

Cavanaugh Is Bull-Riding Announcer

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the calamitous action was over, and Wiley McCray and Jim Boyle had the battered bull rider out from under the bull, and over to the first-aid station, the doctor found that Joe had a shoulder separation, that his collarbone was broken in two places, that he had two broken ribs, and much of the skin had been scraped from his face. Joe, however, was thankful that this had happened in late September, and not in May or June.

Joe now claims that he is strictly an announcer and no longer a bull rider. But, he has said this before, and last season he did take out a few bulls. On several occasions (one previously noted here) Joe has been banged up by belligerent Brahmas and yet, somehow or other, has managed to carry on at the mike. A real serious injury in mid-season could wreck his announcing bookings for the season, and this could also impair future bookings. So, Joe avers that he has hung up the old belled-bull rope for keeps.

Since 1946, when he was released from the armed forces, and along with rodeoing, the never-a-dull-moment Joe Cavanaugh has done many things. One winter he worked as a radio announcer; another winter he wrangled dudes at the Arizona Biltmore hotel in Phoenix. He has worked in the oil fields, been a stock sale auctioneer, and a bartender. Concerning liquor, Joe, himself, is generally a bit of a teetotaler and his favorite drink appears to be coffee. But, being an Irishman, Joe figures he has to fittingly celebrate St. Patrick's day and his birthday anniversary. And, these days cannot be fittingly celebrated by a true-blue Irishman with coffee. Both are March dates, and Joe ruefully states that March is always a hectic month.

Joe married an Irish girl (Kathleen O'Flynn) from Omaha, and they now have a 21-month-old son, a broth of a boy named Shamus Michael. These days, Joe has some stock running on his father's place, between the towns of O'Neill and Chambers and he and his brother, Bob Cavanaugh, own a diesel rig which they have leased to the Dubuque Packing company of Dubuque, Ia.

Any way you look at it, the kid who started out riding bareback broncs with a loose rope has come far, and none of it was easy. Joe, who has never rodeoed the year around but just during the summer months, announced at 24 rodeos in seven states last summer. This cowboy, who has made a study of rodeo, and especially of announcing and announcers, loves to talk on this, his favorite subject. But, he has nothing but praise for rival mikes in rodeo. When put on the spot and bluntly asked how he rated other rodeo announcers, Joe pushed back his hat and scratched his head. "You know," he said, "there are a lot of good announcers, but there is only one Cy Taillon—I think that he is the best announcer in rodeo."



Rider Clings Tenuously

High above the hard ground the bareback rider clings tenuously to the simple hand hold between his legs that is his only way of sticking on the horse. Without halter or rein, the horse is completely uncontrolled, can do anything possible to rid himself of the rider. Without a saddle to help him keep his seat or stirrups to take part of the shock of the bucking and help him keep his balance, the rider in this rodeo event is at a definite disadvantage. (Complete story on bronc riding on page 13.)

Movieland Stars to State Fair

Twin brothers, Byron and Lee Hendricks, who have become famous for doing the impossible with animals, will bring their movieland animal stars to the Nebraska state fair for the afternoon grandstand show on Wednesday, September 5.

More than 10 different animals that have been featured in the movies and on television will be combined with outstanding horse acts from Madison Square Garden and other exciting events such as Brazilian battle ball and greyhound races.

As an example of their wizardry with animals, the Hendricks twins have succeeded in training a coyote, Duchess, that has been featured in Walt Disney's Disneyland and in other TV and movie productions. They also buffalo ever trained to race. will present the only American

The movieland animal show was scheduled especially to tie in with the second of two "kids' days planned for the 1946 fair. The first "kids' day will be on the opening day, Saturday, September 1.

Springview Club Plans Show

SPRINGVIEW — Holt county flower lovers will be interested in the flower show to be presented in Springview on Saturday, August 11. The event, an annual affair, is under the auspices of the Springview Garden club.

The presentation has been entitled, "Potpourri," and will be held in the Springview city hall, 2 until 9 p.m.

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