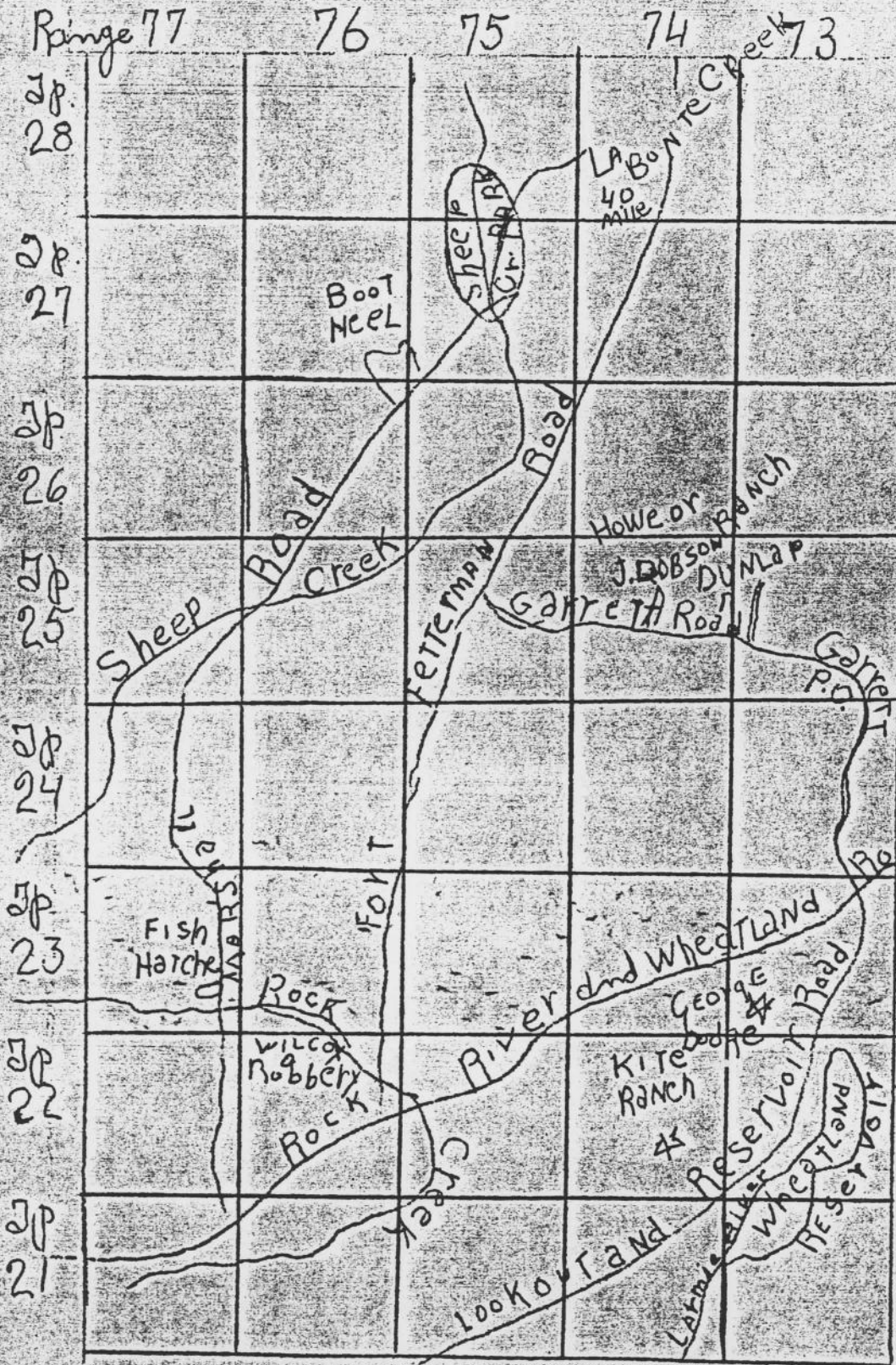


SEVENTH ANNUAL OLD TIME RANCH TOUR

COMA FISH HATCHERY, GREASEWOOD FLATS, SHEEP CREEK AND SHEEP CREEK PARK, LABONTE CREEK AT FORTY MILE, FORT FETTERMAN ROAD, NORTH LARAMIE RIVER.

SUNDAY JULY 21st., 1957



KEY TO MAP

- A-Intersection of Marshall Road.
- B-Wilcox train robbery.
- C-Carlin Ranch.
- D-Fish Hatchery.
- E-Rattle Snake Peak.
- F-Greasewood Creek.
- G-Greasewood flats.
- H-Sheep Creek.
- I-Boot Heel.
- J-Sheep Creek, again.
- K-Sheep Creek Park and Ranches.
- L-LaBonte.
- M-Forty Mile.
- N-Fort Fetterman Road.
- O-Garrett Road.
- P-Howe Ranch.
- R-Dunlap Ranch.
- S-Garrett Post Office.
- T-Sidney Sturgeon's, Jr.
- U-Duck Creek.
- V-George Dodges Ranch.
- W-Reservoir North Lake.
- X-Wheatland Reservoir Dam.
- Y-Kite Ranch.
- Z-Highway 30.

SEVENTH OLD TIME RANCH TOUR FROM
NORTH AS FAR AS SHEEP CREEK PARK.
Sunday, July 21st., 1957.

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This Tour is sponsored by the Albany County Historical Society, the University of Wyoming Summer School, the Kiwanis Club and the Wyoming Westerners. The tour has been arranged by Dr. Robert H. Burns, A. S. Gillespie, H. A. Peterson and Wesley Seamens.

Bring your CAR, your FAMILY, FRIENDS, LUNCH, some water or other liquid and be at the COURT HOUSE SQUARE IN LARAMIE AT 7:00 a.m. Sunday, July 21st., 1957.

Today we will see some of the early ranching areas in the northern portion of Albany County, the Wyoming State Fish Hatchery on Rock Creek, just opposite Como Ridge. Touring speed of Caravan is fixed at 45 miles per hour on Highway 30, forty miles per hour on the Marshall Road, 15-20 miles per hour on the intermediate road we travel between the Marshall Road and the Fetterman Road, after entering upon the Fort Fetterman Road the speed must be resumed to forty miles per hour in order for the Caravan to return to Laramie between 4:30 and 5:00. Follow your leader and drive in a safety range from the car ahead. Dust should not be much of a problem.

The ranchmen on this route welcome this Tour. In appreciation of the hospitality of these people we meet on this Tour, LET ALL OF US TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION AGAINST FIRE SO THAT WE WILL NOT LEAVE ANY SMOKE BEHIND US, only dust. So please do not throw any matches or cigarett stubs out on the ground. In getting permission to cross these people's land and getting the privilege of making a stop for lunch, a promise was made to them all precautions would be taken.

PLACE	ELEVATION	TIME	MILEAGE	
			Approx.	Local Trip
LARAMIE (Courthouse Square)	7200			
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Diamond Horseshoe on left		7:10	2.0	2.0
Aunt Mary Erheardt,		7:11	.6	2.6
Frank C. Bosler formerly King Bros.		7:18	5.5	8.1
Roy Lundberg formerly Bill Krueger, right.		7:22	1.6	9.7
McKechnie & Son, where trees are on left.		7:24	.8	10.5
Howell Station on left.		7:25	1.0	11.5
Laramie Peak staring at you, north				
Elk Mountain to left and north				
of the Medicine Bow Range				
Oasis Ditch.		7:29	3.4	14.9
Boughton Canal		7:31	1.8	16.7
Laramie River.		7:33	.8	17.5
The Ghost Ranch, East 1/2 mi.		7:34	.4	17.9
BOSLER		7:35	1.0	18.9
Wallis and Miller Ranch 3 Miles North E.		7:36	.4	19.3
John Hill, Ranch, Estate		7:37	.9	20.2
Oliver Hill Ranch formerly, now				
belongs to Emil Schmale, Jr.		7:39	1.5	21.7

The Laramie River, North.

	ELEVATION	TIME	MILEAGE	
		Approx.	Local	Trip
The Laramie River, North.	7120	7:40	1.2	22.9
Cooper Lake, Station		7:42	1.8	24.7
Cooper Lake Basin		7:44	1.5	26.2
Lookout Station	7120	7:46	1.4	27.6
Lookout Knolls to right.				
In June 1890 a little boy was found dead by Luttie Dunn. Mystery never solved.		7:47	.3	27.9
Lookout and Kite Road		7:49	1.5	29.4
Harper Station.		7:54	3.9	33.3
Thornton Ranch now owned by J. S. Malmquist. Can be seen about two miles North-East.		7:58	2.9	36.2
Lance Robinson, Ranch to right		7:58	.2	36.4
Edgar Nelson, Ranch, left		8:00	1.4	37.8
Rock Creek, stream		8:00	.1	37.9
Rock River, town		8:01	.5	38.4

EVERY ONE MUST FILL THEIR CAR WITH GAS AND HAVE OIL CHECKED AT ROCK RIVER, FOR SAFETY, TAKE AN EXTRA QUART OF OIL.

There are many filling stations in Rock River. Some of the Caravan should start having the tanks filled at the first station. The leader will wait at the city limits until all are lined up. Any one who is unable to leave Laramie on the Schedule time can easily catch up with the Caravan at Rock River.

Leave Rock River. 8:11 .5 38.4

Number 3 Canal where line of trees to the left are.

At the fork of the Highway is a marker between the roads which was the location of the Fort Laramie and Fort Halleck soldier's trail.

Big Farm to left under the Canal		8:15	2.3	40.7
Ray Bottom's Ranch to right.		8:16	.2	40.9
Lawrence Eikler to right.		8:16	.5	41.2
Wilcox Station to left.		8:17	.6	41.8
Max Waring Ranch one mile to right.		8:17	.6	41.8
Farmer's Ditch.		8:18	.8	42.6
Ernest Miller's deserted Ranch.		8:19	.5	43.1
S.W. Vogel Ranch to right		8:19	.9	44.0
formerly owned by J. Brokaw		8:20	.9	44.9
Marshall Road.		8:21	.6	45.5

End of siphon which took water from No. 3 on point of hill south to flow into the ditch where the "Kansas Valley" was irrigated during the life of the colony.

Boosting Plant to left. 8:22 .3 45.8
8:29 1.2 47.0

Como Ridge, a high long one to the left which extends east and west. Home of Dinosaurs. ^{AM} 8:30 .5 47.5

The Wilcox Train robbery-2:30 June 2nd 1899 occurred two miles east where the long

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gultch passed under the railroad. Old grade can be seen.		Approx. 8:31	.4	47.9
Oil pipe line which carries oil from Guernsey Wyoming to Salt Lake.		8:32	.7	48.6
Crossing east end of				
Como Ridge		8:33	1.1	49.7
Crossing original grade of U.P.R.R.		8:40	1.4	51.1
Entering on the Swan Co., land, now Carlin Ranch.		8:40	1.4	51.1
Otto Nelle homestead, (see trees)		8:40	1.4	51.1
Cattle Guard.		8:47	1.1	52.2
Carlin Ranch to left.		8:53	.1	52.3
Rock Creek			.5	52.8
Rattlesnake Peak to right			.5	53.3
Cattle Guard.			.5	53.3
Twenty Minute Stop at Fish Hatchery.			.5	53.3
Leaving Fish Hatchery.			.3	53.6
Leaving Carlin Ranch.			1.3	54.9
Gypsum Quarry to left			1.5	54.9
TB Mountains to north-west			1.6	56.5
Cattle Guard.			.8	57.3
Greasewood Creek. Dinosaur's bed--west			3.8	61.1
Greasewood Knoll.			0.0	61.1
Lester Emerson		9:16	5.3	66.4
Cattle Guard		9:16	5.3	66.4
Leaving the Carlin Ranch land		9:18	.7	67.1
Buck Point to east about 5 mi.		9:19	.6	67.9
Cattle Guard.		9:21	.8	68.7
Entering the Weisbardt land		9:21	.8	69.5
Sheep Creek		9:27	2.7	72.2
Brown place Weisbardt owner.			.3	72.5
Cattle Guard		9:35	4.8	77.3
Boot Heel		9:35	4.8	77.3
Cattle Guard leaving Weishardt land		9:35	4.8	77.3
Nate Smith's to right.		9:35	4.8	77.3
Cattle Guard.		9:40	.2	77.5
Deserted homestead to left.		9:44	1.1	78.6
A. Holliday mail box		9:46	1.1	79.8
Road to Little Medicine.				
Upper Brown place on Sheep Creek		9:50	1.6	81.4
Cattle Guard		9:50	.3	81.7
Cattle Guard		9:55	.7	82.4
Cattle Guard and Homestead Cabin				
Fred Sailing and Garrett Road		9:56	.4	82.8
Weisbardt's buildings		9:57	.4	83.2
Cattle Guard entering Jimmie Robbins land.			.2	83.4
Cattle uard			1.1	84.5
Ten minute stop at Robbins		10:20	1.5	86.0
Cattle Guard			.8	86.8
Shucky Bell location to right.				
Cattle Guard		10:24	.5	87.3
Cattle Guard				
Mrs. Ruth Meyer and Karl, and Cattle guard		10:30	.7	88.0
Cattle Guard and Gate.			.9	88.9
Merle Robbin's and son's Home Ranch				
Leaving Robbin's land.			1.3	90.2

	ELEVATION	TIME	MILEAGE	
			Local	Trip
Gate entering Dr. Hilton's land			1.6	91.8
Gate entering John S. Bell's land, and is at head of LaBonte Creek.		10:55	1.1	92.9
Stop one hour for lunch on John S. Bell's land.		10:55	1.1	92.9
Resuming trip after lunch		11:55		
Intersection of Fort Fetterman Road LaBonte Creek		12:05	1.4	94.3
Bridge at Junction. South-West Fork.		12:05	1.4	94.5
Forty two miles to Douglas and fifty two to Rock River. Location of 40 Mile Ranch. Ten minute stop.				
Head of North Laramie River		12:15	2.7	97.2
Crossing Cattle Guard on to John S. Bell's land.			1.0	98.8
John S. Bell's mail box			1.0	99.8
Cattle Guard			.3	101.1
Sheep Sheds		12:25	1.2	102.3
Dr. Hilton's Cow Camp			.8	103.1
Large timbered covered mountain to the left is known as Bar M Mountain			.2	103.3
Joe Kafka Ranch on North Laramie River and Bar M Creek.			1.0	104.3
Cattle Guard			.4	104.7
J. S. Malmquist formerly Hobson Park Ranch to left on Bar M Creek			.3	105.0
Cattle Guard			1.8	106.8
Intersection of road to Antelope Creek, The Buttes to right about a mile.			.8	107.6
Intersection of Garrett Road with Fort Fetterman Road.		12:45	2.5	110.1
Highest point to south- east is Pinto Rock.				
Entering Howe Place when crossing Cattle Guard			.4	110.5
Jim Dobson's mail box			1.0	111.5
Jim Dobson's Ranch formerly Howe Ranch			.5	112.0
Ten minute stop at Jim Dobson's Ranch.				
Leaving Jim Dobson's Ranch		12:55	.5	112.0
Bridge on North Laramie River and watering place and wind break for cattle on right.			1.0	113.1
Cattle Guard entering Merle Robbin's Ranch formerly Frank Dobson's and settled by A. B. Gillespie in early 1890			.1	113.2
Intersection of Dunlap Road			1.5	114.7
Cattle Guard.			.4	115.1
Cow shed.			.9	116.0
Cow Creek. Glen Dunlap Ranch			1.1	117.1
Leaving Glen Dunlap's		1:20		
Merle Robbin's mail box		1:27	2.6	119.7
Cattle Guard entering Robbin's land			.4	120.1
Robbin's cattle shelter and watering place and a Cattle Guard			.4	120.1
Robbin's buildings to right			.4	120.5

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Merle Robbin's formerly Frank Dobson's and settled by E. C. Gillespie about 1890.		Approx	.4	120.5
Cattle Guard and intersection of Bob Garrett Road.			.8	121.3
Clear view of Laramie Peak to left.			.8	121.3
Leaving road to Antelope Basin.			.9	122.2
Turning into Garrett Post Office.		1:40	.0	122.2
Leaving Garrett Post Office		1:50	.6	122.8
which was one of the first post offices established. Through the influence of Congressman Frank W. Mondell the people of North Albany got a mail route and a post office.				123.4
Bridge across the North Laramie River.			.6	123.4
Entering Bob Sturgeon's land when			.3	123.7
Entering Antelope Basin.			.9	124.6
Green Cabin.			1.0	125.6
Cattle Guard.			1.0	125.8
Tommy Atkinson's mail box			.4	126.2
Cattle Guard, where we are entering on Hall's land. Cattle Guard.			.9	127.1
First view of Wheatland Reservoir			2.2	129.3
Cattle Guard leaving Hall's land and entering Sturgeon's land			2.1	131.4
Sid Sturgeon's buildings on right.			2.1	131.4
Cattle Guard and Sid Sturgeon's reservoir to left.			1.1	132.5
Barney Brook's Road Crossing.			1.1	138.5
Cross Bridge on Duck Creek			.6	139.1
Kite Reservoir to left one half mile.				
Duck Creek Spring. Who wants a cool drink?			.5	139.6
Cattle Guard. Going off of Sturgeon land on to the land of W. I. Palmer.			1.0	140.6
Crossing Rock River and Wheatland Highway, any one who wishes		2:22	.2	140.8
to drop out of the caravan can take the highway to the right.				
Cattle Guard.			.8	141.6
North Albany Club House			1.2	142.8
Crossing Kennedy Brother's Road as well as Wheatland Road.				
Cattle Guard between W. I. Palmer and George Dodge's land.			.5	143.3
Cattle Guard.			.5	143.8
Bridge across Laramie River.			1.5	145.3
George Dodge's buildings.			.4	145.7
High pointed peak to left is Bull Camp Peak.				
Cattle Guard.			.6	146.3
North Lake of Wheatland Reservoir.			1.0	147.3
Spillway for the Wheatland Reservoir			1.0	147.5
Cattle Guard. Going off of George Dodge's land onto the land of Adam Boyd.			1.0	147.5
Cattle Guard. Leaving Boyd land and entering the Kite land which belongs				

	ELEVATION	TIME	MILEAGE	
			Local	Trip
to Frank Boyd, a son.		Approx.	3.8	151.3
North end of Reservoir Dam.			2.4	153.7
Cattle Guard.			.2	153.9
Care Taker House.			.5	154.4
Archway where the water is drawn of the Reservoir and continues down the Laramie River.				
Ditch where water is taken out to irrigate the Kite Ranch.				
A large useless Canal which was for a project that was never completed. The intention was for another water storage west of the Kite buildings which can be seen to the right and north.	7000		.9	155.3
The length of the Reservoir dam is one mile.				
The cattle guard with two big stone pillars is where we go off of the Adam Boyd land on to that of Fred Hirsig's.			.3	155.6
Bell and Hirsig corrals and loading docks.			3.8	159.4
To the south the Schmale Ranch formerly the S. W. Gillespie Ranch at Ione Lake.			2.2	161.6
Chalk Bluffs to right and back			.1	161.7
Miser Lake and Reservoir for stock water to right on Miser Flat.			.2	161.7
Crossing the Rock Creek and S. W. Gillespie Road.			.7	162.6
View of the well known Table Land. Cattle Guard. Leaving the Bell and Hirsig land and entering the land of Schmale Brother's formerly Gillespie land.	Rock River in the distance.		.5	163.1
Schmale's branding corral and lake by Kite Road.			.5	163.6
Cattle Guard. Leaving Schmale land and entering that of J. S. Malmquist.			1.2	164.8
Cattle Guard. Leaving J. S. Malmquist land and approaching Highway 30.			.8	165.6
Watch to the left after traversing Highway 30 for about one half mile the Schmale or Gillespie Ranch can be seen to the left nine miles away. The roofs of the buildings are shiny. Trees can be seen along the valley of the Laramie River.		3:30	.6	166.2
			3.5	169.7