



Rodeo clown moves in close to draw a murder-minded Brahma away from a fallen rider. The life-saving side of a clown's work can be seen at this year's Holt rodeo.

## Baggy Pants Kids Play Dual Roles

### Entertain Crowds and Protect Cowboys

The outlandish colored shirts and ridiculous, baggy pants of the rodeo clown, more than a laugh-provoking costume, are respected badges of a rare kind of courage.

Clowns in rodeo are not only specialists in comedy. They are there to prevent tragedy. They are brave men first and funny men only secondarily. And the real reasons for their presence in the arena—the brahma bulls—are no laughing matter.

The rodeo brahma is probably the most murderous of all the world's domesticated animals. They are the only animals in rodeo that can be regarded as intentional killers. Although they are rather docile in the pasture or holding pens, separated from the herd and turned out of the chutes, they fight with everything they have—their huge, banana-shaped horns, their slashing hooves, their tremendous, one-ton bulk.

Despite their size they are quick as a panther and just as mean. They hold no fear of a man mounted and will attack a horse without hesitation.

For that reason mounted pickup men can't be used to help the riders in bull riding, the most dangerous of rodeo's five standard events. The bulls simply won't let horses get close.

To escape the bull's murderous charge, whether he bucks off at the end of the ride, the bull rider has to rely on a fast set of legs—and the courage of the rodeo clown.

The clown moves in to distract the bull to let the bull rider get to the fence. Often his job is complicated if the rider, injured in the fall, is unable to run. The bull takes after the handset target so the clown must be in close when the rider goes down and, worst of all must stay in close until the cowboy makes good his escape.

Often you'll see the wildly garbed clowns competing in the contest events—wrestling steers or riding the bulls. But few contestants have any desire to trade jobs with the rodeo clown. His is a lonely profession.

## 4-H Division

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### LIGHTING UNIT

Portable lamp, Portable light, Study center, Decorative light, Blue .75, Red .50, White .25.

### MOTORS

An article powered by an electric motor or the construction of a useful motor made in Electrical Motors Club.

**Soil Conservation and Crops**  
(Choose any 2) B R W  
Mounted grass collection 1.00 .75 .50  
Sheaf grains 1.00 .75 .50  
Grass seed collection 1.00 .75 .50  
Threshed grain (1 gallon) .75 .50 .25  
CORN CLUB—6 ears of Corn .75, .50, .25; Display of 3 stalks of Corn, .75, .50, .25.

### CROPS SPECIALS

Holt County Soil Conservation

District will give \$5, \$3, \$2, for the top 3 individual Range grass books.

### WEED SPECIALS

The Supervisors of Holt County Noxious Weed District will give to the clubs with the best collection of weeds \$15, \$10, \$5, \$3, \$2 and a \$1 for all other displays by clubs.

There also may be posters by individuals on how to control noxious and troublesome weeds.

### RULES—

Any club can take part. The display is to include 15 different weeds, TWO of which must be noxious weeds. All weeds shall be mounted in order of difficulty to eradicate. Under each give short comment as to its difficulty of eradication. Also classification as to annual, biannual or perennial. The display shall be made on beaver or other rigid light board, 2½ ft. by 4 ft. The Club Name must be on the front of the display in letters 2 inches high.

### Range Management

Members of the range management and Conservation Clubs may exhibit their individual grass books that are a result of the current year's work. A minimum of 10 grasses must be included in the display. Second or third year grass books that contain previous years project grasses will be judged only on the grasses of the current project year. The grasses exhibited must conform with those required in the project manual and be labeled in the lower right hand corner of each sheet. A short paragraph of about 50 words stating the value and importance on the range land for each of these grasses should be centered on the back of the page opposite the grass exhibited. Minimum size of the display book is 12" x 18". Maximum size 16" x 24".

### Wildlife Conservation

Wildlife Poster B R W  
Wildlife Poster .75 .50 .25  
Model Wild Life Planting exhibit to show arrangement and kinds of trees and shrubs to plant to provide shelter and food for Wild life near water supply. Blue \$1.00, Red .75, White .50.

### Tractor

Performance record of tractor (fuel, oil and grease) 1.00 .75 .50  
Display of carburetion or ignition system 1.00 .75 .50

### Display Board

Display board of failed tractor parts which show the importance of proper maintenance. Must include not less than three nor more than 5 different items. Each to have written statement showing cause of failure. Blue \$1, Red .75, White .50.

### Yard Beautification

(Choose any 3) B R W  
Sketch of home grounds at start of project and a sketch showing improvements to be made .75 .50 .25  
Scrapbook showing at least 5 species of trees, 5 species of shrubs and 10 pictures of annual flowers .75 .50 .25  
Handicraft article (per project book)  
Plant markers, set of 3 .75 .50 .25  
Birdhouse or feeder .75 .50 .25  
Nail keg seat .75 .50 .25

### Yard Beautification

(Choose any 2) B R W  
Sketch showing improvements made .75 .50 .25  
Handicraft (per project book)  
Portable picnic table 1.00 .75 .50  
Wild flower collection .75 .50 .25

### Woodworking

(Choose any 2) B R W  
Woodworking requirements (group of) 1.00 .75 .50  
Tool box or board 1.00 .75 .50  
Accident prevention board 1.00 .75 .50

### Photography

B R W  
Scrapbook of pictures taken in project, including pictures of animals, persons, landscapes .75 .50 .25

### 4-H Bee Keeping

B R W  
Honey display .75 .50 .25

### Junior Leadership

(Open only to those actually enrolled in this project)  
A display showing junior leadership activities the exhibitor has done to help his or her club program. Size 22"x28".  
Blue, 75c; Red, 50c, White, 25c.

### Safety Project

Assemble First Aid kit. .75, .50, and .25.

### Miscellaneous

(Only 1 in each group) B R W  
Poster, side 22"x28" .75 .50 .25  
Secretary book .75 .50 .25  
Scrapbook of 4-H projects .75 .50 .25  
News articles (3 mounted on 1 sheet of paper with date published) .75 .50 .25

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