

66th Annual Show to Be Best Yet

Fairgoers Signify They Like Rodeo Feature Each Year

Once again it's fair time! Monday, August 18, has been designated as entry day; Tuesday, August 19, will be judging day; Wednesday and Thursday, August 20 and 21, will be jam-packed with entertainment, featuring parades, baseball, midway carnival, exhibits, demonstrations, revues, rodeo and dancing.

Officials of the Holt County Agricultural society, sponsors of annual fair, are sparing no expense in making the 1958 four-day exposition the best of all time.

For 66 years the Holt fair has been a tradition in the county. Early fairs were held at O'Neill. Chambers has had a fair each year for several generations.

Originally it was known as the South Fork fair. When the Holt fair at O'Neill went under financially, the South Fork people picked up the threads and combined their own resources with the county's provisions for a fair, and thus—very successfully—have kept the tradition very much alive.

The Holt fair is a small one as fairs go. Many county fairs have gone by the board. Fairs in the eastern part of the state are operated in more heavily populated areas. Some of the eastern Nebraska fairs are out-and-out subsidized by pari-mutuel betting.

Nebraska fairs generally have had tough sledding financially in recent years. But the Holt fair is mounting each year in prestige, attendance and general interest.

No body questions the calibre of the unexcelled livestock. Few can question on the quality of the myriad of other exhibits.

Holt fair officials experimented with various types of entertainment, changing the format from year to year. Now it is settled down to a topdrawer rodeo for the entertainment feature. Exhibits, demonstrations, style revues, carnivals and all the other features combine to make it an outstanding show.

The Holt fair is not a money-maker. The officials, who devote considerable year around time and effort to making it a success, are happy to break even financially and try to earmark funds for continuous improvements.

There is considerable hidden expense in operating a fair. Dig down and buy a light bulb for one of the floodlights and you'll understand. There is maintenance that has to be done each year, also dragging, wiring, rewiring, fence-mending, bleacher repair, painting, advertising, phone calls, trouble-shooting and a dozen and one other items. Individually they don't amount to much but collectively mount up.

A new water well has been in-



In calf roping the pressure can be on the roper at the rate of \$100 per second.

Hoss Inman Signed to Produce Show

Producer for the 1958 Holt county rodeo, feature of the fair, will be Hoss Inman of Lamar, Colo., one of the nation's leading rodeo producers.

Inman was the producer a year ago but was obliged to have understudies supervise the RCA-approved Chambers two-night show. Inman sends word this year he'll be on deck himself.

Inman has several sets of rodeo stock and sometimes has all stock working at once. That's the way it was in 1957.

He'll bring to Chambers more than one hundred head of the rugged stock that can be assembled—his "first team".

General information on much of the rodeo stock appears in feature stories throughout this fair and rodeo supplement.

There is no tie-up between Inman's family name and the name of Holt county's town situated between O'Neill and Ewing.

Organ Music During Rodeo Interludes

There'll be no dull interludes during the two-night rodeo August 20-21.

Paul Cooper and his electric organ will be on hand both evenings, mixing up the musical bill-of-fare.

Cooper is an expert in the field and you'll find that his music starts and stops with the dime-sized stops of a bronc's hoofs.

No, Cooper won't be in the arena. While his music will flood the grandstand, bleachers and entire fairgrounds, he'll be safely looking on the arena from a good vantage point.

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stalled this year. Bleachers have been expanded. A new ladies rest room has been built. These improvements have come about with matching funds through an Ak-Sar-Ben arrangement.

Officials of the Agricultural society appear on page 6; also the list of superintendents.

As in years past, this premium list is published as a supplement to The Frontier, north-central Nebraska's biggest weekly newspaper. Extra copies of the premium list are available without charge at The Frontier office in O'Neill; at the office of Fair Secretary James H. Gibson at Chambers, or at the county agent's office.

Casseroles Part of Demonstration

EWING — A demonstration on freezing of foods and fruits was presented by Mrs. Catherine Indra Holt county home extension agent, Thursday afternoon, July 24, at the home of Mrs. James Boies.

Specialty casserole dishes and various types of desserts and salads were discussed as well as breads and meat, which would be of great help to a homemaker in an emergency.

A general discussion on freezing of fruits and preparing chicken for the locker or the deep freeze brought out many points of interest and helps to the housewife.

In attendance were members of the Facts and Fun club: Mrs. J. L. Pruden, Mrs. H. R. Harris,

Mrs. Jessie Angus, Mrs. Andrew Olson, Mrs. Harry VanHorn, Mrs. Ella Zeims and Mrs. James Boies. Also present were Mrs. Rose Funk and Mrs. H. Kurpgeweit of the Holt Happy Homemaker club and Mrs. Loyd West and Mrs. Wayne Pollock of the newly-organized club in Ewing.

Neighborhood Club Is in Session

VENUS—Mrs. Cecil Moser entertained the Neighborhood club at her home Thursday, July 24. Nine members were present.

The group worked on a quilt for Mrs. Moser. The hostess served refreshments at the close.

Southernmost rodeo approved by the RCA is at Homestead, near the tip of the Florida peninsula; northernmost at Edmonton, Alberta, some 350 miles above the U. S. border.

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