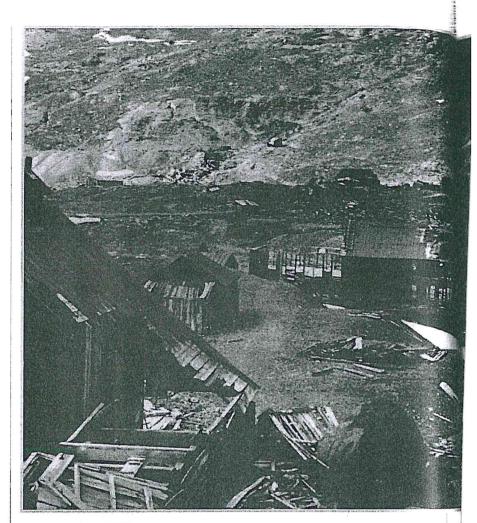
Ghost Towns

hen you think of America, it's hard to believe that places like those in the pictures really exist. They are called "ghost towns" because they are empty and nobody lives there. They grew up overnight in the West and in the South at the time of the Gold Rush. When gold or silver had run out, some of them died because they had no other natural resources. In the middle of the nineteenth century the Gold Rush drew people from all over the world. They came in wagons on the Oregon and California trails, or by ship around South America to San Francisco. Before the Gold Rush, San Francisco was a small port town of about eight hundred inhabitants; in 1849 it became a city with thousands of people. In the 1840s the Oregon trail was not much more than a set of wagon tracks in the mud, by

the 1850s it had become a



▲ Tomboy in the San Juan Mountains in southern Colorado.



Mines of gold and silver had attracted more than fifteen thousand people to Bodie. A few years later the town was empty.

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