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The Homecoming

MANY enjoyable moments were had by home folks and visitors here last week end. More especially appreciated was the reunion of old friends as many who once claimed Morrow county as home returned to Rodeo to find their old neighbors waiting for them to renew memories of former happy days.

Reclaiming of old friends was hardly less enjoyable than the making of new ones, and it is with gratitude that Heppner receives the many kind words which were exchanged for the hospitality.

Success of the 19th Rodeo speaks the result of the effort of many people. True, direction of the show itself must be accredited to the officers in charge. But to the granges who contributed so largely toward organizing the royal court, toward the making of floats, and being generally helpful; to the people of neighboring counties, Gilliam, Grant, Wheeler and Umatilla, who spared neither time or expense to help, and to the community generally for cooperating in the many little duties that all go to make Rodeo what it is, must go recognition for the parts played.

It bespeaks well of the citizenry of the entire section that this year's presentation of Rodeo was made with the least show of lawlessness in years. To the Browning Amusement company must go recognition for the unusually high type of personell and general cleanliness of their carnival and shows. Their cooperation throughout the show in keeping down graft and eliminating vices often prevalent with such business is a matter for general public approval.

Highly appreciated by all who attended the 4-H club exhibits, demonstrations and giving of awards is the educational value of this part of Rodeo time. The incentive given the boys and girls for striving for greater accomplishments in future speaks volumes for the conscientious and competent leadership that so wisely directed the show.

The week end was an enjoyable homecoming for former residents—their smiles told this. It was a good housewarming for Heppner, and it left an increased feeling of neighborliness that will tend to leave county borderlines what they should be, in fact, imaginary lines.

Strange Bedfellows

POLITICS make strange bedfellows. There's Mr. Wallace, for instance, a former republican now democratic nominee for the vice-presidency — whom the southern school of democrats do not like. And there's Mr. Willkie, a former democrat who helped nominate Mr. Roosevelt his first time up, who is the republican nominee for the presidency and apparently batting a strong average with northern GO-Partisans.

Clearly, with such a lineup, there will be little left to old-time party barriers when the votes are counted in November.

This newspaper has actively opposed new deal derelictions that have gone far toward undermining American self-reliance, and it makes no change in face in proffering active support to the Willkie-McNary ticket, which it believes gives the country an opportunity to place in competent hands the tremendous job of reestablishing common sense government.

Times of great crises have many

QUEENS, PRINCESSES GREET AT HEPPNER



—Photo and Engraving Courtesy of Pendleton East Oregonian.

Here pictured is Round-Up's Queen Marion Hughes (seated middle) with Rodeo's Queen Marjorie on her right and John Day's Queen Jessie Lee Moore on her left who was greeted last Saturday at Heppner's Rodeo. The surrounding princesses, left to right are Doris Scott of Rodeo, Shirley Ann Brady of Round-Up, Patricia Daly of Rodeo, Betty Lou Lindsey of Rodeo, Betty Troxel, Adarene Fisk and Wanda Piper of Round-Up.

times produced great leaders. Evidence that Willkie may now be the man of the hour is given in the nature of his rise to prominence up to this point. No self-starter, he refused for many months to commit himself as a candidate while letters by the thousands flooded his desk; hundreds of Willkie clubs sprang up over the country, urging that he do so. His fearless fight against government encroachment upon rights of stockholders in the large electric company, of which he was head, had placed him in a position for his genius to be recognized. Search of the record revealed that he had risen from meager circumstances as a boy to positions of great trust through wisdom and honesty. One had but to know him to feel the magnetism of a strong physique combined with intellect—a straight-thinking mind that does not relax until it sees to the bottom of things. One had but to hear him to know the homeliness of his philosophy, his ability to outwit men who have been considered profound among those high in government place.

The campaign is yet largely to be waged. This new man who previously had done little service in the public pay may not stand the test. But he offers promise, if no more, of educating the electorate in basic democratic governmental principles which seem to have been forgotten in later years.

He has declared that he will wage "the good fight." Next Tuesday, the nation will find that long-time republican and Oregon's favorite son, taking up the cudgels beside Mr. Willkie. Strange bedfellows once, perhaps, but now seeing eye to eye for an America returned to self-reliance and released from the bonds of defeatism.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McCarty and Frances left the first of the week for a vacation at the coast.

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MANY VISITORS HELP COUNTIANS ENJOY RODEO

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ances in the parade and at Saturday afternoon's show.

News of burning of Round-Up's big grandstand, coming just at the opening of the show here, cast a spell of gloom that was quickly dispelled when the large, spirited delegation from the Round-Up city arrived to display determination that the west's greatest of classics will go on.

Lee Beckner and Jim Kistner gave the gang a whooping start at Friday morning's cowboy breakfast at the old Neville grove up Willow creek where upwards of 300 people were fed large juicy steaks, flapjacks, scrambled eggs and coffee. The cook crew, headed by Earle Bryant, expertly threw out the grub while Gene Normoyle led cowboy singers in providing tuneful accompaniment.

Ropers and riders swelled the lists for the show itself as the opening gun sounded Friday, and for the three days turned in performances

of skill unequalled few times in the past.

Riding of the wild Brahmas, with Tom Wood doing the best job, opened each days show. Caliber of the show was soon shown as the first six calf ropers out got their calves in Saturday's show. Best single day time was made by Damase Bergevin, the second roper Friday, when he did the job up in 19 seconds flat. Joe Stensen emerged with best total three-day time, 1:12 4-5, with Pat Fisk, 1:50 4-5, second; Ivan Apple-gate, 1:55 2-5, third, and Jack Slocum, roping at Rodeo for his first time, taking fourth, 2:09 4-5.

Pat Fisk, long a Rodeo favorite and always in the lead of competition, again displayed his all-round prowess by emerging second in both the bucking and roping contests.

Pat lost first place in the bucking to Stub Bartlemay, who conquered the tough outlaws Big Six, Brother Rat and Tunney successively in three beautiful rides. Pat, however, rode under handicap of a recently

broken shoulder which was unprotected.

A new record for Rodeo was set in the races by Wayne Baze, who placed first in every race he was privileged to enter, including the highlight events, the pony express and relay races each day, Saturday's special three-quarter mile race, and the Morrow County derby on Saturday. Other places were split between Dock Baze, Aldine Lawrence, Frank Swaggart, Frank Turner, Ad Moore, Bob and Aubrey Clure. With class of the horses at his disposal and beautiful riding, Baze had an easy time, but gave spectators races for their money.

Queen Marjorie and Princesses Doris, Phyllis, Betty Lou and Patricia, Flagbearer Buzz Fisk of Athena, and the Heppner school band played prominent parts in the grand entry at the opening of each day's show. The Pendleton American Legion drum corps was given a big reception Saturday. President Henry Aiken personally assisted with the announcing, helping relieve Raleigh Savage of Portland, in charge of the sound car.

Clay Porter of Long Creek assisted as timer, Jack French of Long Creek was starter, and judges were Marvin Wendt of Baker, Morris Smith of St. Paul and Edwin Hughes of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pearson and son Wilbur of Boardman, Mrs. Pearson's sister, Vada June Gammell, and Curley DeMoss of Moro left Sunday morning on a motor vacation trip, expecting to take in the San Francisco fair, visit southern California and coast points before returning.

Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Dunham were guests at the F. S. Parker home last Thursday night on their way from Ashland to Baker where they were called by serious illness of Dr. Dunham's father.

Chas. Trowbridge of John Day and Tom Williams of Long Creek were Rodeo visitors.

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