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## Horseman's Association

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Meeting Place           Foresters Hall  
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Date.....JUNE 27th. 1951

Time.....8 P.M.

### ENTERTAINMENT

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In all sincerity we want to let all of you know what great organizations the horsemen groups are. When a feller needs a friend they are right there to help, and we can tell you that we have a lot of friends who wholeheartedly gave their time and effort to make our own daughter Pat, Queen of the 1951 Redwood City Rodeo. From the bottom of our hearts, we take this means of expressing our gratitude and many, many thanks to every one who helped a fine girl to make her dream come true.

JACK, EVA and PAT CARNEVALE

# Minutes

## GENERAL MEETING

May 30, 1951

The meeting was called to order by the President, Bob Oleson.

The minutes of the April general meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showed cash on hand \$3,255.67 and accounts receivable \$546.50.

Our correspondence consisted of an invitation to attend several shows, one in Santa Barbara, July 17-22, The Martinez show and Playday on June 16 and 17. The Yuba-Sutter Annual Show, June 9, and of local interest the Hidden Villa Horseplay Fiesta, June 10 at the Hidden Villa Ranch in Los Altos, also the Oakland Mounted Police Show, June 3rd.

Al Cryer showed the association a sample of the poster the membership committee is having made to advertise membership in our club.

Creed Haberlin reported that the contracts are being awarded for the building of the State trails.

Rosemary Lehman reported on our coming overnite ride, June 9-10 at the Native Sons Park. She reported that we will cater our own ride, with Ruth Oleson, Toots Lopez, and Rose Roy doing the honors. We will leave promptly at 9:30 A.M. from the Woodside Stables. The cost per member will be \$4.50, this includes lunch, dinner (barbecued chicken), breakfast, and lunch. The lodge is large enough to sleep all.

Rosemary also announced that our entertainment for the evening will be a question box with Janet and Bill doing the answering.

Bill Louew reported that our open show had 112 entries, 78 horses, and to date \$200.00 has been cleared. He thanked all those people who worked with him and made the show such a success.

Jerry Harwood reported on the Spring dance and said there was a good turnout and \$87.00 had been made so far.

Our Convention chairmen, Herb Huetigg and Rich Delucchi announced that 100 reservations have been made at the El Rancho Motel in Fresno. They asked that the reservations be sent in as soon as possible.

Ed Zwierlein discussed the State trails further and told of the difficulty in obtaining barbed wire to match the fencing in the Spring Valley Lakes area.

He also announced that the Regional eliminations are to be held August 25-26 in Salinas. This year there will be a new class added, that is four horses showing under the same rules as pairs.

There will be a regional meeting, Friday the 29th of June at Ramor Oaks. Creed Haberlin offered to donate a trophy to be awarded to the largest showing group at the meeting.

Bev Ring told of the difficulty in obtaining the original shirts chosen by the association and a motion that the committee select the new shirts. The motion was seconded and carried.

Barbara Saylor announced the deadline for the Queen contest as June 9th. She urged the membership to support the girls.

Karl Hoffman explained the lateness of the magazine; he said as the new committee is getting the swing of things they had a few difficulties. He also told of the new column THE TRADING POST which the members may use to trade or sell any unused tack, etc.

Bob Oleson told of his idea to install a shooting gallery as our booth at the Rodeo.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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## NOTES ON THE OVER-NIGHT RIDE

Well, the first ride of the year is over, and a good time was had by all, (I hope)!

We had a grand crowd of people, the most co-operative that I have ever seen. Everybody got in the act, and had a good time doing it. I think that is what makes for a successful ride, a job for everyone.

I would like to mention a few people who really knocked themselves out, on this ride, which was a little more difficult than any other one we have ever had, as everything had to be brought into Native Sons Park, and we couldn't forget anything!! Also all the hay had to be trucked down by our gang along with sleeping-gear, and etc. Right now, at this point, I would like to pin an orchid on our hard working member, and swell guy, Rich Delucchi, who so very kindly loaned us his big truck to enable us to get the hay, etc., into the park. Thank you again, Rich! Another person who is always in there pitching, and has had so many orchids pinned on him for the same kind of jobs that he does every time for S.M.C.H.A., I mean Toots (the man) Lopez!! What a guy, worked like a dog, then tended bar all evening!

Another quiet little person who doesn't have much to say, but is so very capable, our Prez's wife, Ruth! There's a gal, didn't forget a thing, handled 60 dinners, lunches and breakfasts, like she had run a large commissary all her life! Bob, you should be proud of her!

In fact, our committee on the food, Bev and Joe Ring, Rose Roy, Toots, Bob and Ruth all did an extra fine job, considering that we had only one meeting, and did most of the planning on phones! Stan Bryn and Karl Hoffman should get a rose pinned on them for doing dishes so well. And Alvina Bryn is equally a grand gal, helping so well, also Mc or Jack McMin (Bob Oleson's good man Friday) was wonderful. In fact folks, I cannot begin to go into details about each and everyone on the ride, and the gang that came up in cars, and worked so

hard without a complaint. Let's see there was also Jud and Vera Mak, Rose Roy's friend the Colonel, who is quite a fireman, Florence Mansfield, Pat and Geo Kirchner, Karl Hoffman and Wife, Ed and Jeanette Ballin, Herb Huetig and Wife, and a special thanks to Bill Zappitini, from Mar Vista Stables. He sent in five paid reservations from S.F., also three memberships, and we want to thank Dev Lang, Ruby Bronson, Ruth Basso, Rudy Ersepke for coming all the way down and going on the ride. I know one thing, that they will always make all the other rides, because, from what they told me, they sure did have a good time. Bill Zappitini was a peach, as he took all the sleeping gear down in his van, as Toots truck was too full of hay, and other things. As long as the thanking is in progress, I cannot say enough about our hard working members, and co-operative friends, Eddie and Flo Castleman. They are tops. Without them, we couldn't have managed for with their experience and the use of various things, beside putting up cables, to tie horses at the lunch stops, and many other things that they have done for our organization, I can only say THANKS!

And Boogie Bettencourt helped me a lot by walking a new trail, and cutting three foot trees, with Eddie C, that we couldn't get around. Gee, do you think that I can ever stop, but it does the heart good to run a ride like this, and have so much co-operation. A big thanks for Ross Meridith and wife for the use of his Woodside Stables to meet, and park trailers over the week-end, and also to his brother, Paul, for helping to load hay.

Lest we forget, we have a doggone good, hard working president, Bob Oleson. He has done a fine job this year, and hard work doesn't mean a thing. Also Mac (his good man Friday) is right behind him. He was the first one in the park with Toots, getting things ready, digging barbecue pits, and the last to leave Sunday afternoon, making sure everything was



cleaned up, including hay leavings, etc. I know that we can depend on the place being as clean as when we entered. By the way, that Bob O is quite the man on a barbecue pit, and that is quite a job standing over a hot pit, cooking for 60 people!!

To all those unfortunate people, who were not on the ride, try not to miss the last ride of this year, in September. It sure should be a honey! Barbecued steaks and trimmings, with our own beef, at our own president's ranch. So let's all plan for that, and don't forget, that I cannot accept any more reservations than 150. It is absolutely the limit! Incidentally, I have all of the San Francisco crowd's reservations for September! So get on the bandwagon, for fun! and good food!

I will just finish this small article with one more BIG THANK YOU, for all you kind people, and hope to heaven that I haven't forgotten anyone's name. If I did you will be thanked this way. Thank...you...all!!

ROSEMARY



ON THE OVER-NIGHT RIDE

TALK UP

## The Convention





# The Rambler

Am starting my column on a note of caution. This winter's rains have washed out more trails than in a good many years past. The Trail Blazerettes found that out on Decoration day when they went for their weekly ride. Of course, the husbands, having a day off were invited to go along. They were going up to skyline via a trail they had not traversed as yet this year and found it badly washed out and had to make a detour. On the detour they found a bridge they should have crossed too badly decayed to risk taking their horses across, so Johnny Lehman blazed a small but narrow trail along side of the bridge which incidentally is built above an eight foot tunnel. This little trail was but two feet wide with the tunnel hole on one side and another deep hole on the other, so that the riders had to lead their horses across.

There were ten men and seven women and 14 got across all right, but the ground caved in under the 15th horse which happened to be Barbara Sailor's new little Arabian filly that she bought from the Jerry Harwoods. The filly went down but got wedged in the hole about three feet from the top and had her legs doubled up under her.

Luckily, Stanley Bryn had a lariat with him, which they put around the hindquarters of the filly, and it took all of the men to pull her out of the hole and try to keep her from dropping the rest of the way. Added to their troubles they had to remove the saddle before pulling her up and the fear that she might have broken both her forelegs. But the little filly came out all right and the T.B.'s were certainly glad they had the better halves with them. Without the lariat, nothing could have been accomplished, so I think it is a good idea if at least one person in a group carries one.

The San Mateo County Horsemen's dance was a big success financially and socially. It was chairmaned by Jerry and Elaine Harwood and the ham they raffled off was won by Pat Carnevale. Of course, Eva Carnevale, her mother was immediately delegated to cook ham and eggs for the Trail Blazerettes which she did after the

dance. Norma Kramer provided the eggs and the various gals pitched in.

You never saw food dished out so fast, with hot biscuits too. Pat won the ham a little after midnite and it was cooked and ready to serve at two o'clock. By the way, Eva and Jack Carnevale won first prize in the old fashioned waltz contest at the Los Viajeros dance on May 19th.

The mounted Patrol show held on May 20th drew out a large number of contestants from all over and the biggest spectator crowd they ever had. They had a very tricky trail class which was won by Margaret O'Shea, who rode one of the Grondona horses. Margaret used to live in the house that the Waras own and was a secretary of the Maverick's, a riding club that originated in Woodside some years ago.



Did you know that our own Pitt (Wolf to you) Winchell had his mount entered in the English pleasure class? He had a lovely young lady riding for him and I am happy to say that she took a third. There was keen competition in all of the classes. Ed Zwierlein was the announcer, with Mr. Eldon Fairbanks of Pasadena, the Western judge and Lee Sole of Sacramento, the flat saddle judge. It was so nice to see Johnny Mayo out there contesting too.

As we go to press, we hear that Pat Carnevale, our junior horseman secretary has won the title as queen of the Redwood City Rodeo. She is on her way to Hollywood with Barbara Sailor as the chaperon. Barbara got the honor of chaperon for working as contest manager without pay for a whole month. Nice reward, and well deserved.



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# Facts and Fiction of Juniors

By BASIL WILLET, JR.

## ANNUAL HORSE SHOW TO BE July 22

The annual horse show is to be held July 22nd this year at the Mounted Patrol Grounds. The Committee for the horse show has planned a day of fun for old and young alike. The following are the classes for the show:

Best dressed Cowboy and girl  
Best dressed English boy and girl

Trail horse English or Western  
Jumpers

Pole bending  
Hackamore horse  
Stake race

Costume class

Back Alley

Relay race- Team of four

Western and English Pleasure  
Parade Class

Horsemanship for 14 and under, English or Western

Horsemanship for 14 and over, English or western

No girth

Stock Horse Class

There must be at least five riders in each class.

Entry fee is \$1.00 per Class.

The grand entry will begin at 1:00 and will close at 12:45.

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On May 20, the Annual Salinas Junior Rodeo was held. The Juniors from San Mateo Horsemen were: Carl Benz, Marna Ward, Eddie Ward, Howard Ward, Pete Defty, and Dick O'Brian. Carl Benz and Howard Ward came home with a nice fat greased pig, but Dick O'Brian was a little different and came home with one-half of a pig. Dick, maybe if you go back next year you can get the other half. Carl also placed first in a relay race.

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August 25, 1951 is the date of the elate eliminations. Marna Ward, Lynn Kramer and Russel Lehman will be in the junior contest for San Mateo County. Good luck, kids. We need more members like you to show that the S. M. Juniors are an active club.

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Bob Dembroge of Los Altos was one of our guests of the May meeting. Bob is a friend of Bob Pershing at Cal-Poly.

Bob D. told me that Bob Pershing rode in Salinas, but he was not too lucky on his pick of a steer. It seems the steer was tired and layed down in the chutes and Bob's ankle got a little banged up. When the steer came out of the chutes it came out backwards and through Bob.

Too bad Bob, but get that ankle in working shape, and try again because, "Old San Mateo Juniors never give up, they just bite the dust and come up smiling away."

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July 4th is just around the corner, and the juniors will soon have to start practicing for the Rodeo Parade. If you are interested in riding with the Juniors, please get in touch with Mr. or Mrs. Kramer, as we would like to get a large group together.

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Our new member for May is Paul Gruenig of Redwood City.

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Now that the summer shows have started, I would like a report of all the members that show in the various shows. Just mail a card with your name, the show in which you rode, and the prizes, if any, to:

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The Convent of the Sacred Heart, held their annual Festival and Horse show May 26, 1951. Mary Browne and Carol Seibold placed second in the pair class. Nona Van Buskirk and Sharon Brown placed third in the pair class.

In the advanced horsemanship class Nona Van Buskirk placed second, and Mary Browne placed third.

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To open the show the advanced class gave a drill, which was very well done.

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The day ride was on Sunday May 27. Although only 14 riders showed up for the ride, a good time was had by all. Marna Ward and her committee would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Sailor for putting up with the juniors, and Mr. Mathieson and Mr. Kirstan, who took some pictures.

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Speaking of pictures, we had some really nice ones at the last meeting thanks to Lopez the cameraman. All of you who missed the meeting missed seeing yourself in the junior show and at the convention.

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Officers and committee members, don't forget the meeting at Kramers on July 9, 1951.

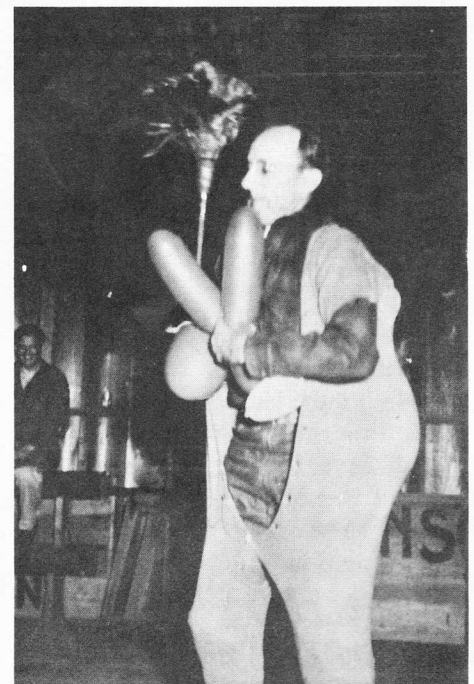
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All those that have a parade horse or no girth horse, please enter the July 22nd show, as those are the only small classes we had last year. And, Englishmen, keep up the good work and spirit that you showed in the play day.

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Don't forget those reports on the horse shows and Rodeos.

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THE OVER-NIGHT FOLLIES



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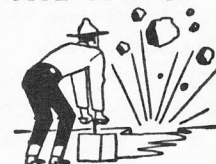
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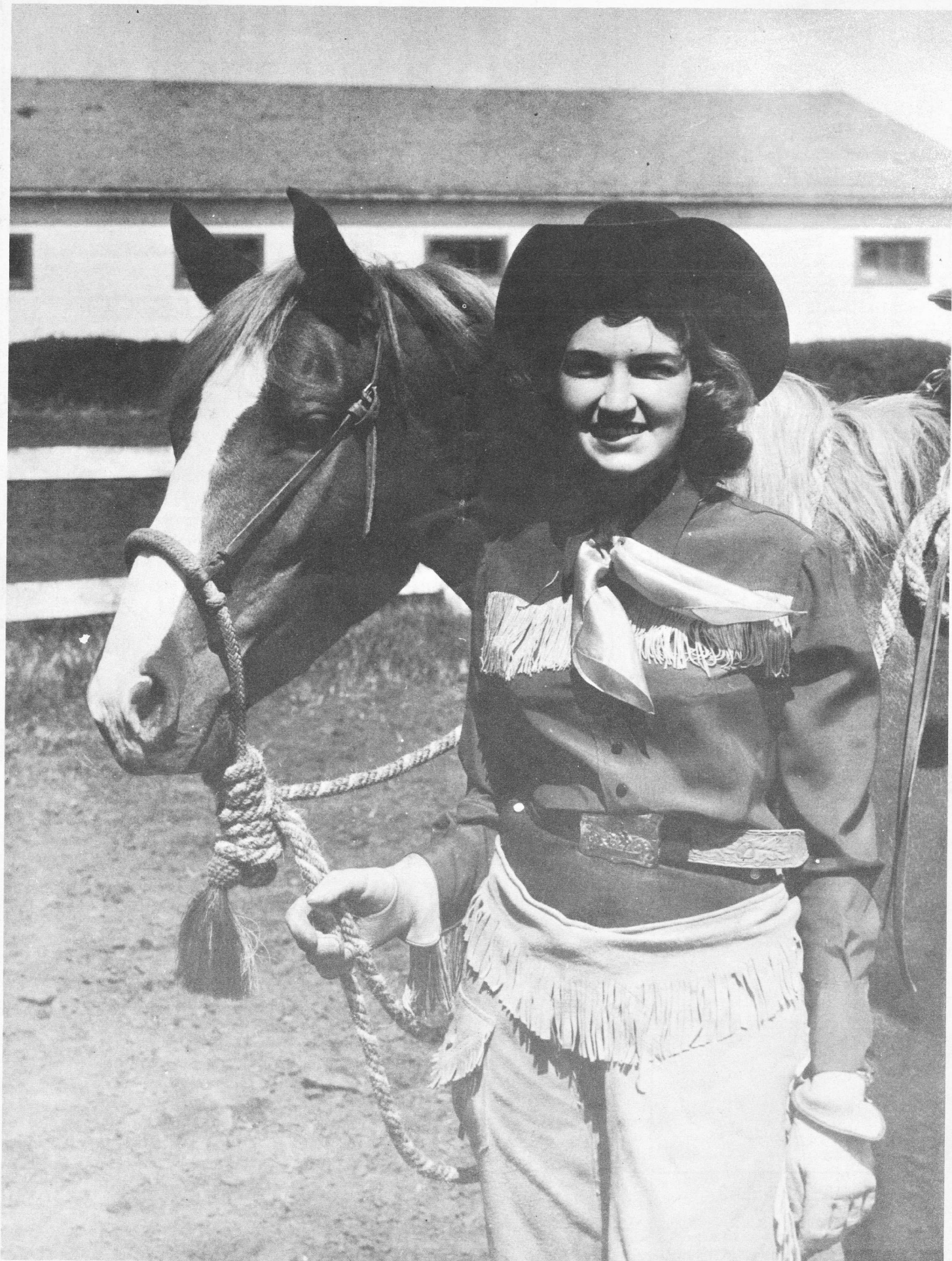
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