

# RANCHO SANTA FE PROGRESS



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## HORSE COLONY IS GROWING RAPIDLY

Rancho Santa Fe has made striking progress along equestrian lines during the last twelve months. Scarcely more than a year ago there was not a saddle horse in the community. Today there are living here more than a dozen families with a flair for this sport and Rancho Santa Fe bridle paths give every promise of becoming more and more popular as time advances.

The Claggett and Loomis stables were the first established at Rancho Santa Fe. Miss Mary Belle Claggett is quite the most ardent rider on the Ranch. With her beautiful 3-gaited bay gelding "Tiddledewink," she has won numerous ribbons at various California horse shows and plans a busy season this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Claggett both ride frequently also, Mr. Claggett on his Irish hunter "Buck" and Mrs.

Claggett on her 5-gaited Kentucky saddle mare, "Maylo."

Miss Peggy Loomis claims the distinction of owning the only five-gaited saddle pony on the Pacific Coast. The five-year-old mare is named "Little Eva" and with its striking markings of black and white, is a familiar sight on Rancho Santa Fe paths. In the Loomis stables are several other blue ribbon saddle horses, notably "Matt Cohen," 3-gaited chestnut gelding. "Matt Cohen" is a magnificent horse standing fifteen hands three inches. He was last year declared the grand champion 3-gaited saddle horse of San Diego County, and has won honors at many other Coast shows including the Ambassador Hotel Show. He is now retired and is taking things easy at Rancho Santa Fe.

There is also "Sorrel Cin," a beautiful 4-year-old, five-gaited chestnut

mare. Many ribbons also decorate her stall. Five were won in Denver alone last January. "Sorrel Cin" will be entered in the Coronado Horse Show in July and probably will be ridden by Miss Peggy Loomis.

"Southern Sue" 2-year-old chestnut filly from the Loomis stables, is now being gotten ready for the harness classes. The latest addition to the Loomis stables is "Popular King," this year's colt from "Popular Girl," second only to "Bohemian Actress" in 1922 in the Madison Square Garden show, and considered to be one of the best lady's three-gaited mares in horse history.

"Easter Cloud" the famous stallion of the Loomis stables, was the first horse to win the \$10,000 Kentucky sweepstakes. Five mares of the Loomis stables have been bred to "Easter Cloud." (Continued on page 6)



Miss Mary Josephine Bishop, who recently brought her string of four horses to Rancho Santa Fe. Miss Bishop and Don Fulano were caught by the camera on one of the many Rancho Santa Fe bridle paths through woodland settings.



Miss Mary Belle Claggett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Claggett, on her spirited gelding "Tiddledewink." Miss Claggett finds riding at Rancho Santa Fe a zestful diversion. She has won many honors at Pacific Coast shows.

## GOLF COURSE OPEN AND IT'S A DANDY!

The new 18-hole all-grass golf course of the Rancho Santa Fe Country Club was declared officially open for play on June 5. Several local golfers, notably Messrs. Barton Millard, Ellis Bishop, Ralph Claggett, Ranald Macdonald and Robert Fairbanks preceded the official action by several rounds of 18 holes each. In fact, their glowing reports of the course's alluring character probably hastened the opening day.

Simultaneously, the board of directors of the club awarded a contract to Harold E. Ketchum for the immediate construction of the caddy-house and golf shop which has been so planned that it will serve also as a clubhouse until such time as the membership demands larger quarters. The contract calls for the completion of the structure by July 18.

Cups, pins, tee markers, benches and

other paraphernalia have been installed. Seven artistic bridges fashioned of eucalyptus poles have been placed across the barranca at as many points and earthen fills have been made at other points.

Playing privileges will be extended to members of other clubs and the greens fee will be \$2.00 a day.

Superintendent E. G. Border has been instructed by President Barton Millard to eliminate the weed growth in the rough areas and probably by the time this publication issues from the press, Rancho Santa Fe will have a full-fledged course complete in every necessary detail. Certain it is that Rancho Santa Fe has one of the finest playing courses in California. There is variety and interest in every hole. Max Behr's strategy is evident at every turn and all who have played the

course are as one in expressing their pride and complete satisfaction in the course.

The playing length of the course is 6555 yards and by setting back the tee markers, a championship length of 6792 yards is possible. Par is 71, 36 out and 35 in, with a ladies' par of 82; 41 each way.

All of the greens are in splendid condition. The fairways are well-set with grass and have made very noticeable progress during the last few weeks. With a few months of good growing weather, the fairways should be in splendid shape. At present, winter rules are authorized.

In keeping with Max Behr's idea of a good golf course, the Rancho Santa Fe links are chock full of opportunity for the really good player to show his

mettle and are equally full of opportunity for the player less certain of his stroke to find an easy way around. On practically every hole there is a hazard—or hazards—which may be easily encompassed with a perfect shot but which will bring trouble to him who falters. Always, however, there is the alternative of playing safe and taking an additional stroke.

After playing a round, one has the feeling of having crossed the barranca at least thirty-six times. Certainly Mr. Behr had a way of placing his tees and greens very systematically on opposite sides, and on No. 13 a pair of barrancas stare him in the face who would get on the green in two.

There are only twenty sand-traps on the course but these, again, have been placed in positions most discouraging to the player who can't shoot straight.

Every hole on the course is interesting. There are no monotones in Max Behr's bag of tricks. At the middle of the second nine, when one would logically expect at least to find some duplications, an entirely new variety of surprises is found. Number 12 tee, for instance, is strategically situated on the top of a rise of ground that breaks away below the player in a way that inspires every ounce of golf in him. The Pacific ocean doesn't seem very far away as you address your ball and look down the fairway. If you get halfway to the green, however, you will have something to tell your grandchildren about, because a strip of rocky rough, a sand-trap, and a tree are all in



Miss Stevens and Miss Bishop with the four Bishop horses—Lady Lou, Ruby, Never Mind and Don Fulano.

the way.

Number 13 is a crackerjack with three ways to play it, depending on your ambition and your stroke. Number 14 is a short hole; No. 15 and 16 are easy for good golf and disastrous for bad. Number 17 will frequently reward a good shot with a birdie two,

and No. 18, 511 yards long, will tempt many to try a short-cut on the second shot across the rough hillside, perhaps to failure. Whether you make 18 in four, or in a par five, as you look up and down the valley after holing out on this high-pitched green, you will certainly agree that it's a darn fine golf course.

**GOOD ORANGE CROP**

The picking of oranges is practically over for the season and the total pick will be about 4400 boxes, 4354 boxes having been picked to June 4th. Last year the total pick was 770 boxes, so the increase was more than 500 per cent. The largest pick per acre was from the Carothers orchard, where the average was about 100 boxes per acre from trees about four years old.

**MORE WILDFLOWER PRIZES**

After winning their silver trophy at the recent flower show of the San Diego Floral association for the best display of wild flowers by a county school, the children of Miss O'Donnell's room were encouraged to take part in an essay contest on the subject of "Why Protect the Wildflowers," prizes for which were offered by the O'Rourke Zoological Institute in San Diego. The essays from Rancho Santa Fe, which were sent in neatly bound covers with an original wildflower decoration, won three of the five prizes offered. Second place was captured by Natalie Millard, fourth place by John Megrew, and fifth place by Betty Ketchum.



Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mann on Fleety and Nancy. The Manns favor hunters and experts declare they have a pair of real prospects in their favorite mounts.

Development of the Glen W. Tomlinson estate, by Ballard and McCulloch, has been completed. Mr. Tomlinson has a miscellaneous home orchard planting as well as a commercial planting of eight acres of Valencia oranges. The development on his property also included the installation of an overhead sprinkling system for his home vegetable garden, the grading of the home and garage sites, driveway, and tennis court site, and the installation of pipe lines to serve the property.

The additional Valencia orange planting on the property of W. A. Maxwell Jr. has been completed by Ballard and McCulloch. This development embraces six acres on the southern slope of Mr. Maxwell's property, Lot 5, Block 10, and will be served by the contour furrow type of surface irrigation.

Work is well under way on the Lloyd Mills property in Lot 5, Block 33. Dr. Mills is having a complete modern overhead irrigation system installed on his orchard, consisting of two and three-quarters acres of avocados and three and one-quarter acres of lemons.



Miss Peggy Loomis is one of the most enthusiastic riders at Rancho Santa Fe. She has won a number of awards with her strikingly marked saddle pony, "Little Eva."



Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tomlinson on their beautiful American saddlers, "Star" and "Carneaux."

Mr. Robert Fairbanks spent several days in June at Rancho Santa Fe, mostly on the Rancho Santa Fe golf course.

Miss Shaffer entertained at a bridge tea on May 31 at La Amapola, in honor of the Misses Lillian and Elizabeth Lowther of Los Angeles.

Mr. T. L. Carothers reports picking 620 boxes of oranges off of 460 trees. The trees are four years old and the prospects are splendid for an even better crop next year. In fact, Mr. Carothers estimates that he may have 2000 field boxes from the same trees.

Mrs. Oscar Hall of Escondido entertained at a bridge luncheon at La Morada on May 28. Covers were laid for 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranald Macdonald entertained a group of friends at a tennis party on June 2. Supper was served after the play.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Claggett entertained at an evening party at their home, June 1.

Mrs. E. D. Williams and Mrs. W. S. King entertained about thirty guests at La Amapola on April 11th. Bridge was the game of the afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gilbert recently entertained at a dinner party in the Del Mar Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Carpenter recently gave a dinner at their home in honor of Mrs. A. Leonard Clark of La Jolla.

Miss Barbara Millard who has been studying in New York this year has started West and will visit friends at several places on the way. She expects to reach Rancho Santa Fe the latter part of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy McDonnell were guests of Pauline Neff last week-end.



Mrs. Montague Ward on "Cricket," brought from Kentucky last year. Mrs. Ward spends much of her time on her horse, being a great lover of the out-of-doors.

## SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR YEAR

At the close of the school year June 2nd, diplomas were awarded to eighth grade graduates as follows: Marjorie Attrill, Helen Surague, Wayne Morgan and Bob Nelson. Awards were also made to those whose articles, stories, and poems had won first place in the school paper during the year. About seventy-five adults and children enjoyed the supper served on the occasion by the P. T. A.

Next year the children of the high

school grades will be taken by buses to the Escondido High School, as Rancho Santa Fe is within that high school district.

Complete satisfaction with the Rancho Santa Fe School under Mr. Hendershot's leadership was expressed by the parents and regret is felt at his leaving. The hope was expressed that Miss O'Donnell and Miss Starr may continue teaching at Rancho Santa Fe next year.

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Rancho Santa Fe's group of fine horses has just lately been augmented by the arrival of Miss Mary Josephine Eishop with her string of four. The Bishop horses have been established in the recently completed stables on the Bishop estate. The very complete facilities include a stable with a half dozen stalls, practice rings, paddocks, garage space, grooms' quarters, etc. Miss Eishop's five-year-old black gelding, "Don Fulano," is now being trained and gives promise of becoming a very splendid mount. Her three-gaited strawberry roan, "Nevermind" is considered one of the best-mannered horses on the Coast. He has always been in the money in the road-hack class and is also broken to harness.

Mrs. Ellis Bishop frequently rides "Lady Lou," the splendid 3-gaited handy mare, and "Ruby" a five-year-old hunter is kept for the use of Miss Eishop's guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mann go in for hunters rather than saddle horses and Mr. Mann has a splendid prospect of a real jumper in his three-year-old chestnut mare, "Fleety." Mrs. Mann's mare "Nancy," is also a good type hunter.

Mrs. Montague Ward is a familiar figure on the paths on her three-gaited black mare "Cricket," brought from Kentucky last year. Mrs. A. W. Gilbert's mare "Ebony Maid," has won numerous ribbons in the amateur classes.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tomlinson ride a great deal and each has a five-gaited American saddler. A beautiful chestnut "Carneaux" is Mr. Tomlinson's and the bay "Star" is his wife's.

In addition to these individually owned horses, there are at the Rancho Santa Fe stables several spirited mounts for hire to guests at La Morada and to visitors at the Ranch. Both English and Western saddles are available. Reservations for these horses may be made at La Morada, or by telephoning Mrs. Winchester at 2721.

Boarding and groom service in one of the best equipped stables in California is available at Rancho Santa Fe, at reasonable monthly rates.



Spirited mounts such as these may be hired from the Rancho Santa Fe stables by guests at LaMorada and visitors to Rancho Santa Fe. There is great riding country around Rancho Santa Fe.

## ANNUAL RANCHO SANTA FE FLOWER EXHIBIT

Hundreds of people came from all over Southern California to the Annual Rancho Santa Fe Flower Exhibit, June 8 and 9. The show was more successful than ever before, the gorgeous displays defying description. Dr. A. R. Sprague's gladiolus entries, as usual, elicited most favorable comment. In the Amateur Classes, the gardens winning first and second places were as follows:

Best three roses, one variety—Carothers and Christianity; best collection

of roses (not more than one bloom of a kind)—Christiancy and Carothers; best display tuberous rooted flowers—Larrick and Richards; best display gladiolus or other bulb flowers—Larrick (purple glory) and Le Huray (Easter Lily); best display of annual flowers—one variety—Larrick (pan-sies) and La Morada (stock); best potted plant—Williams (begonia) and Christianity (lily); best arranged basket of flowers—Ballard and Pease; best collections of succulents and cacti

suitably arranged—Elock and La Morada; best display of native flowers—Attrill and Macdonald.

Special awards were given to Mrs. C. F. Pease for hollyhocks, for larkspur and for snap-dragons; to Ed White for roses and flowering shrubs, and to F. L. Hammond for gladiolus.

The exhibit was sponsored by the newly-formed Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club, of which Mrs. C. F. Pease is president and Mrs. Glenn A. Moore is secretary-treasurer.



The children, too, at Rancho Santa Fe have their ponies. No place could be safer for children to ride.



"Popular King" and his mother, "Popular Girl," create more than an ordinary amount of interest among visitors.



The spirit of Rancho Santa Fe. In the group are Mr. and Mrs. Claggett, Mrs. Ward, Miss Bishop, Mrs. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Mann, Mr. Tomlinson and Miss Stevens.

## Typical Estates Available

3.81 acres, Lot 12, Block 37—Heavily timbered with eucalyptus. Natural boundaries make this distinctive building site overlooking San Diego Valley an excellent place for one interested in keeping saddle horses. Short distance from golf course. Secluded. Building restrictions \$6,000. Several fine homes close by. Price, \$3048.00.

.90-Acre Estate, Lot 70, Block 26—Large estate with view of mountains and golf course, five minutes' ride from Civic Center and hotel. Village has all needed conveniences. Price, \$2,250.00.

.77-Acre Estate, Lot 84, Block 26—Electric lines in conduit, high-pressure water for domestic use and landscaping; on private road leading to four estates. This property has splendid view of ocean and mountains. Price \$2500.00.

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1.55-Acre Estate—Lot 76, in Block 18—Faces directly on golf course, with 156-foot frontage. Gentle south slope. Will submit admirably to gorgeous landscaping with view from your home across flower garden or lawn, down two miles of fairway to ocean beyond. Seventy-five miles of mountains in view in opposite direction. Only a few hundred feet to bridle trails. Within walking distance of Civic Center. \$15,000 building restriction in this neighborhood. Paved road in front. Electric and telephone lines under ground. High-pressure water. Wonderful property. Only \$3,100.

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