

## COL. ROOSEVELT TO BE AT BIG-4 FAIR

**Local Fair Officials to Have the Noted Ex-President as a Big Four Drawing Card Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>**

The Big-4 Fair that begins at the fairgrounds in this city next Tuesday morning will be the drawing card for the people of the four counties of Jefferson, Van Buren, Davis and Wapello as well as many from outside these borders. This will be the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual exhibit of this district, and while the fairs of previous years have been excellent, there is little doubt that the exhibits of this year will far exceed any that have occurred in former years

The days of the fair are September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>. The first day Tuesday will be the day for preparation, and all exhibitors are urged to have everything for exhibition in readiness before the night of Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>.

One of the biggest drawing cards of the fair this year will be the visit of President Roosevelt to the grounds the forenoon of Wednesday, September 4. This famous statesman will be on his way from Keokuk to Des Moines and arrangements are completed for a stop of sufficient length at the fairgrounds at 10.30 to afford all an opportunity to see and hear him. While perhaps some may not agree with him in many things, yet that will be no reason why he should not receive a rousing welcome at the Big-4 grounds.

**Note:** At this time he was a candidate for president on the Progressive ticket

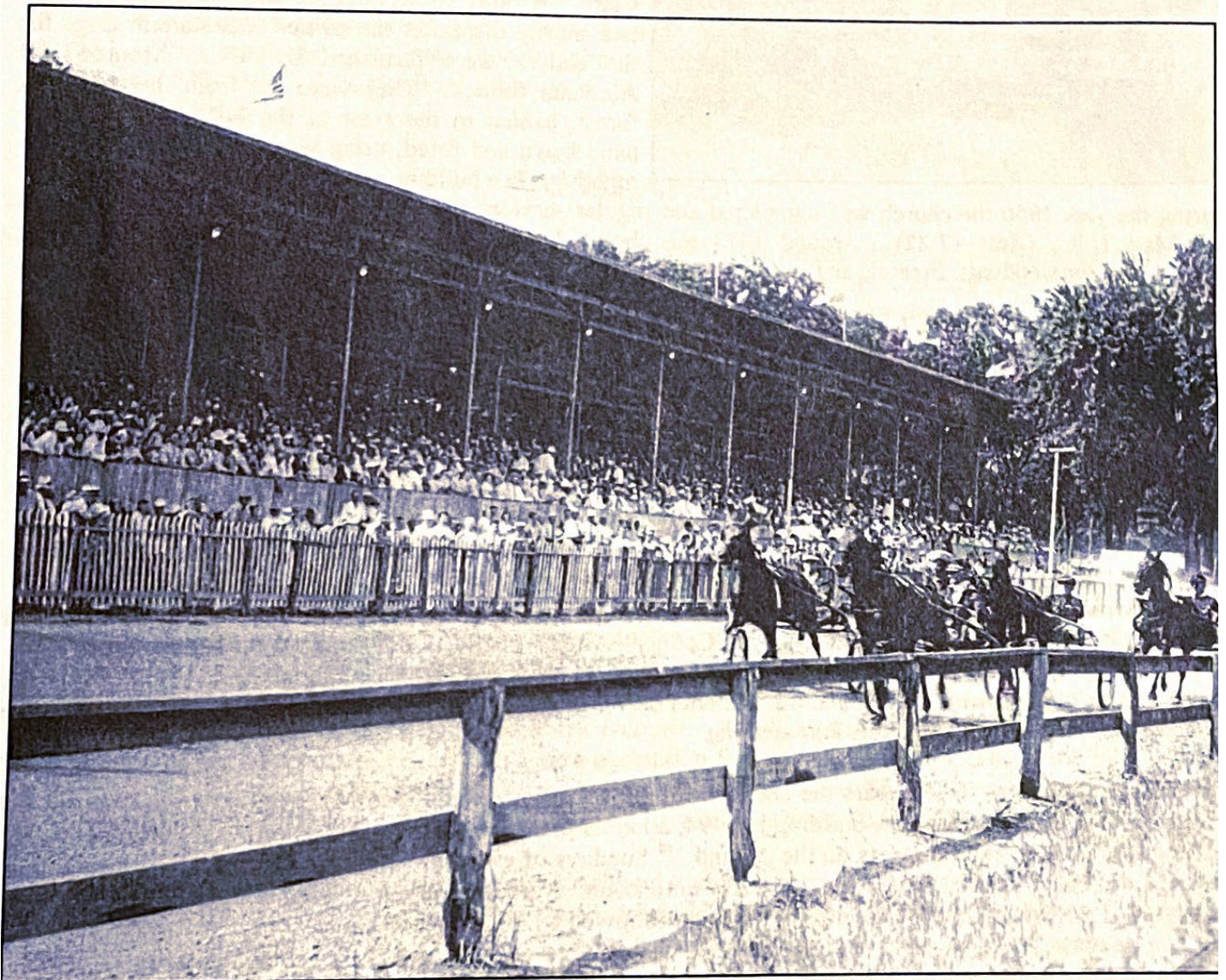




## WAPELLO COUNTY FAIR

The county fair has been part of the heritage of Eldon and the surrounding area for many, many years. The fair is now being held in June and is considered to be among the top county fairs in Iowa. During the spring and summer months the fairgrounds are utilized on Saturday evenings for IMCA Stock Car races.

We thought these photos, reminiscent of times gone by, would be of interest to everyone who has attended the fair in the past.



COMING DOWN THE HOME STRETCH



Some "youngsters" enjoying the fair from the paddock.

Top row from L. to R. Bud Morrow, \_\_?\_\_, Bob Morrow, Dorothy McIntosh Henderson, Jeanne Scott Brown, Helen Scott Weir, Joanne Schemmel Maynard and Mary Ellen Sconce Pool.

Below from L. to R. Carolyn Northup Sedore, Harry Northup, Jerry Northup







This is a scene from the early days of the Big-4 Fair. Judging from the attire, probably around the turn of the century.