that rider is Mark Eggar, not Marland Whaley.-Ed.

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UNABASHED PRAISE, GLORY BE

I don't write letters to motorcycle magazine editors for two reasons: I doubt if any could read it since few can write, and I have nothing to say. You seem to be the only magazine aware of the abysmal state of motorcycle journalism. The Editors of DIRT RIDER do some odd things at times but at least you are different, refreshing, innovative, and sometimes even worthwhile.

Specifically, I wrote to congratulate you on presenting two articles in your January issue by two authors whose names are new to me. Bruce Woods' humor piece on the Ute Cup Trials and Bill Sacco's photo-essay on NETRA were, as you might say, "light-years ahead of everyone." Where did you dig these guys up? Will we see more of their work in the future?

For that matter, will we see more of Pete Szilagyi?

> M. J. Maginnis Tulsa, Oklahoma

Bruce Woods lives in Colorado Springs and shyly sent the Ute Cup story after a phone query. Since then we've tried to twist an article a month from him. His success as a DIRT RIDER contributor recently led to his being able to purchase a 15-year-old Chevy pickup to transport his TL125. Bill Sacco lives in New Haven,

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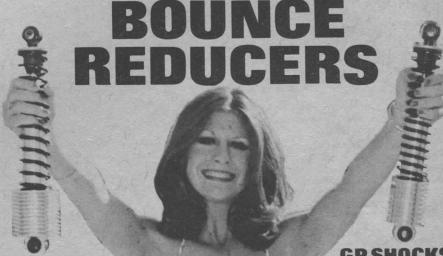
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