



Ralph Moody to be speaker at library award program

Announcement was made by Louise Nixon of the Nebraska Public Library Commission that Ralph Moody, noted author, will be the speaker when the Lower Sandhills Regional Library, Thedford, is honored as one of ten libraries in the United States to receive the coveted Dorothy Canfield Fisher Memorial Award from the Book-of-the-Month Club. The ceremony will be held in the High School auditorium in Thedford Sunday afternoon, April 25.

Many of Ralph Moody's books are autobiographical and pertain to his childhood on a ranch near Littleton, Colorado. They include "Little Britches", "Man of The Family", "Fields of Home", "Mary Emma and Company.", "Shaking the Nickel Bush," and "The Dry Divide."

The Littleton Chamber of Commerce, in a letter to the Thomas County librarian, Mrs. Bill Manning, wrote that the Little Birtches Rodeo held annually in Littleton was named for Ralph Moody as he was the original "Little Britches" a nick name the cowboys gave Ralph when he worked at his first job away from home as cooks helper on a ranch in Colorado.

Plan Luncheon

Plans are being formulated for a luncheon honoring Mr. Moody to be held at the 4-H Lodge in the National Forest at Halsey and a tea and open house at the Library after the presentation ceremony at the High School auditorium.

The public is cordially invited to attend any or all of the days events. There will be no charge for the afternoon presentation ceremony or the open house at the Library. Anyone wishing to have Mr. Moody autograph one of his books should order soon from their book store.

