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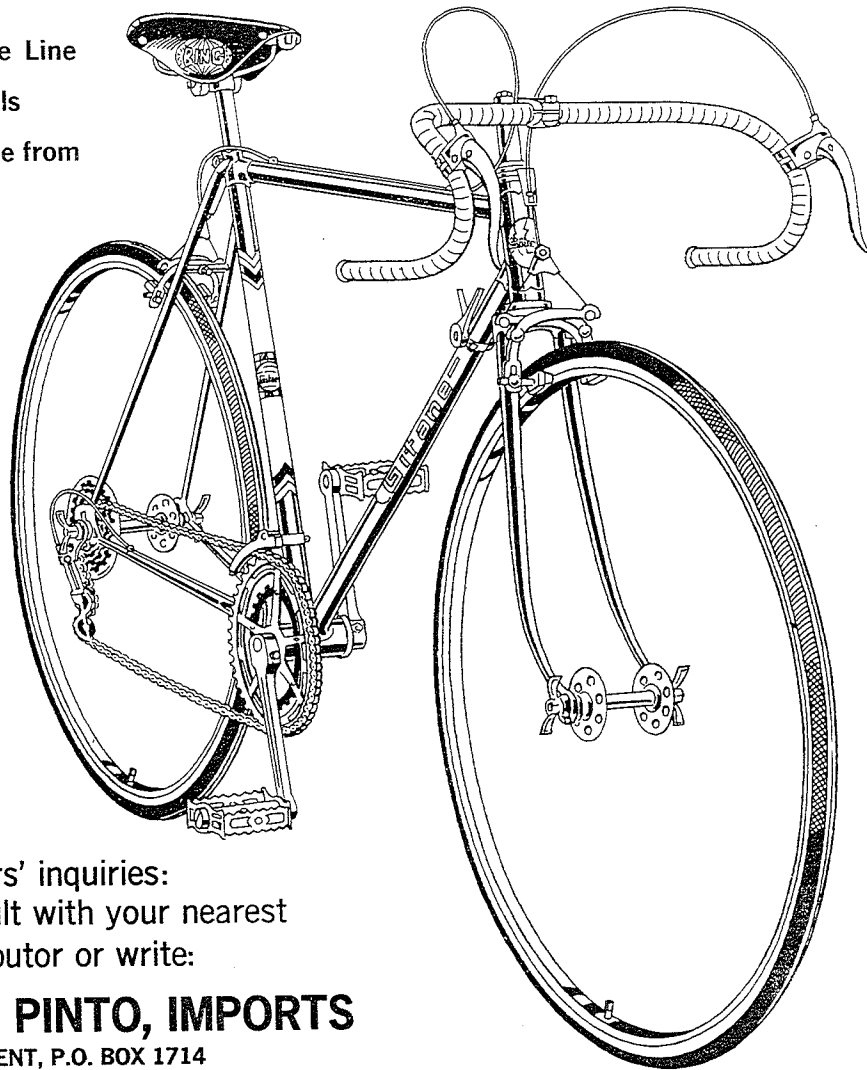
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IN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our appreciation to all who have contributed to this renewal of the National Capital Open. Without the generous donations of cash, merchandise and time by numerous individuals the race would not have been possible. We wish we could mention them all by name, but space does not permit it.

IN MEMORY OF CAPTAIN DONALD L. McBRIDE, USAF

Don was not a racer. His main pleasure in bicycling was the thrill of riding up a mountain under his own power and then flying down the other side as if the Devil were after him.

He also loved to interest others in biking, including his three sons. To all, he imparted a spirit of joy and enthusiasm concerning the sport. He was never too busy to spend some time talking bikes and riding with anyone who asked him for advice.

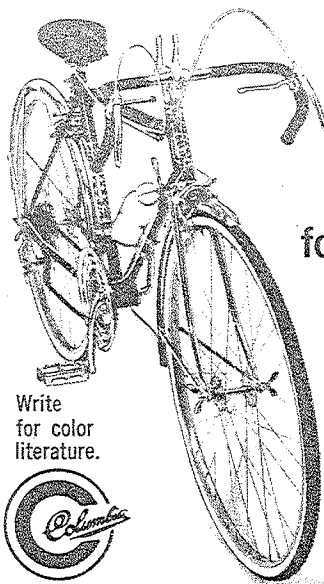
From the time he was a young boy, Don biked because it was a convenient means of transportation. It was not until he was in college that he became interested in the bicycle as a way to achieve physical exercise. From then on he became more and more interested in the benefits of cycling and physical fitness. While doing graduate work at Stanford University in California, Don rode into the Santa Cruz mountains daily. It was on one of those rides that a young man on a fine quality 10 speed bicycle passed Don going up a long grade. This was the turning point in Don's riding and he never rode anything but a quality machine thereafter.

After returning from overseas, Don came to the Washington area in September, 1970. During the next few months he made many friends among the touring and racing communities. He rode practically every day despite a demanding schedule that kept him at work for long hours. Often he would ride at night or very early in the morning. He was actively engaged in helping to revive the Capital Velo Club at the time of his death. Ironically, he was killed riding his motorcycle to work.

After his death, Don's family returned to their home in Palo Alto, California. His son, Don, has returned to ride in the race today.

It is only because of the generous donations made by the McBride family and by Don's many friends that this race is being held.

Our club will always remember Don for the fine man that he was and we extend our appreciation and best wishes to his family.



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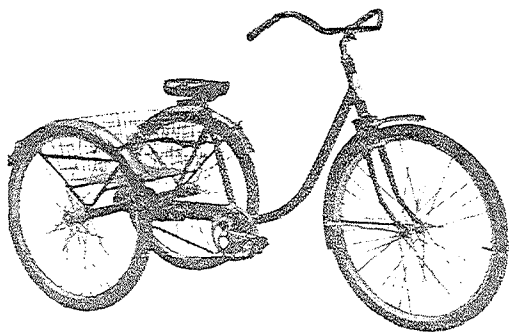
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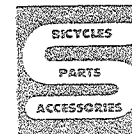
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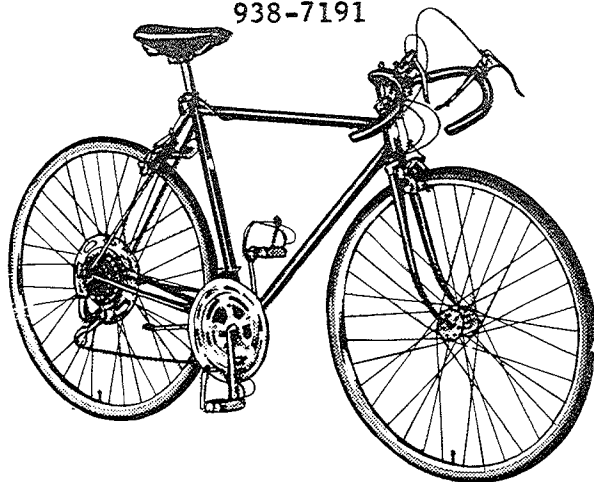
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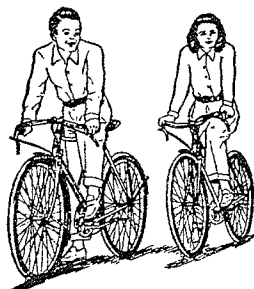
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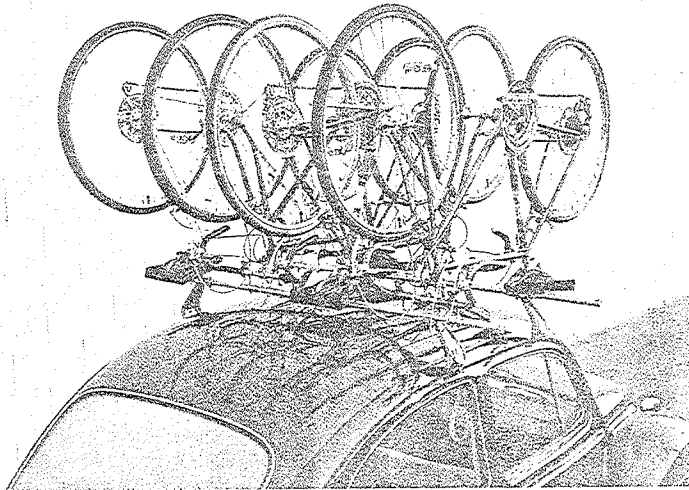
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15 MILE JUNIOR RACE

Men, 15 to 18 years, and women, 15 years and older. 24 laps.

10 MILE INTERMEDIATE RACE

Boys, 12 to 15 years. 16 laps.

5 MILE VETERAN RACE

Men, 40 years and older. 8 laps.

COURSE

The distance around the course has been certified as .629 miles per lap. Two National records were set here on June 23, 1963 by William Halliday.

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