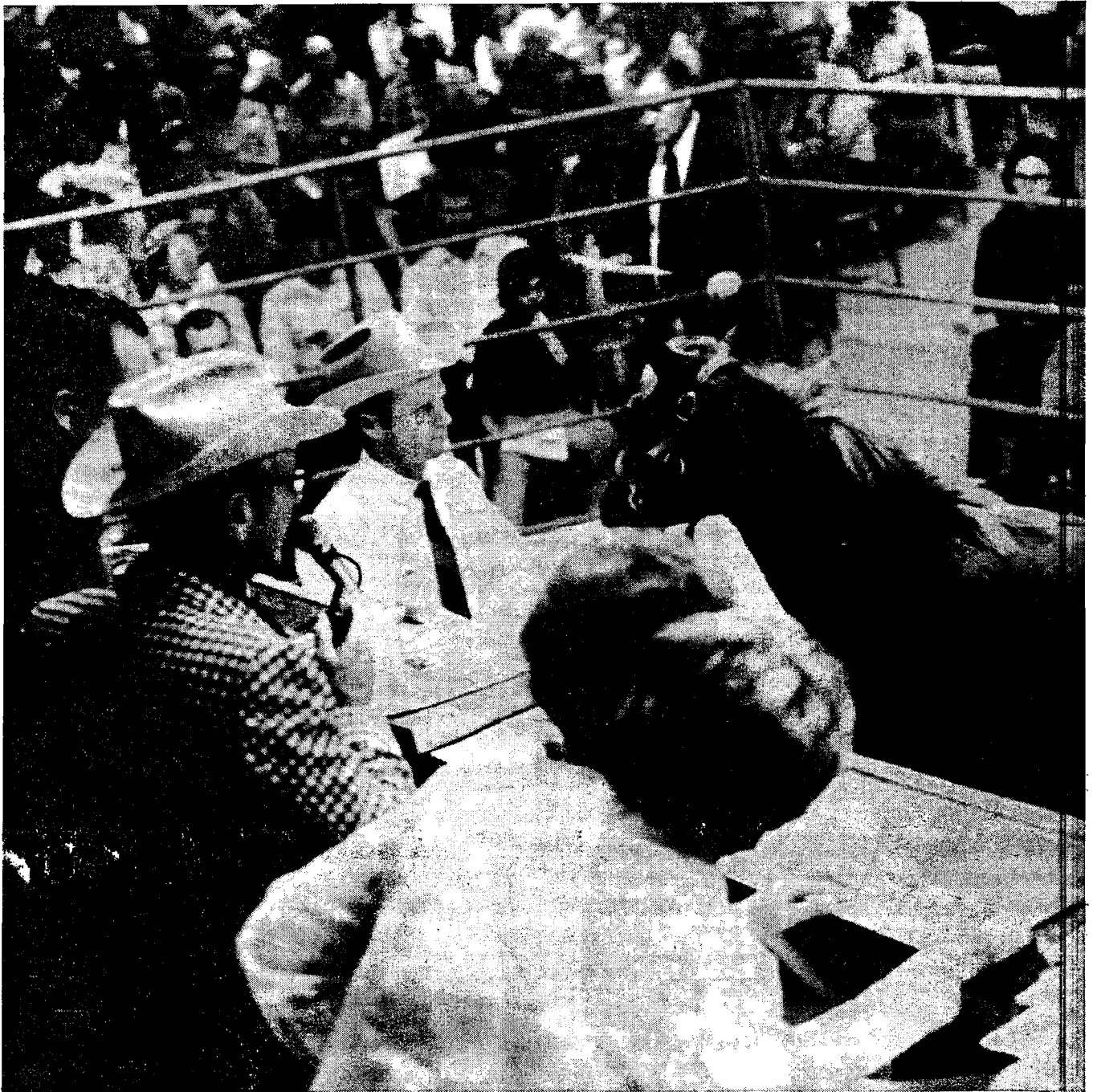


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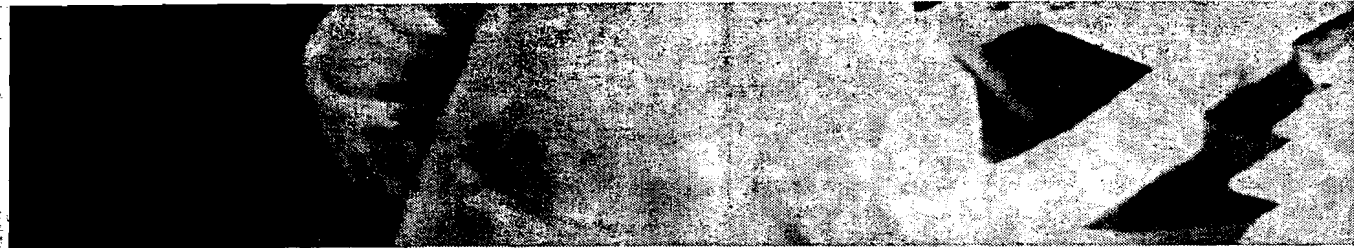
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By **KATHY CARNES**

The crowd, which attended the seventh annual Guy Ray Rutland Quarter Horse sale Saturday afternoon, exceeded the capacity of his new 320 x 250 ft. barn with numbers pushing toward the 3,000 mark.

Buyers from Indiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Mississippi, Illinois, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas and Arizona listened closely to the rhythmic jargon of the auctioneer, Dean Parker of Auburn, Calif. bidding and hoping to get a top filly or stallion for a good price.

With around 140 head of horses going on the block, one source near the close of the

sale, by his own compilation, said the total dollar amount would be in the neighborhood of \$175,000, give or take a few thousand either way. The \$6,100 paid for the filly early in the sale was the top price, according to reports.

To open the sale in the new barn, Parker said, "This is one of the most, no, the most beautiful quality of this kind I have ever seen. It is absolutely fantastic and I would like to pay proper congratulations to Guy Ray Rutland and his family."

Rousing applause followed Parker's speech, acknowledging the feeling of praise for the Rutland family.

A shining and well-mannered Pacific Bailey, the number one stud of the Rutland ranch, was paraded before the crowd to show the top breeding of the sire of some of the fillies and colts that were up for sale. "Jet Stop" was then brought into the ring. He is another of Rutland's top stallions, which has been bred for speed. "Carrara Marble," one of the oldest living studs still siring colts, was introduced to the crowd at the five old age of 28. He still appeared in top condition.

The bidding began with Cliff Rutland, the oldest Rutland son, showing the colts in the ring. The first colt brought out was out of one of the top studs and a shetland mare. It brought a little over \$100, but the horse sale began with one filly going for \$1,700. If Rutland felt the bidding was going badly and wasn't high enough he would stop the auctioneer and give the blood-line of the colt along with its possibilities.

The bidding started going higher with a sorrel filly going for \$4,000. It was then stated

that the top filly last year went for \$5,000.

The colts were rough-coated and gaunt because of being weaned just two weeks prior to the sale but the muscle tone and the build shone through the rougher exterior. The next colt, out of TAAA Pacific Bailey (sire) and AAA Bobby Bar Bailey (dam) was of the same rough appearance but the bidding began at \$1,000. The colt sold for \$6,100 topping last year's filly in the early afternoon.

In a roll of people prior to the sale most of the out-of-state people were previous satisfied customers coming back to look and possibly buy again. Some sightseers, who having heard of the Rutland stock decided to

## Chest Climbs To \$6,956

The Independence Community Chest drive, which officially began only last Wednesday, is already to the 15 per cent mark in the campaign to raise funds for ten agencies in the community in the coming year.

As of Friday afternoon, cash and pledges totalled \$6,956.50 in the drive which is a little over 15 per cent of the goal of \$45,397.

However, most of the donations thus far have come from the advanced gifts campaign and officials warned there is still a lot of work to do to finish the drive.

Drive headquarters is located in Room 504 of the Professional Building and is open each weekday afternoon. The telephone number is 331-1010.

come out and take a look for themselves." Some were connected with racing but others were looking for winners of show and halter classes.

Rutland with his vivacious and infectious smile proved to be a walking encyclopedia without notes, telling the "family tree" of each filly and stallion that was to be presented in the ring to all that asked. One passerby who seemed to be from Independence paid Rutland a high compliment, "I think this is better than Neewollah."

One gentleman stated after looking over the barn, "This has all the comforts of home, even food." The Homebuilder's Class of the First Christian Church provided a concession stand for the convenience of the crowd.

While walking through the parking lot, tags from 35 states were spotted. Even if they didn't buy it seems to be a tribute to Guy Ray Rutland's reputation around the country as the number one breeder of quarter horses.

## Weather

Clear to partly cloudy and mild through Monday. Low Sunday night in the 60s. High Sunday in the upper 70s to low 80s. High Monday in the low to mid 80s. Winds southwesterly 5 to 15 mph Sunday.

Rainfall Friday .....	24 inch
Saturday at Noon .....	68
Friday's Maximum .....	63
Friday's Minimum .....	50
Saturday's Minimum .....	57
A Year Ago .....	64 and 52
All-Time Maximum ....	92 in 1952
All-Time Minimum .....	32 in 1921
Sunrise Tomorrow 7:33 ...	Sets 6:45