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What Happened to March?

Nothing! It is still on 1993's calendar, but skipping it in **THE TRAIL RIDER** to keep on track. Should have skipped January, as that issue was mostly about February and then I left out wishing all the ladies in the Trail Riders a Happy Valentine's day, or a Happy St. Patricks Day in mid-March to all the Trail Riders. Darn. That's the trouble putting a newsletter together way early. Just haven't got the hang of it being at the beginning of one month and having the issue pertain to another. So, no March and hopefully no more missed Happy Holiday greetings to my fellow Trail Riders and their families. With that said, let's get on with this April, 1993, issue.



Hondo's Doing Fine

Roper and Miss Judy have recently heard from Miss Brigitti and Hondo saying that they are getting settled in just fine in their new home, and that they are all well and happy. Good news, huh? Sure miss Hondo at the meetings; as all Trail Riders do. In last month's issue I neglected to list Hondo's new address. Darn again. His new address is: Mr. Kevin Cannon, c/o Sun King Apartments, 5900 East Thomas Apt. B103, Scottsdale, Arizona 85251.

Who Said Board Meetings Are Boring?

'Cause the first Board of Directors meeting of "The Trail Riders of the West" certainly wasn't. Lots of innovative ideas were discussed. Some agreed upon. Some not. Among those motions passed were to make **THE TRAIL RIDER** available to those "Wranglers" who are associated with the Trail Riders for a dollar a month subscription rate; hold the club's second annual garage sale on Saturday, April 10, from 9 AM to 4 PM at Buck's Bar 20 Ranch on busy Erringer Road; to mail out an advisory newsletter to the friends of our character actor museum; to salute Trail Rider monthly birthdays at the month's first meeting; and to hold an activity at the third meeting each month. Also passed were designs for official Trail Rider badges and buckles. Yep, a lot of good things were accomplished for the club at its first Board of Directors meeting, and I'm sure future board meetings will be as productive.

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Further Adventures of Little Wrangler Tyrell via Rose's Pasquel



Howdy Wranglers!

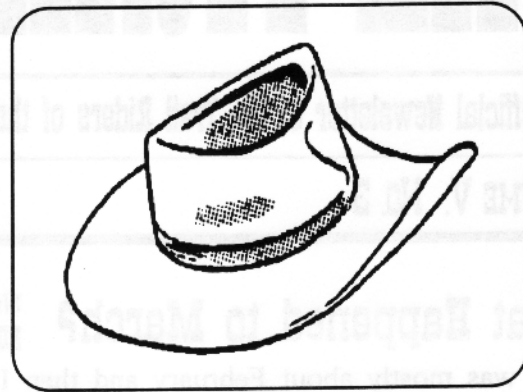
During February, the Trail Riders enjoyed having Wranglers Tom Ratican and Tag Groat attend meetings, and their whoops and cheers fitting right in with the Trail Riders as they enjoyed watching Col. Tim McCoy's serial *The Indians are Coming* and Whip Wilson's adventure *Range Land*. Glad you had a good time at the meeting Wranglers 'cause we sure enjoyed having you join us.

Speaking of Joining Us . . .

By the time this issue of the Trail Rider is distributed, Wrangler Tom Ratican will have become eligible to be a full fledged member of "The Trail Riders of the West." Wonder what handle he is going to choose? Will let you know in the next issue of THE TRAIL RIDER partners.

Tip of the White Hat

This month's 'Tip of the White Hat' goes out to Wranglers Tom and Jim Goldrup for permitting me to use excerpts of their interview with Mr.



Terry Frost from their book, and also for allowing me to reprint Mr. Frost's poem. You're the greatest guys!

Want a Great Reference?

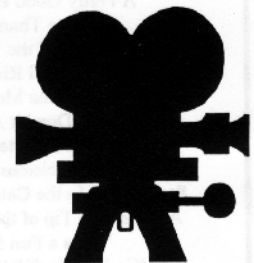
If you haven't gotten either one of Tom and Jim's books, *Featured Players, Vol. 1 and Vol. 2*, you should really add them to your book shelf. They are an excellent information resource on our 'reel' Saturday Western actors. To find out about availability, price, etc., just write to: Tom and Jim Goodrup, P.O. Box 425, Ben Lomond, California 95005. Tell 'em you're a Trail Rider and they'll add a couple of bucks to your order. Drats.

Trail Rider Trivia

Mr. Terry Frost
and Mrs. Marion Frost
were the first honorary members
to be a part of
"The Trail Riders of the West."

Movies Watched in February

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| February 3 | Serial: | <i>The Indians are Coming</i> , Chapter 2, starring Col. Tim McCoy |
| | Movie: | <i>Gun Lords of Stirrup Basin</i> , starring Battlin' Bob Steele |
| February 10 | Serial: | <i>The Indians are Coming</i> , Chapter 3, starring Col. Tim McCoy |
| | Movie: | <i>Rollin Plains</i> , starring Tex Ritter |
| February 17 | Serial: | <i>The Indians are Coming</i> , Chapter 4, starring Col. Tim McCoy |
| | Movie: | <i>The Renegade Rider</i> , starring Col. Tim McCoy |
| February 24 | Serial: | <i>The Indians are Coming</i> , Chapter 5, starring Col. Tim McCoy |
| | Movie: | <i>Range Land</i> , starring Whip Wilson |



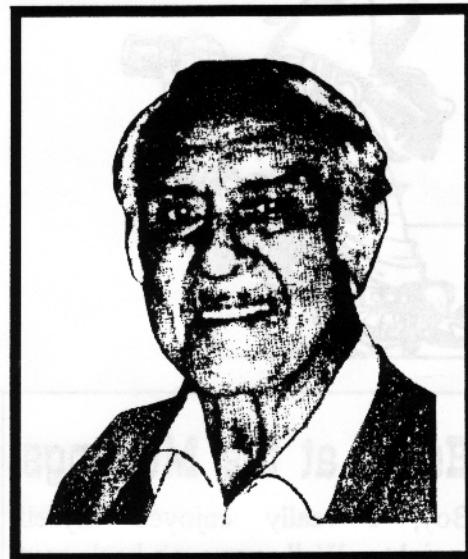
A Pretty Good Badman

by Dale Park

There's another empty saddle in the 'B' Western's old corral.
It belonged to one of the villains, who never got the gal.
Someone had to do it, no matter what the cost,
And he was a pretty good badman, that fella Terry Frost.

A premier entertainer, oh the stories he could tell,
And once he started talking he had you in his spell.
One thing was for certain, we were never bored
When he'd recite that poem he wrote of John Wayne and the Lord.

If you catch him on the late show with Barcroft and the rest,
You will see he was a pretty good badman, maybe one of the best.
When the good guys met the bad guys, the bad guys always lost,
But one of the best of the badmen --indeed was Terry Frost.



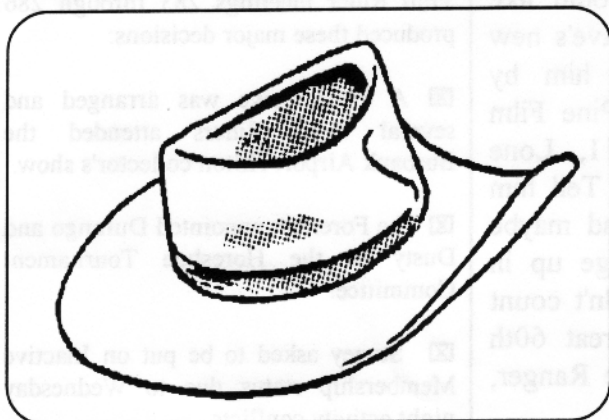
We Are Thankful that Stoney contacted Mr. Park about writing a poem dedicated to Mr. Frost. He wrote wonderfully, didn't he? We all thank you Mr. Park.

Stoney met Mr. Park at a Mike Gafner "A" Frame event last year and again at the "Lone Pine Festival where a friendship started. Mr. Park refers to himself as a "cowboy preacher." He also is an excellent artist (he drew the Tom Mix picture that Stoney has displayed proudly in his den), and we now know by *A Pretty Good Badman* he also has a wonderful way of putting his thoughts and feelings on paper.

If you would like to write to Mr. Park, his address is: 527 North Azusa Avenue #180, Covina, California 91722.

Trail Rider Trivia

Mr. Terry Frost and Mrs. Marion Frost were the first of the "Trail Riders of the West" honored members to attend a Trail Rider meeting. 'Twas a wonderful evening.



Another Tip of the White Hat

This Tip of the White Hat goes out this month to thank Bob Gillmore, president of Westoaks Glass and Mirror, for providing glass for our museum displays at a very nice discount. We truly appreciate the price break you are giving us Mr. Gillmore, and we will show that appreciation by purchasing our future personal glass needs from you. Westoaks Glass and Mirror, Inc. is at 31210 La Baya Drive Suite 203, Westlake Village, California 91362, and their telephone numbers are (805) 493-2591 and (818) 707-1075.

Look at Those Upcoming Trail Rider Events



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| March 24 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch |
| March 31 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch, showing the first "A" feature Western for 1993 |
| April 3 | Beverly Garland Hollywood Collector's Show, North Hollywood |
| April 7 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch |
| April 10 | Trail Rider's Garage Sale |
| April 14 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch |
| April 20 | Board of Directors Meeting |
| April 21 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch
Trail Riders monthly dues are payable
Recycling Drive collection night |
| April 28 | Scheduled meeting at Roper's Marr-velous Ranch |

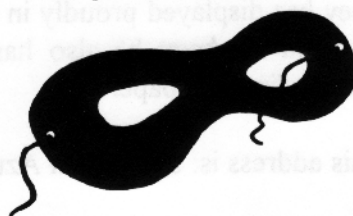
Heard at the Meetings

Boy, I really enjoyed myself tonight... Well, come on back next week... I'll be here... I'd like to make a little movie... About what?... About 3 minutes...I'm trying to buy a hat company... Well, there goes our Stetsons... Hey, Roper, you got pot holes in your driveway... Do not, those are traps to keep out Dodge vans... Don't anyone eat non of my Birthday cake 'cause I want to take it to work tomorrow... Don't forget to return the pan... We're going to have to call Roper P.J. from now on...How about Hugh Hefner?... Thanks for the good melon Roper... See ya filled up the pot holes but couldn't you have used something more substantial than water?... How about used birthday cake pan?... Naw, I don't know where it is... Good poster buys Durango... How about my Bill Elliott press kits?... Hey, you can't please everyone... Maybe so, but I sure like that "Boot Ranch" rug in the museum... We hear ya Dusty!...



Dave's Done It Again!

Wow has he ever. This past week I received an invitation to his latest Lone Pine Film Festival; a gala celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Lone Ranger. Gonna be a grand affair, complete with film retrospectives, seminars, discussion groups, sunset dinner at the Statham Estate, and to top it off, a moonlight open-air concert in Lone Ranger Canyon with a 28-piece orchestra. Wow!



What a weekend, June 5 and 6 is going to be. If you would like more information on Dave's new fun, you can contact him by writing to: The Lone Pine Film Festival, P.O. Box 111, Lone Pine, California 93545. Tell him you're a Trail Rider, and maybe you won't have to lodge up in Bishop . . . but I wouldn't count on it. Thanks for a great 60th anniversary of the Lone Ranger, Dave! Hi-yo-Silver!

Bud Buster

was telling me he decided to try a nearby pizzeria that offered free delivery today. Said when the pizza arrived two hours late, he called to complain. "Not only was the pie late," he told them, "but the curst was soggy, the cheese was stuck to the top of the box, and the pizza was cold!" He tsaid there was a moment's hesitation and then the voice on the other end of the line replied, "Yep, that soulds like one of ours." Bud said he laughed so hard that he forgot being angry and ate the dang-gone thing. Humor is marvelous, isn't it?

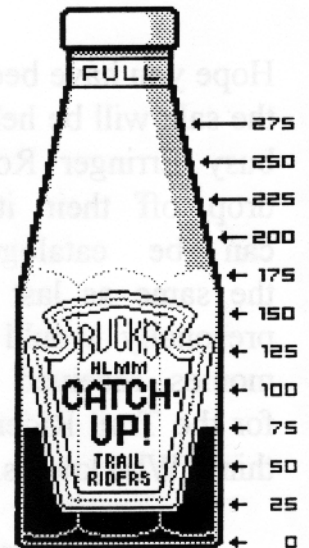
Decisions, Decisions, Decisions

Trail Rider meetings 283 through 286 produced these major decisions:

- A Trail Drive was arranged and several Trail Riders attended the Burbank Airport Hilton collector's show.
- The Foreman appointed Durango and Dusty to the Horeshoe Tournament Committee.
- Stoney asked to be put on Inactive Membership status due to Wednesday night activity conflicts.

Some More in the Catch-Up Bottle!

As you can see by the Catch-Up Bottle, the glass fund has grown to \$75 thanks to Mr. Hal Baylor's generous contribution of \$25. We are getting there but we still have a long way to go on getting glass for all our museum frames. So, come on Trail Riders, take up Mr. Baylor's, Colorado's, and Durango's challenges and help fill that Catch-Up Bottle. Just give your contribution to Buck at any Trail Rider meeting, or mail your check to Jack R. Harding, 1053 Erringer Road, Simi Valley, California 93065. Please make your checks payable to "The Trail Riders of the West." Thanks, buckaroos!



'Twas a Fun Day

This past month, Trail Riders Slick and Miss Marilyn, Trail Rider 7-1/2, Durango, Buck and Miss Joyce, Colorado and Miss Carol attended the Collectibles Show over at the Airport Hilton in Burbank.

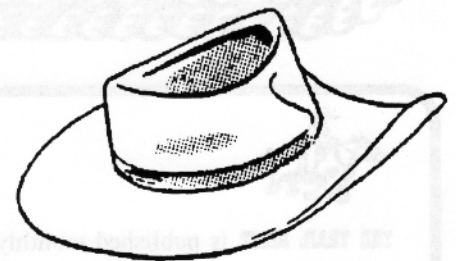
'Twas a good outing, but the show was a disappointment, with very few booths and many of the ones that were

there did not really have the "treasures" we are used to seeing at Beverly Garland's Howard Johnson hotel in North Hollywood. Still, Durango was able to pick up a good looking Gene Autry poster, Buck was able to locate a press kit for a Bill Elliott film, and Colorado obtained several autographed photographs and some fun '50s Western comics.

And Another Big Tip of the White Hat . . .

goes out to Mr. Hal Baylor for contributing \$25 to our Catch-Up Bottle fund to purchase glass for our museum displays.

Thanks, Mr. Baylor, for your confidence in our museum project and for the kind and enthusiastic words in your letter.



By the way, how in the world did you get the reputation as the "Dirty 'Ole Cowboy"?

HAPPY
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ALL THE
TRAIL RIDERS
AND THEIR
FAMILIES



All Kinds of Stuff Will Be There!

Hope you have been saving up "stuff" 'cause the second annual Trail Rider Garage Sale is on. the sale will be held Saturday, April 10, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Buck's Bar 20 Ranch on busy Erringer Road. 'Tis drop off their items by can be cataloged and the same as last year. If presonally would like to monies received will be for the Trail Riders. Be seeing ya there Trail Riders, as I will need some help handling the thing. Who knows, maybe we will get a sing-along going as we did last year. That was fun!



requested that everyone 7:00 PM Friday, so they priced. The sale will work you have something you sell (on consignment), the split 60% for you and 40%

Rounding-Up

Well, a lot of good activities lie in store for the club in April. A successful garage sale, Wrangler Tom becoming a Trail Rider, more work on the museum, and Tag Groat attending more meetings. But, with the passing of Mr. Frost, I can't help recalling past activities and Mr. Frost's enjoying the Trail Rider experience with us. I remember when he and Mrs. Frost attended a Trail Rider meeting and he had us captivated as he recited several of his poems and recalled memories of one of his films we watched that night. I remember when he and Mrs. Frost went with us on a Trail Drive to the Roy Rogers Museum. Boy, was he welcomed there! He had a wonderful time. He always enjoyed himself. Like attending the Lone Pine Film Festival. We had wonderful chats there and thrilled Mrs. Frost when Durango presented her a lobby card of one of her films. Mr. Frost smiled from ear to ear. Just like he did when he visited our booth at Corriganville, or when we visited his at the collector's shows at Beverly Garland's Hotel, or on that wonderful summer day last year when his footprints were inscribed in the "Iverson's Honor Courtyard" using a pair of boots borrowed from the Trail Riders. I, like all the Trail Riders, enjoyed Mr. Frost's company. I'm so glad I got to know him. Gonna miss his "Hi ya, Tiger!"

Buck



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