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16th Rodeo Send-Off Today

Best Tophands in Business Arrive To Swell Lists

Riders, Ropers, Doggers Here; Three Relay Strings Slated

Competition among top-hands at the show opening this afternoon is headed by such names as Buck Tiffin, winner at Butte this year, many times runner-up at Pendleton and winner of third place in the world's bucking contest there last year; Cody Dodson, Rodeo champ in 1933 who took third in the northwest bucking at Pendleton last year, and Paul Luffman, one of the outstanding bareback riders in the United States.

Then there's Pat, Herb and Harry Owens, Rock Richmond, Slim Newton, "Two-Gun" Smith, Bill McFarlane, Bill Taylor, Phil Armstrong, Gene Pruitt—son of the famous Red Pruitt, old-time rider and many times champion at various shows—Dick Rogers of Pullman who won the Chicago stadium show this year, Carl McCullough, and others whose names have made rodeo history, to ride, rope and dog. McCullough, from Ritzville, Wash., is one of the fastest ropers in the game.

At least three relay strings are assured for this ever popular feature. Joe Burns has a string from Touchet, Wash., with Kenneth Kennedy as rider. Ted Baidemen has another string from the Willamette valley, with Bobby Houghton as rider. And Frank Swaggart has the third string.

Bryce Baker and Harold Erwin are pick-up men with the Richmond horses.

The largest number of horses ever coming to Rodeo has directors scurrying busily this morning hunting up additional barn space.

Judging Schedule Given for Fair

One of the big Rodeo attractions will be the Morrow County fair, including the 4-H club fair, wool and grain show, and woolen goods exhibit of Morrow county unit, Oregon Woolgrowers auxiliary. The 4-H club exhibits, demonstrations and judging will be centered at the county exhibit pavilion, where the wool and grain show will also be staged. The woolen goods exhibit will be in the lobby of Heppner branch, First National Bank of Portland.

Seventy-five sheep will be shown by clubbers this year, largely outdistancing all previous showings. O. M. Nelson of O. S. C. is judging the sheep beginning at 8:30 o'clock this morning. The wheat is being judged by Robert Webb of the Moro experiment station, beginning at 10 this morning. Roy Wright, Sherman county agent, will judge cattle tomorrow beginning at 9 a. m. Mrs. Marvin Wightman of Arlington is judging the girls' 4-H exhibits.

ROUND-UP LASSIES AT QUEEN'S BALL

The court of Queen Betty of Rodeo was honored by an official visit of three Pendleton Round-Up princesses at the ball in her honor last Saturday evening. The Round-Up royal lassies were Princesses Betty Jane Holt, Marion Hughes and Alta Belle Troxell. Mr. and Mrs. Hill Hughes, parents of Princess Marion, accompanied the distinguished visitors.

Pioneers to get passes for the Thursday show at picnic.

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QUEEN BETTY I
MISS BETTY BERGEVIN
Willows Grange

SCHOOL OFFICE OPEN SEPT. 1-3

Superintendent to Aid Students With Registration Problems for Opening, Sept. 7

With back to school preparations uppermost in the minds of parents and children for the next two weeks, all will welcome the news that Alden Blankenship, superintendent, will be in his office Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sept. 1-3, to assist students, new and old, with registration problems.

School will open the 7th. Work of getting the school plant in condition for the opening is going through the final stages, and with the faculty complete, all will be in readiness for a good start, the superintendent announces.

Mr. Blankenship has been attending summer school at University of Washington, and will not arrive until the first of the week as he is making a short visit at the parental home in Centralia, Wash., and remaining over the end of the week to see a brother who was expected from California.

RODEO JUDGES, OFFICIALS NAMED

Rodeo judges, all set for the opening this afternoon, are Rich Thompson of Pendleton, Buzz Fisk of Weston and Wayne Stewart of Dayville. John Carter will again be head timer, and Tom Williams, race starter. The latter men are from Long Creek.

PRINCESS BERNICE



MISS BERNICE MARTIN
Lexington Grange

Stock, Performers Come; Round-Up Queen to Visit

Homecomers Meet This Morning; Show Starts 1:30; Grand Parade Saturday at 11; Calm Wanes as Kick-Off Time Nears

Calm pervades the land of the purple sage this morning. But with the kick-off gun of the 16th annual Rodeo at 1:30 this afternoon, excitement will reign.

Rock Richmond's wild mustangs are stamping in their stalls. The cowboys are drifting in. Among them former Rodeo champs and others who are "tops" at the riding game. Some of the best racing stock ever to appear at Rodeo will be among the ponies that will dash by the stands this afternoon, tomorrow and Saturday.

In gala attire, Heppner waits expectantly, her citizenry arrayed in garb of the Old West.

Many a glad handshake is the order this morning as the homecomers greet each other in the assembling throng for the program in their honor beginning at 10:00 at the county pavilion on north Main street. Following a basket lunch at noon, all pioneers 60 years or over will be guests of the association at the afternoon show.

Soon the music of the Heppner school band will mingle with the carnival organs and callopes to fill the air with festive tunes.

Everyone will want to be in his place early each afternoon to witness the grand opening of stock and performers.

Queen Cathryn of Round-Up and her entire royal court, accompanied by high Round-Up officials, will visit the show Saturday, and will participate in the morning parade, adding to the number of distinguished visitors coming from near and far.

Saturday's grand parade is set for 11 o'clock in the morning. All automobiles are to be off Main street by 10:30. The parade will form below the Methodist church on Gale street, and all entries are expected to be on hand not later than 10:30.

Elmer Steele and His Swing band of Pendleton will provide tunes at the county pavilion each evening as the throng dances each day to a joyful climax.

PRINCESS PEGGY



MISS PEGGY KILKENY
Lena Grange

HEADQUARTERS AT PETERS BUILDING

The vacant store space in the corner of the Peters building, Main and Willow, was fitted up this week for Rodeo headquarters. Len L. Gilliam, veteran secretary, is in charge of registration there.

NEW SPRINKLER TO ADD ZEST TO SHOW

Rodeo Director Frank Swaggart took charge of rigging up a new sprinkler to be used at the Rodeo grounds during the show to assure that spectators will suffer the least possible discomfort from dust. The track will be sprinkled between races, and the sprinkler will be in action almost constantly to assist in allaying dust. Just to add a little color it has been painted and lettered "Heppner Rodeo."

LOUD-SPEAKER WILL TELL EVENTS

The Parker announcing system which broadcast at last year's show will be on deck again this year to tell of events at the grounds, to announce the parade, and otherwise to keep the crowd informed of everything going on.

PRINCESS MARJORIE



MISS MARJORIE PARKER
Rhea Creek Grange

Buck Lieuallen Will Preside At Homecoming

Pendleton Mayor Got Start in Heppner; Oldsters Feted

Cecil L. (Buck) Lieuallen, Pendleton's colorful mayor, will lead the homecoming of former Morrow countians to Rodeo. He accepted the invitation of Mrs. Alta Brown, committee head, to deliver the address at this morning's program, after Mayor Joseph K. Carson of Portland had wired regrets that other business would prevent his attending.

The homecoming program is slated to start at 10:30 o'clock this morning in the park at the county grounds on north Main street. Following the program, picnic lunch will be enjoyed with tables provided in the dancing pavilion.

Community singing of "Faith of Our Fathers" will be followed by invocation pronounced by Alvin Kleinfeldt, Christian minister. Next will be introductions by Judge Bert Johnson, and numbers by the Lions club quartet, F. W. Turner, Joe Belanger, Dr. R. C. Lawrence and Blaine E. Isom. They will sing "When You and I Were Young, Maggie" and "My Home Town." Mayor Lieuallen of Pendleton will then give the address of the day, and the program will be concluded by a girls' trio, Kathryn Parker, Lola Osborn and Marie Barlow, accompanied by Jeanette Turner, who will sing "Put on Your Old Grey Bonnet" and "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

The world learned of "Buck" Lieuallen when he assisted in the capture of Hickman, Los Angeles child kidnaper-murderer. But he belonged to Heppner first. He moved with the family to Morrow county when a small boy, and it was on the farm on Rhea creek that he builded brawn and sinew for bronc-busting, bone-crushing, navy and state police activities.

Buck left Heppner high school to enlist in Uncle Sam's navy at wartime. He was an initial member of the state police force, and it was while serving in that capacity that he assisted in Hickman's capture. He rode at the Heppner Rodeo for a couple of years, and he came near meeting his Maker when one of the show's toughest outlaws threw him in 1923, breaking an arm and almost dousing his daylight when it came down on top of him, just missing his temple with one front hoof and fracturing the jaw bone.

Buck was smashed up, too, by motorcycles a couple of times and it was while working for a local oil company before joining the state police that he was badly burned when fumes from a tanktruck of gas he was unloading on Main street became ignited. All of which sounds like a hard-luck story, but only goes to prove the metal of the visiting Pendleton mayor, who still rides (though not the wild ones) and does occasional bone-crushing while promoting the wrestling sport for Pendleton's American Legion.

With Buck will be Mrs. Lieuallen, formerly Miss Violet Hynd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd of Cecil, and their two children.

MEMORIAL SERVICES SUNDAY

Memorial services in honor of the late Samuel E. Notson will be held at the Methodist church at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning.

Dancing free from 9 to 9:30 each evening.