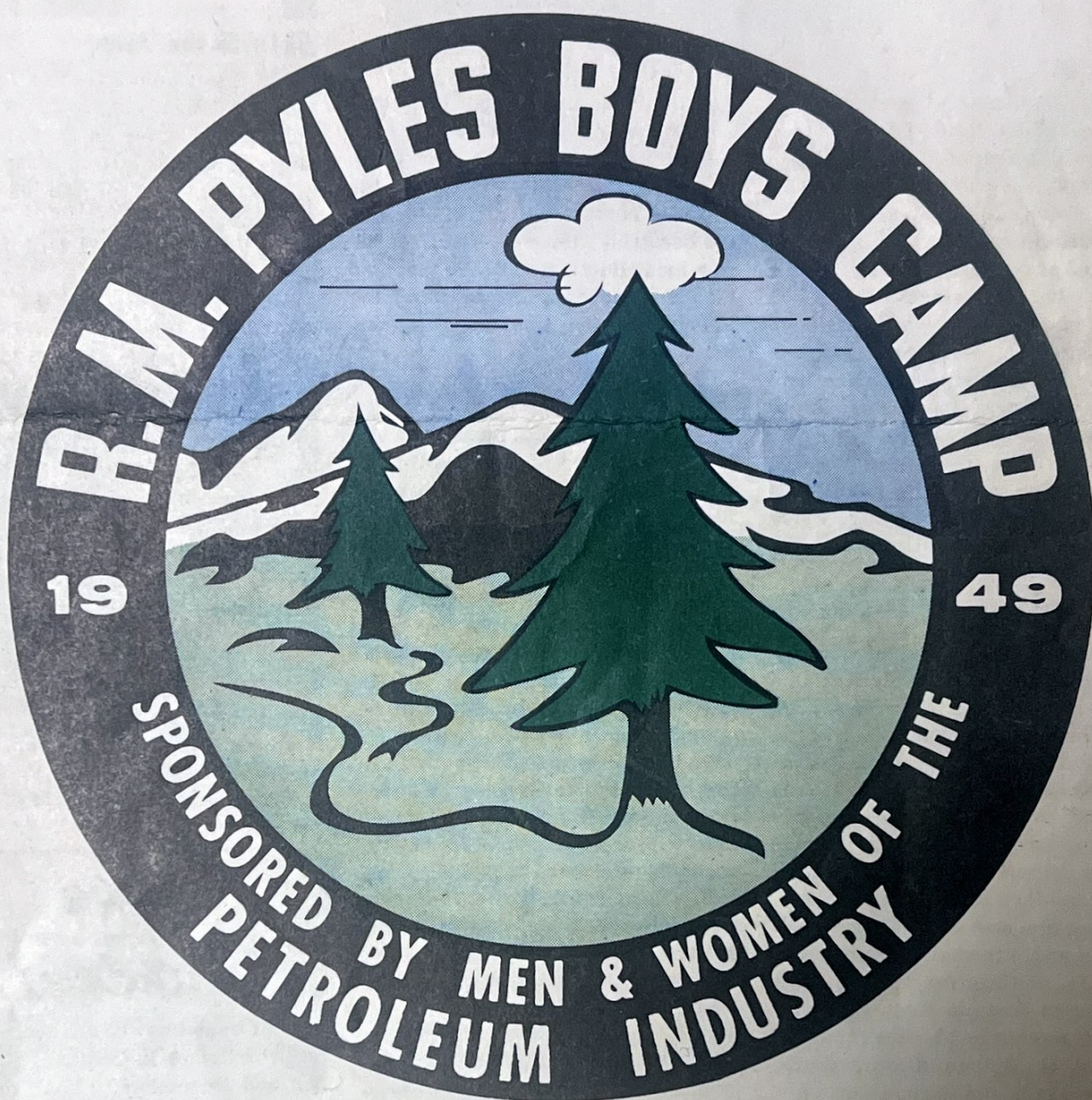
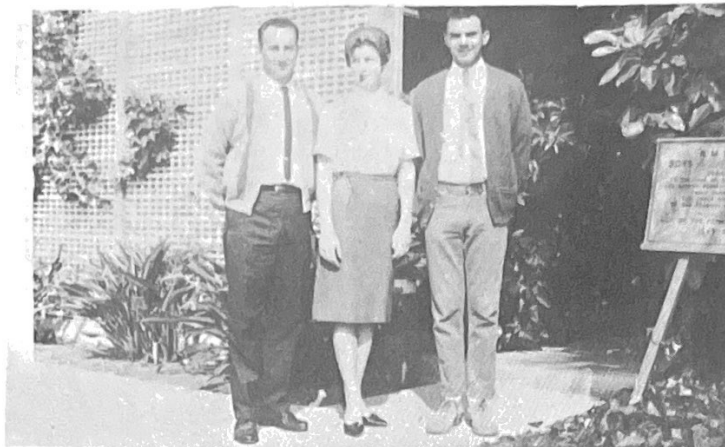




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Office Staff



Manager

Bob McAdams has been added to the staff of the Pyles Boys Camp in the new position of Camp manager. Bob was previously with the camp for 7 years, 1952-58, and was its first full-time employee. He comes back after 5 years work in Private Camping. Bob brings with him 15 years of continuous work with boys as director, organizer and coordinator. Bob will live in Huntington Beach, near the winter office, with his wife, Lois, and their two children, Mike and Linda. Bob will carry many of the responsibilities previously handled by Mr. Pyles and will give his full time to the activities of the camp.

Ass't. Manager

George Salata will be the new assistant manager of the Pyles Camp, in charge of Youth Activities. He was assistant Camp Director of the mountain camp last season. Beginning his association with the camp in 1953 as a camper, George has come up through the ranks. He was cook's helper, assistant cook, counselor and then assistant director.

George has served with the Armed Forces and attended East Los Angeles Jr. College for 2 years. He is living at home in Monterey Park with his mother and brother and will commute to the camp office throughout the winter doing road work for the camp in the new follow-up program.

George would appreciate hearing from those of you who knew him personally in 1963.

Secretary

Jayne Honnell has been the camp secretary for the past five years and will continue in this position. She has served the camp well and is the pleasant hostess for all visitors to the beautiful winter quarter. Jayne is a local Huntington Beach lady and with her husband, employed by the Phone Company, lives near the winter quarters.

New Follow-up Program

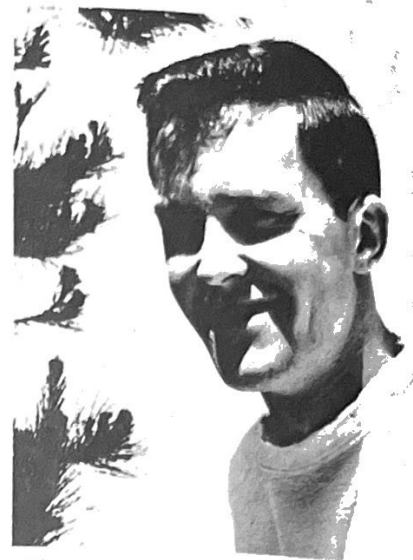
The Pyles Camp is pleased to announce the start of a new policy of winter work. This program calls for a personal visitation and counseling service to each boy and family of the previous summer.

We want every boy to achieve his greatest promise in life and will help him achieve this goal. To do this the camp promises to help in any way possible in the boy's own community.

We hope to help find jobs for boys that need them; to sit down with parents and help in planning their son's future; to talk with a boy's teachers, coaches or friends in guiding a boy on the right track.

The camp feels that this new policy of personal work will add more meaning to the summer teachings of a boy.

Every camper should be looking for George Salata or Bob McAdams to call on him in his home for a visit. If you campers have a need for the camp men before the visit takes place be sure to write the office, P. O. Box 444, Huntington Beach.



Skip to the Army

Our fine Camp Director of 1963, Skip Hinchman, left for 2 years service in the Army on September 9. Skip will be back with us in the Spring of 1965, in time for the '65 camping season.

Skip is now in Fort Ord for his basic training.

Prior to leaving for the Army, Skip was presented a beautiful watch from Mr. Pyles for his faithful and good services through 1963.

A special article was written about Skip and the camp in the Summer issue of the PETROLEUM TODAY magazine which is distributed all over the United States. The article, written by Mr. Bill Rintoul of Bak-ersfield, received many high compliments from oil men for its fine portrayal of the camp's objectives and treatment of Skip Hinchman. Skip, like George Salata, has risen from the ranks of campers. He has been wrangler, cook's helper, counselor and Camp Director.

We will be looking forward to Skip's return.

Happy Birthday!

To all campers who are celebrating their birthdays in October, November and December. Your card is enclosed.

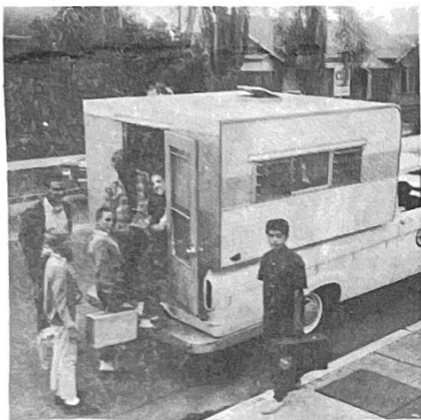
We will have horses in camp again in 1964. They are now in Visalia at Woody's ranch.



Bakersfield Barbecue

John Loustalot, postmaster of Bakersfield, delivered the major address to the 250 parents and boys of the Pyles Camp during the recent barbecue held for the boys at Jastro Park in Bakersfield.

The Pyles Camp furnished the food and the Bakersfield Committee did all the volunteer work on facilities and arrangements. Ed Wellbaum, Bud Reid, Bill Potter, Bill Croghan and Sgt. Olafson welcomed the boys and their parents to the barbecue.



Trip to Huntington Beach

During the month of September and October the 1963 boys of Ventura County were guests of the Pyles Camp at the winter quarters in Huntington Beach. Seventy-two boys were transported to the Huntington Beach location for exciting side-trips, guest speakers, and a camp gathering. Each boy was picked up at his home and delivered there after the three-day visit.

Campers visiting were from Ventura, Santa Paula, Oxnard, Saticoy, Santa Maria and Santa Barbara.

Bob McAdams and George Salata did the transporting and programing for the winter visit.

Recent Events



Left to right: Harry Placenti, James Ratcliff, Henry Placenti, Mr. Rubel, George Salata, Mike Ashmore, Oliver Morgan and Eluterio DelaRosa.

Mr. Rubel Speaks

Mr. A. C. Rubel, President of Union Oil Company and member of the Board of Pyles Camp for many years, gave the major address on Constitution Observance Day in Harvey Auditorium, Bakersfield on September 14th.

Attending the meeting were members of the 1963 Pyles Camp, who welcomed Mr. Rubel after the meeting.

Mr. Rubel, who spoke on "Living by the Constitution", was assisted in the meeting by Mr. Raymond Burr of television fame, who spoke on "Brief Tribute to the Constitution".

Leadership Training Begins

The first of a series of leadership training programs will be inaugurated November 9 and 10 at the winter quarters. This training program is designed to help the camp find and develop leaders from the campers themselves. There will be eight boys invited for this first meeting and they will be scored on their abilities to handle the leadership programs and situations that will be given them during the two day meeting. Those making the best scores during the year will be offered jobs for next summer.

This is a quarterly newspaper, so look for your next issue in February, 1964.

Be sure to send us any news items you have in time for the next Pylet publication.

We have received many fine comments about the letters you wrote to the contributors this past summer. Congratulations on doing such a good job! (To our contributors: I hope you have answered your letter by now!)

R. M. Pyles Receives Award

Mr. Pyles was the recipient of the annual "King Neptune" Award, presented by the Little Mermaid Guild, sponsors of the Orange County Children's Hospital. This award is given annually to some individual in the Orange County area who has aided the Children's Hospital. The award was presented by Mrs. LaRae Irvine, president of the Huntington Beach Assistance League, and was received for Mr. Pyles by R. C. Schweitzer, Secretary of the Pyles Camp. The presentation was made at a formal dinner dance held October 19 at the Newporter Inn, Newport Beach.



LOCAL PARTICIPATION in petroleum industry's R. M. Pyles Boys Camp in the High Sierra is discussed by, from left, Sheriff James W. Webster, Eugene E. Clark, camp representative; R. F. Potter, camp manager and R. M. Pyles, its founder.

—News-Press.

OIL PEOPLE PARTICIPATE

Boys Camp Gets Support Locally

Oil company representatives in Santa Barbara county and the sheriff's department now are active participants in the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp in the Sequoia National Forest, a facility financed for 15 years by the men and women of the petroleum industry.

Its object is to develop leadership in boys who show leadership qualities.

Twelve Santa Barbara county youngsters, selected by Sheriff James W. Webster and Sgt. Walter Olson of his Juvenile Bureau, went to the camp this summer.

Several boys this weekend are guests of the camp organization at its winter headquarters at Huntington Beach for a camp reunion.

Pyles, who founded the camp and is acting president of the organization, was here last week with the new manager, R. F. Potter of Huntington Beach, and Warren Johnson, of San Marino, executive vice president, who is slated to succeed him as president when he retires.

They conferred on continued local participation with Webster, Olson and Eugene E. Clark of the Phillips Petroleum Co., who has been designated as the camp's Santa Barbara representative.

Potter said that the camp won't accept delinquents because "there are so many other boys who have strived

to keep their records clean."

Pyles said that the camp teaches the boys discipline and how to get along with other boys.

The campsite, 60 miles northeast of Porterville, is leased from the federal government. This year 432 boys 12 to 17 years of age were guests at the camp, bringing the total number of campers to well over 4,000 since Pyles established it in 1949.

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Newspapers:

Bakersfield Californian; Bakersfield News Bulletin; Santa Ana Register; Long Beach Press Telegram; Ventura Star Free Press; Santa Barbara News Press.

Television:

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Robert F. McAdams of Fresno, a boys' camp worker for more than 15 years, has been named to the new position of manager of the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp, with headquarters in Huntington Beach.

The announcement was made by the camp's founder, R. M. Pyles, who said the selection was made by the directors of the non-profit, non-sectarian organization.

The new manager is a former resident of Garden Grove. He, his wife, and two children, are planning to move to Huntington Beach immediately. In his new duties here he will relieve Pyles who has been guiding the oil industry - sponsored facility since its inception in 1949.

The camp provides an outing for boys on 35 acres in the high Sierras each summer. Intended to aid underprivileged youngsters, it has listed 5,000 boys as guests at the camp.

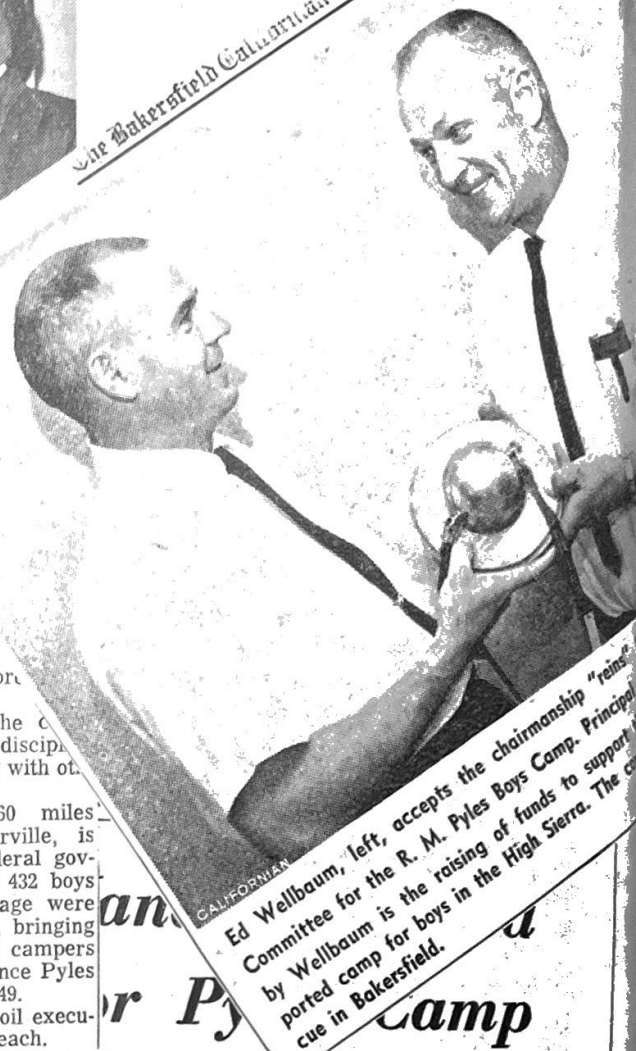
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He first became closely associated with young people as district executive of the Boy Scouts of America in Tulare County. He served as camp director for the Pyles facility from 1952 to 1958.

McAdams said campers are selected annually by various law enforcement agencies in Orange, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Kern, Tulare and Ventura counties. Only deserving youngsters without a criminal record, are given 11 days in the mountain resort.

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Ed Wellbaum, left, accepts the chairmanship of the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp. Committee for the raising of funds to support the camp in Bakersfield.

UT HIS WORK WILL GO ON

News Releases

Boys' Camp Founder, Pyles, Steps Aside McAdams Succeeds Pyles Camp Manager

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'We're Needed' Boys Camp Chief Enjoys Camp Challenge

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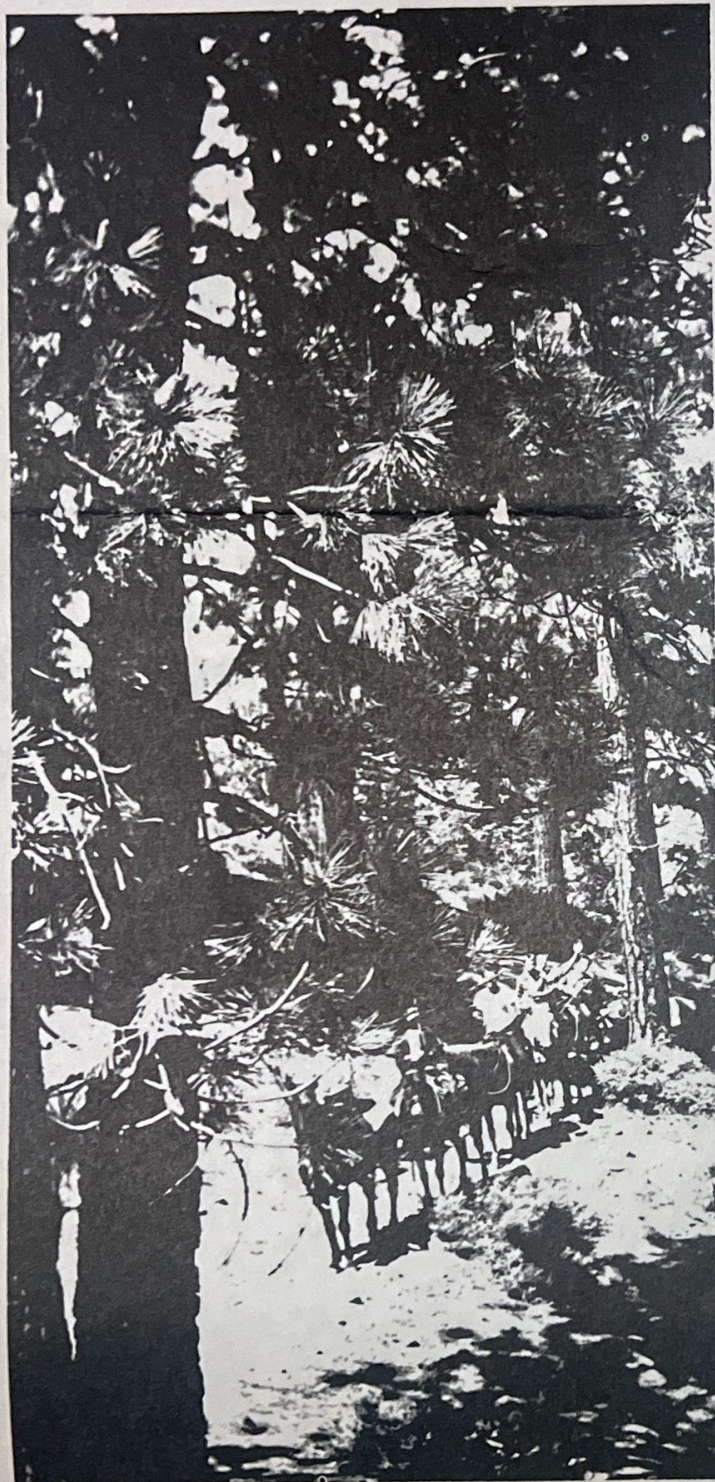
The manager, a native of Tex-
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Salata, also a former camper,
has counseled five years. He is
presently attending Fresno Junior
College.

Concerning this Magazine Article:

Bill Rintoul, freelance writer, was commissioned by the Camp this summer to do a story on Skip Hinchman. When completed PETROLEUM TODAY, official magazine for the A.P.I., indicated an interest in running the article in their nation-wide publication. We are pleased with the results and hope you can find a magazine to read the entire story on Skip and the Camp.

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Petroleum Today



A Dream of a Camp

by William Rintoul

*The story of a heart-warming
program for boys in need of help*

THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD Madison "Skip" Hinchman narrowed his hazel eyes apprehensively as the chartered bus left the flat farm country on the east side of California's fertile San Joaquin Valley and began a winding climb into the foothills of the Sierras. The bus was carrying Skip and 15 other boys he had never seen before to summer camp.

It had been a year of heartache for the seventh-grader and his family. His father had died, and there had been several months when Skip himself was confined to bed with rheumatic fever. His mother had gone to work as a waitress to support her four children.

When the dean of boys at Visalia Junior High had asked him if he would like to go to camp, Skip had jumped at the chance. Thirteen days with everything free—it was more than he could believe. But now, as familiar country fell behind, Skip began to have second thoughts. He had visions of working long hours at backbreaking tasks, miles from home.

At Rutherford Pack Station in the Sierras, two hours and 90 miles from Visalia, the bus stopped. The camp director announced that the boys would have to hike six miles to reach camp; there were no roads. And two hours later Skip, now more hungry than apprehensive, saw two canvas-topped wooden buildings and some tents: the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp.

When Skip Hinchman first saw the camp in 1954, it was in its sixth season. And though Skip didn't realize it when he arrived, the camp had been tailor made for him by a man who under-

What is Camping?

It is reveille in the freshness of early morning when drowsy boys pop out of tents and cabins to watch the Stars and Stripes ascend to the top of a flag pole.

It is learning and using the manly, pioneer skills of the woodsman: axemanship, knifecraft, fire-building, campfire cooking, construction of log cabins and shelters.

It is a camp fire in the wilderness about whose dying embers lie six, perhaps eight, tired but happy campers and their counselor who is not only their leader, but their companion and friend.

It is acquiring the independence, self-reliance and satisfaction that comes from knowing how to take care of one's own daily needs, and the needs of companions, in the deep woods.

It is a "camp fire when the wood has fallen low and the ashes start to whiten 'neath the embers' crimson glow."

It is heaving a pack to the shoulders, scaling a high mountain, and then sitting speechless, viewing, with both eye and soul, an endless panorama of distant peaks and valleys.

It is play and work, give and take, and growth of body, mind, soul.

It is sizzling bacon and the soft popping of frying eggs over a wood fire in the silent forests.

It is living with mountain peaks mist-soaked at dawn, sun-kissed at noon, and silhouetted against a crimson horizon at sunset.

It is a "vision of pure skies enriched at dawn and sunset with unspeakable glory; of dew drenched mornings flashing with priceless gems; of the vast night sky all throbbing and panting with stars."

It is acquiring a sense of man's interdependence and equality--an awareness that "men fighting a blizzard on the plains or an angry storm at sea at once become equal." The same is true when men camp together. When man is on his own only what he himself really is, counts.

It is that quiet and soul-searching hour after taps when a camper sits on the edge of his cot, unties his shoes and places them gently by his bed. His thoughts then are long, long thoughts that reach far back into the dim past and leap into a distant future. Mind-growth and soul-growth mark this closing hour of a day in camp.