

# MONTIE MONTANA TO PRODUCE 1961 SHERIFF'S RODEO ON JUNE 24th

Montie Montana, famed trick rider and roper, today was named producer of the Sheriff's Rodeo for the second consecutive year by Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess.

Montana, who will mastermind the 1961 production in the Coliseum Saturday night, Area ticket headquarters for the June 24 Sheriff's Rodeo has been established at the County Marshal's office in the Torrance Municipal Court Building, 3231 Torrance Blvd.

June 24, immediately announced that early plans call for a presentation more scintillating and entertaining than

last year's mammoth spectacle.

"THE ENCHANTMENT of night-time will add allure and excitement to the 1961 Sheriff's Rodeo," Montana affirmed. "The glitter of lights on fancy costumes and silver saddles, new twists, new acts and special effects will combine in a rodeo different and more thrilling than any witnessed before."

He joined Sheriff Pitchess in disclosing that the opportunity to view the rodeo at night in cool comfort has created the highest advance interest in years and ticket sales are moving along at a hearty clip.

RODEO attractions, they said, will include a trio of top

entertainment personalities to serve as star, queen and grand marshal; champion cowboys by the score to pit their skill in the arena; trick riders and ropers to perform in daredevil stunts, and clowns to tickle funnybones with their antics.

Tickets are on sale at sheriff's stations, county marshal's offices, the Los Angeles Sheriff's office and the Coliseum.

Funds from the event, sponsored by the Sheriff's Rodeo Association, benefit Sheriff's Department members in times of personal emergency.

# Mira Costa Hands First Setback to South Spikemen

South's spikers suffered their first defeat of the season Tuesday at the hands of a powerful Mira Costa. Crushed by superior depth, South lost the varsity meet 66-38. South's Bee's and Cee's were hurt even worse. The Bee score was 75-14 and the Cee score was 77-8.

Doug Brown, South's ace cinderfella, continues to wrap 'em up and lay 'em away as he bolted to another school record in the half mile. He whipped out a new clocking of 1:59.3 which shattered the old record of 2:02.2.

MIRA COSTA made a clean sweep of the broad jump and the mile. Paryer leaped 20'7" followed by teammates Wallace and Rice. Baker galloped a 4:35.5 mile followed by teammates Rodriguez and Parson.

109—Osborne (MC), Ross (S), De Spain (S), 19.2  
220—Rose (S), Brown (S), Osborne (MC), 22.2  
440—Murphy (MC), Stone (S), Cheatham (MC), 51.9  
880—Brown (S), Abbott (MC), Murphy (MC), 1:59.3  
Mile—Baker (MC), Rodriguez (MC), Parson (MC), 4:35.5  
150 YD—J. J. (MC), McCall (S), Han-son (S), 15.5  
180 LH—Jett (MC), McCall (S), Maynard (MC), 20.3

# Harbor Gymnasts Put Kick in League Race

Coach Richard Jenssen's Harbor College gymnasts are providing the big surprises in the musclemen sport this year.

Heading the Harbor gym team roster are Gerald Gibson in the all-round event; John Christensen in free exercise, parallel, and tumbling; Mike Lucero in the side horse; and John Moy in the rings.

High Jump—Paryer (MC), Hanson (S), Jett (MC), 6-0  
Broad Jump—Paryer (MC), Wallace (MC), Rice (MC), 20-7  
Pole Vault—T. Johns & Newby (MC), Smith (S), 11-6  
Shotput—Hanson (MC), Birmingham (S), Shipley (MC), 55-3  
880 Relay—Stone, Brown, Martin, Ross (S), 1:34

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RODEO IMPRESARIO . . . Montie Montana, noted trick rider and roper, for the second consecutive year will be herd on the Sheriff's Rodeo set for June 24 in the Coliseum. As top hand of the annual entertainment and philanthropic event, which benefits members of the Sheriff's Department in times of emergency, Montana is planning a production which will outdo last year's stellar presentation.

### OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Day

## Celestial Starter

Most jockeys rode horses for several years before wearing racing silks, but William Downs, a Baltimore lad, donned silks and appeared, not on a horse but on a magazine cover; looked so much like a jockey he was urged to become one and did . . . Jockey Consolato Errico dislikes the numeral "13"; riding his 13th race on August 13, 1946, at Saratoga he won his first race but the memorable occasion was marred; he had to share the honors with Jockey Wally Gruber in a dead heat . . . Many race tracks are named for a nearby city or town but

Sunland Park, in New Mexico, came first and now the community has a U.S. post office address of Sunland Park . . . My Host, a stallion standing at the C.L.H. Farm in California had a perfect record in 1960; his entire crop of 7 foals of 1958 were winners as 2-year-olds including the stakes winners Brown Eyed Mary and Casa Mia . . . The record book shows J. Gilpatrick, first Belmont Stakes winner in 1867 but contemporary accounts reveal that the name "Gilpatrick" was a contraction of Gilbert Watson Patrick; some proof-reader later took aesthetic objection to the lack of an initial and contributed the "J" . . . Where distinguished officials are concerned, Long-aces, at Seattle, can match any race track; Zeus, Greek god of the heavens, served as Starter for the Washington Derby in 1937 using a bolt of lightning to trigger the starting gate.



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