

# BETWEEN THE COVERS RARE BOOKS

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## **H.L. Hopkins and Harrold Maxwell**

*[Photo Album with holograph titlepage]: A Booklet Containing Views from the YMCA Boys Annual camp. Camp Lindsay. Southfork Calif. June 13-26, 1911 also sundry other views by H.L. Hopkins and Harrold Maxwell* \$375

Oblong quarto. String-tied black cloth album, with "Photographs" stamped in gilt on the front panel. The album contains 49 nicely composed original black and white gelatin silver photographs (mostly 5½" x 3¼"). The photographs are tipped-in on black paper stock and accompanied by holographic annotations in white ink. One photograph lacking, the original string has replaced, and some general shelfwear else near fine, the contents are crisp and clean.

The captioned images include shots of the camp and its staff, including John H. Fee, then the Physical Director of the Fresno YMCA. Others capture glimpses of camp activities like hiking, swimming, and baseball, as well as the surrounding countryside. Camp Lindsay was located in Southfork or South Fork, an unincorporated community in Madera County, California that is still a popular recreation area. Two of the photographs show logging activities in nearby Crane Valley. Nothing is known by us of H.L. Hopkins and Harrold Maxwell. However, it is possible that "Hoppie", who is seen posing in hiking apparel and then engaging in a bit of theatrical tomfoolery, is the aforementioned Hopkins.



Founded in 1844, the Young Men's Christian Association (commonly known as YMCA or simply the Y) remains dedicated to putting Christian principles into practice by developing a healthy "body, mind, and spirit." The first California chapter was founded in San Francisco in 1853 and by the mid-1880s, camping became a cornerstone of YMCA programming in the Golden State and beyond. Later, about two years before this album was assembled, the YMCA embarked on a campaign "to teach every man and boy in North America" to swim. The organization played an increasingly active role in child welfare, education, and public health as the 20th century progressed. Today, the Y continues to empower young people throughout California, and recently partnered with First Lady Michelle Obama to promote her "Let's Move" campaign against childhood obesity. [BTC#399187]

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Home.



Checkers  
Your next move.



*The Battle Ground.*

*"Fat" Maxwell.*





*A few minutes rest.*



Three Twins.