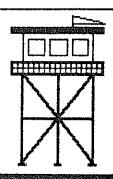
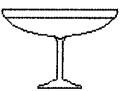
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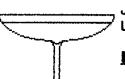
CONGRATULATIONS

100 PEAKS EMBLEM

Ree van Oppen
Jacques Brosseau
Pax Starksen
Kathleen Brown
Vicki Meagher

Mt. San Antonio 09/25/85 #713 Mt. Sally 09/30/85 #714 Mt. Winston 01/26/86 #715 Occidental Pk. 01/05/86 #716 Santa Cruz Pk. 03/29/86 #717

200 PEAKS BAR



Jon Vitz Circle Mtn. 01/25/86 #217 Larry Shumway Combs Pk. 03/22/86 #218

LIST COMPLETION

Frank Dobos

San Ysidro Mtn. 03/08/86 #108

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Roger Weingaertner Nelda H. Chambers Richard L. Anglin Robert M. Fielding Bruce Orenstein

PLEASE NOTE: The new deadline for submitting articles to the LOOKOUT is now the FIRST of even numbered months (instead of the tenth of the month).

Keep those articles coming!
The response has been overwhelming!

COME TO THE HPS SOCIAL MEETINGS!

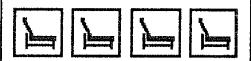
WHERE:

Griffith Park Ranger Station 4730 Crystal Springs Dr. Griffith Park

PROGRAMS:

May 8: Thurs./7:30 p.m.
"Water in the Sierra Nevada"
by Ken Horner
Ken was a ranger-naturalist in the
Sequoia and Kings Cyn. Nat1 Parks
for 25 yrs.

June 12: Thurs./7:30 p.m.
"Trekking in the Himalaya Foothills"
by Prof. Vasu Dev of Cal Poly
Pomona, describing a visit to his
homeland.



FROM THE CHAIR

By Jon Sheldon

A few weeks ago I climbed Heald Pk. which was named after the founder of the HPS, Weldon Heald. It was a cool, overcast day--perfect for hiking. The wildflowers were unbelievable and made the hike to the saddle just S of Nicolls a memorable experience. I hope you all have had a chance to experience our mountains in the spring. If you haven't, why not join us on some of the 22 sponsored trips in May and June before the hot summer weather sets in. Of course, we are offering a wide range of activities this summer, 39 trips--most at higher altitudes. Please see page 7 for a list of all the HPS trips that will be led in the July - October schedule.

On the business side, we are working on two items of interest. First, we are continuing to work on the By-Laws so that the membership can vote on them in the Fall ballot. The second item is Bill T. Russell's proposal for a "routebagging" award. The concept is to identify 100 routes up HPS peaks and give recognition for climbing the peaks by these routes. There are many peaks that have multiple approaches (i.e. Baldy, Iron #1, San Jacinto, San Gorgonio, Heald. Eagle Crag) and routebagging award would provide additional incentive to explore. enjoy and preserve the mountain

ranges of Southern California. The Management Committee has voted to pursue this idea and we hope to have a finalized plan ready for the ballot.

if you are interested in commenting on the By-Laws or the routebagging idea, please attend the next few monthly meetings. Discussion of the final drafts of these items and any other ballot issues will be held at the annual business meeting in October. We hope to see you soon!

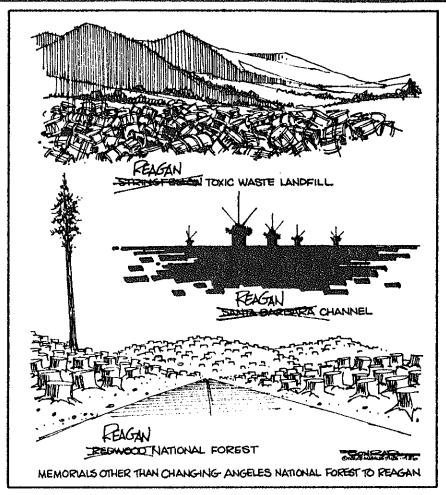
CALLING ALL LEADERS!

By Frank Dobos, Outings Chair

Do you remember the thrill of leading a group on the trail the first time; a little nervous, thinking of all the duties of a leader that you should do to make your provisional hike a success? And when you read your name in the Southern Sierran among the newly appointed leaders, how proudly you wore the brand new patch, "O" leader! And here you are now, a few years and many peaks later, the patch is fading, the same as your enthusiasm. The HPS hikes are still as much fun as they ever were, there are more new faces on the hikes, but where are the leaders? Only about two dozen leaders are active out of the hundreds of listed names. Our goal is to have two HPS hikes every weekend; for listed peaks, not some flower walk or hot spring party.

So come on you decorated dignitaries! Let's get together and plan some exciting hikes, now. If you will come to the HPS meetings, we will make time for the selection of the hikes, find you assistants, synchronize the dates, etc. Or, send your hike ideas to me, I'll help to find as assistant. Let's do it... Your suggestions are welcome.

Reminder: When you send a SASE, use the **SMALL** envelope to send it, and use the **BIG** envelope for the return one with your address on it.



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REAGAN NATIONAL FOREST?

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted on April 1, 1986 to request that Congress rename the Angeles National Forest after President Reagan.

Speaking for the Sierra Club, Bob Hattoy told the L.A. Times that the suggestion was "an April Fool's Day joke" and stated that, "Substantive issues aside, naming a national forest after Ronald Reagan is like naming a day care center after W.C. Fields." (L.A. Times, April 2, 1986)



Where Have All the Trees Gone?

by Wilma Curtis

You are at the trailhead, eager for your hike into the National Forest. You start up the trail entering a vast area of stumps, carefully stepping over the meadow muffins. After 20 min, on the trail, you are yearning for a glimpse of a wildflower or a bird. At last, just ahead you see a small grove of trees. Shade at last! You are stopped at the edge of the grove by the thundering roar as a tree falls victim to a whining, smoking saw. That was too close for comfort. You run for the open meadow you remember previous trips. The roar of motorcycles startles you and a great dust cloud hangs over the meadow. Where have the peace and quiet, the

lush grasses and the beautiful wildflowers gone?

Reminder to all hikers and lovers of the great outdoors! Forest Service plans for the management of the forests for the next 50 yrs. will affect your hiking trails, forests, and wildlife for decades. It is up to you to prevent this scenario from becoming reality. Know what is planned for the peaks you love to climb. What will happen to Pyramid, Pine and Lion? Will you have to dodge the motorcycles?

Write for copies of the Forest Plans for:

San Bernardino N.F., 144 N. Mountain View Ave., San Bernardino, CA 92408 or call (714) 383-5588. Los Padres N.F., 6144 Calle Real, Goleta, CA 93017; (805) 636-6711. Inyo N.F., 873 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514; (619) 873-5841.

Find out about the Conservation Alternative. Contact Craig Kallsen (805) 835-0272 or Bob Kanne (818) 793-1675. Watch for information which will appear in the next 2 issues of the Southern Sierran. Host Impertant, write letters to the Forest Service and your elected state and federal representatives.

As the Hundred Peaks Conservation Chair, I would like to have your opinion as to the conservation issue or issues you consider the greatest priority for this Section and the issue you would like to be most involved in.

Suggestions: National Forest Plans, trail building, making signs for trailheads, cleaning up trails and other areas.

Write, call or talk to me on the trail or at the Section Meeting: Wilma Curtis, 3931 Longview Valley Rd., Sherman Oaks, CA 91423; (818) 783-5785.

INNER CITY OUTINGS COMMITTEE WORKSHOP: SAT., MAY 17TH

The Inner City Outings Committee invites you to attend a very special

all day event on Sat., May 17th at Griffith Park. This Leaders' Workshop will include presentations by 3 unique Sierra Club activists. Whether you are now a certified Sierra Club Leader or not, you may enjoy the rewards of sharing out-of-doors experiences with urban-bound youth, older people or those with access-limiting disabilities.

Please come and hear Madeleine Pyeatt, ICO leader from the San Francisco Bay Chap. for the past 15 yrs., George Zuni, a Native American graduate of that program, and Rosendo Rodriguez, Angeles' Chap. ROAD Committee Chair speak about their rewarding experiences.

Reservation required. Please send your name, address, phone, whether or not you are now a certified leader, and a SASE to: Bobbie Peyser, 1543 Tenth St. *7, Santa Monica, CA 90401.

WILDERNESS ADVANCED FIRST AID REFRESHER: HARWOOD LODGE, SNOWCREST 5/16-5/18/86 (FRI. 8:00 P.M. - SUN. AFTERNOON)

This course emphasizes first aid problems likely to be encountered in the wilderness (long term care and transport of the sick and injured and the special problems of high altitude: cold, heat, dehydration, exhaustion). It is conducted under the auspices of the American Red Cross, and an Advanced First Aid certificate renewal will be presented upon the successful completion of the course. Some practice on "victims" and a practical field exercise are included. Participants must be able to demonstrate their CPR skills on a Recording Annie mannikin. instructors and quest lecturers have had experience in mountain rescue, Sierra Club, scouting, expedition personally and have work encountered many of the problems likely to occur.

Harwood Lodge, owned by the Sierra Club, is located high in the San Gabriel mountains several mi. above Baldy Village. There are sleeping facilities for over 50 people, however, some prefer to spread their sleeping bags outside. Reg. fees cover lodge fees, dinner Sat. night, and breakfasts Sat. and Sun. mornings. Bring lunches for 2 days. No alcoholic beverages, radios or pets allowed in the lodge.

Anyone interested may attend this course, however, preferably one should have had a previous first aid course. A current Advanced First. Aid card must be shown for recertification. (No CPR Send recertification.) name. address, telephone, First Aid card & expiration date. First Aid/medical training experience, reason for taking the course, and \$30.00 to: Wilderness First Aid. c/o Louise French, 1690 N. 2nd Ave., Upland. CA 91786, Call (714) 985-6067 for further info.



About the LOOKOUT'S New Look by the Editor

I have received a number of inquiries about how the <u>LOOKOUT</u> is being prepared.

I am using an Apple Macintosh computer with an Apple Imagewriter printer. The software used is Aldus' PageMaker, Apple's Macwrite, and Apple's Macpaint. Graphic images were either commercially available from Click Art, Mac the Knife or Apple, or drawn by myself with a mouse.

The text font generally used is Apple's Geneva 9 point.

TEN LITTLE HIKERS

By Arthur Bergey

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Ten little hikers walking up Mt. Pine. One took a break, and then there were nine.

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Nine little hikers sneaking through a gate. One met the owner, and then there were eight.

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Eight little hikers on their way to heaven. One lost his "Backus guide" and then there were seven.

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Seven little hikers, hopping over cricks. One tumbled in, and then there were six.

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Six little hikers, glad to be alive. One met a bear, and then there were five.

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Five little hikers, playing on Rushmore. One slid on Lincoln's nose, and then there were four.

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Four little hikers each climbing in a tree. One picked poison oak, and then there were three.

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Three little hikers looking at the view.
One heard a little rattle, and then there were two.

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Two little hikers having lots of fun. One pulled a polecat's tail, and then there was one.

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One little hiker trudging in the sun. He forgot to stop, and then there were none.

Sentimental Journey by Low Amack

10 YEARS AGO

Steve Langley joined the HPS.
Lloyd Davis, Leslie Lundquist &
John Greening received their
emblems.

Robert L. Schneider attained the 200 Peaks Bar.

How Bailey & Frank Meyers privately led 5 ex-explorer scouts from Cloudburst Summit Waterman & Twin Peaks to Triplet Rocks (elev. 6151'), then down to Little Bear & Bear Creeks, and over Smith Saddle to Hwy. 39. It took 5 hrs. to reach Triplet with a 1,000' gain, some brush, and a few patches of class 3 rock, but the reward was a magnificent view. The route from Triplet toward Smith required lots of canyon boulder- and tree-hopping. To avoid creek-wading, the group opted for a horrendous 2 hr. eventually bushwack. connecting with the trail. The trip took 29 hrs... including a 3 hr. bivousc (5/1-5/2/76).

Claude Walker, Bob Thompson, Jim Fleming, and 6 others traversed from Crystal Lake to the E. Fork Ranger Station in 12 hrs., following the ridge between S. Hawkins & Rattlesnake Pk. (5/2).

Earl Kesler & Phil Bruce led a "slower-paced" Peakbaggers' Special for newcomers, finishing on Pacifico, the 14th peak (5/8).

Bob Thompson & Ralph Manker led 17 to Will Thrall, Pleasant View, and Pallett from Buckhorn Campground (5/9).

Walt & Betty Gabler led 6 to San Gorgonio & Jepson using ice axes (5/9).

Elmer Young & Evelyn Davis led 12 to Suicide, Indian & Ranger (5/16).

Jack & Alice Goldberg led 35 on a Big Bear Peakbaggers' Special to Butler, Crafts, Little Bear, Delamar, Mill. Keller and Slide (6/5).

15 YEARS AGO

Angeles Chapter Headquarters relocated to its current Beverly

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Blvd. address (7/1/71).

Trails of the Angeles by John Robinson was published.

Dave Welbourn ascended to the 200 Peaks Bar.

Bernie & Lu Petitiesn led 41 to Pallett, Will Thrail and Pleasant View Ridge (5/1).

Ron Barnes & Hall Paulson led 14 up Colby Canyon to Strawberry 5 also bagged Josephine Pezk. (5/2).

Lu Petitiean, Les Stockton, Ken Ferrell, and How Bailey led a Peakbaggers' Special, starting at Eaton Saddle, going as far E as Pinyon Ridge, and ending at Iron *2 for a total of 22 (5/8).

How Bailey & Fred Bode led 32 up Pinyon Ridge Nature Trail out of Crystal Lake, then straight up the ridge just N of Soldier Creek to the road leading to S. Hawkins. Most of the group went on to Middle Hawkins. and some returned via Windy Gap (5/22).

How Bailey solved from Twin SE along the ridge for about 1.5 mi. to X-6834' in a whiteout, building a summit cairn and leaving a register. With all the ups and downs and some 3rd class rock, it took 4 hrs., but along the way 3 bighorn sheep passed within 100' (5/31).

20 YEARS AGO

The first HPS Monthly Meeting was scheduled (for Nov. 1966).

Exploring Joshua Tree, by former HPS Vice Chair Roger Mitchell, was published by former Chair Walt Wheelock.

New members were Larry Machieder. Dan Popper. Jon Petitiean, Jospeh Kazlowski, and Deborah Kozlowski.

Sam Fink earned his 200 Peaks Bar.

Miriam Myhre & Bernie Petitjean led 36 to Abei, Brush, and San Emigdio on a hazy, warm day (5/7).

Bob Van Allen & Larry Salmon led 33 from Mill Creek up steep and loose-rocked Camp Creek to Yucaipa Ridge, camping on Wilshire Mtn. (5/14-5/15).

Gene Andreosky & Bob Schull led 30 to Ranger & Indian. Then, some

either took the Cinco Poses Trail or drove to Black Mtn. The next day some did a loop of Suicide Rock (5/21).

How Bailey & Bob Hawthorne led 5 from Reyes Ranch in Cuyama Valley on the first scheduled climb of Samon, which was described as "completely controlled bУ the brush", then down to Chokecherry Spring for camping. The next day they camped on the road again at the Samon-Madulce ridge saddle. On the 3rd day, they dropped to Madulce Guard Station, then took the Santa Barbara Canyon Trail back, which they described as "far pleasanter than the road" (5/28-5/30).

Bob Hawthorne & Phil Martin led 29 to Alamo, Sewart, Snowy & Black (6/4).

Bob Hawthorne & Ben Neffson led 41 from Baldy Notch to Mts. Harwood & Baidy. All but 3 took the ski lift to the notch. Inclusion of Harwood on the HPS List was debated (6/12).

400 YEARS A60

Conrad Zurich Gesner, a naturalist, climbed Pilatus. writings may qualify him as the first genuine mountaineer.











Weldon F. Heald and the Hundred Peaks Idea

by Bob Cates, Chap. History Comm.

"NEW MOUNTAIN GAME: Good Have you made your mornina. hundred peaks yet?" This may be a new form of greeting between Southern Sierrans soon. Weldon Heald's private peak collecting hobby inspired this Hundred Peak's Game that is being started in the Southern California Chapter. It can be played by anyone with ambition, strong legs and good lungs--intelligence isn't necessary. The object is to climb 100 Southern California mountains over 5000 ft. high.

Weldon has compiled a list of 176 named 'official summits' between the Tehachapi and the Mexican border,

and has himself climbed exactly half of these.

The purpose of the game isn't actually beak grabbing at all, but to make the Sierra Club members more familiar with the wonderful mountain country right at their back doors."

The *Magalages*, 11/1/45

Although the above Magelnees article is the earliest printed reference to Weldon Heald and his interesting game involving the Southern California mountains, it was not a totally new concept. The Southern California Chapter of the Sierra Club had been scheduling peak climbs since its beginning in 1911, and the term "peak grabbing" was bandled about in many of the old outings schedules. Early issues of the Mercinees, dating from the late 1930's, make reference to the personal mountaineering goals and achievements of Don McGeein and Paul Estes. McGeein had scaled over 250 peaks over 5000 ft. in elevation (presumably many of these were outside Southern California), and Estes had made a point to ascend all the peaks of the San Gabriels higher than 5000 ft. But personal goals are just that, personal. It was left to Weldon Heald to suggest the basic format of the Hundred Peaks Game as we know it today, and to create the publicity and following required to make it a lasting institution. Just what kind of man was Heald and how did he entice others to take up his eccentric peakbagging game?

Weldon Fairbanks Heald was born on May 1, 1901, at Milford, New Hampshire. He was to spend most of his youth in the Northeast, where he made many scrambles in the White Mtns., Green Mtns. and Adirondacks. The first awakening of Heald's lifelong love affair with mountains occurred at the age of 8 when he accompanied his parents on a trip to Switzerland. In his own words. "This led to mountain climbing as recreation and tremendous interest in everything to do with mountains and mountainous regions: geography, climate. geology, glaciology.

wildlife, trees, ecology, history, etc." He also began to collect what was to become one of the most extensive private mountain libraries in the country.

After completing his architectural studies at M.I.T., Heald went straight off to the mountains. He moved to the far West where he took an assortment of jobs. In Washington, he made many ascents in the Cascades while operating a pack train.

Despite a severe mountaineering accident in 1938 that was to cause recurrent attacks of phlebitis in his left leg over the years, Heald remained enamored with the mountains.

The war years were interesting for Heald. He was with Patton on the famous practice maneuvers in the Mojave and Colorado deserts, where he suggested many clothing changes and working procedures to make desert troops more effective. As might be expected, this experience opened new vistas to Heald, for he later wrote "...I thank the Lord for the privilege of having been on General Patton's maneuvers. They made me hopelessly and forever a lover of the desert."

In 1947, the Healds secured the 40acre Laura G. Heald Grove from the Save-the-Redwoods League in the memory of Heald's mother and presented it to the California State Park Commission. It is located in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

Heald's Sierra Club activities were manifold after the war. In 1945-46, and again from 1947-49, he served as a director of the Sierra Club. In 1945, he suggested the formation of Club's first Conservation the Committee and served as its first chairman, thus helping institute the Club's heavy commitment to general conservation issues. On the Chapter level, 1945 also saw Heald serving as the first chairman of the Chapter's Library Committee. Over the course of several years he was to make many generous contributions to the library. It comes as no surprise that the Angeles Chapter's

highest award in the field of conservation is named the Weldon Heald Conservation Award.

Shortly after the end of the war, the Healds moved to the Chiricahua Mtns. in southern Arizona, first purchasing and operating the 8500-acre Flying H Ranch, and then settling down on their non-working Painted Cyn. Ranch. The Chiricahuas were to be Heald's principal creative inspiration for the remainder of his life and result in his only book, Sty Island.

The first indication of Heald's enchantment with the mountains of Southern California appeared in a Sierra Club Bullotia article in 1940, entitled "Sierras of the South," wherein Heald related the characteristics of our southern mountains. 1940 also seems to the year in which he was first struck with the idea of scaling 5000 ft. peaks, as explained in a letter written to Sam Fink some years "I never got the idea of later: climbing a hundred (peaks) over 5000 feet, until after quite a few years of wandering around canyons as well as summits, so I didn't get going on it seriously until about 1940, then the war came and knocked out three years."

Heald's climatic day arrived in June of 1946, when he became the first to climb 100 Southern California mountain peaks over 5000 ft. in elevation. As he approached this personal goal, however, he realized that the playing of a Hundred Peaks Game would serve the valuable function of acquainting participants with the neglected wilderness areas surrounding us here in Southern California.

"... There is no better way that we can think of to give us a better appreciation of our mountains or a greater knowledge of Southern California than by playing the Hundred Peaks Game."

In 1946, the first Hundred Peaks trips began appearing in the **Schodula**. From then on an ever increasing number of players have been attracted to the Game. In 1954, under the primary leadership of Walt Wheelock, Fred Walbrecht, and Luella Todd, the Hundred Peaks Section as we know it today was formed, still carrying the imprint of Weldon's character.

The remaining career of Heald is a worthy example for all Sierra Club He remained at the members. of the conservation forefront movement throughout the 1950's and the 60's, serving as vice president of the Great Basin National Park Association: director and member of the Advisory Board of the Desert Protective Council; member of the Southwestern Committee (The Wilderness Wilderness Society); staff reporter for the Wildlands Mers Matiensi member of the Advisory Board for the Friends of the Three Sisters Wilderness: an consultant on National Monuments to the Parks and Secretary of the Interior.

Weldon Heald died on July 28. 1967, in Tuscon. His ashes were his beloved scattered over Chiricahuas the day his book Say Island came off the press. Perhaps no words better sum up Heald's than his philosophy personal preamble in the *Outlines Schedule* for 1947: "We believe that hiking and climbing are superior to every other sport because they lead one to become interested in the field upon which the game is played. These broadening interests which grow throughout a lifetime, rather than a narrow absorption in the techniques of climbing, distinguish the true mountaineer. The field of the hiker and climber...is the entire natural world we live in."

(From the <u>Southern Sierran</u>, April 1980. Reprinted with Bob Cates' permission.)



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HUNDRED PEAK TRIPS: JULY 1986 - OCT. 1986 (See the Angeles Chapter Schedule for further details.)

JUL 12 S. Mt. Hawkins, Middle Hawkins: Sanchez Gomez, Curtis

13 Wright, Pine, Dewson: Trager, Nagata

13 Baden-Powell: Walther, Debos

Williamson: Kanne, Fleming, Cates, Sheldon Waterman: Sutherland, Stella **4** 13

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19 Cornell, San Jacinto, Folly, Jean, Marion: Goodykoontz, Akawie

19 Bighern, Onterie: Martin, Trager

20 San Gorgonio, Jobson, Dobbs: Riley, Garza

20 Pinos to Cerro Norceste: Soloman, Fuselier

AUG 2 Anderson, Shields: Young, Brown

> 16 Shields, Anderson, E. San Bernardino, San Bernardino: Sheldon, Samuels

20 Twin Pks.: Trager, Baily

23 Debbs, San Gorgonio: Martin, Trager

24 Baden-Pewell: Waxman, Roth

SEP 6 Crafts, Butler: Trager, Bergey

> 6 Cucamenga, Eitwanda, Bighorn: Benti, Danta

6-7 San Jacinto, Folly, Jean, Marion: Kline, Sanchez Gomez

Williamson, Winston: Anglin, Henderson

Pines, Sawmill, Grouse, Cerro Norceste: Gordon, Waxman 13

17 Barley Flats, Lawler: Backus, Goldberg

27 Antimony, Eagle Rest: Sanchez Gomez, Martin

27-28 Iron #1: Russell, McRuer

OCT 4-5 OKTOBERFEST:

> 4 Cucamenga, Etiwanda: Sheldon, Samuels

San Antonio: Goodykoontz, Akawie 4

Lower Cucamonga Cyn., Frankish Pk., Stoddard Cyn.: 4 Kanne, Fleming

4-5 Pacific Crest Trail, San Diege Cty.: McCosker, McRuer

5 Ontario, Sugarleaf: Kanne, Thompson

11 Throop, Burnham, Baden-Powell, Lewis: Waxman, Gordon

11 Rattlesnake: Dobos, Erspamer

11-12 Deer, Shay, Luna, Rattlesnake, Round: Trager, Lindberg

Easy Peak in Local Mins.: Nilsson, Ertla

18-19 Grays, Little Bear, Delamar, Artic Pt., Bertha, Gold: Backus, Goodykoontz

18-19 Peak, McPherson, Fex #1, Cuyama; Martin, Sanchez Gomez

6 19 Twin Spruce Camp, Bear Cyn.: Kanne, Nilsson

Glesson: Kanne, Thompson

25-26 Chaparrosa, Black *4, Kitching: Dobos, Curtis

25-26 Taylor Dome, Cannel Pt.: Mamedalin, Jones

25-26 Jenkins, Horris, Scodie: Radali, Coles

26 Wilson: Waxman, Beuermann

♦ NOTE: DIAMOND JUBILEE TRIPS

MAY 25 - 26, 1986: NOTICE OF TRIP CHANGE

Please note that the trip in the Angeles Chapter Schedule on pg. 82 shown as scheduled on 5/24 - 5/26, "Memorable Memorial Day Sespe Wilderness Weekend" has been changed to a two day car camp on 5/25 - 5/26 only and will be led by Jim Raiford. Asst. to be announced. Peaks: San Guillermo, Thorn, San Rafael, Lockwood.



CELEBRATE 40 YRS. OF PEAKBAGGING!!! RE-ENACT WELDOW HEALD'S EMBLEM PEAK JUNE 29, 1986 by Bob Cates

Join Bob Cates and Dick Akawie in a climb of Pinos, Sawmill, and Grouse Mtn., the last being that historic location where in June of 1946 Weldon Heald, founder of the Hundred Peaks Section, became the first person to accomplish the ascent of 100 Southern California peaks over 5000 ft. in elevation. A special guest will be Jack Bascom, Weldon's climbing partner, who was there on that glorious occasion. Have your picture taken shaking hands with Jack in the same pose that Heald assumed on his 100th. Meet 8:00 a.m., Sylmar carpool Bring lunch, water, and whatever else strikes your fancy.



History Hikes by Bob Kanne

In the next Schedule, 11 be leading 5 HPS hikes that are connected with the Diamond Jubilee celebration of the Chapter's 75th Birthday. They are all "repeats" of trips that were led by the Chapter long ago. I've been asked to write a few words about my plans for these hikes.

The first hike will be to Mt. Williamson on July 13. This is a "Special Edition" of the popular Beatthe Heat hikes that Jim Fleming and I have led for several years in a row. While I was looking over old Schedules, I found that Weldon Heald and Jack Bascom had scheduled a trip to Mt. Williamson on Nov. 4, 1945 during which a new "Game" would be announced. The next issue of the

Schedule described the new game--the 100 Peaks Game.

After submitting my writeup to the Schedule, I heard from Jack Bascom that his recollection is that the Nov. 4, 1945 trip to Williamson had to be cancelled due to bad weather. That would mean the first Sierra Club trip to bag a peak that was on the new 100 Peaks List was actually the trip that Jack Bascom and Parker Severson led to Rabbit Peak #1 and Iron Mtn. #3 on March 10, 1946.

In any case, we will be going to Williamson. Jack has said that he will try to come along, and I hope that we will have other long-time HPS members along as well. In the expectation that we will have a fairly large turnout if the weather is nice, we will have 4 leaders (including Bob Cates and Jon Sheldon) leading 2 groups up opposite sides of Williamson on the PCT. I plan to have some historical materials available. such as photocopies of the original trip writeup. I'll probably invite some Forest Service staff to participate.

The other 4 trips that I will be leading are all repeats of trips that were led by the Chapter in 1915-They are Cucamonga 1918. Cyn./Frankish Pk. (10/4), Ontario Pk. (10/5), Bear Cyn. via Millard Cyn. (10/19), and Mt. Gleason N side (10/25). The first 2 were originally led by Aurelia Harwood (Club President 1927-28), and I'm leading them as Oktoberfest hikes. 171 bring some historical probably materials on these hikes also.

I'd like to invite all of you to come along on these trips, and I'd like to encourage the "old-timers" to bring any papers or stories that they would like to share.

REMEMBER TO SUBMIT YOUR TRIP WRITE-UPS BY JUNE 1, 1986 FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE LOOKOUT!



Martinez, Sheep, Asbestes, Cahuilla, Little Cahuilla: 2/21-2/22/86; Leaders: Den Tidwell, Lew Amack by Lew Amack

number Although the participants constituted a baker's dozen, only the two leaders managed to bad all five peaks. We met Sat. morning at Pinyon Flats Cpqd., drove over to a garbage dump (a better starting point is probably the shoulder of Hwy. 74 near the cafe in Pinyon Pines, where a dirt road heads S), and began trekking at 7:30 a.m. Within an hour, we had descended to Horsethief Creek, and an hour later found us at Cactus Spring. From here Luella Martin took a party to Sheep, while the rest of us continued E.

We left the Cactus Spring Trail at about 4600 and went ESE up the couloir which passes just below the "F" in "FOREST" in sector 16, then SE past the "T" in "STATE". After reaching a saddle, we headed NNE and attained the bouldery, class 3 summit by 12:30. After a restful respite and repast taking in the views of the Santa Rosa Mtns.. the Salton Sea, and the snow-capped San Jacinto and San Gorgonio ranges, we descended Martinez, reaching 4800' Here, we in elevation by 2:00. directed John and Marilyn Angier back to their car. From there we went NW, skirting 5122 and well to the E of 5027, then W to the saddle N of 5067, and finally N to the horn of Sheep.

After relishing another awesome panorama, especially the broad, furrowed face of Toro towering above us to the S, we left Sheep at about 3:30, and followed the gullies SW and W toward 4234. Before reaching 4234, we climbed over to the next gully, followed it for a quarter mile, then climbed over

another ridge to the gully that passes just above the red number 7. Before going as far as the 7, we found another wash that veered S to join the Cactus Spring Tr.

We were back on the trail at 4:00 p.m. and expected to be back at the cars before dark, but we hadn't anticipated that the route continuously uphill from Horsethief Creek, gaining over 1000' in the last 2 mi. Nevertheless, the trailsweep was back by 6:15. At this juncture, Bill Banks and Alice Cahill departed for L.A. Eric Seike and I had a charming and inexpensive dinner-byflashlight at the nearby roadside cafe, where we were treated to a medley of country-pop tunes by a guitarist with a mellifluous voice. For \$3.95 I had the "Vegetarian's Delight", which filled my plate and my starving belly. The menu was limited, but Eric enjoyed the burrito plate. After languishing over hot drinks for over two hours, we finally returned to camp at Pinyon Flats.

On Sun, morning we met at 8:00 a.m. and drove all the way up the 4WD road to the Asbestos trailhead using passenger cars. We reached the rocky crown of Asbestos in just over a half hour. Eric then headed home while Larry Shumway and Wes Shelberg and guess who drove to the Cahuilla trailhead. We spent over an hour soaking in the sun atop this enchanting uplift before moving on to Juan Diego Flat for the start of the Little Cahuilla ascent. We were just barely able to wind our way through the ribbonwood forest past the first false summit, followed by the ceanothus and mountain mahogany jungle, which direly needs trimmina. to the apex. We estimate about 400' of gain on the way back, so Little Cahuilla may deserve to be considered a moderate peak unless someone volunteers to maintain its brushy pathway.

100 Peaks <u>Lookout</u>

Cajen, Sugarpine, Menument #2: 3/1/86; Leaders: Luella Martin, Gordon Lindberg by Luella Martin

Due to the late arrival of the Schedules, only 5 persons were at the Pomona carpool point at 7 a.m. We piled into 2 cars and drove to the junction of Hwy. 138 and Int. 15, where my father, Phil H. Martin. was waiting. Paul Freeman, of the San Diego Chapter, was supposed to also meet us there. He was a My father seeming "no show". joined Gordon and myself in the lead car and we continued around to the roadhead for Cajon. The 2 weeks of good weather had dried out the road enough so that Gordon's Honda and Cahill's Toyota had no problems. Leader power moved the questionable rocks on the roadbed.

All were on Cajon by 10:15. The weather was humid, but clear. The views of Baldy were pastel. On the way back to the junction, we met Paul Freeman coming in. started early and bagged Cleghorn before joining us. At the road junction, Alice and Gordon agreed that hiking sounded better than driving, so we started out for the other peaks on foot. As Dick A. would say: "We're a hiking section, not a driving section." All but Paul were on Sugarpine by 11:45. Here, we had four! first lunch. 2 decided to take a long lunch, while the rest continued over to Monument #2 for lunch by 12:30. Paul Freeman finally joined the group there. He'd driven his Chevette over the muddy places on the ridge road. continued toward Crestline after lunch. On the return to the cars, Jim Kuivinen decided to clean up the road. Soon, Jim and I were busy picking up cans. Alice joined in. By the time we were back to the cars, we had around 3 lbs. of cans. The 4 hiked 15 miles, while the other 2 did 9. As Jim stated, its a nice forested area well worth more than the casual glance that it usually gets while we drive up these peaks.



Caliente Hountain - Private Trip: 3/2/86 by Jon Sheldon

The January 1986 LOOKOUT describes our attempt to climb Caliente Mtn. by the Abbott Cyn. route in which we were turned back due to private property problems. Subsequent to the publication of the article. Even Samuels contacted the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Bakersfield to determine if there was a way to climb the peak which would not involve trespassing. He was given detailed maps of an easement on which the BLM will be constructing a trail sometime during Spring 1986. Further conversations with the BLM, the Conservation Chair of the Santa Lucia Chapter, and the U.S. Forest Service personnel indicates that this is the only "legal" way to do the peak, unless permission can be obtained from a landholder.

The route is much longer than the old route and is about 26 miles RT with 4000' gain. Evan, Jim and Ruth Adler, Martin Feather and myself hiked the route (described below) in 13 hrs. You will need the Taylor Cyn. and Caliente Mtn. topos and the Kern County AAA map. The route begins just E of the 1654' benchmark on the Taylor Cyn. topo.

From the town of New Cuyama drive about 12 mi. W on Hwy. 166 to milepost 50.5 and park. From the milepost, head up the bank and under the fence. Pick up a faint use trail and follow it about 300 yards to the first of many orange stakes which mark the route. Follow the stakes which pass generally to the right of 2016, between the two closed 2060' contours and then drops down into the shallow saddle at 2000' where the stakes end. Continue generally N to a fence where an orange flag After marks the crossing point. crossing under the fence you are on public land. (At this point note the high ridge to the NE. The left hand

bump is the southern "Radio Tower" as shown on the Caliente Mtn. topo. The right hand bump, at at bearing of approximately 40° is 3680+ and is marked by a telephone pole.) Proceed NNE over a few small rises and drop into the streambed. Turn R and follow the well beaten use trail. keeping straight after a few hundred yards where a quily comes in from the N. The use trail continues up a ridge and comes out in the saddle to the left of 3680+. (Time: 2 3/4 hours . 3.5 miles.) Turn left and follow the road for 9.5 mi. to the summit.

There is no water or shade on the route. The route from Hwy. 166 to the fence is along a BLM easement which leads through private land. As of this writing (3/86), orange stakes mark the easement. Please respect the surrounding private property. NOTE: The orange stakes are not very useful for routefinding in the dark.

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San Ysidro Mtn.: 3/8/86; List Finishing Hike, Birthday Celebration and a Navigational Challenge in a Whiteout.

Leader: Frank Dobos, Ass't.: Edna Erspamer by Frank Dobos

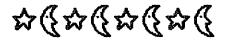
18 brave hikers met at the Ranchita store on a chilly and rainy morning. A short drive to the trailhead, a quick decision, and off we went into the mist. I took a different route than the peak quide describes because the entrance to Cherry Canyon was fenced in with a sign saying: "Trespassers will be prosecuted." So, we followed the fence line N and E, then we dropped into the canyon by the trailers. (This route is okay if you like bushwacking.) From here on, the going was easy with a good trail and a jeep road going to the saddle. By this time, light drizzle and fog had

rolled in, plus the wind started to blow from the N. Visibility was limited, we were unable to see more than a 100 feet shead. Then suddenly a peak appeared in the fog. "There it is!", we cheered, and in no time we were on top of it. wrong peak, of course. By now the wind was really blowing. Rain and sleet flew vertically. The estimated wind velocity was 60 mph (so said the experts, Jeff and Mike). We had 3 altimeters with 3 different readings. The barometric pressure changed, so the altimeters didn't help much. But sheer determination and some map reading helped us to make a reading on San Ysidro, and half an hour later we were there. 270th peak! The celebration was ruined by the gusty wind and drizzle. We just signed the register, took some pictures and started down, out of the wind. I carried up all that bubbly for nothing; nobody wanted any cold champagne. Wes Voit was lost for awhile; he decided to stay on top a little bit longer, to enjoy the view? Larry Shumway and I climbed back up, and it sure was a good sight to see him slowly appearing in the fog. Jon Sheldon and I saw a man walking up on the ridge toward the peak, but we were not sure, and nobody wanted to believe us anyhow. Soon after, Evan stepped on the trail and the going was easy. in the canyon we were protected from the wind. Our spirits rose rapidly after we got to the cars and had some food and champagns. Then George Tucker showed up and informed us about his soloing the peak. He was the one we saw on the ridge. Well, that is the way he goes.

After some changing of clothes, we drove to Maggie's roadside restaurant. A delightful lady serves Hungarian food, calling everybody "dahling". After dinner, we discussed what we could do on Sunday. However, Mother Nature did not cooperate at all. Heavy rain was falling, so most of us drove back to L.A. Sat. night.

Special thanks to Edna for the assistance, and to Martin for his

navigational help, and all the participants for the successful hike where everybody got the peak. Next time we will do it in good weather. There is a a great view from the top, plus we will see where we are going. Happy trails.



Ryan Mtn., Lost Horse Mtn., Halley's Comet: 3/21-3/23/86; Loaders: Ursula Mayer, Alice Goldberg by Ursula Mayer

All objectives were achieved. There were no sianed-in participants, either because they did not show up, or, otherwise, they did their own thing. Those who had called me for reservations were primarily interested in the comet. We were indebted to Clint McClarty who arrived on Thurs, and reserved two sites at Ryan Cpgr. He told us that he performed the feat of climbing Ryan "trailless" between 8 and 11 p.m. and then spent the night on top until dawn. It certainly was a very favorable night for viewing Halley.

I arrived on Fri. afternoon, the Goldbergs around 11 p.m. Then, it was not possible to get up at 1 a.m. for a climb of Ryan. However, at 3 a.m. the comet could be seen from the campground in the much heralded Teapot constellation. It was still a beautiful night and the moon did not interfere too badly. We happened to look at the comet in the direction of a rock nearby so that the Earth's motion was noticeable.

On Sat., Jack and Alice Goldberg wanted to see the Keys Ranch and I went along with them. Later, the Goldbergs climbed Ryan. On Sun. morning I got up once more at 3 a.m.; however, there was a layer of thin clouds which was not just ground haze, and the moon was nearly full. I could just barely discern the comet with no trace of the tail.

By 9 a.m. everyone else had left

and the sky was overcast, which made it a reasonable day for me to hike up Lost Horse via the mine. Snow-covered San Jacinto and San Gorgonio, plus two unidentified dark birds of prey with large wingspans sailing low over the desert scrub added their glamour.



Cahuilla Mtn., Little Cahuilla Mtn., Leekout Mtn. 91, Butterfly Mtn.: 3/22-3/23/86; Leaders: Alan Coles, Martin Feather by Alan Coles

17 people met at the intersection of Hwy. 371 and Cary Rd. at 7:30 a.m. Sat. morning on a warm spring day. Only a month before we were to meet at the same place and time for Beauty and Iron Springs. unusual storm dumped a lot of snow above 2500' and we couldn't even drive to this soot. A week before this trip, the same happened again and it seemed for awhile that we were in for a repeat. However. warm weather prevailed and melted almost all of the snow off these peaks leaving only isolated patches.

We crammed into 5 cars and took the road up past Tripp Flats to the starting point for Little Cahuilla. The road was in good to fair shape with a few bumpy spots (most cars should have no problems). The path up the peak was in fair shape. We did some clipping along the way.

The little valley between Cahuilla and Little Cahuilla is named Juan Diego Flats after the husband of Ramona on whose life the book by Helen Hunt Jackson was based (and the ever popular Ramona festival in Hemet). He farmed this small area and sometimes did small jobs for Will Juan Diego was a hard working Cahuilla Indian but had some He accidentally mental problems. rode off on the wrong horse one day after work at sheep-shearing. When the owner found him, he shot Juan Diego to death (of course, Jackson's book tells it slightly differently). Juan Diego and Ramona Lubo are both buried at the cemetary just a short distance awaay from our meeting point (there are sacred hot springs here also). On one trip a few years ago, the leader had us meet right in front of this spot. When a Cahuilla woman saw us there, she yelled and threatened to call the sheriff (there is no stopping allowed on Hwy. 371 through the Cahuilla Indian Reservation).

Next, we did Cahuilla and were on top for lunch. Along the way we saw a few deer on the grassy slopes of this nice plateau. Here and there small patches of snow lingered under the budding black oaks.

With plenty of time left, we drove over and climbed Lookout Mtn. Some work has been done at the starting point (there is a new large gate). The dirt road has been plowed making it difficult to find the correct right fork. After a little hunt and seek, we found it and were on top shortly. We were back to the cars a little after 4:00 p.m.

Most of us drove over to Pinyon Flats CG and took the remaining spots. Just after we arrived, cars, motorcycles, motorhomes and just about everyone else came looking for a campsite (the previous night we tried to find a campsite at Dripping Sp. and Oak Grove CG, but all were full). 7 of us walked over to the Sugarloaf Cafe and had an interesting meal. This is a good if somewhat unusual restaurant and I highly recommend it.

The next morning we met at 8:00 a.m. on the corner of Hwys. 371 and 74. Joining us were Dick and Shirley Akawie. After carpooling, we were able to drive only to the beginning of the dirt road near the Pathfinder Ranch. We decided to do Butterfly first so that we could try an alternate way back to the cars from Rock Pt. The mine has been closed down now and the gate is no longer there. Old pieces of equipment and some materials are left behind. Dick knew of a trail just off the last switchback. We found it and followed it to the top of a ridge past one old

shaft. The trail is in very good shape. From there we followed the well ducked path to the summit.

Returning the same way we took the other fork over to Rock Pt. After working around brush and rock, we found a ducked route and followed it to the summit. This peak is in desperate need of a new register and can. On the way back we decided to return to the cars through the Pathfinder Ranch. After reaching the road/trail below the peak we continued SW. Soon the trail started to disappear, so we followed a small streambed a short distance until brush prevented us from following it any further. We ascended a small ridge to the W and worked our way down to a trail (I believe this trail connects Pathfinder Ranch with the dirt road). Much to the humor and amazement of people at the ranch, 17 hikers suddenly appeared and walked past the various facilities to the road that led back to the cars. A very nice weekend.

Thanks to Martin Feather for assisting and to Dick for all the tips.



Chalk Pk., Gobbler's Knob: 4/5/86; Leaders: Jack Trager, Betty Bergey by Jack Trager

Despite forecasts of showers for the day, 9 assembled at the Pomona carpool point and drove in 3 cars to the trailhead for Chalk arriving at 9:30 a.m. The road past the "shooting gallery" and beyond is rough but presents no problem if you drive slowly.

I had brushed-out and ducked the route across the washes and through the brush to the foot of the peak, but hadn't done a thorough enough job, and strayed-off of the trail a couple of times on the way back, so we did some crawling through brush. The peak itself is clear of brush and, while fairly steep, is strictly class 1.

We worked our way up the W side of the N ridge and felt well protected

at all times from any stray shots. In fact, only occasionally could we even hear guns in the distance. Near the top we had the pleasure of seeing 3 mountain sheep, including 2 big rams who stood and watched us curiously. There were blue skies most of the time and cool beautiful weather for hiking. Also saw a deer, garter snake and scattering of flowers. After lunching on top, we did an exploratory down the W ridge to a saddle and then down the draw N to our starting point at the end of the N ridge--an even safer route since the whole mountain is between us and the shooting area. Time up was approximately 2 hrs., and down was 1 hr. 15 min.

Everyone agreed that this peak should be back on the HPS list. It is relatively easy and short, but steep enough with about 2000' gain in a couple of miles to be worthwhile, and offers fine views from the summit. It is my feeling that the Section panicked unnecessarily in 1981 when Chalk was voted off the list due to the danger of stray shots from the shooting area on the old E side route up the mountain.

Those participating in our outing were: Austin Stirratt, Jack Grams, Sally Wagner, Jack Bohon, Frank Long, Adrienne Long, David Stepsay, co-leader Betty Bergey and myself.

After getting back to the cars, 5 of us drove up the Sheep Cyn. Rd. to the ridge road along to Gobbler's Knob to get a listed peak and then down to the Lone Pine Cyn. Rd. and home. All 3 of those roads, while narrow in places have been graded and are in good condition.



Pyramid Pk., Pine Mtn. *2, Lion Pk.: 4/5/86; Leaders: Bob Kanne, Wilma Curtis by Bob Kanne

This trip to the Desert Divide area of the southern San Jacinto Mtns. began at 7 a.m. at the Diamond Bar carpool point. By 9:15 all 11 of us were at the trailhead: 3.7 mi. in on

the Morris Ranch Rd., at the locked gate on the R just past East Cyn. Ck. It was warm and sunny, but the weatherman was predicting rain in the afternoon.

After hiking in on the dirt road for 3/4 mi., we came to one of the meadows in Southern California at the head of East Cyn. The birdlife was fantastic. addition to the usual Scrub Javs. we saw Stellar's Jays, Oregon Juncos, an Acorn Woodpecker, a Red-shafted Flicker, and (best of all) a dozen or so Western Bluebirds. Later on we also saw Mountain Chickadees and Ravens. The meadow is privately owned and an 8 ft. wide swath had recently been cut through the chaparral around it and a barbed wire fence was being installed (to control cattle]. According to the Forest Service, this is being done by the owners. Joe Scherman Girl Scout Camp. There will be a gate for the trail [along East Cyn Ck.] to pass through the 1.5 mi. of new fence.

We continued up the switchbacks of the Cedar Springs Tr. to the ridgetop, where we took a R on the Pacific Crest Tr. We went S on the PCT and then went up the rocky E ridge of Pyramid Pk. There were several varieties of purple wildflowers in bloom among the rocks. We had a warm, sunny, lazy lunch on top from 11:45-12:45. We saw many patches of snow on the N side of Pine Mtn.

Returning to the PCT, we went S to the large duck that signals the turnoff for Pine Mtn. Going over the small hill, we took one of several possible routes through the brush to the saddle before Pine Mtn. circuitous route from the saddle to the summit of Pine Mtn. now has many ducks and is easy to follow. Just remember to go SE from the saddle, not E, directly up the ridge. I did quite a bit of shrub trimming with my loppers on this section, and this was where I probably picked up the tick that I found firmly attached to my midsection later that evening.

Near the summit we found a scattered grove of Coulter Pines

with their long needles (8-12", 3 to a bundle) and unmistakable cones. The cones are heavier than those of any other Pine in the world (4-8) lbs.), and have thick scales with a claw that is .5 to 1.5" long. This tree grows only in the Coastal Ranges of California from San Jose to Northern Baja, but it is at its most abundant in our local mountains. It usually grows from 3000-6000 ft. in elevation, so 7054 ft. Pine Mtn. is at the upper limits of its range. We also saw a 5-needled Pine (probably Sugar Pine) and, on Lion, the singleneedled Pinyon Pine.

On the summit rocks we enjoyed one of the very best views to be had from any HPS peak: San Jacinto Mtns. to the N, Santa Rosas to the S, and an awesome panorama of the Palm Cyn. watershed (which drops off 4000 ft. in a horizontal distance of just 2.5 mi.). However, it was beginning to get windy, cloudy, and cold as the promised storm began to arrive, so we returned to the PCT and continued S to Lion.

As we neared Lion, I was very disappointed to find that a new road has been built from the W side through the saddle S of Lion, across the PCT, and around the drainage E of Lion to the extreme NE corner of Section 21. This road didn't exist when I did these peaks 3 yrs. ago.

There's a long story behind this, and I don't know all the details, but the short answer is that this road is the worm that's eating its way into the apple. The Pyramid Pk. Roadless Area is the apple.

Back in 1978, as part of RARE II. the Forest Service studied the Pyramid Pk. Roadless Area for its Wilderness potential. The study included most of the unroaded Forest from Palm View Pk. S to the Santa Rosa Indian Reservation, a total of 28,300 acres (8900 of which were privately owned). The Forest Service recommended that the 8800 acres W of the PCT should be Non-Wilderness, including the areas around HPS peaks Butterfly, Rock Pt., Cone, Lion and Pyramid. The Forest Service recommended that

the 19,500 acres to the E of the PCT (from the PCT E to the bottom of Palm Cyn., from the Palm View Pk. S to the Santa Rosa Indian Reservation) become Wilderness.

Unfortunately, Congress did not include this area in the California Wilderness Bill of 1984, the biggest problem seems to be the large amount of private land (7700 acres) within the proposed Wilderness. These are checkerboard parcels of one sq. mi. each (640 acres) that are leftovers from the days of land grants to the Southern Pacific Railroad. Most of them are in the hands of mining companies that. despite the efforts of the Nature Conservancy and the Trust For Public Land, have been unwilling to Sall

Sections 21 and 15 are owned by a Mr. Sloan, who built the new road. If his road is allowed to continue into Section 15, it would be a disaster for those of us who would like to see this area become a Wilderness. Section 15 contains all of Pine Mtn. and its surrounding slopes. It is the heart of this roadless area, the core of the apple. So far, the Forest Service has not given Mr. Sloan permission to cross the corners of Sections 16 or 22 to reach Section 15. However, it is rumored that when the San Bernardino Forest Plan is released in mid-April. The Forest Service will have changed its recommendation from Wilderness to Non-Wilderness.

Please send in comments on the San Bernardine Ferest Plan and include the following concerns:

- 1. Support a "Wilderness" recommendation for the Pyramid Pk. Roadless Area.
- 2. Demand that the Forest Service deny any request for road access to Section 15, the Pine Mtn. ridge area.

National Forest roadless areas that are not designated as Wilderness within the next 10-20 yrs. will soon be developed in some way: logging, mining, wind energy, microwave stations, ORVs, ski areas, residences, etc. "Wilderness" will

cease to be a legislative issue within the next 2 decades, or less. We really need to have volunteers (like you!) "adopt" their favorite areas. get to know the Forest Service managers, and do what they can to protect these areas. Anyone want to follow up on the Pyramid Pk. Roadless Area?

A sidelight: While discussing this roadless area with Heber Williams. Recreation Officer of the San Jacinto Ranger District, he mentioned that budget cuts have reduced his fulltime recreation staff from 15 to 2, and the temporary summer staff from 10 to 2.

Well, back to the trip report.

On Lion we found that just 4 people had signed in since Jan. 1. Heavy clouds came in and we were in cool for until we got back to the cars shortly after 5 p.m. But no rain fell. 2 mountain bikes had gone by on the PCT while we were on Pine, and their tracks showed that they also had returned on the Cedar Springs

Participants were Joe Vigh, David Jensen, Bob Doyle, Bryce Wheeler, Roger Allen, Steve Allen, and the Petitjeans (Bernie, Lu and Jon). A special thanks to Wilma Curtis for agreeing on short notice to substitute as Assistant Leader. A very enjoyable trip; I'll probably lead it again next year.

Restaurant suggestion: Bob Doyle and I had an excellent dinner at Howard's Buffet in Hemet. All-youcan-eat for \$5.95 includes fried chicken, "Barron of Beef" carved to your order, extensive salad fixings, and much more or all-you-can-eat soup and salad for \$3.50. On the S side of Hwy. 74 in downtown Hemet, a few blocks E of the railroad tracks. Open 7 days, 11-8:30.

Addendum on the Coulter Pine: It. was first described in 1831 by Thomas Coulter (1792-1843), an Irish botanist and physician.

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Tecuva Mtn.: Another Reute by Lew Amack

Refer to USGS Frazier Mtn. topo map and Los Padres National Forest. map. From Mt. Pinos Way in Frazier Park, turn N onto West End Dr. and go .5 mi. to a fork in the road (Elev. 5349 in Section 26). Take the R or N fork for another .5 mi, to another fork in the road. The road is poor. but most passenger cars can make it this far. Park here. Elev. 5800". Hike NNW up the steep scree ridge, gaining 800' in .4 mi., until reaching the E-W road leading to Tecuya. Go W on the road, over a false summit. gaining another 600' in .8 mi. Totals: 1.2 mi., 1400' gain, 1.25 hrs. A speedy descent is possible by returning E on the motorcycle road until just past 6860, then dropping steeply down the scree wash SE back to the L branch of the road, just above to the W of the fork where the cars are parked.

OTHER NOTES: Short Canyon Rd., the usual approach to Onyx #2, is now closed to all vehicles. Mt. Pinos Ranger Station also informed me that they will be keeping more gates locked in future winters. The access roads to almost every peak in areas 4 and 7 were closed in Feb.

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Desert Protection. adopt a Wilderness Study Area. You can help protect millions of acres of magnificent desert--critical habitat. archeological treasures, and geologic and scenic wonders--by working to get these areas designated Wilderness. The Sierra Club has developed an Adopt a Wilderness Kit with which you can become acquainted with a particular Study Area (WSA), help gather information about it, and assist in implementing a lobbying campaign designed to make certain that Congress designates that WSA as Wilderness.

It involves making an occasional

trip to your WSA (a wonderful way to spend a weekend). taking photographs, noting any activities which might impact the area's wilderness quality, and--when the time is right--writing, calling, or perhaps even visiting Congresspersons to lobby them. personal experience of the area, when communicated to a Representative or Senator, can be a powerful force.

To adopt your own area, please send a SASE to Sierra Club, San Gorgonio Chap., 568 N. Mountain View #130, San Bernardino, CA 92401. Include your name, address and phone. Tell them you want to join the Desert Wilderness Study Project. If you have a particular study area in mind, name it and request additional info. Otherwise, you will receive a kit for some study area closest to you.

(From the 4/86 Conservation Committee Newsletter.)

HPS DRIVE-UPS

by Lew Amack

As a public service to HPSers. here is a list of pks. that your car can bag. A drive-up is defined as any pk. which can be reached from a passenger car in no more than .5 mi. or 300' of gain RT. A more liberal definition of drive-up (say, 1 mi. or 500' gain) might double the list.

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41	Pinos LO	19C	Sugarpine
(5A	Caliente)	19D	Monument #2
6A	Peak	218	Butler LO
6B	McPherson	22B	Keller LO
6D	Cuyama LO	23C	Tip Top
7A	Frazier LO	236	Onyx #1
8A	Liebre	27B	Indian
88	Burnt	27C	Black *1
9A	Gleason	29A	Rouse
(9E	Lukens)	29D	Thomas
10C	Pacifico	30D	Santa Rosa
(106	Iron #3)	31C	Boucher
10H	Round Top	31D	Palomar
12G	Wilson	(31H	Hot Spgs.)
13H	Pinyon Ridge		· -

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