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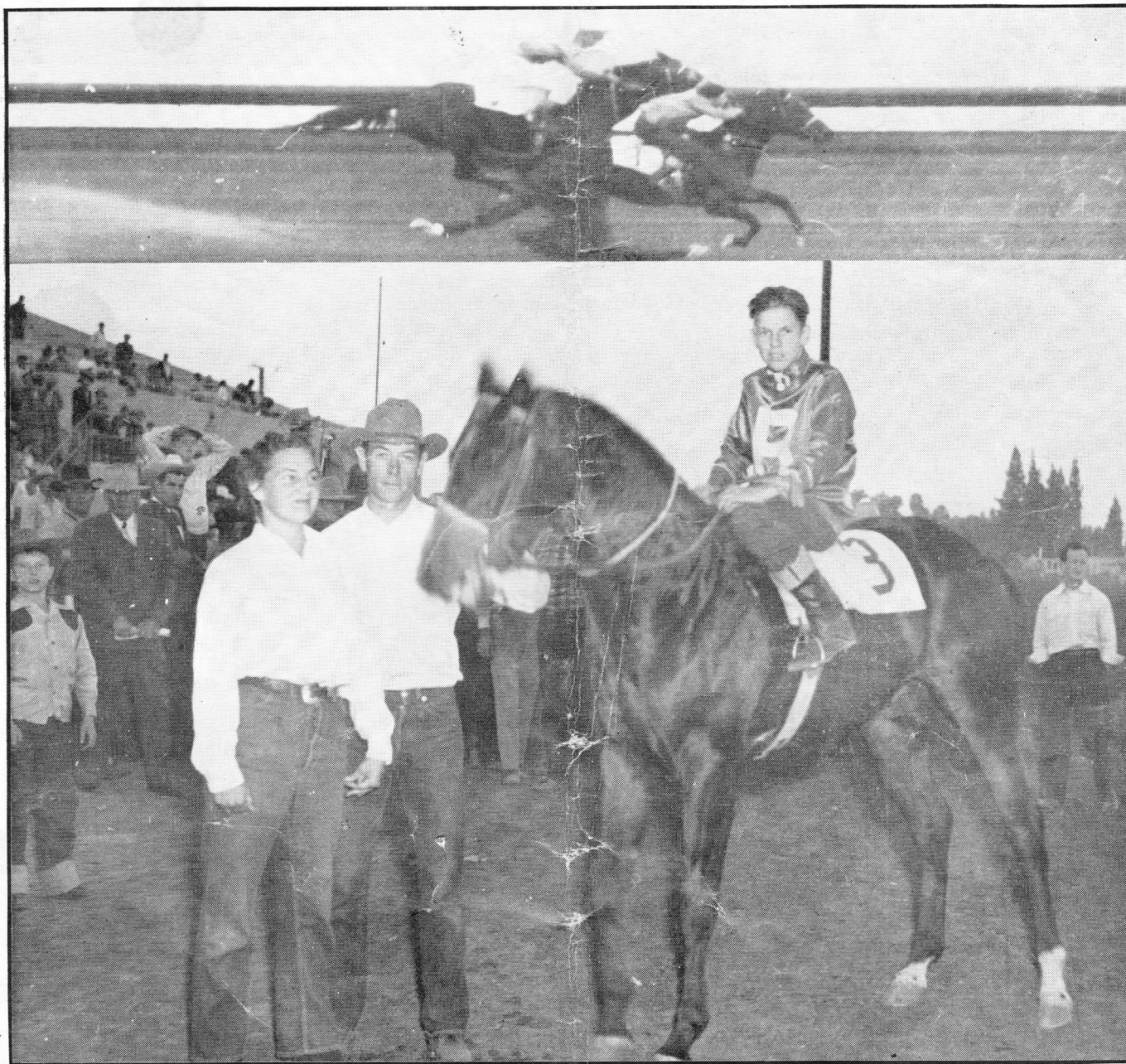
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## Attention Members

Our next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, March 29. In order to know exactly what your Association is planning and arranging for the coming season, it is necessary that you get the information first hand. Our President has worked hard to arrange a schedule suitable for all the members. So we can help him by offering suggestions and ideas and being present at the meetings. Nothing as stimulating to the officers and members as a full meeting hall. So remember the date and attend the meeting.

## Minutes of General Meeting

FEBRUARY 22, 1950

The meeting was called to order by the president, Stan Schlichting.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved as were the minutes of the directors' meeting held February 16, 1950.

The president introduced our guest of the evening, Jack Glass, who has been our host at his ranch many times.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$4,472.24.

The ride committee reported that the first ride of the season will be held on March 26.

Bill Louw explained to the members the reason for the date change of the Horse Play-Day and Futurity as being in conflict with the Watsonville show.

Bob Oleson reported on the P.C.A. He explained that the money this organization and the others is donating to the building of the rodeo grounds will be credited to the books of the P. C.A. and when possible will be divided among the donating organizations.

Ed Zwierlein reported on the regional meeting. He said that the junior participants in the horse shows will not be allowed to ride stallions, and also there will be more classes for championship girls and boys. Tony Costa is the junior chairman.

At the convention this year the ring-spear will be a time event. The spear must be 6 feet long with the guard 3 feet 6 inches back from the point.

There also will be a stake race added. Al Cryer will be in charge of the train reservations for this region.

Ed also told of his idea to have a small booklet published at convention time which would contain the opinions of well known judges so that the on-looker may have a better understanding of what the judge looks for in a horse.

The dance committee chairman, K. L. McDonald, reported there will be a dance in April. It will be informal and will include a member and one guest. Invitations will be sent out telling the time and place.

Pat Valladao reported the junior ride held January 29 was a big success. He also said the juniors wished to challenge the seniors to a broom polo contest. The challenge was accepted.

Ed Zwierlein reported to the juniors that the rodeo queen this year must be a senior in school, and she will be judged on scholarship as well as horsemanship.

The president thanked the people who brought cakes for the refreshments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## Minutes of Directors' Meeting

FEBRUARY 16, 1950

The meeting was called to order by the president, Stan Schlichting. The reading of the minutes of the last directors' meeting were dispensed with as they had been read at the last general meeting.

The president asked the nominating committee to consider a replacement for Jim Moertel, a director who has missed three consecutive meetings.

Milt Priger reported on the membership committee. He announced his plan of contacting people through articles in the magazine.

A motion was made that the state senator and assemblyman be sent annual honorary membership cards. A discussion was held on whether to include the county supervisors. It was decided to send the office of the county supervisors a card annually.

Norma Kramer, the chairman for renewing old memberships, read a letter that she will have printed and sent to

all old members who have not renewed.

Creed Haberlin suggested that this organization donate \$150 from the general fund toward a dinner for a group of state senators and representatives in order that our state trail activity might be further brought to light. The suggestion was made in the form of a motion, and it was then seconded and carried.

Wally Hulse reported the ride committee had planned an overnight ride to the Jack Glass ranch on June 10 and 11, another to Bill Greer's in September. There is also a day ride planned March 26 to the McManus ranch in Los Trancos Woods.

Bill Louw reported that the date of Horse Playday and Futurity will be changed to September 10 to avoid conflict with the Watsonville show. He also said that a tentative program will be published in the magazine at an early date.

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# Futurity and Play Day Set for September 10

## Rounded-Out Program Tentatively Adopted

Members of our association will be glad to know that plans are already under way to make this year's Annual Futurity and Play Day a really fine affair that will long be remembered. The date has been set for September 10 so there will be no other local show to interfere, and no member has an excuse for not joining the fun.

The Play Day Committee held its first meeting on Monday, March 7. After considerable discussion, we drafted a program which we feel is rounded out enough to give all types of horses a chance to show at least once. This is a tentative program only. If any member would like to see a class which we have not included, your suggestions are welcomed. If there are not more than three

entries, the class will be considered an exhibition, rather than a contest. Entry fees will be \$1 and all entrants must be members of the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association in good standing.

Here is the program planned by your committee:

1. Jumpers (judged performance only)
2. Stock Horse
3. Three-Gaited
4. Stake Race Quadrangle
5. Family Class
6. Boot Race
7. Tennessee Walkers
8. Western Pleasure
9. English Pleasure
10. Parade Horse
11. Old Timers Class—50 Yrs. and Over (Eng. and West. judged separately)
12. Ring Spearing
13. Hackamore Horse
14. Bareback Class
15. Back Alley Course
16. Trail Horse

All classes to be judged under A. H. S. A. rules. Trophies and ribbons to fifth place.

If anyone has any suggestions or criticisms, we would rather have them now than after the show is over.

BILL LOUW, *Chairman*  
Horse Show Committee

## This Month's Cover

Our cover picture is of Michael P. Sullivan, owned by our members, Barbara and Rusty Rufus. Michael P. is the recent winner of the two-year-old Futurity, held at Fresno and sponsored by the Pacific Coast Quarter Horse Association. He is shown here beating the good filly Gallant Bess, who was beaten only a length by Danger Boy C in Oregon.

Danger Boy C is a fine horse priced at \$10,000 and considered by some to be the outstanding two-year-old in America. Michael P. Sullivan AQHA 18556, is now standing at stud at the Willow Tree Farm, Page Mill Road, Palo Alto. There are good accommodations for mares and the fee is \$50. Although he is young and unproven as a stud, he has speed and finesse with plenty of horse ability, which is what everyone desires in a horse. He is strongly individual in all his traits and characteristics and will pass these on to his progeny. He inherited terrific power and speed from his father, Arizona Dan, and all his fineness from his thoroughbred dam.

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Well, if not, you still have time to hustle, 'cause our first big ride of the season starts at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 26. We will all meet at Mulally's Woodside Stables. Arrangements have been made for a truck to take all our lunches and packages.

We will then hit the trails for McManus' on Portola Road where there will be hot coffee for all, and music, too. Everything has been arranged for your comfort, so get ready to ride.

All we need is for Old Sol to shine brighter than ever, a balmy day and a huge crowd of members. Be there for our first big ride of the season!

## Rodeo-Horse Show Events

March 26—San Mateo County Horsemen's Association Day Ride, 10 a.m.

April 1—Grand National Junior Livestock Exposition, Cow Palace.

April 23—Napa Valley Horsemen's Spring Show.

April 28—Salinas Valley Fair, King City.

May 21—Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County Horse Show, Patrol Grounds.

April 29—Spring Dance, San Mateo County Horsemen's Association.



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# Planning To Breed Your Mare?

## Here Are a Few Timely Suggestions

Springtime and breeding season is here again, and many of you with mares are planning to breed them. The following suggestions may come in handy.

First, has your mare been coming in season regularly? Mares come in season about every twenty-one days. Keep a correct record, so that you will know just when to breed. The next time the mare is in season, have a veterinary examine her. Most stud farms require a certificate before breeding. This is also a double precaution for you, as you can then tell the exact condition of the mare, if it is wise to have her bred and if she is in good condition. Be doubly sure the mare is in good condition from the standpoint of feed. Remember, a well-fed and cared for mare will, under most conditions, have a healthy and strong foal. Whereby, an underfed mare might have a weakling, which will retard the foal and take it a long time to catch up to its normal growth.

It is always a wise idea to leave the mare at the stud farm for at least a month. This allows the mare to be bred more than once, and too, gives her a

better chance of being in foal than if she is taken to the stallion and immediately returned home.

If, however, you are handling the breeding yourself, the following tips might help you to breed a good foal:

It is advisable to breed on the third and fifth day of the heat period; if the mare is still in season on the seventh day, it is also a good idea to breed her then. If the mare fights or refuses the stallion, it is usually an indication that she is almost out of the heat period, and not in season at all, unless this kind of temperament is her usual disposition.

A mare's tail should always be wrapped and knotted when being bred. She should always be washed off before and afterwards with a soft antiseptic soap.

A mare should always be teased before the actual breeding to prevent injuries to both the stallion and to the mare. Always walk the mare immediately after being bred for about 15 minutes.

March and April are the recommended months for breeding in this part of the country. If bred now, an early foal is dropped, thereby gaining advantage of the green grass and the warm summer months.

### A LONG TRIP

A lady got on the bus and took the only empty seat, next to a harmless looking steward. Soon she opened a map of Manchuria. The drunk studied the map, too, for a time, and finally addressed the lady in an interested tone: "Sure you are on the right bus?" he asked.

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# New Division Added To Increase Activities

A new division of major importance has been added to improve and enlarge the activities at the Gymkhana Club. Robert H. Lewis, Jr., who will be remembered for many a day as the rider and trainer of horses that won honors in gaited stakes at the Cow Palace last November, has moved in from Dallas, Texas, and Salt Lake City, Utah. He has assembled an impressive list of fine show horses and will operate a public training stable known as the Hy Hope Stables, using the facilities of the Gymkhana Club. He has judged at many shows throughout the East and Middle West.

Horses under his supervision include Mrs. Eugene Elkus' three-gaited mare, Fair Ace, and her five-gaited Summer Rain Again; Sally May Day, a three-year-old fine harness mare, owned by Mrs. Bailey Bird of Salt Lake City; Kentucky Moreland, a five-gaited mare owned by Searen Hansen of Preston, Idaho; Edgemont Banner, a fine harness and five-gaited brown gelding own-

ed by H. A. Sorensen of Salt Lake City; and Golden Travailier, a parade horse, owned by Francis Savage, formerly of Lander, Wyoming and now of San Mateo.

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The Bit and Spur Club of the San Mateo Junior College presented its field day and horse show at the Gymkhana Club grounds on Sunday afternoon, March 11. A committee headed by its president, Marilyn Van Norden, and its past president, Mimi Vanden Broecke, assisted by Mrs. R. Weston and club instructor, Terry Quinn, opened the local show season with a good program for both rider and spectator. And Sugar Steinberg presented her trick Shetland, Chiquita, to the delight of the audience which hadn't seen this well trained pony for five years.

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The dates of August 11, 12 and 13 have been requested of the American Horse Association for the San Mateo National Horse Show and the club's twenty-first annual event.

## DIRECTORS' MEETING

*(Continued from Page Two)*

Mr. Axell reported that all entries in the futurity are closed and that there are 24 entries.

It was voted that the addressograph machine be sold and the proceeds go toward the purchase of a ring-spearing outfit.

A motion was made by Sandy Wara that we donate all of our profits from our rodeo booth this year to the P.C.A. building fund. The motion was seconded and carried.

A discussion was held on the expenses of the editor's job. It was felt that the amount received was not enough considering all the expense of phone calls and gasoline. After protests from the editor it was voted that \$15 a month be sent to the editor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## CORRECTIONS

The following corrections have been made in the dates for our coming events. The overnight ride slated for September will now take place September 23 and 24.

The Futurity show will take place September 10.

The new chairman for the entertainment committee will be Bob Ferranti.

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# New Rules for Meetings; Name Entertainment Committee

by CORDY JENKINS

For the many who failed to attend last month's meeting, one thing discussed at length and decided upon was this: Any junior who arrives at the meeting late must see Mickey Z., and furnish a good excuse or he (and/or she) will not be admitted to the meeting. We feel that this is necessary to cut down on loitering groups of juniors around the entrances to the hall. But, to leave early, one must see Harold Z., and to get his approval on the departure, it takes a bit of fast and furious talking.

New members introduced at the February meeting were Burl Linnear and Bob Pershing. Bob has just been elected president of the Los Altos-Palo Alto Junior Horsemen. Guests introduced were Dick Schier and Bill Griffith.

Woe be to anyone who has not yet paid his dues for 1950! Anyone who can't beg or borrow the money to pay his dues will be-ee sorry-eeee!

The newly appointed entertainment committee, which is in charge of the entertainment at our monthly meetings, consists of Kay Belton, chairman; Pat Carnevale, Pat McGill and Dorothy ("P. O.") Huggins. These girls have a hard job ahead of them, and we should all appreciate the time and effort they put into making our meetings more enjoyable.

Would everyone please write Mickey Zwierlein a postcard, with his name, address and birthday on it? Mickey's address is Rt. 1, Box 390A, Woodside, Calif. Your help in modernizing the files would be appreciated.

Our officers and advisors are already working on plans for the rodeo, which is to be held at the Glass Ranch on July 23. Anyone knowing of any stock we could borrow (for free) for that day please contact Harold Zwierlein.

In my last column I stated that Bobby Robert's pony was a land-lovin' equine; Betty still is, but she belongs to Bobby Johnson. My apologies to both Bobby and the pony.

Any high school senior (girl) who would like \$500 to help with her college expenses, and who would also like to be queen of the Salinas Rodeo, will be interested in the scholarship offered by the Salinas Rodeo committee. Contestants will be judged on personality, scholarship (high school grades), horsemanship. The money may be used to aid the winner through any college of her own choosing. More information about this may be had at the next meeting.

Into Jack Montgomery's capable hands has been placed the chairmanship of the Talent Show committee. Anyone who has talent and would like to participate in our Talent Show (to be held May 21) should phone Jack. Good luck Jack, we know you've got a tough job ahead of you!

The eliminations to decide which Juniors from Region 6 will compete for the title of state champion at the horsemen's convention at Palm Springs will be held at the Gymkhana Club in San Mateo on

September 16 and 17. Any boy or girl (17 and under) who plans to compete should contact Mickey Z. at once. With all the fine riders in our organization, we should make a good turnout at the eliminations as well as at the finals.

Motorists driving through Woodside one day recently beheld many Juniors, all of whom were well mounted and enjoying a one-day holiday from school—Washington's Birthday. Vicki Schroth caused quite a sensation when she watered her mare at the drinking fountain at the local gas station. The fountain is located on the coke machine, and the mare drank as calmly and delicately as if she had never seen a watering trough! Down on Canada Road Pat Plaehn was chasing a loose horse, being assisted in the chase by a large, white-nosed Kat, who was doing her best to upset her rider; Gowan Moore was riding Mrs. Sultan's Morgan colt; Karin Johnson, riding Ranger; and Pat McGill, bareback on my favorite of all ponies, Tony. Carol Franzen, riding her Michief mare; Paul Ernst, riding some unidentified steed, and Harry James, riding his pinto colt, were also seen on the Woodside trails.

*GREAT EXPECTATIONS DEPT.*  
Pat (Red) Henderson's palomino  
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# WOODSIDE CHATTER

by ROSEMARY LEHMAN

## GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS!

Last month saw the beginning of a new organization which should be of interest to Woodside horsemen—the Woodside Wranglers. The Wranglers plan to do parade work, and possibly to form a drill team. Membership is limited to forty persons, all of whom must own their own horses and be able to attend all parades. For further info. call Larry Mullalley of the Woodside Stables.

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The Blazerettes are remembering with pleasure two recent luncheons—the first was at the El Prado in S.F. Norma Kramer, Eva Carnevale, Virginia Siegfried, Barbara Sailor, Barbara Rufus, Beverly Carnevale, Kay Wara, Elaine Harwood, Sally Johnson and yours truly attended that. The second was lunch at Bondy's (we had real service there—six waiters for eight gals!) during a group expedition to renew San Francisco Water Co. passes.

The last ride of the month, which was to have been short but which lasted the better part of the day, was really rugged! We ended up blank against a mountain which went *straight* up. Personally, we noticed this especially since on the steepest part, Chief broke his stirrup. After we bailed out, we sent Chief on up to the top by himself, retrieved our stirrup, and did some fancy scrambling by foot. Beverly decided that a bathing suit would be desirable additional gear to carry on her saddle. While taking Beverly through some water, Sugar, her mare (or maybe she thinks she's a sea horse) decided to lie down. Virginia's horse took a violent dislike to Norma's mare, "V," and came at her with teeth bared, whereupon "V" retaliated with hoofs. "V," by the way, is now in foal by Michael P. Sullivan, Barbara Rufus' pride and joy. February 1951 should see a nice new little quarter horse.

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Bob Oleson (our first vice) is now a ranch owner—he and Ruth have purchased Ed Pire's dairy ranch on Skyline three miles south of the new Mountain House. They have 400 acres, 200 of which are in pasture. The house is 62 years old, but plenty stout, he tells us. They may name the ranch the "S Bar O"—this, m'friendlies, stands for Sharrol, Bob and Ruth Oleson. Bob says there is plenty room for an overnight ride.

Al (Cedric) Martin has been training Sylvia Fischer's palomino quarter horse filly. His love, Penny, has been turned out to pasture and, says Al, "My electric blanket is my new love."

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Vera and Charles Pearson have three lovely new Tennessee walking horses, imported from Tennessee (lat. 35 deg., 30 min. N., long. 89 deg., 30 min. W). That brings their number of walking horses up to five—we hope to see them entered in some of the shows.

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## ACCIDENT DEPT.

Poor Harry James got kicked in the face and was rushed to the hospital last month. His nose was broken, and he needed 12 stitches. Moral: Never let your horse lead you, but stand by his head when you are leading him.

Harry Tyrell and "Sylvia" were hit by a car near Atherton. Both are now doing nicely. On the same day, Mr. Samuels and his horse were hit by a motorist. They're also on the road to recovery. The line forms on the right to get a law passed forbidding cars the use of the highway!

Dan Custer was hospitalized for four weeks for a bad knee operation.

Mr. William Duncan, Sr., of Green-

wood Farm, was in an automobile accident on his way back from Stockton, and was in the hospital for several weeks. He suffered broken ribs, dislocated shoulders and abrasions. We hope to see him on the mend soon.

Greenwood Farm had another piece of bad luck. Rosie, Mrs. Duncan's fine brood mare, was in serious condition for several days after she had to have her dead colt taken from her.

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Barbara Sailor has a newly acquired 7-year-old blue-roan mare which she has named Bleep. She keeps the mare at Pine Ridge Ranch where the animal calling is tongue-twisting to say the least—"Here, Bleep, here, Bleep-Bleep (the blue-roan Persian cat), here Blurp." Blurp is a new puppy, sired by Freckles, out of Taffy.

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After five years of bachelorhood, Murray Foster was married on March 5. His delightful bride was formerly Anne Cutler of Squire's Lane. Lots of luck to the happy couple.

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The P. T. A. members of Woodside gave a very successful bazaar and jamboree on Saturday, March 4. All the youngsters had a wonderful time at the pony ride—incidentally a huge success financially. A vote of thanks to all the riders who so graciously donated their time and efforts to leading these ponies around the ring. The children loved the two rare little burros which pulled one of the carts, and Sally Johnson's pony that pulled Mrs. Duncan's cart. The proceeds of the whole affair were for the amphitheatre to be built in the rear of the Woodside school.

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We recently received a nice letter from Ruth McGinnis, who now lives in Harrisburg, Penn. Ruth sends her best to all you members and says she misses us all. She is happy, but wishes they had a place to keep horses—says they'll have to wait till Mac is out of the Army to have stock again.

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Art Thimler gives us a first-hand report of Palm Springs, where he rode

in a rodeo recently. He says it is much nicer than he had expected—motel rates reasonable, food good, fine grounds, nice town! He was favorably impressed even if he did break his nose when he was thrown from a Brahma. A president of one of the riding clubs (we can't think of his name—he was at Sacramento last fall) showed Art wonderful hospitality.

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We are all sorry to hear that Eddie and Flo Castleman have sold out. It was always like old home week to spend a few hours or a night with them. Both worked hard and certainly deserve a rest. We gather that Eddie will keep on with his catering work—we hope!

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The Johnson family, Sally, Charley and the boys—have been taking advantage of the fine skiing conditions. They spent a week at Soda Springs and then a week-end at the Awanhee Hotel in Yosemite.

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Stuart and Edna Summers took a several weeks' motor trip through Arizona, Idaho and way points.

So long. See you soon!

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# Coming Events

The Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County will present an open horse show on Sunday, May 25. Fifty dollar purse classes, with a \$5 entry fee.

One-half entry fee to be added to purse split four ways (40 per cent, 30 per cent, 20 per cent and 10 per cent). Three-gaited class (correct roached mane and tail), five-gaited, jumpers, hackney, stock horse, parade horse, Tennessee walker and trail horse are some of the classes. Also the trophy classes with an entry fee of \$2 will consist of English and western pleasure, back alley course, junior English and western horsemanship and old timers' class.

Show will be held at patrol grounds on Kings Mountain Road, and will start promptly at 1 p.m. as there will be no grand entry. Admission \$1, Juniors 50 cents, under 12 free. Contact Ed Zwierlein for entry blanks and information.

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This year's Junior Grand National will be held at the Cow Palace from April 1 to 6. Three thousand head of beef and dairy cattle, hogs and lambs will be exhibited. Western stock horse classes, the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Championship Finals and the famous Shongehon Drill Team from Cressmont will be some of the outstanding events. Trick riding and professional acts, with the appearance of a famous motion picture western cowboy star with his equally famous horse, are also to be presented. Some of the finest roping and dogging horses from the plains and sagebrush states are being brought here for the Junior Grand National. There will be afternoon and evening performances.

## JUNIOR HORSEMEN

*(Continued from Page Seven)*

mare, Pretty Girl, is due to foal soon; also, Jigger, Merle du Jardin's black mare, is also expecting. As Merle has also acquired another mare, he'll have quite a time keeping up with the antics and appetites of three horses.

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A few weeks ago the entire Ward family, consisting of Papa Ward, Eddie, Howie and Marna, left their lovely new television set and dashed madly all over Menlo Park. The object of this frantic and extensive search was Eddie's mare, which had broken loose from a picket rope. The evasive horse was finally captured, but only after a three-hour search.

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Harry James found that leading a colt on the end of a rope can be very dangerous—especially when one isn't looking and one's horse doesn't watch where he places his hoofs! In fact, it was so disastrous for Harry that he got a broken nose and a badly banged up jaw. A good man never gives up, though, and the colt is once more under

control. We're all glad to see that Harry is riding again.

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After the passing of her beloved Silver, Jerry Wolff looked long and hard for a new horse. At last she located one, and from what Jerry tells me, it is a fine mare. It is a strawberry roan, four years old, and just greenbroke at the time; but if I know Jerry, it will be ready by show time. The mare's name is Poppy, but Jerry may change it.

After we joined the seniors at the February meeting, Pat Valladao—on behalf of all the juniors—challenged the seniors to a broom polo match. Sandy Wara, one of the more active seniors, leaped up and shouted, "We're ready anytime!" And so the game shall be. Whether or not Sandy plans to enlist professional aid—in the form of Dr. Bill ("Polo-Playing") Linfoot—is not yet known; but the juniors, too, are ready! The game will be played with a volleyball and brooms; read my column next month and find out what happened. Sorry we go to press before the game.

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On April 15 we will have our second trail ride of 1950. We will leave the Hitchrack (at the corner of Jefferson Ave. and Canada Road) at 10 a.m.

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*MEMBER OF THE MONTH.* Don Avila. Don, along with Pat ("Windy") Valladao and Jack ("Goldy") Miramontes, is one of our very active members riding in Half Moon Bay. Don spends all his leisure time keeping out of mischief and riding Pepper, his bay mare. Donny's main ambition in life is to own a cut-down, souped-up, much-decorated, new Mercury hot-rod (which, my dear senior readers, is a CAR). We hope Don gets that super gas buggy soon.

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# LITTLE BITS

Mr. Carl Garrison, secretary-manager of the Cow Palace, was recently elected a director of the International Rodeo Association and also vice president of the Northern California Region, from San Francisco north to the Oregon border. This is a new region established when the I.R.A. convention in Denver split California crosswise.

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Trust we have more success with our coming convention at Palm Springs than greeted the Western Fairs' College of Fairs Convention held recently in that favorite spot. For during their three day convention, the wind blew a gale, poured rain, skies always cloudy and the temperature fell to the low 30's. But a convention is such fun. The Cow Palace was awarded the 1950 International Rodeo Association championship finals, making the fourth consecutive year this world series has been awarded to the Grand National.

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A few nights ago we chanced to visit Ge-Vans, on El Camino Real in Belmont, owned and operated by one of our members familiarly known as Ivan. We had visited Ge-Vans before, but had never really known the historic background of this picturesque spot until Ivan proceeded to relate a little about its history. Seems that the restaurant part is the original Japanese Tea Garden building that was exhibited at the 1915 Exposition held in San Francisco. And that historic bar is over 100 years old and was the original bar in the once famous Uncle Tom's Cabin. Ivan has retained much of the original architecture of the building, and has surrounded the spot with shrubs, trees and beautiful flowers. It is a spot well worth visiting.

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According to the latest reports, we hear that Rusty Rufus will again manage the Fourth of July Rodeo in Redwood City. We all remember how hard Rusty worked last year and what success he had in managing that popular event. Good luck, Rusty; hope you have a big, successful Rodeo.

In the early days more drivers than pedestrians were seen under cars.

# WOODSIDE *the Beautiful*

Woodside, the horsemen's haven, is rapidly becoming known for its beautiful trails, riding opportunities and horsemen's activities.

Almost any weekend you can see dozens of riders out in the early morn, mounted on their favorite steeds. A sturdy group of riders who never miss a weekend of riding are Bill Nichols, Arthur Bove, Arthur Mattock and Ross Foreman.

Rohn Stables, located in this area, are buzzing with activity due to the many new horses that have been shipped there recently. John Ford's black saddle bred gelding, Ebony, purchased from the Wagon Wheel Ranch in Sonoma as a birthday gift from Mrs. Ford, is a new arrival at the stables. We hear that this four-year-old youngster is really a beauty, as black as black can be. Stabled here, too, are horses belonging to Mrs. H. E. Casey of Hillsborough, Barbara Severin, Mrs. Joseph Tresch and Mrs. Gordon Jason, all expert riders and fine horsewomen.

The Ross Petersons, who recently purchased the beautiful twenty acres of land just west of Rohn's, have erected a fine new riding ring where they plan to hold many horse show affairs during the coming season. It was their beautiful Arabian stallion which recently brought home those treasured ribbons and honors from the Pomona show.

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