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Glamour invaded the Jasper County fair, Tuesday, when Miss Neva Vantine, a beautiful brunette, rode Brilliant D., a sorrel mare owned by Will Vantine of Elmwood. She was a skilful rider and placed fourth in a field of six horses, Tuesday afternoon, in the mile run, and fifth in the four and one-half mile furlong race, Wednesday, in which she rode Pine Star in a field of eight.

So far as known, she is the first woman rider to ever act as a jockey at the Jasper County Fair during its more than seventy years of history. Women riders are rare anywhere, although a few have ridden in races in various parts of the country.

Another oddity of the racing has been Jockey Cheatem, who has ridden several mounts during the fair. He is a capable rider.