

Very big Sunday event

'Riverside Bicycle Fiesta'

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The University of California campus will become the rendezvous for bicyclists Sunday — both racers and leisure peddlers — during the first "Riverside Bicycle Fiesta."

Sponsors of the event — the Riverside Bicycle Club, Riverside Kiwanis Clubs, the city Park and Recreation Department, and the police department — hope it will become an annual gathering.

"We're trying to reestablish Riverside to its old prominence," he commented.

Later in the day — start-

ing at 1:30 p.m. — the youngsters and the non-racers will take over, also at the football field parking lot for various events.

THE BIKE DAY starts at 8 a.m. with a series of races sanctioned by the Amateur Bicycle League of America.

Participants in the races are expected from throughout Southern California. They'll ride on a 1.8 mile rolling, serpentine course starting near the UCR football field.

It will have six 90-degree turns and one 180-degree turn and a three-eighths mile straightaway.

There will be no charge for spectators.

AMONG the races, for which trophies and merchandise prizes will be awarded, are: 45, 18, 14 and 9 mile races.

Harry W. Cutting, 7813 Trey Ave., Riverside, is in general charge of the event. He is the senior adviser to the Riverside Bicycle Club and the ABL adviser for the district.

"**NOT MANY** people remember this," Cutting says, "but Riverside once was the bicycle racing center of Southern California."