## Musician Travels the Country



COUNTRY GENTLEMEN . . . Myron Floren, nationally known musician with the Lawrence Welk orchestra and guest performer with the South Bay orchestra and guest performer with the South Bay Symphony Orchestra, attends one of the horses on his Rolling Hills ranch. Floren's familiarity with animals goes back to his boyhood days on his father's South Dakota farm.

By HAL FISHER
Press-Herald staff Writer
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in South Dakota from 1939 to dates a year.

1945. During the war years, he did overseas shows for the different states, playing at USO. He moved to St. Lous in 1946, where he performed with groups on local television until 1950 when he picked the right night to take his wife out to dinner.

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sion until 1950 when he sometimes in units with other picked the right night to take his wife out to dinner.

On that night in 1950 Lawrence Welk's orchestra was playing for one night at the restaurant where the Florens went for dinner. Floren asked to sit-in for a couple of numbers and a few weeks later he got a call from Welk offering him a spot in the orchestra. He has been with Welk ever since.

Welk's orchestra established its home base at the old Aragon Ballroom in Ocean Park in May of 1951. He orchestra state tits show on local television. In those days the local state of the weeks are a to live."

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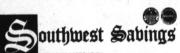
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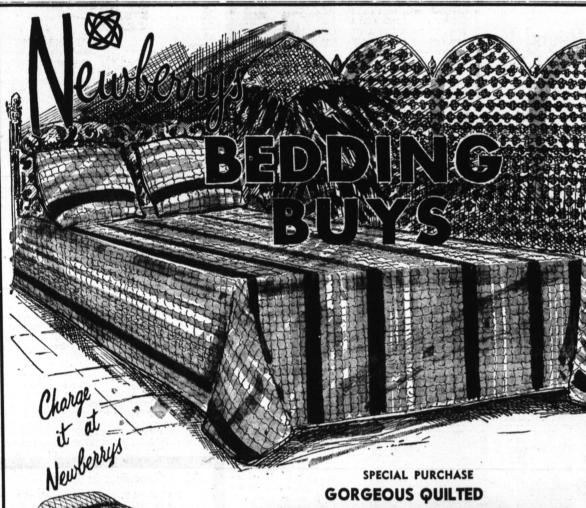
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