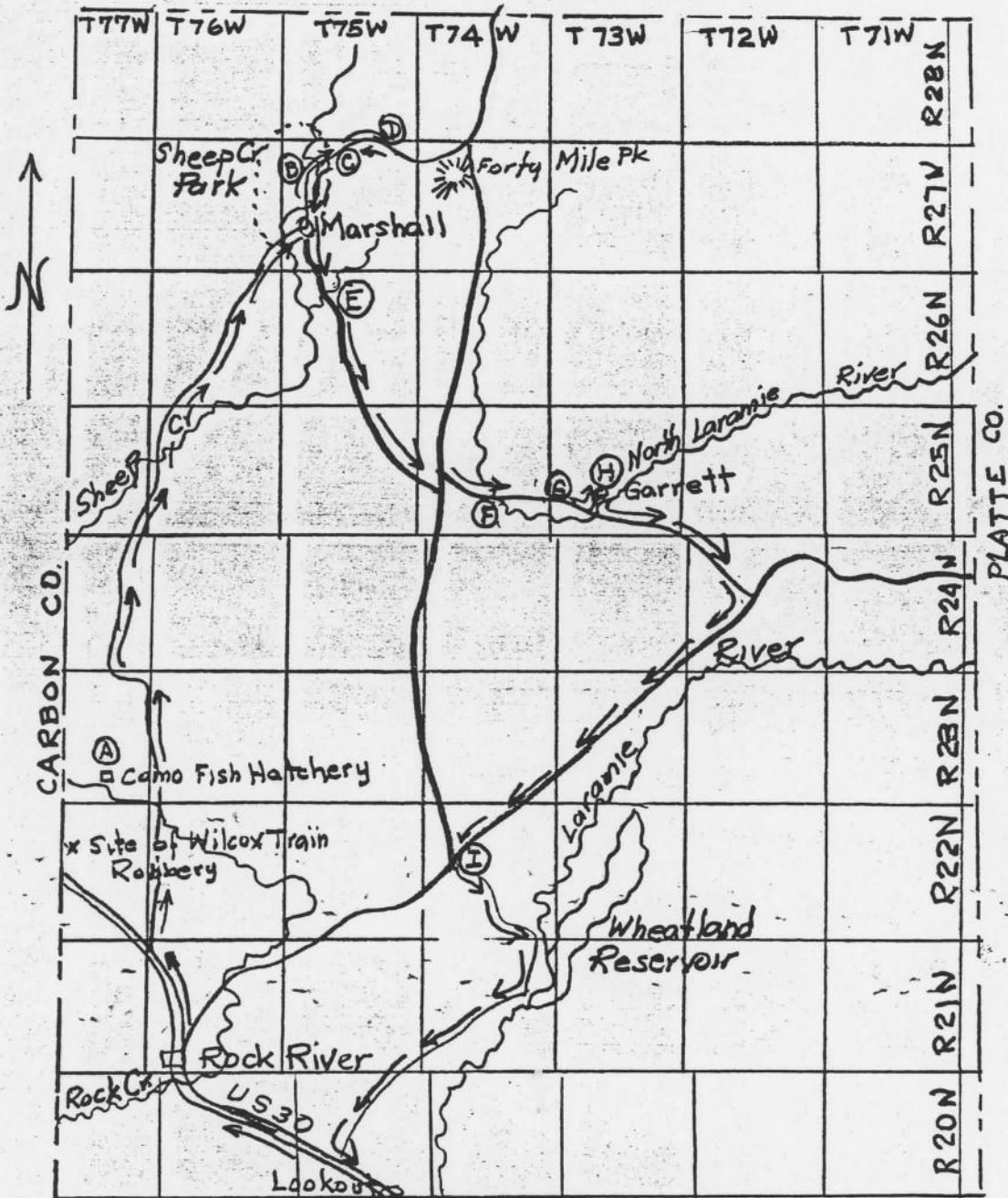


SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL OLD TIME RANCH TOUR

NORTHERN ALBANY COUNTY

July 14, 1968



KEY

- A. Fish Hatchery
- B. Jim Robbins Ranch
- C. Karl Meyers Ranch
- D. Merle Robbins Ranch
- E. Dale Robbins Ranch
- F. Howe Ranch
- G. Dunlap Ranch
- H. Garrett P.O.
- I. Kite Ranch

Seventeenth Annual Old Time Ranch Tour

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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 Denver Westerners. It has been arranged by A. S. Gillespie, W. A. Riedl, John Paulson, George Burgess, Colonel Arthur Hodges, Mrs. Forest Blunk, and Albany County Agent, Lawrence Patterson.

BRING YOUR CAR, FAMILY, FRIENDS, LUNCH, WATER (OR OTHER LIQUID) AND BE AT THE COURT HOUSE SQUARE 6:45 A.M., JULY 14, 1968.

Today we will see the Fish Hatchery and many of the ranches between here and Sheep Creek Park which are situated in the northwestern portion of Albany County; the Garret Post Office which is the second oldest post-office in the northern part of the county, (Owen was the first in that part of the country); the famous Kite Ranch established in 1882, one of the oldest ranches in Albany County; and the Wheatland Reservoir.

Touring speed will be 50 miles per hour on Highway 30 and 45 per hour down to 40 miles per hour on some of the roads that are not so good. We will not encounter any rocky or rough roads.

PLACE	ELEVATION	TIME	MILEAGE	
		Approx.	Local	Trip
LARAMIE, Court House Square	7165	7:00	0.0	0.0
Diamond Horseshoe LEFT		7:10	2.0	2.0
Aunt Mary Erneardt Ranch		7:11	.6	2.6
Frank C. Bosler Ranch. Formerly King Bros. Ranch. RIGHT		7:18	5.5	8.1
Ray Lumberg. Formerly Bill Kruger Ranch		7:22	1.6	9.7
Art McKechnie Ranch. Where trees are.		7:24	.8	10.5
Howell Station. Now moved.		7:25	1.0	11.5
Laramie Peak staring at you straight ahead.				
Elk Mountain LEFT and north of Medicine Bow Range.		7:29	3.4	14.9
Boughton Canal		7:31	1.8	16.7
Laramie River		7:33	.8	17.5
Ghost Ranch. East 1/2 mile		7:34	.4	17.9
Bosler		7:35	1.0	18.9
Coble-Wallis Ranch. 3 miles northeast		7:36	.4	19.3
John Hill Ranch, Estate. RIGHT		7:37	.9	20.2
Oliver Hill Ranch (Formerly). Now belongs to Oscar Schmale		7:39	1.5	21.7
The Laramie River	7120			
Cooper Lake		7:40	1.2	22.9
Cooper Lake Station LEFT		7:42	1.8	24.7
Cooper Lake oasis		7:44	1.5	26.2
Lookout Station		7:46	1.4	27.6
Lookout Knolls. RIGHT In June 1890 a 14 year old boy was found dead by Luttie Dunn. Mystery was never solved.		7:47	.3	27.9

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	7120			
Lookout and Kite Road		7:49	1.5	29.4
Harper Station		7:54	3.9	33.3
Thorton Ranch once owned by J. S. Malmquist can be seen two miles northeast. RIGHT		7:58	2.9	36.2
Lance Robinson Ranch. RIGHT		7:58	.2	36.4
Dick Nelson Ranch. LEFT		8:00	1.4	37.8
Rock Creek Stream		8:00	.1	37.9
Town of Rock River		8:01	.5	38.4

EVERYONE MUST FILL THEIR CAR WITH GAS AND HAVE THEIR OIL CHECKED. A long trip lies ahead of us.

There are many filling stations in Rock River. Some of the Caravan should stop at the first station. The leader will wait at the city limits until all are lined up. For late comers, the Caravan can be caught at Rock River.

Leave Rock River at No.3 Canal where line of trees are LEFT.		8:11	.5	38.4
At the fork of the highway is a marker between the roads which is the location of Fort Laramie and Fort Halleck soldier's trail.		8:15	2.3	40.7
Big Farm to LEFT below the Canal		8:16	.2	40.9
Ray Bottom Ranch. RIGHT		8:16	.5	41.4
Lawrence Eikler Ranch. RIGHT		8:17	.6	42.0
Wilcox Station. LEFT		8:17	.6	42.6
Max Waring Ranch One Mile. RIGHT		8:18	.8	43.4
Farmer's Ditch		8:19	.5	43.9
Ernest Miller's deserted ranch. RIGHT		8:19	.5	44.4
H. A. True Ranch. Formerly Brokaw Ranch		8:20	.9	45.3
Marshal Road to RIGHT		8:21	.6	45.9
End of the siphon which took water from No.3 on point of hill north to flow into a ditch where the "Kansas Valley" was irrigated during the life of the colony.		8:22	.3	46.2
Boosting Plant to left.		8:29	1.2	47.4
Como Ridge. A high long ridge extending East and West. (Extensive Dinosaur beds.)				
Wilcox Train Robbery was 2 miles east where the long draw passes under the Old Railroad grade. June 2, 1899. Oil pipeline which carries oil from Guernsey, Wyoming to Salt Lake.		8:31	.4	47.8
Crossing east end of Como Bluffs.		8:32	.7	48.5
Crossing original grade of the U.P.R.R.		8:33	1.1	49.6
Entering on the Swan Company land - Now the Carlin Ranch See the Otto Nelle homestead in trees.		8:40	1.4	51.0
Cross cattle guard.		8:47	1.1	52.1
Carlin Ranch. LEFT		8:53	.1	52.2
Rock Creek		8:53	.5	52.7
Rattle Snake Peak. RIGHT		8:54	.5	53.2
Cattle Guard		8:55	.5	53.7
FISH HATCHERY. 20 Minute Stop		8:56	.5	54.2

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Leaving Fish Hatchery		9:16		54.2
Leaving Carlin Ranch		9:18	1.2	55.4
Gypsum Quarry		9:20	1.4	56.8
TB Mountains to northwest		9:22	1.5	58.3
Cattle Guard		9:23	.8	59.1
Greasewood Creek. Dinosaur bed. WEST		9:27	3.7	62.8
Greasewood Knoll. High point. RIGHT				
Lester Emerson Ranch. RIGHT		9:32	5.2	68.0
Leaving the Carlin Ranch land		9:33	.6	68.6
Buck Point. East about 5 miles.		9:34	.5	69.1
Cattle Guard		9:35	.7	69.8
Entering the Wisebardt land.		9:36	.7	70.5
Sheep Creek		9:38	2.5	73.0
Brown place. Weisbardt owner.		9:39	.2	73.2
Boot Heel. Close to LEFT.		9:43	4.7	77.9
Cattle Guard. Leaving Weisbardt land.				
Nate Smith Ranch. RIGHT				
Deserted Homestead. LEFT		9:44	1.0	78.9
A. Holliday mail box.		9:46	1.1	80.0
Road to Little Medicine				
Upper Brown place on Sheep Creek.		9:50	1.6	81.6
Cattle Guard and Homestead Cabin		9:55	1.0	82.6
Garrett Road		9:56	.4	83.0
Weisbardt's buildings		9:57	.4	83.4
Cattle Guard. Entering Jimmie Robbins Land.		9:58	.2	83.6
Cattle Guard		10:01	1.1	84.7
Robbins Ranch. 10 minute STOP.		10:14	1.5	86.2
Cattle Guard		10:15	.8	87.0
Shucky Bell's Ranch. RIGHT				
Cattle Guard		10:16	.5	87.5
Karl Meyer Ranch. CROWNING OF THE QUEEN	7250	10:17	.7	88.2
Leaving Karl Meyers Ranch		10:30		
Merle Robbins Ranch		10:40	1.3	89.5
Back pass Meyers		10:50	1.3	90.8
Leaving Jim Robbins		11:05	3.0	93.8
Mail Boxes		11:07	1.0	94.8
Dale Robbins LUNCH TIME		11:10	2.0	96.8
Leaving Dale Robbins		11:40		
Fort Fetterman Stage Road		11:50	2.0	98.8
Howe or J. Dobson Ranch		12:00	2.0	100.8
Wind Break and Windmill. RIGHT		12:10	2.0	102.8
Once A. B. Gillespie's Meadow. RIGHT		12:15	1.0	103.8
Cow Shed. LEFT		12:25	2.0	105.8
Cow Shed. LEFT		12:30	1.0	106.8
Glenn Dunlap Ranch		12:35	1.0	107.8
Garrett Road. Clear view of Laramie Peak		12:45	1.0	108.8
Cattle Shelter and water. LEFT		12:50	1.0	109.8
Don and Merle Robbins land. 1/2 mile to RIGHT		12:55	1.0	110.8
Prager's Road		1:00	1.0	111.8
Garrett Post Office. LEFT. Second Post Office established in Northern Albany County.		1:05	1.0	112.8

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	7120						
Crossing North Laramie River		1:10	.2	113.0			
Bob Sturgeon's Land. LEFT		1:15	1.0	114.0			
Antelope Basin							
Goodrich's Mail Box. LEFT		1:25	2.0	116.0			
Hall's Donley Pasture. Cattle Guard		1:30	1.0	117.0			
First view of Wheatland Reservoir		1:35	1.0	118.0			
Leaving Hall's land. Cattle Guard		1:45	2.0	120.0			
Sid Sturgeon Jr. Ranch. House at RIGHT							
Reservoir. LEFT		1:50	1.0	121.0			
Duck Creek		1:55	1.0	122.0			
Duck Creek Spring. Who wants a drink! LEFT							
Kite Reservoir. LEFT 1/2 mile		2:05	1.0	124.0			
Leaving Sturgeon's land to to Palmer's land.		2:10	1.0	125.0			
Rock River - Wheatland Road. TURN RIGHT		2:15	1.0	126.0			
Sand Creek		2:20	1.0	127.0			
Government Corral. And small pastures. LEFT		2:25	3.0	130.0			
Entering Boyd land		2:35	2.0	132.0			
Cabin along the oil pipe line.		2:40	1.0	133.0			
Leaving Boyd's land.		2:50	2.0	135.0			
Leaving Wheatland Highway. TURN LEFT		2:55	1.0	136.0			
Back on Boyd's land		3:00	1.0	137.0			
Kite Ranch. Established 1882.		3:15	3.0	140.0			
Wheatland Reservoir		3:25	2.0	142.0			
Large Canal							
Stone Pillars							
Corrals and loading chute owned by Barney McQuire.		3:45	4.0	146.0			
Cattle Guard. Was Gillespie land after crossing.		4:10	5.0	151.0			
Highway 30. CARAVAN DISBANDS AT THIS POINT.		4:35	5.0	156.0			
"Laramie City"		5:15	30.0	186.0			

HOPE YOU HAVE ENJOYED THE TRIP SO WE CAN GO NEXT YEAR!