

VISITING FLOAT-In the fourth Helldorado, th e St. George group sent a large delegation to the parade along with an outstanding float. Above is shown the float as it wended its way down Fremont.



LET'S GO FLYING-"Why-Bar," spectacular bucking bronco owned by J. C. "Doc" Sorenson, gives owned by the Overton chamber cowboy a high ride in a former rodeo event in Las Vegas. Similar thrills await the 1944 rodeo fans, of commerce, will be operated when events will be staged on May 18, 19, 20, and 21. Sorenson, owner of the "Flying U" ranch at this year by the Moapa Amer-Camas, Idaho, again is supplying the stock for the show.

#### Rodeo Fans Will Get Peek at Best In Cowboy Talent

Las Vegas rodeo fans will have Las Vegas rodeo fans will have an opportunity to observe some of the best cowboys in the busi-ness when the tenth annual Hell-dorado opens on May 18. Four rodeo shows are scheduled, on the nights of May 18, 19, and 20 and on the afternoon of May 21. Veteran fans report that every cowboy seems to ride his horse cowboy seems to fide his horse a little differently. There are those known as "tight riders," and others as "loose riders." The former is characterized as one who rides a bronc with sheer strength, and the latter rides from a sense of balance.

Bucking broncs vary even more than cowboys. The spinner is probably one of the most unusual types of bucking horses to per-form. This horse usually comes out of the chute and bucks over a small area in a circle. If the horse is fast, the cowboy aboard usually has a hard time sticking to the saddle and riding accord-

ing to rules. The straight-away bucker is one that looks easiest to ride but in reality is the hardest. Usually about the second time one of these animals kicks high, the cowboy is unseated.

The head swinger is another difficult type of horse to master. The swinging of the head makes

The temperamental bronc first sulks then bucks and is one of the most unpredictable.

All types of horses and all types of riders make variety in performance and provide enter-tainment for the rodeo fans.

### **Bill Scott Files** For Attorney Job

Las Vegas Review-Journal. April 1, 1937-William L. Scott, former county clerk and deputy district attorney, filed this morning for the office of city attorney to bring the total number of contestants for this office to three. Others who have filed for this office to date are Roland Wiley and George Marshall, both of whom have been prominent in local ffairs for several years.

MOAPAVILLE TO OPEN The Moapaville stables, a concession in the Helldorado Village ican Legion post, it was announced today.



The swinging of the head makes the balance of the cowboy un-certain. The crooked bucker is one that goes up in the air facing the grandstand and lands on the ground looking back at the chutes. The runaway bronc usually bolts from the chutes, stops sud-denly and unseats the rider. The temperamental brone first

At least 2500 addidtional seats will be provided in the city park for fans for the tenth annual show on May 18, 19, 20, and 21, according to Lou W. Gammell, show director. Because three of the shows are being held at night and interest in the event has grown, it became necessary to increase the seating capacity at the city park to accommodate the crowds.



#### Sunday, May 7, 1944

### Jim Jeffries Says West Is Nevada

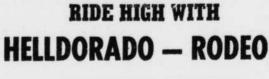
Las Vegas Review-Journal, April 2-"Nevada is the only 'old west' still in existence."

Such was the statement of often is prophetic of the rodeo James J. Jeffries, former world's performances which are given by heavyweight champion, who visited Las Vegas yesterday. Rodeo stock owners l

Jeffries, who has traveled all over the world, who has seen the real west as it really was in the Rodeo stock owners let their hell-roaring days of boom min- themselves.

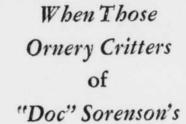
hell-roaring days of boom min-ing camps, declared that the state of Nevada is the only state in the union that retains the happy-go-lucky, devil-may-care open-heartedness of the wide open days of the early twentieth cen-tury. the state in the state union that retains the happy-go-lucky, devil-may-care open-heartedness of the wide open days of the early twentieth cen-tury.





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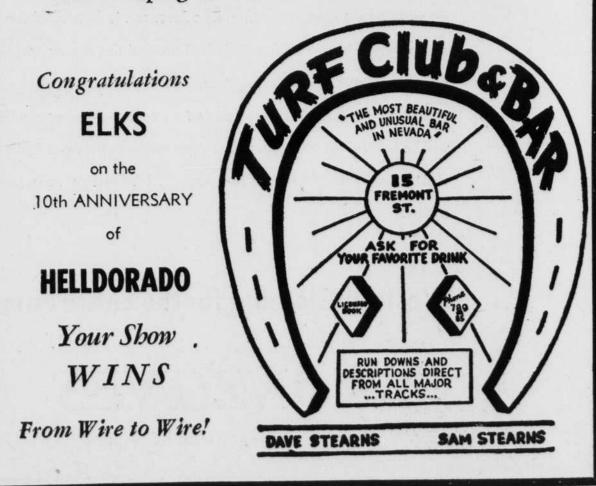
The naming of a bucking bronc

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unofficial q of the 1937 Helldorado, and is shown above on Jenny Lind, the desert canary."

UNOFFICIAL QUEEN-Princess Wyhnemah, part Cherokee and part Delaware Indian, fan dancer,

### J. P. McEvoy Tells **Of Vegas Visit**

J. P. McEvoy, noted Saturday Evening Post writer, was a guest in Las Vegas at the second annual Helldorado celebration held in 1936. He was shown the sights of Las Vegas by F. F. Garside, postmaster and publisher of the Las Vegas Evening Review-Journal.

In a letter written to Garside on April 25, 1936, he gives confidential impressions about his visit here. Because it typifies an early reaction of the famous celebration now in its tenth year, the letter is reprinted below as fol-

"Dear Frank: Well I'm over my scare now, so I can write to you. When I came into town yesterday and found myself in a wilderness of whiskers, I was frightened at first and then I thought well, it only goes to show what you can do on this desert with irrigation. This must be the first fruits of the Boulder dam. Up to that point I was in favor of Boulder dam, but now I don't know. Is this gonna spread? Are we going back to the old days of ambush? Frankly, I think I would prefer to know it was an Indian lurking behind some of that vegetation I saw yesterday. "I liked the rodeo, but that puzzled me too. I don't understand rodeos anyway. Why do nice fellows who apparently know better insist upon climbing aboard unfriendly horses? Now there are plenty of pleasant horses around who would consider it a joy and a privilege to be ridden (rode, rud-whatever it is) but that doesn't seem to satisfy these otherwise sensible young men. It must be part of the cussedness of human nature that one meets on every hand. "But if your horses hereabouts are not so friendly, your fellow townsmen are. I begin to understand now what caused all

these ghost towns. The inhabit-ants were killed with kindness. One more day like yesterday, and you would have a ghost guest on your hands. That gaunt but hap-py figure wearily bow-legging it across the desert to yon horizon, is "Fraternally yours, "J. P. McEVOY."

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