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### Kinzua Legionnaires Entertain Posts Of District No. 11

By ELSA M. LEATHERS  
Marshall F. Sargent Post No. 171, American Legion, was host Sunday at the Pioneer park to all posts in district 11, state and area commanders and their staffs, as well as the neighboring posts of Fossil and Condon. A large crowd enjoyed the picnic which the auxiliary planned. Ice cream, pop, cake and salad were served. Games were played, with prizes for winners. Special 15, 20, 25, and 30 year membership cards were awarded at this time to Carl Coleman, 30 years; B. H. Preston, 25 years; Howard Bird 15 years.

About three-fourths of Kinzua went to Fossil Saturday to see the circus. Barbara Graham was selected candidate from Kinzua for the Wheeler county fair queen. Tickets are being sold now for her points. Georgie Lee Hoover of Fossil is also a candidate. Beginning Monday evening at 4 o'clock several started on a night shift at the factory. Only two saws will operate for the time being, which requires a crew of about eight persons. Una Rudd returned to work after being off for two weeks with a badly cut hand from a broken milk bottle. Patsy Woods returned home Saturday from Portland where she has been taking a course at Multnomah college, which she finished Thursday. Mabel Anderson accompanied Mrs. Ralph Thompson of The Dalles to see Mr. Thompson who fell and broke his arm on their ranch near here. Mrs. Anderson is Mrs. Thompson's sister. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beard of London, Ky. are visiting relatives and friends here this week. Mr. Beard has been attending veterans school in Chicago. They are former Kinzua people. Mr. and Mrs. George Close have as their house guest, Mrs. Betty Boeck of Tillamook. Everett Hadley of Hermiston visited his uncle, Glen Hadley, at Camp 5, Friday and also at the Owen Leathers Sr. home Friday evening at Kinzua. Naval Sitton returned to Kinzua Wednesday from The Dalles hos-

### Lexington People Honor Neighbor on His 80th Birthday

By MRS. DELPHA JONES  
The W. E. McMillan home was the scene of a potluck dinner Sunday honoring Joe Clark on his 80th birthday. The dinner was served on the lawn, with Mr. Clark cutting the first piece of his birthday cake which was an angel food with decorations on top, spelling out the words "Happy Birthday, Daddy Clark." Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Crum and family and Barney Crum; Mrs. W. I. Miller and family; Mr. and Mrs. George Irvin; John Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones and family of Lexington; Mrs. W. I. Miller and four children, La Grande, and the W. E. McMillan family.

Mrs. Maurice Groves and children are home again after their vacation spent in Corvallis. The Charlie Buchanan family motored to Ellensburg over the week-end, taking their grandson, Ward Dawson, to his home there. Mr. and Mrs. Art Hunt and children Shirley and Donald, motored to Portland and Seaside over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Millard Nolan and family are spending their vacation at Salt Lake and Yellowstone Park. Mrs. W. I. Miller and children, Dorothy and Gary, were week-end visitors at the Cecil Jones home. Wayne Miller, other son of the Millers, returned to his home with them after a three weeks vacation in Lexington. Earl Miller remained here for awhile. Mr. and Mrs. George Graves have returned from their vacation spent in eastern Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Claude White and daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Henderson and family returned this week from a trip to Grand Coulee dam, Montana and Yellowstone Park. The Whites purchased a new car en route. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Griffith are spending a few days in La Grande. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wallace and sons and Denny McMillan have returned from a trip to Yellowstone Park and way points. The Amlicita club met at the home of Mrs. C. C. Jones Wednesday of last week. There were no guests present and the evening was spent playing pinochle, with high score being won by Eileen Padberg, low, Gladys Van Winkle and traveling pinochle, Thelma Anderson Refreshments of pie and coffee were served at midnight. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Van Winkle and children of Corvallis and Mrs. Nordquist of Berkenfeld returned to their homes the first of the week after a vacation spent at the Wm. Van Winkle Sr. home. Mrs. Van Winkle was a judge at the Umatilla county fair in Hermiston. Mrs. Norman Nelson of Lexington was one of the judges at the Umatilla county fair last week. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Newt O'Harra this week-end were Mr. and Mrs. L. I. O'Harra and Mrs. Clarissa Price of Weston, brother and sister of Mr. O'Harra, and Jeannie O'Harra, a niece, of Stewart, Nev. Charles Buchanan, son of the Charlie Buchanans, returned Saturday from a few days spent in Portland. Mrs. Thelma Anderson and daughter, Alma June, are vacationing this week. Edward Burchell was renewing acquaintances in Lexington and vicinity Tuesday of this week. Edward and family are soon to leave for Germany where he is to be stationed with the U. S. army. Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Breeding and children returned from a trip to California and way points. They brought the Don Grant children, Jeanne and Jimmie of Prineville home with them for a visit. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marquardt are having a well deserved vacation in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Pine Thornburg are driving a new car the last few days. Lee Padberg, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Padberg, is vacationing in Idaho with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sperry of Portland. Sally and Maryland Sherman of Hermiston are visiting their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carmichael. gene. They visited Mr. Robinson's mother, Mrs. Gretchen Anfinson, before returning home Sunday. Many friends of Thad Turner were visiting him at The Dalles hospital over the week-end. It is hoped he will be able to return home next week-end. He had a serious operation on the 15th. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brogdon and Mrs. Marvin Hines and daughter consulted doctors at The Dalles Saturday. Mr. Brogdon received a check-up on his infected leg; Mrs. Hines for ear trouble and Ginger Hines had her glasses changed. Joe Hays is on his vacation this week. Going to Portland with him were Mrs. Stan Wright and daughter from Oroville, Calif., who had been visiting friends here. Mrs. Martha Rowell and her granddaughter, Linda Rowell of Hood River are visiting at the Harvey Ring home. Mr. and Mrs. Huston Bryson visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bryson.

### Oregon's Dude Ranches Relaxing For Nerve-Jangled Businessmen



Dudes ride the range on one of Oregon's dude ranches, described in this article.

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**BY WILMA MORRISON**  
Staff Writer, The Oregonian

If all the unopposed newspapers that collect on Northwest dude ranches from June to October were unrolled and placed edge to edge—they would still go unread.

This is the considered opinion, not only of the ranch owners but of their customers, the confirmed ranch vacationers who find a unique antidote for city tensions in a half hour's perch on a corral fence, a goal-less walk over country roads or a slow horseback ride. Most of all, they find it in the difficult-to-analyze way in which the dude ranch makes its guests part of its own operation.

Chuck Oswald, operator of the Lazy T ranch at Joseph, says: "Without any doubt, the greatest pleasure the dude ranch guest gets out of his vacation comes from identifying himself with the ranch and with every trifling thing that happens while he is there—with the birth of a colt, the new batch of kittens, the leak in the barn roof."

Marjorie Raiston, who, with her husband, Cliff, runs the Circle M on the Metolius river, makes the same point, illustrating it with letters from guests who go home only to write back and ask if Sandy's lame forefoot got well and did Dinah, the cougar hound, produce males or females or both. And they send little presents, equipment for the house or stable—a cowboy picture, a tablecloth with the ranch brand on it.

Indication of a nostalgia for simple things? Or maybe it is just a longing for time, the slow-moving ranch time that lets a man forget his 20th century obligation to get ahead. According to veteran ranch operators, the most tense, high-speed executive, given time and no pressure finds himself absorbed by the motion of a duck family in the river, tracks

of a deer, the comic bobbings and bouncings of a water ouzel collecting his rations along a mountain stream.

Oregon, which probably has more ideal dude ranch country than any state in the Union, has comparatively few such operations. Maybe it is because Oregonians are still too close to the historic drama and beauty of their country to appreciate it.

Whatever the reason, there has been a boom in local business since the war. Guest books show patronage was predominantly California and the East before 1945. The past four years, two thirds of the names are followed by Oregon addresses, mostly Portland.

Catalog of Oregon ranches includes:

The Lazy T at Joseph—so close to the beautiful and friendly Willows a four-mile ride will put you squarely in the mountains themselves (not the foothills). An hour's ride and you can look into the spectacular and world-famed Hell's canyon of the Snake river. It is gateway to fabulous fishing and hunting—the Minam country for elk and the Innaha for deer.

The Circle M, in the heart of the Cascades, is on the Metolius river near Sisters—post office, Camp Sherman. It can be reached in about five hours from Portland over the North or South Santiam highways or by way of The Dalles-California highway to Redmond. The Circle M, which features pack trips into the Mt. Jefferson and Sisters country, boasts a spectacular backdrop of peaks.

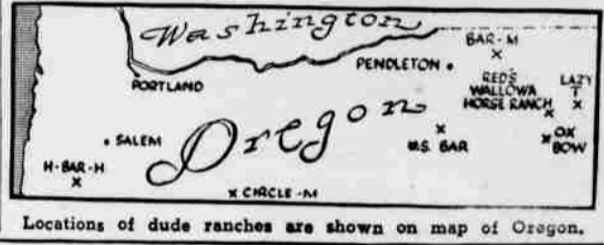
Red's Willows Horse ranch is on the Minam river and, thanks to national publicity in Pic, Outdoor Life and Flying magazines, is probably most widely known. It is not so familiar to run-of-the-mill dudes because it can't be reached by car. Traffic is by plane or an eight-mile pack trip. Red's offers not only riding, hiking and the latest in cabin accommodations, but every kind of personal camping facility available to those who want to be packed in to the ranch or on one of the special trips to the ranch.

Very close to home is the H Bar H ranch near Wren, reached by highway 99W south from Portland through Corvallis and Philomath. Biggest attraction here is riding, although there is fishing on the place in Mary's river or southwest toward Waldport in the Alesia. The H Bar H, because of its location, features short-time week-end overnight parties, along with its longer reservations.

The Ox Bow is at Medical Springs, 35 miles southeast out of La Grande, another summer play spot which offers the beauties and attractions of the Willows.

The Bar M is in the Blue mountain country, some 30 miles northeast from Pendleton, at Bingham springs. It offers, in addition to the usual dude ranch activities, a natural warm water swimming tank.

The U. S. Bar at Ukiah is 50 miles nearly straight south from Pendleton on highway 395—another ranch with the Blue mountains as background and play field.



Locations of dude ranches are shown on map of Oregon.

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