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## Horse Show

By RICHARD J. FIGONI

The San Mateo County Horsemen's Association 11th Annual Open Horse Show will be held on June 17th and 18th, 1961 at the Mounted Patrol Grounds in Woodside, California. This year's show will be approved by the American Horse Shows Association and the California Reined Cow Horse Association. Many of you may be asking what makes an approved show. The answer is simply that in order to have a show approved by an Association (in this case the American Horse Shows Association and the California Reined Cow Horse Association) you have to live up to their specifications and rules. This takes more time and expense but the results are rewarding both to the exhibitors and to the association sponsoring the show.

Exhibitors approve this type of show because they are given rating points for national placing in many different categories such as jumping, hunting, stock, trail, equitation, etc. For this reason many top exhibitors will go hundreds of miles to a small approved show rather than to a bigger unapproved show. A good example of this was our last year's open horse show. Many top exhibitors such as Don Dodge, Red Randall, Tony Amaral and Eddie Brazil by-passed the large Reno, Nevada show, which offered many fine saddles and bits as prizes, to attend the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association show on Saturday and Sunday. The reason for this, we repeat, was that the contestants had a chance to get points at our show.

Last year we had entries from Barbara Worth for the first time in our history.



**DON DODGE** is showing Poco Lena at one of the many cutting contests that this great horse has won. Don is president of the California Reined Cow Horse Association which is approving our June 17th and 18th Horse Show.

Last year at our show was the first time that Don Dodge had ever exhibited in Woodside. Last year was the first time we ever made a profit of close to \$1,000.

Yes, there were a lot of "firsts" last year, but I hope there will be many more this year. The San Mateo County Horsemen's Association has to have its horse show "solvent" and profitable. This is in evidence when our final bank balance for the year of 1960 was less than our horse show profit. As you can see, without our Senior Open Horse Show we will be in the RED.

I hope that this year's show is a bigger and a better one performance wise. I think it will be. I hope that this year's show is a bigger financial success. It might be. You the members, by giving and getting sponsorships, will determine that.

I hope to see you all at your show. Remember the dates are June 17th and 18th, 1961 and the admission is FREE. Bring your friends and I guarantee you will enjoy the San Mateo County Horsemen's Association biggest event of the year as much as I will.



## The Horsey Set . .

The Andy Andersons of Manzanita Way, have a new arrival. A fine colt is enjoying their pasture . . . the Horse Show being held at the California State Fair Grounds held in connection with the Spring Festival, had a very large number of fine horses entered but not a very large audience . . . Alex Battin and her fine Appaloosa horses scored high. Her "Carey's Tu La Pai" took first and "Carey's Ha La Lih" took third. Alex also won the Appaloosa class at the Channel City show in Santa Barbara and fifth in the Open Pleasure . . . Richard (Dick) Randall and Mrs. Martha Neal of Los Altos were recently married. The young couple were active in local equestrian circles and participated in our horse shows and play days. Dick is a past president of our Juniors . . . the Los Altos Hunt Show, May 13 and 14, held at the Play Pen in Woodside, had a large entry list and many fine horses participating. This show always draws a large spectator audience because of its many thrills and fine competition. Richard Decker of Los Altos was chairman of the show . . . Easter Lass, that fine broodmare belonging to Sylvia Amaral has a beautiful buckskin filly, sired by Bueno. Her first foal, "Precious Cargo" won the San Mateo Horsemen's Futurity as a weanling, yearling, and two-year old, and is now being shown in hackamore classes where she is doing well, having taken third in top competition at the Spring Festival in Sacramento. She will be shown this month at the Bay Counties

## EDITORIAL

Sadly we report the passing of two fine citizens of our County. Bill Zappetini, a familiar figure in the northern section of San Mateo County, leaves a void that will be difficult for his family and his many friends to endure

Mrs. Pauline (Polly) Sawyer, wife of Ivan Sawyer, left behind a host of friends who will long remember her sweet ways and her graciousness. Every time I see a beautiful flower, at the peak of its perfection, I will remember Polly. #

Quarter Horse Show at San Jose . . . many of our Juniors participated in the annual May Day Parade in Woodside, which is always a joy to watch. There were many novel entries and pets . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buchanan are enjoying their Quarterhorses at their "Rancho Rodeo" in Pescadero. They now have four stud colts and two fine fillies so far this year. They will show "Poco Handy", "Poco Deuce, Jr." and "Poco Denver" at the Bay Counties Show in San Jose. "Poco Handy" won a fourth place in the Stallion Class at the Spring Festival and "Poco Deuce, Jr." took a fifth. "Poco Denver" is a 1961 foal so this will be his first show . . . Alex Battin is the proud owner of "Mr. Lightfoot" by "Captain Courageous" out of "Burbeanell." He was the world's champion five gaited at Chicago for 1959 and 1960. Alex placed third with her "Emalena Emerald" in the Medal Class at the recent Napa Horse Show, which was won by Linda Allen of Stockton and Chris Clayton received a fifth ribbon. #

## A GREAT DAY

Enchanted Day 1961 is now history; however, if we may sound a bit poetic, we would like to say, "the memory lingers on." The memory of the Zwierlein Area of Huddart Park filled with the visually handicapped children and young adults of San Mateo County riding horseback until their hearts were contented while others circled the ring in pony carts . . . the memory of these guests visiting the Joe Greer's little farm, zoology instructor Marvin Koeber's Junior Museum and Undersheriff Wesley Pomedoy's crash wagon and equipment . . . the memory of these guests with their families enjoying a hearty lunch followed by a drawing that awarded several lucky children among other things six five-dollar summer fun checks, two radios and western ties . . . the memory of SMCHA members too numerous to mention working to make the day a success.

The Enchanted Program Committee would like to extend a special "thank-you" to Scott Ennis, Grady Fritz, Charles Buchanan, Charles Blair, Bob Noack, John Moore and Chet Weaver for providing horses and to Howard Marks, Creed Haberlin and again Chet Weaver for pony carts,

Additionally, the Committee would like to particularly acknowledge contributions from the following: Peanut Farm, Village Pub, Hill Oak Farm, Roberts and the Apothecary all of Woodside; Russ-Farnsworth Recordings and American Printing Company, Redwood City; Giant Distributing Company, Oakland; Vacuum Sterilizing Company, San Francisco; Pepsi-Cola Branch, Sunnyvale; and Hillsdale Shopping Center, Pier's Dairy, Rolly-Somers Liquors and Peninsula Saddle Shop. #

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## Introducing the CANADA STABLES

Canada Stables, for many years operated as Rohn Stables at 896 Canada Road, Woodside, was leased January 1, 1961 by Arabian Mounted Patrol, Inc., from John and Florence Brown. At the same time Islam Shrine Mounted Patrol announced it would make its headquarters at Canada Stables. Several of the beautiful gray registered Arabian horses of Islam Mounted Patrol now occupy box stalls there. The balance of the Islam horses will be brought in during the next year. All drills conducted by Islam Mounted Patrol are being held at Canada Stables.

Canada Stables, in addition to caring for the Islam horses, provides for boarding horses for the general public in corrals, tie stalls or box stalls. The stable is particularly popular because of the immediate access to the beautiful trails in Woodside, Huddart Park, and the San Francisco water district.

Canada Stables continues to operate a riding school with Mr. John Melville as the instructor. Lessons in either English or Western are available to people in all age brackets.

Canada Stables, formerly known as Rohn Stables, was established by the late M. F. Rohn and Mrs. Rohn about 1948 and was acquired by Mr. and Mrs. Brown about 1956.

Islam Mounted Patrol was established

in 1954 by a small group including Warren Jones of Woodside, who served as Captain from 1955 through 1957. The late Clair E. Silliman, also of Woodside, served as Captain by appointment of Potentate Willard J. Classen of Woodside in 1958. C. H. Reifenrath of Redwood City, served as Captain during 1959 and 1960 and L. A. Loustau of Woodside became Captain in January, 1961. Other current officers include: Cecil L. Ball, San Carlos, 1st Lieutenant; John M. Moore, San Carlos, 2nd Lieutenant; A. S. Kayser, Menlo Park, Adjutant; and Earl Helsel, Redwood City, Quartermaster.

Over the years, Islam Mounted Patrol has participated in parades in San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento, Fresno, San Jose, Redwood City, Palo Alto, Paso Robles, Los Angeles, Reno, Nevada and Albuquerque, New Mexico. It is scheduled to go to Salt Lake City, Utah, in June.

The Arabian Mounted Patrol, Inc., lessees of the stable property, became the owner of the Rohn dwelling in March, 1961. Officers and directors of the Corporation are: C. H. Reifenrath, President; Charles S. Blair, Vice-President; and L. A. Loustau, Secretary-Treasurer.

L. R. "Pat" Linfoot of Woodside is general manager and Jordan Thompson, San Francisco, Quartermaster.

Considerable grading has recently been finished to overcome drainage problems and for better utilization of the area.

Future plans include lighting of the ring to provide Islam Mounted Patrol the facility of night drills.

Although rental strings were maintained for several years, the new organization has eliminated this portion of the operation.

Alterations and changes, which have been made to date, have been designed for the greatest possible safety of riders and animals. ‡


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## The Mounted Patrol OF SAN MATEO COUNTY

The BIG news this month is of course our annual Spring two-day horse show held at the Mounted Patrol Grounds May 27th and 28th. This show was classified by the American Horse Shows Association as a Class "C" show.

Judges were Mr. John J. Mayo of Merced, Western and Stock Saddle Seat Equitation; and Mr. Eldon J. Fairbanks of Pasadena, Hunter, Jumper, Saddle, Shetland and Saddle Seat & Hunting Equitation.

Mr. Stan Schlichting was Show Secretary and Mr. Gail Rathbun was Show Manager. Gail and his committee who worked for months on the plans, reported wonderful cooperation by members and friends.

The Mounted Patrol Show has become a favorite of exhibitors and the public and an outstanding list of good horses is always compiled for the two day performance. An innovation of this show, started two years ago, is the use of cows in the stock horse and jaquima horse stakes. The response has been most gratifying. Due to the timing of publication, a more complete report will have to await next month's column.

The Men's Overnight Ride, held over the week-end of April 29 and 30, was a big success. The ride was held in Alameda County this year and after a threatening Saturday morning the weather turned good and 41 riders shared good food, fine trails and fellowship. ‡

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## SPRING ROUND-UP "WESTERN DANCE"

By BILLIE BRAWLEY  
Dance Chairman

"We didn't make much money but we sure had fun."

At 7 p. m. Saturday night, April 22nd, the Alpine Hills Tennis Club was invaded by cowboys, cowgirls, Indians, dance hall girls, and one lone "horse" led on a rope by a "mountain man" fresh (?) from the gold diggin's.

After the "happy hour" was well on its way, a delicious barbecue was served. Chicken, green salad, varieties of garlic bread, and good old home cooked beans. For dessert there was the most tempting array of home baked cakes seen in a long time . . . a mouth-watering display that soon disappeared. After dinner and clean-up time, Mario DeLemos played auctioneer and disposed of the few left over cakes and barbecued chickens, and gathered in another \$30.00 for the Horsemen.

It was a real down to earth party, with everyone wandering in the kitchen at one time or another, helping to serve, clean up and cook or just look.

We had the Balloon Dance, Circle Dance, modern dancing and the wonderful "Hokey Pokey." After the costume class, with Jean and Dick Mesak winning a bottle of Champagne for their wonderful "horse" and "mountain man" get-up, Mrs. Bob Stallings won the honor of directing the band. What talent we have in the Horsemen.

Among the guests we saw Wendy Perruquet as an Indian Maid, complete with war paint, Barbara Blair gaily decked out in plumed bonnet as a dance hall girl, Rosemary and Johnny

Lehman as dance hall gal and gambler, Elflida Zwierlein in old fashioned dress complete with bonnet, Homer Trigonis very dashing as "Zorro" and many more too numerous to mention.

The following are the wonderful people who contributed their time and efforts to make this such a good party: Bud Gasivoda who arranged the details of the barbecue, brought most of the food and made his gourmet's garlic bread, assisted by Mrs. Gasivoda.

Joe Kohler and Carl Lerer, friends of Bud's who made the beans and barbecued the chicken, doing a grand job of it. We can't thank them enough.

All the nice gals who donated their delicious cakes.

Our new treasurer, Adele Swainston, and assistant-treasurer Virginia McCarty, who took the tickets at the door and checked the membership cards. We had 24 guests and 85 members.

Harrold's Club in Reno, for the amusing pictures and signs that decorated the walls.

Vic Ballocco of the Peanut Farm for lending us the silverware and hugh salad bowl as well as his recipe for the tasty salad dressing.

Peggy and Don Shand who printed the dance tickets (gratis).

Ben Blair and his assistance in picking up and delivering all the many things needed to put on the show and also cleaning up after the dance.

Virginia Siegfried and Jackie Musch, best little pair of waitresses we have seen in a long time. They worked real hard keeping the food coming to the hungry guests. Many thanks.

Doris and Warren Jones donated their two big coffee pots and made gallons of coffee and helped to serve.

If we have forgotten anyone, please for-

## SMCHA "FIRST SPRING RIDE"

Sunday, April 18th was a bright sunny day, and the riders assembled at the Woodside Stables for their first SMCHA Spring Ride of the season . . . at 10 in the morning. Mario DeLemos and Dave McCarty were trail bosses and led the group on a winding ride through the cool trees of Huddart Park, ending up at chow time at the Zwierlein Area. While everyone had been riding and enjoying themselves, and working up an appetite, the busy committee was hard at work getting the stove set up and the food prepared.

The following people helped with the delicious hamburger and beans . . . Virginia McCarty, Bunny DeLemos, Dave McCarty, Jr., Veronica Caughey from La Honda, Irma Goldsmith, Howie Sonnickson and Bud Gasivoda. Dave McCarty, Jr. was kept busy running errands to get ice and other supplies needed as the group kept growing larger.

At the last count there were eighty-seven riders and guests, a good turnout for the first get together of the season.

Dave McCarty and Mario DeLemos and their helpers are to be congratulated on doing a fine job.

Everyone is looking forward to our next ride, which will be announced soon.

give, and rest assured that the help was sincerely appreciated.

Now we can start planning for the next Dance, and this time perhaps we can have a few things planned to insure us a bigger profit. We might even get more than 85 members at our next dance, who can tell?

Many thanks, everyone, it was a lot of fun.



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## OPEN LETTER

This year the SMCHA is trying to give you an accelerated program encompassing more activities, better programs, newsy letters of coming events, a better magazine and the best ever Horse Shows.

You'll be proud to know that our 11th annual SMCHA Open Horse Show is again being held this year as a Class "C" American Horse Shows Association approved show.

There will be many innovations in this year's show, including generous Stake Classes, AHSA Medal Classes, Jaquima and Open Stock Horse Classes with cattle to be worked, all in all the largest and finest show SMCHA has ever held.

We must have your support, as the income from this show will underwrite and assure the continuance of an active Horseman's program for the balance of this year and on into 1962.

Admission to the Horse Show is free, no advertising is being sold and the ONLY means of realizing a profitable show operation over and above the entry fees will be from your donations to the sponsor, ribbon, trophy and stake fund.

We know you will wish to support your show. Everybody will want to make a donation of some amount. Some will support the stake fund, others will want to give a trophy or ribbons. The following schedule will help guide you as to the donation YOU will want to make:

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## DARCY'S HILL OAK FARM NOTES

Last month we had to say a sad farewell to "Woodside Choice", the beautiful bay Saddlebred, owned by John Byrnes of Redwood City. "Woody" had a painful and incurable hoof ailment and after veterinary consultation, it was evident that the kindest way was to put him to sleep.

"Woody" had a good life and his last days, even his last moments were happy ones. He was not sent away to have the sad job done, but was kept at home among familiar surroundings. He left us without a moment of fear or pain, with a friendly hand on his halter. The last sound he heard was a familiar and loving voice in his ears.

This is the second time in our experience that we have had this sad duty to perform. Yet, though as it is, no horse in our care will ever be sent away from home to be dispatched in strange and perhaps frightening surroundings.

A competent veterinarian can do this job in a painless manner and provide means of immediate pick-up. This is not expensive and although it may hurt you, — your pet will not suffer. You have the satisfaction of knowing you were there and his friend when he needed you most. #

### TALES OF EL CAMINO

With the coming of Spring and the promise of nice riding weather, El Caminonites are enjoying leisurely rides along our beautiful trails.

In April, two pleasurable days were shared with neighboring horsemen groups. On the 16th of April, eleven of our members joined San Mateo Horsemen in a ride to Huddart Park in Woodside, climaxed by a barbecue.

April 13th, a trek with the San Francisco Horsemen was also enjoyed. Part of the group left the "Hill" in San Francisco and the others started from Frontierland in Linda Mar. Destination was Nick's at Rockaway, where they met for brunch.

These were typical El Camino fun days and our riders are looking forward to many more such outings in the future. On May 2nd, our hearts were saddened

## 1961 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Horse Show	June 17 and 18
Directors' Meeting	July 12
Senior Overnight Ride	July 29, 30
Futurity & Playday, Sept. 10, a.m. & p.m.	
State Horsemen's Convention, Oct. 4-8	
Fall Dance	Nov. 11 or 18
Directors' meeting	December 5
Christmas Party	December 20
Senior Installation	Jan. 27, 1962

## 1961 JUNIOR CALENDAR



JUNE 10	BEACH PARTY
Gary Schenck, Chairman	
Jim Richardson	
JULY 15-16	OVERNIGHT RIDE
Marlene Sloan, Chairman	
Colene Reid	
AUGUST 12-13, 2-DAY HORSE SHOW	
Pam Whitmore, Joint-Ch. UL. 1-7905	
Jim Johnson, Joint-Ch.	
SEPTEMBER 2	HAY RIDE
Roy Overdevest, Chairman	
Gary Schenck	
OCTOBER 14	LUNCH RIDE
Betty Lu Whitmore, Ch., UL. 1-7905	
Cole Bildeau	FI. 1-3255
NOVEMBER 25	SKATING PARTY
Jini Jones, Chairman UL. 1-7450	
Judy Egli	UL. 1-7083
DECEMBER	NO ACTIVITY
JANUARY 13, 1962, INSTALLATION	
Pam Robertson, Chairman	
FEBRUARY	SKI TRIP?????

For any other information call Pat Aronson, DAvenport 3-3295 or Pam Robertson. *Most dates are tentative.*

by the loss of a wonderful friend and fellow horseman, Bill Zappettini. Owner of Mar Vista Stables, he was a true lover of horses and a faithful supporter of equestrian activities. His generous heart may be stilled, but his contribution to the success of so many of our club affairs will be long remembered. #



## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

CAROLINE ZWIERLEIN was hospitalized after a mishap at the Stanford Show in April, with painful but not serious injuries . . . praise be.

MARGARET STANDLEY had a short session in the hospital, (her first) and didn't even miss the meeting in April. What a gal.

BETTY WHITMORE, that travelin' gal, just returned from an extended tour of the Islands . . . Guam, Fiji, New Zealand, Auckland, Hawaii, etc. Perhaps if we asked nicely, Betty will do a "travelogue" series for us.

MARIO and BUNNY DELEMOS, and DAVE and VIRGINIA McCARTY were awarded gifts at the Western Dance as a gesture of appreciation for their very successful spring ride. IRMA GOLD-SMITH made a charming mistress of ceremonies.

Mario DeLemos' wonderful stove and his skill in operating it is one of the reasons for our rides being so economical to the membership. Our delicious lunch at the Spring Ride was only \$1.00 to members and \$1.25 to guests. #

## OVERNIGHT RIDE

— JULY 29 AND 30 —

Riders will meet at Howard Mark's Skyline Materials Quarry in Belmont, ride through San Francisco Water Department property (new area, first time horses allowed) over wide, comfortable trails to Frontierland in Pacifica. For further details, contact Rosemary Lehman, ULmar 1-1877. (More later.) #

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## THE FEEDBAG

By MIKE MENELEE

Now that the show season has finally come into full bloom, already a few of our juniors have qualified to compete in the Medal Class ride-offs. Joan Sexton has won her medal in Hunt Seat and Ann Matson won hers in Stock Saddle Seat. Good work, girls.

At the Stanford Horse Show there were several accidents with Carol Zwierlein winning a first in this division. After winning three fourths and just getting warmed up, Carolyn was badly injured in her next class, when the horse she was riding hit a jump and the jump failed to fall down. While in the hospital for one week, Carolyn was flocked with visitors, relatives and boy friends. However she had to stay home two more weeks after returning from the hospital and finally struggled back to school. For a few more weeks, until she is fully recovered, Carolyn will not be able to ride.

At the Stanford Show, Pat Higley won the F.E.I. class and earned a third in the Junior F.E.I. class on "Book Learnin". Betty Whitmore won a third in the sixteen and under F.E.I. class, a fifth in the Hunters team of three, and a sixth in the sixteen and under Working Hunters class. Joan Sexton won the Junior F.E.I. class and a fourth in that same class.

At the State Fair Horse Show, many Juniors went up to show, but only a few came back with any ribbons. Frances Chamberlain became one of these talented few when she won a sixth in an equitation class. Sherie Burns also won at State Fair.

You will now see a new person riding "Hop-Scotch", the green hunter which Betty Whitmore started to show. Now Sue Chambers, from Marin County will be showing this hunter. Good luck, Sue

Have you paid your dues? You better and it's time to begin collecting donations for our Junior Show. #



## FOOD COMMITTEE

By LYNN and MARY DARCY

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the following for giving their time and efforts for the Enchanted Day lunch. There was our President, Paul Egli, Jim and Ann Menefee, Rich Figoni, Merv Keegan, Bernice and Al Williams, Bill Zwierlein, Elton Rice (Park Superintendent) Glen Smith and Under-Sheriff Wes Pomeroy, Adele Swainston and son John, and Isobel Hartley.

We would like to express our personal appreciation for a job well done. Your cooperation, helpfulness and honest-to-gosh hard work, made our job a very easy one and an experience to remember with real pleasure.

Thank you all . . . #

*Editor's Note:* Adele Swainston and her son John, worked hard and long, both with the food and walking horses, etc., and when it was time to leave, they were shocked and upset to find their car had been side-swiped. Damage amounts to approximately \$50.00. It is possible that the person responsible did not realize the extent of the damage, or perhaps was pulling a trailer. If you know of anyone who might have parked next to her white and green Dodge Station Wagon, please call Adele at JUno 3-8871, or ULmar 1-0505. #

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# PERSONALITY *of the Month!*

**HOWARD E. MARKS**

Howard was born in Dos Palos, California and was raised on a dairy ranch. His parents operated one of the first, large dairy ranches in that area. It was here that Howard's "early rising" pattern was set. Horses and cattle played a great part in his early training and his affection for livestock was to remain with him into his adult years.

After graduating from the local schools, Howard continued his education at Heald's Engineering School in San Francisco.

1924 proved to be a banner year for Howard. He met and married Ruth and they have three lovely daughters, Marjorie, Greta and Patricia. At present, they have eight much-loved grandchildren.

Also in 1924 he joined his father and brother in the Frank B. Marks and Sons Company, producers of rock products. His father started the business in 1908, when the loading of gravel onto railroad cars was done by hand. Gradually they advanced to loading with mule teams and "slip-scrapers." In the early twenties they became mechanized and tractors took over. They also built roads and highways through the valley areas and in national and state parks. The original plant at Newman, California is now operated by Howard's brother, Frank B. Marks, Jr. In 1929 Howard moved to Tracy, California where a new plant was established. In 1945 he purchased a large ranch in Tracy and started to develop his now-successful business of raising registered Polled Hereford cattle and registered purebred Arabian horses. This is one of the outstanding cattle and horse ranches in the western states. In 1949, Howard and Ruth decided that the great amount of traveling that he had to endure was not in the best interest of his growing family, so another move was made. This time, (happy choice) to San Mateo, where Howard started his permanent plants. The family now began to commute between their home in San Mateo and their home and ranch in Tracy.

"If you have a job to be done, give it to a busy man." Here is proof of that



**HOWARD E. MARKS**

ders, and served as second president of the Arabian Horse Association of Northern California. He successfully managed their All-Arabian Horse Shows (the 4th Annual in 1953 and the 5th Annual in 1954) held at the San Francisco Cow Palace. This is no small undertaking, as the All-Arabian is the only all-breed show held in the Cow Palace. He also managed two recent horse shows for the Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County, being the first chairman to organize and produce an American Horse Shows Association Class "C" Show for this progressive group. Howard is at present,



Captain of the Mounted Patrol, a tour of duty he thoroughly enjoys. He is an active member and past director of the San Mateo County Horseman's Association. In 1958 he was elected to the Governing Board of the Arabian Horse Club Registry of America, Inc., with headquarters in Chicago. This office is a lifetime term. In 1959, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Polled Hereford Association whose headquarters are in Kansas City. Other active club participation include the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse, the Stockton Horse and Trailer Club, the Rotary International of Tracy and Belmont, where he is currently serving on the 4-H committee. Howard and Ruth attended the 1956 Annual Convention in Fort Worth, Texas of the Executive Secretaries, Inc., and were delighted when he was chosen as the "Boss of the Year."

Howard and Ruth still commute between their homes in San Mateo, Tracy, and their apartment in the lovely large barn in Woodside. It is in Woodside that he keeps his riding and parade horses. Howard has shown and ridden in horse shows and parades all over the western states. For 15 years, without fail, he has ridden in the "May Day in Los Banos" parade. He missed it this year for a great and good reason. He chose instead, to bring his pony and cart to the Enchanted Day program in Huddart Park and spent his day driving 'round and 'round the Zwierlein Area giving thrills and pleasure to his new young friends.

Personality? Well, he is a shy, quiet sort of a guy who prefers to stay in the background whenever possible. His motto (if he needed one) would appear to be, "Action, instead of words." ✚

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