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1839 W.C. HARRIS Wild Sports 384 *Redunca Capreolus*. The Rhee Buck. Rhee-bok of the Cape Colonists. 1860 A.W. DRAYTON Sporting Scenes 62 The reh-buck (*Eleotragus villosus*) ... Found in troops of from six to twelve, generally on the rocky hills. 1898 G. NICHOLSON 50 Yrs 21 On and around this farm black gnus and springbuck grazed in thousands on the plains; among the mounts rhebuck and klipspringer were to be had. 1930 S.T. PLATJE Mhudi (1975) 48 On the surrounding hills, bushbuck and rhebuck peeped through the tree stems from the distance. 1952 H. KLEIN Land of Silver Mist 115 Herds of rhebuck dashed away. 1960 U. KRIGE (tr. J. van Melle) in D. Wright S. Afr. Stories 131 There was hardly any game left; now and again a steenbok or duiker, ... a couple of rhebuck, a rietbok, nothing to speak of. 1986 E. TW (Satour) 16 Rhebuck inhabit the grassy highlands.

2. With distinguishing epithet: grey rhebuck, the RHEBOK (sense 1 a). *Pelea capreolus*; mountain, red, or rooi rhebuck /səi-/ [Afk. rooi red (attrib. form rooie)], the mountain reedbuck (see REEDBUCK sense 2), *Redunca fulvorufula*; vaal rhebuck /fa:l-/; the RHEBOK (sense 1 a). *Pelea capreolus*. Also attrib.

1972 S. Afr. Panorama Jan. 19 On the plateau one finds grey rhebuck and oribi. 1980 J. HANKS Mammals 29 The grey rhebuck is frequently misidentified, and the most similar species is the mountain reedbuck. 1986 Sunday Star 9 Nov. (Trav. Suppl.) 2 Among a dozen species of antelope you may see grey rhebuck, unique to South Africa, high up on the plateau, if you should venture to those heights. 1987 T.F.J. VAN RENSBURG Intro. to Fynbos 52 Species that are still found abundantly in fynbos areas are the bontebok ... grysbok, klipspringer, baboons, black-backed jackal, caracal and grey rhebuck. 1982 E. Prov. Herald 16 Sept. 11 Mountain rhebuck and kudu as well as a variety of smaller game. 1891 R. WARD Sportsman's Handbk 122 In Natal are found the Bushbuck ... and Red Rhebuck. 1971 Grocott's Mail 8 June 3 A red rhebuck, ram and eight ewes ... have been released in the Thomas Baines Nature Reserve. 1987 T.F.J. VAN RENSBURG Intro. to Fynbos 52 Species that occur in limited numbers because they move from adjoining veld types are the bush-pig, kudu, red rhebuck, oribi, duiker, steenbok, bushbuck and blue duiker. 1839 W.C. HARRIS Wild Sports 224 The mountain range and its grassy environs, are the resort of six smaller species of antelope, hitherto unnoticed in these pages: viz. the klipspringer, rhebuck, rooie rhebuck, or nagor, ourebi, steenbuck, and duiker. *Ibid.* 384 *Redunca Lalandii*. The Nagor. Rooye Rheebok of the Cape Colonists. 1973 E. Prov. Herald 26 Sept. 4 The bag limits will be: Blesbuck two, rooirhebuck three, kudu two and springbuck four. 1912 W. WESTRUP Land of To-Morrow 163 If you're as handy with a rifle as you are with a shot gun, you ought to do well after vaal rhebuck in the mountains. 1952 H. KLEIN Land of Silver Mist 115 Suddenly Piet yelled 'N'Yama' - and two vaal-rhebucks broke cover immediately in front of us. 1993 Earthyear (ed.5) Winter (Earthling) 27 Table Mountain is unique ... There are still duiker, grysbok, vaal rhebuck.

rhee-boc, rheebok var. RHEBOK.

rheim, rheimpy var. RIEM n. . RIEMPIE n.

rhem var. RIEM v.

renosterbos /rə'nəstəbəs/ n. Also renosterbos(ch), renosterbosch, rhinosterbos(ch). [S. Afr. Du., fr. Du. *renoster* rhinoceros + *bos*(ch) bush. The influence of mod. Afk. *renosterbos* is seen in the most recent quoats.]

1. RHINOCEROS-BUSH. Also attrib., and renosterbosje, -bossie [see BOSCHJE].

1812 A. PLUMPTRE tr. H. Lichtenstein's Trav. in S Afr. (1928) 173 We here found in abundance a plant which ... the colonists call ... rhinosterbos, because, they say, that in the time when the rhinoceros was an inhabitant of the country, it used to feed very much upon this plant. 1822 W.J. BURCHELL Trav. I. 101 A neat pale bushy shrub, of the height of three or four feet, called Rhinoster bosch (Rhinoceros bush)

and said to have formerly been the food of the huge rhinoceros, till those animals fled before the colonists. a1827 D. CARMICHAEL in W.J. Hooker Botanical Misc. (1831) II. 56 The country ... is overrun with the heath-like shrub called the Rhinoster bosch. (Stoebe rhinocerotis), from under cover of which we startled numbers of Duyker antelopes. 1844 J. BACKHOUSE Narr. of Visit 511 The Rhinosterbos. Rhinoceros-bush, a low shrub, which is said to grow only on country which will produce wheat. 1861 LADY DUFF-GORDON Lett. from Cape (1925) 69 The whole veld (common) ... is covered with a low thin scrub, about eighteen inches high, called rhinosterbosch - looking like meagre arbor vitae or pale juniper. 1872 E.J. DUNN in A.M.L. Robinson Sel. Articles from Cape Monthly Mag. (1978) 39 How much better it would be to see the 'Ruggens' covered with 'schaapbosch', instead of the worthless 'rhinoster bosch'. 1910 A.B. LAMONT Rural Reader 259 Rhinosterbos is one of our commonest bushes, being found all over the country. 1918 J.W. BEWS Grasses & Grasslands 95 In the South-Western region, the species which is usually dominant over great areas ... is the Rhinoster bosch, a composite (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*). 1927 C.G. BOTHA Social Life in Cape Col. 103 The tops of branches of the rhinosterboschies, ... when infused in wine or brandy gave a good stomachic bitters. 1941 C.W. DE KIEWIET Hist. of S. Afr. 189 Tumbleweed, prickly pear, rhinosterbos, and jointed cactus invaded the territory of the edible grass and nutritious plants. 1957 L.G. GREEN Beyond City Lights 225 Within a brushwood fence, in a kraal covered inches deep with manure by the sheep, sheltered from the sun by a renosterbos roof, the tobacco plants flourish. 1961 M. COLE S. Afr. 541 Burning and overgrazing ... have destroyed many of the grasses and permitted the sway of the useless renosterbos (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*), a low shrub whose leaves are impregnated with wax and are unpalatable to animals. 1964 L.G. GREEN Old Men Say 149 Renosterbos, gummy and resinous, to be infused with brandy: a tonic for dyspeptics. 1973 Y. BURGESS Life to Live 113 She says you can try some wildales or renosterbos in a little brandy to make you strong. 1978 Sunday Times 5 Mar. 3 Just one teensy-weensy elephant peering at one over a renosterbosie. 1984 A. WANNENBURGH Natural Wonder of S Afr. 87 Here the most prevalent taller plants are the greygreen renosterbos and four species of protea, including the water white sugar-bush. 1988 SMUTS & ALBERTS Forgotten Highway 24 At the southern entrance in the Cold Bokkeveld, the vegetation is not unlike that of Ceres, with the renosterbos (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*) much in evidence. [1993 see RENOSTERVELD.]

2. comb. renosterbosveld /-felt/ [Afk. veld (open) countryside]. RENOSTERVELD.

1987 T.F.J. VAN RENSEURG Intro. to Fynbos 14 As indicated earlier, there are five veld types in the Cape Floral kingdom or Fynbos Biome: strandveld, coastal renosterbosveld, coastal fynbos, fynbos and false fynbos ... The soils on which strandveld and coastal renosterbosveld are found are fertile, neutral to alkaline and sometimes somewhat brackish. *Ibid.* 23 Coastal Renosterbosveld ... What strikes one about this veld type is the dominance of the evergreen fine-leaved shrub renosterbush (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*) and the characteristic wealth of spring flowers. [1989 Weekend Post 7 Oct. 3 It was considered vital to conserve the Baviaanskloof because it was the meeting place of four major veld types - mountain fynbos, valley bushveld, Knysna forest and Cape grassveld. A fifth veld type, renosterbos, was found on the fringes.]

renostervoëls /rə'nəstə(r).fəuəl/ n. Also renostervoëls, and (formerly) renoster-, rhinaster vogel. [S. Afr. Du., *renoster* rhinoceros (later Afk. *renoster*) + *vogel* (later Afk. *voël*) bird.] OXPECKER

1822 W.J. BURCHELL Trav. I. 245 They distinguish also a Renoster-vogel and an Olifants vogel; but whatever might have been believed of these birds formerly, they are not now to be depended upon by the hunter, in search of these quadrupeds. [1899 see RHINOCEROS BIRD] 1990 C. LAFFEATY Far Forbidden Plains 356 'They are renostervoëls,' he said. 'Those red

bills of theirs are searching out ticks on the hides of the cattle.'

rhiem var. RIEM n.

rhinoceros bird n. phr. Also rhinoceros' bird. [Prob. tr. S. Afr. Du. *rhinostervoëls*, see prec.] OXPECKER also (colloq.) rhino bird.

1822 J. CAMPBELL Trav. in S. Afr. Second Journey I. 282 There is a brown bird, about the size of a thrush, called the rhinoceros' bird, from its perching upon these animals and picking off the bush-lice which fix on them. 1850 R.G.G. CUMMING Hunter's Life I. 344 Before I could reach the proper distance to fire, several rhinoceros-birds, by which he was attended, warned him of his impending danger by sticking their bills into his ear, and uttering their harsh, grating cry. 1897 SCHULZ & HAMMAR New Africa 130 On nearing the bush, the rising of some 'rhinoceros' (also known as 'tick') birds, with their shrill, peculiar shriek, warned me that the beast was near. 1899 J.G. MILLAIS Breath from Veldt 95 (Swart). I should like to add a few notes from personal observation of the rhinoceros bird (or 'rhinaster vogel', as it is called by the Dutch), which to my mind is the most interesting bird I have ever seen. 1937 W.D. DE KOK tr. EN. Maraist Soul of White Ant (1973) 54 In this country the rhinoceros-bird, which used to relieve the now vanished thick-skinned game of ticks, has undertaken the same office for the thinner-skinned domestic animals. 1947 J. STEVENSON-HAMILTON Wild Life in S. Afr. 47 The black rhinoceros ... is often accompanied by rhinoceros birds (Buphaga), which give the alarm on the approach of enemies. 1991 Farmer's Weekly 25 Jan. 20 (advt) By controlling the cursed ticks on cattle and game, highly toxic poisons also wiped out large numbers of the good old Rhino birds.

rhinoceros-bush n. [Prob. tr. S. Afr. Du. *renostervos(ch)*. see RHENOSTERBOS; see quot. 1731.] The evergreen shrub *Elytropappus rhinocerotis* of the Asteraceae, with grey-blue, fine-leaved foliage and clusters of small, purple flowers; RENOSTERBOS sense 1; RHINOSTER sense 2.

1731 G. MEDLEY tr. P. Kolb's Present State of Cape of G.H. 103 [The Rhinoceros] is not fond of Feeding on Grass, chusing rather Shrubs, Broom and Thistles. But the Delight of his Tooth is a Shrub, not much unlike the Juniper, but not of so fine a Scent, nor quite so prickly. The Cape-Europeans call it the Rhinoceros-Bush. 1786 G. FORSTER tr. A. Sparrman's Voy. to Cape of G.H. I. 251 The rhinoceros-bush (a species of stoebe) a dry shrub, which is otherwise used to thrive on barren tracts of land, now begins to encroach more and more on such places as have been thoroughly cleared and cultivated. 1801 J. BARROW Trav. I. 69 Two species of seriphium, called here the rhinoceros-bush, predominate. 1821 C.J. LATROBE Jnl of Visit 55 Some of us rekindled the fire, keeping up a constant blaze, by feeding it with rhinoceros-bushes, a resinous shrub, with large roots, but easily pulled up. 1824 W.J. BURCHELL Trav. II. 126 The rhinoceros-bush grows abundantly on different parts of these mountains, and was the only fuel which I saw used at this house. 1839 W.C. HARRIS Wild Sports 30 Barely sufficient quantity of fuel, from a shrub called the rhinoceros bush, could be obtained for culinary purposes. 1976 E. Prov. Herald 21 Oct. 4 Invader plants that cause the greatest problem in the mountainous parts of the Eastern Karroo Region were the broom bush, taaibos or kraaibosse, Leucosidea, rhinoceros bush, resin bush and buffalo thorn. 1991 H. BRADFORD in Cosmopolitan Aug. 127 In addition to swallowing one cup of this cocktail three times a day, at night the pregnant woman was urged to find, strain, and drink a black-ant nest made in the rhinoceros-bush.

rhinoster /rə'nəstə(r)/ n. Also r(h)enoster, rhinaster, renosta. [Englished form of S. Afr. Du. *renoster* (later Afk. *renoster*) rhinoceros.] 1. obs.

a. Either of two species of rhinoceros of the Rhinocerotidae, the white or square-lipped rhinoceros *Ceratotherium simum*, or the black or hook-lipped rhinoceros *Diceros bicornis* (now an endangered species).

1839 W.C. HARRIS Wild Sports 371 Rhinoceros *Africanus*. The African Rhinoceros. Rhinaster of the Cape Colonists ... Rhinoceros *Sinusus*. The White Rhinoceros. Witte Rhinaster of the Cape Colonists. 1844 J. BACKHOUSE Narr. of Visit 172 The common two-horned Rhinoceros. *Rhinoceros bicornis*, called Rhinoster by the Cape colonists, was formerly common throughout the country.

b. comb. rhinoster bird, OXPECKER.

1851 J.F. CHURCHILL Diary, (Killie Campbell Africana Library MS37) 29 June. Met with no wild animals during the day. Saw a few Rhinoster Birds with large Bills.

2. In full rhinoster bush: RHINOCEROS-BUSH.

1851 R. GRAY Jnl of Bishop's Visitation II. Unbroken, monotonous rhinoster bush. 1867 Blue Bk for Col. 1866 JJ15. The rhinoster bush, since the introduction of sheep, has fearfully encroached on the pasturage, leaving no alternative but to burn it. 1896 R. WALLACE Farming Indus of Cape Col. 81 The rhinoster bush has spread more widely and more quickly than exotic plants generally do, on account of it having been carried through the Colony by the brandy distilling Boers of old time, who used it as Dunnage in packing the casks on their waggons. 1902 H.J. DUCKITT in M. KUTTEL Quadrilles & Konfyt (1954) 17 There was the large oven (built into the kitchen), which took a cartload of wood to heat; by wood I mean 'rhinoster bush', which grows on the hills, and strange to say, wherever land has been under cultivation, in a few years it is covered with this bush, which makes excellent firewood. 1905 H. BOTUS in Flint & Gilchrist Science in S. Afr. 219 The constituents of the 'zuur-veld' (or sour-veld), as it is called by the colonists, are of a coarser character .. which are of little use to live-stock; just as they, and also the rhinoster-bush (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*) and the Restionaceae, are the great drawbacks of the grazing grounds in the South-west Region. 1913 D. FAIRBRIDGE Piet of Italy 131 Francesco followed him across the veld and up the grey rhinoster-clad hillside. *Ibid.* 137 He found himself passing through a gate which led to nowhere — or only to an expanse of stony veld covered with grey tufts of rhinoster. 1915 — Torch Bearer 49 The fragrant scent of burning rhinoster-bush rose from a cottage chimney near by and floated in at the open window. 1917 R. MARLOTH Common Names 69 *Rhinoesterbos* (Rhinoster Bush), *Elytropappus rhinocerotis* ... Mostly looked upon as a useless bush, which much impedes the farming operations, but on the Ruggens (Caledon distr.) it is in many cases the only fuel available for ovens and other domestic use. 1920 E.H.L. SCHWARZ Thirstland Redemption 19 We have in South Africa the example of the Rhenoster Bush, that is said to have sprung from a few plants brought to Simon's Town. 1928 N. STEVENSON Afr. Harvest 175 There was an overpowering smell of rhenosta bush. 1947 F.C. SLATER Sel. Poems 229 *Rhinoester*. A grey low bush (*Elytropappus rhinocerotis*), growing gregariously in South-West Cape Colony, but extending to Grahamstown on temporarily unused arable land and on overstocked pasturage — a great pest. 1969 I. VAUGHAN These Were my Yesterdays 48 Dawn of the next day had brought us out of the rhenoster bush of Swellendam and Robertson.

Rhodes grass n. phr. Also with small initial. [Named for Cecil John Rhodes (1853–1902); see quot. 1913.] The indigenous African grass *Chloris gayana* of the Poaceae, cultivated for pasture and hay.

1913 C. PETTMAN Africanderisms 399 Rhodes grass, *Chloris Gayana*, Kunth. A native grass which was brought to the notice of the late Hon. Cecil Rhodes while on a visit to the Queenstown District, as a valuable fodder plant, and sent by him to his farm in the Matopos, is now generally known as Rhodes grass. 1929 J.W. BEWS World's Grasses 179 'Rhodes grass', a native of Africa .. is cultivated in the S.W. States of N. America, in Hawaii, and in Australia. 1937 Handbk for Farmers (Dept of Agric. & Forestry) 409 Rhodes grass .. is a sweet-veld grass, hence its establishment and persistence in sour-veld areas is not likely to prove successful. 1962 New Scientist (U.K.) 1 Mar. 487 Since the beginning of the century, when it was introduced into Australia from its native home

in Africa, Rhodes grass (*Chloris gayana*) has become the dominant pasture species. 1991 D.M. MOORE Garden Earth 199 The Rhodes grass (*Chloris gayana*) is now an important pasture and hay grass in warm areas outside southern Africa.

Rhodesian lion dog see LION DOG.

Rhodesian ridgeback see RIDGEBACK.

Rhodie /'raudi/ n. Often derog. colloq. [Formed on Rhodesian + Eng. (informal) n.-forming suffix -ie.] A white expatriate of the former Rhodesia; a white person from Zimbabwe (esp. one resentful of majority rule).

Used (since the renaming of the country in 1980) in contrast to Zimbabwean.

1983 Rand Daily Mail 16 Sept. 1 Detention without acquittal would remain in Zimbabwe as long as there were threats from 'South African destabilisation, bandits and old Rhodes who still try to carry on the war which ended at Lancaster House'. 1985 [see WHEN-WH]. 1984 E. Prov. Herald 27 Feb. 6 The SABC has hurtled into 20th century politics .. laying on a simulacrum in English for the Rhodeses on the Natal South Coast. 1990 Weekly Mail 28 Sept. 9 They were told that the skills they'd acquired abroad were urgently required by the new, non-racial nation now that the Rhodes' illegal government had been toppled ... Cynics and doom merchants are already muttering that .. there'll be the same migration out of South Africa, though where the brains draining away go could be a problem (as it is for Rhodes) — the southern tip of the continent being the end of the road. 1993 *Ibid.* 21 May 16 Not so long ago, Rhodes ruled the world ... But .. they had to give way, and they are not happy.

rhy-bók var. RHEBOK.

ribbetjie /'rabekj/ n. Also ribitje. [Afk.] Ribs (or 'rack') of lamb or mutton (see quot. 1970); chops. Also with defining word, as braairibbetjie /'brai-/ [Afk., braai grill(ed)], barbecued ribs, skaapribbetjie /'ska:p-/ [Afk., skaap sheep], mutton ribs. See also SOUTRIBETJIE.

1916 Farmer's Weekly 27 Dec. 1585 The 'old style' man goes to town for 'Nachtmaal' every quarter, lives in his wagon while there, eats 'gebraide ribbetjie' or 'biltong' at the camp fire, and drinks his coffee out of his own kettle. 1935 P. SMITH Platkops Children 213 An' the picnic was sasaaties an' ribbitjies cooked on the coals, an' coffee an' cookies. 1958 A. JACKSON Trader on Veld 23 Her range of culinary art was limited to serving us with 'braairibbetjie' (grilled mutton chops) without vegetables for breakfast, lunch and dinner. 1968 L.G. GREEN Full Mary Glorious Morning 232 Richter and Frikkie had just finished their evening meal of braairibbetjies with potatoes baked in the embers. 1970 Evening Post 17 Oct. (Suppl.) 6 Braairibbetjie. This consists of 4-6lb of mutton or lamb. When the shoulder has been removed, the breast and ribs are cut and chopped down to the spine, just before the chops are reached. Keep the ribbetjie in one piece, but chop through the bones so as to cut it into convenient serving pieces when grilled. 1984 Sunday Times 7 Oct. (Lifestyle) 1 This [sc. Graaff-Reinet] is a typical platteland town, you know. We like our ribbitjies on the braai after church. 1985 T. BARON in Frontline Feb. 31 White mussels, they told us that night in the bar as Scotch Jan fed us skaapribbetjies. They taste better than limpets, even to a galjoen.

ribbok var. RHEBOK.

ride v. [Calque formed on Afk. ry drive, ride, convey.]

1. trans. a. To convey or transport (goods or substances). b. In the phr. *to ride transport*, to work as a carrier: KURVEY. See also TRANSPORT-RIDER, TRANSPORT-RIDING.

Also U.S. Eng. in sense a.

1862 Abstracts in Cape Stat. p.vi. Prohibition against overworking cattle in riding wood, and thus rendering them unfit for the plough. 1866 E.L. PRICE Jnl (1956) 218 Roger has had a very hard and busy time

with the Dam-making. The soil proves too sandy — and he has been obliged to get Seidras to ride earth from other place[s] round about. 1870 E. Prov. Herald 9 Aug.. First you sift your earth, and then sieve in water with the gravel on the table to be sorted ... Two casks of water will last you all day, and that will save riding earth all day. 1878 Cape Parl. Papers in R. Ross Adam Kok's Griqua (1976) 110 I also reaped 30 bags of mealies, selling them at 12s.: .. riding transport as work permits. 1880 Alice Times 30 Jan. It is a common thing to hear farmers .. complain that they have to ride water for household uses a distance of eight or ten miles. 1897 E. GLANVILLE Tales from Veld 26, I want you to 'ride' a load of wood to the house. 1905 P. GIBBON Vrouw Grobelaar 67 The man was clean mad, and, in spite of all we could do, .. he rode her to the dorp and married her there. 1911 — Margaret Harding 61 When I was a young man I rode transport ... Then I travelled. 1913 [see misrybol (M15 sense 3)]. 1913 C. PETTMAN Africanderisms 400 Ride, To A common South African colloquialism used this verb somewhat peculiarly, e.g. 'He is riding wood, forage, etc.' meaning 'He is carting wood, forage, etc.' from one place to another. 1926 P. SMITH Beadle (1929) 115 Aalst Vlokman was at that time riding transport between Platkops dorp and Princetown village. 1929 J.G. VAN ALPHEN Jan Venter 44 One of the neighbours has put a fence across his road which we have been using for riding mealies to the railway siding for the last fifteen years. 1937 C.R. PRANCE Tante Rebella's Saga 125 The ox- and the donkey-wagon are almost obsolete, and with them has died out Jock's hope to make his poorer debtors ride transport to work off their debt. 1962 F.C. METROWICH Scotty Smith 166 De Jay must have been a complete fool, because .. he actually agreed to go transport riding with him. 1972 Grocott's Mail 15 Dec. 3 Farmers have to ride in feed. 1979 M. PARKES Wheatlands 84 He .. had the foresight to know that in times of drought, the prickly pear was an asset and very useful, not only to us, as neighbours rode loads of it to feed their animals.

2.a. trans. In the phr. *to ride (someone) over*, to run (someone) over.

1978 Darling 19 July 12 An African has accused me of riding him over with the panel van I possessed at the time.

b. trans. To drive (a motor-vehicle).

1986 Informant, Durban You must see how he rides his car!

c. intrans. To travel.

1991 G. DE BEER Informant, Port Nolloth (N. Cape) Ride in (drive in/travel in): Let's ride in your car today.

Ride Safe n. phr. Also with small initials. The name of the voluntary organization co-ordinating assistance with free travel for national servicemen who are on leave (see quot. 1981). Usu. attrib. Cf. BELLERYNA.

1979 W. STEENKAMP in Cape Times 20 Jan., Project Ride Safe, the give-a-troopie-a-lift scheme, is now well under way ... Thanks to the Ride Safe scheme our troopers' hitch-hiking is rather better regulated ... If you see a garage displaying the red-and-yellow Ride Safe sign call in there in case there is a soldier waiting for a lift. 1979 Grocott's Mail 8 Feb. 1 Two Ride Safe pick-up points for homeward bound soldiers are planned for Grahamstown. 1979 Paratus Oct. (Suppl.) 1 The Ride Safe scheme for National Servicemen wishing to go home over weekends is working admirably well. However, some motorists fear an accident with a soldier in the car. 1981 Rand Daily Mail 29 Sept. 14 The 'ride safe' project was launched in 1978. This project, which is at present being expanded and improved, provides lifts for national servicemen, safe boarding along freeways, free sleeping accommodation in certain towns along the main routes, proper third party insurance and special luminous sashes to make them more visible at night. 1982 E. Prov. Herald 10 Nov. 10 If funds are needed to make the Ride-Safe telephone service more effective, why on earth should they come from the good-hearted women who do the job? 1985 Cape Times 30 Dec. 7 Ride Safe: Lifts for national servicemen.