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BE INFORMED ---AND
BE SURE TO VOTE
MAY 9 - TUESDAY

THE POINT'S JOINTLY SPONSORED MASS MEETING

May 11, All the organizations of Point Richmond, including the Hi-Pointers, the four churches, the Civic Group, West Side Improvement Club, the Businessmen's Association, and the Fraternal organizations, will jointly sponsor a fine professionally played drama concerning family life.

The play will be presented May 11, Thursday evening, at 8 PM in the Washington School Auditorium. It is expected to be one of the largest meetings of the year.

The drama has been arranged for by the Washington School PTA, also one of its sponsors. It is one of the plays produced by a group named "Plays for Living" originated by Cornelia Otis Skinner, Katherine Cornell and Arlene Francis. Following the play, there is a discussion period, led by one of the actors.

The evening is guaranteed to excite the interest of everyone from teenagers to senior citizens; The play, "Broken Circle", a family life drama, focuses on marital discord which has disrupted the happiness of the children and the parents.

Punch will be served; the whole Point is likely to attend, so come early and get a good seat. MAY 11!

POINT KIDS MEET MAY 6

Saturday Morning, May 6, Hi-Pointers, Baseball Boys, Campfire Girls, Girl and boy Scouts will meet at the Community Center to deliver Parks Bond Literature.

POINT VOTING PATTERNS

We have been asked several times to publish the following results of votes cast in the Point for the April 4 City Council Primary election. This breakdown of the votes may be interesting to you in view of the General Election next week.

Totals in the seven Point precincts were: Roselius -372; Grydyk, 314; Spinner, 124; Doherty, 116; Wagerman, 100; Evans, 99; Mathia, 94;



Lyons, 90; Davis, 85; Bates, 63;
10 others --148. Total no. of voters-610.

With 610 total voters at 3 possible votes each, the maximum number of votes is 1830 compared to 1605 votes actually cast. From this difference it could be deduced that 498 persons cast 3 votes while 112 person cast only 1 vote.

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Reminiscing...

with Don Church ... interesting and sometimes humorous articles taken from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, through the courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

IN THE MERRIE MONTH OF MAY...

May 4, 1916... Richmond Independent
"BIG CROWD SEES THE
CHARLES VAN DAMME LAUNCHED"

"A big crowd of Richmonddites attended the ceremonies at the initial dip of the big Richmond-San Rafael ferry, Charles Van Damme at Benicia at 2:30 yesterday afternoon.

"The vessel is 175 feet long and 54 feet beam, and will carry 50 autos. Miss Miriam Garrard, daughter of Mayor E. J. Garrard, christened the big ferry boat with a bottle of California wine.

May 1, 1922
Richmond Independent.....
"ENTERTAINS
ON BIRTHDAY"

"Miss Gladys O'Hara entertained a number of friends last evening in honor of her birthday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. O'Hara, 324 Washington Ave.

"The evening was spent in music, singing, dancing and games. Among those present were: Karen Peterson, Eleanor Hurley, and Gladys and Henry O'Hara. "

May 9, 1922..... Richmond Independent.....
"NEIDECKER SELLS
DRUG STORE" HERE"

"A business transaction of more

than usual interest, especially to residents of the West Side, is the deal just closed, whereby Charles Neidecker disposed of his drug store interests on Washington Avenue. The new owner is Harry Palmateer, who has been a druggist at Fort Bragg, and who will take possession on Monday, May 15.

Mr. Palmateer will move here with his wife this week.

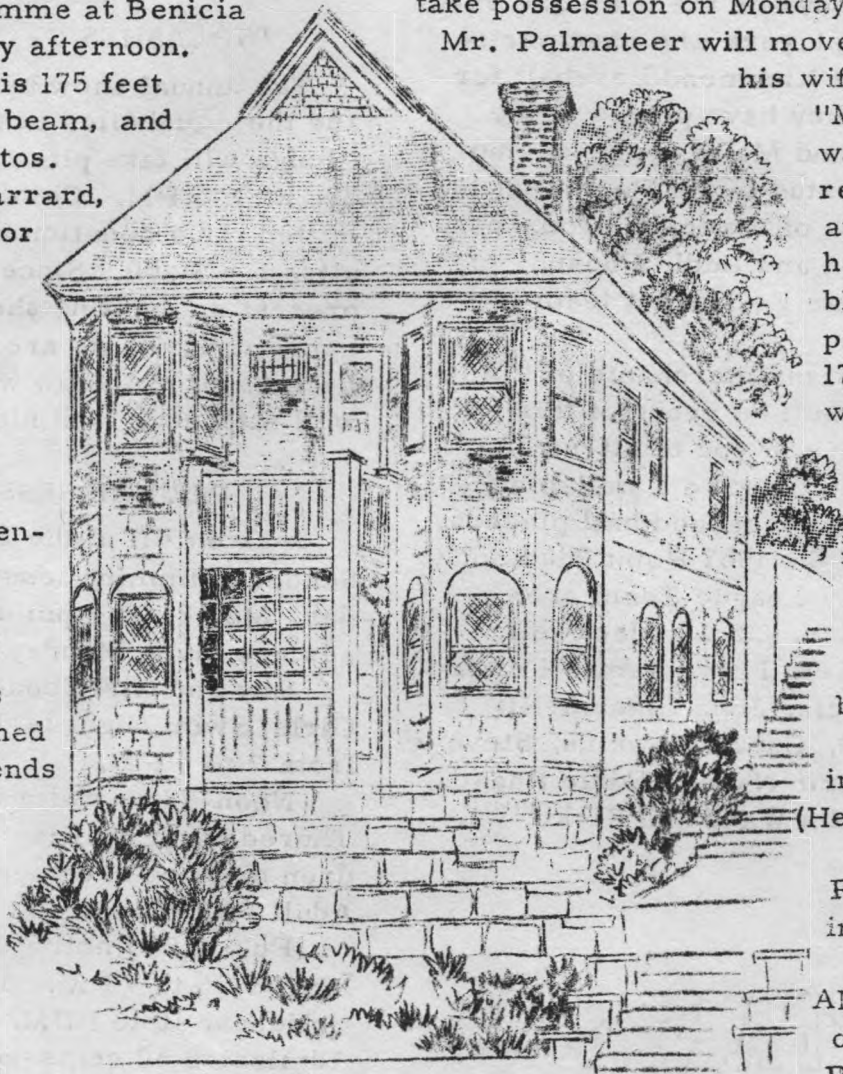
"Mr. Neidecker was one of the real pioneers at the Point, having established the present store 17 years ago where he has remained continuously ever since. He will take a vacation and expects to go into business somewhere in the interior. "

(He opened a new store on upper Park Avenue in Oakland.)

AND, in May of 1933, the Point Richmond

Progress reports: (May 5, 1933)

"Sidney Gnaga, our leading real estate and insurance agent retired from the Standard Oil Company after 31 years and 4 months service. He came here from Whiting Indiana. His service was from July 12, 1889 to Nov. 1, 1920. He then opened his office at 7 Park Place, later moving to 210 W. Richmond Ave. "



SPORTS

SPOTLIGHT ON BASEBALL

On the way to a championship, possibly undefeated, season, is the Point Richmond entry in Richmond's Pony League, the Point Richmond Merchants.

The team, under the fine coaching of Vern Farr and Bob Nunez has compiled a 5 win, 0 loss record. This week they have a busy schedule, playing tonight (Friday, May 5), Saturday, and Tuesday, May 9.

The fifteen boys on the team are experienced ball players who have participated in Point Richmond Baseball for many years. They have played in the Bronco Minor and Major leagues, and have now graduated to the Pony League. Three members of the team, Tom Farr, Steve Lizarraga and Eddie Paasch, played on the first Santa Fe Market team in 1963.

The citizens and merchants of Point Richmond can well be proud of this team, and we urge each of you to attend one of their games and observe a well-played ball game by well-coached ball players.

Members of the 1967 Point Richmond Merchants Pony League Team are:

Dwayne Baker, Oscar Blackwell, John Brusie, Tom Farr, James Ferguson, Mike Garcia, John Giacomelli, Larry Guittard, Curtis Hawkins, Steve Lizarraga, Mario Nunez, Eddie Paasch, Cleo Smith, John Wade and Rickie Williams.

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The annual show by the Sinkronets and the Aquabelles at the Richmond Plunge will take place on May 26 and 27, at 8:15 PM. Children will be admitted for a donation of 50 cents, adults, for \$1.00. Since they always present an exciting show, and since many participants are from Point Richmond, the show will probably be well attended, both nights.

PLUNGE SESSIONS

Session VII of the Elementary School swimming lessons begins Monday, May 8, at 3 pm or 4 pm. Classes are given Monday thru Friday.

Boy and Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls' Swim Night is Thursday nights, from 7 to 9 PM.

Noon-Time swim is Tuesday and Thursday, from 11:45 to 1:15. Children must be accompanied by parent. Adult swimming.

Public Swimming hours - Wed. and Fri. - 5:30 to 9 PM. Sat., Sun. and Holidays, 10 to 1 PM, 2 to 5 PM. Admission 50 cents - adults, 25 cents for children. Reduced rates available with purchase of ticket book.

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