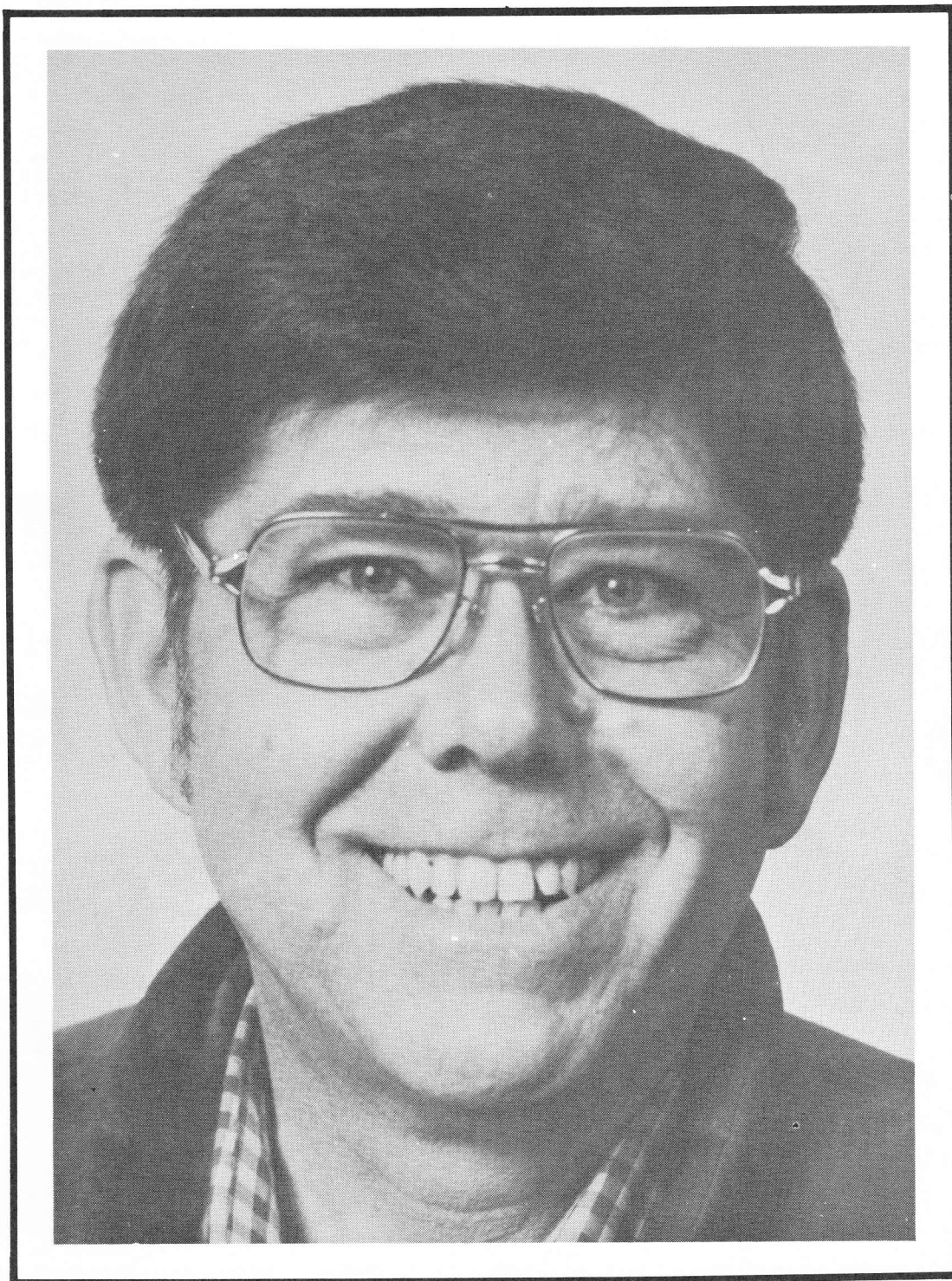


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1979 San Mateo County Horseman's Association President, Jim Estep.

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*President's
message*

I'm quite honored to be elected President of the San Mateo County Horseman's Association.

Our membership consists of residents throughout our county and, to a slight extent, adjoining counties. Our membership is growing again, and I would urge our more knowledgeable members to help our new, enthusiastic members develop the many different talents required to maintain a healthy, working organization. This will benefit our membership and community in the spirit of sport and recreation.

Many residents can remember that twenty years ago we could ride (as one example) from San Mateo to Los Altos Hills without major obstacles. Now its different!

Because of the efforts of many hard-working, community-minded, dedicated residents, we have one of the finest trail systems in California -- perhaps in the United States. In order to maintain and continue developing this system, our County Recreation and Planning Commissions need the input of all horse-oriented residents and organizations to help them to make knowledgeable decisions. We must all work together.

This year the SMCHA will again offer numerous activities for the county's various horse enthusiasts. Our CLINIC will be held on nine days (over 9 weeks). There will also be horse shows, the Pony Show, numerous trail rides, playdays, and general membership programs held on the last Wednesday of each month. The success of these activities will require work and cooperation from all.

Last year's President, CHERYL KREUZER, worked long and hard with knowledgeable leadership and will be hard to follow. I am looking forward to serve as your President and with your help we will have a great year.

Jim Estep



**From the
editor's desk. . .**

Hello from your new editor! After two years of editing and producing some superb issues of The San Mateo Horseman, Lynda Walker has retired from the editor's desk. We all thank you Lynda for your hours of labor and give you a star-spangled salute for a job well done.

I have now taken over The San Mateo Horseman's reins and hope to give you at least another year's worth of entertaining issues.

To do that, I need your help. The San Mateo Horseman has always featured current club activities and happenings of general interest. In future issues, I would like to include more news about our members and their horses. That means you!

What have you done lately with your horse? Have you won some ribbons, completed a trail ride, taught your horse a trick? If you have done anything interesting at all -- and of course you have -- let everyone know.

Send me a short story about your accomplishments, and include a photograph if you have one. (My address is listed on the back cover.) If you are an artist, send in your drawings. If you wish to express your opinion on something, send a letter to the editor.

Don't pass up this terrific opportunity to get your name or your horse's photograph in print. A lot of people pay for this honor!

If you don't send in your news, I will be forced to fill the blank spots in these pages with stories about a certain Arabian gelding that is the cutest, cleverest, prettiest horse I know -- and I have loads of photographs of him.

So avoid this alternative. Send in your news by March 31 for the April/May issue. We're all waiting to hear about you.

Sherry Grantz



"Send in your news or you will be seeing a lot of me."

Shack Riders enjoy Festival Americana

by Margaret Barbera

Last October 22 proved to be a most interesting day for the Shack Riders, their ladies and guests. Among other things, the day included a surprise stew with everything!

The food was prepared at the Mounted Patrol's kitchen under the supervision of Shack Boss Grant Bennion, with feminine assistance from his wife Marjorie and B.J. Smith. B.J. thinks they peeled at least a hundred pounds each of potatoes, carrots and onions. However, as always, Eddie Castleman saved the day with his knowledge and assistance.

Former Shack Member Bill Barnes and "The Rim Riders" presented a delightful concert including such favorites as "Drifting Along with the Tumbling Tumbleweed" and "A Shanty in Old Shanty Town."

Chief bartender for the day was SMCHA's 1950 President, Stan Schlichting. The general meetings in 1950 were at Arroyo Hall in San Carlos. It was the year of the Association's first Senior Horse Show which was held at the old Gymkhana Club on Twentieth Avenue in San Mateo. Stan was appointed to the Association's Board of Directors at their meeting on September 24, 1945. The meeting was at the Scamus Club in Redwood City, located at Charter and Middlefield Road.

Getting around with Bobbie, who became his bride in 1940, was the Association's 1944 President, Creed Haberlin. SMCHA's goal that year was "A thousand members or more in '44", and they made it!

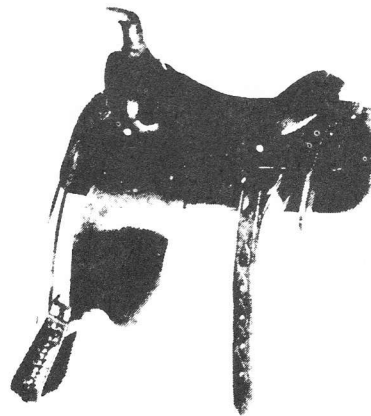
Creed was born and spent his youth in San Francisco's historical Butcher Town. It was an era when an outing to Burlingame and back in a day by buggy was considered a real good time. Creed recalls some of the Association's early meetings in the forties being held at the New Deal Civic Club in downtown San Mateo.

An interesting item of the day was the large Georgian peanuts being passed around by former Shack Boss Charles Griner. Charles is a native of Thomasville, Georgia, and his attractive wife, Virginia, is a first cousin to Jimmie Carter.

It was interesting to learn that "Shacky", the abandoned Shetland mare that the Michael Keady's had given love and care is living in a good home in Modesto.

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Look what you've been missing

The SMCHA has a membership which averages well over 500 --- but the turnout for the monthly general meetings is usually less than 10% of that figure. The club officers would like to have more attendees, and guarantee fun, learning, and good company for all those who attend.

Meetings always feature a good show. At a meeting early last year, members met Mrs. ABBY FOSS, Master of Fox Hounds, PATRICK ELLIS, Houndsman, and a couple-and-a-half of hounds, all from the Los Altos Hunt.

In June, the meeting included a Kentucky Fried Chicken dinner and polo demonstration by FAYE HUMPHRIES and friends. More good food was served up in August, when AL LUCAS and the JUNIOR CAVALRY brought their new chuckwagon to the meeting. Attendees munched crisp, golden, grilled cheese sandwiches and saw Junior Cavalry leather projects.

October saw the general meeting headquartered at the Cow Palace for opening night of the Grand National. Over 60 members and guests sat together to watch the horse show, rodeo and Royal Canadian Mounties.

It seems more people got the word about the November meeting organized by PHIL RAY (did the postcard announcement help?) All seats were filled and people actually were standing in the aisles for the Five-Judge Panel Discussion.



Candy Dowdy (right) discusses Saddlebreds during the November meeting judge's panel. At left are cutting judge Andy Anderson and western judge Sandra Hunter.

Talking about their specialties and telling the secrets all horse show contestants want to know were:

HERMAN KOOPMANS,
dressage
SIDNEY CHRISTIAN,
hunters and hunt seat
CANDY DOWDY,
gaited horses
SANDRA HUNTER,
western pleasure and trail
ANDY ANDERSON,
cutting



Herman Koopmans (right) listens as Sidney Christian discusses the hunter's way of going.

Space doesn't allow complete coverage of their remarks (besides if we told you everything that happened at the meetings you wouldn't need to come), so here are a few tidbits of what the audience heard.

HERMAN KOOPMANS talked about the requirements for a horse to go training level, what the judge looks for, and why horses at this level should not be on the bit. He also made some comments on the "soup platter" pirouette which had everyone laughing.

SIDNEY CHRISTIAN told how to tell if you will place in a hunter

class. Carefully watch every horse in the class perform, know how your horse performed, and compare his performance to the best ones you've seen.

Usually when people get mad because they had a good round and didn't place, they didn't see the rounds that were better than theirs.

CANDY DOWDY emphasized the importance of brilliance and presence in a show horse, and told how these qualities make the difference between a champion horse and one which only places.

She said the most important gait in a Saddlebred pleasure class is the walk, as a relaxed, flat walk signifies a truly pleasurable mount.

SANDRA HUNTER talked about the transitions currently being made in western pleasure: horses heads are being carried higher, they are using their hindquarters more, and they are moving faster.

Trail rules have changed so that rail work is no longer required, a 90-second time limit per horse is desired, and another rule now makes it even tougher for the one-horse amateur to compete.

ANDY ANDERSON not only discussed the rules of cutting, and how cutting horses are scored, he gave a live demonstration of cutting work. No cows or horses, just Andy working between the back fences of the audience and the judge's table. If laughs and smiles were considered points, then Andy would have had a winning score.

The meeting finished with questions and answers from the audience, and after the meeting individual discussions between judges and members.

Now that you see what you've been missing, make a resolution to miss no more. The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 28, 8 p.m. at the Woodside Elementary School. Bring your friends (non-members are welcome) and join in the fun and learning.

Clem's corner

by Clem Carroll

A new year, a new president, a new editor -- good luck to one and all, and happy riding to our members, whether on the trails, the show ring, the endurance rides, the hunt or cross country.

We shall be seeing CREED HABERLIN more often on the trails because he is playing "hooky" from Olsen Nolte.

And it's so good to see MERV KEEGAN riding again -- he had quite a painful illness, but it's all behind him now. His dear friend and riding companion for many years, MR. AL KAISER passed away last fall.

Another good man, our DR. JIM GILMORE, is no longer with us. Oh how he loved our beautiful trails.

DOUG MOODY, a new officer of SMCHA has been asked to head the trail committee of the California State Horseman's Association. Will you have time for that, too, Doug, being so active with the Happy Hoofers, Los Viajeros Riding Club and the Shack Riders?

Speaking of Los Viajeros, we have a new president, LETA BARBER, first woman president in the club since it's start in 1948. With a hard-working board of directors, Leta has plans for many interesting rides that are held on the first Sunday of each month. Some of them are as follows: S.F. Water Dept., Millbrae, Fort Kronkite, Marin County, the Miller Lux property in Gilroy, Ano Nuevo ride, Pescadero, Almaden Park, S.M. County Memorial Park, and many more. Our four-day ride will be in the mountains south of Yosemite.

KITTY and RON HADDIX, members of SMCHA since they were active juniors in the 1960's, returned from the Hawaiian Islands with glowing reports of scuba diving, sailing, and visiting a former cattle ranch (now a pineapple farm). One of the highlights of their stay was sailing between the Island of Maui and Lanai -- they were surrounded by a school of dolphins and then

came upon five whales swimming very close to them. They seemed not at all disturbed.

KITTY is vice president of Los Viajeros this year. She earned a beautiful silver and gold buckle, having gone on every ride for five straight years. DON ALTIERI, DONNA HAVERTY, ROB KRENSKY and TEX BROWN also received the buckles.

JEAN BROOK, a long-time member of SMCHA has moved to Auburn. She attended a horse husbandry course at a nearby college and reports it was so informative she wished she had this knowledge years ago. One of the interesting subjects she mentioned was that a company sells a certain type of wasp egg that hatch out and keep one's property clear of flies. Seems many ranchers are experimenting with this system and finding it satisfactory.

TED COMBIS made some interesting observations while in Texas during the cutting horse show. He was impressed that Texans are quite a conservative group, most courteous and friendly, but uptight about certain things.

He noticed only one type of cowboy hat worn -- all of them grey, all with a particular kind of crease. An announcer stopped a cutting event because someone came into the ring wearing a cap, and he wasn't even competing; and they don't like long hair on men.

Ted came back with his cut short. Also noted a minimal amount of



swearing, and ladies, you'll love this -- he saw many mink jackets worn with jeans.

This is a good time to thank DALE RYMAN again for giving us the great trail that runs alongside Highway 280, south of Edgewood Road. Even after the heaviest rain we can safely ride this stretch which everyone calls "The Track."

Is there another family in the county that has earned four Tevis 100 Mile buckles? I know one -- TRUDY and JESPER PETERSEN; ULLA JAEGER and BODIL FREDERICKSON.

DR. WALT COLE, a sportsman supreme -- hunting, fishing, a great chef, and is an expert water dowser. Saw him hold a willow wand so tightly that the bark peeled off in his hands when the branch started pointing down to where the water was underground.

Said demonstration took place a few weeks ago at the Shack Riders luncheon in Searsville.

If you want to find some really good-looking riding shirts, men and women's, try the "Tie Down" in Los Altos. This is a new store featuring clothes only, and is owned by OLGA and TONY LOPEZ.

PHIL RAY asked me to mention that Region 6 will hold a horse show, English and Western, this August and will be managed by CAROL SWEENEY and JOAN McLAREN GHEQUIRE.

If you have any news, just give me a call at 851-0773.

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Remember, all SMCHA memberships are for the calendar year and are void on January 1 if dues for the current year have not been paid. Members who are still delinquent at the end of this month will forfeit their membership and be taken off the mailing list.

Some members allow their memberships to slide until mid-year and then renew. In the meantime they have missed several issues of The San Mateo Horseman and perhaps other important notices of club activities. Don't let this happen to you. Remit now and keep your membership current. If you want to renew but don't have a membership renewal form, please use the one provided below.

By maintaining your membership and avoiding late renewal you will save your association time, effort and money. Most of our work is done by volunteer members, but the mailing is done on contract for our 740 members. It is an expensive process to remove a member's name from the mailing list only to replace it in two or three months.

If you have moved, please let us know. It is not enough to have left a forwarding address with the Post Office, as they will forward only first class mail. Our magazine is mailed fourth class and the Post Office will not send

it on. In fact, they send it back and charge us for the service!

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Giving horses a home off the range

EUGENE, Ore. (UPI) - Chuck John of Eugene has become a benefactor to Oregon's wild horses.

John, in just over a year, has taken home about 240 wild horses rounded up from federal rangelands by U.S. Bureau of Land Management cowboys to prevent overgrazing and starvation.

His farm near Eugene has been converted into one of the country's first wild horse adoption centers. In March 1977 John decided to help horses that had been forced off their normal range by overpopulation. He started making regular weekend journeys to Burns to pick up as many of the animals as he could care for while finding them new homes.

This is possible through the "adopt-a-horse program", which allows anyone with the ability to care for a wild horse to have one.

His involvement has delighted Oregon Bureau of Land Management officials, since federal law prohibits the capture of wild horses for commercial use and

protects them from inhumane treatment. The horses can't be sold; so those not adopted are destined to a bleak existence in BLM holding corrals at additional federal government expense.

John's adoption program came about partly because of the late Velma (Wild Horse Annie) Johnston of Reno. She was an instrumental figure in the passage of wild horse laws and founder of the Wild Horse Organization Assistance group (WFOA). She urged John and others to set up centers and insure a better life for the animals.

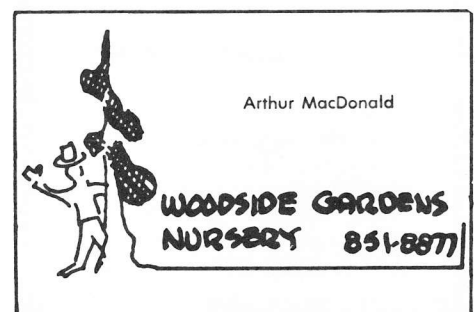
"Because of my background and love for horses, I just couldn't say no," John said. "I'm too old to rodeo, so I had time to spend helping these animals."

Response to his program has been enthusiastic. At one time this fall he had a waiting list of 30.

His horses have gone to homes at many points around the country, includ-

ing one each to Hawaii and Alaska. He charges \$38 for a horse, but says he makes no profit since he must pay most of his own expenses. A round trip to Burns costs around \$250. Then there's the cost of medicine and feed at home.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article appeared originally in the San Francisco Sunday Examiner and Chronicle. It was sent in by SMCHA past president Ray Barbera, who thought it might interest our readers since Velma Johnson spoke at one of our meetings a few years ago.



Arthur MacDonald

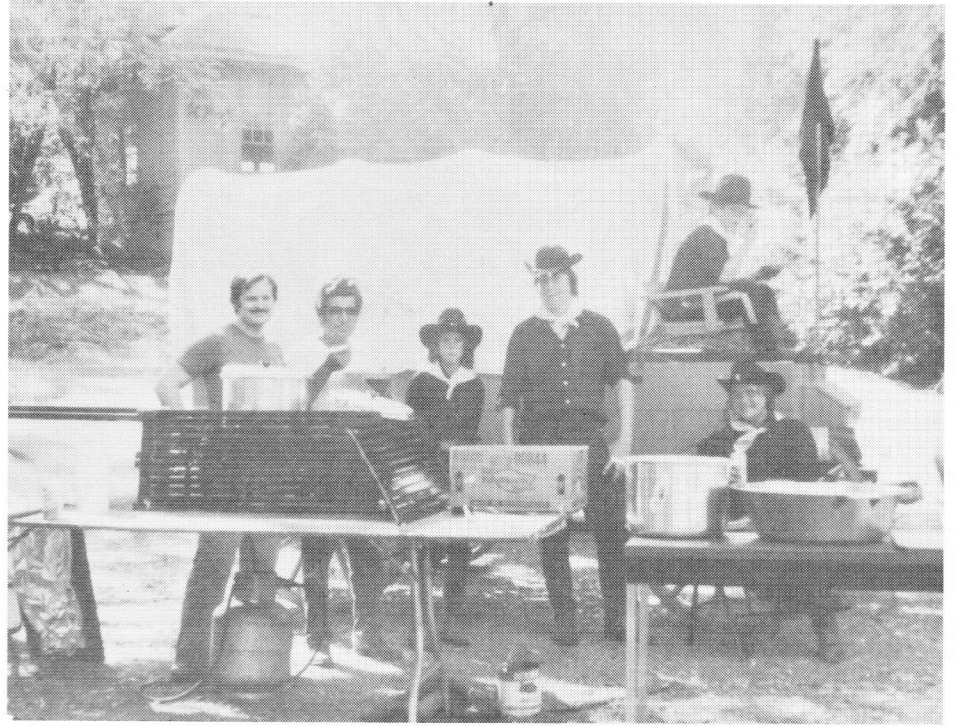
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SCENES FROM 1978 PRESIDENT'S RIDE

These photographs, provided by Trail Boss LES BEALE, show some of the goings-on at last September's President's Ride. The ride wound through Wunderlich Park, taking in the new trail along the northern boundary, the Boy Scout's camp, and the Alambique Trail.

High point of the ride was a gourmet dinner of New York steak and all the trimmings provided by AL LUCAS, the JUNIOR CAVALRY and the Woodside/Portola Valley Lions Club.

The photographs were taken during the dinner and will give many of our members their first complete view of the Junior Cavalry's new chuckwagon.



Hard-working members of B troop pause for a photo break. (Photo by Al Lucas.)



Trail boss Les Beale takes a minute to inspect the chuckwagon.



The chuckwagon at work with members gathered round to sample its output.

1979 Installation Dinner

Officers installed, many awards

by Marilyn Blake



SMCHA 1979 Officers: front row, left to right, Aleta Bobay, Treasurer; Andrea Lovlein, Secretary; Irma Goldsmith, Historian; Don Altieri, First Vice President. Back row, Dan Bobay, Sergeant-at-Arms; Phil Ray, Registrar; Jim Estep, President; and Doug Moody, Second Vice President.

This year's installation need not take a back seat to any we've had before. Thanks to President CHERYL KREUZER and her loyal right-hand LEE BOBAY, the affair had good food, good music, great decorations, and everyone caught the festive air and had a gala time.

BOB O'NEIL, who is well-known for his talents on the mike at our horse shows, demonstrated that he is equally at home M.C.-ing at any large gathering. Handsome in dinner jacket and snowy ruffled shirt, he kept the evening moving and added a spice of his own.

The list of super people who were honored on this night of celebration is long, for they are many, and the contributions they made so diverse and enormous, that this reporter was staggered at the task of trying to catalog it all. But to take a stab at it, we'll start with SMCHA's history lady, IRMA GOLDSMITH, whom Bob called up to make her annual award to a Past President.

Irma is famous for her lovely books of SMCHA history which she presents to the previous year's President. PHIL RAY was the recipient this year. Besides the effort and thought that go into this most tasteful gesture, Irma always gives us some brief but meaningful glimpse into SMCHA's past. In a way, she is our link with all the years of striving and purpose that have gone into this organization.

Former President HAROLD ZWIERLEIN presented gifts to RICH TOZZI and CORKY KURTZ, who for fifteen years have served as judges at the hugely profitable Junior Rodeo. That's a lot of time donated, and to these two went appreciation and thanks with their gifts.

Part of the tradition of the evening is the introduction of Past Presidents in attendance. I think we broke a record this year, with seven of the species on hand! They were DALE RYMAN, RICH DELUCCHI, PAT GRADY, HAROLD ZWIERLEIN, PHIL RAY, RAY BARBERA, and CREED HABERLIN.

Also introduced were such visiting dignitaries as Parks and Recreation Director DUANE MATTISON and his daughter LAURA FLOWERS; WILLIAM ROYER, San Mateo County Supervisor, and MRS. ROYER; Assemblyman and MRS. LOUIS PAPPAN; and RICH FIGONI, Woodside Fire Chief and MRS. FIGONI. Also with us were LOWELL DUGGAN, the new Captain of the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County, and the EDDIE CASTLEMANS, able managers of the Mounted Patrol premises.

Cheryl came back to the stand to make some special awards to people who filled key roles, and did them well. She presented certificates and gifts to: HAROLD ZWIERLEIN, DON ALTIERI, DAN and LEE BOBAY, BOB O'NEIL, MIKE COHEN,



1978 Officers: front row, left to right, Cheryl Kreuzer, President; Andrea Lovlein, Secretary; Irma Goldsmith, Historian. Back row, Pat Grady, Sergeant-at-Arms; Phil Ray, Registrar; and Jim Estep, First Vice President.

presented

JOHN BUCHAN, AGNES and PAT GRADY, and LYNDA WALKER, retiring editor of the magazine.

Lynda was unable to be present, so her award was accepted on her behalf by yours truly, and it is such a lovely trophy Lynda will have to move fast to catch me! Tokens of appreciation were also presented to the out-going officers quite a few of whom will reappear later in this narrative as re-elected new officers.

Every year one notices the suspense that builds towards the moment of greatest drama, the presentation of SMCHA's top honors. The Distinguished Horseman and Horsewoman of the Year awards are always a well-guarded secret. Bob read the biography of our first mystery winner, and this wonderful lady has worked for so many years, and been a part of the history, color and service to Woodside and the county to such an extent that long-timers had a slight edge in guessing who she might be.

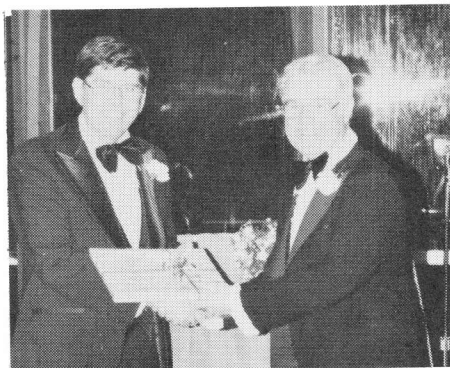
The handsome award went this year to BETTYE GREER. Bettye has moved to the Marysville area and could not be here, so her award was graciously accepted for her by another hard worker and former board member, MARGARET REESE.

Our Distinguished Horseman had quite a varied and colorful biography, taking in many parts of the United States, and many kinds of experiences. However, when his contributions to the SMCHA began to unroll, it was easy to see why this deserving, hard-working, always reliable guy heard his name, LEONARD YOUNG, called out. As Cheryl stated earlier in the evening, he had been her right-hand man, but many of us know him as a person who never ducks a hard job, can do almost anything, and is quiet and unobtrusive but very effective.

Another most significant award is annually presented to a couple, or individual, not necessarily members of SMCHA. The award is the Outstanding Contributors award, and is bestowed on those whom the organization feels have made an extraordinary contribution to the equestrian world, usually over a period of time.

There could have been no more popular choice this year than BOB and PAT DEAN, whose long and unselfish service to the people, and particularly the young people, of San Mateo County spans more than fifteen years. In this time, an estimated 800 to 900 young 4H members in our county have participated in programs, events, and training sessions organized and conducted by Bob and Pat Dean.

Founders of the Woodside 4H in 1963, they have seen the club mushroom into two groups. Of



M.C. Bob O'Neil presents a gift to 1978 First Vice President and 1979 President, Jim Estep.



Pat and Bob Dean receive the Outstanding Contributors award from Bob O'Neil.

their effectiveness in helping young exhibitors and competitors in county fair endeavors, we can't say enough. Besides all these activities, Bob and Pat have both been long-time workers at SMCHA horse shows, play days, and on the Board. No couple could be more deserving of our Outstanding Contributor award for 1978.

The final ceremony of the evening is the passing of the gavel, and all it implies, from the old president to the new. Cheryl's year of truth was triumphantly over, and now it is JIM ESTEP's turn to guide our ship through 1979. He made some very suitable and hopeful remarks in his inaugural address, complementing his predecessor and admitting he will have to go some to match her performance.

Jim feels strongly that we need to build up our meetings, and stay well in the forefront of county policy so that trails will be preserved and extended, and the interests of horsemen sustained and expanded. In his capable hands, these goals are sure to be vigorously pursued, and with a good Board of Directors to support him, and the backing of a vital membership, lead to true achievement.

Other officers who were installed for 1979 are First Vice President, DON ALTIERI; Second Vice President, DOUG MOODY; Secretary, ANDREA LOVLEIN; Treasurer, LEE BOBAY; Registrar, PHIL RAY; Sergeant-at-Arms, DAN BOBAY; and Historian, IRMA GOLD-SMITH. Good luck to you all!



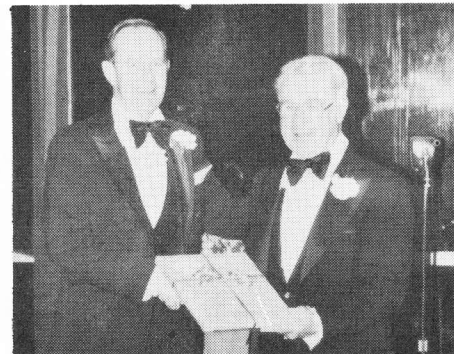
Winner of the Distinguished Horseman Award, Leonard Young, receives his gift from Bob O'Neil.



Aleta Bobay accepts an appreciation gift from outgoing President Cheryl Kreuzer.



Harold Zwierlein must have told Cheryl something funny when he received his appreciation award.



1978 and 1979 Registrar Phil Ray also received a gift from Bob O'Neil.

Junior Cavalry Brigade

Looking back over the past

by Allen Lucas

A short time ago I attended an auction in which the estate of a very fine lady was sold. This lady lived in an expensive apartment house in San Francisco. She was a regular customer of mine because I have a contract to do the windows in the building.

When I went into her apartment I was always impressed by the beautiful furniture and bric-a-brac and the loving care she lavished on everything. Her husband had passed away several years before and she lived among her memories.

But now that she was gone, her estate was being auctioned off, not with love or affection, but with the business-like precision of an auction. Here was the end of 50 years of love and marriage, the end of a wonderful way of life. Such is nature's way. Everything must come to an end.

In sitting down to write this article, I intended to review the accomplishments of the Cavalry Brigade in the past year, and I thought of that auction. Had everything the Cavalry done in the past year also ended? Was it over, or was it continuing? No, each fundraising event, each public appearance made to help those less fortunate was not over. It was accumulating good points in heaven or wherever these marks are registered. The good that the Cavalry bestowed came back tenfold during the year.

Members of the Cavalry learned the happiness that comes by helping others, the satisfaction and the self-esteem that comes with giving. They also learned to appreciate their own good fortune, something some of us never learn.

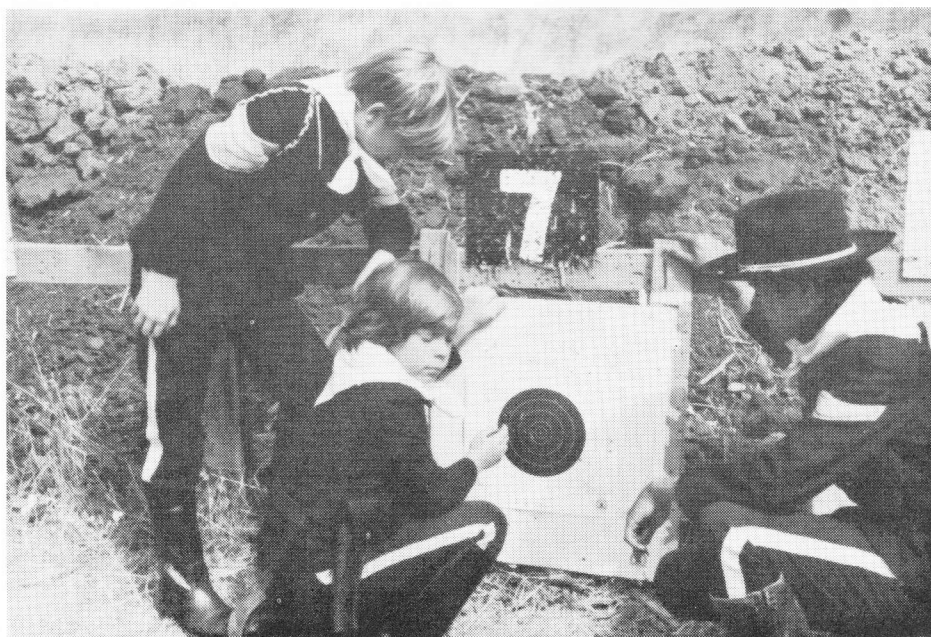
These youngsters are good kids, the ones who will become leaders of their communities. You will seldom read about them in the newspapers, hear about them on radio or see them on TV. The bad kids who cause all kinds of trouble receive all the attention.

The good kids like these go about their business, doing their good works without fanfare. But as they grow from happy, well-adjusted youngsters to happy, successful adults, they will continue being helpful. They will keep our country healthy and successful, and they are the ones who make me proud to say, "God bless America and the American way of life."



Shown working with the chuckwagon last year are (from left to right) Pvt. John Buchner, First Sgt. Greg Garrett, and Col. John Buchner.

Practicing on the rifle range are (from left to right) First Sgt. Garrett, Pvt. Mike Dini, and Sgt. Dave Beezley.



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Little lost sheep, come home

It seems that the SMCHA has many strayed and forgotten possessions lying about in member's garages and barns. This situation was brought to the Board's attention when one member mentioned a couple cases of whiskey gathering dust in his garage since the President's Ride. He didn't know who he should return them to, so they sat uncollected all these months.

Without a doubt there are more of us with uncollected supplies. After helping out on shows, rides and programs, we find ourselves with club supplies, leftover trophies and who knows what else that no one else seems to want either.

In the interests of saving money this year, the Association would like to reclaim all its strayed belongings. If you have any of the club's lost sheep, please help us round them up. Bring them to the next general meeting, or call Sergeant-at-Arms Dan Bobay at 365-2188. He will come pick them up and herd them back into the club's storage locker for use this year.

If you find other useful, unwanted items sitting around your place, send those too. Maybe we will collect enough to put on our own fund-raising rummage sale!

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Newly elected 1979 officers and 1978 President, from left, Cheryl Kreuzer, Doug Moody, Lee and Dan Bobay, Andrea Lovlein, Don Altieri (front), Phil Ray (back), and Jim Estep. (Photo by Gary Sinclair).

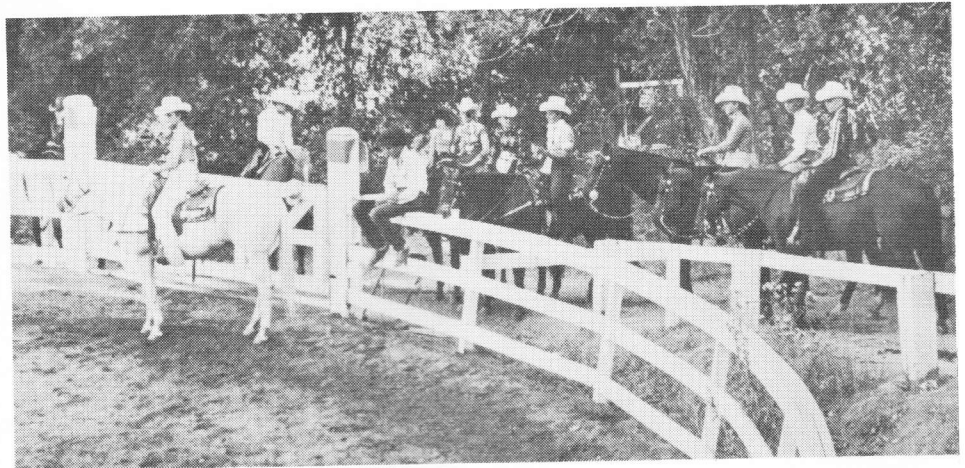
Scenes from Board of Directors Election Dinner

Jim Estep looks so happy because he has just been elected SMCHA President and because the lady to his right has recently become his bride! (Photo by Gary Sinclair).



There's no business like show business!

Help make the 1979 SMCHA horse shows the best we've ever had.



Photos by Mike Bonelli

Volunteer to manage a show, announce, work the gate, set up jumps or even present ribbons.

Planning for summer shows starts now, so call Jim Estep at 851-7834 right away. Tell him he can count on you.

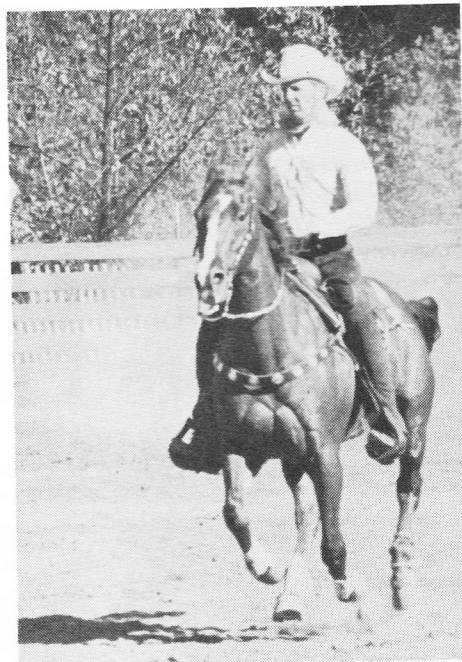


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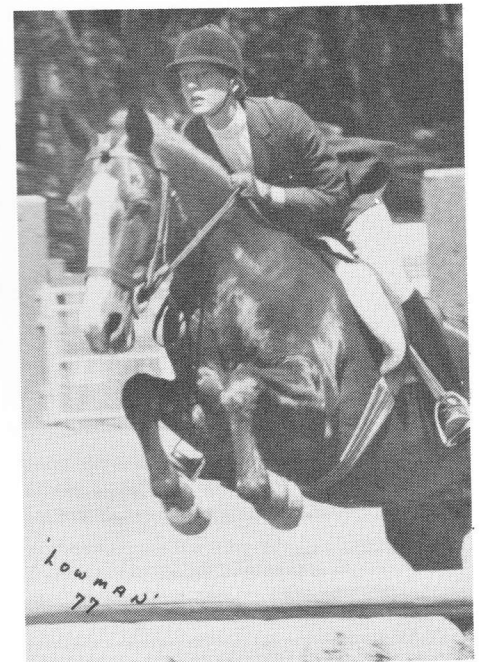
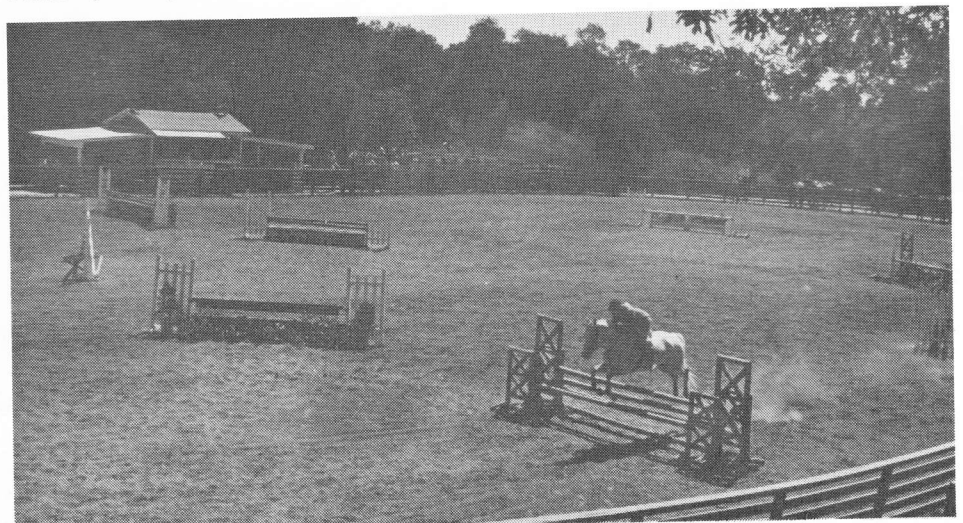


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It could be your best show this year!



Scenes from previous SMCHA shows.

Between the bookends

Read your way to spring

by Sherry Grantz

Winter. Rain gushing down the gullies carved in the trails, mud sucking at your boots as you trudge out to feed your horse, rain drops pelting your neck and tickling your horse's ears as you hurry in from a quick ride taken while the weatherman said it would be clear.

Might as well face it. The only sensible thing a cowpoke can do till Spring is pull off his mud-caked boots, draw a comfy chair before the fire, and settle back with a good book. Luckily for us, several new horse books have been published recently, so our time in front of the fire can be well-filled.

To whet your reading appetite, served up here are some savory morsels about these new releases. You may find them at your book store, but if not, the store can special order them. The first four can also be obtained at discount prices from Classic, 551 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10017.

A very appropriate book for this time of year, BLESSED ARE THE BROODMARES, is written by an internationally known veterinarian, M. Phyllis Lose. Dr. Lose discusses in detail the whole calendar of breeding, from broodmare nutrition to care of the foal. Subjects covered include: danger signs before, during and after birth; what you should and should not worry about; behavior patterns of broodmares; and information on hormones and ideal breeding times. Altogether, a perfect preparation for prospective godparents!

After foaling season comes show season, and there's a book to help you through that, too. It's TRAINING THE WESTERN SHOW HORSE by popular author Don Blazer.

He describes step-by-step each lesson for the horse, each cue position for the rider, and each

performance exercise required of horse show contestants. With over 100 photographs, every facet of western showing -- pleasure, trail, halter, and reining -- is discussed in detail. If you didn't place as often as you wanted to last year, this book could help you meet your winning goals this year.

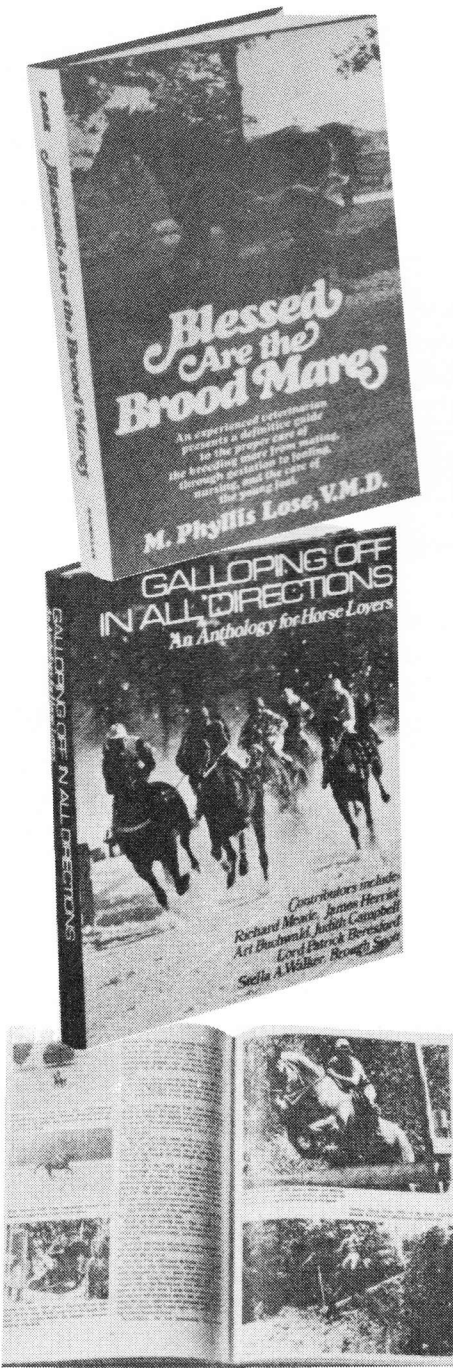
If you've been bitten by the three-day bug after last year's world championships, HORSE ON COURSE may be just the medicine you need. This book, written by Hugh Tyler Miles, will put you right on the dressage or cross country course.

It gives an inside look at all three phases, as well as a close-up on the riders who have trained with the U.S. team. Comments by coach Jack Le Goff and team captain Michael Plumb add to the right-on-the-scene flavor.

Looking for a bit of fun and relaxation? Try, GALLOPING OFF IN ALL DIRECTIONS. This new anthology includes twenty-one chapters on fact and fiction, seriousness and humor. A list of authors reads like a who's who of famous writers and horsemen: James Herriot, Art Buchwald, Mark Twain, Judith Campbell, Richard Meade, and many others.

You'll find everything from "Troubled Times: Studs in the United Kingdom", to "Reluctant Partnership: Norman Thelwell and his Ponies." What better way to laugh and learn all in one sitting!

Speaking of Norman Thelwell, he's finally produced the book all western riders have been awaiting. In THELWELL GOES WEST the English saddles are exchanged for western, and equestrians become cowpokes. One thing remains the same; readers will be smiling and slapping their thighs over every page.



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MARCH

- 14 Board of Director's Meeting
- 28 General Meeting

APRIL

- 11 Board Meeting
- 25 General Meeting
- 29 Spring Ride

MAY

- 9 Board Meeting
- 10 Night at the Races
- 27 Trail Ride
- 30 General Meeting

JUNE

- 13 Board Meeting
- 20 English Schooling Show
- 21 Western Riding Clinic
- 24 Trail Ride
- 27 Western Schooling Show
- 27 General Meeting
- 28 Western Riding Clinic

JULY

- 4 Junior Rodeo
- 5 Western Riding Clinic
- 8 Pony Show
- 11 Board Meeting
- 12 Western Riding Clinic
- 19 Western Riding Clinic
- 25 Western Schooling Show
- 25 General Meeting
- 26 Western Riding Clinic
- 29 Trail Ride

AUGUST

- 2 Western Riding Clinic
- 8 Board Meeting
- 9 Western Riding Clinic
- 11 Moonlight Ride
- 16 Western Riding Clinic

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Senior Playday
- 12 Board Meeting
- 15 Amateur English Show
- 16 Amateur Western Show
- 23 President's Ride
- 26 General Meeting

OCTOBER

- 10 Board Meeting
- 24 General Meeting
- 28 Fall Ride

NOVEMBER

- 14 Board Meeting
- 28 General Meeting - Elections

DECEMBER

- 12 Board of Director's Dinner & Election of Officers

— CUT OUT AND SAVE —

Bits and pieces

4-H materials available

The National 4-H Council offers to share its educational material with horse enthusiasts or people involved in horse-training programs for youth. Available are the slides, lessons, work sheets, manuals, and leader guides used to train the nearly 300,000 young people enrolled in the National 4-H Horse Program. A list of these educational aids is available at no cost by writing: Educational Aids & Publications, National 4-H Council, 150 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606. Ask for EF 015 Horse Educational Aids Flier.

Hartman trailers opens western plant

Noting an increased demand for horse trailers for Thoroughbreds in the west, the Hartman Trailer Manufacturing Company has opened a new plant in California to supply horsemen in that state, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana. Enthusiastic and optimistic about the western market, a spokesman of the company says, "Every study we have made shows a definite westward tilt in the demand for Thoroughbred trailers. In the last five years, this has been particularly true, because more and more westerners are discovering the Thoroughbred and hunter/jumper classes." The firm manufactures its trailers "for Thoroughbreds, and for the horseman who treats his smaller horses like Thoroughbreds."

A member's contribution

"The horse possesses beauty and harmony, power and agility, generosity and good nature. It is one masterpiece of creation that has ever had an extraordinary attraction for man. It is up to us, as riders, to enhance the value of this animal by developing and using these gifts, but above all to do everything possible to avoid degrading it."

Jean Saint-Fort Paillard
UNDERSTANDING EQUITATION

Give a horse a foster home

SUSANVILLE - Foster homes are being sought for 100 wild horses gathered by the Bureau of Land Management during December from National Forest Service lands and public lands in Modoc County.

According to Rex Cleary, Susanville District manager, all of the animals are in good shape and range from yearlings to 12 year olds.

"It's unusual for us to have this many adoptable animals available. Fifty-two of the horses are studs under five years which, when gelded, make ideal pleasure horses," says Cleary. "We realize the winter conditions are a hindering factor in our placement efforts. People are reluctant to travel this time of the year." Cleary explained his office is most anxious to place the animals as quickly as possible to hold down associated costs and to prevent the possibility of disease due to congestion.

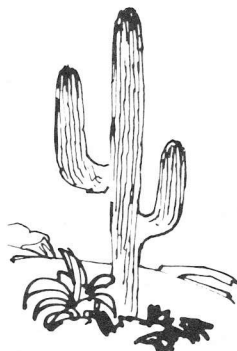
The BLM's Denver Office notified over 300 applicants on the computer bank of the available horses. From those contacts only 35 animals were placed.

The horses are available for immediate placement to those qualifying and having proper facilities. Under the Bureau of Land Management's Adopt-A-Horse Program individuals who adopt animals and demonstrate ability to care for the animals properly receive clear title to them after one year.

Anyone wishing to "adopt" one or more of these horses should phone the Susanville District Office (916) 257-5385 or write District Manager, P.O. Box 1090, Susanville 96130.

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Juanita Black, 32, has become the first woman to be assigned to the Cleveland police mounted unit in its 79-year history.



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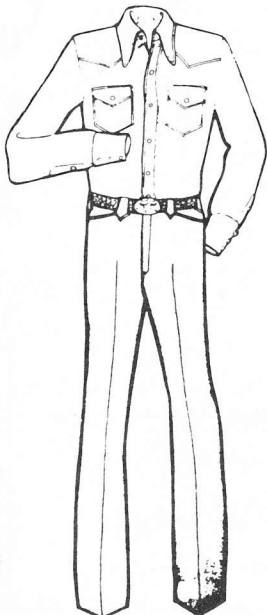
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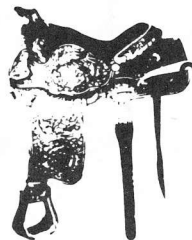


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