

### ANNUAL RODEO IN CHICAGO AUG. 14-22

#### CHAMPION RIDERS COMING

#### Vivid Life of Old West Again to Be Depicted by Experts in Bronk Riding; Calf Roping; Details

The world's championship in bronk riding, calf roping, fancy and trick riding, steer wrestling, fancy and trick roping and other western sports will be settled in Chicago between August 14 and 22. This has just been announced by the Chicago Association of Commerce through the Committee on Domestic and Foreign Commerce.

Thirty-five thousand dollars in prize money and trophies is offered to the contestants and Tex Austin of Las Vegas, N. M., who directed the first annual Chicago rodeo here last year will again be in charge.

#### In Soldiers' Field

The contests will take place afternoon and evening for nine days in Soldiers' Field, Grant Park. Last year more than a quarter of a million persons attended the contests and this year it is expected that nearly that many out of town visitors will be on hand, taking advantage of low railroad rates for the rodeo to enjoy Chicago and its parks and miles of bathing beaches as a summer resort.

The meatest of the outlaw bronks are now being rounded up in the western cattle country and assembled at the Ed McCarty ranch at Chugwater, Wyo., in anticipation of the contests. More than a hundred of them will be used in Chicago.

Already about fifty of the best ropers, riders and steer wrestlers have signified their intention of competing in the championships. Among them are all of the present holders of the world's championships, including Tad Lucas, champion all around cowgirl.

#### Not Wild West

"The Chicago rodeo is in no sense a wild west show," says Frank H. Warren, member of the Domestic and Foreign Commerce Committee. "The contestants pay their own expenses and the cost of shipping their roping and riding horses. They also pay an entry fee and they receive just what they win of the prize money. The cowboys and cowgirls deserve a lot of credit for their sportsmanship. An injury the first day is liable to put

them out of the contest and kill any chance they have of even getting back the money they have spent in railroad fare. And many of them do get hurt in the contests."

Director Austin announces that the rules for the contests this year will be more strict than ever. The outlaw

bronks and the steers used for wrestling and riding will be the toughest stock he can find in a tour of the cattle country, which he is now making.

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