

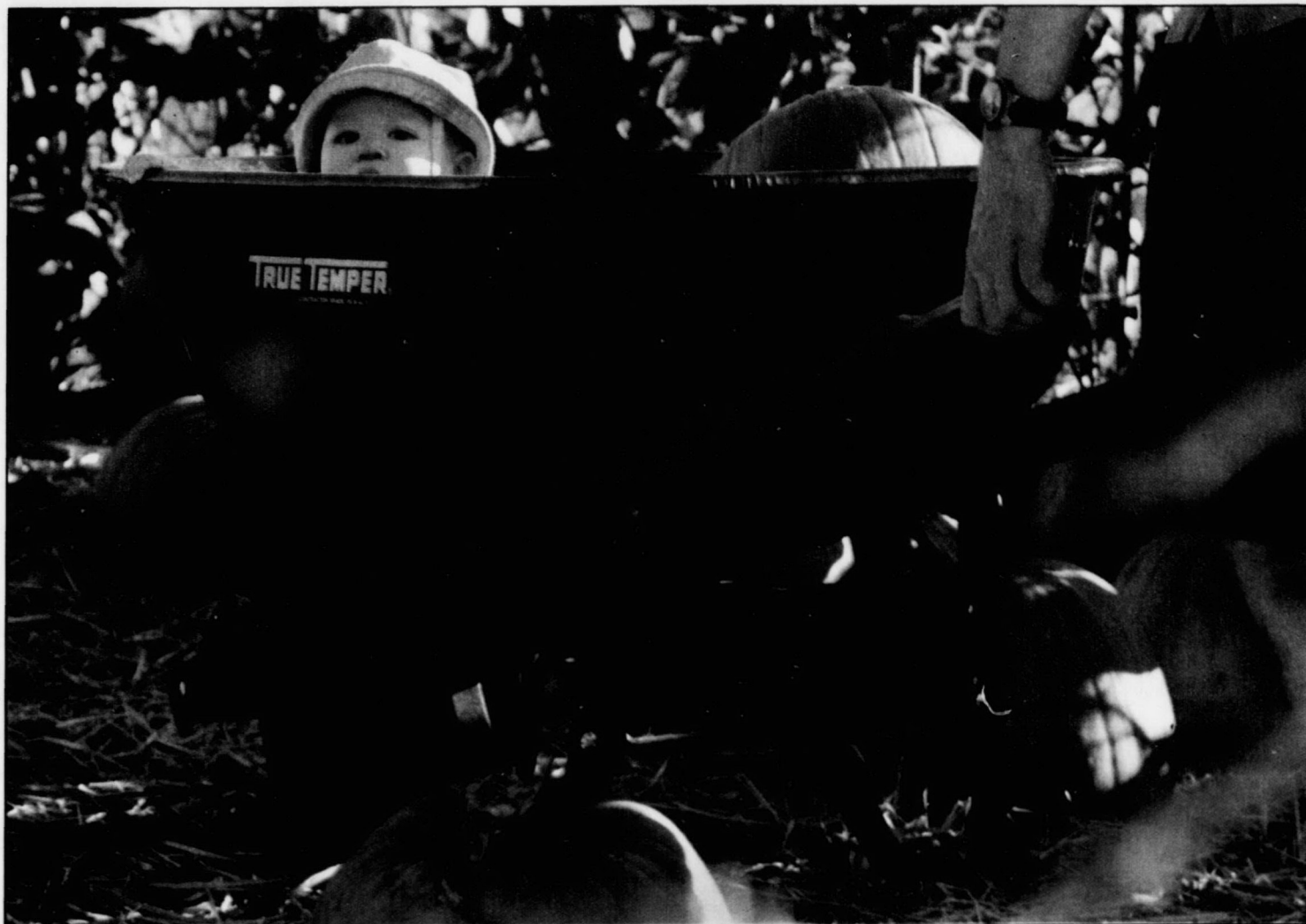


"I get the real big ones because it gives the kids more of a bang when they come around trick or treating."

— Bert Rosenberg, Stanly Ranch customer



Bert Rosenberg of Santa Rosa makes sure his pumpkin follows the rules of the road before driving home.



Nine-month-old Colin Sweeney of Oakland hangs on for the ride while his dad, Tom Sweeney, dodges pumpkins at the Stanly Ranch Pumpkin Patch in Napa. "He was a little fussy at first, but once he occupied himself by playing with the hay, he was fine," said Tom Sweeney.

## Pumpkin Paradise

500,000 pounds of pumpkins at Stanly Ranch will go from patch to porch during Halloween season.

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Nine-year-old Devyn Poolos takes one of the old tractors for an imaginary ride while visiting the pumpkin patch for the first time. "It was cool. There were lots of pumpkins," said Poolos.

Stanly Lane Marketplace is somewhat like Disneyland. Neither will ever be finished. Owner of Stanly Lane Marketplace, Billy Wilcoxson, is always thinking of something new to add to his little oasis at the corner of Golden Gate Drive and Highway 121.

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