

Ride 'Em Cowboy



Above, Miss Reine Shelton of Ridgway, Colo., champion cowgirl bronk-rider; center, Dick Truitt of Okmulgee, Okla., western champion, doing a high dive.

Rodeo Opens Nov. 16 in New Chicago Stadium

Every western state is represented in the list of cowboy and cowgirl contestants who are Chicago-bound for the city's fifth annual World's Championship Rodeo, the big winter sporting event which this year will be held in the new Chicago Stadium, starting next week. Winners in preliminary rodeos from the Mexican border to the near-Arctic reaches of northwest Canada will contest in all western sports under Tex Austin's rules, which the west recognizes as the most stringent in frontier history.

Austin, director of Chicago's championship Rodeos, has arrived from his famous 100,000-acre Forked Lightning ranch in New Mexico, with tales of the troubles his ranch hands and Mexican caqueros are having rounding up the 800-odd head of livestock used in the contests.

Checking-up the entries so far received from sectional champions in western roundups, stampedes, frontier days' contests and preliminary rodeos, he revealed that upward of 200 of the aspiring champions of the cattle country—the largest list for the last five years—are Chicago-bound to shoot for the \$30,000 prize money and trophies that go with the championships. More than 75 have already arrived.

Among the sporting contests in which champions will be made and unmade are cowboys' bronk riding, steer wrestling, calf-roping, bareback bronk riding, cowboys' and cowgirls' trick and fancy riding, wild horse racing, wild cow milking, and other tough sports of the cattle country.

Every contestant pays his or her own expenses to Chicago for the world's champion rodeo. Each pays entrance fees. A hint that any of the preliminary champions who will



Tex Austin, Chicago Rodeo Director.

contest in Chicago had been "contracted for" would be laughed into oblivion by the top hands themselves.

All the \$30,000 cash prizes in this year's world's championship rodeo will be awarded, according to Austin's rules, on a day-money basis. This policy, like others of Austin later adopted by lesser rodeo managements everywhere, mean that each day's contests will abound in the same element of eye-to-eye rivalry as any other day's.

As has been the case with all Chicago's World's Championship Rodeos, the contests this year will begin on Saturday afternoon and close with the world's title and trophy awards on the Sunday night of the next week following. The dates are November 16 to November 24. Afternoon contests always have been as well attended under Austin's direction as the night contests. Contestants not only get a whack at the pro-rated \$30,000 cash prizes each night, but each afternoon as well.

The Chicago Stadium, completion of which has made possible a rodeo along Austin's lines of magnitude, at the climax of the sports season, when the bestowal of titles and world's trophies would be all the more undisputed, seats more than 25,000 persons with the arena converted by Austin's specifications for the world's championship western sports contests.

It is by far the largest amphitheater in America suitable for a big rodeo, exceeding in size New York's Madison Square Garden by nearly 100 per cent, and occupying an entire block. Transportation is ideal, it being only a few minutes ride from the Loop by all means of city transit.

News Shorts

Brought Back Home

St. Petersburg, Fla.—Mary Lupton, 16-year old high school girl, was brought back to the United States after her elopement to Honduras with Luiz Ordonez. President Hoover and the President of the Honduras co-operated with the U. S. Department of Justice in the successful attempt to return the girl to this country.

Fishhook Finds Safe

Biloxi, Miss.—Two years after the robbery a steel safe of the Hamil Commissary of North Jackson county has been recovered with contents intact by a fisherman from the Tchouticabouf River. The safe was

found when it became attached to a fishing hook. Unsuccessful in attempts to open the steel door, it was believed the robbers dumped their burdensome loot into the stream.

Prayers Answered

New York.—Michael Pannone, 3, was an invalid unable to talk or hear until his dying grandfather prayed for three hours to the Virgin Mary for the return of the boy's health. He has now fully recovered and his parents attribute his recovery to his grandfather's prayers.

Quietly, but Too Slowly

One of the fallacies that is quietly dying is the idea that men shall make and women spend—money.—Woman's Home Companion.

All in the Results

The man who dodges work is known as a drone until he surprises everyone by making some money; then he becomes known as a philosopher.—Farm and Fireside.



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