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*The Definitive History of Pioneertown, CA:  
Where the Old West Lives Again*

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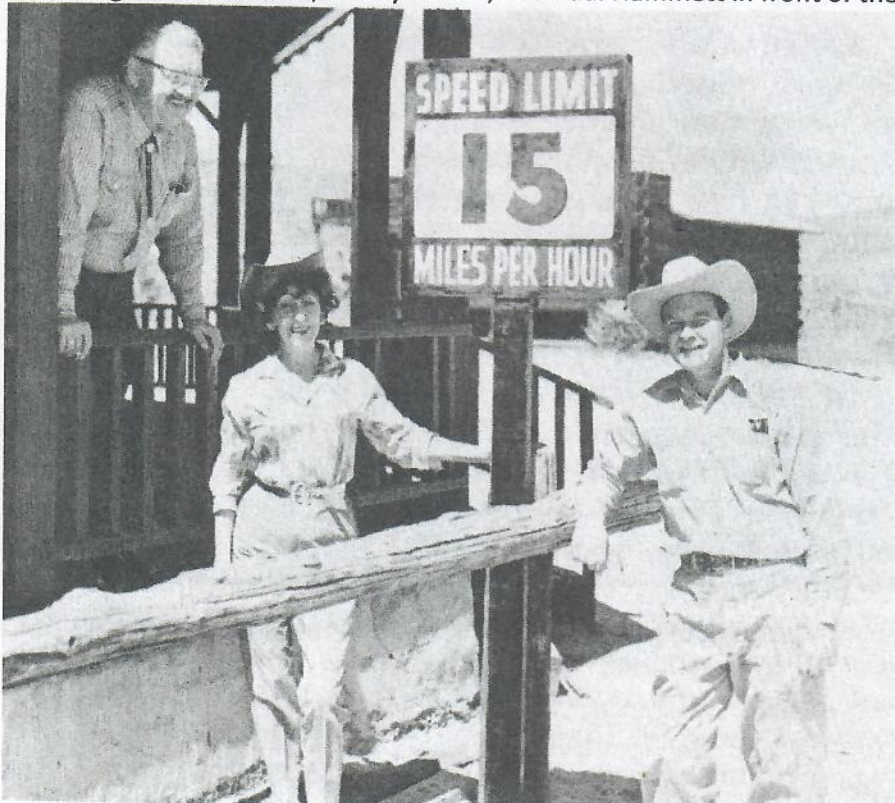
Cactus Kate and Gene Autry hanging out behind the Marshal's Office.





ABOVE: Shorty Creswell and Cactus Kate performing for visitors on Mane Street.

BELOW: Left to right are Val Jones, Honey Fellers, and Paul Hammett in front of the Red Dog.







ABOVE: Director Frank McDonald, Gene Autry and Champion filming in 1950.  
BELOW: Director Frank McDonald and Producer Louis Gray.



# CACTUS KATE



Cactus Kate robbing Gene Autry in front of the old Pioneertown Photos building.





ABOVE: Gene Autry and Gail Davis in the late 1950's.

BELOW: Jimmy Hawkins and Gail Davis filming *Annie Oakley* in Pioneertown near Skyline Ranch Road. Note the buttes in the background.





ABOVE: Gene Autry and Pat Buttram in the late 1940's.

BELOW: Gene Autry visits Pat Buttram at the hospital. Buttram had suffered nearly fatal injuries from an accidental explosion while filming for the *Gene Autry Show* in Pioneertown.





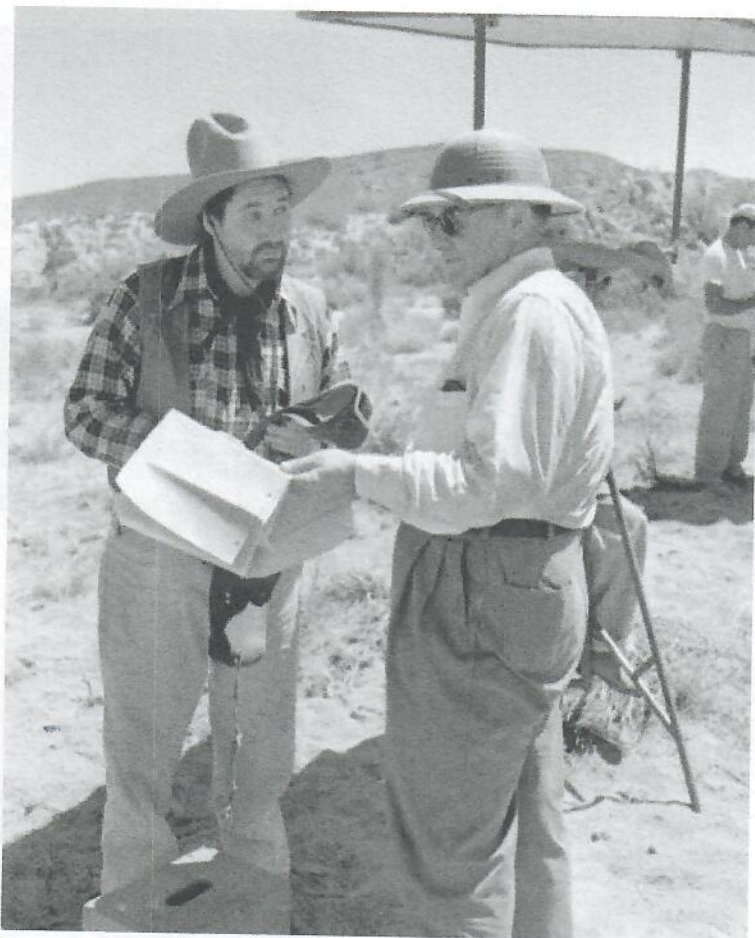


ABOVE: Gene Autry hanging out in front of the Sound Stage in 1951.

BELOW: Gene Autry gives the Kee brothers a \$100 check for recovering his runaway horse.

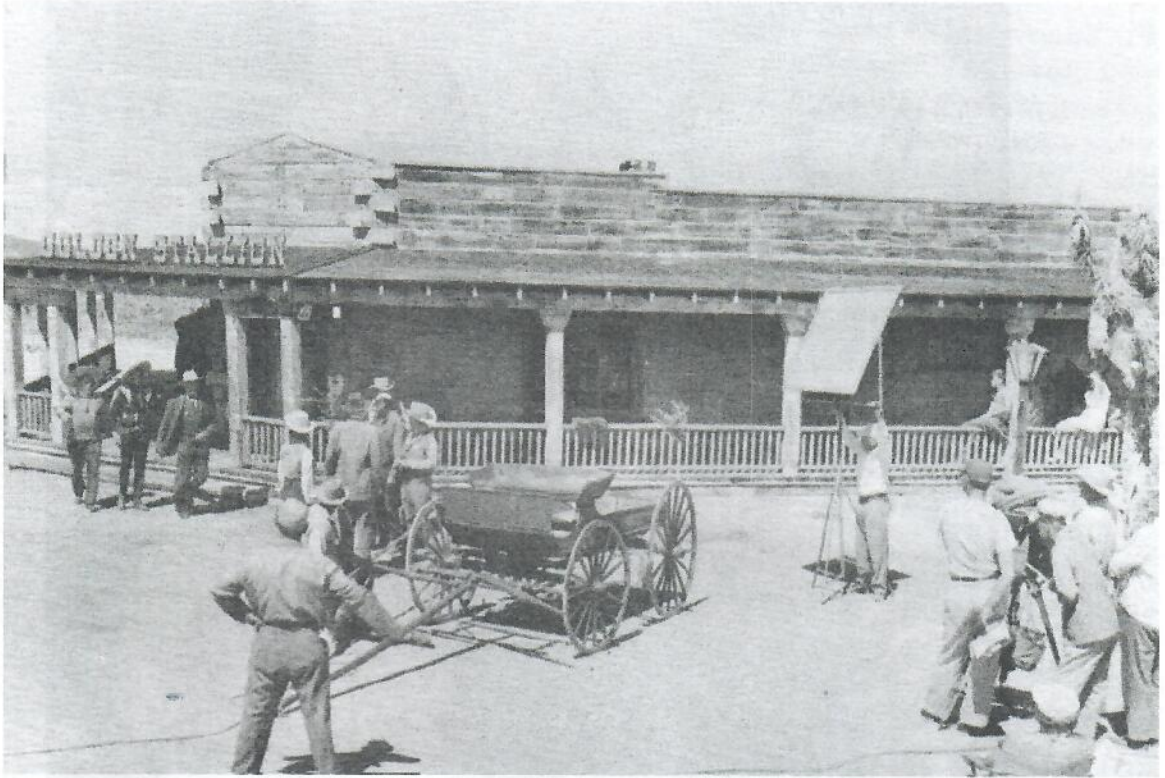






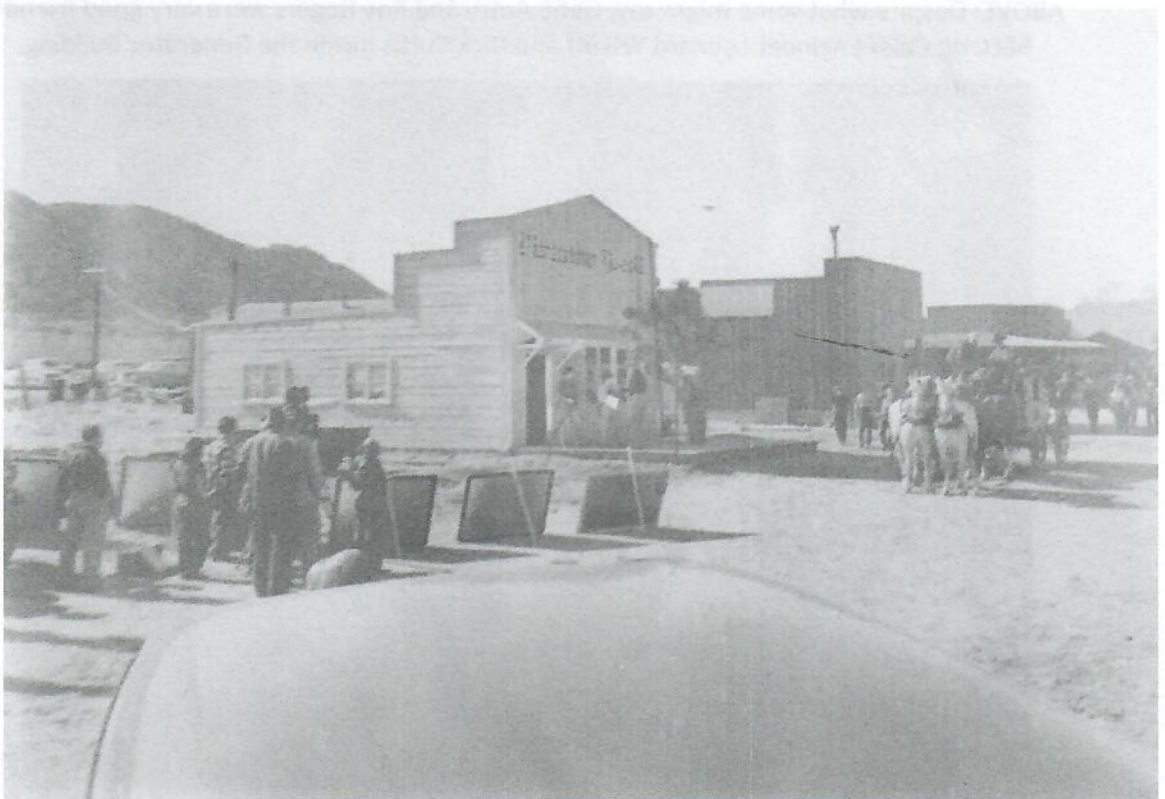
ABOVE: Pat Buttram and Assistant Director Rex Blair discuss a shoot in Pioneertown.  
BELOW: Gene Autry filming for *The Gene Autry Show* near Skyline Ranch Road in 1951.





ABOVE: Filming *The Cisco Kid* in front of the Golden Stallion. Note Duncan & Leo on the far left.

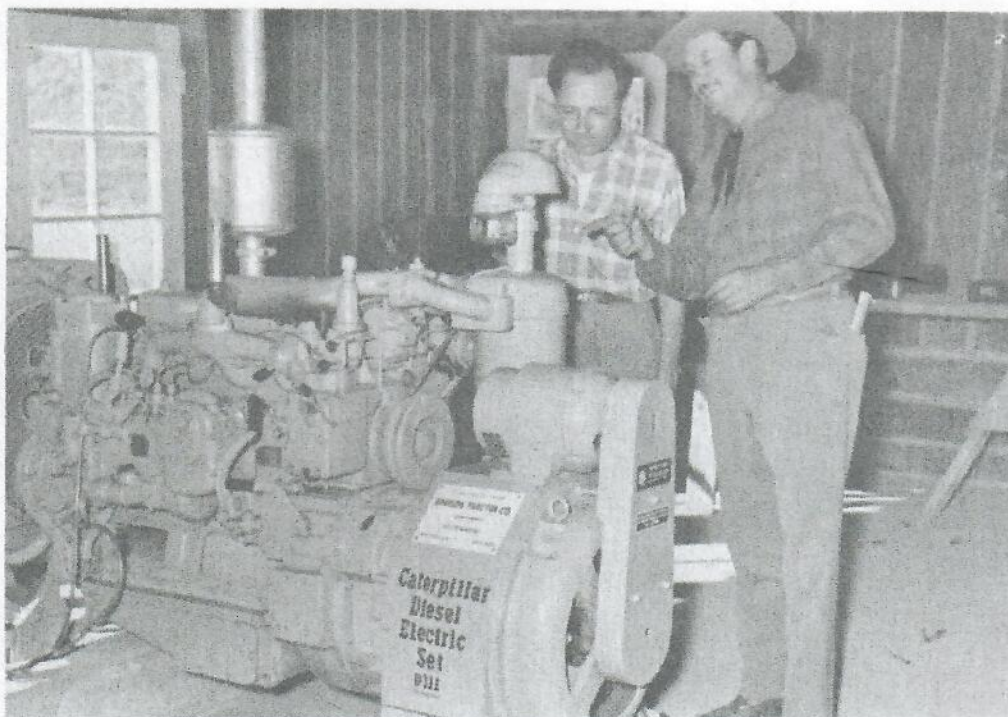
BELOW: Filming in front of the Pioneertown Gazette for *Unusual Occupations* late in 1947.

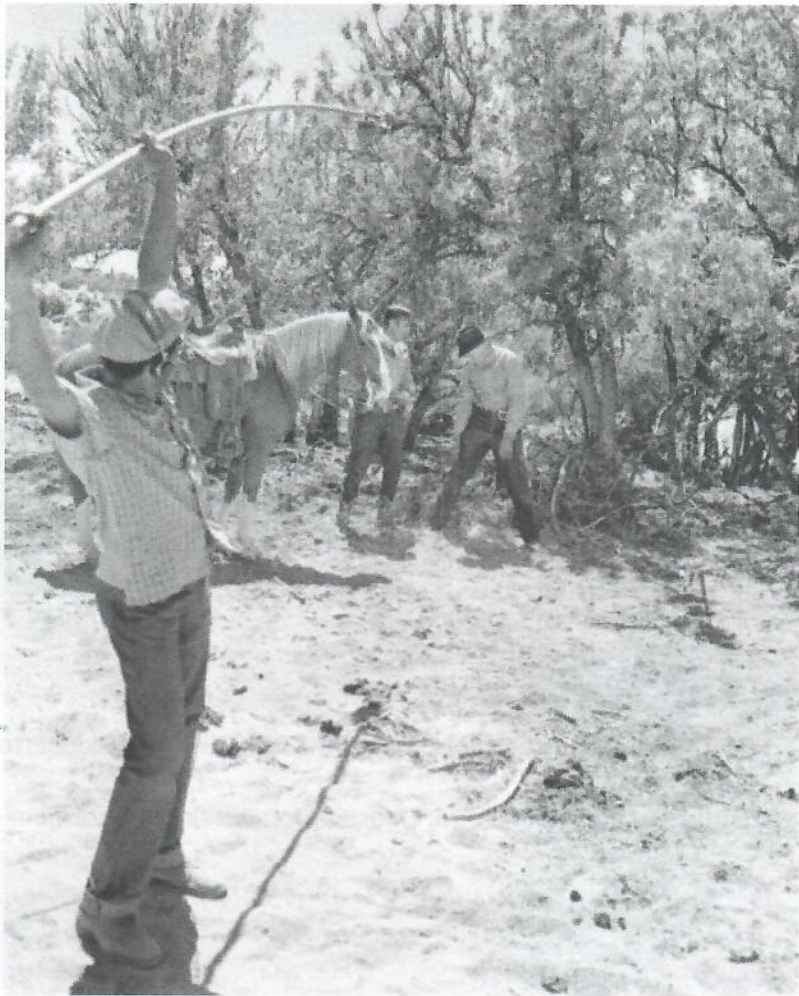




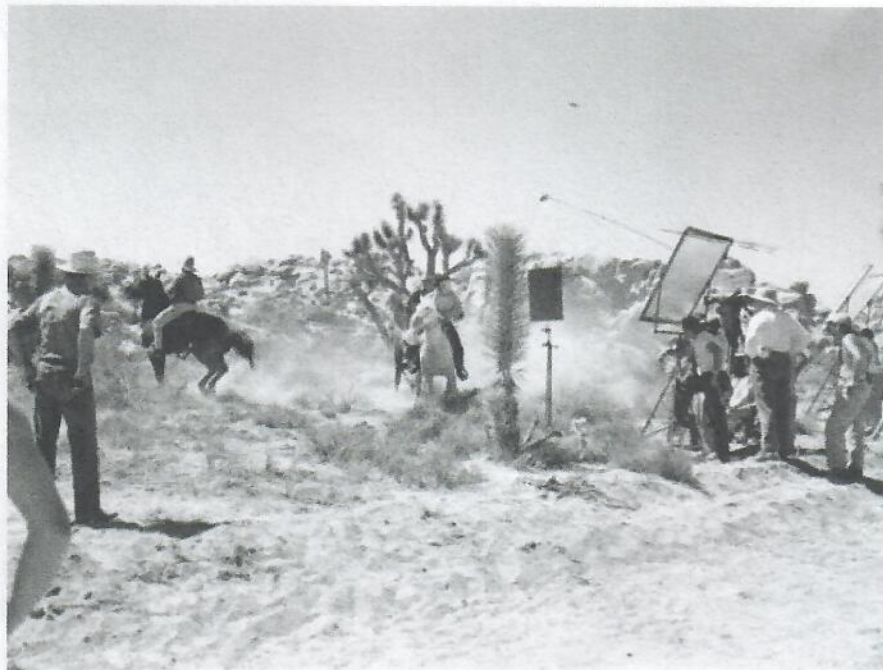


ABOVE: Despite what some might say, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers were very good friends.  
BELOW: Chief Engineer Leonard Wikoff and Dick Curtis inside the Generator Building.





Filming *The Gene Autry Show* near Skyline Ranch Road in 1951.







ABOVE: Another view of *Unusual Occupations* in front of the Pioneertown Gazette.

BELOW: Filming the parade for *Unusual Occupations* in December of 1947.





TOP: Roy Rogers with his daughter Cheryl, Dick Curtis and Dale Evans riding in the parade for *Unusual Occupations* shot in December of 1947.

CENTER: One of the first Stick Horse Rodeos in Pioneertown, in the late 1940's.



BOTTOM: Gail Davis and Jimmy Hawkins while filming *Annie Oakley*.





ABOVE: Filming the first episode of *The Gene Autry Show*.

BELOW: Bob Woodward and Gene Autry get ready to shoot a scene. Woodward was Autry's stunt double. Note the identical costume.

