

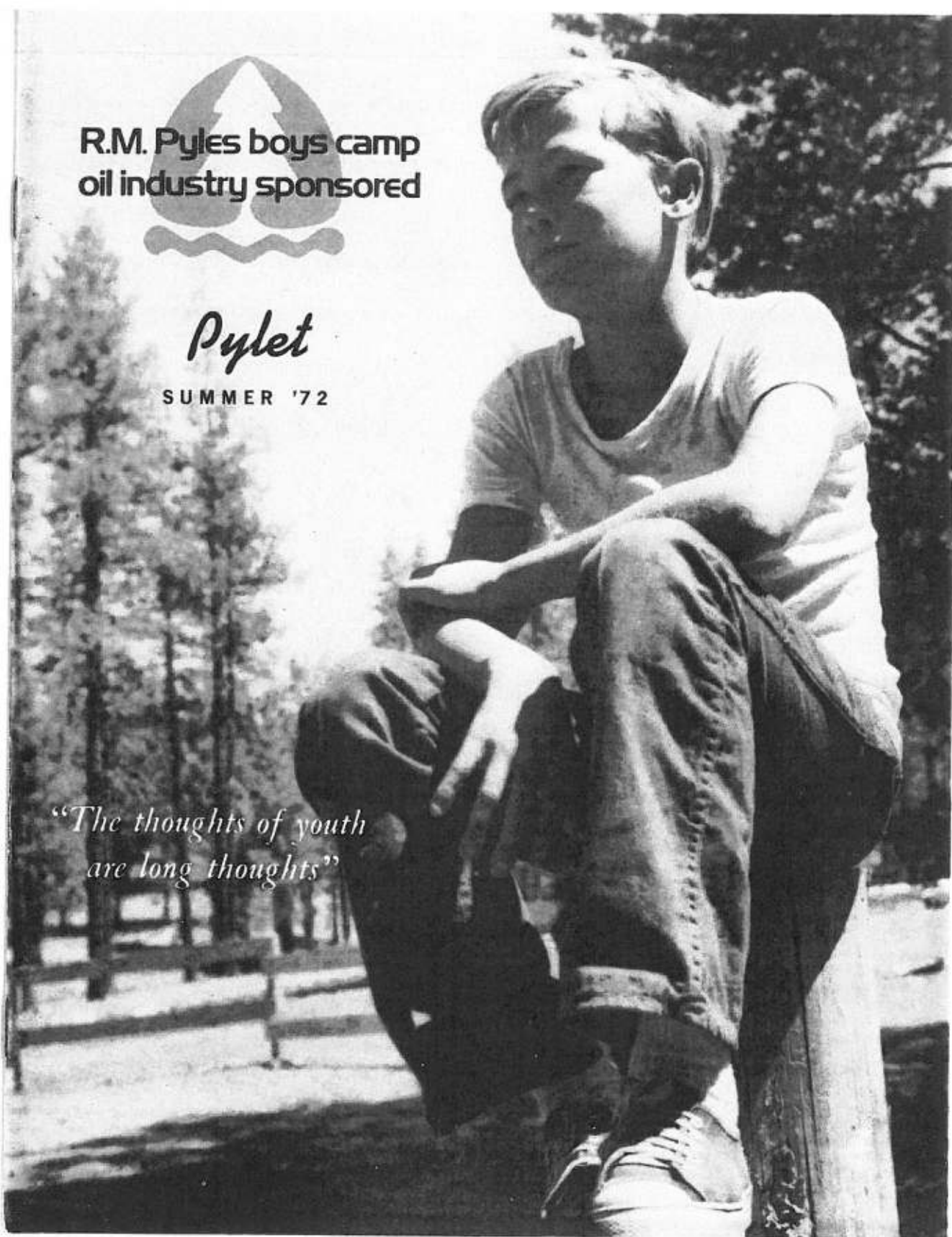


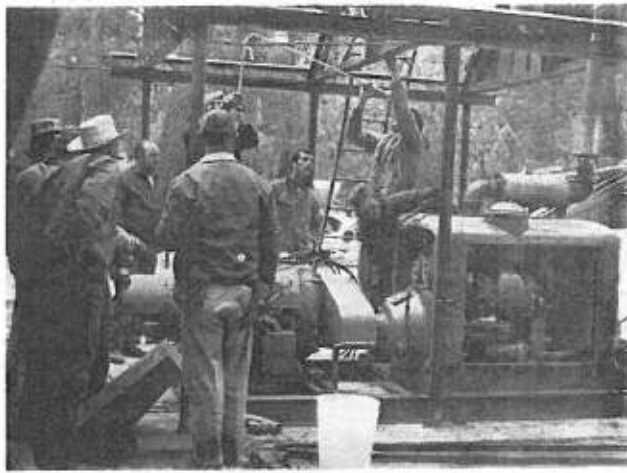
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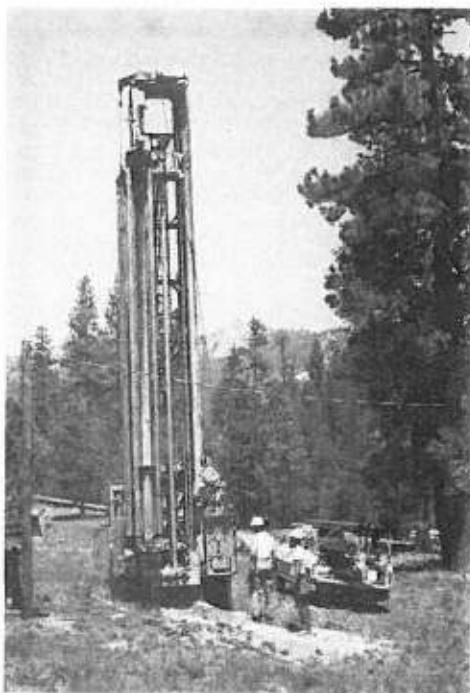
Pre-Camp Activities



Some of the 20 tons of summer supplies that must be stored and made ready for camp opening. Buzz is sorting them out.



Assistant Camp Director Prof. Shevock getting in shape for a vigorous summer by packing sugar up back stairs into the store room.



Drilling for water was high on the pre-summer schedule. An air rig was hired from Isabella and . . .



The summer staff comes up for a work weekend May 12-13-14, and work they do!



They got a little water but further drilling is planned in a more promising location for the latter part of summer.

NINTH ANNUAL



Those Who Came and Worked...

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Alex Anderson
John Chandler



CAMP COOKS
Bob Karstaedt
Doris Karstaedt



A special thanks to John Chandler for installing the new walk-in cooler.





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First Half Summer

Second half will be in October Pylet



APACHE and LUCKY



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MACE and RUBI



Dave Richison, horse-shoer, comes up from Long Beach to shoe camp horses twice during summer . . . at less than city prices.



O.H., early camp worker, helping break in new horse prior to his being used by campers.



Smokey, ex-officio Wrangler, on one of the four new horses, Rider. In the background is the newly acquired Jeep donated by Camp Secretary-Treasurer, Ed Pellegrin.



Working with campers in riding-ring has been highly effective and safety regulations are easily observed. Two hours of ring work are given each camper, in addition to a half day on the trail.



Spike, Assistant Wrangler, showing camper the techniques of proper horse handling.

New Riding Program

It was felt that a new, invigorated and educational approach to Pyles Camp horseback riding should be made in 1972. In line with this philosophy Smokey, the Camp Director, and Spike (his son and previous Camp counselor) took charge and mapped out the new plan. The first half of summer with the horses has been highly successful, beyond the fondest wishes of Smokey. Each camper not only was taught to ride the trails but became acquainted with, and in some cases proficient, saddling, bridling, grooming and maneuvering in the riding ring. The newly built riding ring was most important to this new program and the work-party who built it is to be complimented. This program will continue throughout the summer and the entire string of 11 horses and 3 mules will be used to their maximum.



ARCHERY



Archery, always a favorite with the campers, is having another good summer play thanks to the efforts of two brothers, Ham and Spring Hostetter. Spring began the summer program of archery while his older brother was in Dallas for Explo '72 and did an excellent job. When asked their favorite activity in Pyles Camp, Archery is always near the top for campers.



The Fishing Program

Thanks to the cooperation of the Calif. Dept. of Fish and Game we are being planted in our camp (Freeman Creek) every two weeks. Each plant is 800 catchable fish. This exceeds our previous plants by 25% and is an additional incentive for our young campers to catch their limit of Rainbow trout. The fish are transported from Kernville Fish Hatchery via mobile unit and put directly in our creek. We are indebted to the director of the Fish and Game Dept., Ray Arnett, for his continued support of our camp program. Mr. Arnett was previously a member of our Kern Co. Pyles Camp Committee.





Lorraine Cosner with two friends, Toby the Mule and a special camp friend, Clayton Fisher.



Campers Bill and Terry, from Tulare Co., show how to make a proper Pyles Camp bunk.



When boys begin to work and play together, in harmony, they have learned one of life's most important lessons.

Desk and Derrick Visitors

Bakersfield Desk and Derrick members Betty Stubblefield, Lorraine Cosner, Grace Holtz, Gerry Strickland, Ceri Strickland and Clover Brooks visited the Pyles Camp June 30, July 1 and July 2. These ladies have been bulwarks of support to the Boys Camp in Bakersfield for many years and, in fact, Lorraine Cosner is the leading salesman (woman) for tickets for the annual fund-raising Kern Co. Barbecue. The ladies were so taken with the boys and their welcome so real that they came back for an additional evening to see the July 4th Camp fiesta party. Thanks to the D & D.

Camp Inspections

The Pyles Camp has long been noted for its total cleanliness. Each morning every camper spends one hour doing his share to see that the total camp is spic and span. As a result of this effort, on behalf of the campers and counselors, Pyles is super clean.

In addition to the over-all cleanliness it is the philosophy of the camp to try to teach personal cleanliness in the campers. Each camper must pass inspection prior to each meal. A continuing cabin and bunk inspection is held throughout a camper's two weeks in camp. The cabin-winner of this inspection is given homemade ice cream, all the campers can eat, at the conclusion of 13 days in camp. Making of a bunk is very important due to the cold nights.



Outcamping is one of the Camp's most unusual and effective character molding programs. Each group (as Pepper's shown here) will spend four days and nights on their own many miles from the main camp. This group went 37 miles.

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R.M. Pyles boys camp

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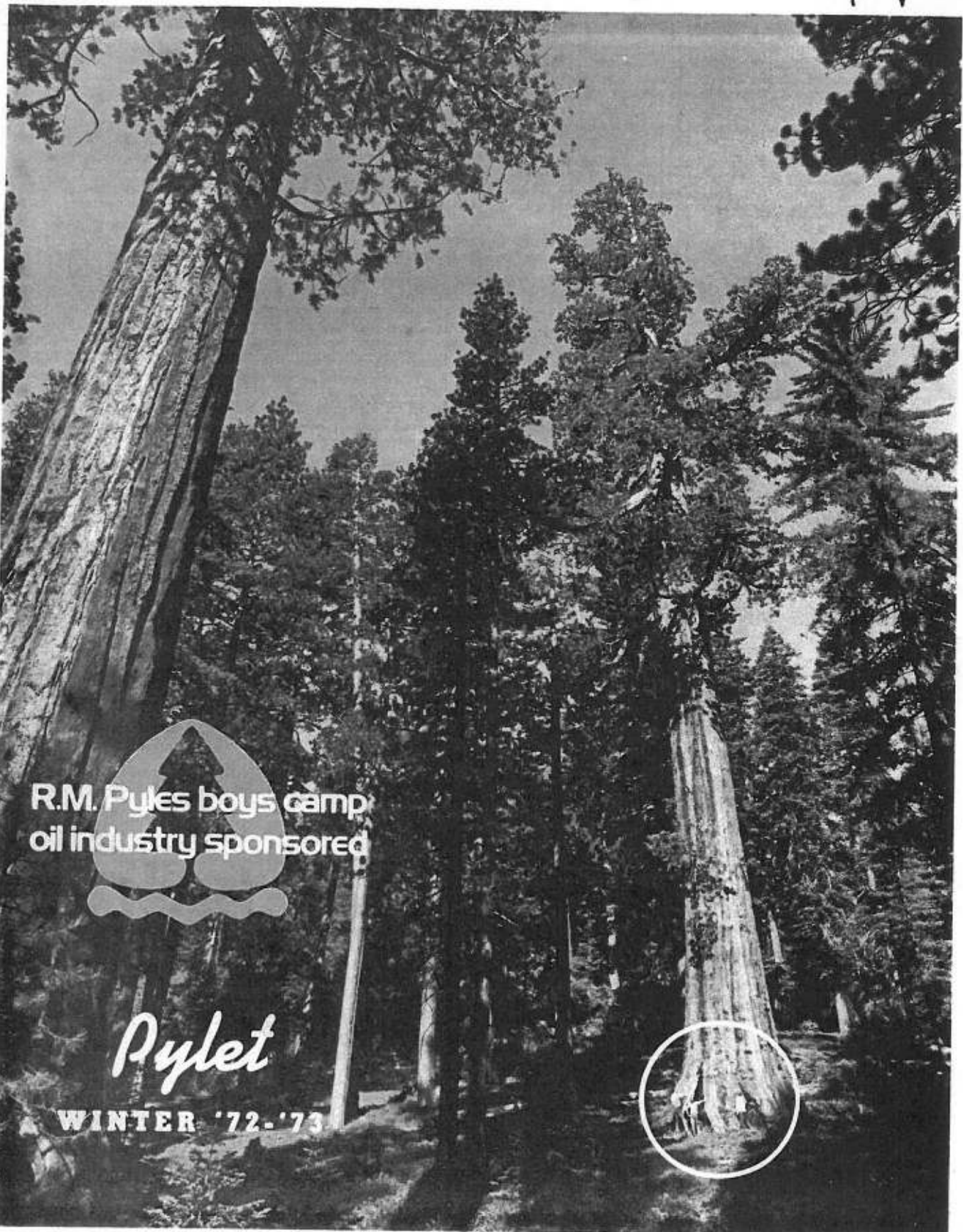
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FIRST SESSION

June 10-23

KERN COUNTY

HONOR CAMPERS — David Hall, Tony Castro, Daniel Hall, David Edwards, Miguel Monsibais.



RUBI'S GROUP — Rubi, Keith, Rehana, Dwayne McKinley, David Edwards, Chris Gonzalez, Bill Foster, Pratt Homer, Wayne Nolen and Randy Prochanu.



JOCKEY'S GROUP — Steve Killan, Luis Sanchez, Jerry Aultman, Ralph Chavez, Edwin Propps, George Cuadras, Ronald Solis, Stanley Musgrove, William Rieff and Jockey.



BIG AL'S GROUP — Jesse Juarez, Ray Romero, George May, Wes Perry, Larry Monson, Mike Walton, Tony Gage and Big Al.

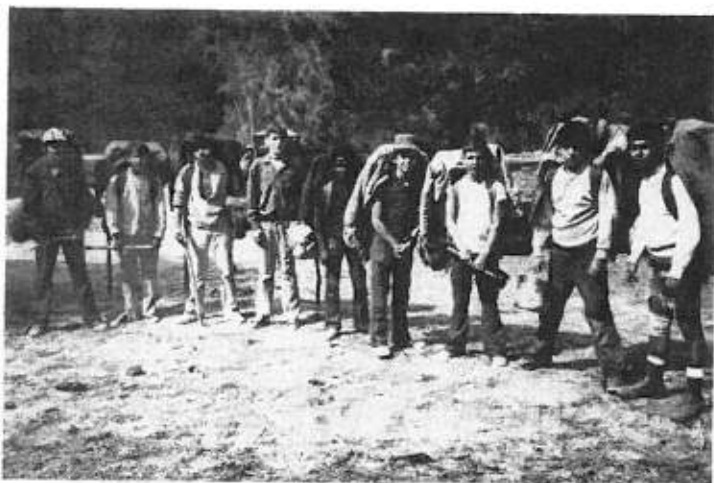
MACE'S GROUP — David Corrasco, Rick Mack, Bobby Crisler, Dennis Smithson, Kirk Warren, Curtis Robinson, Terry Moffet, Alan Steward and Mace.



SPIKE'S GROUP — Spike, Ken McKenzie, Danny Rangel, Gil Benford, Tony Castro, Lawrence Grijalva, Jerry Clearwater, Joe Mackins and Danny Reynolds.



CHU-CHU'S GROUP — John Mackins, Clay Deason, Robert Colum, Mike Griffen, Gilbert Garcia, Rick Crane, Dan Ante, Chu-Chu and Danny Juarez.



TWIG'S GROUP — Tom Madrid, Ralph Cervantes, Mike Monsibais, Danny Jarrell, Garvin Prichett, Jim Hutcherson, Nolen Thrower, Robert Clearwater and Twig.

CHAIN'S GROUP — Paul Flores, Steve McMillan, Ray Perez, Nick Perez, Frank Moreno, Daniel Hall, Ron McNearney, David Hall and Chain.



SECOND SESSION

June 23-July 6

KERN, TULARE AND
VENTURA COUNTIES

HONOR CAMPERS — John Knighten, Billy Evans, Joseph Boot, Mario Rodriguez, Gilbert Silva, Kirk Hartman and Joe Morales.



MACE'S "WOLVERINES" — John Connick, Tim Perry, Guy Hartman, Stan Larrien, Henry Doak, Tom Dome, Mace and Mike Sturges.



RUBI'S "RANGERS" — Rubi, Richard Rosson, John Rojas, Levy Burris, John Acosta, Robert Bryant, Joe Morales, Tim Becker and Harold McMurray.



NAVAJO'S "GOLDEN EAGLES" — Vance Fowler, Jim McCloud, Don Walker, Martin Owens, David Garcia, Jose Lizarraga, Navajo, James Becker, John Burch.



PEPPER'S "PACK RATS" — Mike James, Paul Zavala, Kirk Hartman, Sam Salazar, Rudy Flores, Mario Rodriguez, Gilbert Silva, Dale Cone and Pepper.



SARGE'S "STOMPERS" — Joe Zuniga, Kenneth Scott, Clayton Fisher, Mike Bumpus, Ernest Sutton, Sarge and Bruce Royal.



CHU-CHU'S "NO NAMES" — Greg Alcozar, Kevin Waites, Jim McGraw, Kelly Johnson, Vance Fowler, Paul Halphin Jr., Joe Boot and Chu-Chu.



BIG AL'S "BEACH BUMS" — Big Al, Terry Taylor, Jeff Betts, Steven Figueroa, James Arias and Billy Evans.



TWIG'S "TERRIFIERS" — Chris Momen, John Knighten, Mike Owens, Twig, Nick Wilkinson, David Rosas, Ernest Campos and Kirk Eckford.

CHAIN'S "SOUL SURVIVORS" — Noe Garcia, Andy Padron, Chain, Greg Steverson, Frank Garcia.



THIRD SESSION

July 6-19

LOS ANGELES, SANTA BARBARA
AND VENTURA COUNTIES

HONOR CAMPERS—Tim Armstrong,
Rick McCoy, Nick Kennedy, Todd
Tolliver, Leonard Campbell, Jim
Laurent, Roy Davidson, Eddie Leon.



SARGE'S "SNIPERS" — Sarge, Tony Post, Tim Francois, Mark
Peterson, Roy Davidson, George Roqasch and John Larson.



NAVAJO'S "GOLDEN EAGLES" — Frank Casper, Navajo, Eddie
Leon, Tony Garcia, Rusty Casper, Robert Blair and Robert
Merick.



BIG AL'S "TRAIL TROOPERS"
— Jack Selznick, George Otto,
Francisco Mora, Big Al, Steven
Roth, Henry Subia and Owen
Robinson.



RUBI'S "RASCALS" — Rubi, Tracy Roades, Richard Hall, Robert Pearson, Chuck Roth, Steve Rodriguez, Rodney Blackwell.



CHU-CHU'S "CHALLENGERS" (above) — Gabriel Pastore, Robert Wright, Tony O'Hannon, Danny Logan, Rick Weaver, Earl Washington, Richard LeMay and Chu-Chu.



MACE'S "HUSKIES" (above)—Howard Chavez, Steve Smith, Todd Tolliver, Leonard Campbell, Mace, Ken Vaughn, Bob Cooper, Horacio Palomino and Darryl McMihelk.



PEPPER'S "PARATROOPERS" (right) — Lee Ingram, Ricky McCoy, Frank Zubaly, Teddy Garcia, Lee Webb, Roy Holman, Pepper, Nick Kennedy.



FREMONT'S "F TROOP" — David Mc-Ferrin, Tim Armstrong, Kenny Miles, Gary Jackson, Fremont and Bill Sherer.



JOCKEY'S "SCORPIOS" — Jockey, Steve Le-May, Woody Mejia, Ruben Castro, Jim Laurent and Randy Kramer.



SUMMER PARTY TIME — A summer highlight was a July 4 "everything goes" type camper party. Lots of fun and crazy doings.



Spike, Chu-Chu and Fremont in flattering party costumes.

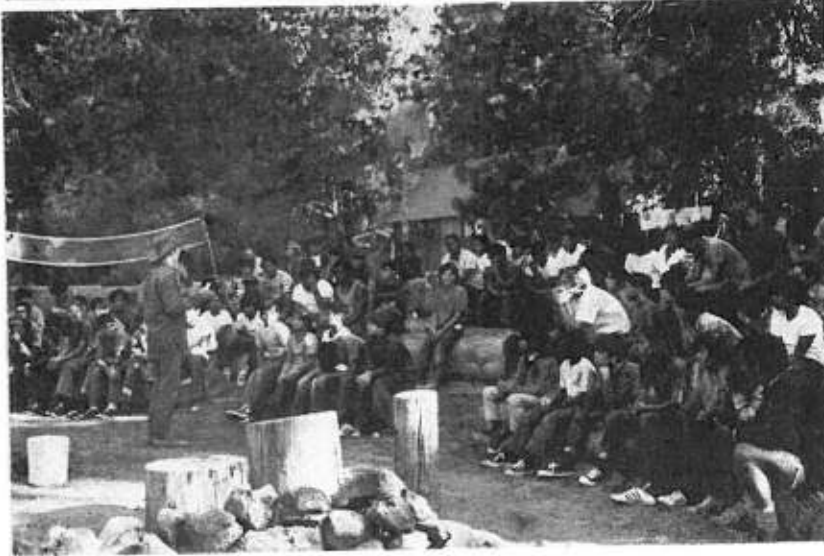


FIRST HALF SUMMER STAFF—Chu-Chu, Ole, Rebel, Blue, Fremont, Rubi, Sarge, Rickochet, Click, Pepper, Navajo, Chico, Spike, Mace, Apache, Lucky, Boo, Wheels, Prof., Baron, Jockey, Chain, Big Al and Dusty. Not pictured — Yogi, O.H., Pancho, Spring, Auntie, Tooter, Dee, Boise, Harmonica and Smitty.



SECOND HALF SUMMER STAFF (back row) — Flash, Baron, Pungy, Gremlin, Smitty, Sarge, Loew, Freedom, Whip, Kentucky, Leaf, Prof., Rubi and Freight Train. (Front row) — Rascal, Dee, Hondo, Ole, Pepper, Agarn, Chain, Smokey and Tooter. Not pictured — Jockey, Flip, Chico, Rickochet, Holmes, Ham, Rocky, Buzz, Boo, Clef, Ax and Woody.

Activities





Summer '72





Dedication of Pyles Camp Grove

August 12, 1972 was the date for the dedication of the Pyles Camp Grove. The first tree dedicated was, naturally, that to Mr. R. M. Pyles, founder of the camp.

The Grove is situated within 100 feet of the center of the camp and will be all Redwoods. The first tree was a beautiful three foot Sequoia Gigantia and set within a surrounding area of stately Jeffrey Pines, all within view of the main camp.

The ceremony, dedicating the first tree, was attended by the Camp President Bud Reid and Vice President Ben Bayliss and Vice President Bill Collins. The campers, all 72 of them during that session, plus the 32 staff members marched into the Grove area and listened to a very impressive ceremony. Mr. Bayliss gave the history of the camp and its contribution to the youth of California, while appropriate words of dedication were given by Mr. Reid and Mr. Collins. Smokey McAdams told of Mr. Pyles deep feeling for this location for a camp and how proud he might be to have the Grove adjoining his campsite.

It is the plan of the Grove Committee, headed by Mr. Bayliss, to have future dedicated trees to those men and women in the Oil Industry who have given inestimable assistance to the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp.

The young dedicated trees will be watered and cared for during the growing season, the summer months, by specially chosen campers.

FOURTH SESSION

July 22-Aug. 4

ORANGE COUNTY

HONOR CAMPERS — Joel Barnecut, Torrey Cross, Keith Taylor, Tony Acosta, Frank Dunlap, Henry Rangel, John Sanchez, Alex Willis, Greg Sidman, Jeff De la Rosa, John Noble.



CHAIN'S "JOKERS" — Jeff De la Rosa, Dan Aquilera, Brigham Gasu, Tim Morton, Jerry Turney, Joe Valdez, Chain, Toby Spires, James Higday.



LEAF'S "TOO TENDER FOR EARS" — Peter Zamora, Pat Ryan, Tony Acosta, Danny Serrano, Leaf, Douglas Mackey, Steven Young, Dave Borel and Daniel Mendez.



SPOOK'S "MIXED BRED" — Mike Frazier, William Baer, John Vengas, Willie Rodriguez, Hank Tucker, Dwane Tackett, Alfonso Mata and Spook.



JOCKEY'S "SUPPORTERS" — Jockey, Steve Chavez, Greg Sidman, Greg Loucks, Fernando Palacios, Jose Maciel, John Rule, Frank Dunlop and Sam Durick.



AGARN'S "TRANSIT AUTHORITY" — Joe Rule, Larry Ramirez, Pat Marriott, Dave Turney, Agarn, Steve Cunningham, Jeff Engle and Joe Yawn.



PEPPER'S "TRAIL BLAZERS" — John Sanchez, Torrey Cross, Alex Willis, Henry Rangel, John Noble, Joel Barnecut, Keith Taylor and Pepper.



SARGE'S "SCOTS" — Glen Rusher, Paul Beam, Bob Steffens, Scott Kelly, Sarge, Scott Childs and Scott Powell.



BARON'S "RED BARONS" (above) — Albert Mead, Ray Bell, Baron, Kerry Sessions, Floyd Sharp, Stanley Bradford, John D'Anchise and Greg Coggins.



CHU-CHU'S "EEES" (left)—Leo Gagnon, Anthony Knutson, Chu-Chu, Scott Keating, Darrell Peek, Bruce Carter, Chris McCullough and Frank Lehane.



BARON'S "BLOCK BUSTERS" (above)— Steve Edrich, John Flaharty, Jim Tarter, Tim Bratten, Baron, Bobby Orosco, Gary Lyons, Karl Brown and Brandon Knight.



SMITTY'S "GOLDEN EAGLES" (above) — Frank Perez, David Stover, George Stotler, Steve Ortiz, Carlos Coley, Jimmy Allen, Bob Sudbrink and Smitty.

RUBI'S "RADICALS" (right)—Rubi, Ross Cortz, Walter Gardner, Jeff Stringfellow, Glen Magana, Eugene Medina, Jim Clifton, Mark Arnheim and Fred Person.

FIFTH SESSION August 4-17

LOS ANGELES AND
ORANGE COUNTIES

HONOR CAMPERS—Walter Gardner, Jeff Powell, Joe Ciccarelli, Greg Cartier, Dennis Polk, Kenny De la Rosa, Manny Tuiasosopo, Paul Weidner, Atlas Griffith, Jim Lewis, Fernando Pereyra, Robert Ramirez, Mike Sagmoe and Larry Ramirez.



AGARN'S "WAR MACHINE" (above) — Jeff Powell, Agarn, Tim Sharkey, Andre Coker, Carlos Perez, Greg Webb, Gary Taylor, Tim Wiley, Larry Ramirez.





JOCKEY'S "BACORES" — Jim Davis, Greg Show, Jerry Conham, Joe Malana, Glenn Thomas, Joe Ciccarelli, Johnny Nash, Harry Lowe and Jockey.



SARGE'S "ARMY" — Dennis Polk, Richard Burris, Brent Gregston, Leroy Ramirez, Sarge, James Cradillas, Willie Veasley, Robert Brooks and Rene Saunders.



CHAIN'S "BROTHERHOOD OF CHAIN"—Robert Ramirez, Greg Cartier, Manny Tuiasosopo, Fernando Pereyra, Chain, Kenny De la Rosa, Paul Weidner, Jim Lewis and Atlas Griffith.



PEPPER'S "LA PUES" (above)—Pepper, Kevin Veasley, Terry France, Mike Sagmoe, Mark Pearson, Guy Wallace, Mark Pacheco, Truman Guard and Roger Sagmoe.



LEAF'S "NEW LEAFS" (left) — Daniel Pacheco, Leaf, Darrell Nix, Russell Williamson, Joe Spetter, Ed Morton, Mario Cervantes, Toshio Shintaku and Carl Fulbright.



BARON'S "BRUISERS" (above)—Robert Briseno, Luis Obregon, David Arevalo, Baron, David Orona, Manuel Camancho, Victor Rojo, Rene Gutierrez, Frank Villapando.

SIXTH SESSION

August 17-30

LOS ANGELES AND
VENTURA COUNTIES

HONOR CAMPERS—Luis Obregon, Frank Villapando, Samuel Torres, Steve Rubalcava, Aurelio Minchaca, Andy Perez, Andrew Alfaro, Francisco Castillo, Randy Erps, Larry Romero and Eddie Payan.



CHU-CHU'S "LOS MALOS" (above) — Chu-Chu, Salvador Flores, Raul Gonzales, Louie Cervantes, Anthony Hernandez, Ralph Hernandez, Jesse Sanchez and Richard Cuiz.



GREMLIN'S "GRIZZLIES" (above)—Gremlin, Conrad Chavez, Hun Su Kim, Buddy Syler, George Alfaro, Matthew Scopelitis, Johnny Garcia and Jacinto Gonzalez.

SMITTY'S "MIDNIGHT HIKERS" (right) — Steve Serrano, Roger Williams, Joe Truman, Gilbert Sanchez, Leodis Blount, Smitty, Victor Moreno, David Hernandez and Mike Armstrong.





LEAF'S "OVER DOCE" (above) — Steve Rubalacava, Randy Erps, Larry Romero, Aurelio Minchaca, Andrew Alfaro, Andy Perez, Leaf, Samuel Torres, Eddie Payan and Francisco Castillo.

Sorry . . .

Pictures of Dee's and Agarn's Group are lost.

DEE'S "HOMERS HERMITS"—Jesse Baldanado, Jesus Armendariz, Richard Salcido, Jose Amaral, Raul Santos, Greg Thomas, Joe Perez and Don Covington.

AGARN'S "MEN" — Pasqual Mora, Carlos Segovia, Gilbert Rivera, Robert Richardson, Mohammed Saleh, Mark Lowe, Paul Tomich and Tom Smith.



CHAIN'S "MIGHTY MITES " (right) — Nelson Esteves, Ben Baraza, Ed Miller, Tiny Moore, Ricky Maynes, Frankie Castillo and Chain.



RUBI'S "JOKERS " — Rubi, Raymond Rangel, Tony Silva, Ignacio Ramirez, Steve Bachman, Joe Gomez, John Silvas, Mike Alcorn and Daniel Townley.



L.A. BASIN BARBECUE . . . On September 23 the second annual benefit barbecue was held at the Martin-Decker Offices in Santa Ana. Attending were 800 people and the Boys Camp made \$6400 to help in sending boys to camp in 1973.



BOY OF THE YEAR . . . The most outstanding camper of Kern County, Tony Castro, being presented his trophy by his counselor of '72, Spike McAdams.



KERN COUNTY REUNION, DECEMBER 2 . . . Another full house was present for the ninth annual reunion in Bakersfield this year. Over 200 boys and oilmen from Kern County enjoyed one of the most spirited and fun reunions ever held. The program was presented by campers and staff. Decorations and gifts were donated by the Engineers Wives of Bakersfield.



Ham as
"Little Big Man"



LOS ANGELES - ORANGE COUNTY REUNION, DECEMBER 14 . . .
This year's L.A. Basin reunion was attended by 125 campers and staff and 100 oilmen sponsors. The campers put on a most interesting program with lots of songs, skits and laughs. The dinner of chicken and trimmings was most happily devoured by all. Meeting held in the Union Oil Company auditorium, downtown L.A.



VENTURA-SANTA BARBARA COUNTY REUNION (CHRISTMAS PARTY), DECEMBER 16 . . . There were 200 campers and families attending the annual Christmas Party Reunion at the McBride Hall, Ventura Fairgrounds in Ventura on the night of December 16. Thanks to the wonderful help of the local W.A.A.I.M.E.S. (oilmen wives) the party and food and gifts were a great success. Campers put on a Christmas play. Sadly missing this year was our annual host, Fritz Huntsinger Sr., who was ill in Hawaii.



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WILLIAM H. MARUMOTO GETS GREETINGS FROM "THE BOSS"
He's first Asian-American to serve on White House executive level



EX-PYLES CAMP COUNSELOR MAKES GOOD . . . In 1952 Bill Marumoto, "Mo" to his campers, was chosen by Smokey as the first Orange County counselor on his first staff. Mo was an outstanding counselor and loved by his campers. He was an Eagle Scout and very proficient in camping as well as teaching his campers to be good woodsmen. He loved to show his Indian dancing at campfires and had a full set of costumes. Mo did many outstanding things and is now responsible for selection of minority staff members for the Nixon Administration. Last year he was responsible for the appointment of 42 minority people in the Administration. We are very proud of Mo.

Bakersfield Runner, FSU Win Harrier Meet Titles

Ed Cadena of Bakersfield, running unattached, captured the college-open division of the Fresno State University Cross-Country Invitational at Woodward Park.

Cadena, a former distance runner at East High, Bakersfield College and Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo, covered the 6-mile course in 32:26.4, a full minute ahead of second place.

We are proud of our own "Chain" in his pursuit of becoming No. 1 distance man in the U.S. Chain will begin work with Pyles Camp, full-time, April 1 this year. He will assist Prof. and Smokey in opening camp and spring contacts with campers. Again, congratulations, Chain.



Ed Cadena

A Word With the Camp Director

We hope you have found your picture in the winter issue of this Pylet and it brings back the fond memories of last summer's great time. That's the purpose. We had a fantastic year in 1972, thanks to you. Our summer was so good and our winter reunions just as good. Our Camp financial affairs and plans for 1973 look even more rosy.

We are planning on a "super staff" this coming season. Prof. and Chain (in April) are really doing a job. This coming summer we'll have Dee as a special Assistant Camp Director as well. We'll have an adult maintenance man (Basil Biddle) and hopefully a new water well. So 1973 looks good.

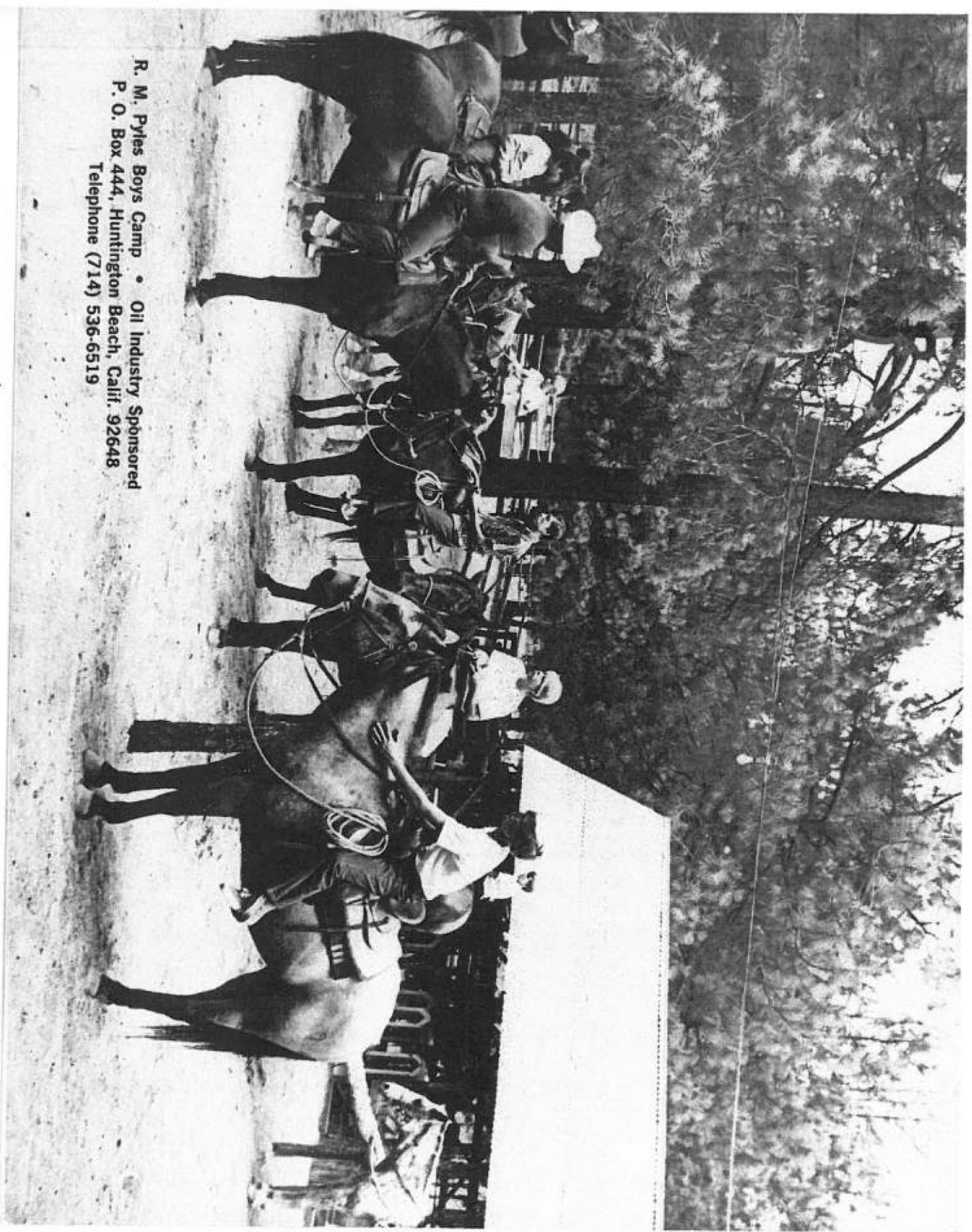
Special Announcement: Jerry Hostetter (Ham) and Lynda McAdams (LuLu) have announced their engagement to be wed. Several years yet, due to Ham's need to graduate from college. We are happy for these two camp people who have given much to our program over the years. Good luck, Ham and LuLu!

The camp horses have a new home. It's in Kernville, near the camp (50 miles away). They have a good permanent pasture and are being well cared for by a local rancher.

Those who have put in for jobs must be patient as the choices for workers will not be made until February 15. Hang in there. To come back as a camper you must convince the selector of '72 to give you another chance. We don't have anything to say about this . . . sorry.

Have a terrific '73.

SMOKEY



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