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Newly published and just in time for Father's Day!

Editorial review: "...There are enough mechanized adventures to justify the title, but the collection is also liberally laced with Tom Sawyer-type adventures of a North Coast kid." (read full review further down on page)

— Gaye LeBaron Leading Sonoma County historian Longtime Press Democrat columnist (since 1959) Sonoma County's Woman of the Year (2015)

Step back in time...& meet Donald R. Richardson—a rancher, businessman, and pioneering environmentalist who relished growing up on Sonoma County's windswept coast in the 1920s. The Richardson family were early settlers in the area as his grandfather, Herbert Archer Richardson, arrived in 1876 from New Jersey with his new bride and 40¢ to his name—later amassing 25,000 acres, eight miles of which were shoreline, including the small (unincorporated) seaside town of Stewarts Point, located 110 miles northwest of San Francisco.

Over the course of his life, he served as:

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Born in 1914, he grew up in an era when ice was packed in sawdust, and he was one of only nine children attending Stewarts Point's one-room schoolhouse—beginning high school at the age of 11, he rode the train weekdays to and from Santa Rosa High School.

These are his stories: firsthand exploits, oddities, and homespun yarns from his boyhood...and beyond. He penned these tales late in his life, and died in 1983.

NOTE:

His handwritten originals are included herein along with an array of vintage black/white photos. This gift book is 8 1/4" x 8 1/4" square and includes a historical map and colored design elements. As a result of these

key visual elements, NO KINDLE VERSION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS BOOK (as it's not technically viable for this particular book).

A unique keepsake from one of Sonoma County's founding families...



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