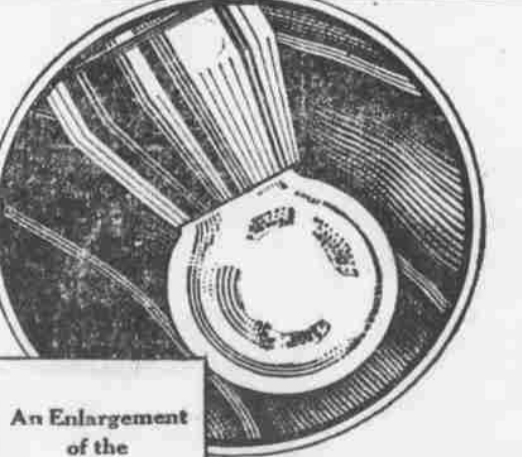
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