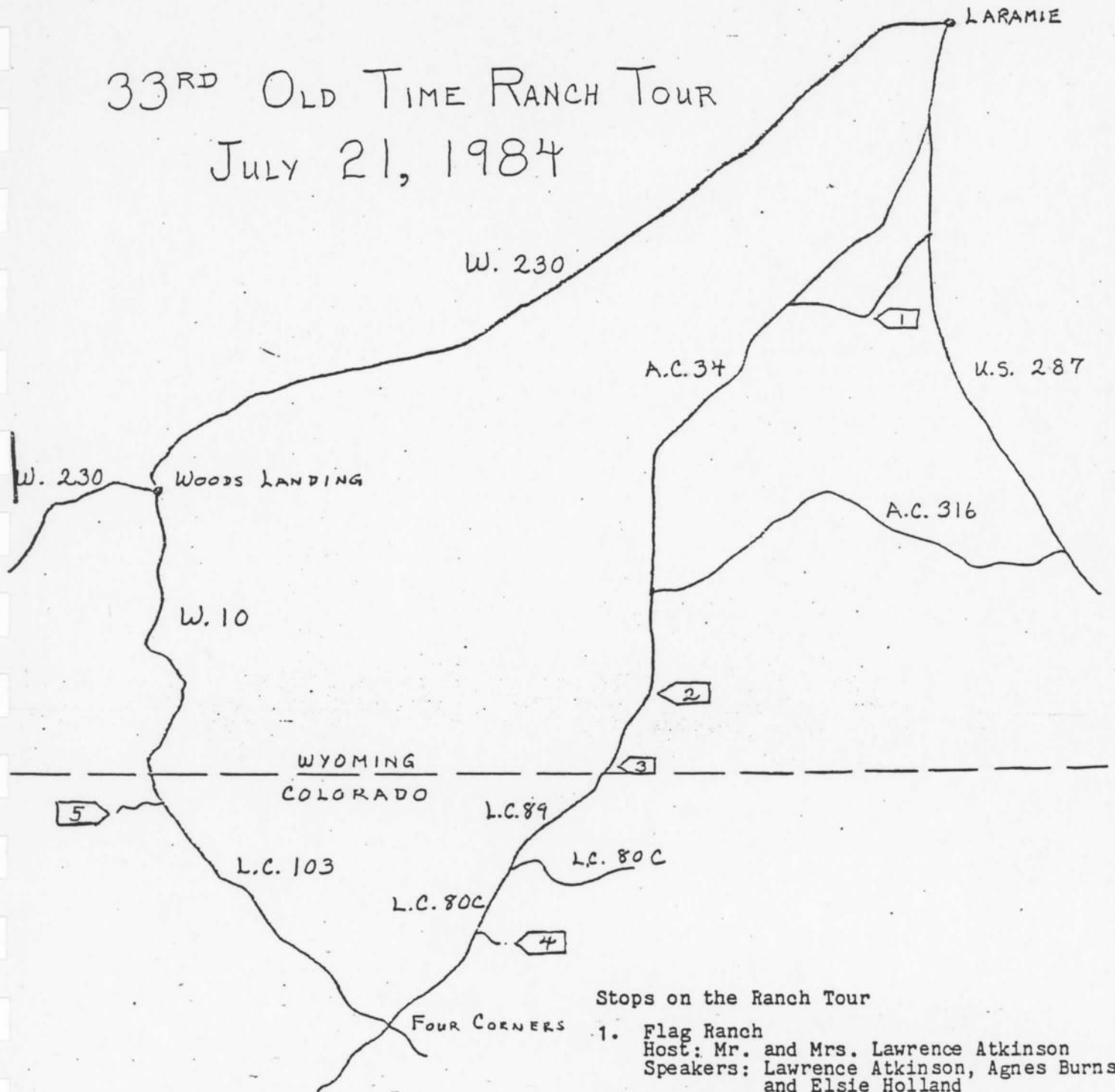


33RD OLD TIME RANCH TOUR

JULY 21, 1984



Sponsored by the Laramie Kiwanis Club,
the Albany County Historical Society, and
the Laramie Westerners.

Stops on the Ranch Tour

1. Flag Ranch
Host: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Atkinson
Speakers: Lawrence Atkinson, Agnes Burns,
and Elsie Holland
2. Chimney Rock Ranch
Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lilley
Speaker: Frank Lilley
3. Chimney Rock
Speaker: Frank Lilley
4. Lunch at a picnic area in the
Roosevelt National Forest
5. Hohnholz Ranch
Hosts: Robert and Phyllis Hohnholz
Speaker: Robert Hohnholz and Lillian Heinz

THIRTY-THIRD OLD TIME RANCH TOUR

Saturday, July 21, 1984

The series of Old Time Ranch Tours was conceived and promoted by Dr. Robert Burns. The first tour was held in 1951. The series has continued annually except for 1982.

The tour is now sponsored jointly by the Laramie Kiwanis Club, the Albany County Historical Society, and the Laramie Westerners.

The 1984 Ranch Tour Committee

Co-Chairmen: Roger Rayda
Maurice Wear

Committee Members: Henry Bauer Ken Faulkner
Fred Dudley Bill Reidl

The map of the tour is on the cover of this brochure; the projected log of the tour is on the back cover. The third stop is a lunch stop where restroom facilities will be available.

The tour will begin promptly at 8 A.M. To reduce the total number of vehicles and to save gasoline, we encourage participants to share rides. Transportation will be arranged for those persons who report to the lead car around 7:30.

Safety is a primary concern. Tour marshalls and traffic controllers will coordinate the caravan. Please follow the directions of the traffic controllers. We will cross railroad tracks at the entrance to the Flag Ranch. If a train approaches, you will be asked to stop well away from the tracks. DO NOT STOP ON THE TRACKS! You will not be left behind. A trailing car will inform the lead car of the delay.

Your cooperation will also be appreciated at the parking sites for each stop. Whenever possible, parking will be accomplished so that cars need not use reverse gear for entering or leaving a site. Please allow the numbered cars to leave a site first. (Gates must be opened and traffic controllers must be ready to park cars at the next location.)

CB radio will be used to communicate among the tour marshalls and to provide historical commentary. If you wish to contribute to this effort, see the lead car. Please do not engage in CB activity unless so designated.

KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE BETWEEN CARS. TURN LIGHTS ON IN TOWN. THE SPEED ON THE PAVED HIGHWAYS IS LIMITED TO 55 MILES PER HOUR OUTSIDE THE TOWNS AND SHOULD BE ABOUT 35 MILES PER HOUR ON DIRT ROADS. DRIVE CAREFULLY. RESPECT THE OTHER FELLOW. ENJOY THE SCENERY AND HAVE A GOOD TRIP.

Again, please take special precautions concerning safety. Keep children with you at all times. Neither the committee, individually or collectively, nor any of the sponsoring agencies accept any responsibility for accidents.

Many persons have helped to organize and promote this year's tour. In particular, we thank Arlowe Hulett, Albany County Extension Agent, for helping to contact the ranchers who serve as our hosts. The generosity of the Coca Cola and Pepsi Bottling Companies and the Valley Gold Dairy deserve our thanks for providing the refreshments at lunch. We greatly appreciate the publicity given to the tour by the Laramie Daily Boomerang, the Branding Iron, the Laramie radio stations KOWB, KJO, KRQU, KCGY, and KUWR. We also thank the officers of the law who escorted us in various places along the route and the members of the Laramie Kiwanis Club who assisted in traffic control.

Stop 1. The Flag Ranch Headquarters

The Flag Ranch was established by Robert Homer and Frank Sargeant in 1872. Later Mr. Sargeant returned to Boston. Mr. Homer added to his holdings and owned the ranch until his death in 1927. Many guests from Europe and the Eastern United States were entertained here at parties and hunting trips. The Homer Castle was a gracious and pleasant social center in the Laramie community. The Castle was outfitted with furnishings from Europe, New York, and Boston. This log home was destroyed by fire in November, 1933.

The Flag Ranch is now owned by the Pitchfork Land and Cattle Company. Lawrence Atkinson is the ranch manager. Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson will be the hosts at the ranch. Ranch history will be discussed by Lawrence Atkinson, Mrs. Agnes Burns, and Mrs. Elsie Holland.

Stop 2. The Chimney Rock Ranch.

Located near the historic land mark, Chimney Rock, this ranch was originally part of the old Flag Ranch. It was the center of a large sheep operation with lambing and shearing facilities when the Klink family operated the Flag. It is now owned by the Chimney Rock Ranches, Limited. Frank Lilley has managed and operated the ranch since 1952. Mr. and Mrs. Lilley are the hosts at this stop and will give history of the ranch and the Chimney Rock area. The ranch is on the Sand Creek Road near the Wyoming-Colorado border.

Stop 3. Chimney Rock or Castle Rock

Stop 4. Lunch

The tour will stop at a clearing in the Roosevelt National Forest for lunch. Soft drinks have been provided by the Pepsi and Coca Cola Bottling Companies of Laramie. The ice cream has been donated by the Valley Gold Dairy of Laramie.

Stop 5. The Hohnholz Ranch.

Located near the Big Laramie River, this ranch is about two miles from the Colorado-Wyoming state line on Road No. 10, fourteen miles south of Woods Landing, Wyoming. The ranch was established by Cap Hance in the 1880's and was called the Grace Creek Ranch in early years.

John Hohnholz sold his Shell Creek ranch in 1917 and purchased this ranch. After Mr. Hohnholz died in 1933, it was operated by Mrs. Hohnholz until the mid 1940's. At that time the management and operation was turned over to the youngest son, Robert. He and his wife, Phyllis, along with members of their family continue to operate the ranch at the present time and are hosts for the final tour stop.

NOTE: The tour caravan will disband after leaving the Hohnholz Ranch. The tour directors suggest that you head north to Woods Landing and return to Laramie via Wyoming 230. Drive carefully and enjoy the scenery.

Old Time Ranch Tour Itinerary

| <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>MILES</u> | <u>TIME</u> |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| County Courthouse Departure | 0.0 | 8:00 |
| U. S. 287--Pitchfork Ranch sign | 8.6 | 8:20 |
| Flag Ranch Headquarters | 2.8 | 8:30 |
| Tour of Flag Ranch | 0.0 | 8:30-9:30 |
| Flag Ranch to Sand Creek Road | 1.6 | 9:45 |
| Sand Creek Road to Lilley Ranch | 13.4 | 10:00 |
| Tour of Chimney Rock Ranch | 0.0 | 10:00-11:00 |
| Chimney Rock Ranch to Chimney Rock | 4.2 | 11:30-12 noon |
| Chimney Rock description | 0.0 | 12:00-12:30 |
| Chimney Rock to lunch site | 8.7 | 12:30 |
| Lunch | 0.0 | 12:30-1:15 |
| Lunch site to Four Corners | 3.6 | 1:30 |
| Four Corners to Hohnholz Ranch | 8.6 | 2:00 |
| Tour of Hohnholz Ranch | 0.0 | 2:00-3:00 |
| Proceed on Highway 10 Northwest 11.2 miles to the junction of Highway 10 and Highway 230. | | |
| Hohnholz Ranch to Woods Landing | 11.2 | 3:15 |
| Woods Landing to Laramie | 27.3 | 4:00 |
| TOTALS | 90.0 | 8.0 hours |