



Yosemite 001

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Intro

During my time in the Navy, based in Oakland, Yosemite was almost a 'second' home. Even from Tahoe I made a few trips down. The only time of year I hadn't been there was during winter. I'll never forget the first trip in, arriving during the night and waking up to those soaring canyon walls produced a sustained ahhhhh. . .



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The Valley itself is a wondrous place. First time there arrived after dark, woke up to soaring landscapes. El Capitan has rock climbers, Half Dome has a trail up its backside.

The Giant Staircase is Vernal and Nevada Falls, an all day hike. There are many different trails in the side 'valleys!'





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Chimney Spire,
usual occurrence with
the water running
through the granite.





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El Capitan

It took a whole weekend and six rolls of film to figure out the correct setting for Yosemite.

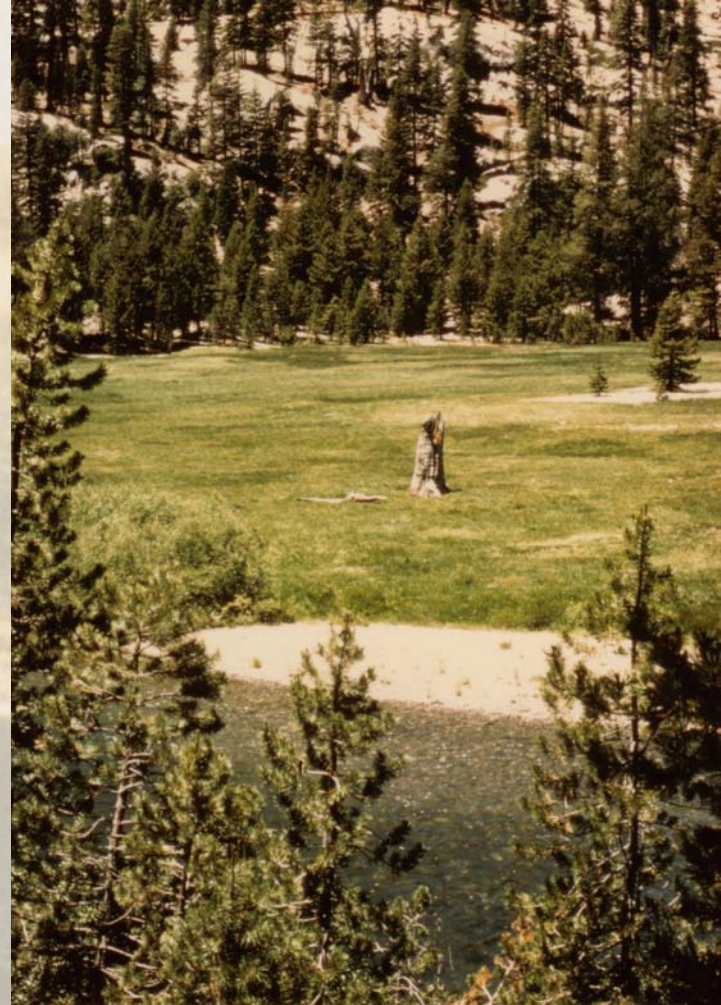
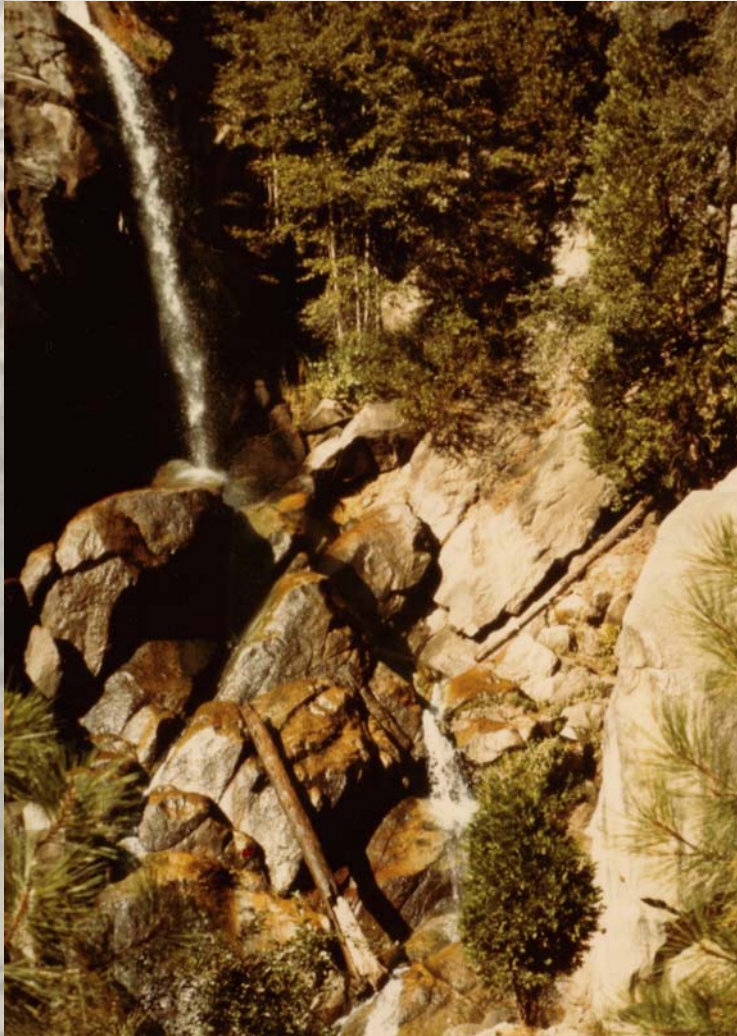
Shot with the camera on automatic settings and the sky would always come out white.





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Tuolumne Meadows

The eastern entrance into Yosemite.





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Nevada Falls, I've sat
at the top, part of the
Giant Staircase

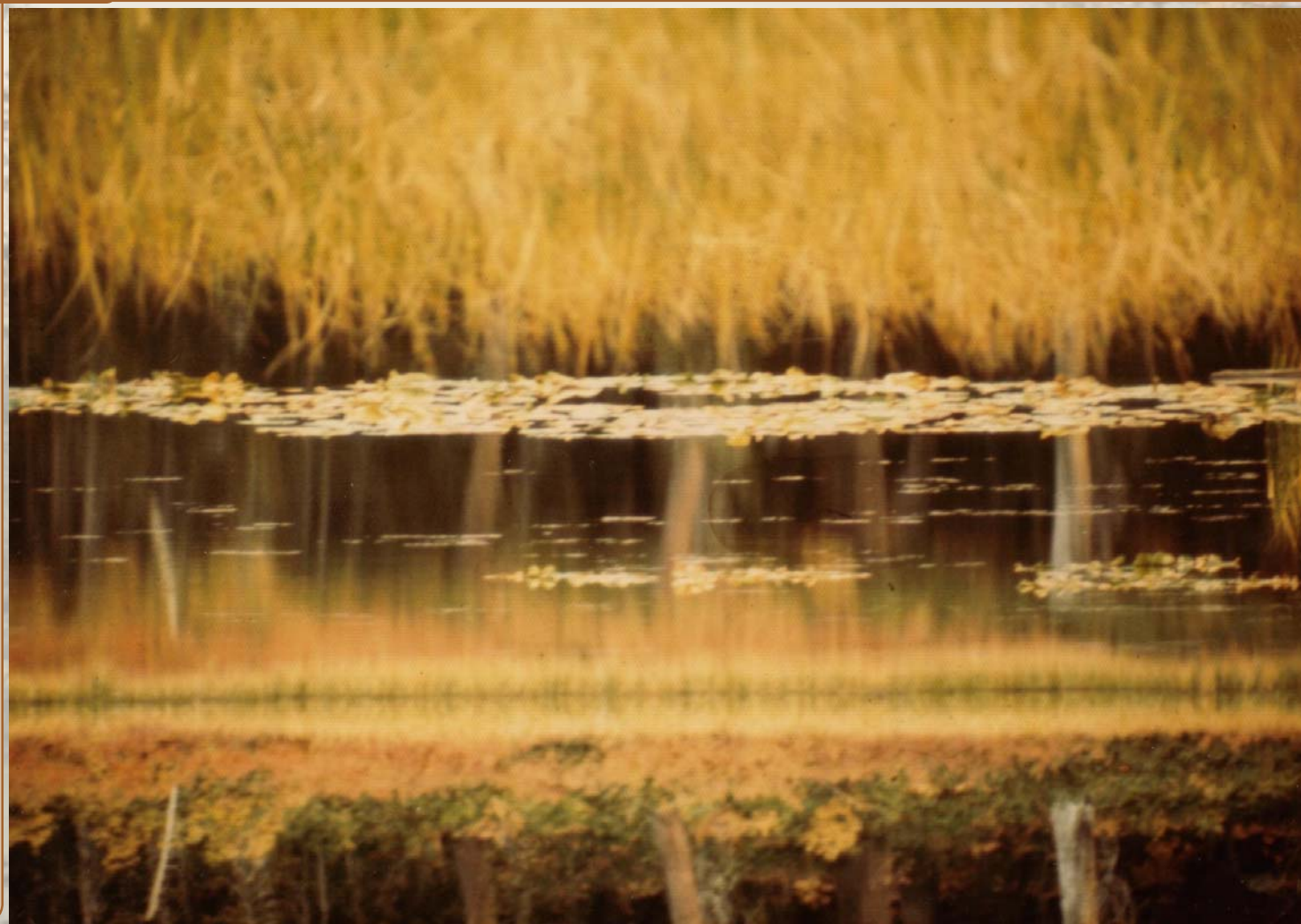


Rainbow Falls





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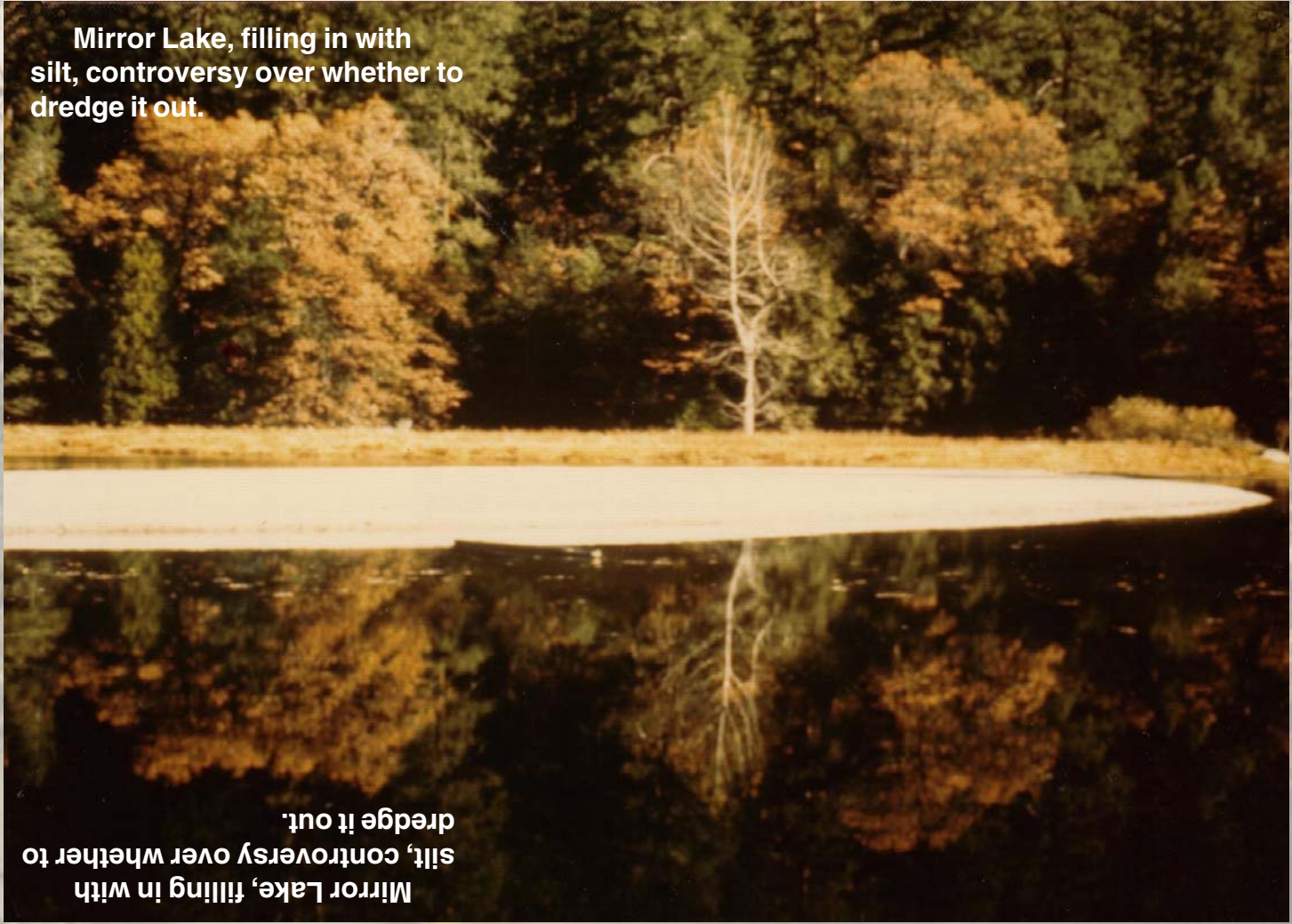
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Mirror Lake, filling in with silt, controversy over whether to dredge it out.

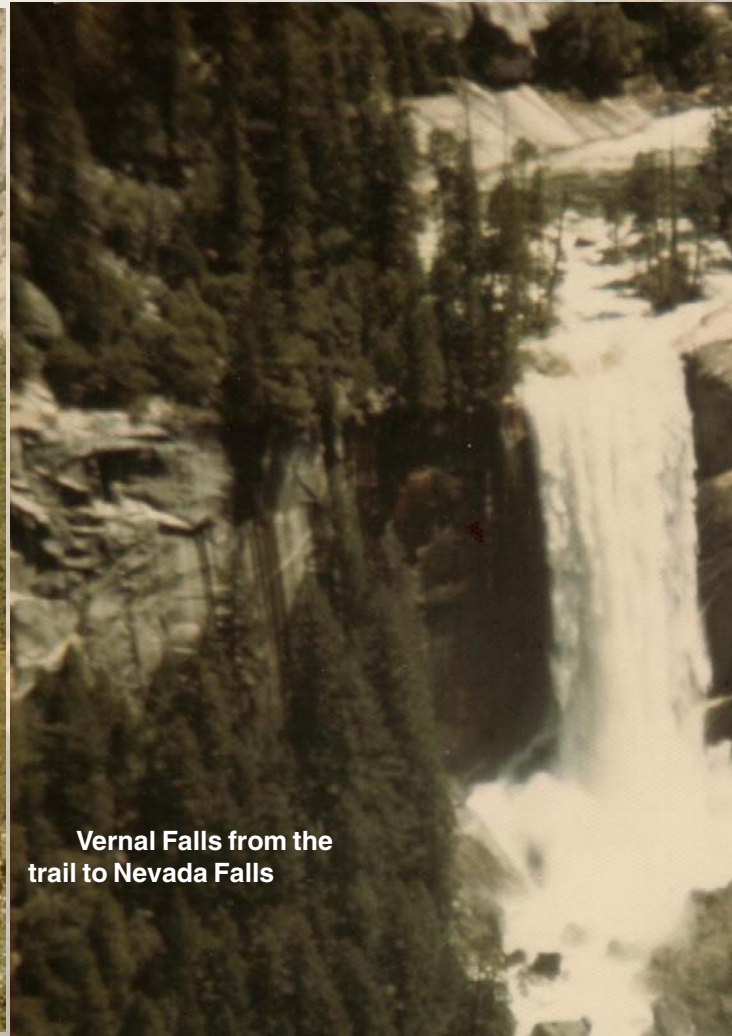


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Vernal Falls from the
trail to Nevada Falls



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**Yosemite Falls,
upper and lower**

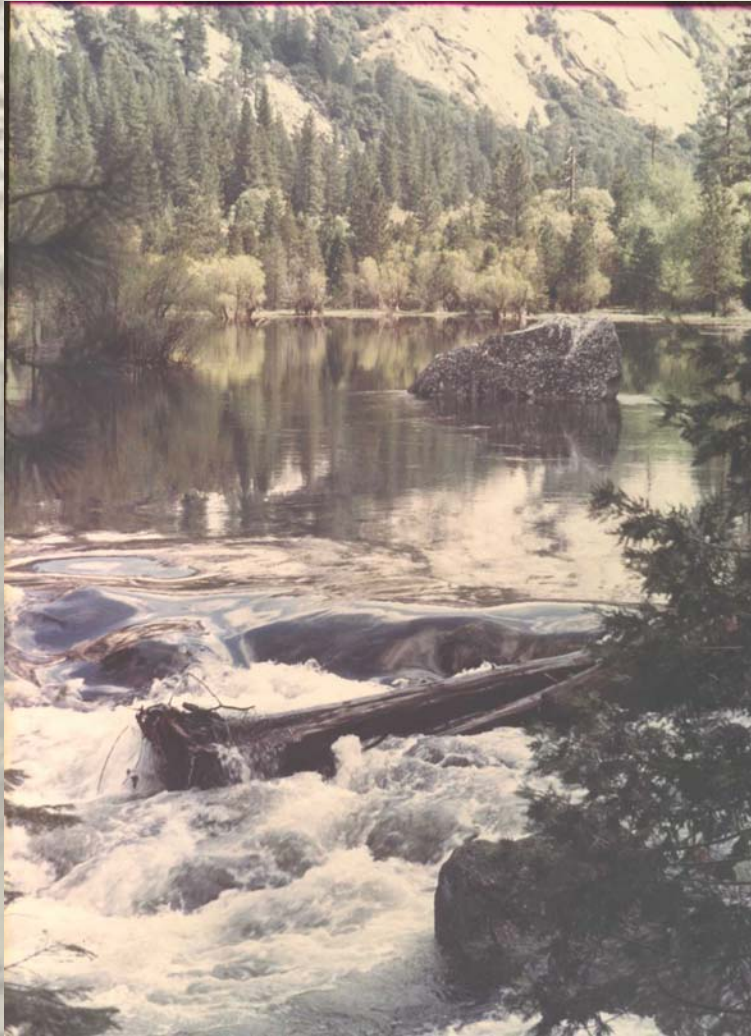


**Preceding page was
North Dome (the
rounded one) across
from Half Dome.**

**Half Dome was once
a full rounded dome as
well, but the force of
the last glacier that
came through sheered
off half of the moun-
tain.**



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Nancy at Half Dome



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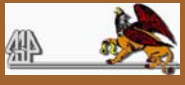
Everywhere you look you can see the sheering force of glaciers.





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West Tunnel entrance



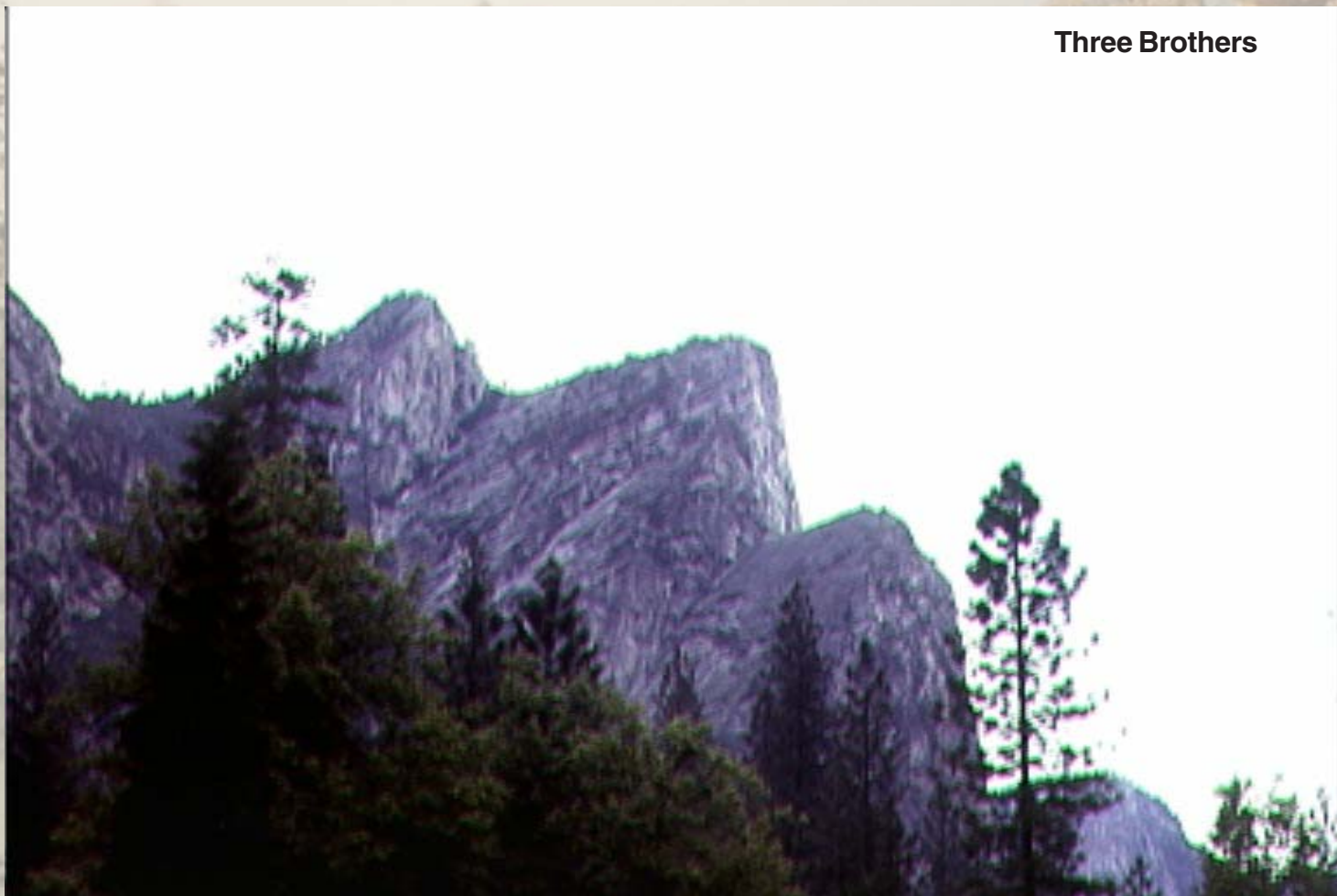
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Three Brothers





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You'd think a giant
chisel had been at work
here.





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Monterey Pines are very opportunistic.





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My original camper.





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Battleship rock





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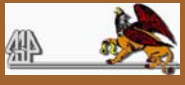




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Valley overview





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The cutaway really shows how granite is slabbed.



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Prologue

Yosemite is known for its geological wonders, its harsh birth created a beautiful land.

Rich in ground soil, it produced a rich ecosystem to rival its landscape.



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