

New Ride Awaits State Fair-Goers

The unforgettable thrill of toppling and turning in the air awaits all who hop aboard the Zipper in Olson Shows' Happy Hollow at the Illinois State Fair Aug. 9 through 18.

One of the most modern rides to be developed, the Zipper will make its debut here along with the towering 70-foot Astro Wheel, a single ferris wheel with gondola-type buckets that can be turned upside down.

Although many of the units travel by truck, Olson Shows is one of four remaining railroad carnivals in the United States. The 25 flatcars and coaches will arrive in Springfield next Monday. Steel structures and tents will then start rising to the sky making Happy Hollow one of the most popular attractions on the grounds.

Newly paved roadways in Happy Hollow will ease walking and keep the dust settled, thus adding to the area's attractiveness.

Returning for the third straight year will be the Zyklon, the world's largest portable-type roller coaster, which has individual cars zinging along a third-of-a-mile of soaring, twisting track.

Other rides scheduled to return are the ever-popular German Hofbrauhaus (fun house), Cakewalk Slide, Sky Wheel, Sky Diver, Flight To Mars, Spelunker, Mad Mouse and Monster.

Oldtime favorites, such as the Merry-Go-Round, Dodge m, Round-Up, Tilt-A-Whirl and Octopus, will also await merry-makers.

Those who suffer from dizziness on such rides may prefer the circus' sideshow, wall-of-death motordrome, the house of mirrors or the gorilla show.

Olson Shows never forgets the kiddies, either. A special Kiddyland on the midway will include a smaller slide, boat ride and a little ferris wheel.

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