

\$12,000 SALARY A MERE TRIFLE TO THIS JOCKEY



Cal Shilling in his native element.

Cal Shilling, America's best jockey, receives a retaining fee of \$12,000 a year from H. C. Hallenbeck, a millionaire eastern turfman, and yawns when the figure is mentioned, remembering the "good old days" when Sam Hildreth paid him \$20,000 for the first call on his services and second and third call brought \$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively.

Shilling hails from Paris, Tex., and owns a majority of the commercial enterprises of the place. There is a Shilling grocery, a Shilling hardware store, a Shilling blacksmith shop and other Shilling places, started by the premier jockey, and some day he may own enough real estate to

change the name of the town to Shilling.

Jockeys like Shilling command large sums for their services, but as Fred Cook, the old-line bookmaker, sagely asked, "What's the use owning a good horse if you haven't a good rider for him?"

Shilling pilots the Hallenbeck horses, including Worth, Adams Express, Fauntleroy, Prince Gal and Azyiade, and his owner believes \$12,000 cheap for the master hand to guide them.

The "best jockey" is tall for his business and has powerful hands and arms. He married a Cleveland, O., girl and papa-in-law handed him \$10,000 as a wedding present.