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I No Ordinary Story of Thunder and Lightning

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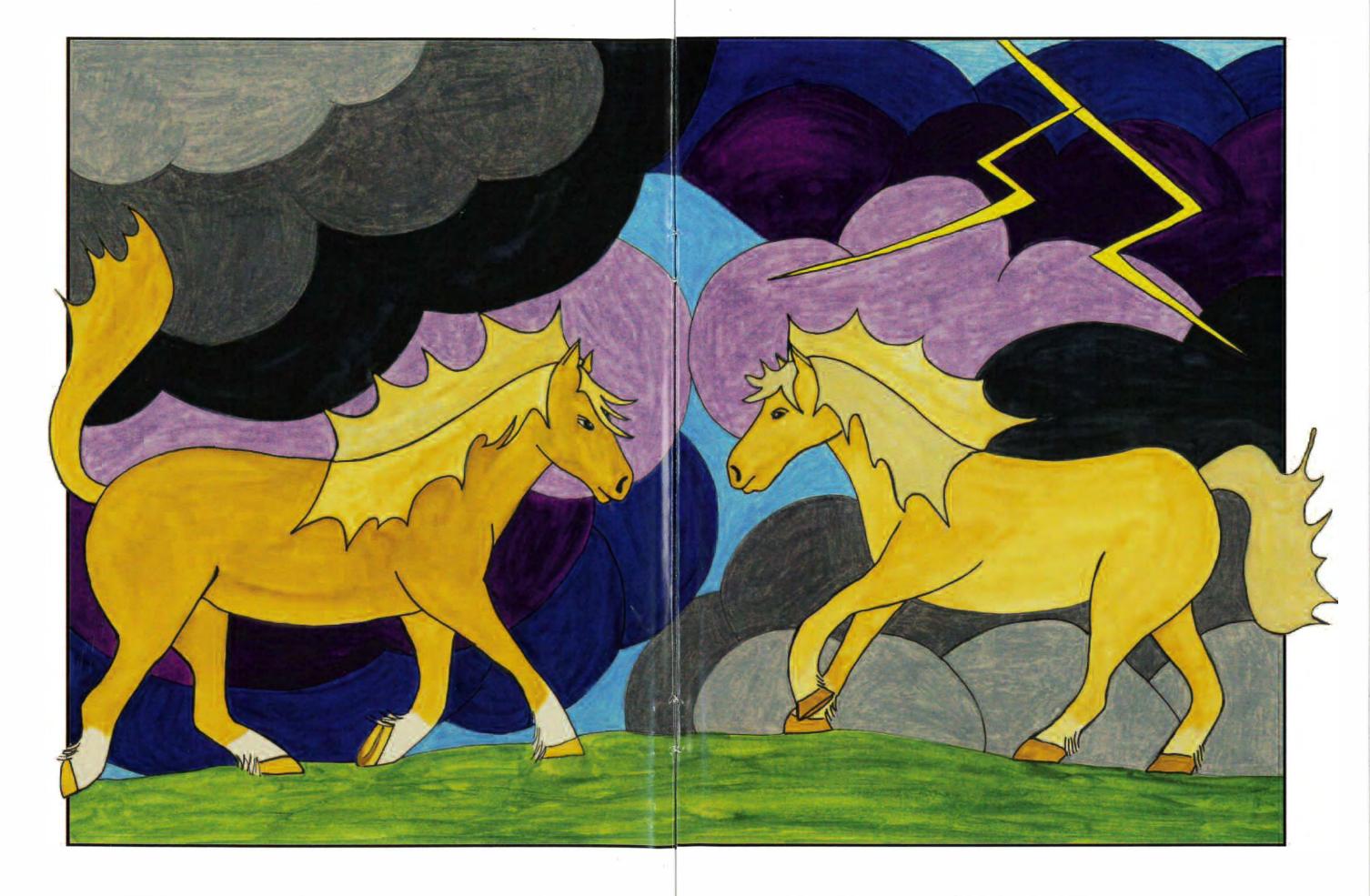


A horse is a horse of course...



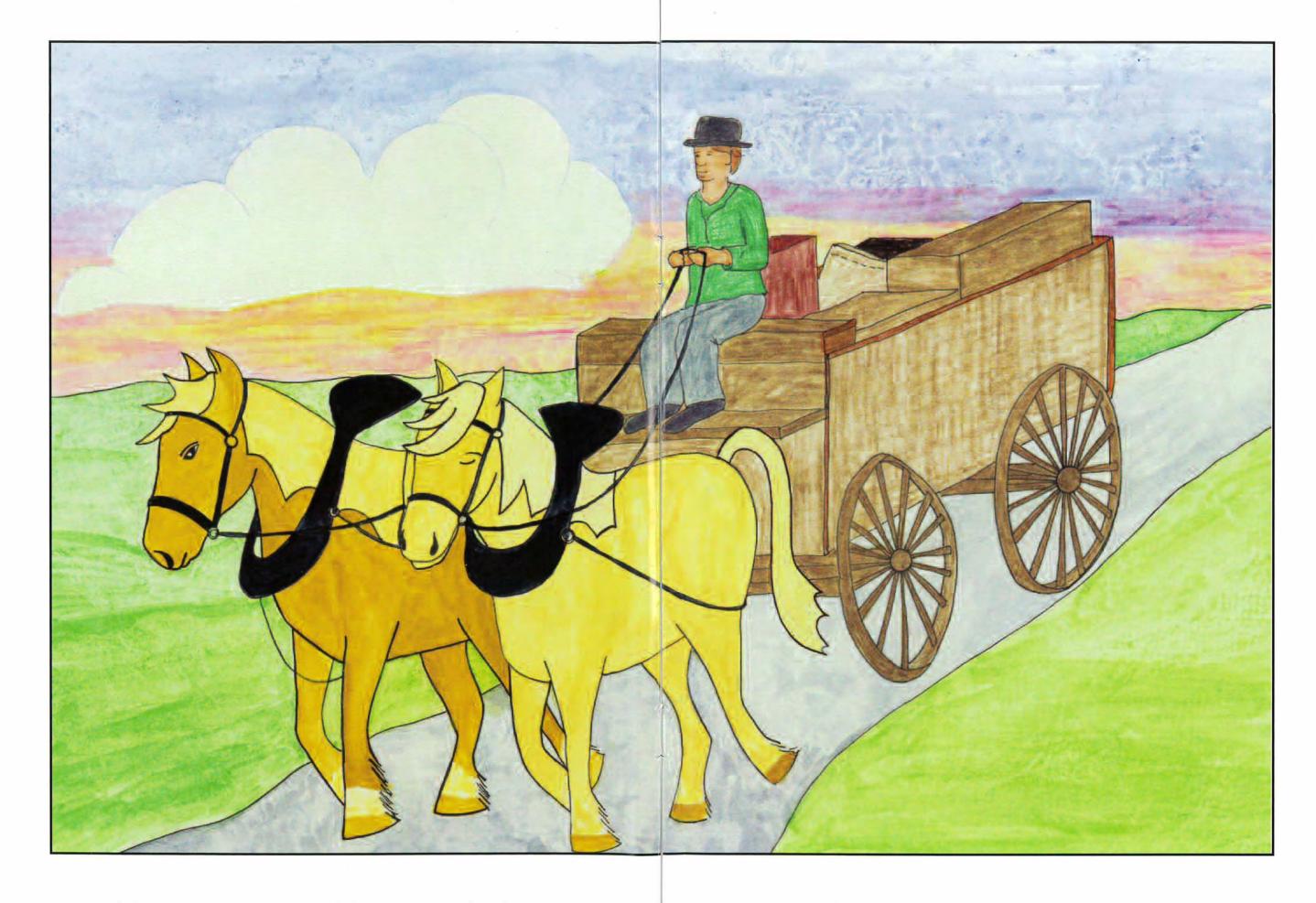
But what is a horse without a good name and a place to belong? Ragged and weak and all alone...

What good can be done with that kind of steed?



Well, here are two horses who are not that kind!

Meet Thunder and Lightning! They are a team!

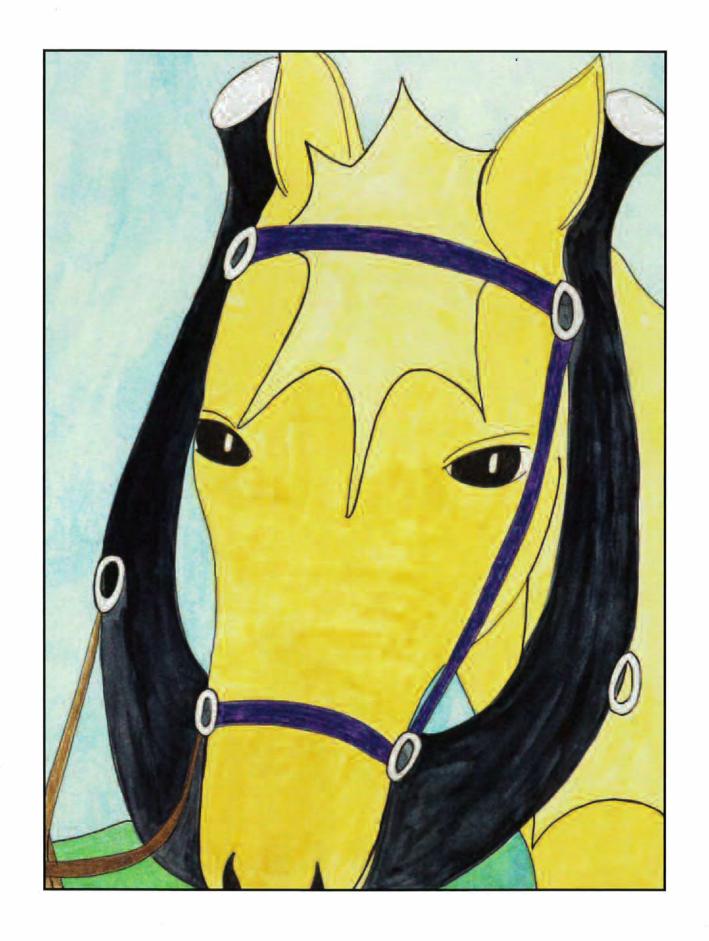


They were partners with Teamsters who drove

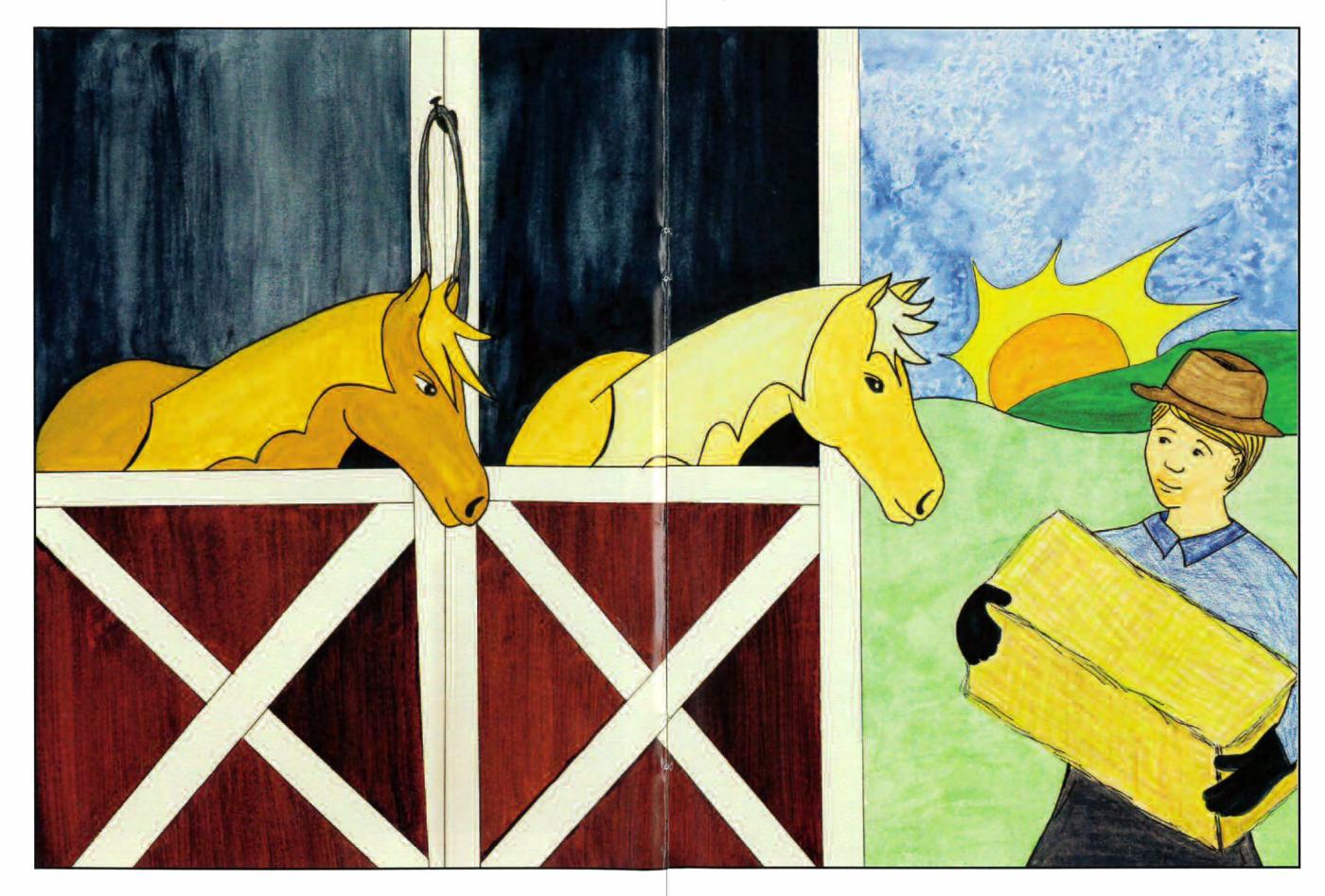
wagons and delivered all manner of people and things.



Not just any horses you see, they had dignity and strength and a big job to do. Together they were



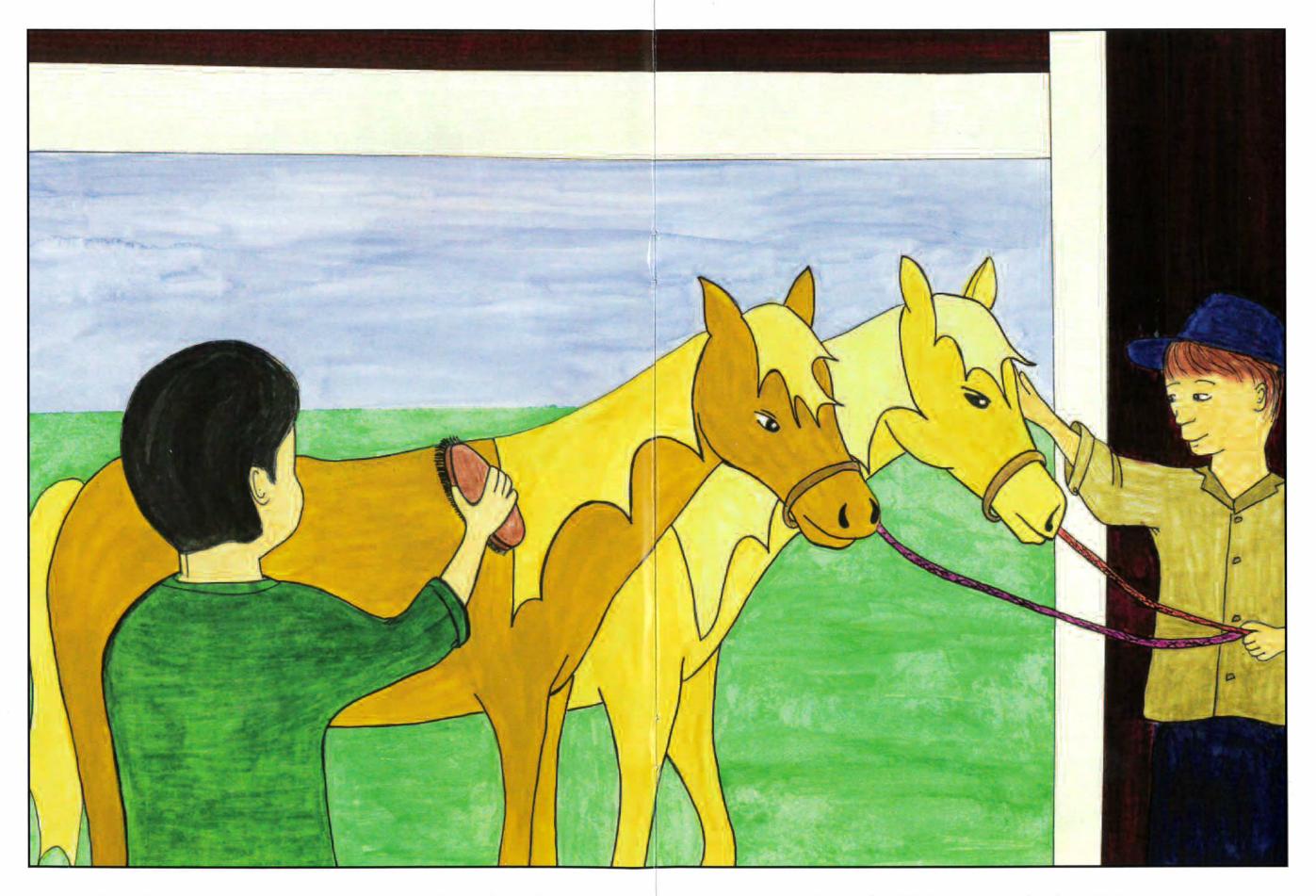
powerful and made every job a success! And, they earned respect from all who knew them too!



The Teamsters took great care of this rare breed.

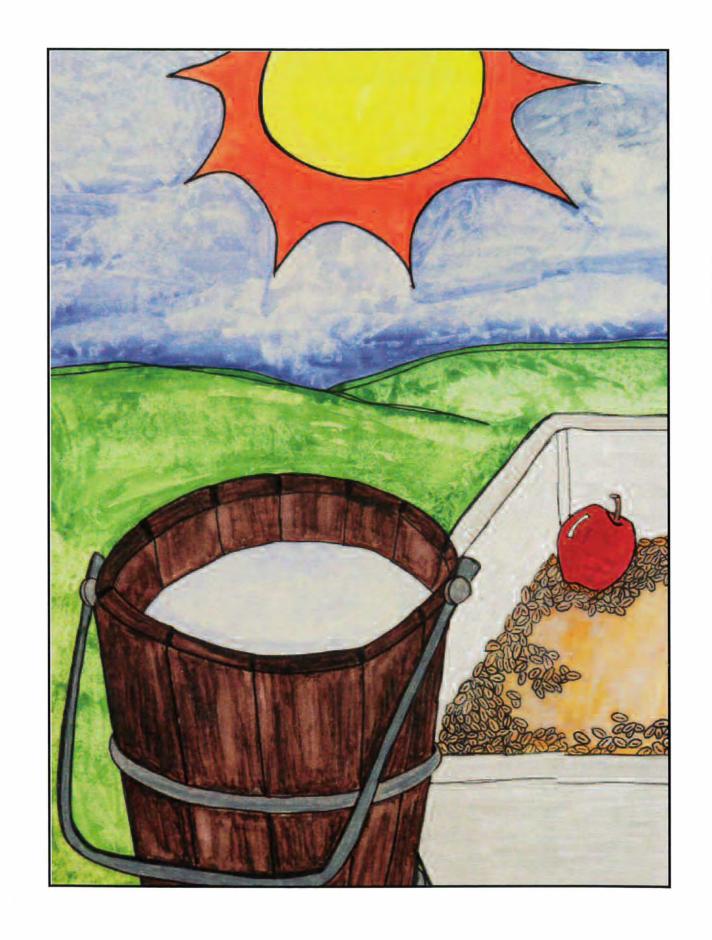
They were loved and well kept.

The Teamsters came in early to prepare them for the day.



They fought real hard to make sure that Thunder and Lightning were protected and safe,

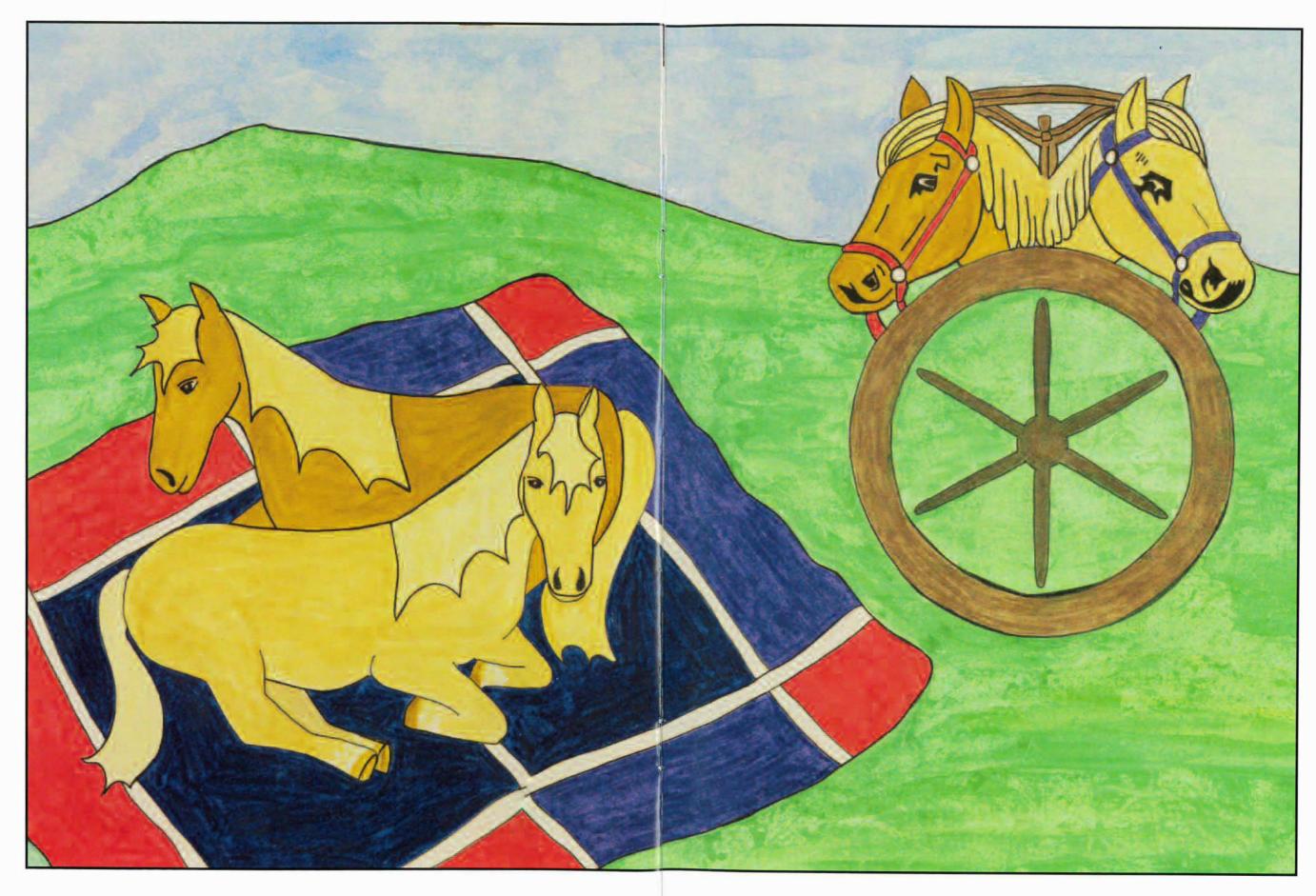
ready to do all that was asked - AND, got an honest day's pay for an honest day's work.





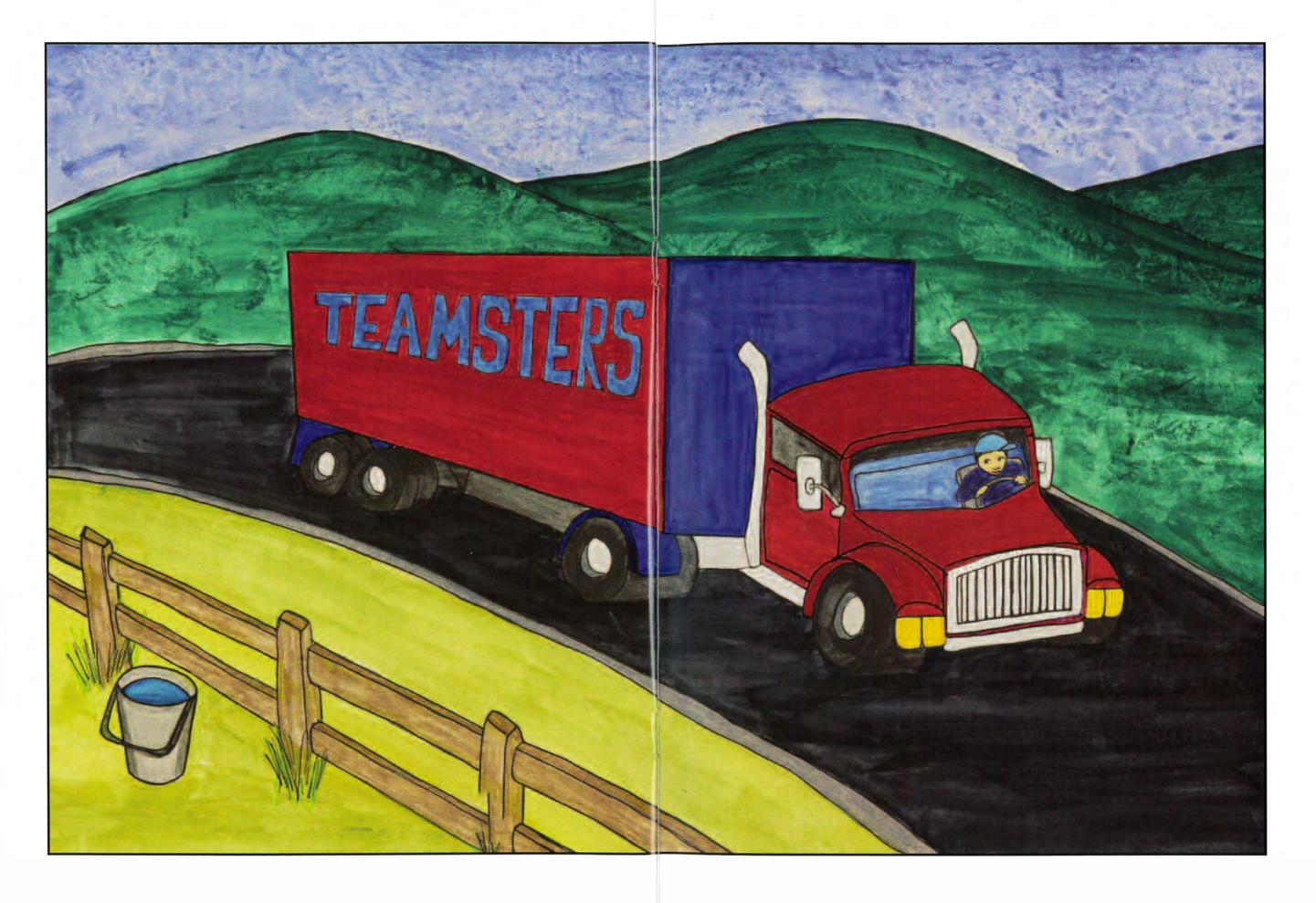
What is money to horses you say? Well, it was water and oats and a break from the heat.

And blankets for warmth when the rain turned to sleet!



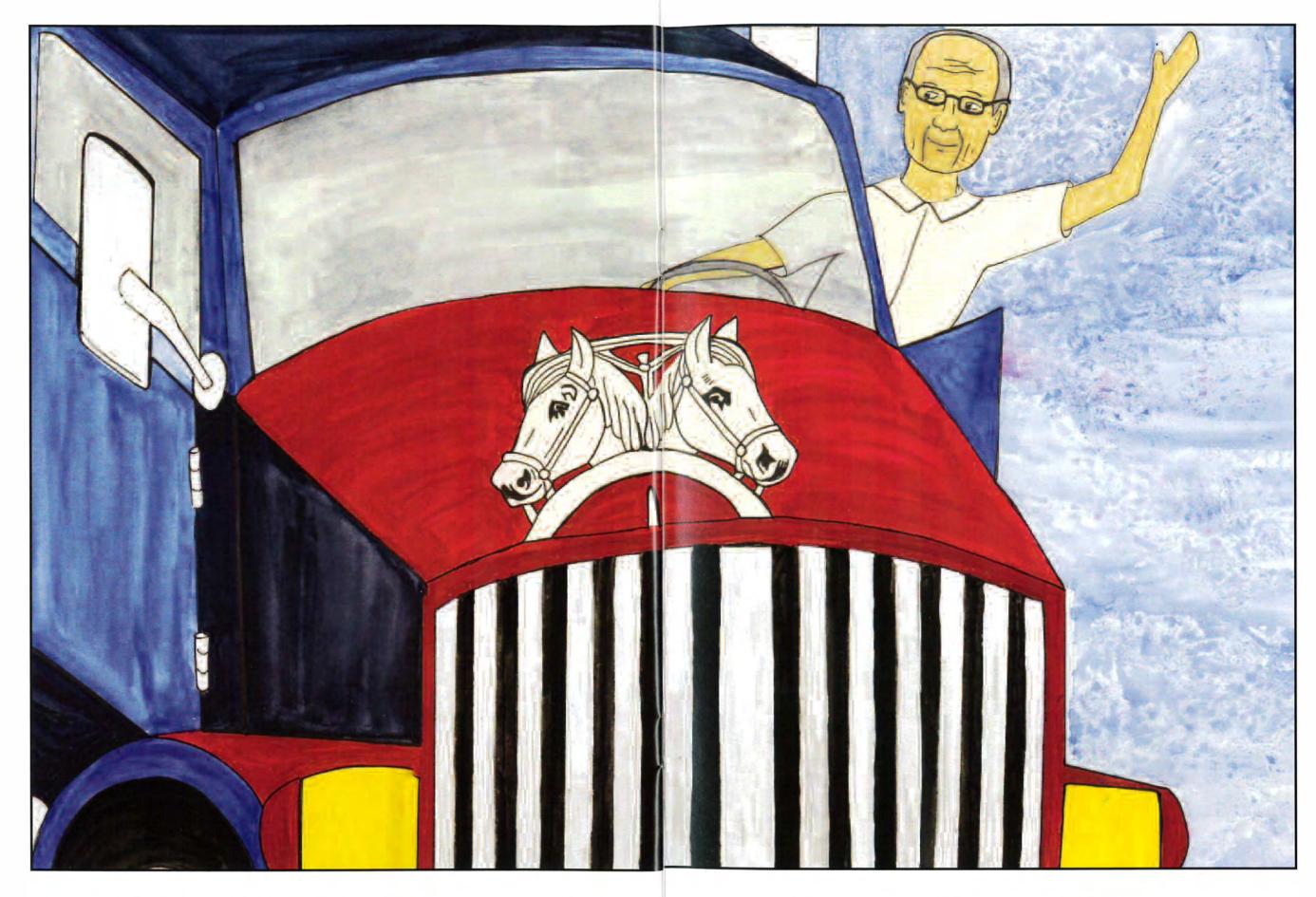
Now Thunder and Lightning are very old - they started their work more than 100 years ago.

But, they are still with the Teamsters today.



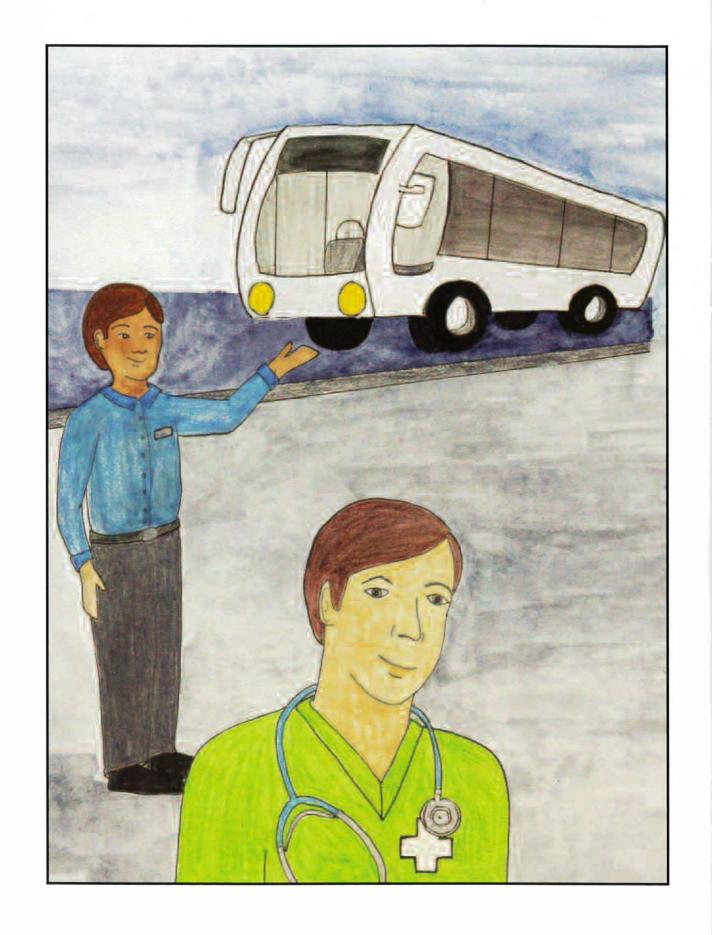
There are no more wagons.

Now Teamsters drive trucks and do many, many other jobs.

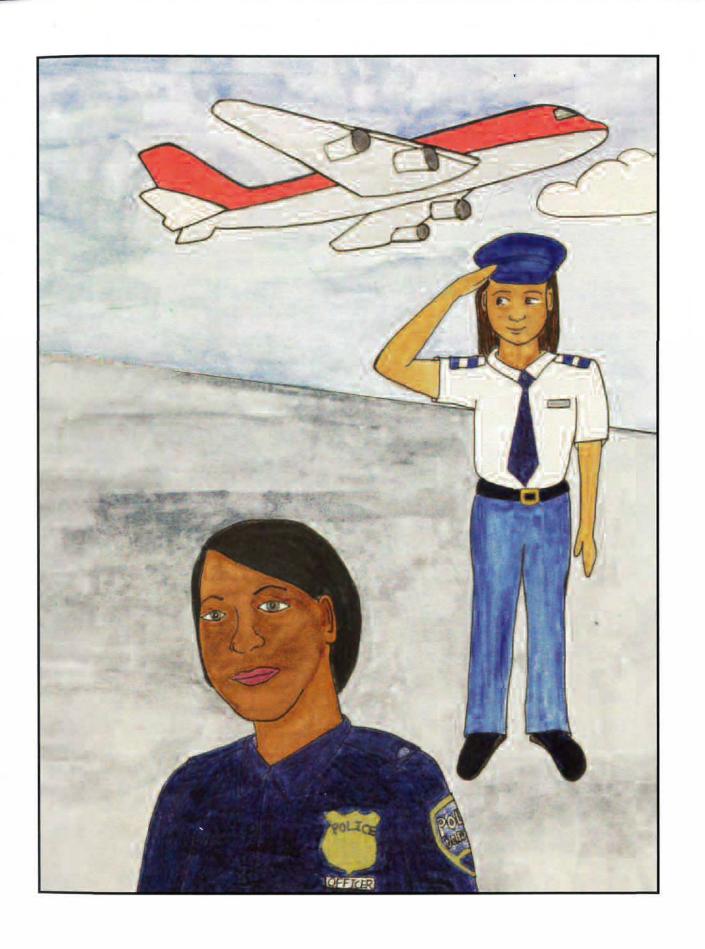


But Thunder and Lightning are their mascots. And Teamsters wear their pictures proudly every day.

When you see Thunder and Lightning you know the workers are all on the same team.



They might be bus drivers or nurses...



...policemen or pilots.



Some make your snacks, some fix your roads, some

bring you packages, and others keep your city clean.



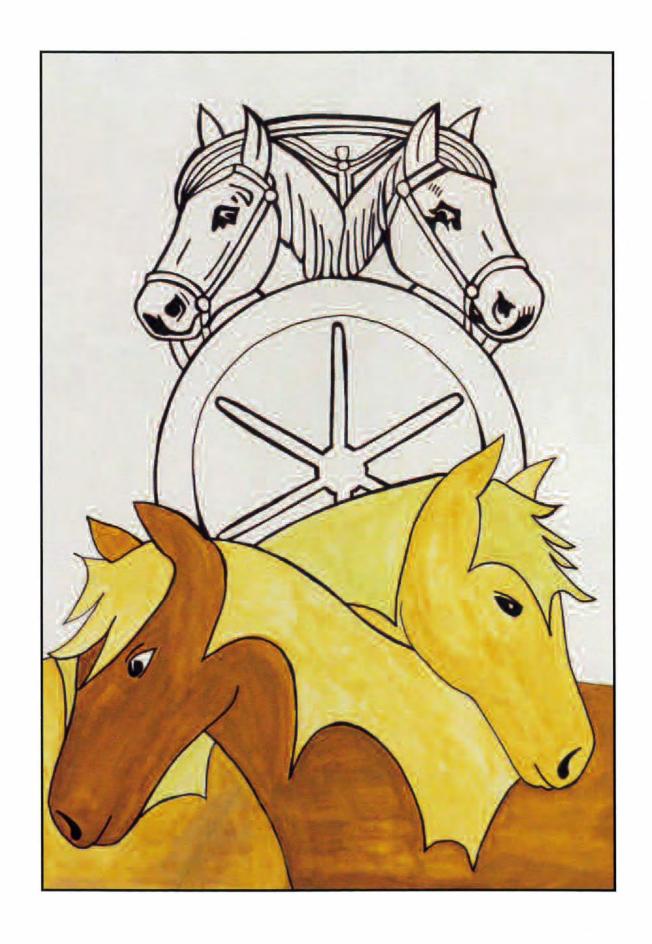
All carry the traditions of the Teamsters right on their hats and shirts -

the traditions of a union where workers come together to be safe and strong.



Not just any union, but a great union with workers who accomplished great deeds, just like their mascots.

Mascots who are the union's spirit and pride.



Thunder and Lightning - No ordinary horses!