
THE HISTORY OF MOUNT VEEDER

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P R E F A C E

In November, 1974, I started what I thought would be an interesting, simple report on the history of the Mt. Veeder Road, to be turned in by the end of the semester. My first reference sources (Napa County Library and the Public Works Department) had literally nothing regarding the history of the road, but they did offer various bits of "other" history of the area. My curiosity was aroused in studying the old maps—wondering who the first settlers were? who named Mt. Veeder after Reverend Veeder? Before I could answer one question, another question came into view. I began by taping conversations with old timers, asking *everyone* for any old picture, map, brochure, or whatever they had and were willing to share with me.

When the semester was ending, I learned that my history teacher, James Grobl, who was instrumental in lighting the spark, was not returning to Vintage High. At this point, so many aspects were appearing which stirred my thoughts about developing this project, I realized I couldn't possibly get all the answers I wanted before the end of the semester. Mr. Grobl discussed my dilemma with Miss Mantle, who agreed that I should continue my report as an Independent Study Course for the spring semester. To say that it has been enlightening would be an understatement; to say that it has been free of frustration would be another understatement. To say that it is complete or totally accurate would be presumptuous.

P R E F A C E continued

I regret any possible errors herein, and I hope that no offense is taken by any of the persons or families named within.

Larry Hicks

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REVEREND PETER VEEDER

R E V E R E N D P E T E R V. V E E D E R

From NAPA PRESBYTERIAN CENTENNIAL BOOK (1853-1953), Edited by Nelda P. Seberg.

Pages 8-9:

The church was without a regular minister until May (from January, 1858), when a congregational meeting was held to decide between two possible candidates. By ballot, the result showed Rev. Fairbairn of Santa Rosa having seven votes, and Rev. Veeder of Sacramento, forty-two.

In May, Rev. P. V. Veeder was notified that he had been chosen as a regular supply minister for a one-year trial period, with salary to be \$1200. Four hundred dollars of this amount was appropriation from the Board of Domestic Missions. Rev. Veeder was later made a regular missionary of that board.

Young Mr. Peter Veeder seems to have been very well liked in the community. He was unmarried when he came to Napa, and boarded with Mrs. Charles Van Pelt, about three miles from Napa City. They later moved into the town. Mr. Veeder was a nature lover, and fully appreciated the beauties of the Napa Valley. He was given to long hikes and mountain climbing. Mt. Veeder was named for him (a more enduring monument than most of us achieve!). The pastoral duties were not neglected, however, but so discharged that when his probationary period was up he was unanimously elected to continue as regular pastor of the Napa Presbyterian Church and Congregation.

On May 29, 1859, Rev. P. V. Veeder was installed as regular pastor in formal ceremonies conducted by a committee from the Benecia Presbytery. Rev. A. Fairbairn, who was then located in Sacramento, presided. He put the constitutional questions to the minister and people. Rev. W. A. Anderson of San Francisco preached the installation sermon and delivered the charge to the people. Rev. B. B. Bonham of Healdsburg

gave the charge to the pastor.

In the meantime Rev. Veeder had made at least one fair convert. Miss Amelia L. Jacks was the first member to come into the church by Confession of Faith since the organization was completed. If her love of God was slightly influenced by her love for His minister, who cavil? She soon became Mrs. Peter Veeder. The young couple set up housekeeping in the study which had been built on the back of the church lot. An extra room and a shed were added to it, and the ladies of the church furnished it "with necessary and suitable furniture."

The church continued to grow and prosper under Rev. Veeder's leadership. For the first time a delegate was sent from Napa to Presbytery and Synod, both meeting in San Francisco in 1858. The delegate was Elder J. W. Hamilton. In 1864 the Presbytery met in Napa City, at which time Elder McClure announced that the First Presbyterian Church of Napa had resolved not to apply for any more aid from the Mission Board to pay the pastor's salary, but to raise the same amount among the local congregation.

In 1865 Rev. Veeder received an appointment to take charge of the old City College in San Francisco; so he asked the Session to join with him in requesting Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relations between himself and the Napa Church. Rev. Veeder left Napa July 9, 1865. He later went to Japan to become dean of Imperial University.

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Mr. W. S. Jacks made a gift to the church during these early years of a communion service of silver plate consisting of two plates, two goblets, and a baptismal font. He later added a tank to the set.

P E T E R V. V E E D E R

From: CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY QTR., Vol. 15, published 1936, page 174.

September 14, 1854: An affray occurred at the Eagle Saloon between James Campbell and Peter Veeder in which the former was shot dead. Veeder was arrested.

September 23, 1854: The Grand Jury returned a bill of indictment against Peter Veeder for murder.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Sunday, September 24, 1854, Law Report.

Court of _____, before Judge Freelon, Sheppard, and Hunter—September 23, 1854.

Indictments: Against Peter Veeder for murder. This indictment was sent to the Fourth District Court.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Tuesday, September 26, 1854, Law Report.

Fourth District Court, before Judge Lake, September 25.

The court took up the criminal calendar.

Criminal calendar—People vs. Peter Veeder—Indictment for murder.

Mr. Tingly, of counsel for the prisoner, desired that his arraignment be postponed, with the view of looking into certain questions, which the counsel thought of importance before arraignment. The prisoner will be arraigned this morning.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Wednesday, September 27, 1854, Law Report.

Fourth District Court, before Judge Lake, September 26.

Indictment for murder—Veeder's Case—People vs. Peter Veeder—The prisoner was arraigned and plead not guilty. The court refused to hear a motion to admit to bail.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Wednesday, October 25, 1854, Law Report.

Fourth District Court, before Judge Lake, October 24—Veeder's Case—The Case of Peter Veeder, charged with the murder of Campbell, is to be taken up within the week, as we learn from the District Attorney.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Thursday, November 2, 1854.

Sentence passed on Judge Lake, who pleaded guilty to assault and battery on S. Davidson, editor of LEADER. Fined \$50.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Wednesday, November 15, 1854, Law Report.

Fourth District Court, before Judge Lake—November 14—Veeder's Trial. In the Case of Peter Veeder, for the murder of Campbell, the venire

for a jury was returned; and the jury was discharged until this morning, when the case will be taken up for trial.

From: DAILY ALTA CALIFORNIA, Thursday, November 16, 1854,
Law Report.

Fourth District Court, before Judge Lake—November 15—Murder Trial.

The Case of Peter Veeder for the murder of James Campbell was taken up for trial in the morning. Gov. Foote, Edmond Randolph Esq. and Wm. W. Hawks Esq. appeared for the prisoner. The following jury was impanelled: John Mel, Lewis Faking, John C. Moore, F. W. Langee, Reuben Gardner, James P. Laurence, Benj. Hobart, A. J. Butler, Lewis Teal, J. R. Larrabee, H. W. Seale, and William M. Boyd.

Mr. Byrne opened the case by stating the facts which the prosecution expedited to prove. He said that the circumstances connected with the charge of murder against the prisoner were few and simple. He had but one or two witnesses to substantiate the facts, which he had stated for the prosecution.

Mr. Byrne then read the definition of murder and manslaughter and justifiable homicide from the Statutes. He did not know whether the defense was to insist that the act of killing was justifiable, or that it occurred in a sudden heat of passion, so as to reduce the crime from murder to manslaughter. If the jury should so come to the conclusion from the testimony that the prisoner had grounds to fear a great bodily or deadly injury from the deceased, and had no opportunity to retreat in safety, then the act of killing would not be murder. But his opinion was, from what he had understood of the testimony that the prisoner was either guilty of murder, or of no crime known to the statute. He should show that nothing had been done or said to excite the apprehension of the prisoner; that the party was killed unarmed in the street, and assailed, instead of being the assailant. Mr. Byrne then called his witnesses.

John L. Colby swore—I e ? id in Stockton St.; I have kept the Eagle Saloon, on the corner of Kearney and Merchant Streets, a year ago since August last. I knew Veeder since he returned from the Sonora expedition; I had known Campbell for two years; I was in the Eagle Saloon on the night of the 14th of September last; there were about twelve persons at this time in the Saloon; Campbell was at the further end of the Saloon and Veeder at the opposite end, near the screen by the door. Mr. Van Horn came in and asked them to take a drink with him; they took a drink with him; after that Mr. Van Horn went out and Mr. Carroll came in. He entered into conversation, and I heard Campbell use some hard words toward Veeder. Mr. Carter rose and got between them. Veeder said to Campbell that he ought to have some respect for the house in his language. Campbell told Veeder that he meant him. Campbell then went toward the door, and when he got by the screen, he made a noise with his mouth and called Veeder a d--d son of a b---h and a d----d puppy. Veeder then went out, and some three or four along with him, among them myself. I saw Campbell have Veeder by the collar, he said, "If you have a pistol, draw it, I can whip you anyhow." I then got hold of Veeder and took him into the Saloon and seated him on a wine box. I was behind the bar when

Campbell returned to the outside of the screen, and made use of the same language as before. Veeder then rushed out of the door, he had been absent for a few seconds when I heard a report of a pistol near the sidewalk. I rushed from behind the bar and saw Campbell have hold of Veeder by the collar, and heard him say, "Oh, you son of a b---h." They then rolled over together. I did not know at this time that either was wounded. Campbell was on Veeder, and I went to pull him off, when I saw blood on his forehead. I asked Campbell if he was much hurt, and he made some such exclamation as "Oh." He was then taken to a seat near the cigar stand and died in almost four minutes. I did not think that either party was intoxicated, but both were excited. I did not see either have a weapon.

Cross examination waived.

J. M. Smith swore—I am connected with the Press, on the night of the 14th of September I was in the Union Saloon, heard a noise and rushed out. Saw Campbell walking to and fro on the sidewalk; he was apparently very much excited, looked pale and was talking to himself, somebody said to him, "Oh, Campbell, you are making a fool of yourself," and he replied, "I have stood it long enough, and I will fix some of them yet." He then walked to the door of the Saloon, raised his hand and said, "Oh, you d----d stinking little puppy." I was between him and the door, and stepped back for I thought he was going to spring into the saloon. Just at that moment someone came between me and the door so as to intercept my view, and I heard a pistol fired and the ball passed under my chin. Immediately after I heard Campbell say, "Oh, you son of a bitch," and he sprang past me into the saloon. I went in and found the screen overturned and Campbell on Veeder. I helped to take him off and found that he could not stand. He died in a few minutes. I didn't see Campbell have any pistol. I judged that at the time of the firing the parties were four or five feet apart, that Campbell was on the edge of the sidewalk, and Veeder in the door.

Cross examined—I watched Campbell, when he was walking to and fro on the sidewalk, because he appeared to be excited, and because I knew him to be a desperate man; I knew him to be a fighting man and a desperate fighter.

The prosecution here rested.

T H E D E F E N C E

Col. James, sworn for the defence—I knew Campbell since 1849.

Gov. Foote said that he should offer in evidence that the deceased was a desperate character; he thought this a material fact, and the defence was that the prisoner was justified in the act of killing, because he knew Campbell to be a desperate who had killed his man, and at the time had reason to fear a conflict with him. He thought the testimony could be admitted, under the terms of the statute.

The Court said that it did not think that the statute was applicable. It considered that the admission of the testimony would be a departure from the rules of evidence, and would exclude it, under an execution.

Gov. Foote—I appeal to the District Attorney to know if he did not

make an agreement with me; or come to an understanding with us, that this issue should be made in the case.

The examination of Col. James was continued. The deceased was a considerably large man than Veeder; he was a stout and very athletic man.

The Court refused the offer of testimony, as to the character of the deceased.

Gov. Foote—Then we will go to the Jury on the case as it is.

And the testimony here was closed.

The Jury went out about 6 p.m., and after a retirement of several hours, brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

End of a Useful Life.

Dr. P. V. Veeder died in Berkeley at noon Tuesday. Funeral services were held in Berkeley Wednesday afternoon and the remains were brought to Napa for interment in Tulocay Thursday morning.

Mr. Veeder was elected pastor of the Presbyterian church in Napa in May, 1858, and remained here until July, 1865, when he moved to San Francisco to take charge of the city college there. It was after him that Mt. Veeder, west of Napa, was named. His wife was a sister of Mrs. Geo. E. Goodman.

Mr. Veeder was much beloved by the people wherever he held a pastorate or occupied a chair as teacher.

To the Tomb.

The remains of the late Dr. Veeder reached Napa on this morning's train accompanied by the children of deceased. They were met at the depot by relatives and friends and the burial service was conducted in Tulocay cemetery by Rev. Richard Wylie. The following named gentleman acted as pall-bearers: W. A. Fisher, J. H. Howland, R. H. Sterling, A. W. Robinson, Wm. Smith and G. M. Francis.

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Tubocay Cemetery By: L. Hicks

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In Memoriam.

The remains of Mrs. Amelia W. Veeder, wife of Rev. P. V. Veeder, reached this city from Kankakee, Ill., Wednesday morning. They were taken to the residence of Mr. Geo. E. Goodman and at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon the funeral was held from the Presbyterian church. In the absence of Rev. Richard Wylie, Dr. Coyle, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated. Mrs. Wylie and Miss Florence Millard sang two appropriate selections. The following named gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: W. K. Salmon; Smith Brown, R. H. Sterling, J. A. McClelland, A. G. Boggs, W. A. Fisher and J. M. Mansfield.

Dr. Coyle followed the reading of the Scriptures with a brief and eloquent discourse in which he paid deserved tribute to deceased. He spoke of Mrs. Veeder as being the first lady to join the Presbyterian church of Napa on profession of faith. She had since traveled half way round the world. Beginning her church work here she ended it here. When her husband was called to the head of the Imperial University of Japan at Tokio she remained by his side and inaugurated a department of instruction that has since fallen to the charge of the Empress of that country. When these two Christian hearts separated themselves from kindred and country they were the more closely bound together in loving sympathy. Deceased was a sufferer for years; though not always confined to her room she carried about with her the consciousness of pain. It was a sanctified suffering and her's was a consecrated life, influencing for good all who came in contact with it. No grander monument could be builded than that she has left behind. She trained her children up in the fear of the Lord, inculcating those principles that it was her life mission to teach.

The remains were tenderly laid away in old Tulocay and were followed to their last resting place by husband and son and relatives of deceased who reside in this city and San Francisco.

From the Kankakee (Ill.) Daily Times of Oct. 4th, we extract what follows concerning the services held there:

"The funeral of Mrs. Veeder took place this afternoon from the residence, and was conducted by the Rev. Charles E. Upton, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Mr. Upton's remarks were of a consolatory nature and most kindly in character, and the deserved tribute he paid was the expression of the appreciation and regard felt for the deceased by every one present. A quartet, consisting of Mr. Troup and Mrs. Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Breckinridge, sang very beautifully the hymns, "Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep," "My Jesus as Thou wilt," and "I know not what awaits me, God kindly veils mine eyes."

The attendance was large, quite filling the house. Beside the relatives from abroad many people of the city were present, who, during the brief year that the family has resided here, have become very much attached to them, and were with one accord glad to be of any service to those who, in the hour of trouble, needed help or sympathy.

Dr. Veeder, the bereaved husband, was for many years in the government university of Japan, at Tokio, as professor of physics and dean of the faculty. On the return of the family to this country he was four years, from 1882 to 1886, professor of mathematics and astronomy at the Lake Forest University. He is now at Laurel Hill college at San Mateo, Cal.

Two children have resided with the mother during her residence in Kankakee, a daughter, Miss Augusta Veeder, whose work in church and whose varied kind acts in society have often contributed to the good and the pleasure of many persons, and a son who is a student of the high school, both of whom have the sympathy of a large circle of

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES
OF FAMILIES

By Tom Gregory

JOHN HEIN.

Of German birth and parentage, Mr. Hein was born in Prussia in 1831. When he was twelve years of age he came with his parents to the United States, the family settling in Chicago. When he had resided there ten years, in 1852 Mr. Hein started for California. He set sail on the vessel Tennessee, which was wrecked off the coast of California, but the passengers were all safely landed and Mr. Hein remained in the state for several years. In 1856 he went to Minnesota and engaged in the trade of plumber and tinner, and for ten years he made his home in Carver, that state.

Mr. Hein's first marriage occurred in Minnesota and two children were born, Elizabeth and Peter J., both of Napa. Mr. Hein's second marriage was with Sophia Falkum, and in 1866 he and his wife came to Napa, Cal., where he engaged in the hardware business. Mrs. Sophia Hein passed away in Napa, leaving two children, as follows: George A., a musician in the United States army, and Charles, a resident of San Francisco. In 1869 Mr. Hein returned to Minnesota and was married in Traverse de Sioux to Miss Kate Herkelrath, who was born in Bavaria, Germany, the daughter of John and Barbara (Baum) Herkelrath, who came to the United States in 1848 and settled in Belleville, Ill. From there they went to Minnesota in 1855, and in the schools of that state Mrs. Hein was educated, and later taught school for some years. She recalls experiences of the Sioux massacre, when the Indians massacred and killed about five hundred of the citizens. Of the nine children born of Mr. Hein's third marriage two died in infancy and of the others we mention the following: Frederick A., a builder in Napa, married Nellie Maynard; Mark H., also a resident of Napa, married Jessie Peiratte; John H. resides in Browns valley; Benjamin F. in Napa; William R. and Mayme are deceased; and Katrina is a bookkeeper in San Francisco.

Mr. Hein purchased a tract of timber land in the redwoods consisting of three hundred and eighty acres opposite Castle Rock. After clearing and improving the place he set out an orchard and vineyard and resided on the place until he returned to Napa, and here his death occurred March 29, 1906. In her own right the widow owns a ranch of two hundred and fifty-five acres in the Napa redwoods, on the Browns valley road, about ten miles from Napa. This place is well improved with buildings, vineyards and orchards, and some of the land is in grain. Mrs. Hein now resides in Napa, where she is surrounded by her children and many friends, who esteem her for her many acts of charity and kindness and her many virtues.

Mr. Hein was a public-spirited man, supporting such movements as made for the betterment of the community. He served for a number of years as school trustee, and earlier in life, during his residence in Minnesota, he acted in the capacity of road supervisor for several terms. Politically he was affiliated with the Democratic party, firmly adhering to its tenets and principles.

JACOB TEPLY.

By Tom Gregory

Destiny has brought Mr. Tepy a cosmopolitan fund of information through direct personal contact with the people of different countries. As a boy he became familiar with the institutions of Germany, the land of his nativity, his birth having occurred there December 8, 1851. Later, when he had attained manhood and had acquired a thorough knowledge of every detail connected with the tailor's trade, he worked as a journeyman in both England and France, residing in both countries for a period of sufficient duration to enable him to acquire considerable information concerning the customs and characteristics of the people. Eventually he came to the United States and became a resident of California, which he believes to possess advantages the equal of those offered by any portion of the world.

Upon discontinuing work as a tailor in France and crossing the ocean to the new world, Mr. Tepy sought and secured employment in New York City. Conditions there, however, were not wholly satisfactory and in the year 1881 he heard the call of the west, coming to San Francisco, where he immediately found work at his chosen occupation. In that city he met and married Miss Anna Bremer, who was born, reared and educated in Germany, being a daughter of Albert and Caroline Bremer. Her father was a shoemaker by trade, but he died while young. The mother is still living with her daughter, Mrs. Tepy, at the age of eighty-eight years. Mrs. Tepy learned tailoring in Germany, where she acquired a thorough knowledge of men's and ladies' tailoring, which she followed in London, England, and afterwards in San Francisco. In earlier life she was an accomplished singer and won the plaudits of her large social circle. During October, 1880, she left London for the United States and settled in New York City, but two years later, in 1882, left that metropolis for the remote west and settled in San Francisco, where she followed her trade until her marriage, November 17, 1884.

Upon removing from San Francisco to Napa county in 1901 Mr. Tepy bought the Ben Kiser place of fifty acres, now known as the Dutch Flat poultry farm. Since acquiring the property he has remodeled the place and has expended more than \$3,000 in improvements. Aside from ten acres in a vineyard he has allowed the land to remain in meadow and pasture, so that he has an abundance of range for his poultry. On his farm there are now more than one thousand laying hens of the best type of the White Leghorn breed, always a favorite with poultrymen throughout the entire west. At all seasons he has for sale eggs from the choicest of stock. Frequently he has sold young chicks, but it is his preference to hold these for subsequent sale or home use. From

the first he has been successful in the care of his flock. This is noteworthy, because he had devoted practically his entire life to tailoring and had no knowledge, theoretical or practical, concerning the poultry industry. Careful study and practical experience have given him the grasp of the business in every detail. It always has been his opinion, since beginning at the work, that the air of the hills is healthier for fowls than that of the valleys and this theory has been substantiated by experience on his part.

The necessity of giving close attention, formerly to the tailor's trade and later to the poultry business, has prevented Mr. Tepy from taking any part in public affairs, but he is loyal to his adopted country and patriotic in devotion to governmental welfare. Politically he maintains an independent attitude. Fraternally he is connected with the Napa Lodge of Eagles and has been active in its work. Mrs. Tepy has been prominent in the Pocahontas Camp, United Order of Red Men, and has been a leading worker in the Ladies' German Benevolent Society of the Red Cross Association, having officiated as president of the same during the period of her residence in San Francisco.

T H E M O Y E R F A M I L Y

Wilbur Fisk Moyer was born April 24, 1849 in Marion, Ohio, died at home in the Napa Redwoods, November 24, 1899, age 50.

Emma Taylor (wife of Wilbur Fisk Moyer) was from Iowa, died in San Francisco, January 24, 1932.

Children of Wilbur Fisk and Emma T. Moyer:

George Earnest

Flora Ethel (Mrs. Arthur Robbins) d. 8-25-55

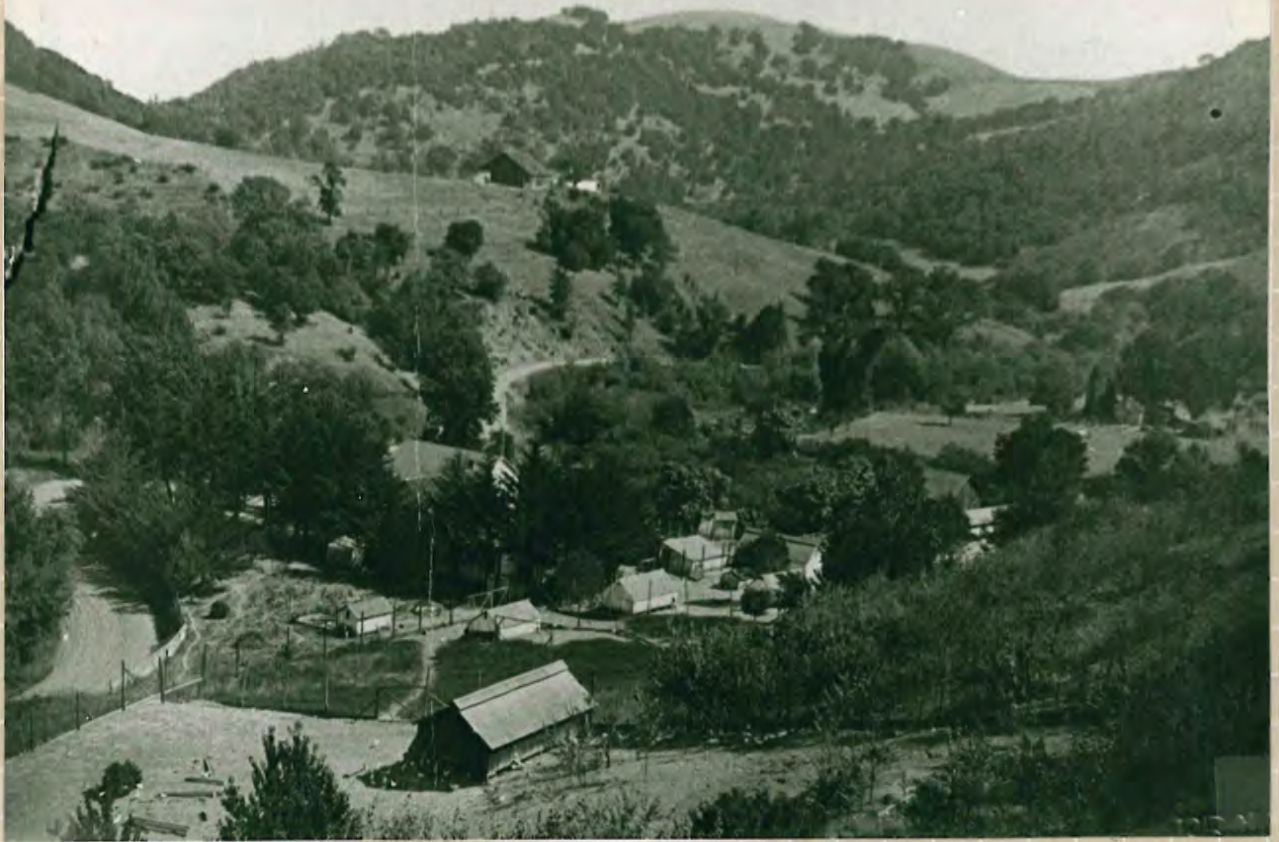
Rollin Wilbur b. 11-4-1884 d. 1-24-31

Willard Fisk b. 1888

Franklin Taylor b. 1890

Ruth Carlotta (Mrs. Shirley E. Stout) d. 4-11-69

Presently Willard resides in Browns Valley, and Franklin T., in the Napa Redwoods.



JACOB TEPLY'S CHICKEN RANCH Courtesy of C. Pieratt

By Tom Gregory

HISTORY OF SOLANO AND NAPA COUNTIES

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PETER A. DADO.

From the republic of Switzerland many of the sturdy pioneers and rugged citizens of our state and country have come, bringing with them indomitable spirits, high ideals and restless energy. These assets have been harnessed and turned to good account in their association with American ideals, and consequently the majority of these immigrants have proven themselves most worthy citizens of the United States.

Peter A. Dado was born in Canton Ticino, Switzerland, in 1846, and came to California when twenty-five years of age. He located in Marin county and for four years followed butter making and dairying with much success. He then moved to Napa county and resided in the region of the Napa redwoods until his death, in 1899. He purchased one hundred and sixty acres of wild land and improved the same, building a house and barn and planting a vineyard and an orchard. His place of residence was known as Ivy Cottage, situated about twelve miles from Napa, on the Brown's valley road.

In San Francisco, in April, 1872, Mr. Dado married Louisa Lohmann, a native of Posen, Germany, who came to San Francisco in 1871, in company with her parents, Gottleib and Fredericka (Boettcher) Lohmann, and resided there until her marriage. To Mr. and Mrs. Dado the following children were born: Hermann, Benjamin, Peter, Frederick, Frank and Marie. Hermann married Coba Sax and they have one child, Anita. Peter married Louisa Glos and they have two children, Peter and Zelda. Frank married Hulda Woodworth. Marie married Gustaf Schneider, a musician of San Francisco, and they have one child, Ewald.

After the death of Mr. Dado his widow married Otto Zaugg, a native of Switzerland, the ceremony taking place in San Francisco. In 1910 Mr. and Mrs. Zaugg bought sixteen acres of land and built a home in the Napa redwoods.



Brandlin Family 1908 Courtesy of R. Brandlin

left to right / top row: Jack, Ema, Gertrude, Lena, Fred
middle row: Henry, Mother Monica, Father John, Bill, Elizabeth
bottom row: Marie, Amelia, Annabel, Emil



Moyer Family Courtesy of W. M. Moyer

THE BRANDLIN FAMILY

This is a personal account, courtesy of Richard Brandlin, given through December, 1974 and May, 1975.

My grandfather, John Brandlin, Sr., was a native of Basal, Switzerland, coming to this country as a young man, first to New York, where he married my grandmother, Monica Baker, a native of Germany. They sailed around the Horn to San Francisco, where he worked as a brewmaster. Later coming to Napa, they lost two children who died from diptheria, caused from bad water. That is when they decided to move into the hills of Mt. Veeder, buying the first place in 1879 below the Diamond Spring above Lokoya. It was forty acres, purchased from a Mr. Hied. After farming and cutting wood there for some years, they got burned out. There are some acacia trees growing where the house was. Abandoning the burned-out place, my grandfather bought forty acres from Lewis Slinsen, slightly south of the first place, where he rebuilt. They continued raising Zinfandel grapes and cutting wood, which included four-foot fir wood which they sold to the bakeries in Napa. (The area is all grown up with timber now.) And family raising—fourteen in all; twelve survived, seven girls and five boys.

My father, Henry Brandlin, youngest of the boys, was born there March 28, 1881; five younger sisters were born there also. They attended the Lone Pine School located on the Dr. Pond ranch.

The girls of the family all left the hills, going into the bay area cities where they all married. The five sons all stayed in Napa County. Jack Brandlin, the oldest, ran a livery stable in Napa for many years. Emil Brandlin farmed in Mt. Veeder (his ranch above the Redwood Cemetery) 'til 1915, later going into the taxi business in Napa. Fred Brandlin farmed in the Browns Valley area most of his life. Bill Brandlin was vineyard foreman for Theodore Gier for many

BRANDLIN FAMILY *continued*

years. Henry Brandlin ran a hay, grain, and wood business in Napa along with a teaming business (he had twenty head of large draft horses), until he bought the Mt. Veeder Vineyards in 1921.

My grandfather sold his ranch in Mt. Veeder in 1915 to a Mr. Bouc for \$2,000.00 and moved to Napa.

THE JAMES ELKINGTON FAMILY *continued*

From: HISTORICAL NAPA VALLEY, by Virginia Hanarahan, page 32.

We stopped at the ranch of Richard Pleiner's high in the hills. Quite close to his house, Pleiner showed us the remains of a once active sawmill. Pleiner then pointed off to the southwest remarking that over there—still on his property were ruins of another sawmill owned by Judge Stoney in the 70's. It was amazing to learn of this early sawmill in the Mt. Veeder district. John Brandlin, our valued Mt. Veeder historical authority, did a bit of investigating for us. He consulted two of his schoolmates: Mrs. Switzer of Randolph Street and her sister, Mrs. Walker of Third Street, who attended the Lone Tree School with him in the eighties. They were daughters of the James Elkingtons, who operated the Mt. Veeder summer resort in the early days. Mrs. Walker remembered a sawmill located near their home and about one mile from the road to Napa, apparently situated on the northeast corner of the old Dr. Milo Pond ranch. It was of particular interest to learn that the Elkingtons operated their own sawmill for about fifteen years. Their holdings covered 640 acres including the highest peak of Mt. Veeder and Lone Tree mountain. Their mill was run by water power from a forty-foot square pond fed by water traveling down the eastern slope of Mt. Veeder. This Elkington mill was chiefly used to cut rough lumber for local use in fencing, bridge work, and for firewood.

From John Wichels: Tom Elkington was an engineer at the Veterans Home about 1896. Herman Dado worked as a helper for him.

THE JAMES ELKINGTON
FAMILY

James and Emma Elkington came to Connecticut from England in the 1850's with their son, James E. Sarah J. and William were born in Connecticut. In 1865 the family came to California. They raised nine of their twelve children at their home, known as the Mt. Veeder Resort.

RE: THE JAMES ELKINGTON FAMILY — CENSUS

From Microfilm of U. S. Census taken July 8, 1870:

Name	Age	White	Sex	Occupation	Birthplace
Elkington, James	41	"	M	Farmer	England
" Emma	36	"	F	Keeping house	England
" James E.	15	"	M	At home	England
" Sarah J.	13	"	F	At home	Connecticut
" William	11	"	M	At home	Connecticut
" Ellen M.	8	"	F	At home	Connecticut
" Thomas	4	"	M	At home	California
" Ann A.	2	"	F	At home	California

From Microfilm of U. S. Census taken August 7, 1880:

Name	Age	White	Sex	Occupation	Birthplace
Elkington, James	51	"	M	Farmer	England
" Emma	45	"	F	Keeping house	England
" William	21	"	M	Farmer	Connecticut
" Ellen	18	"	F	At home	Connecticut
" Thomas	14	"	M	At school	California
" Annie	10	"	F	At school	California
" Martha	8	"	F	At school	California
" George	6	"	M	At school	California
" Emma	5	"	F	At school	California
Hunger, Mathias	61	"	M	Carpenter-Boarder	Switzerland

Mrs. Ed (Eva) Skivington related to me that her mother, Ellen Elkington, was married in her home on Mt. Veeder in the 1880's.

From: HISTORICAL NAPA VALLEY, by V. Hanarahan
and from: John Wichels.



Elkington Family 1885 Courtesy of E. Skivington

left to Right/top row: Annie, George, Ellen, Martha
middle row: Emma

front row: Tom, Emma, Father James Sr., Mother Emma
William son of James Jr., James Jr.



Holzreiter Family 1915 Courtesy of
L.A. Holzreiter

left to right / back row: Lewis, Father Peter Sr.,
Felix, Mother Ida, Peter Jr.

front row: Rose, Ida

H O L Z R E I T E R F A M I L Y

Peter E. Holzreiter, Sr., born in 1857, and his wife Ida Ernst, born in 1870, were both natives of Huttingen, Germany. They came to the United States independently to San Francisco in the 1890's. Ida returned to Germany for a brief time. They were married in San Francisco. In June of 1895, they moved into the former Elkington home, known as Mt. Veeder Resort, with their six-month-old son, Peter Edward, Jr.

The family grew: Lewis A., born 1-1-1897 died, 1972
 Felix J. 5-30-1898
 Ida M. 5-26-1899
 (Mrs. Neil Pardo) died, 1933
 Rose Barbara 3-17-1902
 A boy twin to Rose Barbara died at birth

Presently: Peter Edward resides in Napa.
 Wife of Lewis A. (Ruby) resides in Napa.
 Felix J. resides in Lodi, California.
 Rose Barbara resides in San Francisco.

There were six grandchildren; however, the Holzreiter name will pass with this generation.

State of California

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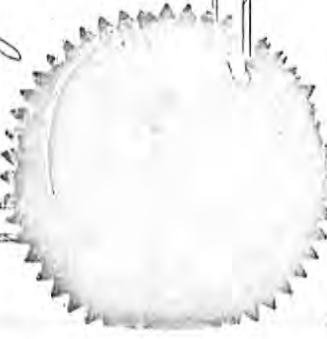
Grammar School of McNeader District
Awarded by the County Board of Education of Yuba County
TO
Lewis B. Solsreiter
For having successfully completed the Course of Study prescribed for the
Grammar Schools of the County.

Margaret M. Mehen
SECRETARY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

John L. Sawyer
PRESIDENT COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

June 6-1913

Agnes L. Kermode.



In the Superior Court in and for the County of Napa,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

PRESENT, HON. E. D. HAM, JUDGE.

In the Matter of the Application of

Peter E. Holzreiter

AN ALIEN.

To become a Citizen of the United States of America.

IN OPEN COURT,

this 15th day of Sept., A. D. 1902.

It appearing to the satisfaction of this Court, by the oaths of August Hauser, and John Brandlin citizens of the United States of America, witnesses for that purpose, first duly sworn and examined, that Peter E. Holzreiter a native of Germany, has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years at least, last past, and within the State of California for one year last past: and that during all of said five years' time he has behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same; and it also appearing to the Court by competent evidence that the said applicant has heretofore, and more than two years since and in due form of law declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and having now here. before this Court, taken an oath that he will support the Constitution of the United States of America, and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to

The Emperor of Germany

It is Therefore Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed, that said

Peter E. Holzreiter

be, and he is hereby admitted and declared to be a Citizen of the United States of America.

E. D. Ham,

JUDGE.

Signature: Peter E. Holzreiter.

Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, } ss
OF NAPA COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

I, N. W. Collins, Clerk of the Superior Court of Napa County, State of California, said Court being a Court of record, having a common law jurisdiction and a Clerk and seal, do certify that the above is a true copy of the Act of Naturalization of Peter E. Holzreiter as the same appears upon the Records of of said Court, now in my office,

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 15th day of Sept., in the year of our Lord One Thousand

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1943

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Peter Holzreiter Services Held At St. John's

Rites were held at the St. John's Catholic church Wednesday morning for Peter E. Holzreiter, 86, a Mt. Veeder district rancher for over 45 years, who died at the Victory Hospital last week-end after a brief illness.

Deceased was born in Huttingen, Germany, in 1857. He came to the United States as a boy and was married to Miss Ida Ernst, a native of his home town in Germany, in the city of San Francisco. He brought his bride to Napa county and acquired the property on Mt. Veeder where he had resided continuously ever since. His wife was taken by death several years ago.

Mr. Holzreiter was the father of these children: Ida Marie Pardo, deceased, of Seattle; Peter E. Holzreiter, Jr., of Napa; Lewis A. Holzreiter, of Vallejo; Felix J. Holzreiter, of Stockton; and R. Barbara Holzreiter, of San Francisco.

There are six grandchildren: reiter, Ida Holzreiter, Pat Pardo, an aviation cadet, Barbara Adelaide Holzreiter, Beverly Holzreiter and Ben Pardo.



Pictures Taken at Tulocay Cemetery 1975 By L. Hicks

The Napa Journal

ALSO WITHOUT AN APOLOGY, THE NAPA VALLEY DAILY MORNING

Pages

NAPA, CALIFORNIA, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1938

Mrs. Holzreiter Funeral Service Set for Friday

High mass will be said at St. John's Catholic Church Friday at 10 a. m., followed by burial in Tulocay for Mrs. Ida Holzreiter, 68, long time resident of the Mt. Veeder district, who died yesterday at her home after suffering from pneumonia. Rosary will be recited at the Webber Funeral Parlors tomorrow at 8.30 p. m.

Mrs. Holzreiter came to this country from Germany when she was 18, and lived here ever since, with the exception of a few visits to her native country.

She is survived by two sons in Napa, Felix J. Holzreiter, of Solano avenue, and P. E. Holzreiter, Jr., of Mt. Veeder, and another son, Lewis, of Vallejo. There is a daughter also surviving in Seattle, Wash.

There are six grandchildren: Adelaide, Beverly and Ida Holzreiter, of Napa; Betty and Patty Pardo, of Seattle; and Barbara Holzreiter, of Vallejo.



by Palmer

POND, MILO BUSHNELL, M. D. Third son of Ananias Rogers Pond, of Revolutionary stock, of Vermont, and his wife, Frances Mann Bushnell, of the same State, was born February 22, 1836, in Dearborn County, Indiana, and emigrated to Wisconsin in 1840. Early in life he showed a love and aptitude for learning, evinced by "spelling down" an entire school, and then two lawyers—who volunteered to spell against him—one of them Allen Barber, District Attorney of Grant County, Wisconsin, in the spring of 1842, when but six years old. He immigrated to California in 1853, driving a team of cattle across the continent, which took six months. For several years he worked upon his father's farm, clearing and improving, with but little time for school, but carrying a book at all times in his pocket, and studying each while the team rested. Thus algebra and other studies were mastered without a teacher. He is by nature a Republican, believing in free and equal human rights, and the duty of all to protect them. This was made manifest in 1856, at a public school exhibition, in a Democratic stronghold district, where as a pupil he took part, as orator of the occasion, by making an anti-slavery speech, which called forth threats of "tar and feathers" from some Missourians, one of whom was trustee of the school. He was elected a delegate to the first Republican County Convention of Solano County, and was secretary of the first meeting organizing the Union League of that county, at Suisun, when the news of the firing upon Fort Sumter was first received, and ever took an earnest, bold part in keeping California in the folds of the Union. At that time, having secured a first-grade certificate, he was teaching, alone, the Fairfield public school, of over sixty pupils, which embraced, at that time, all grades from the alphabet to trigonometry and Latin; the two latter branches, however, were taught as a special favor to some bright young men in attendance, outside of regular school hours—which, by the way, then embraced from eight A. M. to six P. M. Here he organized a literary society and library, which flourished for three years, but failed during his absence for want of public spirit among the people—the books, some hundred of them, being divided between a few of the old pupils. He was a member of the Board of Teachers' Examiners until he moved out of the county, and always took an active interest in the public schools. Examinations at that day were principally oral, and the superintendent a political officer, as now—a bad system, which ought to be abolished, as trades in conventions often result in nominating the poorest qualified applicant. The Rev. Mr. H——, when, as president, he was organizing the Board, "wanted it *distinctly understood* that we are here to *ask* questions and not to *answer* them for any of the teachers." In his case it was a bold, clever, and necessary protective measure. He graduated in medicine from the Toland Medical College, San Francisco, March 7, 1865, being one of a class of seven who first graduated from the college. He held the



Dado Family 1885
Courtesy of E. S. Kivington

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position of resident physician in the City and County Hospital of San Francisco for some time, leaving there to locate in Napa City, in the fall of 1866, where he still resides. He, with Dr. Frisbie, of Vallejo, and Dr. Campbell, of Suisun, (now dead, but an earnest, worthy member of the profession,) worked long and earnestly to organize a District Medical Society for Solano and Napa Counties, and finally succeeded; but it languished for a year and a half, and died for the want of a quorum of seven, though the above organizers were never absent from a meeting during all that time, though never meeting a quorum. He received an addendum diploma from the Medical College of the Pacific December 7, 1870. Has always been an active member of the California State Medical Society. He is the inventor of the split canula, for tracheotomy, and a double curved needle for introducing sutures in the operation of staphyloraphy, or cleft palate, and presented them to the fraternity at the meeting of the State Medical Society held in 1873, and read a paper describing them and their use as used by him, which appears in the published transactions of the society for 1873, both instruments being illustrated by engravings, and are valuable additions to surgery. Dr. Pond has performed most of the major operations in surgery with marked success, including ovariectomy, tracheotomy, staphyloraphy, enterotomy, perineoraphy, vesico-vaginal fistula, recto-vaginal fistula, for strangulated hernia, extraction of the hip and knee joints, etc., and enjoys an enviable reputation for the treatment of women. March 25, 1881, like a true surgeon, he submitted himself to the knife for the radical cure of ventral hernia, under the hand of Dr. L. C. Lane, and was rewarded by a perfect cure. He has always taken an active part in local societies for culture and refinement, as well as manly and social clubs, and is an active citizen in all respects.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1898

Funeral of James Elkington.

The funeral of the late James Elkington was held Sunday from the Advent Christian church, Rev. McFayden officiating. The music was rendered by a quartette consisting of Chas Welti, D. S. Kyser, James Mason and Fred Jordan. The pall bearers were Wm. Andrews, H. C. Horstmeier, A. P. Voorhees, T. M. Martin, W. P. Prall and W. H. Switzer. The remains were placed in the receiving vault.

NAPA DAILY JOURNAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1898

Death of Jas. Elkington.

James Elkington died Friday evening, after an illness of several months. Deceased was a native of England, and 68 years of age. He leaves a widow and a large family of sons and daughters, all grown. He was a man universally respected.

The funeral will be held from his late residence on Calistoga avenue at 2 P. M. Sunday.



taken at
Tulocay Cemetery
By L. Hicks

Napa Register

5-6-75

Obituaries

Marie Pieratt

Marie (Mamie) Pieratt of 3674 Redwood Road died Monday at Redwood Lutheran Convalescent Hospital after a short illness. She was 92.

A native of Napa, Mrs. Pieratt was born on July 4, 1882. She moved to the Howell Mountain area with her parents at the age of five where she attended school. Her father operated the Goldberg and Heis Vineyard and Winery near Angwin.

She was married to Gustave Schneider here and moved to San Francisco and were there during the 1906 earthquake. She returned to Napa to the Mt. Veeder area in 1908. In 1912 she was married to William B. Pieratt.

Mrs. Pieratt was a member of the Napa Grange No. 307.

Survivors include a son, Clarence E. of Napa; a stepson, William F. of Napa; seven grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Treadway and Wigger Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Everett Ransom of the Advent Christian Church will conduct the services. Burial will be in the family

ROADS AND SERVICES

R O A D S

The old Ridge Road was used by the earliest settlers in the Mt. Veeder area. The road started at Dry Creek near the present Daly property, then up to the ridge by the M. Brandlin ranch. It followed the ridge all the way to the summit presently owned by Veedercrest Vineyards. From there, I am only guessing that it followed closely the present County road. It ended at the old Elkington place.

This Ridge Road was used until a road through Pickle Canyon was put in, which I feel was in the early 1870's. The road through Pickle Canyon started from Redwood Road (approximately near present Christian Brothers Winery turnoff), and terminated at the Elkington place. (Napa County Official Record Book, R-Deeds, p. 76.) The roadway then, between these two points, followed closely what it presently is, except for the first mile or so, which was on the other side of the creek, according to William Pieratt. There was a private road from the Elkington ranch down to Dry Creek which went through Wing Canyon.

It is this writer's opinion that the road through Pickle Canyon was not called Mt. Veeder Road until after the 1900's. Evidence available had led me to believe this road was called Red-Wood Road. (Napa County Official Record Book, 50-Deeds, p. 356.) This old road was hard to travel—very dusty when dry and very muddy when wet. Many "old-timers" related to me that horses got stuck in the mud during the winters. Some stuck so deep that they had to be shot.

In 1911 or 1912, Willard Moyer recalls having a rock crusher in the area of Mt. Veeder Road and hauling the crushed rock onto the road.

Mr. Moyer further related that there was a continuance of the Mt. Veeder Road from the Holzreiter place to Dry Creek in 1921 or 1922. Harry Montgomery was the foreman on the job

R O A D S . . . *continued*

with Bill Hoffman as semi-foreman. William Moyer did most of the powder work on it. He had a good team of horses and a Fresno Scraper. Other workers included Ole Young, who had a team of mules, plow, and a Fresno Scraper; Harold Munk, Felix Holzreiter, and the Wall brothers.

In the early 1930's, Mt. Veeder Road was oiled up to the Hoffman ranch and later paved in about 1936, according to Richard Brandlin. The portion of the road past the Hoffman ranch was paved during the late 1950's, according to Fred Held.

The road which led up to the Solid Comfort Resort started just past the present Fred Held property on Mt. Veeder Road. During the early 1930's, the road was changed and originated at the summit (old Menneguzzi property), and became known as Lokoya Road.

S E R V I C E S

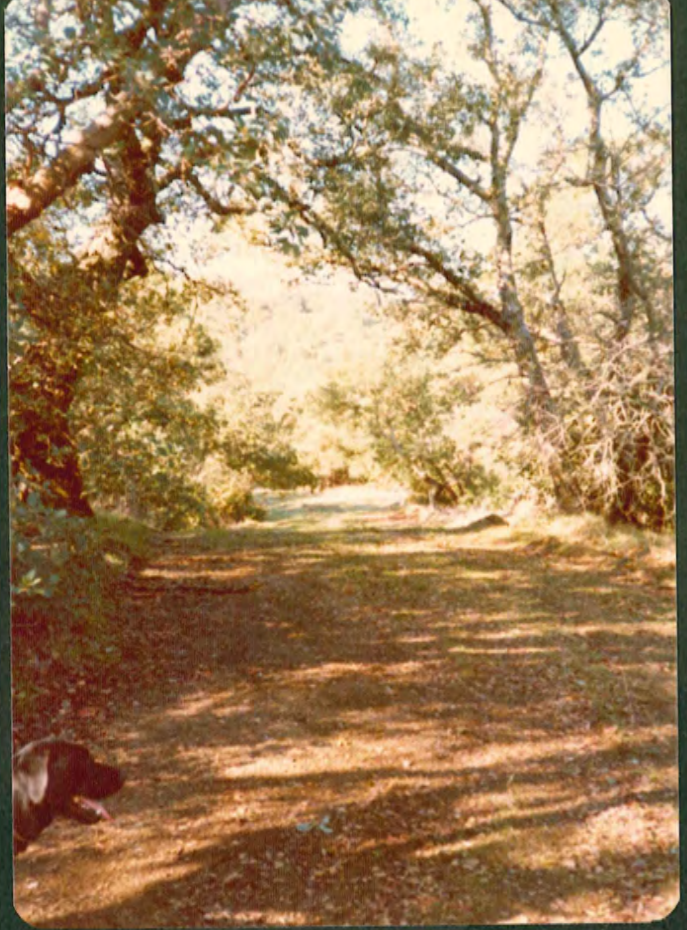
I assume there was no mail delivery up to 1918, which meant that everyone had to go into town to pick up their mail—General Delivery. In conversation with Fred Pond, a retired postal employee, he recalled the Solid Comfort Home had a Post Office from about November 1918 to May 1925, at which time this "branch" post office was moved to Lokoya Lodge. Postal services were available there many years, up to March 1951, when it was no longer justified. In these early years of this branch postal service, the residents who lived beyond Solid Comfort could receive their mail there. Just when rural route delivery began, I was unable to learn. Lois Vienop, a retired postal employee, related her experiences of rural delivery (Star Route) in the twenties and thirties. She drove a 1926 or 1927 Dodge sedan on her route through Dry Creek and Mt. Veeder roads. Her vehicle was often stuck in the mud at various points of the road during the winter, and generally it was one of her postal patrons who pulled her out.

The Browns Valley Telephone Company began their service in the valley and gradually progressed up into the hills. Telephone service was first noted on Mt. Veeder School accounts in 1922 and on Redwood School in 1924. Probably many of the residents subscribed initially at this time, too. My contacts recalled having the telephone in before electricity. Electric lines came to Lokoya Lodge by 1925 and a few years later were continued on. I would suppose the electric lines originated in the valley at several points such as: Browns Valley, Orchard Avenue, Yountville, and Oakville, moving northwesterly to become a continuous circuit.



RIDGE ROAD
by L. HICKS





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SCHOOLS

S C H O O L S I N A R E A

From: Register of Requisitions, Napa Co. Schools, 1890-1907

In 1890, Napa County had 52 elementary school districts. The total state apportionment for that fiscal year was \$28,059.24. Mt. Veeder area schools were:

Redwood, District #17, located on the upper end of present Redwood Road

Lone Tree, District #39, which was on the old Dr. Pond property off Lokoya Road

Enterprise, District #50, situated on the upper part of Dry Creek Road

These districts received approximately \$210., \$273., and \$127. respectively in state funds that year (1890).

By 1900, the elementary districts increased to 56. County apportionments then were:

Redwood, District #17:	\$234.00
Lone Tree, District #39:	231.00
Enterprise, District #50:	231.00

Although there were still 56 districts listed in 1906, Lone Tree District was not listed in apportionments. This leads me to believe that the Lone Tree School was not operating at this time and in 1907, when Mt. Veeder School opened, it replaced the Lone Tree School and assumed that District #39.

The expenditures for lumber and building supplies indicate to me those were the periods of construction or re-construction of the school building. It is also very obvious that most of the labor in all of these school districts was accomplished by the adjacent residents. These people probably also parents of students attending. That situation prevails today, even in our modern society, for the same reason it did 90 years ago—school budgets are very limited.

Presently, most elementary students are bused from the Mt. Veeder area to either the Browns Valley or Salvador School. Likewise the majority of students in grades 7-12 are bused into town and attend either Ridgeview or Redwood Junior High, or Napa or Vintage High School.

REDWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT #17

From: REGISTERS of School Requisitions, Napa County, 1882-93.

T E A C H E R S

8-1881 - 12-1882	Casie E. Greenfield	\$50.	per month
5-1883 - 12-1884	Maggie Maken	50.	
8-1886 - 4-1889	M. E. Stockley	50.	
5-1889 - 7-1890	Lena G. Butler	60.	
8-1890 - 12-1890	Anna Jackson	60.	
4-1891 - 5-1893	Lena Jackson	60.	

E X P E N D I T U R E S

1-14-1882	Puget Sound Lumber Company		\$40.89
2-11-1882	George W. Gildersleeve		47.45
7-30-1882	George W. Gildersleeve		16.25
6-16-1883	W. H. Lake	Census/Labor	3.00
6- 7-1884	W. H. Lake	Census	3.00
10- 8-1886	E. M. Fraley		2.00
3- 8-1887	W. F. Moyer		1.75
6- 4-1887	L. Roney		4.00
6- 9-1888	J. Hein		4.50
4-26-1889	E. Streich		2.50
6-22-1889	F. A. Hein		5.00
11-30-1889	L. L. James Co.	Lumber	15.55
6- 7-1890	E. Streich	Lumber	13.20
6-14-1890	F. A. Hein	Census	7.50
6-20-1890	E. M. Fraley	Labor	16.00
7-15-1890	Jos. & Fred Hein	Labor	26.00
7-19-1890	H. H. Knapp Lumber Co.	Lumber	31.25
11- 8-1890	Henry Ames	Organ	25.00
6- 2-1891	Fred Hein	Census	5.00
10- 3-1891	E. M. Fraley	Labor/laying pipe	20.00
11- 4-1891	Charles Hein	Labor	6.00
11- 5-1891	James & Sons Co.	Iron pipe	85.20
11- 7-1891	E. M. Fraley	Labor	5.50
12-16-1891	E. M. Fraley	Labor	1.50
2-13-1892	Kate Hein	Labor & pipe	12.75
3-12-1892	E. M. Fraley	Labor	15.00
4-23-1892	E. M. Fraley	Labor	15.00
5-21-1892	E. M. Fraley	Census	5.00
8-13-1892	E. M. Fraley	Labor	1.50
9-14-1892	S. S. Ward	Labor	2.50
1-11-1893	Ernest Streich	Labor	6.25
1-21-1893	Kate Hein	Labor & Lumber for making privy	10.25
1-23-1893	L. L. James Co.	Lumber	21.97
5-13-1893	E. M. Fraley	Census	5.00

REDWOOD SCHOOL *continued*

From: REGISTER of Requisitions, Napa County School Supt.,
1882-1907.

T E A C H E R S

11-93 - 12-94	Lena Jackson	\$60.	per month
1-94 - 7-96	Maggie Macken	50.	
8-96 - 6-97	Lucy Knox	50.	
9-97 - 6-98	Lucy Knox	55.	
10-98 - 6-01	Elizabeth V. Herron	50.	
9-01 - 6-07	Elizabeth V. Herron	60.	

E X P E N D I T U R E S

7- 6-93	Emma T. Moyer	Book	\$ 1.50
10-25-93	Kate Hein	Water and Labor	7.00
11-28-93	Fred A. Hein	Repairs to organ	1.50
6- 9-94	F. A. Hein	Census	6.00
2- 5-95	E. M. Fraley	Clearing	18.25
5-13-95	E. M. Fraley	Census	5.00
10- 1-95	Kate Hein	Water	10.00
3- 7-96	Emma T. Moyer	Labor	11.50
4-11-96	Kate Hein	Supplies	4.00
4-25-96	A. Hatt & Co.	Lumber	21.33
5-16-96	Fred A. Hein	Census	6.00
12-17-96	Fred A. Hein	Labor	9.00
1- 2-97	Kate Hein	Labor and Supplies	16.25
1- 7-97	Ethel T. Moyer	Books	3.30
1-13-97	A. Hatt & Co.	Lumber	6.10
2-27-97	F. A. Hein	Labor	2.00
4-10-97	James & Sons	Supplies	10.50
6- 7-97	J. N. Patrick	Census	6.00
12-23-97	Kate Hein	Supplies	14.00
11-26-98	Kate Hein	Water	7.00
12-31-98	Mark Hein	Wood	9.25
8- 9-99	E. L. Streich	Hauling & Repairs	21.00
1- 3-00	Kate Hein	Water	5.00
3-28-00	Emma T. Moyer	Wood	4.50
5-16-00	Emma T. Moyer	Census	5.00
4-27-01	Mark Hein	Labor	2.50
12-28-01	Emma T. Moyer	Wood	5.00
1-31-02	Kate Hein	Labor	1.75
3- 8-02	Mrs. Mark Hein	Repairs	3.00
5-10-02	Ethel Moyer	Census	10.00
1-12-04	Kate Hein	Water	5.00
5-17-04	Ethel Moyer	Census	10.00
5-25-05	J. D. Clevenger	Census	10.00
5-19-06	Mrs. Jasper Partrick	Census	10.00
1-19-07	Lewis Slinsen	Labor	3.50

REDWOOD SCHOOL... continued

From: REGISTER of Requisitions, Napa County Supt. Schools,
1907-1914, 1920-1926.
BOOK OF WARRANTS, 1932-1933, Napa County Schools.

TEACHERS

10-07 - 6-09	Elizabeth V. Herron	\$ 60.	per month
9-09 - 2-10	Grace Turton	60.	
3-10 - 2-11	Florence Brown	55.	
3-11 - 6-11	Jean Brown	60.	
9-11 - 6-12	Hilda Smyth	65.	
9-12 - 12-13	Frieda Birkedal	65.	
7-20 - 6-21	Winefred Kennedy	90.	
7-21 - 7-22	Edith Hunt	100.	
8-22 - 7-23	Ortha Wilkening	100.	
8-23 - 6-26	Marie Orr	100.	

EXPENDITURES

3-21-1908	Lewis Slinsen		\$13.00
6-16-1908	Emma Gracy		10.00
12-19-1908	Edward Skivington		1.00
5-29-1909	Mrs. Earl Partrick		10.00
7-12-1909	E. F. Skivington		3.20
9-10-1909	E. F. Skivington		1.25
6-25-1910	S. S. Ward		10.00
11-11-1910	The Behlow Co.		19.95
11- 1-1912	A. Benkiser		5.00
1- 2-1914	August Benkiser		5.00
10-21-1921	Theo Gier	Water	10.00
2- 6-1922	E. Partrick	Janitor	5.00
2-10-1922	W. B. Pieratt	Wood	11.00
2-11-1922	August Benkiser	Wood, etc.	23.00
4-19-1922	E. Partrick	Plumbing Work	4.00
10- 1-1922	Theo Gier	Water	10.00
12- 1-1922	August Benkiser	Wood	25.00
5-26-1923	August Benkiser	Wood	5.00
6- 1-1923	Earl Partrick	Labor and Repairs	6.75
9- 1-1923	Theo Gier	Water	10.00
9-22-1923	Earl Partrick	Labor	16.00
11-10-1923	August Benkiser	Wood	20.00
1-31-1924	E. Skivington	Labor on phone	3.75
1-31-1924	Browns Valley Tele.	Service	6.10
8-20-1924	Mrs. W. B. Pieratt	Labor	3.75
8-29-1924	Mrs. A. Benkiser	Labor	2.75
9-10-1924	Earl Partrick	Labor	5.25
9-26-1924	Roy Partrick	Janitor	5.00
10-20-1924	Theo Gier	Water	10.00
10-17-1924	August Benkiser	Wood	20.00
10thru 12/24	Roy Partrick	Janitor	15.00
1thru 6/25	Roy Partrick	Janitor	22.50

REDWOOD SCHOOL....continued

(E X P E N D I T U R E S)

5- 9-1925	August Benkiser	Wood	\$10.00
7-27-1925	Mrs. E. Partrick	Supplies	3.00
10-29-1925	Theo Gier	Water	10.00
10thru12/25	Justus Benkiser	Janitor	30.00
1-16-1926	August Benkiser	Wood	20.00
2 thru6/26	Justus Benkiser	Janitor	20.00
5-17-1926	Browns Valley Telephone		5.00

Redwood School lapsed 7-1-1932. Remaining funds from this district were transferred to Browns Valley School District (\$1,089.94) and to Mt. Veeder School District (\$828.40) by February, 1933.

The old school building was purchased many years ago by the W. R. Augustines. It was remodelled at first into living quarters as a summer home, and is presently a permanent residence.

FROM REGISTER OF SCHOOL REQUISITIONS, NAPA COUNTY: 1881-1901

From Book E, p. 398, Board of Supervisors, Napa County—A petition was received from J. Hagars, D. T. Cheney, J. Hilbys, and J. M. Stephens regarding the Lone Tree School.

SCHOOL DISTRICT #39

LONE TREE TEACHERS

			<i>per month</i>
8-1881 -	3-1882	L. M. Duhig	\$50.00
4-1882 -	3-1883	Laura A. Walden	50.00
4-1883 -	5-1884	Louisa A. Wilson	50.00
6-1884 -	12-1885	Louisa A. Wilson	55.00
7-1886 -	6-1887	B. L. Higgins	55.00
8-1887 -	6-1890	W. F. Moyer	55.00
8-1890 -	8-1892	Lillian Northrup	55.00
9-1892 -	6-1893	Lena Downey	55.00
8-1893 -	5-1900	Mary W. Foley	55.00
6-1900 -	4-1901	Orfra A. Long	55.00

E X P E N D I T U R E S

4-29-1881	James Elkington		\$ 7.80
7-31-1882	James Elkington		1.75
8-19-1882	Jos. Brandlin	(Materials?)	47.50
1-13-1883	John Kuttruff		34.00
3-24-1883	James Elkington		10.15
4- 9-1883	P. A. Dado		1.00
1-19-1884	James Elkington		6.00
5-31-1884	P. A. Dado		4.00
8-14-1884	J. Broadhurst		1.50
6- 4-1887	George W. Roney		4.00
6-27-1887	L. L. James Co.	(Building Supplies?)	238.21
1- 5-1888	L. L. James Co.	" "	16.15
5-26-1888	L. L. James Co.	" "	71.51
5-26-1888	George W. Roney		4.00
1-16-1888	P. A. Dado		14.00
6- 7-1888	J. Caminada		2.00
5-17-1889	Frank Dado	Census	2.00
5-31-1890	P. A. Dado	Census	2.00
6- 3-1891	Christian Caminada	Cutting Wood	6.00
6- 3-1891	Katie Caminada	Census Marshal	2.00
11-20-1891	E. M. Fraley	Labor	10.00
6- 9-1892	Katie Caminada	Census Taking	2.00
6- 9-1892	John Caminada	Cutting Wood	3.00
5- 6-1893	C. Caminada	Labor	6.00
9-18-1893	C. Caminada	Labor	10.00
5- 5-1894	Katie Caminada	Census Marshal	2.00
7-10-1894	James & Co.	Lumber, Nails, etc.	40.40
1- 7-1895	Fritz Brandlin	Repairs	3.00
5-18-1895	Ben Dado	Census	3.00
5- 9-1896	Fritz Brandlin	Census	2.00
2-13-1897	Henry Brandlin	Labor	6.00

FROM REGISTER OF SCHOOL REQUISITIONS, NAPA COUNTY: 1881-1901

LONE TREE SCHOOL DISTRICT #39 EXPENDITURES

8-28-1897	Marchion Caminada	Work	2.00
5-21-1898	Fritz Brandlin	Census	3.00
6-14-1900	Emma Brandlin	Census	2.00
3-28-1900	Emma T. Moyer	Wood	4.50
5-16-1900	Emma T. Moyer	Census	5.00

M T, V E E D E R S C H O O L

From: DISTRICT CLERK'S RECORD BOOK, 1906-1914.

The formation of the Mt. Veeder School district was the result of a petition from: Edward J. Dollard, Peter E. Holzreiter, John Brandlin, A. Lallement, Frank V. Trigueiri, Lewis Slinsen, Emil Brandlin, and John Tampcke, to the Napa County Board of Supervisors in November, 1906.

The territory was taken from the former Lone Tree School District #39, and part of the Redwood School District #17. The census count was 15 children.

Trustee meeting minutes of July, 1907, show the selection of Miss Gertrude A. Dowdall as the teacher hired at a salary of \$60 a month and school to open the 29th of July, 1907. Also agreed to was a special tax of \$130, to be taken up for the purpose of building a new schoolhouse and purchasing a lot.

On January 10, 1908, a District meeting of qualified electors was held at the Caminada house for the purpose of selecting a site to build the new schoolhouse on. Ballots were cast as follows:

J. Tampcke	land	5 votes	Meeting Chairman: Emil Brandlin
M. Caminada	land	10 votes	Clerk: P. E. Holzreiter

Twelve desks were purchased from the Browns Valley School District for \$12 on February 7, 1908.

On March 31, 1908, trustees agreed to build a schoolhouse 16 x 20 feet walls and 10 feet high.

In July, 1908, Miss G. O. Dowdall was engaged for another term. The clerk was authorized to pay the old carpenter bill, purchase terracotta chimney and stovepipes, and to have the schoolhouse, furniture, etc. insured. A carpenter was hired for further finishing.

A new teacher was engaged, Mrs. E. V. Dow, in July, 1909 at a salary of \$60 a month. A carpenter to put up a new ceiling. Most of the people hired to build and maintain the schoolhouse were residents of the area.

FINANCIAL RECORD BOOK

June 29, 1908	S. S. Ward	Carpenter work	\$24.00
June 29, 1908	J. D. Clevenger	Labor	7.00
October 1, 1908	S. S. Ward	Carpenter work	21.00
January 30, 1909	C. R. Mayhugh	Carpenter work	4.00
January 30, 1909	P.E. Holzreiter, Sr.	Labor	2.00
July 5, 1909	Henry Brandlin	Hauling lumber	2.50
November 1, 1909	C. R. Mayhugh	Carpenter work	6.00

Also in July, 1909 a janitor, Peter E. Holzreiter, Jr. (a student aged 14) was engaged at \$2.50 a month for one year. (P. Ed Holzreiter, presently age 80, related to me that he worked about 30 to 45 minutes each day, four days a week, doing the various chores and assigned duties. His wage of \$2.50 per month would have averaged to about 20¢ an hour.) Peter's younger brother, Lewis Holzreiter, was appointed janitor at \$2.50 per month in July, 1911. He held the position until his graduation from the school in 1913.

Eugene Scheben was paid for the new ceiling in February, 1910. It was agreed to improve the school yard for \$6 in July, 1911, and in September an organ was purchased for \$5 from Mr. Hottel.

Again, it was the parents who responded to the maintenance and carpenter work: C. R. Mayhugh and Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Holzreiter during 1912.

A year later, the Board of Supervisors granted a petition for a change in the boundary lines, to gain more territory.

A new schoolhouse site was decided by 26 voters in the district. They chose a site northwest of Mayhugh's place over the one which was by Emil Brandlin's gate.

During the spring of 1913, Dr. Pond offered the old schoolhouse (Lone Tree School) on his property, to be taken down for the use of the lumber in the new building to be on the Moyer property. His offer was accepted. E. E. Hawkins, Emil Brandlin, and O. H. Buckman were involved by tearing down the old school on Pond's place, clearing the new site, and surveying, respectively.

M T. Y E E D E R . S C H O O L . . . *continued*

It was decided by the trustees in March, 1913, that the present schoolhouse be sold. However, all its furnishings and equipment be kept to go into the new school. The lot would remain district property. Lewis Slinsen submitted the highest bid of \$83 on the building.

In April, a tax election was held for the purpose of raising \$400 for the new schoolhouse, outbuildings, and water supply. The new school would be 20 x 28 feet with an entrance porch of 8 feet.

E. E. Hawkins submitted the lowest bid of \$451.75 for the construction of the new schoolhouse. During the summer Hawkins and the Moyer brothers worked on it.

When school opened in August, 1913, the building was not entirely complete. The lights and fixtures still needed to be installed. There were nine pupils with Miss Nellie Mortensen as their teacher.

By February 9, 1914, enrollment increased to twelve, and Miss Agnes L. Kermode returned to teach.

During this above period—1909-1914, stovewood was necessary for heating the school. Residents in the area such as: Eugene Scheben, Peter E. Holzreiter, and R. W. Moyer made it available. The price was \$5.00 a cord.

M T. V E E D E R . . S C H O O L *continued*

EXPENSES

12- 5-21	F. T. Moyer	Repairs	\$19.00
12-13-21	W. F. Moyer	Hauling Rock	7.50
4- 1-22	J. Conti	Wood	22.50
4-12-22	Browns Valley Tele.	Adv. dues	5.00
5- 1-22	R. W. Moyer	Transportation	6.00
7-27-22	F. T. Moyer	Labor and supplies	5.00
11-14-22	Lewis Slinsen	Labor	21.00
1- 7-23	Browns Valley Tele.	1923 dues	5.10
1-28-24	R. W. Moyer	Cleaning	4.50
1-28-24	W. F. Moyer	Wood	16.00
2- 2-24	Browns Valley Tele.	1924 dues	5.00
2- 6-24	F. T. Moyer	Labor and supplies	19.67
5- 1-24	R. W. Moyer	Labor	2.75
5- 1-24	J. C. Casselli	Labor	1.85
9-18-24	R. W. Moyer	Lumber, etc.	44.52
9-13-24	Lewis Slinsen	Carpenter-Labor	60.00
2- 1-25	R. W. Moyer	Wood and Labor	14.30
2- 1-25	Lewis Slinsen	Labor and Materials	42.25
2- 3-25	Lewis Slinsen	Cutting Wood & Brush	33.60
3- 7-25	Lewis Slinsen	Carpentry	14.25
8-15-25	Lewis Slinsen	Painting	45.00
8-15-25	Lewis Slinsen, Jr.	Painting	23.20
10-23-25	R. W. Moyer	Labor and Supplies	10.50
2-25-26	R. W. Moyer	Supplies	15.90
3- 2-26	L. Slinsen	Labor	20.80
3-22-26	Browns Valley Tele.	1926 dues	5.00

The Mt. Veeder School District purchased desks from Redwood School District #17 on 5-22-1928, which would indicate to me that the Redwood School was not operating at that time. State laws require a period of years after closing before a school is considered lapsed. Presumably, by 1933 when Mt. Veeder district received a portion of the balance of Redwood District funds (\$828.40), all children who were living in the former Redwood School District were consumed either by the Browns Valley or Mt. Veeder schools.

From conversation with Margaret Hendry (Mt. Veeder schoolteacher, 1944) and Mark Rennison (a first grade student at that time) came an interesting report of a roof fire at the school. Mrs. Hendry's son Andrew and Mark were the only first graders and were outside for their recess when they saw the flames on the roof near the chimney. The two boys ran back

in to tell the teacher, who was totally unaware that the roof was blazing. Mrs. Hendry led all the children to a safe distance from the building and she phoned to the Fire Department (Division of Forestry in Napa). She then secured a garden hose from the closest neighbor and proceeded to put out the fire prior to the arrival of the fire truck. Classes resumed that day and roof repairs were made soon after.

Enrollment at Mt. Veeder School varied from about six to perhaps twenty-four over its nearly sixty years of existence. Grades were first through eighth until the 1950's when the seventh and eighth graders were bused into Junior High School in town.

In the early 1960's, a Mothers Club group of 10-15 women (some had no children in school) organized Bake Sales to benefit the school. In eighteen months the group earned \$700.00 in this manner. The funds were used to pave the playground and parking area. Obviously this project was successful and patronized by residents for miles around. Advance orders were submitted for specific specialities such as: Ruth Robison's fruit pies, Matilda Zarvis' Greek cookies, a wide variety of cakes from Lucille Cunningham and Bea McKenzie, and Edith Pieratt's toffee recipe.

The newspaper account of the school's closing speaks for itself.

Following the necessary waiting period, the Moyer family resumed title to the property and purchased the building. The old school has since been remodelled into a residence for the Ronald Rodgers family. Mr. Rodgers is a grand-nephew of George and Maud Moyer, who deeded the .70 acres of land of 4-7-1913 to Louis Slinsen, Peter Holzreiter and Charles Mayhugh for school purposes. (Napa County Official Records, Book 108, page 59.)

MT. VEEDER SCHOOL *continued*

- From: ¹REGISTERS of Requisitions, Napa County, 1908-1919.
²ANNUAL REPORTS, Napa County Schools, 1916-1919.
³SEGREGATION LEDGER, Napa County, 1920-1926.
⁴RECORD OF TRUSTEES, Napa County, 1915-1930/1941-1967.
⁵Recollections of personal contacts listed.

MT. VEEDER SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEES

1907-1914	John Tampke	1945-1954	Lela R. Timmons
1907-1910	Emil Brandlin	1947	Mamie Pieratt
1907-1913	Peter E. Holzreiter, Sr.	1945-1949	Mary C. Taylor
1908-1911	August Schuler	1947-1953	Florence M. Ashley
1910-1915	C. R. Mayhugh	1947-1950	Burgess L. Johnson
1912-1913	Ben P. Dado	1949-1955	Angela Schneider
1913-1920	Lewis Slinsen	1952-1953	Madge Davis
1913-1916	R. W. Moyer	1952-1954	Marion Richert
1915-1921	Charles Gracy	1953-1956	Garnet C. Huyck
1916-1919	E. S. Moulton	1953-1956	Hiram A. Wright
1919-1922	C. F. Rice	1953-1957	Irma Pawela
1920-1926	F. T. Moyer	1955-1958	Herman Elbrich
1921-1924	John Zeigler	1956-1960	Katherine V. Friel
1922-1928	Emma K. Gracy	1956-1959	Franklin T. Moyer
1924-1929	Rollin W. Moyer	1958-1961	Gertrude Casey
1924-1927	Lewis Slinsen	1959-1962	Donald B. Hite
1927-1930	Henry Brandlin	1961-1967	Ruby Holzreiter
1941-1947	E. L. Adams	1961-1965	Warren D. McKenzie
1942-1945	Hazel F. Moyer	1962-1963	Ima R. Robison
1943-1946	Harold E. Elliot	1963-1967	C. E. Robison
1945-1947	Eunice Wallin		

MT. VEEDER SCHOOL *continued*

MT. VEEDER TEACHERS

7-1908 - 6-1909	Gertrude Dowdell	\$60.00
8-1909 - 3-1912	Mrs. E. V. Dow	60.00
4-1912 - 6-1912	Orfa A. Long	60.00
10-1912 - 2-1913	Mrs. A. W. Rowell	70.00
3-1913 - 4-1913	Orfa A. Long	70.00
5-1913 - 6-1913	Agnes L. Kermode	70.00
9-1913 - 2-1914	Nellie Mortensen	70.00
3-1914 - 4-1914	Agnes Kermode	65.00
9-1915 - 12-1916	Sibyl Ives	60.00
9-1917 - 10-1918	Nellie Chapel	60.00
11-1918 - 12-1919	Susana Bruckner	60.00
9-1920 - 6-1922	Una M. Curtis	90.00
9-1922 - 6-1926	Una M. Curtis	100.00
9-1926 - 1928	Una M. Curtis (died)	unknown
1928 - 1931	Mrs. Kneeley	"
1929 (half-term)	Miss Prouty	"
1931 - 1943	Estelle Sims	"
9-1944 - 1-1945	Margaret Hendry	"
9-1955 - 6-1964	Goldie Barnes	"
9-1964 - 6-1965	Clara Potts	"
9-1965 - 1-1966	Carol Arge	Approx. 500.00 mo.

School Closes 'Temporarily'

Little one-room Mt. Veeder School was "temporarily" closed Thursday night by the board of education of the Napa Valley Unified School District and its four pupils will be bused to Browns Valley School starting Monday.

The action had the approval of the parents involved, but John H. Cunningham, of 3376 Mt. Veeder Road, father of two of the four students enrolled when school closed for Christmas vacation, told the board he was "sorry it has to be this way."

"We have a wonderful teacher up there," Cunningham said. "Our children were getting a personalized education. You may not agree with me, but it's the truth. We were just like one big family up there, even when we had 22 children enrolled."

Continued Use

Cunningham was assured the fire district could continue to use the schoolhouse for its meetings and Dr. Herbert Salinger, deputy superintendent, said plans had been completed to maintain the building as a community facility for the use of all groups in the area.

"I'll agree to the temporary closing," Cunningham conceded.

Board Member John Mikolajcik replied, "As far as I am concerned, no school is going to be shut down unless the parents agree. And I don't want the people of Wooden Valley and Capell to be shaken up. I don't want this misunderstood," he continued. "This is one of the promises we made."

Gives Assurance

Supt. Dr. J. Win Payne assured him that there was no thought of closing Wooden Valley or Capell, and there had not been any thought of shutting down Mt. Veeder until a family with seven children enrolled at the school moved away.

"The parents of the Mt. Veeder children have a very fine attitude," Dr. Salinger added, and said the teacher would be placed in another school. In fact, he noted, the parents of one of the four children enrolled at Mt. Veeder had requested the little first grader be transferred to Browns Valley because her only companions at the one-room school were two 5th graders and a sixth grade youngster.

Operating under the new state mandate for bigger schools and consolidated attendance centers, board members seemed impressed with Cunningham's testimony about the quality of education his children had received in the little school in a family atmosphere.

Budget

"The only thing is," Board Member Charles (Chuck) Sims replied, "if we were to establish a teacher-pupil ratio like that one we would have to come up with a \$53 million budget."

Lawrence Elliott moved for the closing with the stipulation that the matter be reviewed again in the summer of 1966 to see if reopening the school could be justified. The vote was unanimous.

Salinger said he was optimistic about the growth potential of the Mt. Veeder district where a flood control dam that will create a recreation area is slated for construction in the next several years.

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The Napa Register

Editorial Page

THE EDITOR'S LETTER BOX

EDITOR, REGISTER:

A lengthy article in your paper closed Mt. Veeder Elementary School erroneously during the Christmas holidays. It was a brave article but, you see, the school continued to operate until Jan. 28, 1966.

The school closed logically and practically, from Mt. Veederites' viewpoint, because our enrollment dropped to four. We would have wondered at the integrity of the unified district, had it been allowed to continue.

The success of a small school depends on the caliber and dedication of its teacher. It is healthy only if it has the interest and cooperation of the parents and neighborhood friends. It lives forever in the children it educates because they never cease to be proud of having attended this type of school. Mt. Veeder, by these standards, is a healthy success even as it closes.

The site of the Mt. Veeder school has been loaned these many years by the Moyer family. Its water supply has been from a spring on the property now owned by Dr. S. M. Farber of San Francisco. Its general well being may be accredited to most of the residents of the community. Its Mothers Club has always included members whose children were already past the elementary age and those who were mothers at heart with an interest in the welfare of children.

School helped us to decide that we wanted to live in this community. We wanted this experience for our children and we are pleased that they were so fortunate. Our thanks to the many people who have given time and help to this school so that we might have the pleasure of her company and the benefit of her wisdom.

MRS. C. E. ROBISON
2199 Mt. Veeder Road
Napa



REDWOOD SCHOOL
Courtesy of W. Moyer

REDWOOD SCHOOL
Courtesy of C. Pieratt

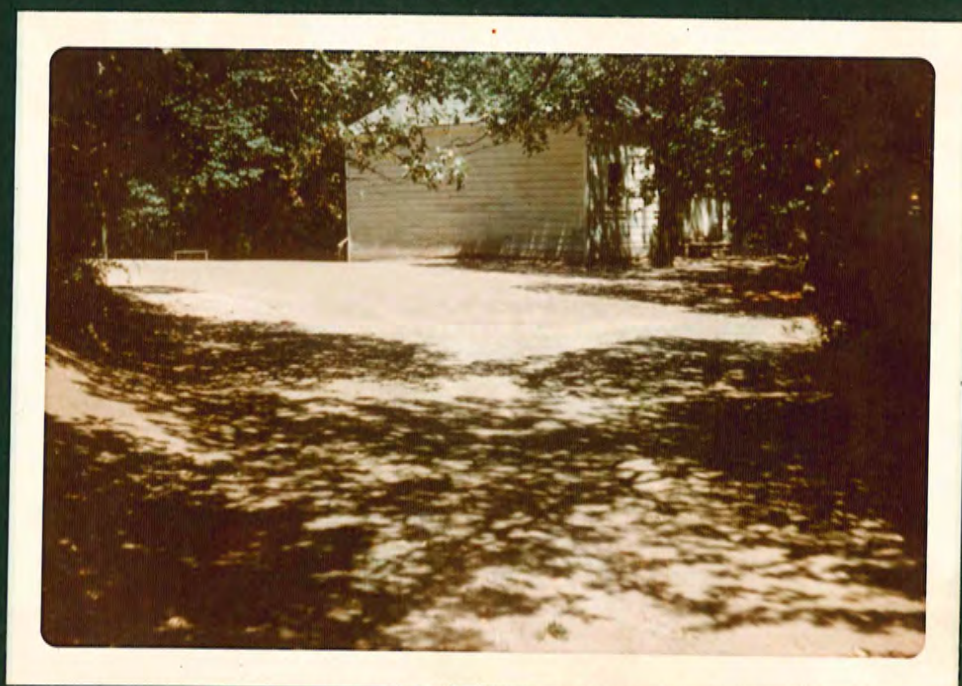




Courtesy of
R. Brandlin

LONE TREE SCHOOL 1889

LEFT to RIGHT: ?, Fred Dado, Pete McDonnell,
Bill Brandlin, Murr Caminada, Rosie McDonnell,
Henry Brandlin, Marie Brandlin, Emma Brandlin,
Pete Dado, Mrs Foley teacher, ?, Joe McDonnell
Emma Skivington, ?, Ed Skivington, John Caminada



MT VERDIER SCHOOL 1881

Courtesy of R.



MT VEEDER SCHOOL

Courtesy of
R. Marra



Courtesy of
W. Moyer

REDWOOD CEMETERY

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of Rollin Meyer, Feb. 1918.

Date of Signing	Roll of Members	Date of Final Payment.		
	We, whose names are hereunder subscribed, do assent to the foregoing By Laws.	Year	Month	Day
June 23. 1887	E. M. Hvalery	1		6
" " "	B. H. Sade	2		
" " "	Anthony Clarke	3		
" " "	John Lake	4		
" " "	Wm. B. Lake	5		
" " "	Johann Kuttuff	6		
" " "	Johann Bärntli	7		
" " "	Joseph Lieb.	8	1887	
" " "	W. F. Moyer	9	Aug	2
" " "	Johann Caminada	10		

Records.

Napa Redwoods, Napa County, California,
May 2. A. D. 1887.

Pursuant to a call, those interested in establishing a Cemetery in the neighborhoods met at the house of J. M. Bryan.

After a general consultation, a committee of three, E. M. Fraley, Jas. Elkington, and W. F. Moyer, was appointed to suggest a site, and to examine the laws relating to cemeteries, so that the matter might be proceeded with in a legal manner.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet again at the same place in two weeks.

(No minutes of this meeting were kept, and the above report is from memory. W. F. Moyer, Sec. of Directors)

Minutes of Meeting of May 16, 1887.
According to the appointment of the meeting of May 2, those persons interested in ^{the} establishment of a cemetery, met at the house of J. M. Bryan.

E. M. Fraley was appointed Secy. Of the committee appointed at last meeting E. M. Fraley and W. F. Moyer were present and made a report.

Location

The location suggested is a half acre in the N.E. corner of S. 1/2 of N.E. qr. of sec 16. Twp 6, N. R 5 W. M. D. M. being on the land of W. F. & Emma J. Moyer.

They further reported that it was necessary to enter into Articles of Incorporation.

After some talk and an inspection of the land above described the meeting proceeded to effect an organization.

Stock

The capital stock was fixed at \$200⁰⁰ divided into twenty shares of Ten Dollars each, and the following persons subscribed for one share each. W. F. Moyer, E. M. Fraley, Geo. W. Roney, John Brandlin, J. M. Bryan, Anthony Clarke, Leonidas Roney, Christian Anderson, W. H. Lake, John Lake.

Subscribers

P. A. Dado, Joseph Lieb, John Caminada,
The stockholders then proceeded to vote
for Directors by ballot, the number of
Directors being fixed at five,

Directors

E. M. Fraley and Leonidas Roney acted
as clerks and P. A. Dado and W. H. Lake as
judges of election. The count showed that
thirteen persons voted and with the follow
result, viz. W. J. Moyer ten, E. M. Fraley
twelve, Geo. Roney two, W. H. Lake seven, P. A.
Dado twelve, A. Clarke ten, L. Roney four,
John Brandlin six, John Caminada one.

It appearing that W. J. Moyer, E. M. Fraley
P. A. Dado, A. Clarke and W. H. Lake received
the highest numbers of votes cast they were
declared elected, to serve for one year.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at
call of Directors

W. J. Moyer, chairman.

Napa Redwoods May 16 1887.

Minutes of First Meeting of Directors of
Napa Redwoods Cemetery Association.

Public Road near J. M. Boyane.

Directors Meeting.

1st Meeting

Directors present, A. Clarke, E. M. Traley, P. A. Dado, W. H. Lake and W. F. Moyer. A ballot for President resulted in giving W. H. Lake three votes and E. M. Traley two votes.

W. H. Lake declared elected. W. F. Moyer was chosen Secy. and E. M. Traley, Treasurer.

Levy.

On motion an assessment of one dollar per share was levied, to be paid within thirty days.

Books.

W. F. Moyer was appointed a committee to report at next meeting what books and stationery would be needed.

By Laws

The Pres., Secy. and Treas. were appointed a committee to draft By Laws and report at next meeting.

Leonidas Roney was appointed special agent to canvass for subscriptions to stock.

Joseph Leib paid two dollars on his share for which a receipt was given him signed by Pres., Secy. & Treas.

A meeting of Directors was appointed for

Wednesday May 25. at the house of Pres. The committee on By Laws appointed a meeting at house of E. M. Fraley on Monday May 23. at five oclock P. M.

W. H. Lake Pres.

W. J. Moyer Secy.

Directors
2nd Meeting

Redwoods Cemetery Association, May 25, 188,

According to appointment the Directors all met at the house of Mr. Lake The By Laws were considered, and approved in general.

Change of Style

Moved and carried that the style of the corporation be changed, if the Association consent, from Capital Stock to one without Capital Stock.

Moved and carried that Secy copy By Law and the same be circulated for approval by the members of Association.

W. H. Lake Pres.

W. J. Moyer Secy.

By Laws approved at an informal meeting a few days later

1898.
May 4.

Napa Redwoods Cemetery Association.
According to a call issued by the Secy.,
A meeting of the members was held at
the home of W. F. Moyer. All resident members
were present, viz. Mrs. S. S. Ward, Mrs. Mary
Losey (wife of M. F. Losey deceased) John Carmichael
Sr. John Brantlin, E. M. Fraley, Ben Dado,
son of P. A. Dado deceased, and administrator
of his estate) and W. F. Moyer. As all the
old officers except Secy had previously re-
signed meeting called to order by Secy, and
W. F. Moyer Mrs. Ward, Ben Dado, Mrs. Losey
and John Brantlin were elected Directors.
The directors then elected Mrs. S. S. Ward
president, W. F. Moyer secretary, and
Mrs. Losey treasurer. The secy was directed
to have the seal of the Association repaired,
and to purchase straps for lowering coffins.
Mrs. Losey was appointed to price cloth
suitable for a pall and reprs.
A general meeting was appointed for
next Tuesday P. M. for the purpose of
clearing up cemetery grounds. The secy was
also instructed to see about getting head and
foot boards for the graves.
W. F. Moyer - Secy.

1916,
May 28th

The Kapa Redwoods Cemetery Association,
 Pursuant to a call a meeting of the members and those interested was held this day at the Mt. Veeder School house, all resident members were present except Mrs. Zaugg who was represented by her daughter Mrs. Wm B. Pieratt. The following Officers were elected:- President: Mrs. Zaugg was unanimously elected President, and S. S. Ward was elected without opposition, Secretary and Treasurer. As no one proposed the election of Directors, and there being no further business a motion to adjourn was carried -

S. S. Ward Secretary.

1919, Feb 9th

Pursuant to a call (and duly advertised) a meeting of all the members available of the Kapa Redwood Cemetery Assn. was held this day at 2:30 P.M. at the Mt. Veeder School house and the following proceedings were had:- Mr. R. W. Meyer was elected president, of the board of directors unanimously elected as follows, R. W. Meyer, J. L. Meyer, Boardman, S. S. Ward, Frank Wallace, - S. S. Ward was elected, and continued as Secretary and Treasurer, all ~~to~~ hold office till the next regular meeting in May
 "Over -"

1919.

Feb. 9th 2:35 P.M. Minutes Continued,

It appearing that the blocks of the Cemetery
needed to be surveyed and restaked, ^{and fence rebuilt} The following

persons volunteered to donate time and labor, ^{for same and}
also for fencing: - R. W. Moyer, and Ben Dado
each to supply 125 stakes or 250 in all, to be
24 inches long and 2 inches square or heart red
wood. Frank Wallace and S. S. Ward, each
one day for surveying, F. L. Moyer, R. W.
Moyer, James Manning, L. L. Jones, Ben
Dado, Frank Page, and Mahlon Lesey each
one day, in labor, on fence to

The Secretary was ordered to notify all known
delinquents, (to finish paying for their lots) by
mail, when their present address is known,
Plans and estimates were discussed for the
fence and gate, ^{it was decided to} advertise for bids for
posts needed. Bids to be opened on the 19th
inst, also secretary to enquire cost of wire
fencing, needed, when being no further business,
the meeting was adjourned to meet again, (Directors
meeting) on the 19th of Feb. evening, after the
Farm Center Meeting, S. S. Ward Secretary,
(No notes of meeting of the 19th)
Posts were bought of James Manning as
also fencing &c

Dec 16th 1919

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At an informal meeting held Dec 16th 1919 at which a considerable number of the stockholders of the assn were present, it was unanimously decided that the price of lots will be hereafter: \$25.⁰⁰ for a full, selected, lot, \$10.⁰⁰ for a half lot, and that some of the least desirable lots be set aside for any one who may want a single grave the price of which will be \$5.⁰⁰. And that payment should be in advance, and that any one who authorizes the opening of a grave before lot is paid for shall be personally responsible for the price. Also, that any lot not already used, and not fully paid for be declared forfeited - Lots not fully paid for but partially used to be forfeited when needed, when no deed has been given -

Oct. 17 - 1925 Napa Redwoods Cemetery Assn. S. J. Ward. Secy

Current to request of C. H. Dyer, a meeting of members and those interested in the affairs of the association, was held at the cemetery at above date and time. Mrs. Zaugg, Mrs. H. B. Cyratt, Mrs. L. Jones, C. H. Dyer and Ernest Meyer were present. A number of directors and officers being absent, no regular routine order of business was held. The

condition and appearance of the grounds was the first business attended to and after noting that considerable of the ^{timber} ~~timber~~ is so crowded that it is dying. B. A. Meyer was authorized to have charge of the thinning out and removal of same, to sell the salable timber @ \$2.00 per acre stumpage, and to be reimbursed for the removal and replacement of fence and other labor, incidental, to getting the timber off the grounds to the best advantage, and work to be done within a reasonable time and full accounting to be submitted on completion. It was also noted that the records should be brought to date and corrected when necessary and advisable and upon request, Ernest Meyer, consented to attempt this work.

B. A. Meyer instructed, also, to drive survey stakes into ground until solidly set, & clear brush leaves and trash from grounds.

June, 1st 1926

E. Meyer

Last Meeting was held at W. Meyer's home, June 4, 1926 for the purpose of electing new directors and officers for the Napa Redwood Cemetery Association. Directors elected were as

fellows: C. H. Meyer, President; Mrs. W. B. Pieratt,
Secretary; J. L. Jones, Treasurer; J. J. Meyer,
and C. Meyer, Directors.
Mrs. W. B. Pieratt

May 6th 1929

The Napa Redwood Cemetery
Association held their annual
meeting at the cemetery
Monday May 6th 1929 at 2:30 P.M.
The lot of J. Lake no. 29 which
was never paid for, was sold
to Mrs T. H. Severson and
\$20⁰⁰ dollars received in full.
Mrs W. B. Pieratt Sec.

April 3/1939. The Special meeting of the Napa
Redwood Cemetery Association was
held at the home of Mrs Elsie Lindema
on the nite of April 3/1939 at 8 P.M.
to elect new officers as follows
F. T. Meyer President. Mrs Helen Meyer
Treasurer, Mrs Marnie Pieratt Secretary,
Mrs Elsie Lindemann, Director
Ben Hado. Director. It also was order

that Willard Moyer be appointed to take charge of cleaning out some of the underbrush and leaves and to strighten up the surway stakes and repair the gate and fence, also to paint the stakes white. It was also ordered that Mrs Pieratt see the Supervisor about getting some crushed rock for part of the road leading into the cemetery. The work to be done was ordered to be paid out of the cemetery fund.

Mrs Manie Pieratt Sec

July 12 1964

The meeting of the Redwood Cemetery association was held July 12 at 2 PM

Mr Frank Meyer President called for nomination President, Mr Wigger ~~was~~ renominated Meyer seconded by Elster.

next Elster was nominated for Sec But declined, Mr Elster nominated Lewis Hohrter seconded by Meyer

next the office for Treasurer Hohrter nominated Miriam Celler seconded by Mrs Pratt & Helen Meyer.

Mrs Celler was given Seal of Incorporation which was issued Aug 1871 to be framed \$5.00 was allotted.

Meyer Pres. asked for adjournment seconded by 3 members

Points of interest

Hohrter supplied 5 Punch, Table and Ice cold punch which was appreciated at it, as it was 90° at 4 PM

Frank Meyer Pres.
L. A. Hohrter Sec
Miriam Celler Treasurer
Wm. Botticher Director

L. A. Hohrter Sec
L. S. Elster Director
G. E. Robinson Dired

BOARD and MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. at the MtVeeder School at 2201 MtVeeder Road.

Mr Frank Moyer, President presided.

Minutes of the 1966 Meeting were read by the secretary, there being no omissions, or corrections Minutes approved. The next order of business being the Election of Officers, Pres. Moyer entertained a Motion for the Nomination of President.

Mr Holzreiter Nominated Mr Moyer, 2nd. by Mrs Cellar.

Nominations were entertained for Secretary,

Mrs Cellar nominated Mr Holzreiter. 2nd by Mrs. Bruce

Nominations were entertained for Treasurer.

Mr Held nominated Mrs Marian Cellar, 2nd by Mr Holzreiter

There being no other nominations, Mr Botticher made a Motion, 2nd by Mr Wigger that all Officers be Elected by acclamation, So carried

The Secretary then called to the attention of the President Mr Moyer that the By-Laws stated that there should be 2 more Board of Directors added, So that the Board of Directors would consist of Five Members (5) plus the Three Officers (3)

President reopened the Nominations for the Board Members.

Nominations made by Mrs Bruce, 2nd by Mr Holzreiter that Mr Held be elected to the Board. ~~Motion carried.~~

Mr Held then Nominated Mr Kenny, 2nd by Mrs Reeder.

The Secretary then called the roll of all the Board Members, the Three (3) present Mr C.E Robison, S.S. Elster. Wm. Botticher, incumbents with Mr Erle Kenny, and Mr Fred Held,

All were elected for the year by acclamation from the Membership present. This will assure a quorum at all meetings for transacting business of the association.

A motion was made to sell lots only
 UNDER THE REPORT OF DIRECTORS; *To Residents of the immediate area about 5 mi*

The Secretary called attention to ARTICLE 9 of the By-Laws That if it was deemed necessary, The Directors could increase the Price of Membership, who may at that time seek admission, The President Mr Moyer, ask for a discussion or a Motion on this.

Mr Henry Wigger, a Member noted that if the Redwood Cemetery Association wished to make any improvements the only way would be to raise the price and change the structure of selling lots, not only in blocks but single grave sites, He noted that in his contact with cemeteries through out the county our prices were far below the minimum, Mr Wigger made a motion, 2nd. by Mr Holzreiter that a single (1) grave site be be priced at Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) and if members wished to purchase three or more in a row, in the new addition it can be arranged, The Membership voted in favor of the above motion.

It was also noted under Directors Report that Article Eleven (11) and Article Twelve (12) also out dated under is Article Nine (9) the First part, bearing Chinaman.

Mr Holzreiter said that the first part of Article Nine, be deleted from the By-Laws. 2nd. by Mr Robinson, so ordered.

Mr Moyer then stated the Articles 11 and 12. wherein 192 square feet 4 Blocks set aside for indigents dying in the neighborhood

Interment Records.

- ✓ Fraley. A still-born babe of E. M. Fraley and Wife.
Buried in S. E. corner. Block 18. on Sunday, Dec. 18, 1888.
- ✓ Patterson. Thomas Patterson; a native of Canada; died of consumption, at Th. Medina's, on Sunday, May 26. 1889.
Buried in N. W. corner of Block 2. on Tuesday May 28. 1889. 1889.
- ✓ Fraley. Infant son of E. M. Fraley & wife
Buried in S. E. Corner. Blk. 18. on Sept. 23 1889.
- Brown. Mrs. Isabella L. Brown; a native of N. York state
died of consumption on Tuesday May 20. 1890,
Buried in N. E. corner Block 5. on Wednesday May 21 1890. 1890.
- see
Escott - h 272
Ford - " 274
Ford " 278
- ✓ Losey. Gracie Losey - daughter of Dr. M. F. and Mary
Losey - Died Nov. 9 - Buried Nov. 11. in S. E. Corner of
Block. 8. Age about 3 yrs. 4 mos. Native of Cal. 1889
- ✓ Losey. Dr. Mahlow F. Losey. ^{Died} at his home in Napa
Redwoods, of consumption, on June 12. at 10.45 - 1889
A. M. Buried at eastern side of Block 8 on June 14.
A native of Indiana. Age about 45 yrs.

Prescott

Mrs. Elizabeth Prescott. Died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. S. Ward, from general debility, on Feb. 10, 1897, at 6 P. M. Buried at the South side of her daughter, Mrs. Isabella Brown, in Block 5, on Friday Feb. 12, 1897. A native of Lewis Co. New York, Age 73 yrs.

Dado.

Peter A. Dado. Died at his home in Napa Redwoods March 7, 1898 of consumption and asthma, Age 52 yrs 10 mos. 10 days. A native of Switzerland. Buried in N.E. corner of Block 51. Mch. 9.

Allen

Allison F. Allen. Died at his home in Napa Redwoods Sept. 2, 1898 at 10.35 P. M. from injuries supposed to occur from a fall from buggy. Native of Kentucky. Buried in Block 46. N.W. Corner. - Sept 4, 1898 Age 65

Losey

Mrs. Mary Losey. Died of Consumption at her home in Napa Redwoods Sept 2, 1899. Buried beside her husband in Block 8. Age about 45. Buried Sept 4, 1899. Native of (Ill.)

✓
 Caminada Christian Caminada Died at his home in Napa Redwoods Dec 20th 1905. at 2. A. M. of consumption Age 30 yrs 9 mos 12 days, a Native of California. Buried Dec 21-1905. in S. E. corner of Block 50.

✓
 Gellander John Gellander died July 12th 1909 at 3 P.M. of Pneumonia Erysipelas age 83 yrs 4 Mo 14 days. Born in Ginkoping Sweden Feb 28 1826 buried in Block 17 center July 14 ~~190~~ 190

✓
 Burch Mrs Hanna Burch died Feb 10 - 1910 of Tuberculosis. died at the home of A. D. Butler Browns Valley Napa Calif age 42 years 10 Mos 21 d. Native of Norway. Buried in Block 3. Feb - 11 - 1910

✓
 Caminada John Caminada Died at his home in Napa Redwoods, March 18th 1912. of Consumption aged 37 years and 11 days. Buried March 20th 19 in S. E. corner of Block 50. Page 6 - of next book

Ward
Mrs. S.S. Ward
See Prescott, p 271

Jane E. Ward died at home in the Napa Redwoods, by her own hand, shooting herself through the heart, caused by intense suffering from chronic bronchitis, inability to sleep & take food, at 10:09 o'clock A.M. Wednesday April 2nd 1913, and was buried on the south side of her mother in block 5, at 4 P.M. April 3rd 1913. Born in Mass. Dec 31st 1843. } Wife of
age 69 years 3 months and 3 days, } S.S. Ward

1914
Magones

Josephine Jones. Died May 21st 1914.
Aged 51 years - Died of of Bronchial
Tuberculosis (?) at 1:30 P.M., Wife of J. L. Jones,
(Tuberculosis)
Born in Austria -
Buried May 25th 1914, in lot No. 20.

Entry neglected at proper time.
1899
Moyer,
see page 277

William Fiske Moyer. Died at his home in the Napa Redwoods, Napa Co. Calif. Nov. 24th 1899, of Typhoid fever, aged 50 years 7 months (7 months)
Born in Marion, Ohio April, 24th 1849.

1908
1898
Moyer,
see page 277

Constance Olive
Olive Constance, Daughter of George Ernest,
and Mand J. (L) Moyer, Died in Napa City,
Nov. 25th 1898, Born, Sept. 25th 1898 aged 2 months

Error in above date. Should be 1908, instead of 1898.

✓
1917. Otto Fungg, Buried in Block 51.
Fungg.

✓
1918. Just. Robert Just. Died Feb. 20th 6. P.M.
Just-Robert Buried Feb. 22nd Block 43.-

✓
1918. Van De Venter (ie Mrs Kerget Jones,
Van De Venter born about 1853, died Nov. 16th 1918.
Buried Nov. 19th on Lot. - (20)

✓
1919. Meyer, Infant son of Ernest Meyer. Still
born Jan 8. 1919. Buried 9th Block 6-11
see page 271 ← lived 7 hrs. The mother a near victim of 1919 flu epidemic.

1919. Page, Infant of Frank Page, Still born. Jan 2
 Buried Jan 21st 1919, in Lot # 32

✓
 1925. Frank Wallace died June 7th in San Francisco
 Wallace and was buried in lot # 32, in the Northeast
 corner of said lot. Death was caused by pneumonia.
 He was born in Kentucky, lived in California
 20 years and died at the age of 58.

✓
 1916. Mrs Genelle Partrick died May 21. Buried
 Partrick May 23. Age 38 yrs born in Nebraska
 died of tuberculosis. buried in lot # 20.

✓
 1929
 Bowers

James Thomas Bowers Jr.
 Born Sept, 28 1908 Died
 Feb. 23. 1929. Born in Arkansas.
 Lot No. 31

✓
 1930
 Bowers

James Thomas Bowers Sr.

1931 ✓

M. Nabb.
 person on lot
 no. 29.

South West corner lot 29. Infant daughter
 of Clara + L. A. McNabb. January.

1931 ✓

R. W. Moyer
 T. C. son of no. 7

Rollin Wilbur Moyer, born Nov. 4-1884.
 Died Jan. 24-1931. Buried on Sunday Jan 25,
 in north East section of Lot 7.

✓
 D. H. Miles
 1931.

David Henry Miles Died April 23, 1931
 At the age of 60. S. W. corner lot 25.
 Buried Saturday April 25, 1931.

✓
 Emma Moyer

Mrs Emma Moyer died in
 San Francisco January 24, 1932
 Her funeral was held Jan. 26, 1932
 in the Yapa Redwood Cemetery.

✓
Mangram.

Harriet E. Mangram Died July 24/
Funeral July 27/32.

✓
Lloyd J.
Mangram

Lloyd J. Mangram Died July 24/32
Funeral was held July 27/32.

✓
Louise Gangg.

Mrs. Louise H. Gangg was born in
Germany Sept. 4/1846. Lived in
the Mt. Vieder District for over
60 years, Died Jan. 9/35. Funeral
Jan. 11/35. In Napa Redwood Cemetery.

1936 ✓
Stephen S. Ward

Born March 5-1843 - Palmyra - N.Y.
Died Dec. 24-1936 - Aged 93 yrs. 9 mo. 9 days.
Died at Cleavon - Calif.
Buried Dec. 30-1936. In Napa Redwood Cemetery, Lot 1

✓
1-20-1937
Archie of Albert Lindeman buried in
Albert Lindeman lot 43 North West corner. Died April 14-1937^{ms 57}
Age 80 yrs. 3 mo. 13 days.

Gundersman

Albert Lindeman Ashes
Died in Mt. Veeder Nov. 11. 1937, Ashes
buried Plot 43 northwest corner.
Nov. 13 1937. Was born in San
Francisco Jan 17. 1891.

Tulocay
3-1-43

DEATHS
LINDEMANN—In Oakland, Saturday, August 8, 1942, Marianne Lindemann, beloved wife of the late Albert Lindemann of Napa; loving mother-in-law of Mrs. Elsie Lindemann of Napa and devoted grandmother of Lois Lindemann. A native of Bremen, Germany. Aged 80 years. Friends are invited to attend funeral services Tuesday, August 11, 1942 at 2:00 o'clock P. M. at the Treadway Chapel on Coombs street. Cremation—Tulocay Memorial Mausoleum.

Jones ✓
Lot 44
northwest
corner

Mrs Stella Jones died in San Francisco
March 1, 1941 Loving wife of Orval
Jones and devoted mother of Betty,
Jay and Floyd Jones, Born in
Colorado Springs, Aged 35 years.
Buried March 5, 1941

Dado ✓
Lot 51

Fred J. Dado died of a heart attack at
his home in Mt. Veeder Dec. 8/42 Age 65-
Funeral services were conducted by the
Treadway Chapel Dec. 10. Cremation follows
at Tulocay mausoleum. Ashes buried in
the Dado Plot March 7/43.

Shirley ✓
Stout

Died in San Francisco in Sept.
1939. Buried in Lot 4 in the
Napa Redwood Cemetery. Sept 22, 1939

Fizzie
Slinsen
see page 276

Died May 1/45 and was buried in
the Napa Redwood Cemetery on
May 3/45 in Lot 5.

Lewis ✓
Slinsen

Lewis Slinsen age 38 died at his
home in Napa April 4, 1946. He
was the father of five children.
Funeral was April Sixth from
the Treadway Chapel. Buried in
the Redwood Cemetery in Lot 418, E.C.

Miss
Miss

Died in San Francisco Aug. 10/54
 was cremated and ashes placed in
 the Hado Plot, was born in Yountville
 June 7th and was 54 years of age.

H. V.
Ellispie

Died July 12/55 in Napa
 Buried in Plot 11.

Hilf Meyer
Baldwin

Place of death at Redwood City
 8/25/53 Plot 16

William Grant place of death Napa Sept. 29-1962
 Meyer. Burial Oct. 2-1962 Plot, 9.

Pearl May Severson place of death. Napa. April 4-8-63
 Burial. Block 29 - April 11-63

VINEYARDS
AND
WINERIES

V I N E Y A R D S A N D W I N E R I E S

The following is compiled from information supplied by Richard Brandlin.

Access to the road which reached Mt. Veeder Vineyards started at the present Mt. Veeder Road at the school road entrance, going through the Moyer property. It was steep and hard to travel. An alternate route was later made through Dr. Pond's property which is the present route to the present Macayamas.

Mt. Veeder Vineyards was established in the 1800's by J. H. Fisher. He had owned a pickle factory in the bay area. The winery was three stories, dug into the hillsides; except for the roof and floors, it was all made of stone. It was built by Mr. Kinzel, who did much of the rock work himself, probably including the "JHF—1889" etched over an entrance.

The grapes were crushed on the top floor, the juice running into tanks on the middle floor. Left to ferment, then drained down to the bottom floor where the wine was stored, aged, and bottled. No pumps had to be used in this winemaking.

There was another stone building near the winery which was known as the Sherry House. Here Fisher made his sherry wine. In those days, it went through a cooking process.

The Fisher ranch was many acres, of which forty acres were under cultivation. The remainder was pasture and oak timber. He hired Joe Brandlin (great-uncle of Richard Brandlin) to find more water. There were five tunnels, some into solid rock, dug during the attempt to find water. There was also a quicksilver mine dug, before the 1900's, but it didn't amount to much and was not a paying proposition.

Fisher had some tough times and lost the ranch to the Illinois Pacific Glass Company, who held the mortgage. The Glass Company built a large rock house which was used as the main ranchhouse. They later sold to several Italian partners, who in turn sold the property to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brandlin in 1921.

VINEYARDS AND WINERIES.....*continued*

The Brandlins ran the ranch as a diversified farm, not operating the winery, for prohibition was in effect at this time, and wine could not legally be sold or made.

There were sixteen acres of prunes, on the hills overlooking Devil's Canyon. These were annually sun-dried and sold to local packing houses. Above the main house were six acres of Bing and Royal Anne cherries. They were sold for "barrelling" to local fruit companies who processed them into maraschino cherries. The rest of the tillable soil was in Zinfandel and petite Shara grapes of top quality. The vineyards were planted in narrow rows, which had to be cultivated by horse or mule. They had nine mules.

The Brandlins sold most of their grapes to shippers, who in turn shipped them to the East, where they were sold for personal (family) winemaking. During prohibition, grapes were selling for a very good price.

During 1941, the price for grapes at local wineries was between eight to twelve dollars a ton. Other farm produce was not bringing good returns either. The war in Europe was "stirring" everyone. Hired help was scarce and the Brandlin sons were on the verge of being drafted. The ranch was sold to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. M. Taylor.

The Taylors changed the name to Mayacamas Vineyards. Mayacamas is the name given to that mountain range on the Napa-Sonoma county line. It also means "Howl of the Mountain Lion."

The present owner of Mayacamas is Bob Travers, who came from Los Angeles.

—The following, courtesy of Mary Wigger via Mary C. Taylor,
written by Frank Owen in the early 1900's.

Midst the Mayacamas ridges nestle valleys rich and fair,
Where the waxen Manzanita with its perfume fills the air;
There where wine and spreading fig tree bid the wand'rer cease
to roam
Loved by birds and flowers and breezes, lies my California home.

Oh, you dwellers in the cities in your daily toil for gold,
Know you not the countless treasures that the Mayacamas hold?
Cast your burdens down, forget them, hill and valley bid you come
To the comfort, peace, and sunshine of my California home.

MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS

LOKOYA ROAD, NAPA, CALIFORNIA



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Probably. Thousands have.

Vell, we can't offer you exactly that. But we can . . . and do . . . offer you something very close to it: namely, part ownership in such a vineyard and winery, yet without any of the problems and responsibilities of day-to-day management.

In short . . . part ownership in MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS! And here are the facts.

COMPANY HISTORY

MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS was founded in 1947 by my husband, J. F. M. Taylor, and me, Mary Catherine Taylor, with the avowed aim of making the finest wine in California. Before that, in 1941, with this aim already in mind, we had found and bought a spectacular mountain property on the highest slopes of Mt. Veeder. We chose this area, a part of the Mayacamas Range dividing Napa and Sonoma Counties, because it is conceded to be the finest wine-growing section of the United States.

On the property was a beautiful old three-story stone winery, built with its tunnel and cellars dug right back into the mountain from which the stones for its walls had been taken. From 1889 it was operated as the Mt. Veeder Vineyards by the

original owner, J. M. Fisher. Then, after his death and with the advent of Prohibition, the property passed through several hands until finally, in 1941, it was being operated only as a prune, cherry, pear and grape ranch, with the lovely ivy-covered old winery standing idle. But its two-foot-thick stone walls were built to last for many years and standing idle did it no harm at all. A new floor, new roof, new supporting timbers and modern electrical wiring throughout quickly put it into good working condition.

From the end of the war, in 1945, when Jack (JFMT) made the decision to separate himself from his position as Vice-president of a large oil company in order to devote himself to his dream of making fine wines, on up until the present time, a number of major operations have been performed on MAYACAMAS. It has been transformed from an ordinary fruit ranch to an extraordinary vineyards and winery, whence come magnificent wines.

Ripped out were the old soil-eroded orchards and too-closely-planted vineyards of common grapes, to be replaced by new vineyards planted in widely spaced rows on gently curving, contoured terraces. These beautiful terraces, with the breath-taking sweep of an ancient Greek amphitheatre, were built with much love and toil and have been planted to wine grapes of the highest QUALITY but lowest QUANTITY of fruit-per-acre. There is no escaping the fact that

the higher the quality of the grapes, the fewer pounds of fruit each vine produces, which adds a lot to the cost of producing fine wines and is undoubtedly a possible explanation for that otherwise enigmatic observation, "the higher the fewer".

And these shy-bearing vines have been brought into their meager, but superior, production only after untold and unanticipated frustrations due to various, but all too deadly, depredations of deer, rabbits, birds, bees, grasshoppers, gophers, mysterious blights and assorted meteorological Acts of God.

But we, Jack and Mary C., are still with it. Still planting more vines, still making more wines and still loving it despite the array of unexpected obstacles and setbacks. We make no bones about being proud of the fact that we've been able to rise above them all, and feel that perhaps our deep belief in all the joy that good wine adds to life is what has carried us along in our dogged efforts to produce the finest. To be sure, there is not enough of it yet, but what there is is unsurpassed in this country and we propose that it shall continue to be that way in ever-increasing quantities. At the moment, however our biggest problem is to make enough of the MAYACAMAS wines to meet the growing demand for them.

REPUTATION AND GROWTH

Notwithstanding our minimum of

advertising and our limited method of distribution (from winery to consumer only, either shipped anywhere in California or picked up at the winery) the word of a good thing has got around. Connoisseurs of Europe and America have discovered and acclaimed MAYACAMAS wines as being the equal of some of the finest wines made in France. Our wines have received much favorable publicity, both locally and nationally, and in such magazines as HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, TOWN & COUNTRY, HARPER'S BAZAAR and VOGUE.

All this publicity, added to the word-of-mouth advertising of satisfied customers, has resulted in a steady increase of business which we have almost always been able to keep up with. But the latest spurt (sales the first half of 1958, 100% above the same period 1957) has suddenly and forcefully borne in upon us the fact that, in order to keep ahead of this growing demand, we must step up our operations at a much faster rate than had been planned. For example, we have been obliged to increase our number of employees so that our payroll is almost doubled and our purchase of necessary supplies has also doubled. To continue at this rate is going to take more working capital, naturally, so we have decided to issue some additional stock in this family-owned corporation (known as MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS) and enlarge our family by offering the shares directly to you. We hope that every stockholder will share the family feeling of MAYACAMAS, and to encourage it, here are some of the things we propose to do:

(As mentioned above, shares will be sold by us directly to residents of California, just as we sell our wine.

(One hundred percent of the proceeds from the sale of the stock will go straight into the corporation account, to be used for working capital and such other purposes as the growth of the operation requires, as decided by the Board of Directors.

(There will be no preferred shares.

(All shares will be common stock, par value of \$10.00 per share and priced at \$10.00 per share, with a minimum ten-share purchase, the latter to keep down clerical expense and to justify the discount wine purchase privilege, described in the following paragraph. These shares will be identical to all shares now outstanding (owned entirely by the two of us) and will, of course, carry

full voting rights.

(On and after March 1, 1959, any stockholder of record will be entitled to purchase all MAYACAMAS wines under a distinctive label. The wines so labelled will be sold at a guaranteed discount of at least 20% below the prices in effect for sales to non-stockholding customers, and will be labelled MAYACAMAS STOCKHOLDERS' RESERVE. There may be times when the allocation of wines in short supply will be necessary but as we expand, of course, and become able to keep ahead of the demand, there will not be that problem. Until we do, however, some wines are almost certain to be in short supply occasionally and it would defeat the whole purpose if we were to sell all the MAYACAMAS wines at a discount. There must be a certain proportion for regular full-price sale in order to build up profits for us all. And the Board of Directors will have authority to determine those proportions.

(Naturally, stockholders' purchases must be in at least case lots and there is no change in our standing offer to pack mixed cases free of charge. (You will find other wineries charging up to a dollar per case for this service.)

(Each stock certificate will carry a number which must ALWAYS accompany any stockholder's order, to ensure getting the discount.

(For the present, the discount purchase privilege can not apply to LOKOYA wines but they may be ordered along with MAYACAMAS wines that are ordered at the stockholders' discount price.

(Due to other states' laws and regulations, MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS can ship wine only to consumers within the state of California. What we must all hope for is a change that will remove at least some of the restrictions (unduly harsh on small wineries) so that dwellers beyond California's borders won't always be denied the pleasure of drinking MAYACAMAS wines.

(Dividends may be paid when, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, the earnings and financial position of the company permit. Therefore it can become each stockholder's additional privilege to make all his friends acquainted with the superiority of MAYACAMAS (and LOKOYA) wines so that new customers' purchases, at the regular, 20% higher, price will hasten the establishment of

a dividend-paying financial position.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

To familiarize you with our present Board of Directors the following information may be of interest.

Jack, who will serve as President and Treasurer, is a transplanted Englishman who joined the Royal Dutch-Shell Group two weeks after his graduation from Cambridge, and he remained a member of some part of that organization until his resignation in 1945, at which time he was Vice-president of Manufacturing for Shell Oil Company in New York. Previously, for seven years, he was President of Shell Development Company in San Francisco. Since 1945 he has divided his time between developing MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS and acting as Petroleum Engineering Consultant to many large firms and foreign governments. Of most interest to wine lovers, perhaps, is the fact that the pleasures of his London youth were greatly augmented by the guidance of a charming and sophisticated wine-merchant uncle who enjoyed passing along to his favorite nephew his own vast knowledge and love of fine wines. It was a good foundation and gave Jack a firm basis for comparison when he finally realized his long-held dream of making fine wines in California.

I, Mary C., (née Goodrich) will act as Vice-president and Secretary. Although brought up in Southern California, there was no chance to learn about wines there, during the Prohibition-plagued days of my youth. But it was my late teens and early twenties spent in Europe that left an indelible mark on me in the form of an undying love and respect for good wines, all the way from the never-ending magic of their coming into being to the civilized influence they bestow on every day living.

To complete our Board of Directors, we are greatly honored to have had the following gentlemen accept the invitation to share our responsibilities by becoming members of the Board. They are all well-known and highly-esteemed in their respective fields. They are all lovers of good wine and, along with knowing us personally, they also know the aims of MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS and the methods of going about realizing them. And they all have enthusiasm for and faith in the future of the proposed expanded operation.

They are:

Mr. Llewellyn Bixby, Jr., of Long Beach, President of both Bixby and Company and Long Beach Dock & Terminal Company, Vice-president of Alamitos Land Company, etc.,

Mr. Verne H. Hockett, founder of the firm of Hockett Insurance Company, Mill Valley, etc., and

Mr. Christopher R. Forwood, ex-British Foreign Office, now an insurance broker in San Francisco, etc.

In addition, we are ably served by our lawyers, Messrs. Broad & Busterud, Russ Building, San Francisco,

Our auditors, the firm of Hicks, Boydston & Klingner, Monadnock Building, San Francisco,

Our wine industry consultant, Mr. Louis R. Gomberg, 26 O'Farrell St., San Francisco and

Our alcohol-tax consultant, Mr. Robert E. Pepper, Flood Building, San Francisco.

This, then, summarizes our position and our plans for the immediate future. We are eager to get started on the expansion because we feel that the future of California wines is bright indeed! In fact, we can't resist say-

ing it's very Rosé! Just in the few short years of our wine-making experience we have been happy witnesses to the rising taste level of the average wine consumer, and the demand for our wines is increasing at a rate that is simply amazing.

Our conviction of the greatness inherent in California wines has sustained us through the lean years of establishing vineyards on rocky, inaccessible hillsides, because we know that grapes grown on mountain slopes are the best. And if those slopes have the most perfect exposure to the sun and the best kind of soil for grapes (as they do) and are planted to the very finest varieties of grapes (as they are) and said grapes are guided through their wondrous and mysterious cycle of becoming wine by a man who is nothing less than dedicated to fine wines, how can the results be other than superlative? They can't. And those of you already acquainted with MAYACAMAS wines know that to be the truth!

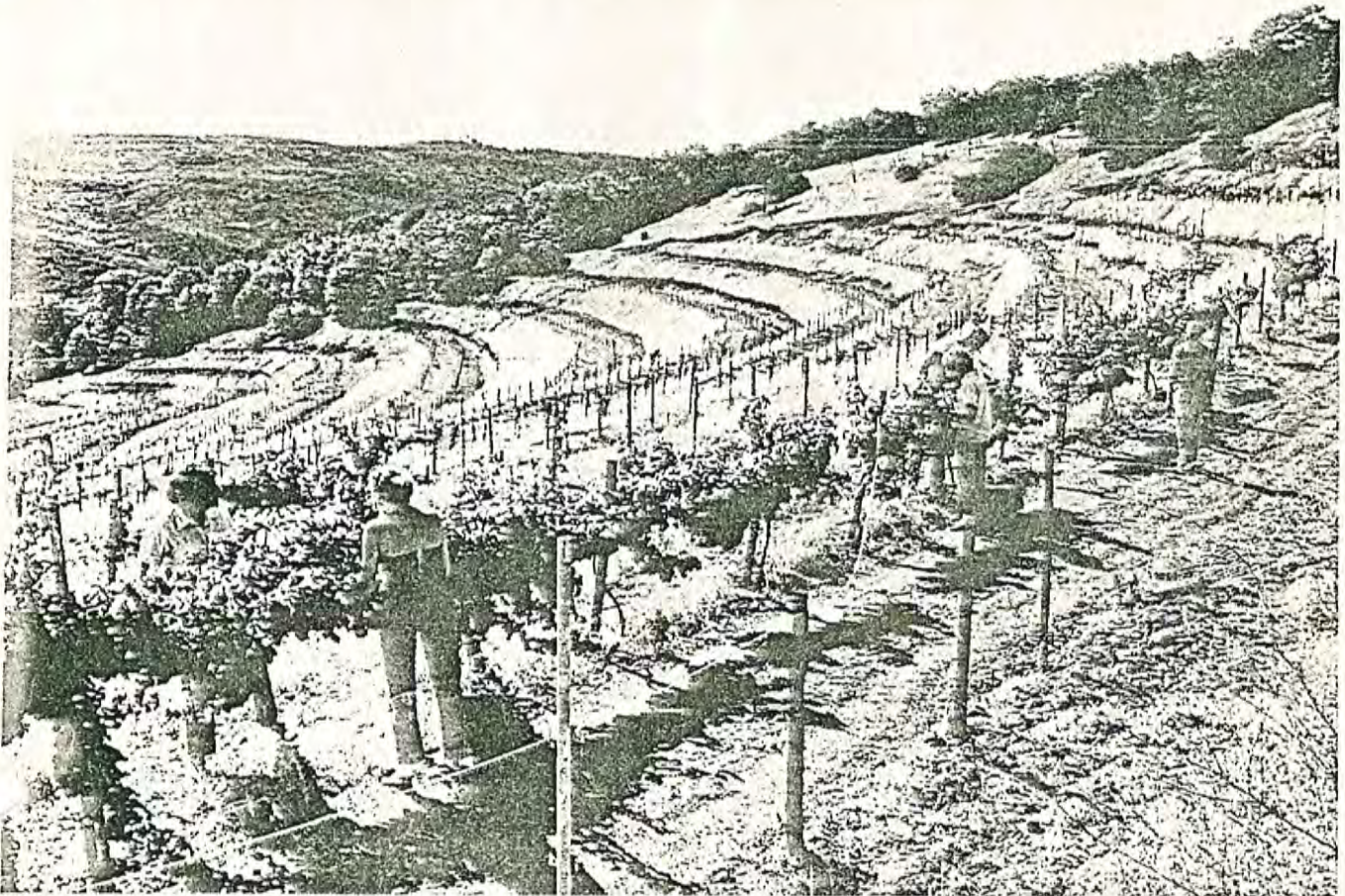
Many of you have often envied us this heavenly location and expressed the wish that you could do just what we are doing, so here is your chance.

A little vicariously, perhaps, because you can't all live in this wonderful spot, nor even share in all the hard work. But you can, now that the hardest work is past, participate in the rosy future by buying shares and having a finger in the wine-barrel, so to speak.

We enclose the usual price-list and order blank, to make it easy for you to indicate to us what wines you need immediately. In addition, here below is the order blank for shares in MAYACAMAS VINEYARDS. Since we are offering only 10,000 of them for sale, it will be a matter of first-come, first-served, just as it has always been with MAYACAMAS wines. We look forward to welcoming you to the MAYACAMAS family and hope the issue will be subscribed by many small stockholders rather than a few large ones.

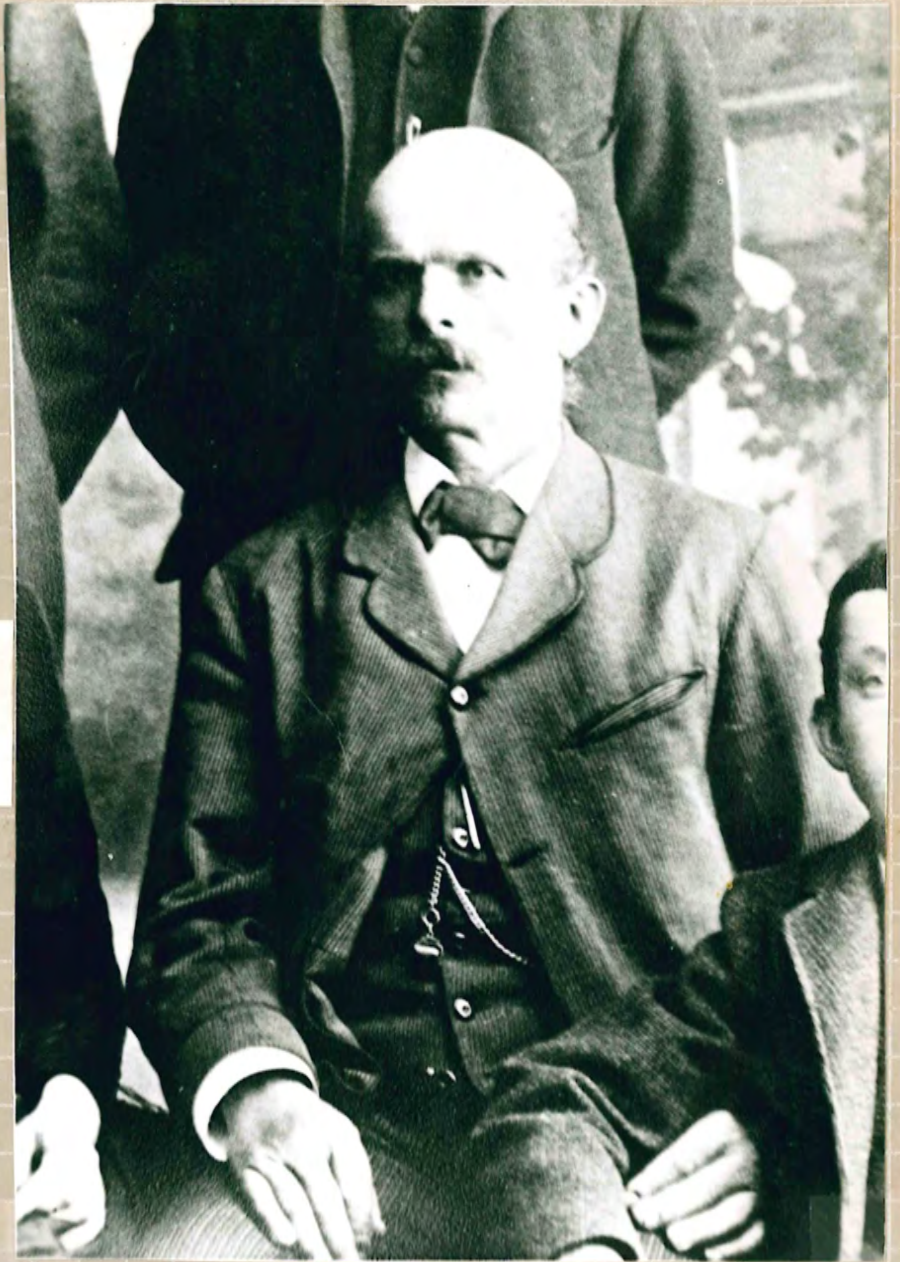
Here's a toast to the health of our joint future, with a big CHEERIO from all at MAYACAMAS. And please note the SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT on the bottom of the price list. Yours for lots of good living.

Mary C. Taylor



J. H. FISHER

Courtesy of
Bob Travis



W I N E R Y

Larry Hicks, 1975



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MAYACAMAS
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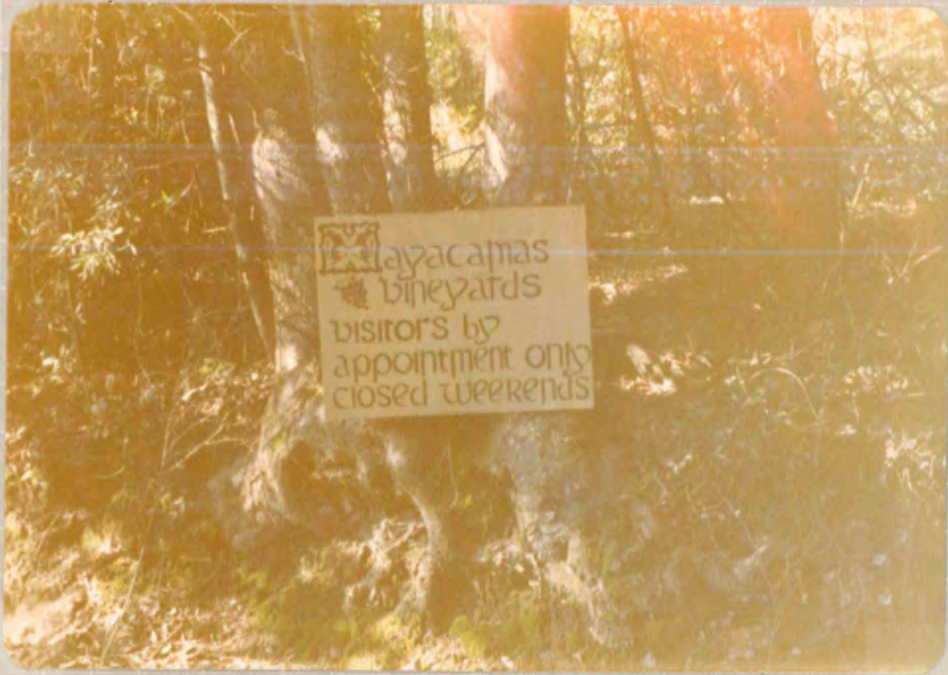
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THE WINERY AT MAYACAMAS
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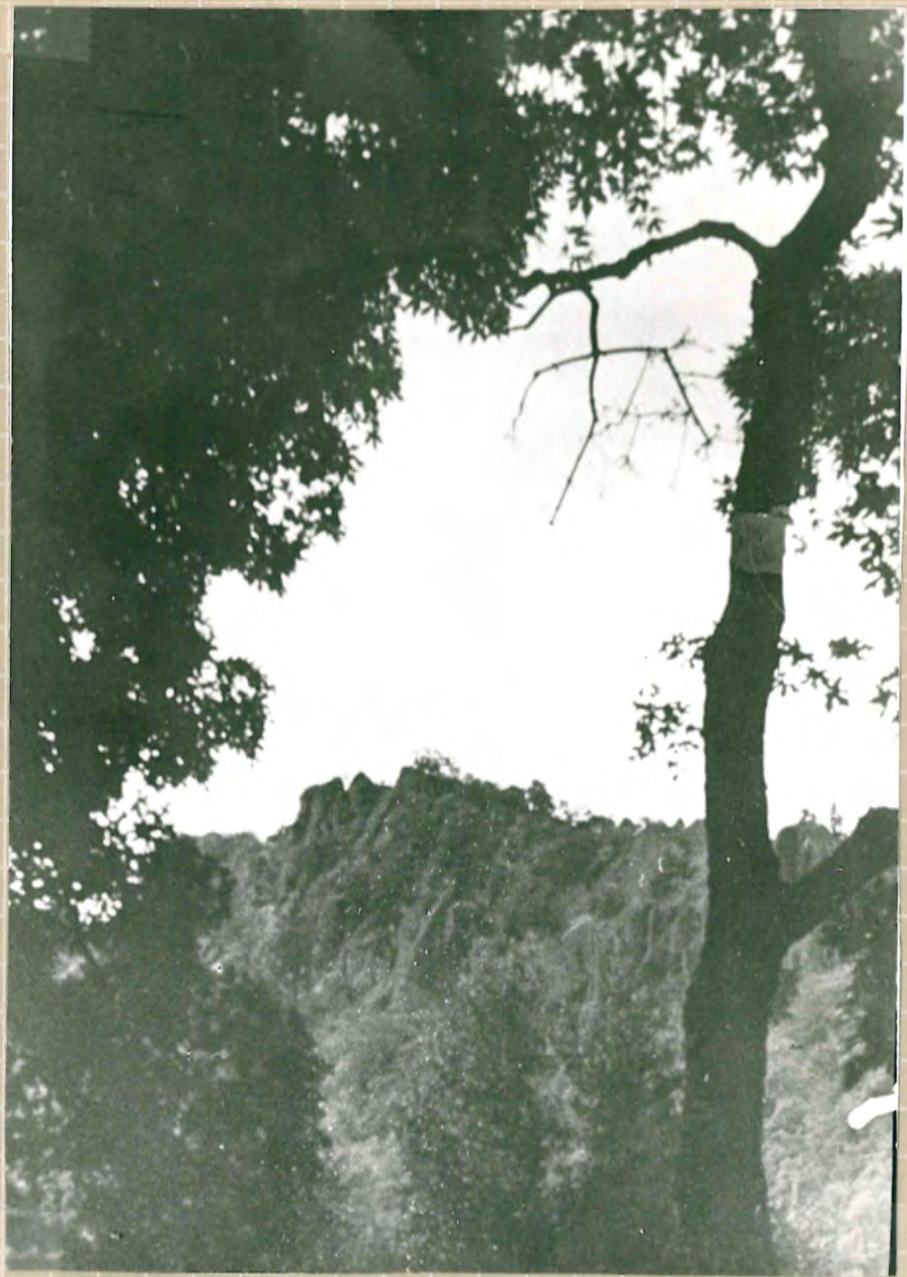




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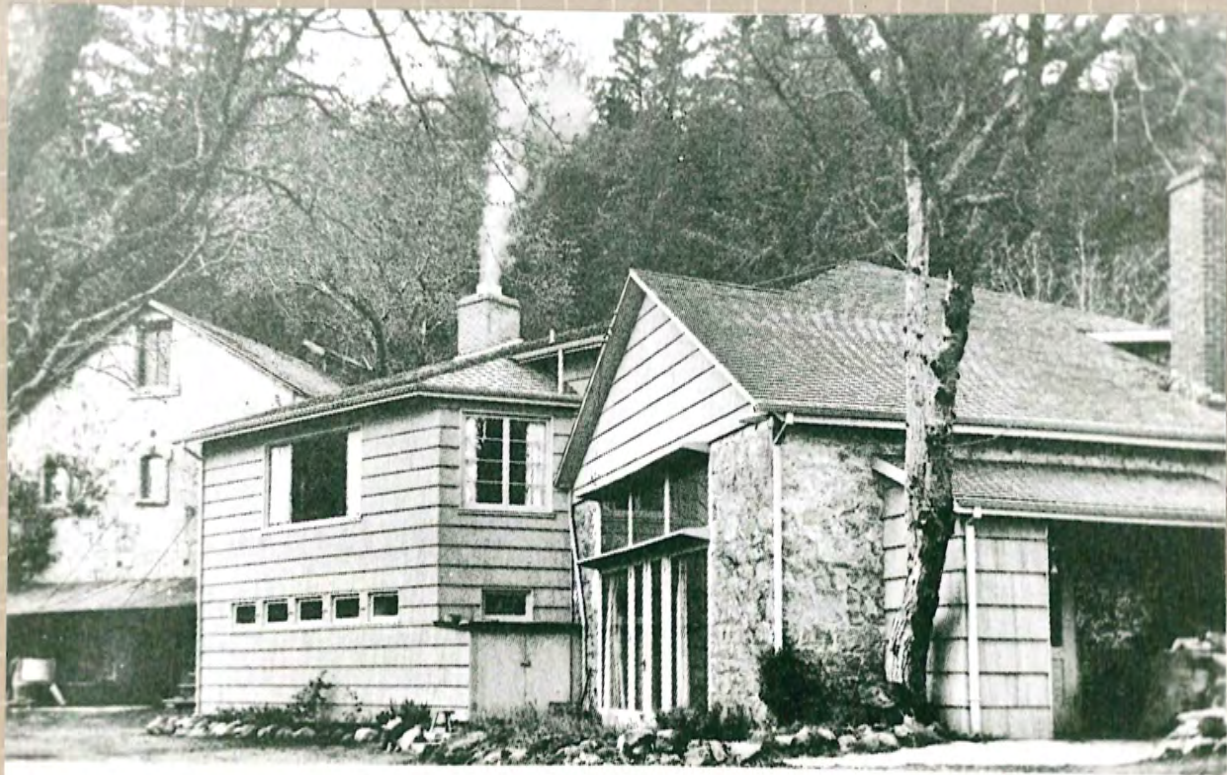


VIEW FROM
TAYLOR WINERY

Above, courtesy
Mary C. Taylor

Left, Larry
Hicks, 1975

Mayacamas Vineyards
Napa County, California



Residence with Winery in Background

"Mayacamas Vineyards"

265 Acres in the Hills between the Napa and Sonoma Valleys, Winery, Residence, Three other Dwellings and Utility Buildings.

Hidden away in the lovely high hills of the Mayacamas Mountains, which divide the Napa and Sonoma Valleys, and from which come the finest wines of California, is this fascinating vineyard property containing a fine old (1889) but newly remodeled and fully equipped stone winery and cellar, built 3 stories high into a rock hillside. The 8-room main residence, also recently remodeled from a smaller winery, has great distinction and individuality. In addition, there are the original ranch house of stone, two modern frame tenant houses, a large barn, large machine shop and various other utility buildings.

During the past few years, the present owners, who are wine connoisseurs and ardent believers in the French methods of producing quality wines, have concentrated their efforts on developing new vineyards planted to the finest of French white wine grapes, the Pinot Chardonnay. There are now 30 acres in vines, some of which are already bearing and capable of producing a superb wine. There is an additional 25 acres cleared and ready for planting. It is very conservatively estimated that this 55 acres will produce from 8,000 to 10,000 gallons of the finest quality wine when in full production, and that will be more than enough to bring in a substantial income.

However, increasing pressure from other business interests, necessitating frequent trips to the East Coast, Europe and South America, makes it difficult for the present owners to continue their personal supervision of the vineyards and winery as planned; hence their decision to sell. Offered equipped and partially furnished, it represents an unusual buying opportunity for someone desiring a unique property of surpassing beauty and seclusion, plus the potential of an excellent income.

The first wine made by the owners took an award at the Sacramento State Fair, and the second one submitted to the Fair took the highest award in its class. And now, until the vines come into full bearing, the winery cannot produce enough wine to supply its steadily increasing customer demand. But a large stockpile of good will is being built up because in a remarkably short time the business has established a reputation for high quality wine, and already has a loyal direct-from-winery-to-consumer following, which is, of course, so much more lucrative than dealing through retailers.

The winery and vineyards have received much favorable notice and publicity by persons interested in fine wines. The October 1950 issue of *Town & Country* devoted a column to this property in an article on the best American wines and the vineyards have also been acclaimed by author Robert Balzer in the preface to the second edition of his book, *California's Best Wines*.

Two well-known authorities, Frank Schoonmaker and Tom Marvel, in their book *American Wines* have this to say ". . . in general, by far the best of the Napa white wines come from vineyards well up in the Mayacamas Mountains . . ." and "The Mayacamas Mountains are likely to prove, when properly exploited, one of the great wine districts of the world." And again, "The Pinot Chardonnay is the grape of Chablis and Montrachet and the so-called Côte des Blancs in the Champagne country. It now produces the best white wines of California."

No expense has been spared in the development of this property and its terraced vineyards are destined to become famous. It is being offered for a fraction of its cost with the hope that the new owner will want to carry on the tradition which has already been established.

Road Directions: From Napa go out First Street which becomes Brown's Valley Road. Follow signs to Lokoya for approx. 12 1/2 miles. Turn sharp left at Green sign which says "Mayacamas Vineyards" and drive in for 3/4 mile to winery.

MORTGAGE: \$7,700

TAXES: Approx. \$700

OWNER: Mr. & Mrs. J. F. M. Taylor, 1155 Lokoya Road, Napa, California. Telephones: Napa 4-9344 & 4-9346.

PROPERTY: Mayacamas Vineyards, 1155 Lokoya Rd., Napa, Napa Co., Calif.

INSPECTION: By appointment with owners, or through Previews Inc. 68 Post St., San Francisco, Tel.: Douglas 2-3006.

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LOCATION: In the Mayacamas hills between the Sonoma and Napa Valleys, Napa County, California. Property is approached via a private road from Lokoya Road, approx. 1/8 mile from Lokoya Lodge. Napa, 13 miles; St. Helena, 15 miles; 65 miles north of San Francisco.

LAND: *Approx. 265 acres.* Elevation from 2000' to 2400', above fog and frost. Land ranges from gentle slopes to steep hills. 9 all-year springs for water supply. Two 3500-gal. redwood storage tanks, gravity flow. Private road (dirt) from Lokoya Road winds through hills for 3/4 mile to ranch buildings. Jeep roads lead to all parts of the ranch. Good deer and quail hunting on property. Seasonal trout fishing in adjoining streams.

LAND DIVISION: 30 acres of deer-tight fenced vineyards; 10 acres planted to Pinot Chardonnay now bearing; 20 acres planted to St. George and ready to be grafted to Pinot Chardonnay, with approx. 15 acres on terraces and contour planting with balance planted on gentle hills and plateaus. 25 acres of old vineyard and orchard land cleared and ready for replanting; 95 acres in pasture; 115 acres wooded, much with oak and manzanita of commercial value. Land being on extinct volcano also points to possibility of valuable mineral deposits.

WINERY: *Approx. 40' x 60',* built in 1880 on 3 levels on side of hill. Stone walls 2' thick. Entire building recently remodeled and reinforced. Stainless steel equipment. Well-equipped laboratory. 5000-gal. cooperage. 15,000-gal. capacity.

IMPROVEMENTS: All buildings served by PS electricity with transformer on property capable of 25 h.p. Telephones and intercom. system between all buildings. 4 septic tanks.

MAIN RESIDENCE: 8 Rooms (3 family bedrooms, 2 baths; svr's. bedroom, lav.). Built around the old distillery in 1947, it retains 2-foot-thick native stone walls with balance wood frame with gray shingle exterior. Shingle roof, huge windows, hardwood and tile floors, individual electric wall heaters, 2 fireplaces. *First Level:* Kitchen-Dining Room with copper-hooded corner fireplace, 18' ceiling; *Servant's Bedroom,* Bath, walk-in stainless steel 40 cu. ft. deep-freeze, 60 cu. ft. chill-room, and food-storage room. *Hall* lined with linen and storage closets, owner's personal Wine-Cellar, Photographic Dark Room, leads to *Master Bedroom,* tiled Bath. Main staircase to upper level which also has outside entrance on upper level. *Living Room* with hardwood floor, many built-in cabinets, fireplace, huge view windows. Philippine mahogany walls, built-in cabinet suitable for either custom-built phonograph or television. Library with Lavatory (piped for full bath), large view window. *Office* with gumwood walls, large closet, also has own outside entrance, large windows.

OLD RANCH HOUSE: 7 Rooms (4 bedrooms, bath). Stone construction, on 2 levels. Wide stone-pillared veranda on lower level, covered porch on 2 sides of upper level.

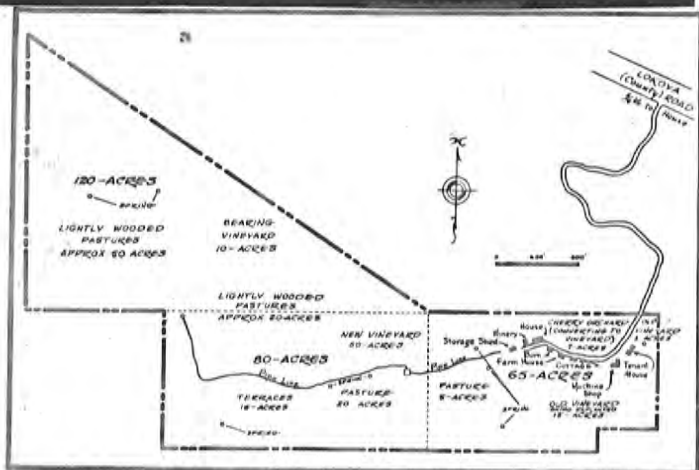
STORAGE BUILDING: 20' x 40' frame construction, suitable for any kind of storage.

BARN: 4 horse stalls, 3 cow stanchions, hayloft, space for 4 cars, rat-proof feed storage bins; large woodsheds.

TENANT COTTAGE OR GUEST HOUSE: 2 rooms, bath.

TENANT HOUSE: 6 Rooms (3 bedrooms, bath); large circulating heat fireplace. Asphalt shingle roof and sides.

MACHINE SHOP: New, sheet aluminum construction. Large sliding doors, grease pit, concrete floor, 8-vehicle capacity, 250-gal. gas pump, much other equipment.



PRICE: \$158,500 (Terms)

Fully equipped and partially furnished. Furnishings include 4 electrically equipped kitchens. Farm equipment includes such items as John Deere-Lindeman tractor with attachments, 6 wheel flat-bed Army Dodge truck, Austin station wagon, Spray rig, etc. plus complete stock of tools.

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Master Bedroom



Living Room



Terraced Vineyard from Pasture



Close-up of Terraced Vineyard



Young Chardonnay Vines



THE OLD DISTILLERY AT MAYACAMAS
Courtesy, Mary C. Taylor



THE OLD DISTILLERY AT MAYACAMAS
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THE OLD CHERRY HOUSE, DISTILLERY
NOW THE MAIN TAYLOR HOUSE
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TAYLOR'S
MAIN
RANCHHOUSE

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VINEYARD AT MAYACAMAS
Courtesy of R. Brandlin





MAIN RANCHHOUSE AT MAYACAMAS

Larry Hicks—1975



MAYACAMAS WINERY IN BACKGROUND

Larry Hicks—1975

MAYACAMAS

The Mayacamas Winery was built in 1889 by John Henry Fisher, an immigrant from Stuttgart (where he was a sword engraver) and a San Francisco pickle merchant. Bulk red and white table wines were made and there was a small distillery. Vineyard plantings were of Zinfandel and "Sweetwater" grapes. Fisher sold the property after the turn of the century and the winery fell into disuse. In 1941, after several changes in ownership, Jack and Mary Taylor (he of England, she of California) acquired the empty stone winery, distillery and the ancient, declining vineyards. The winery was renovated, the distillery made into a home and the old vines were torn out. The Taylors replanted the vineyards to Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon and gave the winery the name Mayacamas (Fisher had called it Mt. Veeder Vineyards).

In 1968 the Mayacamas Vineyards and Winery property was sold again. Now, under the control of Robert and Elinor Travers, it is specializing more and more in the wines of Mayacamas grown grapes, Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon. Other wines are sometimes made when top quality grapes are available.

Mayacamas is the name of the mountains, which separate the Napa and Sonoma valleys, where the vineyards and winery are located. It is a Spanish adaptation of an Indian word meaning "howl of the mountain lion". Cougars and bobcats still roam this range and the name inspired the Mayacamas label design of two lions rampant.



History of Napa & Lake Counties - Napa REDWOOD FALLS.—Among the natural curiosities of Napa County

probably none are more worthy of mention than these falls. They are romantically located about twelve miles from Napa near the head of Mill or Napa Creek, in the redwood belt of Napa County. Striking the stream a few hundred feet above the upper fall, and following it down, we find ourselves walking upon a solid body of stone, with walls of rock rising perpendicularly on either side to a height reaching from ten to fifty feet, and not more than five feet apart. This rocky chasm leads to the upper fall, which is a nearly perpendicular descent of fifty feet, and it must make a magnificent waterfall in the winter season when the stream is swollen. The rocky, precipitous walls tower high above the falls, and as one looks up and down from the head of the falls, he sees little but a clear-cut rock forming the walls of the deep abyss. Retracing our steps and making a detour down the line of the stream, its bed is reached at a point a few rods below the lowest of the three falls. This fall is some twenty feet in height, and its head is reached by a little hard climbing up a short, circuitous path. We then find ourselves at the foot of the middle fall, in the most picturesque little grotto imaginable, bounded by precipitous stone walls, apparently from thirty to one hundred feet in height. The middle fall makes a descent of some twenty-five feet perpendicularly, and at its foot there is a pool some six feet across and nearly twenty feet in depth. A few square yards of solid rock constitute the floor of this rocky chamber. A visit to this romantic spot will well repay any one.

Runaway Emus Captured In Chase Ostrich-Like Birds Roped, Started Home

Emma and Emil, the errant emus who fled from their cage at the Circle H game farm Sunday, were headed back to their homes in captivity today, following their surprise apprehension at the J. F. M. Taylor ranch, not far from the Circle H farm.

The long-necked, long-legged pair were cornered and roped by a party of volunteers, composed of Mr. and Mrs. Morrison Goodrich, Mrs. Taylor, and Mrs. Taylor's daughter, Robin, 20, Goodrich, manager of the Cuyahamas Winery on the Taylor property, and F. F. Lockwood, a winery employe, held the pair of emus gingerly at bay until the arrival of sheriff's officers and employes of the Circle H game farm.

However, because Claude Hooke, owner of the game farm, was out of the county on business, no attempt was made to transport—or herd—the emus back to the game farm. Instead, the pair was housed in a shed and securely locked in, pending the arrival of Hooke, who presumably will know how to deal with them.

FIRST TO SIGHT EMUS

Mrs. Taylor and Robin were the first to sight the emus since they walked out of their cage at the game farm and escaped. Driving down the road from their home, Mrs. Taylor and her daughter spotted the bizarre-looking creatures leisurely pecking through the fields below the Taylor house.

They raced back to the winery and notified Mr. and Mrs. Good-



EMUS AT BAY—Sheriff John Clausen is shown above with the pair of escaped emus that were captured today at the J. F. M. Taylor ranch on Mt. Veeder, only a short distance from the Circle H Game Farm, from which the two escaped Sunday. Momentarily docile when the above picture was taken, the two later objected violently to at-

tempts to herd them into a shed for temporary safekeeping, until their removal to the game farm. Emma, the female (at the left) put up the most determined battle against her captors. Disregarding the rope noose around her neck, Emma plunged again and again into the ranks of her captors, her head lowering to a height of more than six feet as she fought to break loose. (Register Photo).

VALLEY
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NAPA, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 2, 1950.



DEVIL'S
CANYON

Courtesy of
E. Skivington



DEVIL'S CANYON

Above:
E. Skivington

Below:
Larry Hicks
1975





LANDMARK
ABOVE
DEVIL'S
CANYON

Larry Hicks,
1975



DEVIL'S
CANYON

Larry Hicks



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CANYON

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DEVIL'S CANYON

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DEVIL'S CANYON *courtesy of F. HELD*



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The Mayacamas Winery is reached by a road winding through the wooded mountain country separating Napa and Sonoma Valleys. High on the slopes of Mt. Veeder, an extinct volcano, the winery setting is magnificent, and the view of valley and hills has an untamed grandeur that is unforgettable. Deer, cougar and

bobcats are resident in the area; Mayacamas was the name a valley Indian tribe gave to the mountain range and is said to mean "howl of the mountain lion."

The winery is ten miles northwest of Napa, at 1900 feet elevation. John Henry Fisher, a San Francisco pickle merchant, from Stuttgart, built the native stone winery in 1889, and planted the hillside vineyards. His attempt at growing grape varieties such as Zinfandel and "Sweetwater" is captured in "The Vineyard," written by that master wine country writer, Idwal Jones. The story depicts the mountain vine growers of the time with warmth and honesty. They were a breed apart, a harder lot than those who grew vines on the valley floor. The statement "He who plants a vine becomes entangled in its branches," is never more appropriate than when applied to the old-time mountain vineyardists.

Fisher sold the property at the turn of the century. It was allowed to run down during Prohibition, and was not reclaimed until Jack and Mary Taylor purchased it in 1941. The distillery building became a comfortable home, and the winery, formerly called "Mt.

Veeder Vineyards," was renamed Mayacamas.

During the next 20 years, the Taylors replanted the vineyards to Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon at great expense and endless toil. This couple gave the area a legacy of fine wines through their extraordinary foresight and dedication to the vine. They left a mark on the land and on many palates, for their wine had the strength and vigor of mountain grown vines.

By 1961 the management of Mayacamas was left in younger hands. The Taylors, commuting between Napa and New York, began offering stock to their customers at \$10 a share. This enabled Mayacamas to double its small capacity, and the Taylors made it available in exclusive restaurants and wine shops, where it won recognition for excellence.

Bob Travers, a Stanford graduate, and six limited partners took control of Mayacamas in 1968. He did not come to the winery as a neophyte, as many did in that era. His research over the years included trips to Europe and enology courses at UC Davis. An apprenticeship at Heitz Cellars gave him valuable experience. Now he makes his home in the converted distillery, with his wife and children. In the interest of pursuing excellence he has limited offerings to three wines, hoping, by doing so, to improve the already fine wines traditionally made at Mayacamas. His Late Harvest Zinfandel has been widely acclaimed.

He continues to plant, wrestle with rocky hillside soil, losing one grape stake in three to its resistance. Upholding the precedent of making great wine that began in 1889 is of utmost importance to this dedicated winemaker.

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This small winery is pleasantly situated on the slopes of Mt. Veeder at a level from 1000 to 1400 feet. It is the old Moyer place, purchased in 1963 by Michael and Arlene Bernstein as a summer home.

Ownership is a limited partnership formed in 1972, with attorney-viticulturist Michael Bernstein and Kimbal

Giles, a North Coast winemaker, as general partners.

The operation began when the Bernsteins bought the ranch, to get away from the bustle of the city. But the area became more and more attractive to them as time went on. The ranch was a prune orchard, and for several years they trained, sprayed, pruned, picked and marketed the crop. There was a log cabin on the property, built by the former owner from material in the land, trees and rocks. It has proved a comfortable home for Mike and Arlene Bernstein, and has undergone only slight renovation during their tenure.

In 1965 they began planting a few grapes in areas not taken up by prunes; this continued through the next two years. By 1968 they began taking out prunes and planted 15 acres to Cabernet Sauvignon, one acre to Merlot. They moved to Mt. Veeder permanently in 1970.

During the years of planting, Mike and Arlene worked with their own hands, preparing the land and cultivating the vines, watering them during hot summers until they were established. By 1970 there was a light

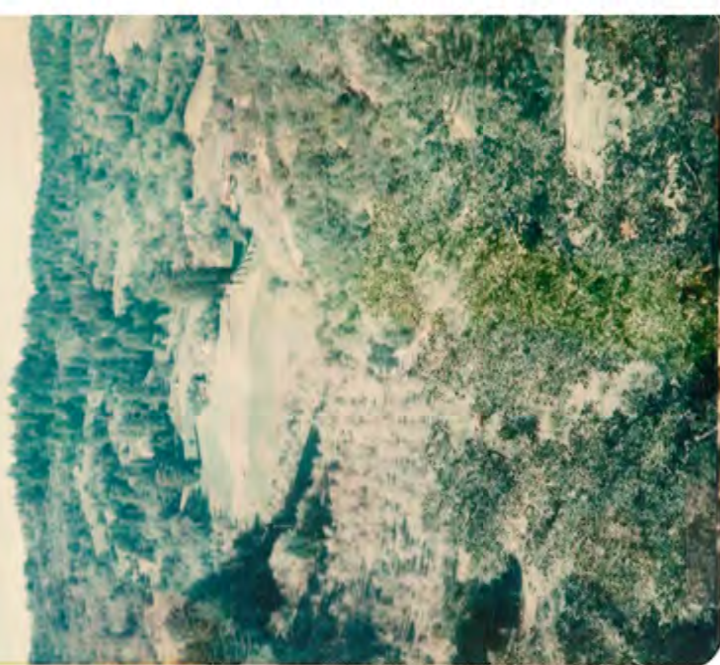
crop—"and from then on," says Mike, "the thing just sort of evolved naturally. We saw that this was what we had been looking for—a quality of life that we had not known before."

Kim Giles came into the picture naturally too. They met him during his years at Mayacamas, a neighboring winery and vineyard. As their own vineyard evolved, they visited Mayacamas, talked to Kim about grapes and vineyards, and noted what was being done at Mayacamas. When Kim left to become winemaker at Hanzell in Sonoma County, they kept in touch. In 1970, Kim made the first Mt. Veeder Winery wine, a Cabernet, in the Bernstein's home, followed by a vintage in 1971. The results encouraged all of them to talk about a partnership and winery, which came about in 1972.

Kim Giles learned winemaking under the tutelage of Brad Webb, whose rise to the top of his profession had its roots at Hanzell. Brad became a wine consultant to give more scope to his expertise, and he has lent a guiding hand to many Napa Valley wineries.

The winery design was created by the three, and all work other than actual construction was done by their own hands. Mike is vineyard manager and business head. Kim makes the wine, and Arlene fits in as needed. They are concentrating on Cabernet "with lots of color and character." No wines will be ready for the market before 1976.

The Bernsteins are not alone among valley vintners who have fled the big city scene, but they are probably one of the couples most content with the change in life style.



By L. Hicks
1975

Calif. Wineries by Topoles & Dopen

Veedercrest Vineyards



Johannisberger Riesling
1972 - Special

from Winery Lake Vineyards
Carmen District, Napa County
Produced and Bottled by Veedercrest
Wine and Vineyard, California
Bottled in 1972 and 1973

This winery, with vineyards on Mt. Veeder, west of Napa, has a small pilot plant, geared to 1000 cases per year, in the basement of the winemaker's Berkeley home.

The group of owners includes general partners Alfred W. Baxter, manager and winemaker, and Attorney Ronald Fenolio, in charge of finances.

Others involved are Pat Baker, ranch manager, and Craig Hall, head of vineyard operations.

Vineyards are presently being developed on the 300-acre ranch in the Mayacamas Mountains. When the project is complete, in 1980, Veedercrest will have plantings of Chardonnay, White Riesling, and some of each of the major red Bordeaux varieties, such as Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Bouschet, Petite Verdot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec.

Mt. Veeder is an extinct volcano, and on its slopes the soil is thin and dry, suited to vines and giving them the stress they need to produce grapes with the potential for great wine. In the past few years, the Mt. Veeder area has come into its own as a district for growing superb wine grapes, and, though formerly devoted to second homes for city people, its land is being cleared and planted to grapes by several other vintners. Crops are not bountiful, but possess a quality and character with great regional distinctiveness.

In order to get its label established and its wines on the market, the firm began making wines with grapes

from Rene di Rosa's Winery Lake Vineyard in Los Carneros district, and from Ernie van Asperan's vineyard near St. Helena. Production is divided between Chardonnay, White Riesling (Spätlese and Beerenauslese), Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Pinot Noir. Cooperative experiments with Limousin, Nevers, Tronçais, Yugoslav and American oak are under way.

Veedercrest's first commercial wine, a 1972 White Riesling, won a bronze medal at the Los Angeles County Fair, and has done well consistently in comparative tastings at San Francisco's Vintners' Club.

Wines are being distributed nationally, even internationally. They are available in Boston, Washington, D. C., and at major wine shops in the Bay Area, Santa Cruz and Carmel. Distribution in Southern California and through restaurants and clubs is planned in the near future. Veedercrest is among the very small circle of California wineries to have its wines in the cellars of Michelin-starred restaurants in France.

Veedercrest has a corporate subsidiary, Mt. Veeder Vineyards, Inc., which is becoming active in wine imports, and as the U. S. representative of small, quality brandy producers in the Bas-Armagnac district of France.

Interestingly, the name Veedercrest came into being after it was discovered by the owners that the name they had planned to use on their label, Mr. Veeder Vineyards, had already been registered for use in 1938, by Peter Mondavi and Charles Krug. Although Mondavi does not actively use the name, it is still his, and the winery became Veedercrest. The label on the bottle is a design of Jack Stauffer, of San Francisco's Greenwood Press.

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OTHER WINERIES

CONRADI VINEYARDS, at 3650 Spring Mountain Road, is owned by Art Martin. His winery is an old stone building, circa 1886, where he is engaged in making two wines, Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel, which are scheduled for release in the near future. This winery started out in life as Martin's Spring Mountain Vineyards, but, owing to the similarity to the name of another winery, it was re-christened Conradi Vineyards.

J. MATHEWS WINERY, formerly known as Carbone Napa Valley Winery, is not a new venture, but recently changed hands after being in the Carbone family for many years. The winery, an old landmark built in 1882, is at the corner of Main and Young Sts., in downtown Napa. The new owner is Ken Nelson, who has moved the main winery operation to Newport Beach.

JUSTIN MILLER, 8329 Hwy. 29, does not have a winemaking operation, but has invented a process, known as Millerway Carbonation, for making "instant champagne." The process uses pressure to put the bubbles in, and the resulting bubbly wine has the advantage of producing tiny bubbles for a long time. He operates in a long building back of his home, where he has several processes available.

MOET-HENNESSY is a wholly owned subsidiary and holding company of a large French firm. Their mission is to provide this country with a fine Natural Champagne style sparkling wine, and they are going about it in a big way, with 800 acres of vineyard; 650

in Los Carneros, 170 on Mt. Veeder, and some 50 plantable acres at the winery site in Yountville.

It will be situated across from Vintage 1870 on Hwy. 29, on a knoll near the California Veterans Home. Plantings are Pinot Blanc, Folle Blance and Ugni Blanc. The Pinot Noir needed to produce their sparkling wine is purchased from Trefethen Vineyards. It will be made in the traditional Methode Champenois, and a staff from France will set up the winery, and make the wines.

NAPA VALLEY COOPERATIVE WINERY is a large, sprawling building south of the city of St. Helena. Their operation is exclusively that of making wine out of Napa Valley grapes for E. & J. Gallo, and sending it in tank trucks to Modesto. They have a large grower membership among valley viticulturists, and each grower is permitted to bottle enough of the resulting wine for his own use. The Co-op cellar is two wineries built together, the second around the first small old stone winery that had belonged to Oakland vintner Theodore Gier.

NASH CREEK VINEYARDS is the joint effort of Bob Key, Bill Stafford and Norm Sloane. Old stone cellars at 3520 Silverado Trail are being refurbished and the group will produce Zinfandel exclusively. Production will be 10,000 cases annually.

PICKLE CANYON VINEYARDS is the joint venture of John Wright, vineyard manager at Moet-Hennessy, and W. Herbert McGrew. These two ama-

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teur enologists purchased a 76 acre parcel of land on Mr. Veeder, near the Moet-Hennessy holdings. They began the clearing and planting of the land in 1970; so far they have ten acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The wines will be bottled at a nearby winery.

RAYMOND VINEYARDS got under way in 1974, the winery of Roy Raymond and his two sons, members of the Beringer family. They continue to work at Beringer's as they construct and equip their own winery. They have planted a 90-acre vineyard adjacent to the winery site on Gallerton Road, south of St. Helena.

SILVEROAKS CELLARS winery project is located at 915 Oakville Cross Road in Yountville. It was founded in 1972, the year of the first crush, and consists of crushing and aging facilities. Owners are Justin Meyer, formerly of Christian Brothers, who is the winemaker, and Roy Duncan of Denver. They will make Cabernet Sauvignon and other premium varietals not yet decided upon. The winery construction is planned for 1976 or 1977.

TREFETHEN VINEYARDS on Oak Knoll Road is owned by Gene Trefethen. Gene, with his son John and ranch manager Tony Baldini, have been in the business of custom farming for years. They came to Napa Valley to establish themselves in the grape growing business, acquired 600 acres of vines, extremely fine and beautifully cared for. Plantings include Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, White Riesling, Zinfandel and Merlot. They are at present crushing these grapes for Moet-Hennessy Vineyards, but when the latter's vines come into bearing, the Trefethens intend to make wine on their own.

VILLA MT. EDEN, on Oakville Cross Road near Silverado Trail is the property of James and Anne McWilliams, who have owned the ranch for five years. The old winery on the place is being readied for operation, and is part of a complex which includes a home and stables. It operated in the 1880's, under ownership of G.S. Meyers, using the Mt. Eden Vineyards label. The winemaker is Nils Venge, a graduate of the School of Enology and Viticulture, UC Davis. He received further training at Heitz Cellars and Charles Krug Winery. Pinot Noir, Gewurztraminer, Napa Gamay, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and Chenin Blanc will be the wines. First crush was 1974.

WINERY LAKE features an old stone mansion resembling a castle on the Rhine, which was built by two French winemakers, Michael Debret and Pierre Prier, in the 1800's. It is the home of art collector and bon vivant Rene diRosa, who replanted the century-old vineyards to premium varietals. He plans, at a future date, to make wine there. When he does, he will build a new stone winery on the lake shore. However, he says he is having so much pleasure thinking about it that this may not happen for several more years.

CHARLIE WOODS has been constructing his winery for some time now. It is located on Highway 29 near Yountville. The owner is a designer and builder of the area, involved in the winery venture with his brother, W. R. Woods. The Woods brothers will make the wines themselves. These will include an estate bottled Chardonnay and a Cabernet Sauvignon. The first crush is scheduled for 1975. Production is visualized as 10,000 cases a year.

LOKOYA AND VICINITY

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Most of the following information is by courtesy of Richard Brandlin.

In the 1870's, it is my understanding that acreage above the old Dado place was owned by two men named August Schuler and Eugene Scheben. They operated a resort there under the name of Solid Comfort Home. It was built on the hillside under the beautiful redwood forest. Among the other recreational facilities, they had a swimming pool. In this era, Solid Comfort was considered a "health spa." Various sources told me that as business partners, Schuler and Scheben were unusual to say the least. They seldom spoke to each other. When they came into town with their horses and wagon, to pick up their guests, one would drive and the other would sit in the back. In her youth, Mamie Dado Pieratt (deceased, May, 1975) told me she worked at Solid Comfort, making beds, serving guests, etc. No doubt other teenage boys and girls living in the area were hired, too. Mamie related many stories of "times" at Solid Comfort as well as the early years of Lokoya Lodge. I am not certain how long Solid Comfort operated nor how long Schuler and Scheben were "partners."

A smart young man named Maunsel Van Rensellaer, purchased Solid Comfort Home along with the property just above, owned by the Kelly family in 1924. Van Rensellaer built a large lodge from native fir and redwood and named it Lokoya Lodge. It was situated in a beautiful setting overlooking the valley and mountains beyond. Guests who came to the lodge had their choice of rooms in the main spacious lodge or the privacy of a cabin in the fir forest. Some families spent the entire summer there. About 1934, Van Rensellaer pulled out, leaving Lokoya Lodge in the hands of shareholders. For various reasons, including World War II, the shareholders had difficulty keeping it going. Charles Leavitt, one of the shareholders, bought out the others in 1948. He continued operating the

lodge as a resort for a few years before selling.

During the early 1950's, the property was owned by Wayne Myers and later by Joe Tucker, who around 1958 sold to the present owner, Robert Jones. One rainy night, December 28, 1959, fire broke out in the lodge at Lokoya. It burned the building to the ground, and thus ended the once popular Lokoya Mountain Lodge Resort.

In 1931 Mr. Warenskjold, who is said to be one of the inventors of the diesel engine, purchased the Bouc ranch and three adjoining ranches. He named it Bella Vista. It is presumed that he spent nearly \$90,000 on his property, building roads, clearing land, putting in rock walls, constructing a large guest house, a caretaker's house, and a main house which was constructed of mostly Arizona flagstone. Warenskjold's daughter, Dorothy, was a well known singer in the 1940's. Bella Vista is presently owned by Mr. Ruffin.

EXPLANATIONS OF

MAP OF TRAILS AND ROADS IN VICINITY OF LOKOYA LODGE

According to Richard Brandlin, this map was made by Van Rensselaer in 1930-1931 for the purpose of expanding Lokoya Lodge. It takes in the Conti ranch, Caselli ranch, and other ranches which bordered. There were plans for the area to be a resort community. They went as far as to take down payments on several sites—with the option to buy—however, the plans did not materialize. Ed Holzreiter added his opinion regarding the failure of the project-to-be: lack of sufficient water.

Richard Brandlin's interpretations of this map are as follows:

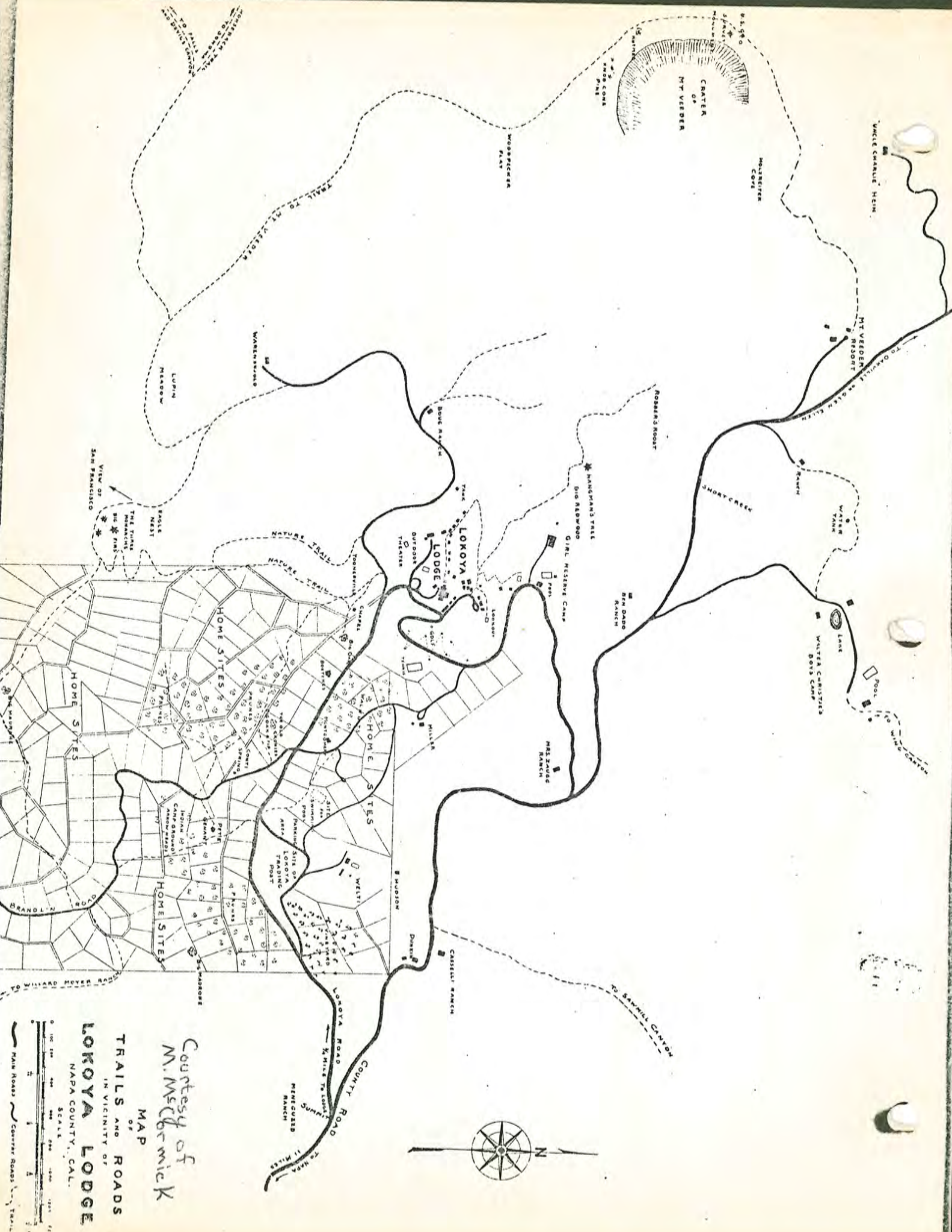
Sawmill Canyon is known as Sacaze Canyon, owned many years by the Sacaze family until 1940.

Brandlin Road is the present road going into Macayamas Vineyards. Most of the road went through the Conti property.

Site of Lokoya Trading Post is the present Wayne Grubb property on Lokoya Road.

The Three Monarchs area used to be called Pond's Point (Dr. Milo Pond).

The Indian Campground is the present site of the Palmer house. Brandlin recalled that his Uncle Jack remembered the Indians of 1879 well, saying, "They were harmless," and most of them died from tuberculosis.



Courtesy of
 M. McClellan
 MAP
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LOKOJA LODGE
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P. O., Napa, California.

DEAR SIR:

The "Solid Comfort Home" is located on the side of Mount Veeder, 1555 feet above the sea level, and ten miles north-west from Napa. The drive from Napa is a very pleasant one up a winding canyon, an easy grade, with overhanging trees and a running brook which the road follows most of the way. For five miles the road is sprinkled daily and there is scarcely any dust to contend with. The view from the east balcony of the house is one that cannot be surpassed. It presents a view of from twenty to thirty miles of mountain range with its canyons and woods always in view, beyond which, at a distance of seventy miles or more, can be seen the summits of the mountains in Colusa county; it is a never-failing source of interest, the "everlasting hills," in all their variety, is in itself a panorama never to be forgotten.— Another of the pretty sights is on foggy mornings, to see the fog below you like a gray sea, and above the fog the range of mountains. From the summit of Mount Veeder, which is 3003 feet high, and is not a very difficult climb, the view is unsurpassed. The Pacific ocean to the west, the bay of San Francisco to the south, where the vessels can easily be distinguished in motion. Mount Hamilton is beyond, Mount Diablo is in plain view, as is the Capitol at Sacramento, and the Sacramento valley, with the rivers easily distinguished. When the atmosphere is clear Mount Shasta appears distinct with its snow-capped peak. The San Joaquin valley appears like a garden—the view, in short, equals any in the world. The climate is unsurpassed. The redwoods that surround the Home are very beneficial to the tired and over-worked. For sufferers from asthma this place is unsurpassed, all symptoms of asthma gradually disappearing. A large and sparkling spring supplies the house with deliciously cold water, which has been proved to be a specific for dyspeptic troubles. There is some hunting and good fishing within a short distance. We have an orchard with a variety of fruit, sufficient to supply our needs; we also have a garden which supplies the table with fresh vegetables. We aim to give plain and wholesome food; no one can complain at our plain and wholesome home-cooked food. Our terms are:

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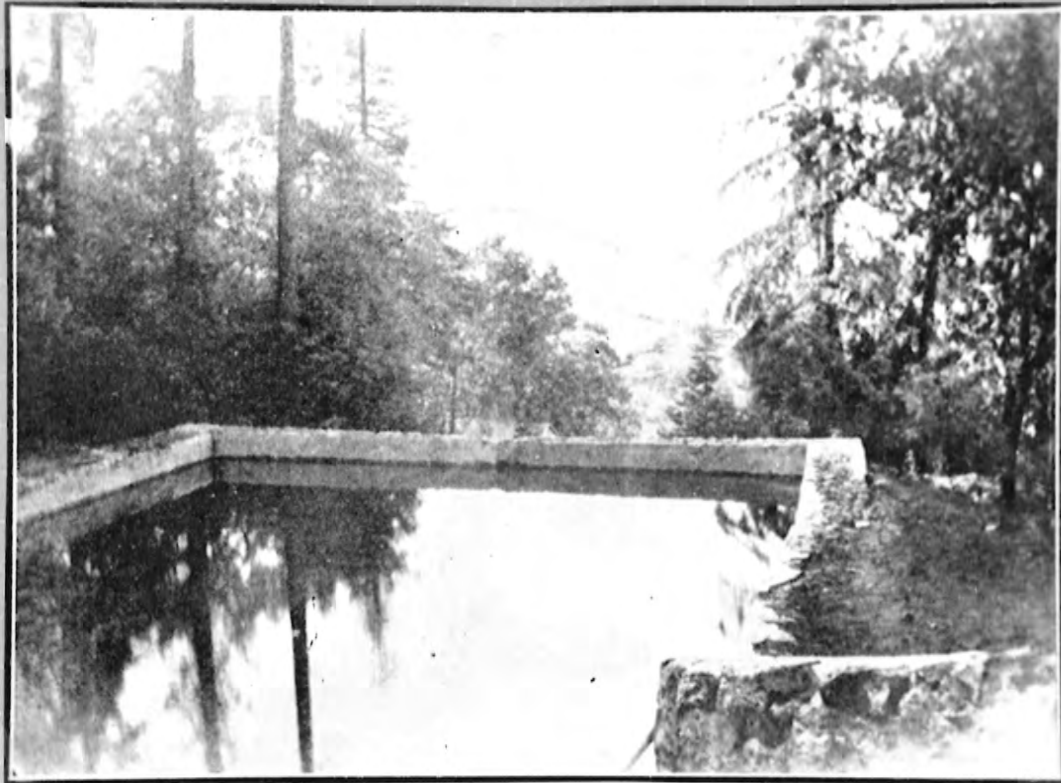
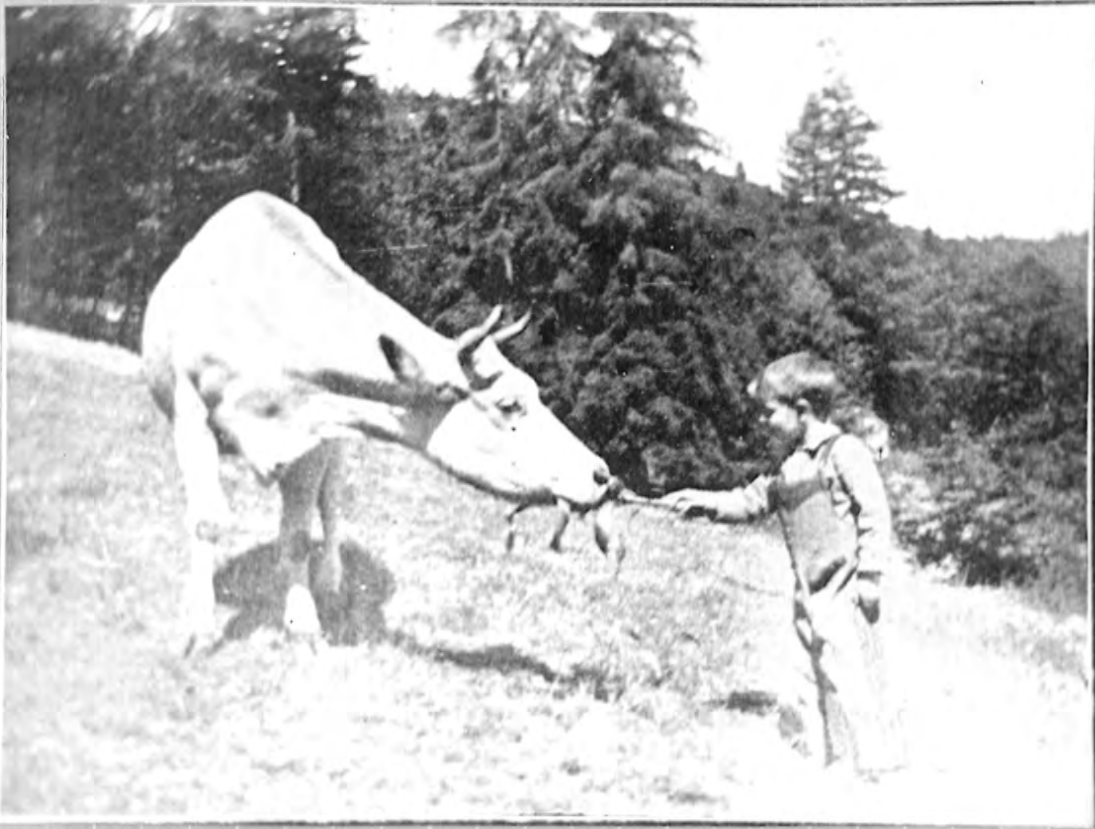
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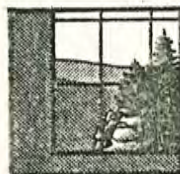
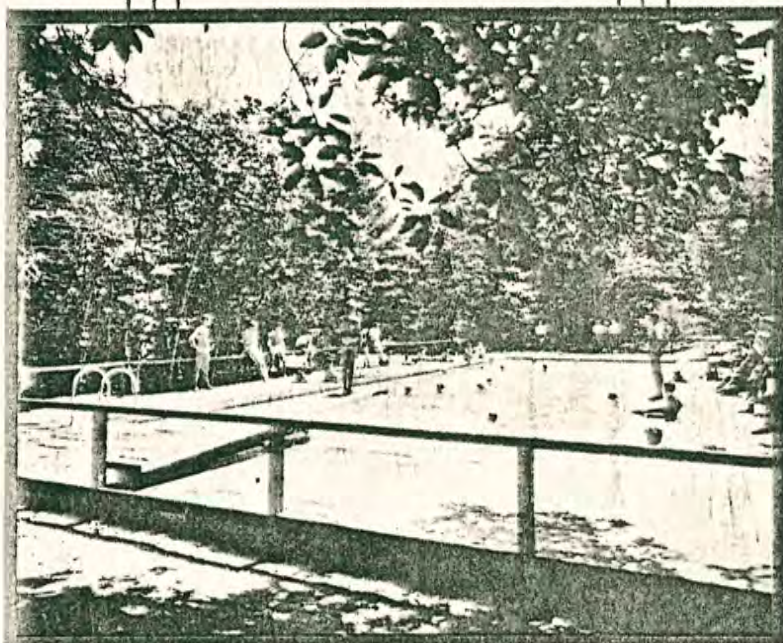
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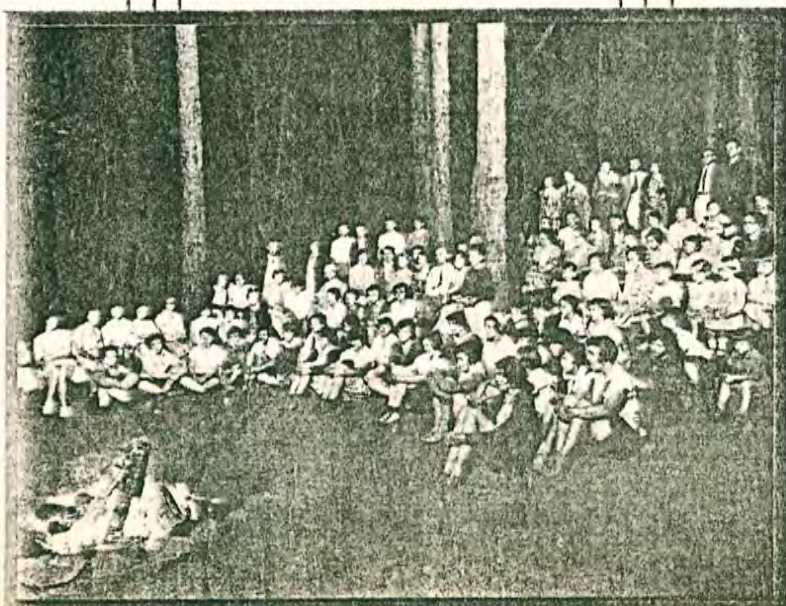
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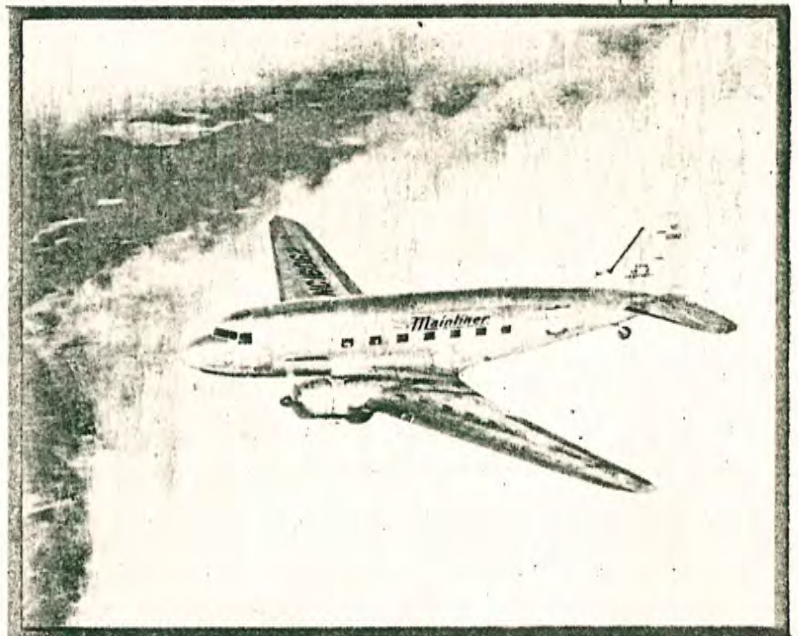
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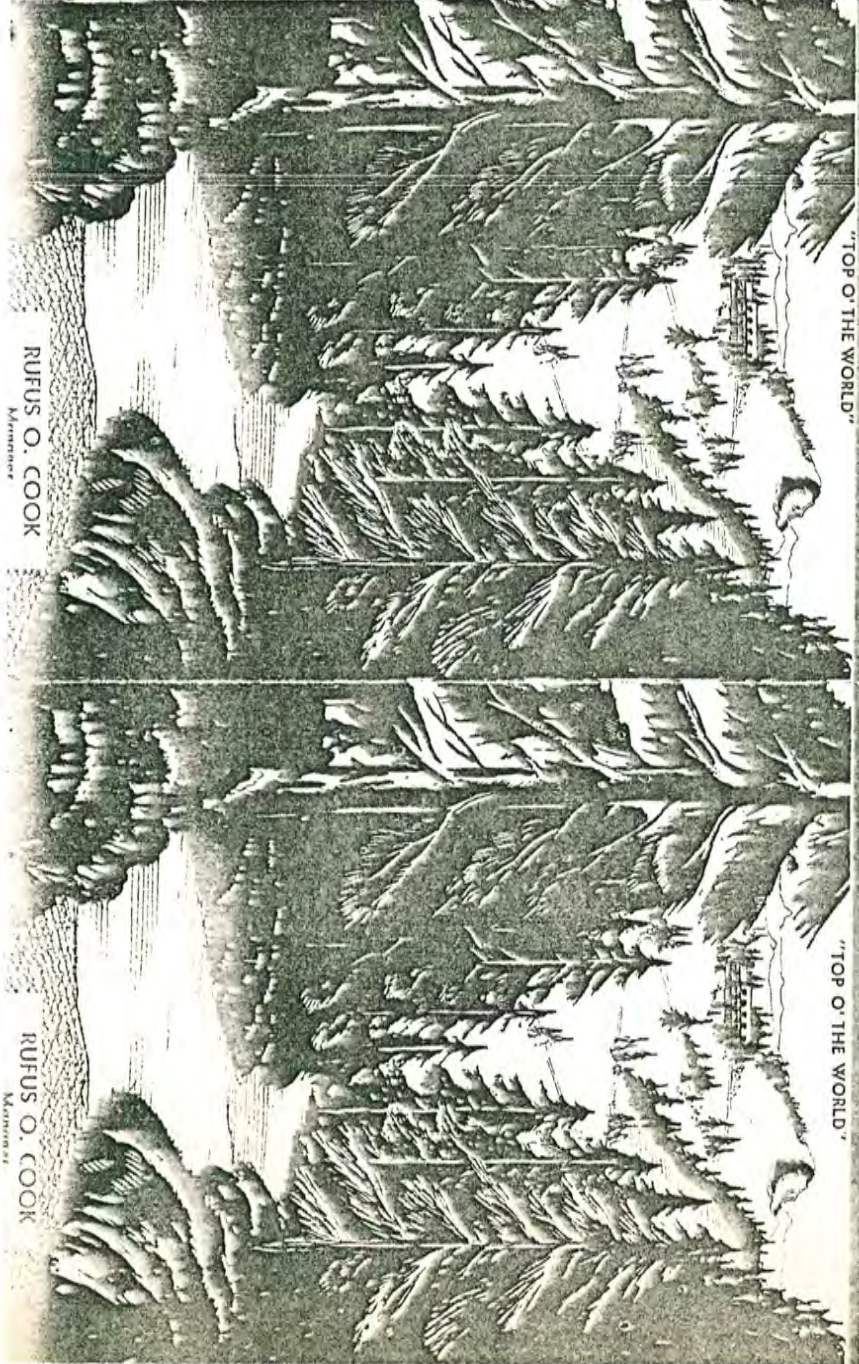
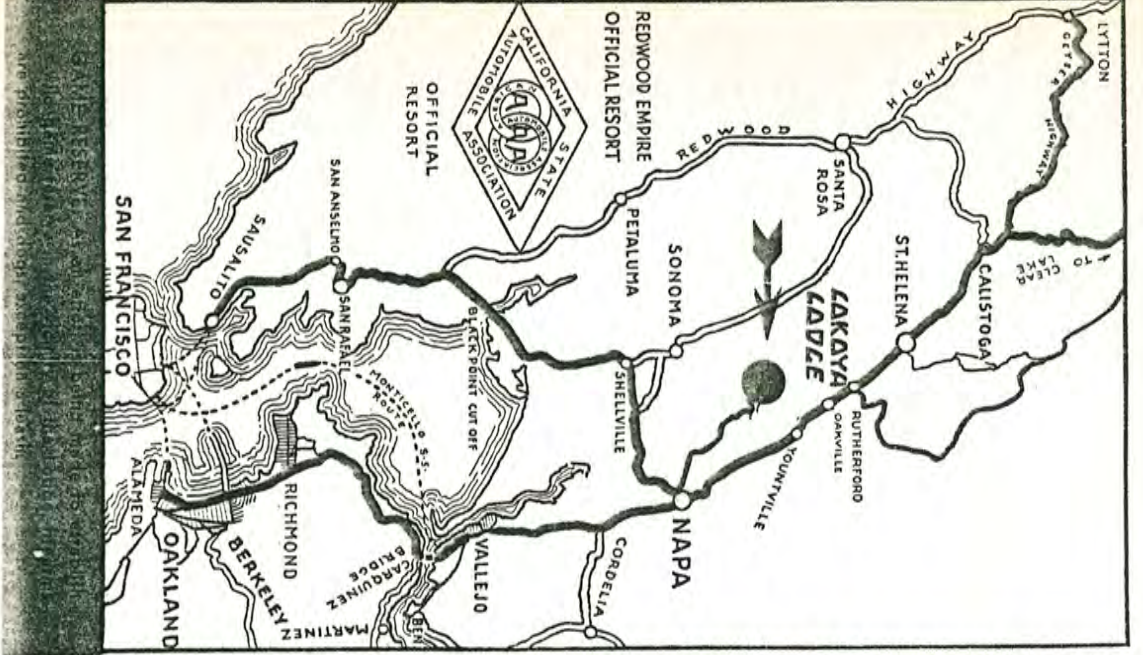
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Lokoya Mountain Lodge is beautifully located 50 miles north of San Francisco, in the Redwood Empire, nesting among a grove of redwood and pine, two thousand feet above the famous Napa Valley, in a clear, dry atmosphere—a spot rich in scenic beauty, and a charm known only to Lokoya.

Few places have a more unusual or attractive dining room. From its wide plate-glass windows, one looks down upon a panoramic view of the valleys below, while partaking of the tempting and delicious served foods to keen appetites created by pure, invigorating mountain air.

Why not plan to spend this vacation at Lokoya or entertain your friends the Lokoya way, whether it be a birthday or anniversary dinner, it will be served in a manner befitting the occasion.

Lokoya Girls' Camp, is maintained a short distance from the Lodge and is open to girls between the ages of 6 to 16, under the guidance of

Where Comfort, Fine Food and the Charm of Lokoya Combine for a Real Vacation

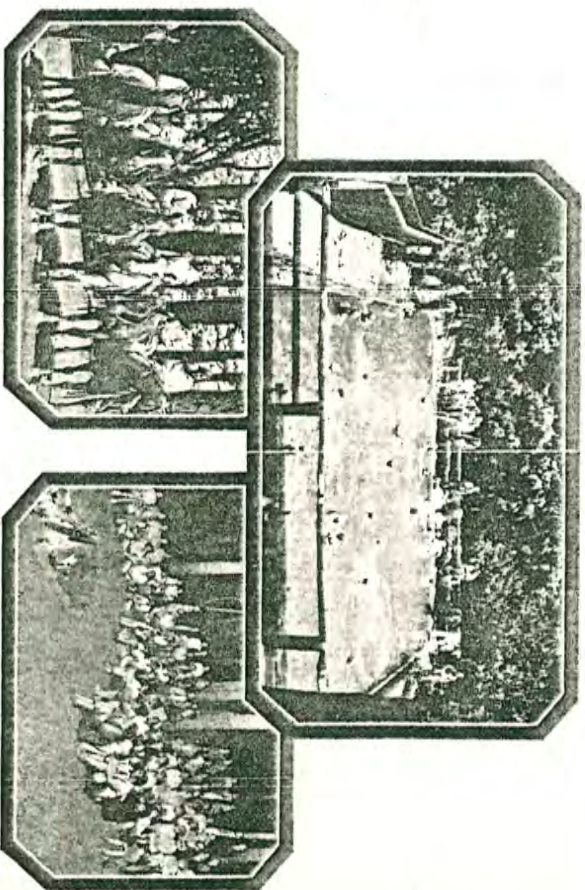
a university trained counselor. A well organized program is laid out for the girls which allows time for swimming under the direction of a Red Cross examiner, horse back riding with a riding master in attendance, tennis, ping pong, dancing, dramatics in the woods and before the blaze and glow of the camp fire, each under the direction of a specialist in her line of activity; all happy, busy days, life out of doors, with counselors who know how to play.

Lokoya Boys' Camp, an excellent private Boys

Camp, is located a mile from Lokoya Lodge. Unsurpassed location, program and supervision make it an ideal camp for boys seven to sixteen years of age.

Complete information and references available upon request.

Accommodations: Aside from rooms in the main Lodge, there are delightful redwood cabins within a moment's stroll of the dining room, yet sufficiently secluded to insure privacy. All rustic cabins are equipped with bath or shower, and



HOW TO GET THERE

By Train or Stage: From San Francisco, take Monticello Steamship at Ferry Building. Buy through ticket to Lokoya Mountain Lodge. From Oakland take Greyhound stage to Napa. From Berkeley, take Greyhound stage at University and San Pablo Avenues to Napa. The Lokoya Stage will meet any connections **by appointment only.**

By Auto. Follow the map. Leaving Napa, drive west on First Street, then up a beautiful 11-mile mountain road, which promises to be one of the scenic drives of Napa County.

For further information, or reservations call the following.

In San Francisco: Peck-Judah, 672 Market Street; American Express, The Emporium; American Express, Palace Hotel; Ask Mr. Foster Travel Service, St. Francis Hotel, Stewart Hotel, The White House; Hale Bros. Travel Bureau.

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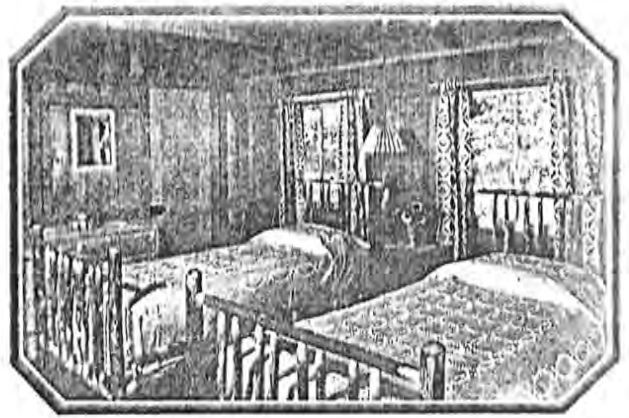
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DINING ROOM OPEN TO PUBLIC

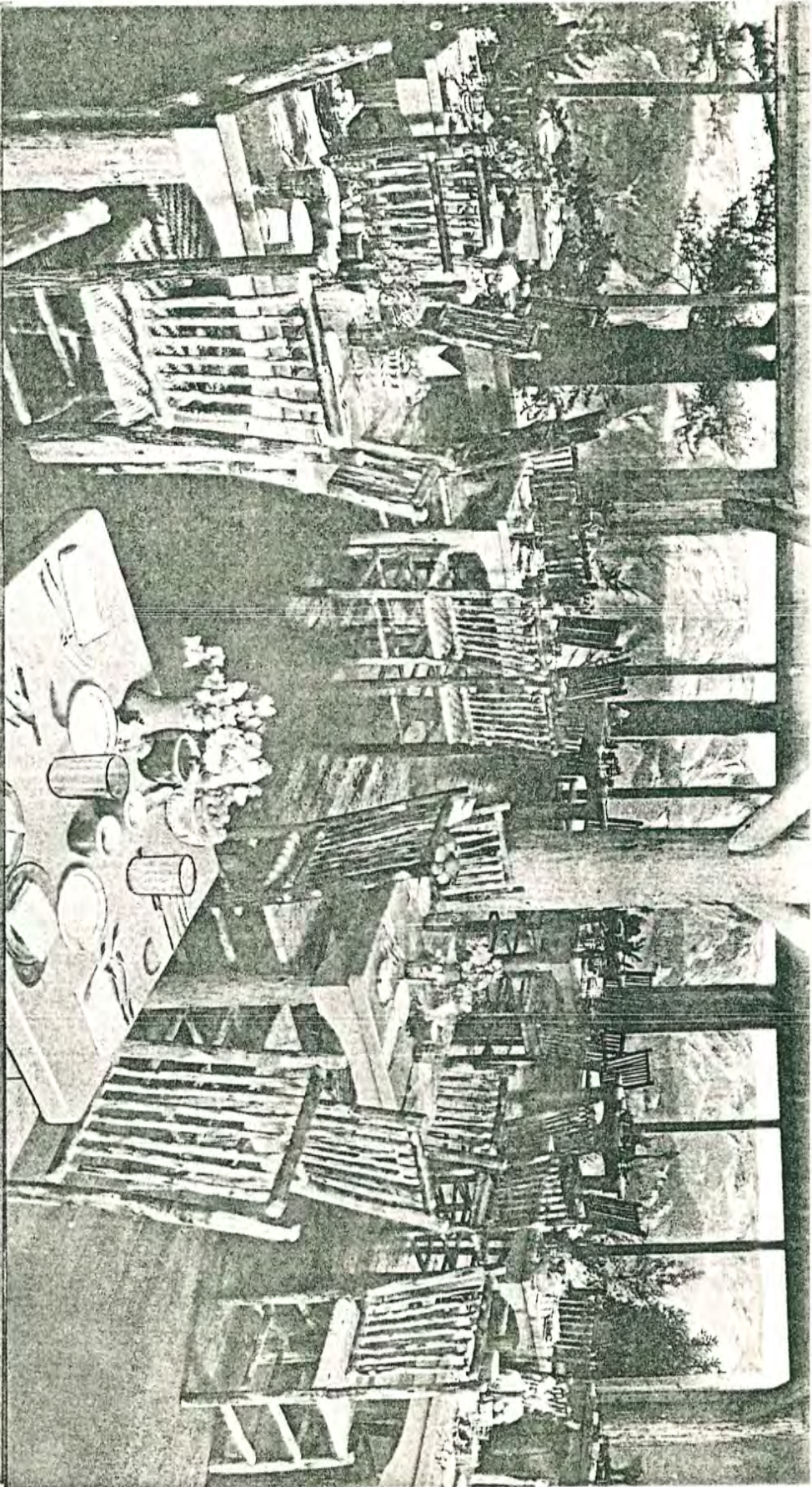
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Under the Personal Management of Rufus O. Cook, formerly manager of the "Pergola," Dublin Canyon.



electric light. There is an abundance of hot and cold water. Cabins have porches for sun bathing and outdoor sleeping. Telephone, telegraph, and daily mail-service is maintained.

Sports that prove attractive to those seeking recreational activity are: Dancing, swimming in a constantly filtered open-air pool; golf on a "Pitch and Putt" course, or at the Napa Valley County Clubs, where privileges are extended to Lodge guests; tennis on a clay court; ping-pong out-of-doors; shuffle-board; croquet; mountain climbing that exhilarates with the exercise and the view. Excellent saddle horses are available in midseason. For those preferring rest and recuperation, there are many quiet walks through the woods. A branch of the Napa County Library is maintained. There are easy motor trips to nearby points of interest—the Valley of the Moon, Petrified Forest, the Geysers, the Sonoma Mission and other historic places.



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LAKAYA MOUNTAIN LODGE

AMONG THE REDWOODS

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Phone Napa 6F2



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THIS MOUNTAIN RESORT, situated among the Redwoods, where Comfort, Fine Food, and unexcelled service render to the guests an ideal vacation.

ACCOMMODATIONS, aside from rooms in the Main Lodge, are in Modern Rustic Redwood Cabins, which are equipped with private showers, hot and cold running water. Each Cabin has its own porch for out-door sleeping or sun bathing, secluded among the Giant Firs and Redwoods.

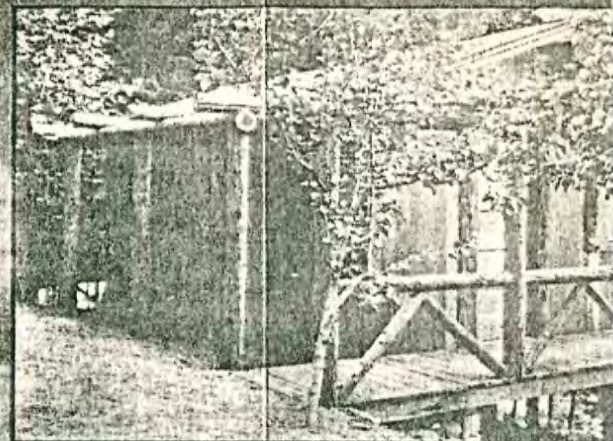
THE PINE ROOM—Lokoya's famous Cocktail Bar, where quality liquors, combined with the knowledge of an experienced mixologist, makes this room a favorite spot to relax and enjoy true hospitality.

SPORTS AT LOKOYA—Swimming in an open-air filtered swimming pool of crystal clear water, Ping-Pong, Croquet, Tennis, Shuffle Board, Badminton, and Hiking.

EXCELLENT SADDLE HORSES are available in mid-season. In the evening, Dancing to the music of a College Band, Campfire Programs, and other special features are enjoyed.

LOKOYA'S GIRLS' CAMP (Operated by Lokoya Mountain Lodge) is located 500 yards from the Lodge — for girls 6 to 17 years of age, under the personal direction of Mrs. Bernice Klein. Write for folder on camp life and rates.

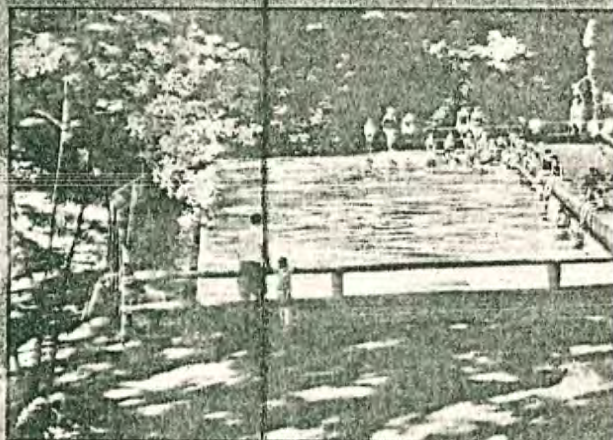
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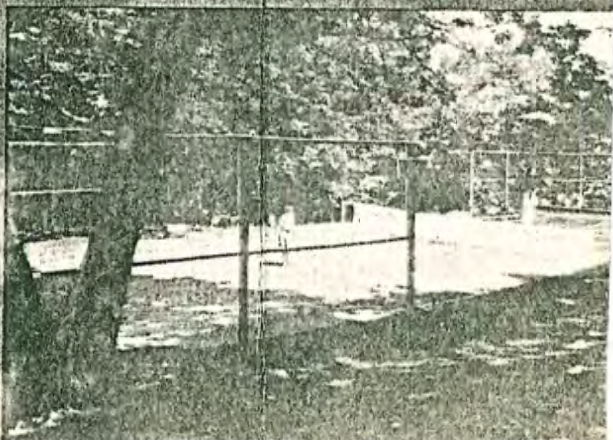
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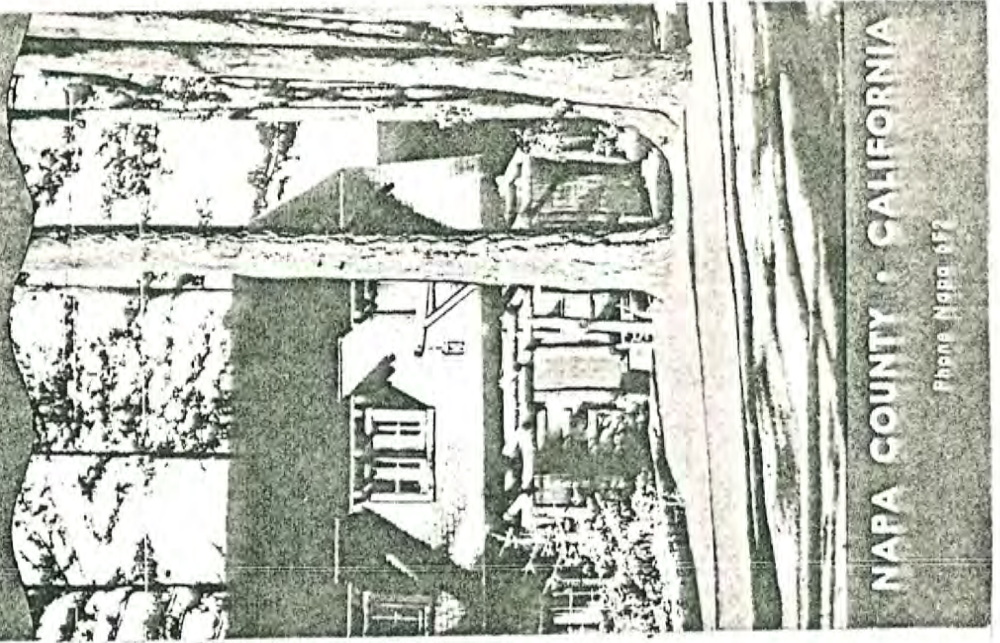


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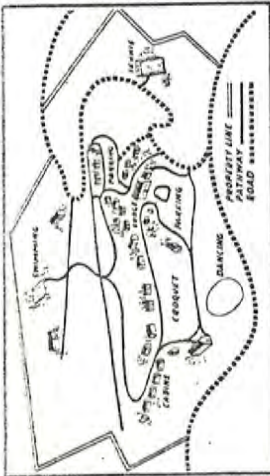
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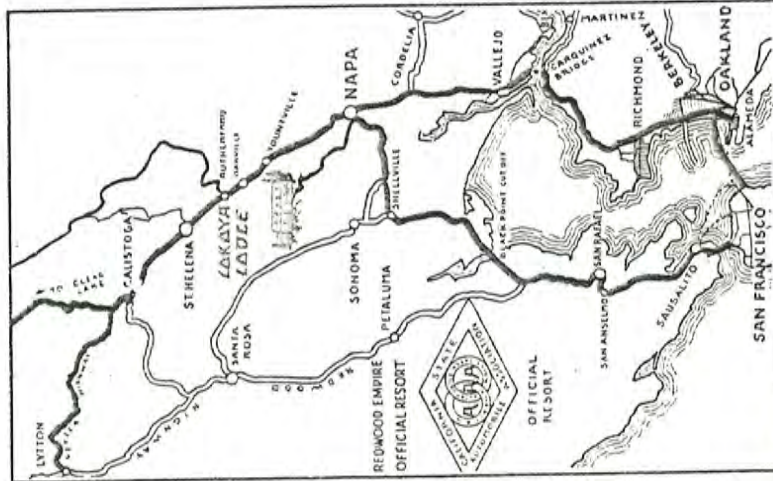


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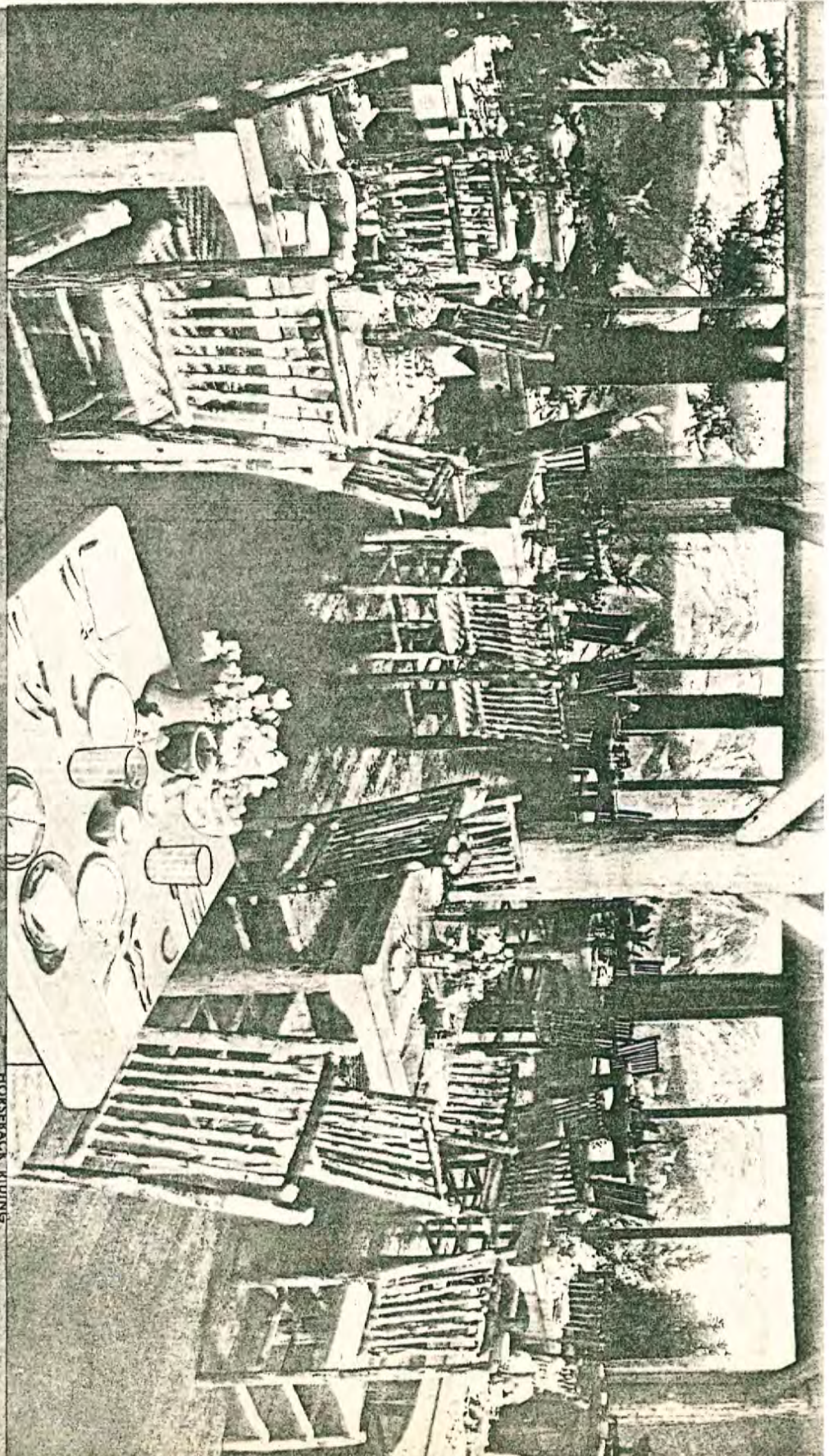
GENERAL PLAN OF LOKOYA'S 80 ACRES



HOW TO GET THERE

Greyhound Bus or Napa Valley Bus Lines to Napa. Taxi Service is arranged to meet any connection by appointment only. By Auto, follow the main to Napa. Drive west out First Street, then up a beautiful all-paved road to Lokoya.

For further information or reservations, see your own Travel Bureau or write to Lokoya Mountain Lodge, Lokoya, Napa County, California. Phone Napa 6F2.



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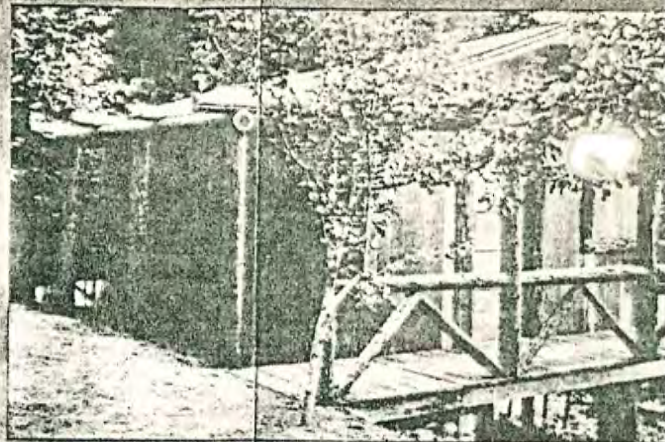
THIS RUSTIC MOUNTAIN RESORT secluded among the Redwoods where comfort, fine food and unexcelled service render to the guests an ideal vacation. The trip from the San Francisco Bay District is not too long or tiresome for a delightful week end visit — though a week end is all too short to enjoy all of the natural beauty that surrounds the Lodge. It is just the place for your House Party, Banquet or Dinner Dance.

ACCOMMODATIONS aside from rooms in the main Lodge are in rustic Redwood cottages, which are equipped with private showers and toilets and instantaneous hot water. They are heated by gas or wood stoves for the comfort of those who visit us in the early Spring or late Fall. Each cottage has its own porch for out-door sleeping or sun bathing and complete relaxation among the Giant Firs and Redwoods.

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SPORTS AT LOKOYA — Swimming in an open-air filtered pool of crystal clear spring water, ping pong, croquet, shuffle board and hiking. For those who wish to rest, outdoor furniture, hammocks and benches are conveniently placed where one can relax out of doors in the sun or under the tall trees.

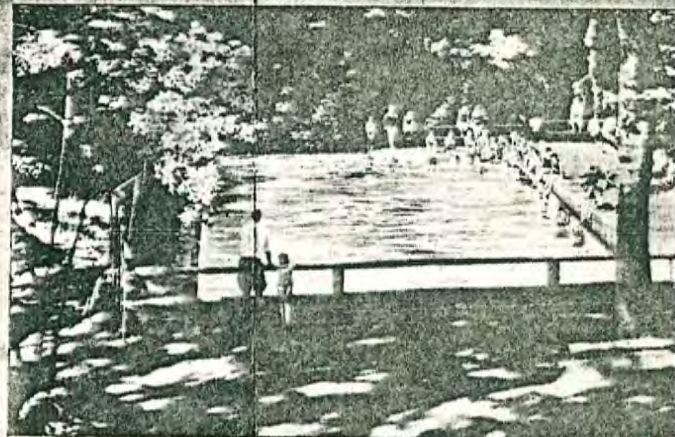
TRANSPORTATION for overnight guests can be arranged without charge for the 12 mile drive up the mountain from Napa bus depot, for those who arrange their schedule to arrive in the morning.



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Rooms in Main Lodge without bath

		Weekly
Daily	Single	\$28.00
\$4.50	Double	\$45.00
\$7.50	Twins	\$45.00
\$8.00		

Rooms in Main Lodge with private bath

		Weekly
Daily	Single	\$31.50
\$5.00 6.00	Double	\$54.00
\$10.00		

Standard Cabins with private showers

		Weekly
Daily	Single	\$31.50
\$5.00	Double	\$54.00
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De Luxe Cabins with private shower and sleeping porch

		Weekly
Daily	Single	\$36.00
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\$8.00		

Rooms in Main Lodge with private bath

		Weekly
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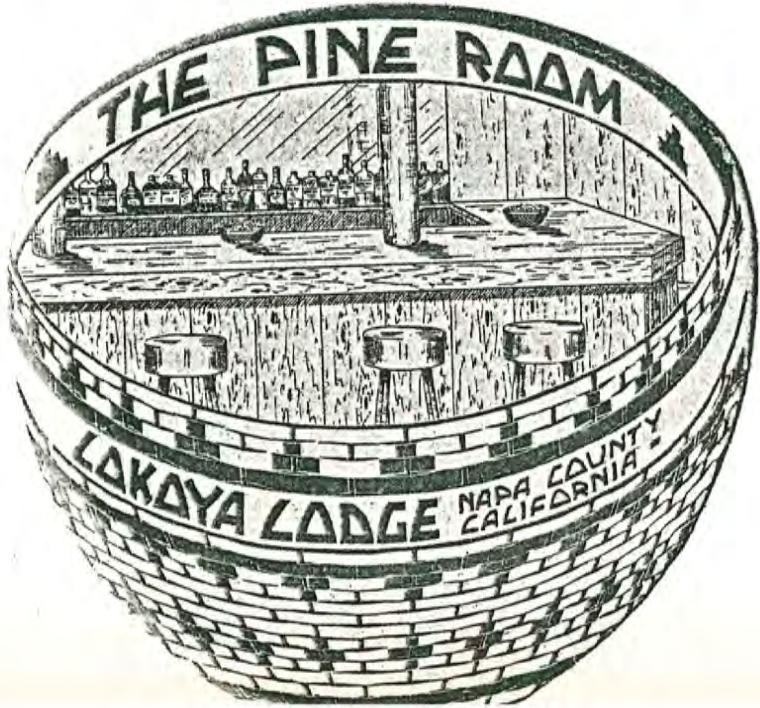
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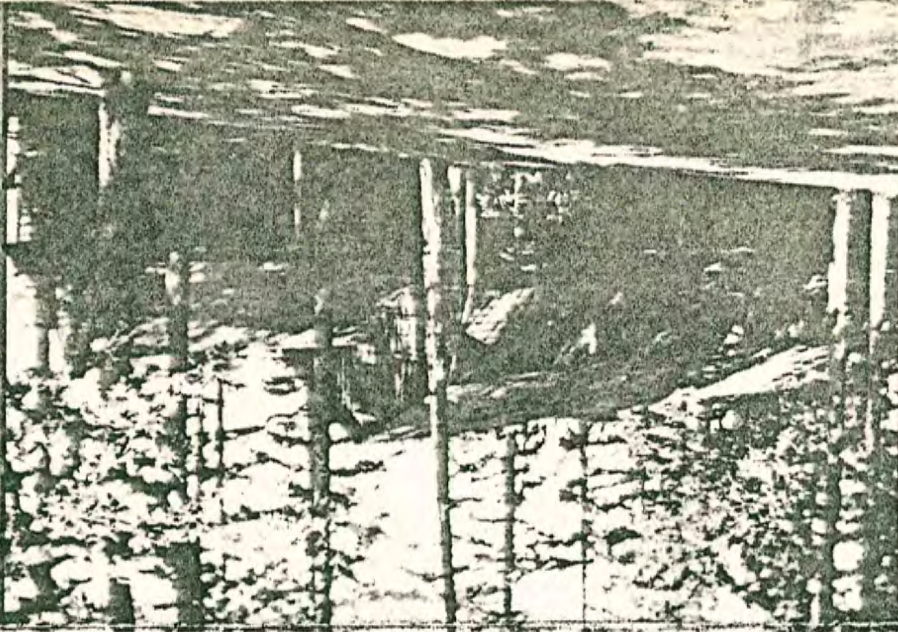
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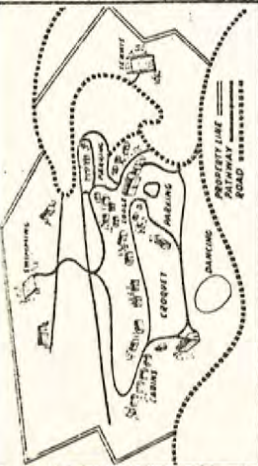
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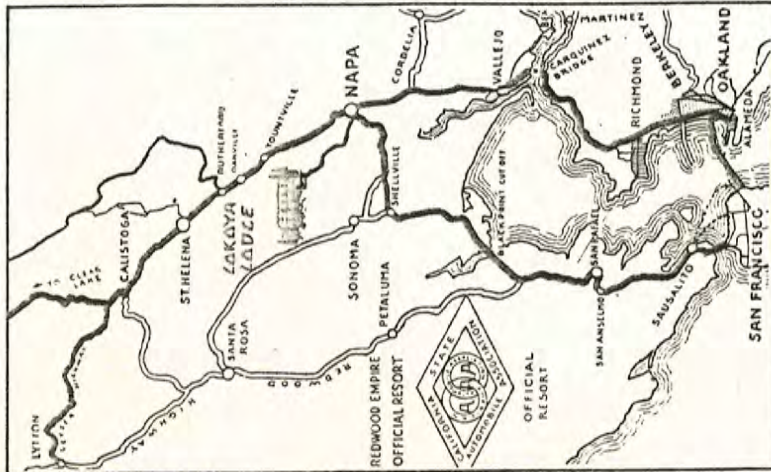
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NAPA, CALIFORNIA, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1959

Lokoya Lodge Burns;

\$150,000 Loss

Noted County Landmark Is Destroyed

BY PHYLLIS THOMPSON
Register Staff Writer

Lokoya Lodge, landmark in the Napa Redwoods for the past 35 years, and five nearby cabins, burned to the ground early today at a loss of \$150,000.

It took just 40 minutes after the fire was discovered to level the redwood structures, and firemen said only the recent rains saved other buildings and the huge hillside redwood grove surrounding the main resort.

A neighbor, Mrs. Robert Reeder, was the first to spot the fire at 12:20 a.m. She summoned her husband who rushed to the home of the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones, near the main lodge building. By that time, even the phone lines had been destroyed and Jones had to drive to the home of another neighbor to call for aid.

Freezing Job

Crews from the State Division of Forestry and the Dry Creek-Lokoya Fire District battled for an hour in freezing temperatures to prevent the spread of the raging inferno to other buildings. One cabin close to the five destroyed was partially gutted by fire.

Firemen continued their investigation today into the cause. Jones purchased the property last year and had made plans for extensive redevelopment. In recent months, only the main lodge building had been used and then only on special occasions.

It had been many years since the entire resort had been in full operation.

Top Spa

At one time, Lokoya Lodge was one of the top spas in the Napa area. It was founded in 1924 by a corporation headed by Maunsell Van Rensselaer, now of Calistoga, as a family resort stressing outdoor activities and nature study.

Owners in subsequent years included Charles Leavitt, Earl Hapstrom and Joe Tucker.

The lodge building included a large dining room, a lounge, kitchen, bar, plus 12 bedrooms on a second floor. One of its main attractions was its panoramic view of the Napa Valley.

A part of the loss was reported to be covered by insurance.

The fire brought a change in plans for the Ancient Egyptian Order of Scots of Napa. The group planned a New Year's Eve party there. The event now will take place in the Vander-schoot Hall on Third street.

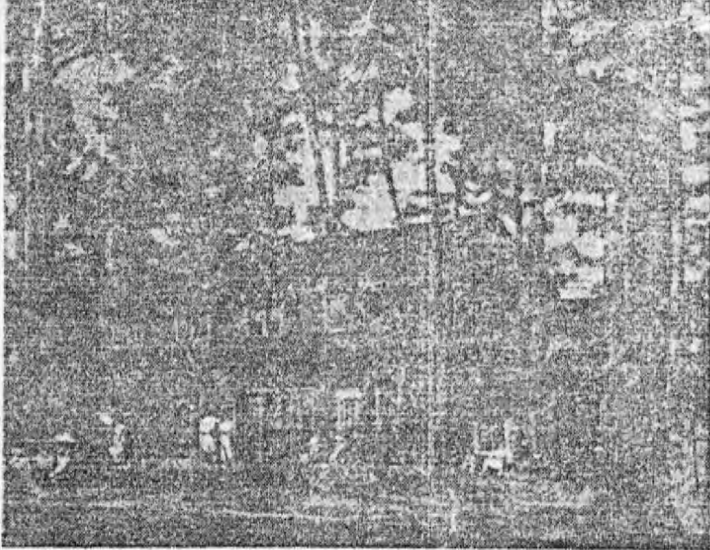


Photo shows Lokoya Mountain Lodge as it looked prior to fire Dec. 28, 1959, which leveled the historic structure. Thousands of persons had visited the lodge from the time it was built in 1924 until the disastrous blaze. (Photo courtesy Robert Jones)

Fire Brought End To Famed Mountain Retreat At Lokoya

Not long ago a letter was received in Napa from Brazil.

Reservations were being sought at Lokoya Lodge.

Unfortunately, it was not possible to fill the request because on Dec. 28, 1959, the attractive lodge building was burned to the ground by a fire which quickly swept through the structure. One of Napa County's most popular and scenic resort areas was closed.

Lokoya was founded in 1924 by a corporation headed by Maunsel Van Rensselaer. The men directing the construction and development of the resort atop Mt. Veeder — 2,000 feet above Napa Valley—wanted to develop a family vacation-recreation area.

Although the mountain lodge proved to be a great attraction—it contained a large dining room, kitchen, bar and 12 guest rooms—certain transportation problems were encountered during the early days.

Stage Coach

Guests had to travel to Oakville by train and then take a stage coach up a roadway which entered the resort property below the lodge. This entry had been developed years earlier when Solid Comfort Home, another resort (founded in 1870) occupied part of the same land.

It was 1933 before the present roadway to Lokoya was constructed.

In addition to the main lodge, a private house, camp and two

girls' camps were developed and operated for many years.

The boys' activities were centered in the area now occupied by Enchanted Hills for the Blind, while the girls were hosted to summer activities in the former Solid Comfort Home area, only a short distance from the lodge.

Big Pool

A large swimming pool proved to be popular with guests at the lodge.

Through the years ownership changed. Charles Leavitt purchased the resort area from Van Rensselaer. Later the resort was owned by Earl Hagstrom, then Joe Tucker and finally Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones.

In addition to being a spot for families to come for vacations, Lokoya had been utilized by people as a dining site. On one Sunday it is said that 900 people were served in the dining room.

Although the resort has been closed since the fire, the Jones' continue to receive letters of inquiry and reservations from throughout the nation, and abroad.

Jones is hopeful that some day new facilities—perhaps a restaurant—can be constructed on the site. He also has long considered the possibility of utilizing natural terrain for construction of an outdoor amphitheater for the presentation of programs and plays.



NAPA, CAL., FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1888.

Death of Capt. B. Wing.

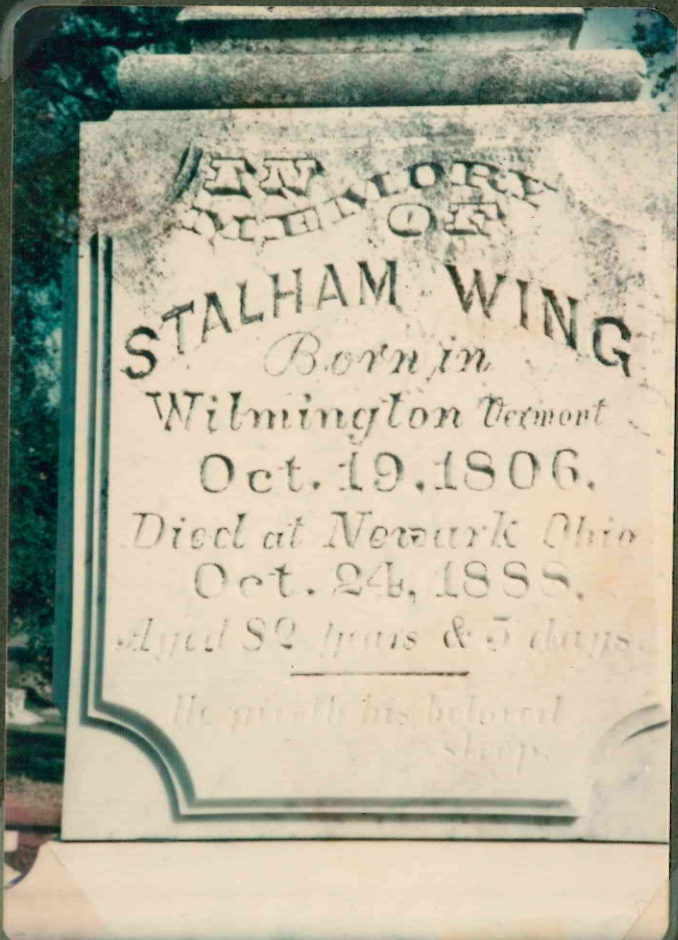
A letter received by Mr. Jos. F. Lamdin from L. B. Wing, President of the Ohio State University at Newark, announces the death of the writer's brother, Stalham Wing, a former resident of Napa. We are permitted to take from the letter these particulars:

"My brother died October 24th. He had been quite comfortable during the Summer, but there was a perceptible, though gradual decline in his strength from month to month. Our brother, J. K. Wing of Bloomfield, O., with his daughter came to see him about the 1st of October, leaving for home about the 10th. On the 14th our family doctor was called in and on the 20th my brother dressed himself and lounged about the house for an hour or so, but he soon returned to bed and failed rapidly until Wednesday evening, the 24th, when he passed away. He went down into the dark valley very gently, without great physical suffering, his mind clear and his faith and trust in a risen Savior unshaken and complete. In all the time his home has been with us he has been a marvel of patience, of cheerfulness and unselfishness. He never forgot his California friends and I think the hardest thing for him to give up in this life was the hope and expectation that his life's end would come to him at Napa and his body buried by the side of his 'Elizabeth.' His funeral was on the 28th and was attended by our own minister, the Rev. H. C. Johnson of the Prot. Episcopal church here, and his remains rest in my family lot in Cedar Hill Cemetery."

Deceased was a native of Vermont, aged 81 years. For many years he owned and lived upon what is now the Charles Robinson ranch in Browns valley. Later, while living in this city his wife died, and he moved into the Redwoods north of town. Here the infirmities of old age overtook him and he was obliged to again move into town, where he could have a doctor's care and the nursing of friends. About five years ago he went east and has since made his brother's home his own. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church of this city and in word and act ever preached the gospel of his Lord. He was one of the faithful ones who believe that they who enter heaven's gates must go upon their knees—one who "would rather sleep in the southern corner of a country churchyard than in the tomb of the Capulets." He fought a good fight, he kept the faith. Can we doubt that henceforth there is laid up for him a crown of righteousness?



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The stage from JOHANNISBERG will connect with every morning and Saturday evening train. Stage will also connect with evening train but by *special request only*. Parties desiring to come by this train will be charged extra.

Fare by stage from Oakville to JOHANNISBERG, morning and Saturday evening train, 50 cents per person.

Fare by stage from Oakville to JOHANNISBERG, *by special request only*, 75 c. per person.

RATES

Per Day	-	-	-	-	-	\$2 00
Per Week	-	-	-	-	-	8 00 to 12 00

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WING CANYON

W I N G C A N Y O N

Captain Stalham Wing was among the early settlers of the area known as Wing Canyon, probably named in his honor.

On February 1, 1875, Wing petitioned to the Napa County Board of Supervisors for a road through his property. The Board granted the petition in May of 1875, with the provision that the road be opened prior to November of that year. (Napa County Board minutes, Bk. E, p. 416 and p. 447.) Evidently there were delays and not until July 12, 1876, did the Board order \$500 from the road fund be paid to S. Wing and J. C. Hilby when "said road (petitioned 2-1-75) be completed and in passable condition for a two-horse wagon with load." (Napa County Board minutes, Bk. F, p. 68.)

Wing is said to be the builder of the lake in Wing Canyon. Based on the evidence available to me, Wing sold all his property after 1880 to a Mr. Metz. The property bordered the present Mt. Veeder Road across from the old Elkington place, all the way down Wing Canyon to Dry Creek, including part of the old L. T. Wenzell property.

I assume, for facts were not available, that Metz turned the place into a resort, calling it Johannisberg and operating it only in the summer months. Along with the resort, Metz planted and maintained a small vineyard.

Around the turn of the century, Theo Blanckenburg Jr. took over. He reopened Johannisberg as a family summer resort. Many of the guests were from the San Francisco area, coming to Napa by train or boat, then by train to Oakville where the trip to Johannisberg was concluded in a stage, pulled by four horses. Henry Brandlin was a stage driver for Blanckenburg for several years. He was paid \$21 per month plus room and board. The road the stage traveled started in Oakville, up the Oakville grade, which was not much more than a cow trail, to Dry Creek, then up Wing Canyon to Johannisberg.

W I N G C A N Y O N *continued* . .

Guests stayed in the large hotel (which later burned) or in cottages. Recreation included dancing, hiking horseback riding, etc. It is my understanding that Blankenburg was the proprietor for about ten years. Other owners are said to be Anna L. Bauer, E. D. Swift, and a Mr. Billings.

Between 1925-1930, Aven J. Hanford of Berkeley, California, turned the old resort into a boys' camp. It was known as Lokoya School Home for Boys in 1932. (Napa County Official Record Book 78, Deeds, p. 358.) It was used only during the summer months with a caretaker during the rest of the year. Ownership changed again around 1945 when a Mr. Gibbons purchased the property for speculative reasons.

In 1950, the area became known as Enchanted Hills Camp for the Blind. It was founded and directed by Rose Resnick. Directors of the Blind Camp in 1956 sold redwood and fir timber rights in Wing Canyon which practically ruined the beautiful redwood canyon. The Blind Camp has become a division of the San Francisco Lighthouse for the Blind. Summer sessions are currently scheduled for any visually handicapped child or adult.

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J O H A N N I S B U R G L A K E

Below: Courtesy, G. Pieratt



ENCHANTED HILLS
CAMP
FOR
THE BLIND

All photographs
by
Larry Hicks
1975



Picture above
shows old
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OPINION PAGE

In Days Gone By

25 Years Ago

Rose Resnick, founder and director of Recreation For The Blind, states that 75 sightless children will make up the first contingent to vacation at Enchanted Hills, the former Lokoya Boys Camp purchased by the organization as a summer camp. They will start their outing on April 8.

Times-Herald Editorial Page

Vallejo, Calif. — Thursday, May 22, 1975

An Enchanted Place For The Blind

By WYMAN RILEY

Enchanted Hills is a magic name and for many, a magic place. It is a camp on Mt. Veeder near Napa where blind children and blind adults discover it is possible to ride a horse, swim, take solitary walks, learn about nature, play games like baseball, basketball, horseshoes and relays, learn arts and crafts — in short, to do just about anything youngsters with sight are able to do at summer camp.

There is a staff that includes a professional director, a nurse and other qualified personnel to supervise the varied activities. There are 311 acres of redwoods with facilities especially designed for blind campers.

The Davis-Dixon Enchanted Hills Aux-

iliary now is looking for eligible children to attend the camp this summer. Any visually handicapped person in Solano, Yolo or Sacramento counties who is interested in a campership and attending this summer, or who knows someone who is eligible, may contact Mrs. Pam Galindo, campership chairwoman, at 741 West "D" St., North, Dixon, CA 95620, or call (916) 678-5119.

Sessions this year will be: Pre-teens, June 21-July 3; Teen, July 5-July 17; Young Adult, July 19-July 25; Adult, July 26-Aug. 1; Adult, Aug. 2-Aug. 8; Deaf and Blind Child, Aug. 9-Aug. 15, and Deaf and Blind Adult, Aug. 16-Aug. 24.

The Davis-Dixon Enchanted Hills Aux-

iliary is one of three auxiliaries that supply camperships to the camp. Cost is no barrier for campers, as families pay only what they can afford. Fees which can't be met by the family are supplied by one of the auxiliaries or other interested parties.

This year the Davis-Dixon Auxiliary has contributed \$5,000, one-half toward the maintenance of the camp and the other \$2,500 for camperships. These projects are financed by profits earned from the Auxiliary's annual Fall Fashion Show and Spring Dance.

Independence, self-reliance and education are stressed at Enchanted Hills, a division of the San Francisco Lighthouse for the Blind.



By L. Hicks
1975

Enchanted
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Water Tunnel at
Johannisberg

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OLD STAGECOACH ROAD
TO JOHANNISBERG

Larry Hicks

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220 ACRES
OF
SECTION 8

ROUGH MEMORANDUM OF THE HOLZREITER CHAIN-OF-TITLE
ALL IN SECTION 8, T6, R5W

- Item 1.* Small parcel conveyed from Stalham Wing to James Elkington, with no monetary consideration shown, nor any acreage given. This deed was dated March 6, 1873 and recorded a few days later on March 11, 1873. Recorded in Book "R" of Deeds at page 76, Official Records of Napa County. (That this was the site of Elkington's sawmill will be shown more completely in the transcript of Item 8.)
- Item 2.* In a deed dated March 16, 1874 and recorded nearly a year later on March 9, 1875, Joseph Broadhurst sold James Elkington a parcel of 20 acres for the sum of \$41.25. This is recorded in Book "T" of Deeds at page 380, etc.
- Item 3.* Letters Patent to 160 acres were granted to James Elkington, dated February 20, 1875, and recorded April 12, 1876. This was a Federal, not State, Patent. This is recorded in Book "B" of Patents at page 138. (James Elkington now has 180 acres.)
- Item 4.* Just 13 days later, James Elkington and his wife Emma convey the full 180 acres to James E. Elkington, their eldest son, now aged 21 years, for the sum of \$1,000.00. This is recorded in Book "V" of Deeds at page 163.
- Item 5.* Dated May 26, 1877, Anthony Clarke, conveys to William Elkington, his nephew, and second son of James and Emma, a parcel of 40 acres by Gift Deed. This is recorded in Book "W" of Deeds at page 460, etc. (The two oldest sons of James and Emma now control 220 acres.)
- Item 6.* A little over 10 years later, in a deed dated November 18, 1887, William Elkington sells the

entire 220 acres to Henry C. L'Hote, of Alameda County. The consideration if shown regretfully was not noted. (Here I must admit a flaw in this chain-of-title, for the interest of James E. Elkington does not appear. In the County Clerk's office, we checked the Probate Index, and found no Elkington listing at all, for anyone with this last name.) This instrument is recorded in Book 42 of Deeds, Official Records of Napa County at page 406.

Item 7. Just five days later, in a Gift Deed Henry C. L'Hote of Alameda County conveyed the entire 220 acres to his wife Mary F. L'Hote, of Napa County. (This was given in consideration of his love and affection, so the separate residences are indeed curious.)

Item 8. Five years later, in a deed dated October 19, 1892, Mary F. L'Hote (still of Napa County) sells the 220 acre parcel to William Wachsmuth, of the City and County of San Francisco, for the sum of thirty-four hundred and seventy dollars in gold coin. This was recorded the following day in Book 50 of Deeds, Official Records of Napa County at pages 356-357.* (Note the Notary's Affidavit following the Acknowledgment of her signature. I don't think you will find anything like this in these days of Women's Lib.)

*Insert before parenthetical remark, pls: This makes clear what *Item 1* was all about—the sawmill site.

Item 9. In a deed dated June 3, 1895, William Wachsmuth sold the 220 acre parcel to Peter Holzreiter, Sr. This is recorded in Book 49 of Deeds, Official

Records of Napa County at page 391.

Item 10. Napa County Probate file of Peter Edward Holzreiter, Senior, was checked in detail, and the property description tallied exactly with that set forth in the transcript of Item 8.

—Prepared by Charlotte King Brooks, 1975.

Section Eight, Township Six, Range Five West, Mount Diablo Base Meridian is meaningless to almost anyone seeing it in print or said aloud. Only a handful of people in Napa County know its significance.

But when you say "Mount Veeder," it has real meaning to almost all Napa County residents and is remembered by most of the county's numerous visitors.

It is the highest mountain in the county with an elevation of 2,677 feet. The Berryessa Peak has an elevation of 3,046, but it lies astride the Napa-Yolo County boundary line.

Mount Veeder is Napa's own, and in this article we are primarily interested in the section in which it lies and the area immediately surrounding it. These nine sections contain about 5,760 acres. This is a small part of the 507,999 acres in the whole county of 793,748 square miles.

(Any name found in parenthesis indicates a source I have consulted or from which I extracted a phrase or two in order to make my meaning clear. Full names of these sources will be found at the end of this article.)

In a democracy, private ownership of land with clear title and accurate property description is a basic principle (Clawson).

The United States is largely surveyed in a rectangular grid pattern, where we find that no two places have exactly the same description, such as is given above as the location of Mount Veeder. (Clawson) Land surveys began in the early colonies before they formed the United States; surveying by the federal government started in California immediately after it attained statehood. This must have been rough going in this county because of the heavily wooded areas, difficult to penetrate.

One of these was Mount Veeder, according to the earliest map we found available, dated 1868. It shows dense growth of chemisal, a tough and utterly useless kind of shrub. This had to be chopped and hacked through before the land could be cleared for any kind of use.

Many kinds of trees are found around Mount Veeder, one of the most beautiful being a stand of coast redwoods (*sequoia sempervirens*). There are oaks, live oaks, madrona, manzanita, and many more.

The fertile valley was settled first, and then the new settlers reached toward the hills. Mount Veeder was never a part of the romantic Spanish and Mexican grants. As with all new territory gained at various times, much of Napa County was in the public domain and this included the nine sections on and around this mountain.

Patents and homesteads were issued to persons wishing to acquire land at a nominal price. Two items accompany this short narrative, which will indicate the patents as they were issued and their location in the various sections. Many of these acres lie hidden away from roads and trails and are now as wild and untamed as they were 125 years ago, their beauty hidden from the freeway freak. The wild life has greatly diminished, but deer roam freely, and other

species still exist in the remote areas—even bears.

These patents were issued by both the federal and state governments. There were speculators, and opportunists of all kinds as well as honest homesteaders. Some descendants of the latter are still in this area, and they have many stories to tell of the early days. I have attempted only to show what lies buried in Official Records of Napa County, dusty with disuse and difficult to decipher in the handwritten documents of early years.

This small contribution to the history of Mount Veeder has been made because of real affection and admiration for members of the Holzreiter and Hicks families who have been my friends and neighbors since I have lived on Mount Veeder.

—*Charlotte King Brooks*

Sources upon which I drew include:

1. HISTORY OF NAPA AND LAKE COUNTIES, Lyman L. Palmer, Historian, Slocum, Bowen & Co., publishers, San Francisco, 1881.
2. THE LAND SYSTEM OF THE UNITED STATES, by Marion Clawson, University of Nebraska Press, Lincoln, copyright 1968.

220 ACRES OF SECTION 8
MOUNT VEEDER RESORT

The data for the following was compiled by Mrs. Barbara Hicks, once Miss Barbara Holzreiter; research for the facts was more easily obtainable to her as a member of the family.

This particular parcel of Section 8, T6N, R5W, MDM belonged at one time to Joseph Broadhurst (who owned over two thousand acres in 1876). Prior to 1870, James Elkington, Sr. purchased land from Broadhurst. I believe the Elkingtons operated the Mt. Veeder Resort from about 1875 until they sold the property.

There were thirteen rooms and bath, two cottages with two rooms each, to accommodate the guests who boarded during the summer months. Usually guests remained for weeks at a time.

Elkington purchased from Stalham Wing a parallelogram about 50 x 100 feet on March 6, 1873 (Bk. R. p. 76, Napa Co. Off. Rec. Deeds). On this site he built a sawmill, operated by abundant spring water available. This mill cut much of the area's timber into lumber which went into the construction of homes and fences in the area.

Since this property was advertised for sale in 1885, I have concluded it could have had other owners before Mary L'Hote. She sold it to William Wachsmuth on October 19, 1892. Peter Holzreiter, Sr. purchased the 220 acres from Wachsmuth on June 15, 1895. Both Wachsmuth and the Holzreiters were San Francisco residents at the time they made their purchases.

The Holzreiters continued the operation of the Mt. Veeder Summer Resort while they raised their family of five children. Many of the families who came to the Resort came from the bay area and returned year after year. Homegrown fruits and vegetables were always served, as well as fresh milk, butter, and eggs. This was naturally true of the Elkington era, too.

MOUNT VEEDER RESORT *continued*

Mt. Veeder Resort ended at the death of Mrs. Ida Holzreiter in 1938. Following Mr. Holzreiter's death in 1943, the property sat idle for six years.

In 1949, Felix Holzreiter purchased the acreage. He divided the 220 acres into various parcels, selling to several buyers. His brother, Lewis A., purchased a small portion, built his retirement home where he lived until his death in 1972. His widow, Ruby, still resides there.

The original thirteen-room resort had deteriorated when Felix Holzreiter made his purchase. He built a new home. The adjacent grounds became known as the Holzreiter Gardens in the late 1950's; Felix's wife Norma operated a nursery, featuring begonias and fuchsias, for the climate there particularly suited these flowers. After a few years they chose to retire from the nursery business, selling the remaining property.

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MT. VEEDER RESORT



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The surrounding scenery is most picturesque and romantic. Comprising redwood groves, and pine forests, a beautiful shady lane, iron and pure crystal springs, streams, hills, glens, wild and cultivated flowers, shrubbery and many varieties of ferns, brakes, etc.

Among the pleasant walks are included the trip to the summit of Mt. Veeder, 3100 feet above the sea from which a wonderful view is obtained. Twelve counties lie in a panorama at your feet. There are canyons worth the trip to see with their parapets and falls.

The Resort is well protected from fog and cold winds. Climate unsurpassed in any portion of the State.

Pure cold spring water in abundance, furnishing the most refreshing drink there is. They also furnish water for irrigating the gardens.



EVERY year sees an increasing number of intelligent people seeking surcease from the hurry, whirl, bustle and nerve-racking excitement of the cities, and even the fashionable favorites of the ordinary seaside and mountain resorts. They are learning by experience and the advance of these calm, serene and radiant healthful friends that there is more to be gained by living the simple life in the open air, rambling about the mountains on foot in primitive fashion than in any other way. It is just for such people as these, who desire to experience the real "joys of living" that we recommend Mt. Veeder Resort.

It is for young and old, who love to view the beauties of nature.

The Resort is located on the eastern side of Mt. Veeder and is 1800 feet above the sea level.

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Fresh cream, butter, milk and eggs, and with plenty of chickens. Fresh vegetables raised on the place.

A cool dining room. All varieties of fruit and berries.

The best the market can afford.

Cold and hot baths can be had for the benefit of guests.

Hunting and Fishing

For the sportsman this is the Resort. It has a large hunting tract. There is all kinds of game from the smallest to the deer. While if he takes a rod and line to either of the large creeks he can enjoy catching mountain trout.

Other amusements, such as croquet, and a large field for a baseball team, also piano for the use of the guests.

Give us a trial and you will surely come again and recommend the place to your friends.

Rates, \$10 and up per week.

Children half rates.

Special rates will be made to large parties or guests spending several weeks at the Resort, and will be made on application by letter or telephone.

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Wm F. L'hoote
To
Wm Wachsmonth

This Indenture, Made the 19th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & ninety two, Between Wm F. L'hoote, of the County of Sapa, State of California, the party of the first part, and William Wachsmonth, of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the party of the second part, Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Thirty-one hundred and Seventy Dollars, in gold coin of the United States of America, to her in hand paid by the said party of the second part, at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, and conveyed and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the said County of Sapa, and State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit:

The South-west quarter of the North-west quarter, the South-west quarter of the North-east quarter, the South-east quarter of the North-west quarter; The North half of the South-west quarter, and the South half of the North-west quarter of the North-east quarter of Section Number Eight (8) in Township number Six (6) North, of Range Number Five West, Mount Diablo Meridian. Containing two hundred and twenty acres.

Also, that certain tract of land adjoining the above-described lands, described as follows, to wit:

Commencing on the West line of land belonging (formerly) to Statham Wing, and in the center of a ravine below the Mill-dam, belonging (formerly) to James Elkington, and where there is a small bridge at or near the (former) termination of the County Road, known as the Red-wood Road, and near the Mill of the said James Elkington; and running thence North in the line dividing the lands formerly owned by said Wing and the lands (formerly owned by) said Elkington, fifty (50) feet; thence East by and parallel with the center of said ravine fifty (50) feet; thence Southwardly one hundred (100) feet; thence Westwardly and parallel with the center of said ravine fifty (50) feet to said dividing line aforesaid; thence North in or on said dividing line fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning. Being a parallelogram of land extending fifty feet North and fifty feet

South from the center of said ravine, and extending East and West fifty feet, and to include and embrace the land in which is (formerly was) situate a small mill, and being the same land conveyed by Statham Wang to James Edgington, by deed dated March 6th 1878, Recorded in Liber R of Deeds, page 76, Records of Hupa County. The said land conveyed being the same land conveyed to said Mary F. L. Holt by Henry C. Holt, by deed dated December 28th 1887, and recorded in Liber 42 of Deeds, page 416, Records of Hupa County.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues & profits thereof and also all the estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said parts of the first part, of, in or to the above described premises and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances.

To have and to hold, all and singular the above mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness Whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal this day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of

A. J. Cull

Mary F. Holt. Seal

State of California,
County of Hupa.

On this 19th day of October, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety two, before me, A. J. Cull, a Notary Public, in and for the said County of Hupa personally appeared Mary F. Holt, known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and she duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, at my office in the said County of Hupa, this day and year in this Certificate first above written.

Witness

A. J. Hull, Notary Public.

State of California,
County of Napa.

On this 19th day of October, in the year one thousand
888 Eight hundred and twenty-two, before me, A. J.
Hull, a Notary Public in and for the County of
Napa, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn,
personally appeared Mary E. L. Cole, wife of Henry C. L. Cole, known
to me to be the person described in whose name is subscribed to, and who
executed the within instrument, described therein as a married woman;
and upon an examination, without the hearing of her husband, I made
her acquainted with the contents of the said instrument, and thereupon
she acknowledged to me that she executed the same, and that she does
not wish to retract such execution.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official
Seal, at my office in the said County of Napa, the day and year in this
Certificate first above written.

Witness

A. J. Hull.

Notary Public.

A true copy of an Original recorded at request of A. J. Hull, on the 20 day of Oct 1872
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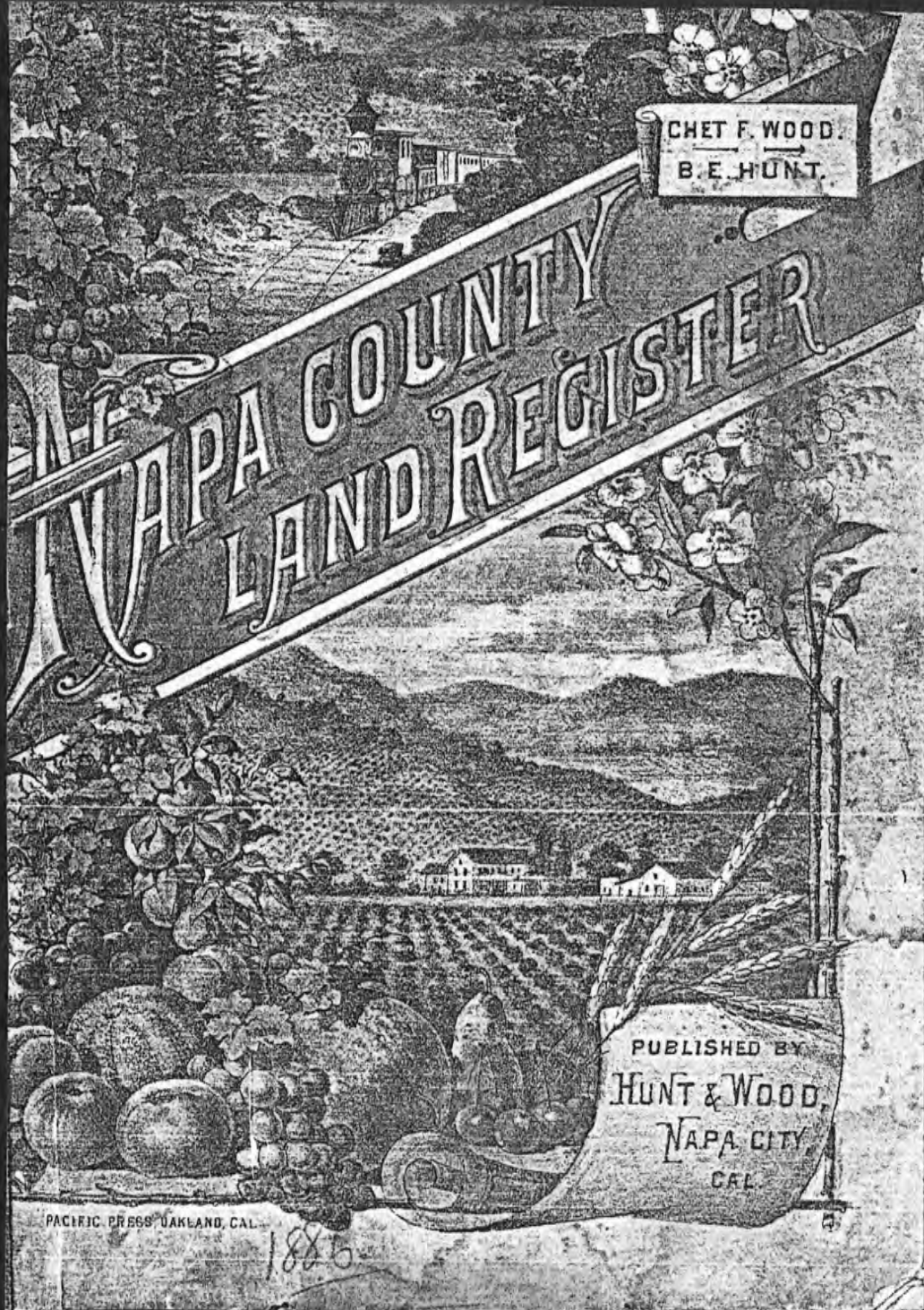
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A Skillful Operation.

A son of James Elkington, of the Napa Redwoods, aged six years, has for three weeks been troubled with a watermelon seed which had lodged in his throat, and by irritation caused great pain. The seed did not seem to be stationary, but would move up a little when the boy coughed, and go back when the coughing ceased. Finally, when the case had become desperate, and the life of the child was in danger, the father determined to have the operation of tracheotomy performed, which was done in a very skillful and successful manner, by Drs. Stillwagon, Dodge, Hostetler and Paden of this city, on Sunday last, without the loss of a spoonful of blood. After the opening in the wind-pipe had been made, the seed was ejected therefrom by the child coughing. Great credit is due the physicians named. The father, as a matter of course, is exceedingly grateful to them.



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BEHIND THE ELKINGTON HOUSE

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THE HOLZREITER HOUSE, 1939

Courtesy of L. A. Holzreiter



THE OLD HOLZREITER HOUSE, 1959

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The Thermal Belt on the Napa Redwood Mountains

During the past fifteen or twenty years much has been said and written about the superior mildness and healthfulness of the climate of the mountains of the Coast Range and of the upper parts of the foot-hills of the Sierra Nevada, at elevations of from 1,500 to 3,000 feet above the sea-level. It is said that if you ascend the mountains which skirt either side of any of our larger Coast Range valleys, like our own, and take a horizontal strip whose lower edge is 1,500 feet and whose upper edge 3,000 above the valley you will find a region where the sky is scarcely ever overcast, except in time of rain, where you can sleep out in the open air most nights of the year with safety and even with benefit, where the noontide heat is tempered, not by damp and chilly ocean winds, but by gentle breezes, and the cold at night by the stratum of warm air which remains in contact with the unchilled surface of the earth. Thermometric observations in these favored regions have shown that the temperatures are far more even there than in the valleys beneath, that the difference between the temperatures in the early morning and in the afternoon are far smaller than at the sea level. From this equality of thermal or heat conditions of these horizontal zones on our mountains are called thermal belts.

The happy experience of many a consumptive patient and the testimony of many a competent physician in this State prove that the California Thermal Belts are regions in which consumption may be checked and cured in all cases where there is strength of will left to adhere to the rules of health in regard to diet, exercises and the right use of clothing. There are men now living in robust health on the mountain slopes on both sides of Napa Valley who came here years ago apparently in the advanced stages of consumption. Dr. Dozier of the Napa Insane Asylum says the three chief elements in the cure of consumption are "altitude, dryness of soil and atmosphere and moderation of temperature;" and he adds as his opinion "that nowhere on the earth can the these three prime elements be found in more perfect combination than in California; and in no other locality do they harmonize more perfectly than in the upper portions of Napa Valley and especially in the mountain ridges skirting its sides."

Not only to the consumptive, but to the man whose strength has failed from overwork or from indigestion, and to whom work is no longer a consolation or a pleasure but a burden, it is a great boon to be able to leave city and valley and spend a few weeks in one of the

been established on these elevated mountain slopes. A recent visit to one of these sanitariums, only twelve miles from Napa, known as Mount Veeder Resort, has led the writer to refer to this subject. It is situated at the eastern base of the highest and steepest declivities of Mount Veeder, the loftiest point of the Napa Redwood Mountains,

and the elevation of the house and grounds cannot be less than eighteen hundred feet. The road from Napa leads at first through a part of the much admired Brown's Valley, northwest of the city, and then winds through a narrow valley and up a picturesque canyon whose steeper sides are covered with grass, shrubs and trees of varied form and foliage, and whose gentler slopes are in many places cultivated. At the distance of ten or eleven miles an elevated point is reached where the views of mountain masses and ridges near at hand and of Napa Valley, with the bay and Mt. Diablo in the distance, are most charming. The wooded plateau of Howell Mountain to the northeast of Napa Valley, and the great mass of Mt. Veeder with its rocky and partially wooded crest and summit, and its finely varied slopes descending eastward down to Dry Creek, will particularly attract the eye. On these slopes are to be seen the homes of farmers and others who have sought and found here the greatest of earthly blessings, health. Conspicuous among these houses is Elkington's Mount Veeder Resort, a mile or two further on. Happy is the man who, having an eye for whatever is loveliest in natural scenery, can live here even for a short time, any morning after morning, while breathing in full draughts of the purest and best morning air can gaze on the exquisite scenery. The view from the piazza is hardly to be surpassed. The mountain descends in broad and gentle slopes from the house toward

Dry Creek, and the open cultivated spaces, orchards and glittering fish-ponds on Mr. Wing's farm below, surrounded by grassy spaces, leafy groves of oaks, madrone, pine and by stretches of manzanita and other shrubbery, give a park-like appearance to the slopes in front. Tall pines at the lower edge of these slopes, with their foliage illuminated by the rays of the morning sun contrast strikingly with the dark ridges beyond them. Five or six ridges rise, one behind the other, the last two being far beyond Napa Valley, and all are brought out in grand relief by the illuminated haze of the morning.

Mr. Wing's fish-ponds, well stocked with carp of the species most prized in Germany, are worthy of a visit, and will in time furnish valuable food to the epicure and the invalid. In this, as in other portions of the thermal belt of Napa County, the best fruits are ripened. On Mr. Wing's place excellent grapes, peaches, apples, and pears are produced. It is stated that during the winter of 1878-9, the most delicate house plants bloomed and flourished all winter in the open garden in front of the Elkington house. VIATOR.



ELKINGTON HOUSE IN 1880 Courtesy of
L.A. HOLZREITER

ELKINGTON RANCH IN 1880 Courtesy of E. SKIVINGTON





THE REMODELLED COTTAGES ON THE OLD HOLZREITER RANCH
—Larry Hicks, 1975





ELKINGTONS JUST BELOW THE RANCH, 1880'S

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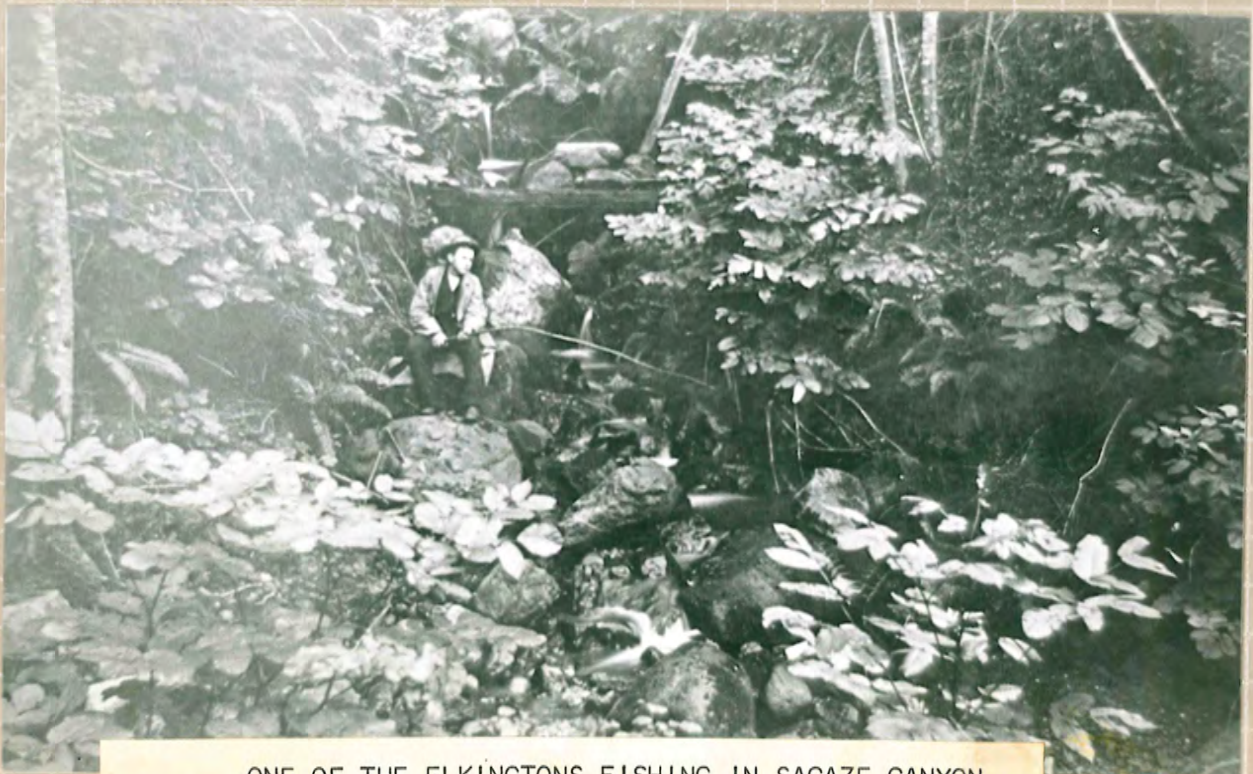
THE ROAD TO THE HOLZREITER RANCH, 1930'S

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REDWOODS ON THE, OLD HOLZREITER PROPERTY, LATER CUT DOWN
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ONE OF THE ELKINGTONS FISHING IN SACAZE CANYON
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THE CREEK THAT FURNISHED WATER FOR THE MILL IN THE 1880'S
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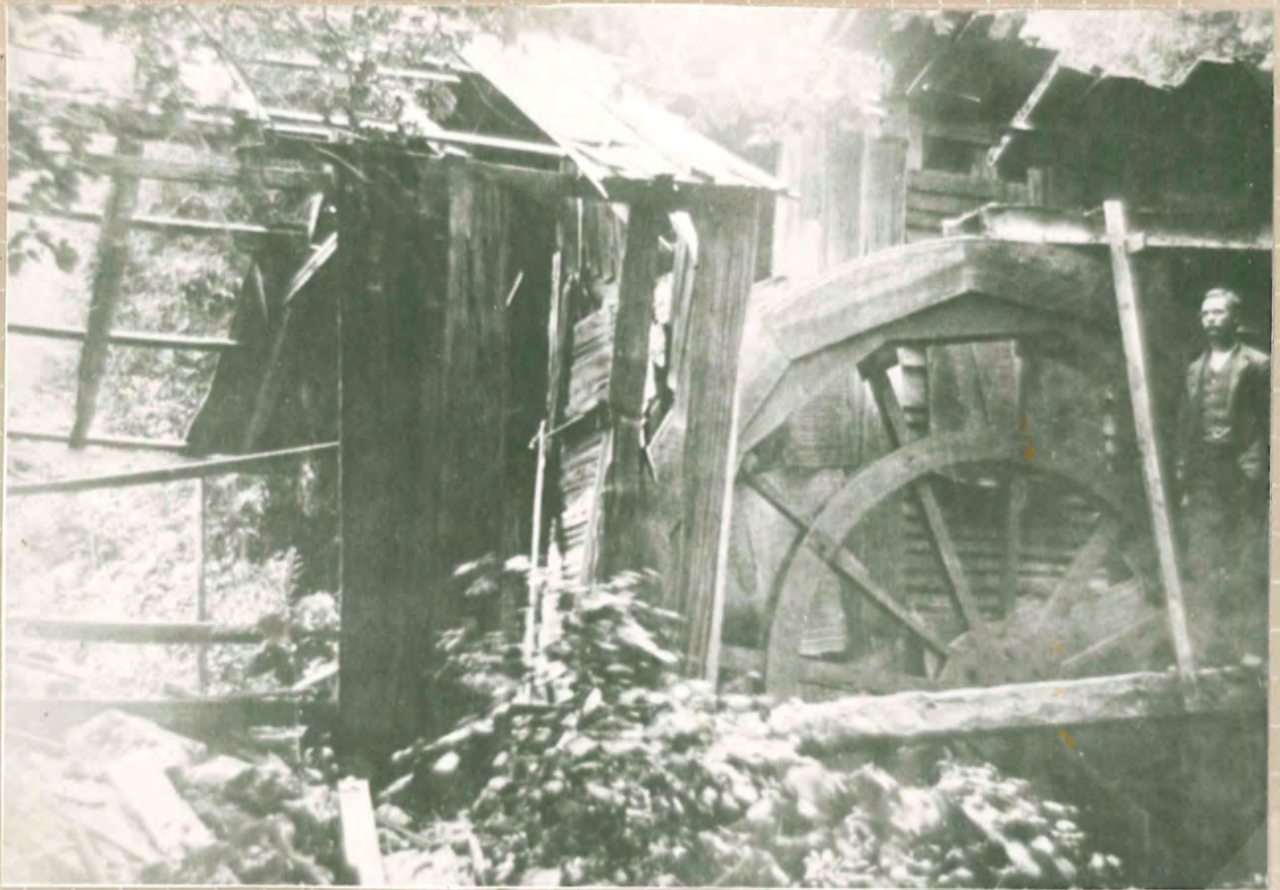
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OLD ELKINGTON SAWMILL, PHOTOGRAPHS MADE CIRCA 1888

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MRS. KNOWLES AT TOP
OF MT. VEEDER

Courtesy of Mr. Knowles



COVE OF MT. VEEDER
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TOWER AT TOP OF
MOUNT VEEDER

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SCENES TAKEN AT THE COVE

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GIRL SCOUT OUTINGS AT TOP OF MOUNT VEEDER

Courtesy, Napa-Solano Girl Scout Council



ORGANIZATIONS

The following information courtesy of the executive committee, Dry Creek-Lokoya Fire District Association, Inc., and Newsletter of May, 1974:

DRY CREEK—LOKOYA FIRE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION, INC.

The "big" fire of 1945, which started on Dry Creek, was the spark that started this organization. The fire burned hundreds of acres, several times the fire seemed almost under control, but would be lost despite heroic efforts. There wasn't sufficient water, communication, or any organization of *trained* people.

Many people recognized the need and organized the first meeting on March 10, 1946 at the Enterprise School. Bob Smith became the first Chairman. Bylaws were accepted and dues established at \$3.00 per year. The first fire trails were bulldozed by Russell Parker in 1946 at \$9.00 per hour for a total of \$113.00.

In 1951, the fire district received its first grant from Napa County—\$300.00. The first fire truck (300-gallon capacity) was acquired in 1953. Fourteen volunteers put up a shed for it at McFall's in September, 1956.

Bulldozing of fire trails in 1959 cost \$460.00. The treasury had only \$395.00. To meet the expenses and costs of developments, dues were raised to \$10.00 per year in 1960.

Executive officers of 1962, with the assistance of Clifton Brooks, went to Sacramento and filed articles of incorporation with the State Secretary.

Since then, other equipment has been acquired, including a Dodge truck (500 gallons) and a Ford tanker (1250 gallons), Forestry 2-way radios, and three sheds constructed by volunteers. Some private trucks and Citizen Band radios have been purchased by interested persons.

Napa County officials have helped in securing vehicles and when mutual aid began, supplied funds (supervised by county

FIRE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION *continued*

and state departments). Much labor is by volunteers, such as culverts on the fire roads to prevent washouts during winter. Large white numbers have been painted on the county roads to aid quick location by fire or law enforcement officers. Over fifty-five miles of fire trails are maintained and mapped. Lewis Holzreiter, Pete Wall, and Fred Held have spent many days walking these trails and directing the bulldozer operators. These trails have proven their worth to enable Forestry and the Dry Creek-Lokoya trucks to gain quick access to fires. Since 1972, several women in the district have taken continuous training from Forestry officials. Presently, about twelve are participating.

Paid membership in the Fire District has grown to nearly two hundred, all of whom are notified on the annual meeting in June.

Chairmen of the Executive Committee since 1946 have been: Russell Parker, Ted McFall, Sam Elster, Warren Kubler, George Henke, and Bill Beers.

HILL AND DALE CLUB

The Hill and Dale Club organized in 1960 as a result of an idea of three women who discussed forming a neighborhood club to enable everyone to become better acquainted. Living in a rural area prevents "back fence conversation" or even visual contact with adjacent neighbors. Their purpose was, and still is, to serve as a social outlet and as a "Helping Hand" to those in need.

Membership is primarily limited to women residing or formerly residing in the Dry Creek-Mt. Veeder areas. Officers and chairmen are elected annually in November. Monthly meetings are held, usually hosted by members, and the dues are nominal. There are occasions when the group charters a bus to visit specific points of interest. Guests are often invited to these events as well as the anniversary and Christmas parties held each year.

This small group of twenty-thirty active members manage to contribute several hundred dollars each year in carrying out their purpose of being a "helping hand" to local families or agencies, who in turn are helping local residents. Some recipients have been: Hanna Boys Center, Napa Boys Club, and the Queen of the Valley Hospital. Over the years, various amounts have been given to many families at a specific time of need or distress. These offerings are not restricted to members or to those residing in the area. Money is also expended for memorial gifts or in cases of serious illness to a member or their immediate family.

Resources for all this expenditure are earned by a summer bazaar and luncheon, which includes the sale of homemade articles, baked goods, home grown fruits, vegetables, and plants. A White Elephant and Auction Sale is held annually, too.

Fifteen-twenty percent of the active members are now

former residents which proves that even though they move from the "hills and dales" of the Dry Creek-Mt. Veeder district, their interest and enthusiasm remains with friends where they previously lived.

Club presidents have been: Marian Kenney, Cleo Martin*, Eleanor Wall, Ginny Feckner, Elvona Cole*, Bea McKenzie, Ruby Holzreiter, Leila Millenbruch*, Matilda Zarvis, Marion Cellar, Peggy Grubb, Dodie Mullen, Ila Crook, and Barbara Steele.

* Indicates the three friends who founded the Hill & Dale Club in 1960.

STORIES

TALES OF THE TERRITORY

Pickle Creek got its name from an incident of J. H. Fisher (owner of Mt. Veeder Vineyards, 1880), who ran his wagon off the road, dumping a barrel of pickles into the creek.

—*Richard Brandlin.*

An area along Mt. Veeder Road, owned by the Partricks, was known as "Hawks Nest." Large red-tailed hawks nested and raised their young in the big fur trees. In addition, that portion of the road has a slight slope, which was called "Hawks Nest Grade."—*Richard Brandlin and Ed Holzreiter.*

An area across from Hawks Nest was known as "Hundred Dollar Slide." This bank next to the road would continually slide onto the road each year.—*George Slinsen.*

A curve on the road before reaching Hawks Nest was called Pear Tree Point or Coyote Bend. There was a prominent wild Pear Tree there but the presence of coyotes was uncertain.—*Willard Moyer.*

The beginning of the present Mt. Veeder Road (at Redwood Road) was known as Dutch Flat.—*Ed Holzreiter.*

Dr. Pond, who lived to be 94 years old, was the family doctor for the Holzreiters. In payment for the doctor's services, the Holzreiter boys would pick prunes for 10¢ a box (25-40 pounds), usually twenty boxes a day from Dr. Pond's twenty-five acres of prunes and persimmons.—*Ed Holzreiter.*

Jacob Hanser, a woodcutter, better known as RED JACK, would cook his pancakes on a small woodstove in his cabin, then sit down on the doorstep, put the blackened pan (which had been on the fire) onto his overalls and eat his meal. You can imagine what his overalls looked like.—*Ed Holzreiter.*

T A L E S . . . O F . . . T H E . . . T E R R I T O R Y . . . *continued*

RED JACK again—"He drove a horse and cart. He went to a dance somewhere in the area. Some of the other guys went out and smeared limburger cheese all over his cart. And Red Jack said, 'Wherever I go, wherever I be, the whole country smells like cheese.'"—*Willard Moyer.*

R O B B E R ' S R O O S T

There's a spot on the Napa County map about twelve miles, more or less, northwest of Napa where in the early part of the 1900's a young well-dressed man named Ernest Gieger came to live. The neighbors all thought him a nice young fellow who wore snappy clothes, fancy boots. He had a good gift of gab, wit, and a flair for horses, buggies, wagons, and bicycles. He was thought to be just a good "horse trader," for he always seemed to have something to trade for his hay. He possessed several bicycles and these too were a means of exchange when a neighbor had something which he needed to buy.

He would leave for a day or so going to either Sonoma, Napa, or Santa Rosa with a team of horses and a wagon or a buggy. Returning with a newer team of horses and wagon, buggy, another bicycle, or most anything that could be used as an exchange for whatever he might need. He was such a smooth talker that all his neighbors thought they were getting a good bargain trading with him.

The area in those days was so isolated that no lawman seemed to get around to question him as to where the horses or wagons he drove came from. However, many were turning up missing throughout the valley and as far away as Santa Rosa. Sooner or later they would be found.

Wine was one of his favorite drinks, and as all the neighbors made their own, that was not a problem for him. He became popular with the younger set in the area. On Sundays, he was all decked out in his shiny boots—good leather and all—silver stirrups, a nice new saddle. He had a good team of horses with his wagon of hay and would invite anyone to go for a hayride with him around the area. The neighbors invited him to dine or just have a drink of wine with them. This young man was indeed polite and well-mannered. His

talents went beyond horse-trading for he could sing, yodel, play the banjo and mouth-organ accordion.

His singing and yodelling was such that he had cut a riding trail on the neighbors' property so that he might ride and sing on a high point so many could hear him, and no one ever complained. This trail along the side of the mountain made a good echo for his yodelling, and if anyone asked why he did it, he would say he was trying to develop his voice.

His favorite horse was a bay, named Bingo, a trick horse. When he rode to neighborhood gatherings, he always wore side-arms partly concealed by his coat; this was a normal thing for most riders in those days.

Most of the young folks liked to dance in those days, if there was music and their families did not frown on it too much. So young Ernest Gieger seemed to know all the latest steps and was very popular with the many young ladies in the neighborhood. He would take time out from his dancing to sing and play for the other dancers and entertain the elders and of course drink their best white wine. At that time, white wine was considered the best and the price was only twenty cents a gallon, while the red wine cost fifteen cents a gallon.

Someone asked him one day if he ever shot any game. He replied that he did not, for he liked to see the quail in his barnyard eating the grain that the horses wasted. He said he didn't own a shotgun as it was too much trouble to prepare it each time anyhow. For this, he may have been smart. If he had done a lot of shooting, it may have aroused suspicion.

On one of the Sunday afternoon gatherings he planned a hay-ride. A few weeks later he hitched up one of his snappy

teams, scattered some hay on the seats of a spring wagon and had everything in readiness, except that he had over-indulged in his favorite drink. All the young ladies and a few young men that promised to go gathered at his place at the time he had set. One of the older girls questioned his driving ability, but he assured them that his horses knew the road well. Some of the young men helped him empty his jugs when he said he wanted to get them refilled at the winery down the road and that all the drinks would be on him. Then he would let the group decide where they would ride to.

The ride was of short duration. About a hundred yards from the starting point, he wanted to show the girls how fast the horses could run. The road was slightly downhill through a grove of redwood trees in which there was a stump about two feet high. The right wheel of the heavily laden hay wagon hit the stump, upsetting it. Some of the young ladies received broken ribs, arms, or bad bruises. None of the young men were hurt. All accepted their own blame. The old retired doctor living in the area at that time was kept pretty busy for the rest of that day and evening setting bones and treating the bruises. Anyone who offered to pay him was asked to help him when his fruit needed harvesting. This accident sort of put a damper on this dapper Mr. Gieger for some time, so he went back to his horse trading and homework for a while.

He finally made a mistake. He sold a nice span of horses that he had had for some time, to a neighbor. The purchaser drove them to Napa several times, with no trouble. But this one time, he hitched them to his usual hitching post and went on his way shopping. On his return, he found two lawmen waiting with another man by his wagon and fine span of horses. They questioned him as to when and where and from whom he had bought such a fine span of horses and wagon. Then the man

with the lawmen stated that this team and wagon was indeed his, and that they had "disappeared" several weeks back. This incident was kept quiet and nothing was said or done to the dapper Mr. Gieger until a well-set trap was arranged.

Setting up a trap wasn't easy and took a lot of snooping around, for it was noted that though the young man said he did not have any guns except his side-arms that all knew about, he did indeed have a rifle. This had been seen by a "snooping" deputy, posing as a deer hunter—just passing by. The deputy saw that Gieger was putting a new roof on his cabin and he had a rifle lying very close to where he was working on the roof. One day the sheriff finally had the trap set with deputies hiding in the brush-covered and isolated areas around the house. It was a very hot day during the deer season. One deputy with a hunting gun, his clothes torn, and looking very much like a lost hunter and very unknown to Mr. Gieger, approached the house near midday. About one hundred yards away, he stopped and called to Mr. Gieger, who was on top of his house, nailing on his new roof. Pretending to be a deer hunter, who seemed indeed lost, tired, thirsty, and dishevelled, he first asked for a drink of water. He was told by the man on the roof where the spring was. The so-called hunter laid down his gun and partook of the water. Then he approached a little nearer to see if there were any firearms on Mr. Gieger; noting none, he scanned the area and saw a rifle near the ladder to the roof.

He asked Mr. Gieger where the road to Oakville might be and how to get there. The so-called hunter having left his gun at least twenty feet away stretched out on the ground after his drink, kept talking to Gieger about how tired and worried he was about getting lost. Their conversation rambled on, until Mr. Gieger asked the hunter what time he thought it was. The hunter pulled out his watch and said it was almost

noon. Wherein Mr. Gieger said he guessed it was about time to come down and have his lunch. The hunter allowed, too, it was about time he was getting along, but slowly stalling for time to allow Mr. Gieger to get off the roof and watching carefully to see if Mr. Gieger picked up his gun—a little afraid he might, but the hunter knew he was being watched and covered if there was any danger. Gieger did not suspect anything as he walked over very close to the so-called hunter, who was staying as far away from his own gun as he was from Gieger's gun. Then he stepped near Mr. Gieger to have him point out the exact spot or area of the Oakville Grade Road. As Gieger pointed, the deputy grabbed his wrist while the deputies to the rear ran out of the bushes and handcuffed him very quickly. Mr. Gieger could only say that if he had known or suspected, that they would have been shot.

This was the final chapter of Dapper Ernest Gieger's horse-trading (in his language), but just plain horse-thievery—everything he could get.

He was tried, found guilty, and sent to prison for fifty years. He threatened the neighbor who caused him to be caught, if he ever got out of prison. After five years or thereabouts, he almost made good his threat by escaping from San Quentin, getting into the water, and trying to swim to safety. A guard heard the water splashing, turned a spotlight to the area. Seeing a man, the guard called to him to stop and return, but getting no answer, he shot at him, wounding him in the shoulder. He was brought in to the prison hospital where he recovered, but lost his "good behavior" time.

All the stolen property that Gieger had when he was caught was returned to the many owners and his name has faded with time.

ROBBER'S ROOST.....*continued*.....

No one I know can recall whatever happened to Ernest Gieger, the so-called Horse Trader, but the place where he lived those few short years of his young life became known as "Robber's Roost," and was so noted in those early days.

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The preceding story, ROBBER'S ROOST, was copied from a handwritten story by L. A. Holzreiter in 1965.

The property on which Ernest Gieger lived is presently owned by the Hirth family.

From a taped interview with Frank T. Moyer in December, 1974, comes the following story, which I've tried to keep in his words as much as possible. This episode took place about 1925.

This fellow came up to the house and wanted to borrow my rifle, and I told him I didn't have any rifle. (I had a .22.) He said, "This s.o.b. is down here monkeying with my wife, and I think he's going to kill her." After he left, I called up the sheriff and said, "This neighbor of mine is looking for a gun and wants to shoot somebody." The sheriff asked, "Is anybody hurt?" I said, "Not that I know of—yet!"

Pretty quick I heard this old model T with no muffler on it charging up the road. Then I heard, BANG! bang-bang! Just like that. So I called up the sheriff again and said, "The shooting's going on now." The sheriff asked again, "Is anyone hurt?" I told him, "I don't know, and furthermore I'm not going to find out."

Then the Mrs. (the wife of the man who asked for the rifle) came over and said, "Frank! Frank! My husband just shot—so-and-so." So, I called up the sheriff's office again. "Well," I said, "there's a man shot up here, and—so-and-so shot him. You'd better come out here." The sheriff asked, "Where is it?" and I said, "I'll be waiting down at the county road with a lantern. You just get up here, all right?"

So we went out up there and the coroner, Steve Treadway, was there. This fellow who was shot was laying face-down, with a shotgun under his arm. Treadway went to pull the gun out and I said, "Look out, I think one of the barrels is still loaded. You'll be shooting someone if you're not careful." So, then they rolled the guy over, and sure enough, he still had his finger in the fingerguard and one hammer was cocked. He had only fired the one shot and the rifle—which had killed the guy—was fired twice.

So then the court proceedings were kinda fun, because they didn't like it when I got up and told my little story about calling the sheriff so many times. They asked me if I knew who-shot-who. I said, "No, all I can tell you is about the shots I heard. I heard the one shotgun shot and then I heard the two rifle shots." They argued a bit and then they accepted it, and so then they turned the guy loose.

The following story was told to me by Willard Moyer during a taped interview in January, 1975. I'll endeavor to relay it as he explained the "event."

The wife and I were eating lunch one afternoon in September or October. I know it was a very hot day. There was a roadway which ran past the original house, just about on the level with the bottom of the windows. The wife mentioned several times that she was afraid of the "wild man" she had heard about on the radio, and feared he might come around. I said, "I don't think there's a chance he'll come around here."

The wife was looking out of the window and I happened to be looking the other way, when suddenly she saw this man outside. We both could see he had a belt with one or two hunting knives, a revolver, and a rifle. He was well armed. He came up and asked us for something to eat. I remembered the wife had a baked ham so she went to put up a lunch, while I was trying to keep him in conversation. He was either Spanish or Mexican and I couldn't understand him very well. As soon as the lunch was ready, I gave it to him and he left. He went north toward the Meneguzzo place, just at the base where Lokoya Road starts up the hill. By this time the wife got on the telephone and told all the neighbors that this half-wild guy was in the vicinity.

We all congregated with Sheriff Steckter and Undersheriff Westondorf right where Mt. Veeder cemetery road is. This fellow had hidden himself in the brush about seventy-five yards west of Mt. Veeder Road just opposite the cemetery entrance. The sheriff yelled to him, "Put down that gun—put down that gun." Well, the guy didn't put down the gun, and Westondorf came up and shot him. The bullet lodged in his heart and killed him "deader than a mackerel."

By this time, Dr. Welti had arrived and he examined him carefully and said he was dead. Van Ransellaer and Ernie

MOYER ACCOUNT.....*continued*.....

Hudson came by this time. Van Ransellaer asked Ernie to go back to the Lodge and get a steel cot and the flat body truck. He brought down the truck—it was about a mile and a half from the Lodge. They put the body on the steel cot and took it to the undertaking parlor.

No one ever found out his name. There was no identification on him, but he did fit the description of the "wild man" from Sutter County. This all happened around 1930 or so.

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Ed Ball	Margaret Hendry
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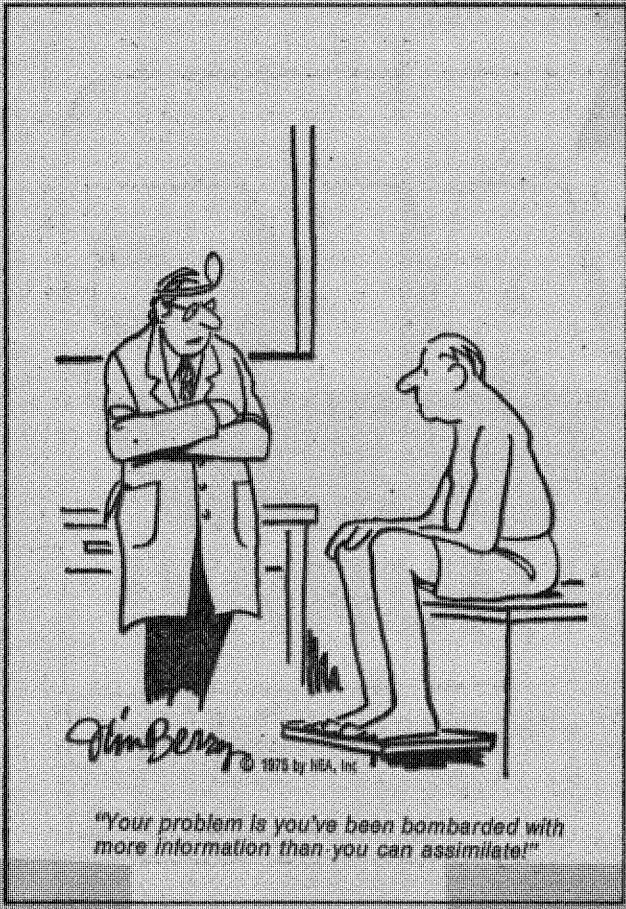
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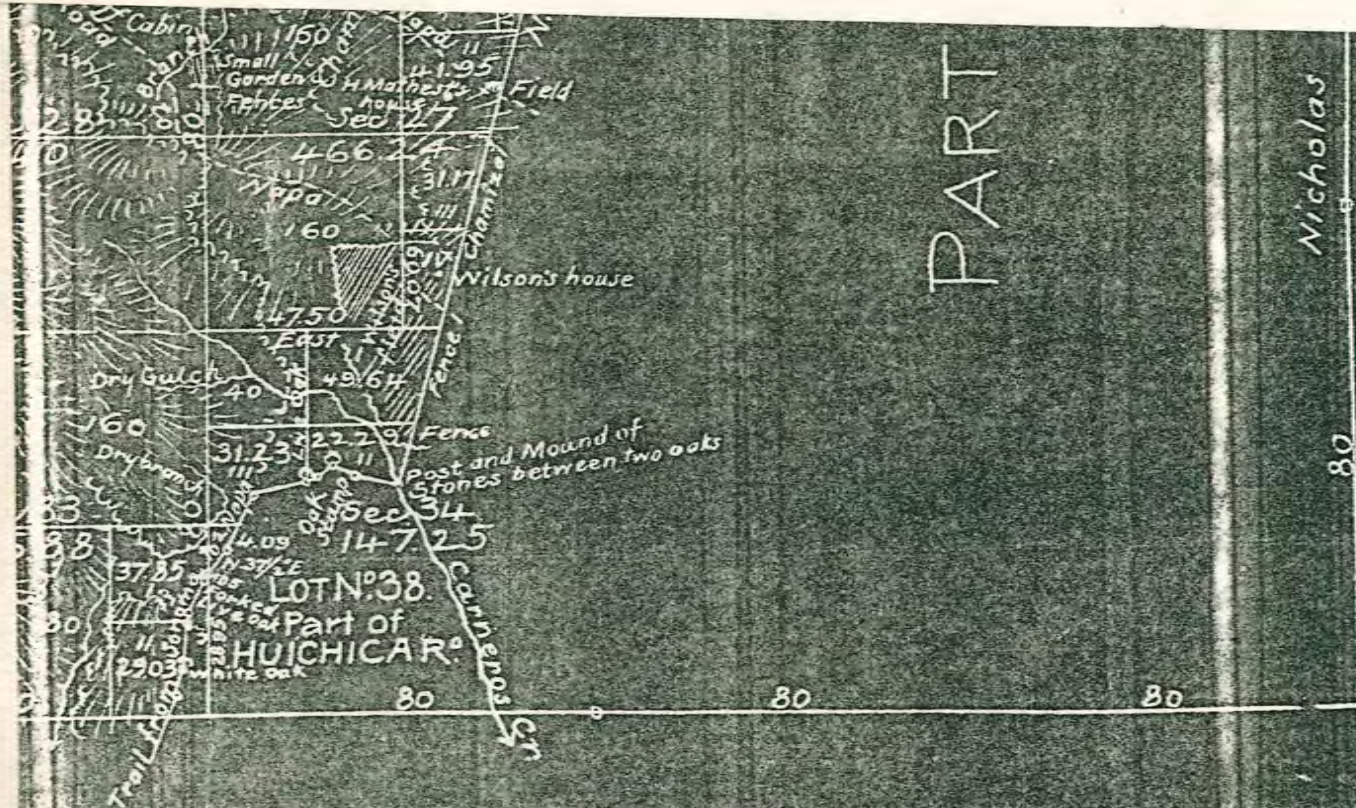
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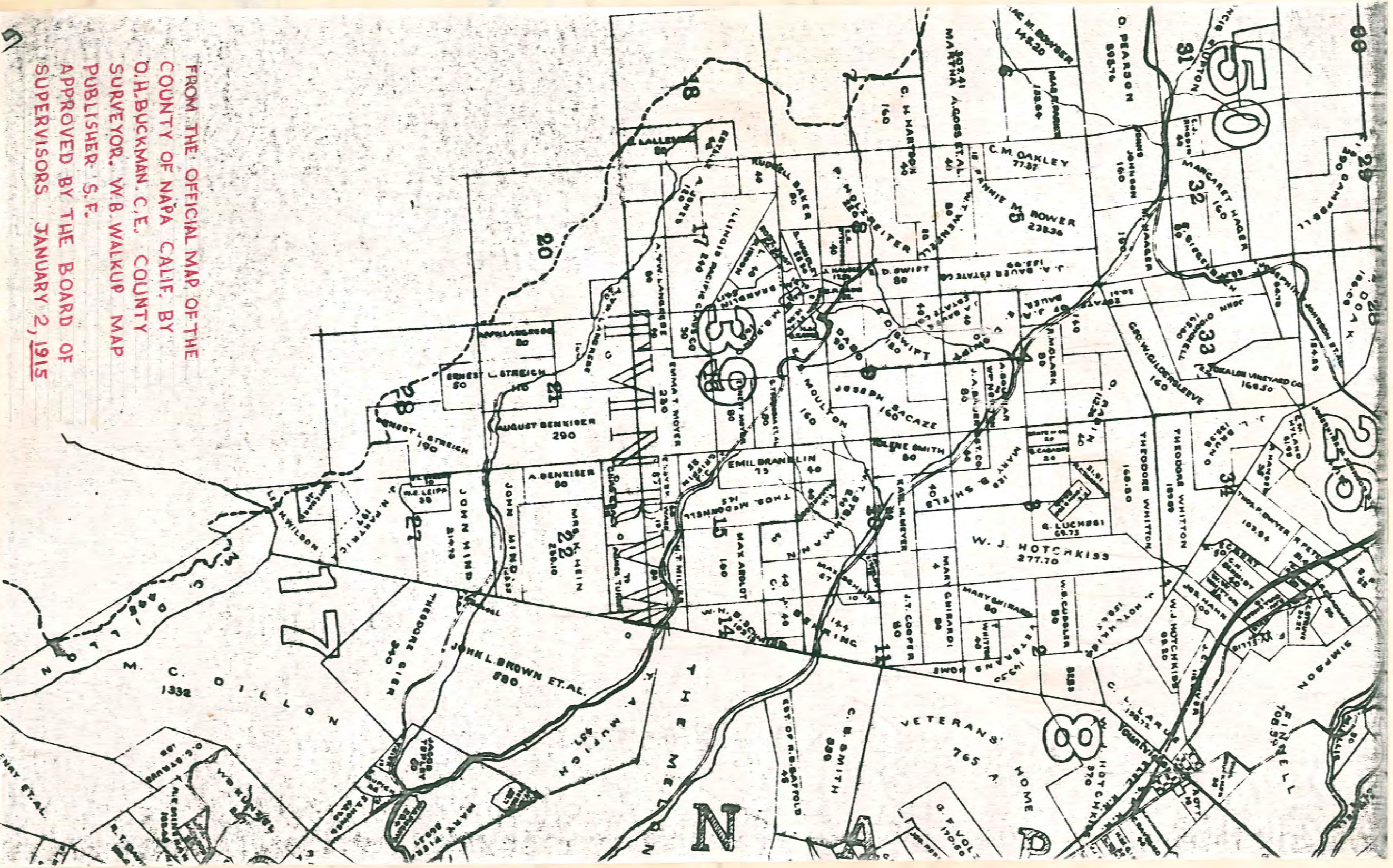
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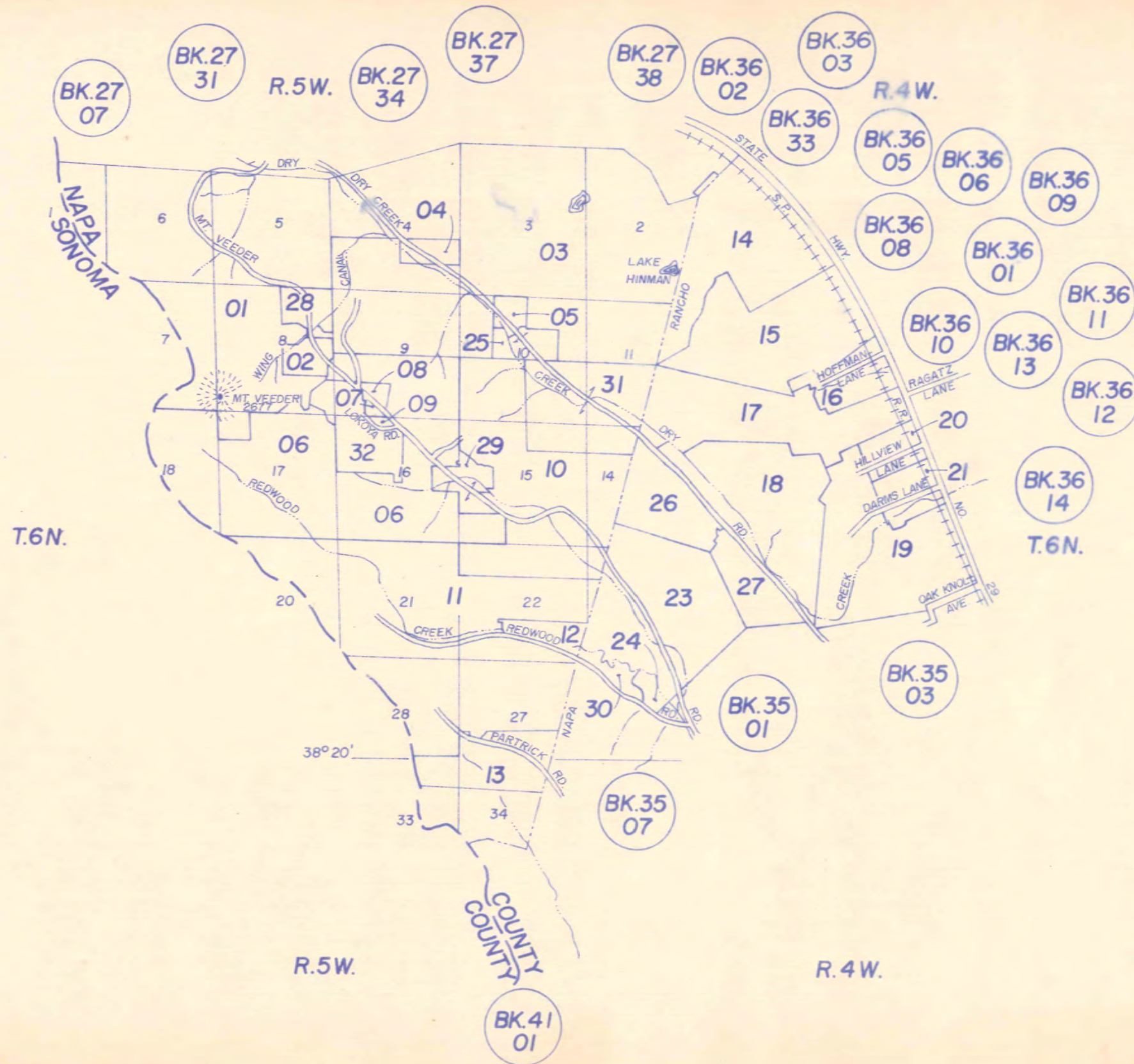
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