

Notables Extend Visit As Old Settlers Are Honored in Pageant

With another presentation of "Old Southwest Days," historical spectacle which already has attracted thousands upon thousands, tonight will climax the Will Rogers route celebration.

From the beginning of the colorful ceremonies two days ago "stars fell on Amarillo" from Hollywood and prominent public personages came from far and near to honor the memory of the plainsman-philosopher for whom the highway—U. S. 66—has been named.

Every event on the three-day program seems to have struck a popular fancy—the pioneer parade, feature of the first two days only; the polo games and cow pony races and the elaborate entertainment each night on Butler Field.

Jimmy Rogers, young son of the humorist-humanitarian, was so impressed with nature of Amarillo's acclaim, he remained here yesterday.

"Tex" Ritter, a native of the Lone Star State and a cowboy crooner whose star is ascending on the Hollywood horizon, also has consented to remain. The star of "Starlight Over Texas" and of "Roll, Wagon, Roll," a musical western yet to be produced by Monogram pictures, appeared last night in the most dramatic episode of "Old Southwest Days." He sang "Empty Saddles in the Old Corral" while the spotlight played on "Old Faithful."

With delegations yesterday came two more bands, unsolicited to appear in the parade. They were from Happy and Spearman. The Amarillo High School Band, executing intricate marching formations, also

WILL TAUGHT HIM Ticket Sellers Win Praise of Promotor

Members of the student council, who have charge of ticket sales for "Old Southwest Days," yesterday were paid a high compliment by Jerome H. Cargill, whose directors had charge of the historical pageant.

"In my experience I never saw such an organization function with such enthusiasm," said Mr. Cargill, the New York producer. "They have been doing a splendid job and they deserve credit with a capital C. Amarillo is fortunate. These youngsters get the job done and they'll get it done as citizens in charge in later years. I've been in this kind of work all over the United States and I never saw an organization work as smoothly anywhere."

Members of the student council tonight will be guests of the highway association at "Old Southwest Days." They also were breakfast guests two mornings of Carl Hinton, the national president.

Ed Breen of Tucumcari, N. M., is the roper who appears as Will Rogers in the Follies scene of "Old Southwest Days." He started roping when he was eight years old, after seeing Pawnee Bill's circus, and years later Will Rogers himself taught Mr. Breen some rope tricks.

C. P. Giragi, publisher of the Holbrook, Ariz., Tribune-News, the Winslow, Ariz., Mail and the Flagstaff, Ariz., Coconino Sun, and Frank Goodman of Winslow, former state highway engineer of Arizona, came to Amarillo yesterday by TWA for the Will Rogers Highway 66 celebration.

Both were impressed by Amarillo and by the celebration.

"Amarillo has changed a lot since I first saw it in 1903," said Mr. Goodman, who was born and reared in Tyler. He has been to several Highway 66 meetings.

WPA Alliance Communitistic?

(By The Associated Press)

The House committee investigating un-American activities heard testimony yesterday that leaders of the Workers Alliance, active in organizing WPA workers, include many Communists.

John P. Frey, A. F. of L. leader who already had testified Communists held high places in many CIO unions, gave the committee a long list of delegates to a Workers convention who, he said, were Communists.

When Frey had concluded, Rep. Thomas of New Jersey, Republican, said he was convinced the Alliance was "one of the real front organizations" of the Communist Party.

Earlier, Frey had predicted that the CIO would rid itself of Communists. Efforts toward that end, he said, already have been started in West Coast unions and in the United Automobile Workers.

From another witness, Walter S. Steele, chairman of the American Coalition Committee on National Security, the committee heard that there was "grave danger" that Communists, Socialists, anarchists, "ul-

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Royal, Underwood, Remington and Corona Portables. Russell's.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Cowpony races, with visiting notables competing, will be run between chukkers of a polo game, beginning at 3 o'clock this afternoon on the Tri-State Fair grounds.

Another presentation tonight of the breath-taking spectacle, "Old Southwest Days." Tickets for the third presentation tonight on Butler Field were much in demand yesterday.

was in the parade; so was the famous Kiltie Band from Oklahoma City, which remained over another day and appeared last night in concert on Butler Field.

Shamrock and Plainview had bands in the first day's parade.

As a tribute to the pioneers the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce yesterday evening gave a barbecue at the Tri-State Fair Grounds. Tickets to the barbecue were for members of the Old Settlers' Association or those who had lived in this area for a quarter of a century or more.

A brief, but impressive ceremony dedicating the highway was held yesterday as the opening event of the second day.

Gov. Clyde Tingley of New Mexico, who is "as well known in the Panhandle as Governor Allred," said Mayor Ross Rogers as a master of ceremonies, took a prominent part in the dedication.

The Sunshine State executive said 3,100 miles of pavement had been laid during his two terms.

Others who participated were Carl Hinton, national president of the Memorial Highway Association; Charles H. Tompkins of Ardmore, a past president of the association and official representative of Gov. E. W. Marland of Oklahoma; W. J. Van London, division engineer here for the state highway department; Wade Brymer, vice-president in Texas for the highway association; Columbus Giragi of Holbrook, who represented officially Gov. R. C. Stanford of Arizona; R. A. Singletary of Oklahoma City.

Townsend Club Will Rally

The Townsend Club will hold a rally Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the East entrance of the Municipal Auditorium. Games and other forms of entertainment have been planned.

FAMOUS MOVIE STAR AMONG 'HOME' FOLKS

'Tex' Ritter Takes Dramatic Role

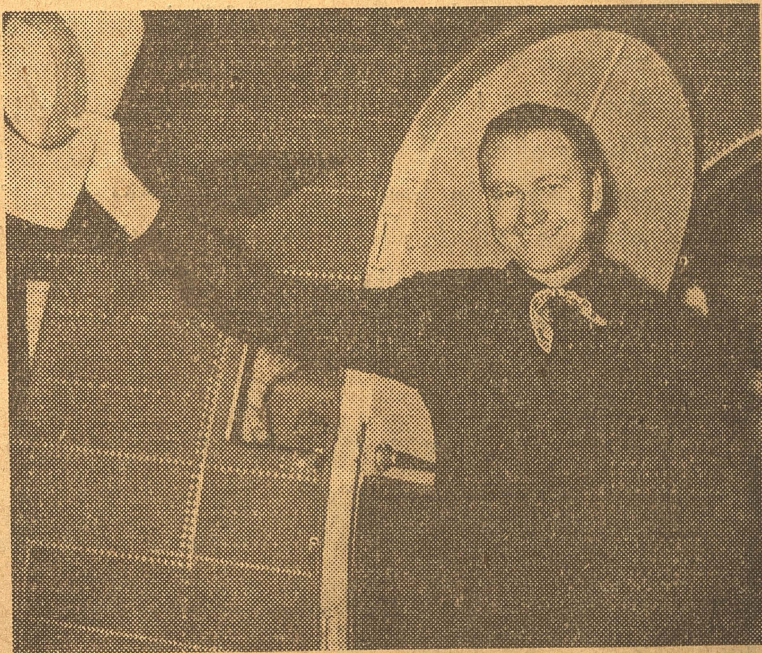
"Howdy Tex!" And the singing star, right, flashes his famous film smile in greeting Amarilloans as he arrives to appear in the most dramatic episode of "Old Southwest Days." Born in the Lone Star state, "Tex" Ritter is with "home folks" in Amarillo.

Upon his return to Hollywood after the highway celebration here "Tex" Ritter will begin work for Monogram studios on "Roll, Wagon, Roll." His first picture for Monogram was "Starlight Over Texas."

The popular Hollywood star will receive a new honor in Amarillo tonight in a midnight show at the Capitol Theater when he will be presented with a commission as a colonel on the staff of Gov. E. W. Marland of Oklahoma.

The commission will be presented by Carl Hinton, president of the National Highway 66 Association, at a reception for a preview of Will Rogers' picture, "Life Begins at 40."

The 40-piece Sandie High School band will appear in uniforms for a concert at the reception.



"TEX" RITTER

—Photo by McCormick Co.



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IN A GAY MOOD was Gov. Clyde Tingley of New Mexico, center, yesterday as he prepared to present a bouquet to 'Miss Southwest'—Miss Joan Hyland, left. The governor not only gave 'Miss Southwest' the flowers but threw in a resounding kiss. Mayor Ross Rogers of Amarillo, right, was master of ceremonies at the official dedi-

cation of Highway 66—the Will Rogers Route—and looks on as the governor has his fun. A few minutes after the camera shutter clicked on the scene the ribbon in the foreground was cut and the all-paved highway from the Great Lakes to the West Coast was formally open for Mr. and Mrs. Traveling America.