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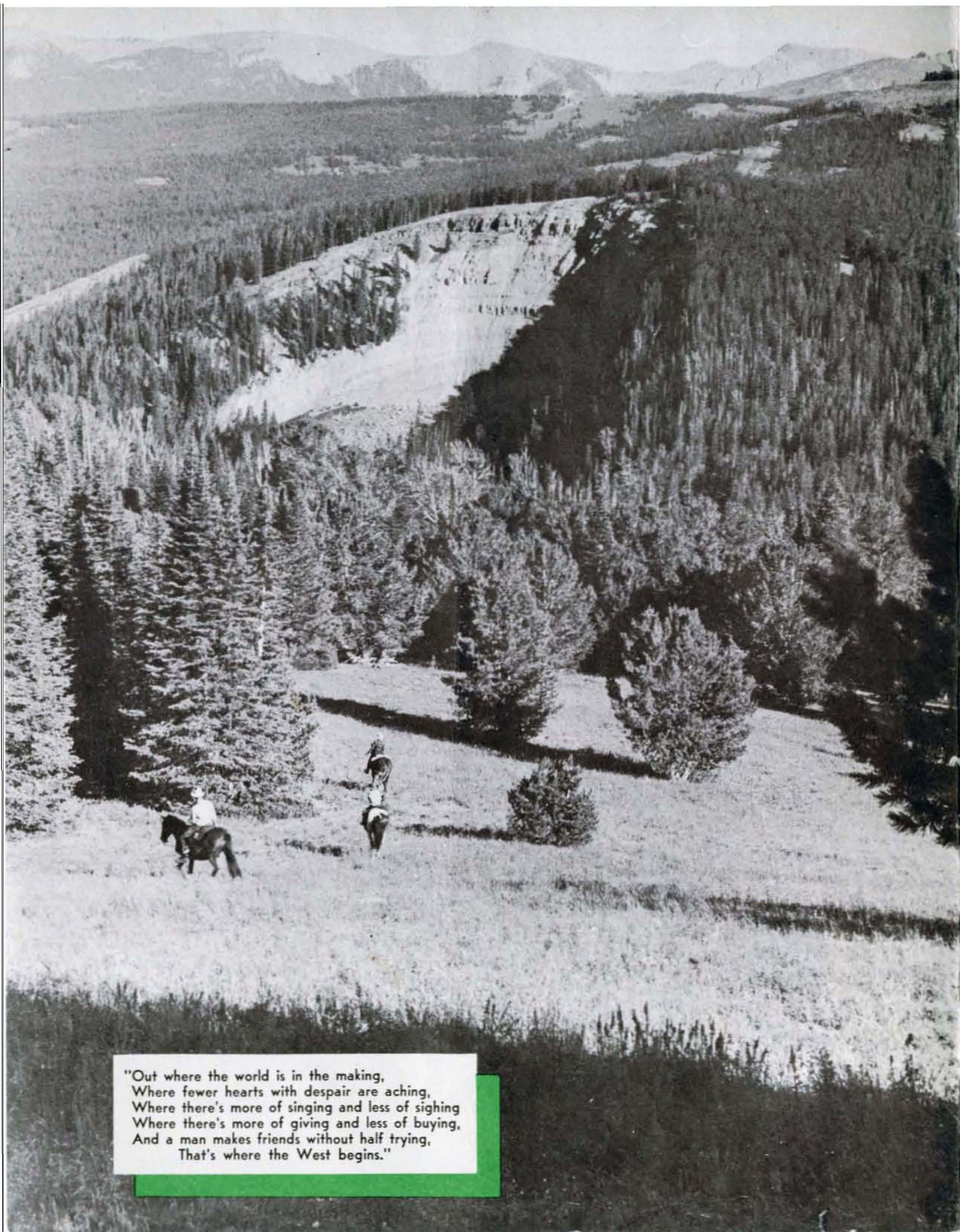


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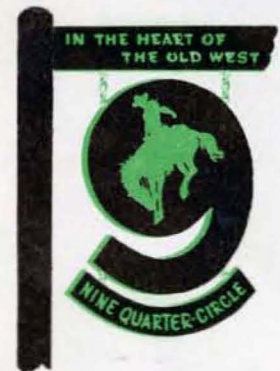


**NINE QUARTER-CIRCLE RANCH**  
**GALLATIN GATEWAY, MONTANA**





"Out where the world is in the making,  
Where fewer hearts with despair are aching,  
Where there's more of singing and less of sighing  
Where there's more of giving and less of buying,  
And a man makes friends without half trying,  
That's where the West begins."



IN THE SHADOW OF THE MONTANA ROCKIES—  
along side a rushing untamed river called Taylors Fork—in  
the heart of the Gallatin National Forest which contains  
several million acres—is the Nine Quarter Circle Ranch—  
just seven miles from the northwest corner of Yellowstone National Park. This Stock  
and Dude Ranch has a history dating back to 1892 when it was first homesteaded. The  
Nine Quarter Circle brand is one of the oldest—one digit—brands still in use. The  
Indians once ran elk herds here—and Jim Bridger rode after buffalo. The stage coach  
lurches no more over the once rocky trails; the hunter is gone with his long bowie, but  
nature's wildness still remains.

*John Kirby South exp the  
dali*





HERE IS THE SETTING for a perfect vacation with all of the comforts of home. The ranch buildings are of log construction built in true Montana style. The beds are furnished with inner-spring mattresses with Oraskan blankets. There's Navajo floor coverings, knotty pine table and chairs; all of the appointments are simple but comfortable and effective. There are 60 guest accommodations, some with private bath, some connecting bath, and others with central bathhouses.

The ranch is virtually a little city of its own, with its electric light and power system (110 volt AC), pressure mountain spring water, telephone, etc. There are 41 buildings in all consisting of lodge, guest cabins, dining room and kitchen, bathhouses, tack building, lounge, photographic laboratory, trading post, office, barns, laundry and power building, shop and garage, corrals, etc. There's also the "Honeymoon Cabin" that's appropriately appointed even to the atmosphere—this is one in which Gary Cooper lived, and later Clara Bow. There's all the comforts of home with all of the beauty of Nature. Adventure, thrills, romance—healthy, restful relaxation. Unforgettable days and nights. Here's the wonder ranch of the West where you gladly leave all else behind.



RIGHT—A bright and cheery dining room. Where appetites acquire new life.

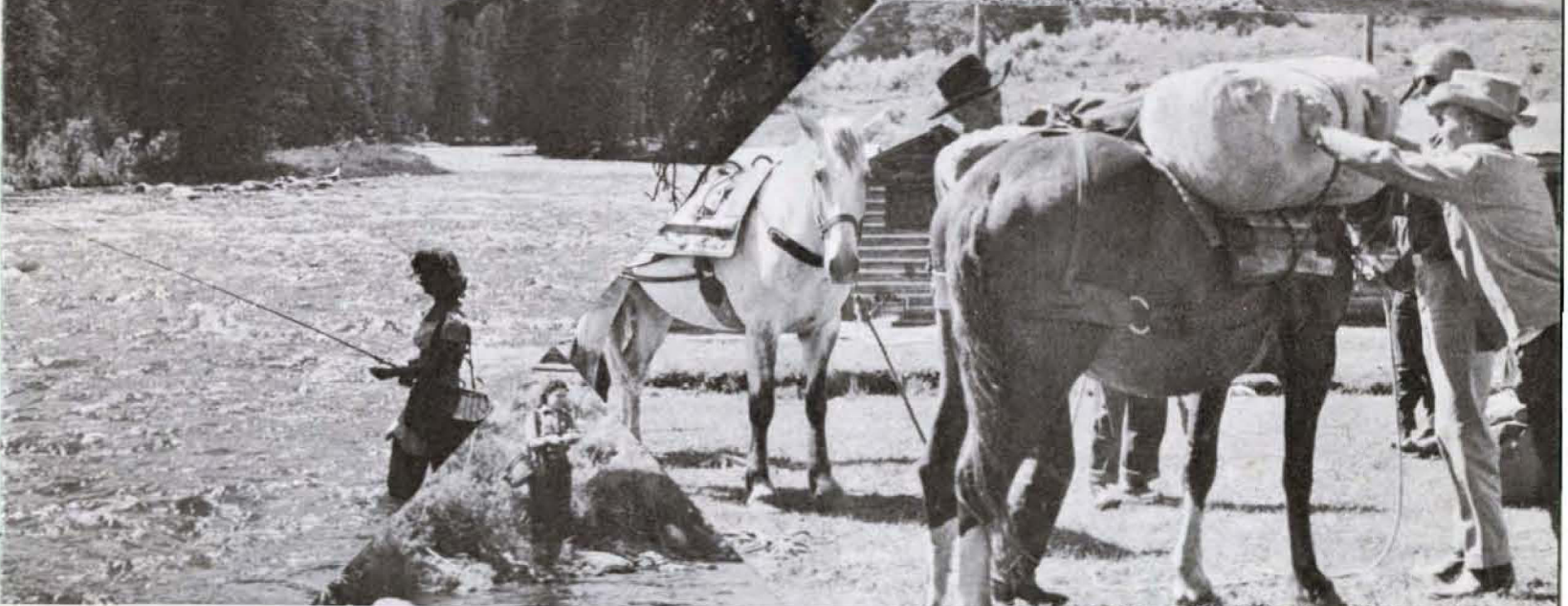
BELOW—A corner of the lodge newly furnished in the rustic style—one of the finest buildings in the West.



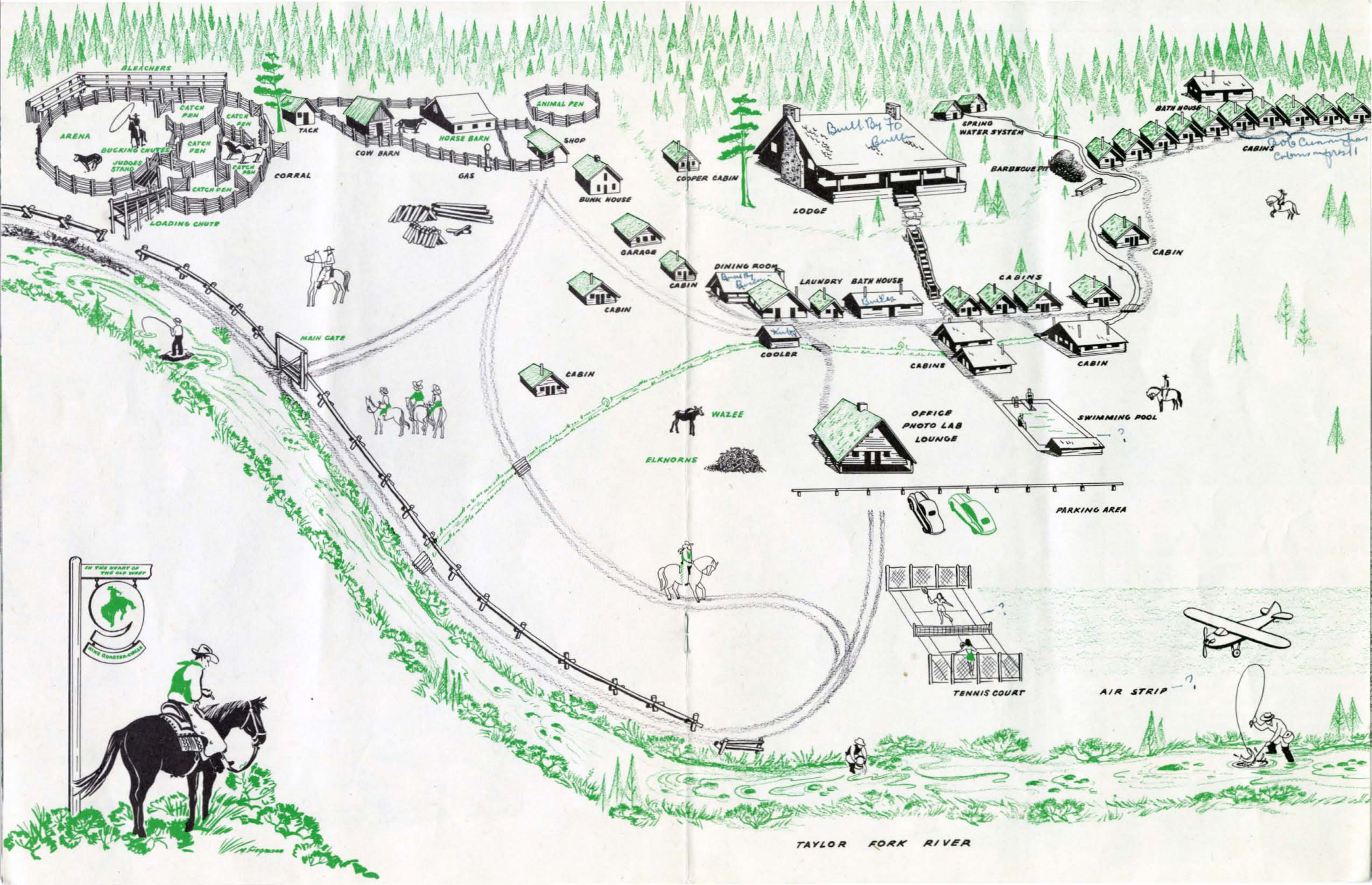




The cook and corral boss say, "Come and get it." There's ridin' and fishin' to be done.







BLEACHERS

ARENA

BUCKING CHUTES

CATCH PEN

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JUDGES STAND

LOADING CHUTE

CORRAL

MAIN GATE

IN THE HEART OF THE OLD WEST  
NINE QUARTER CIRCLE

TACK

COW BARN

HORSE BARN

GAS

SHOP

ANIMAL PEN

BUNK HOUSE

COOPER CABIN

GARAGE

CABIN

CABIN

CABIN

DINING ROOM

LAUNDRY

BATH HOUSE

CABINS

COOLER

CABINS

CABIN

WAZEE

ELKHORNS

OFFICE

PHOTO LAB

LOUNGE

SWIMMING POOL

PARKING AREA

TENNIS COURT

AIR STRIP

TAYLOR FORK RIVER

Built By To  
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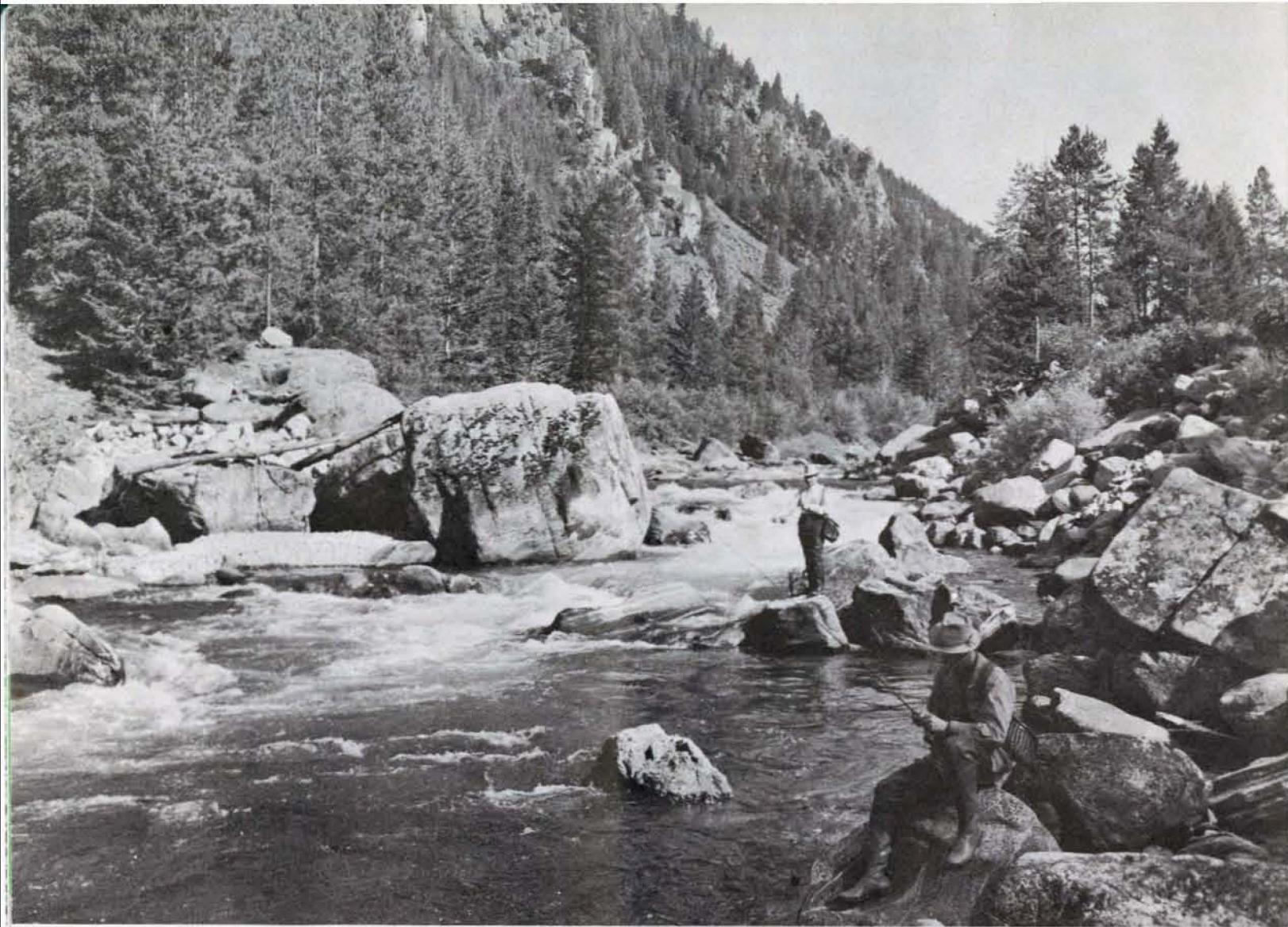
BATH HOUSE

SPRING WATER SYSTEM

BARBECUE PIT

CABINS  
Bob Cunningham  
Columbus, Miss.





TROUT FISHING in this part of Nature's Wonderland is a never-to-be-forgotten thrill. There's Taylors Fork that runs right through the front yard and there's Lightning, Buck, Tumble-Down, Wapiti, Gallatin, Madison, Meadow, and numerous other mountain streams and lakes. Some are available only to those who ride in the saddle. You'll catch rainbow, cut-throat, Loch Leven, eastern brook, and Mackinaw. It's not unusual for a novice to catch his or her limit the first day. There's excellent fishing throughout the season and September is especially good. Pack trips are frequently made to some of the more inaccessible lakes. Some of the trips go up to 9000 and 10000 feet.—There's thrills galore.



THERE'S ALWAYS plenty of excitement at the corrals where the cowboys break and train future saddle stock that are for sale or ranch use. There are impromptu rodeos where some of the finest riding and "bronc busting" in the West takes place. Many guests like to use the branding irons and there's plenty of this to be done.



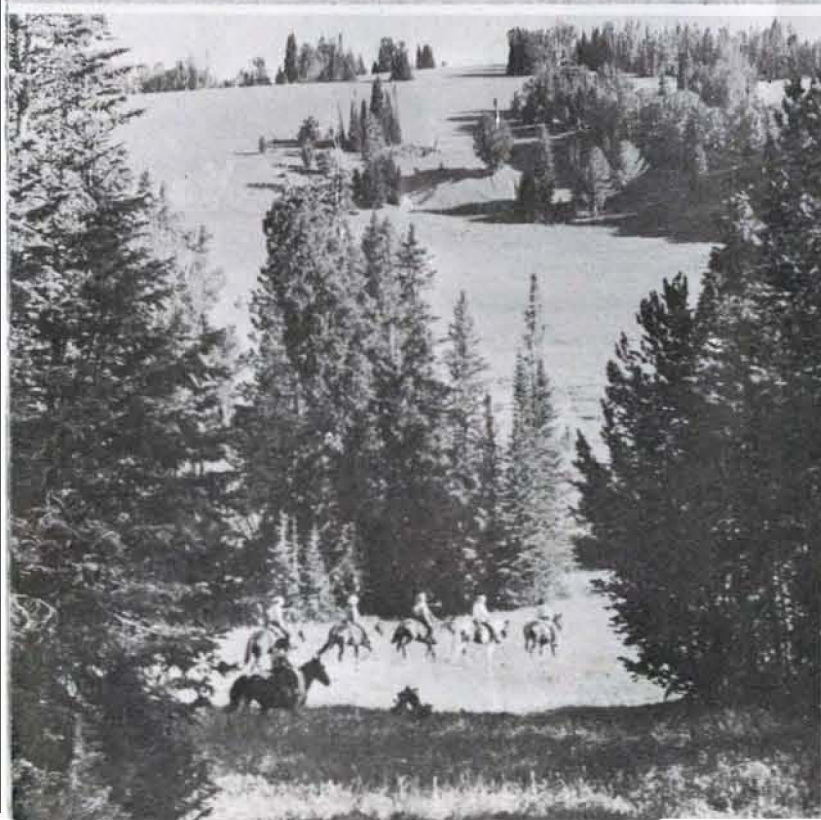
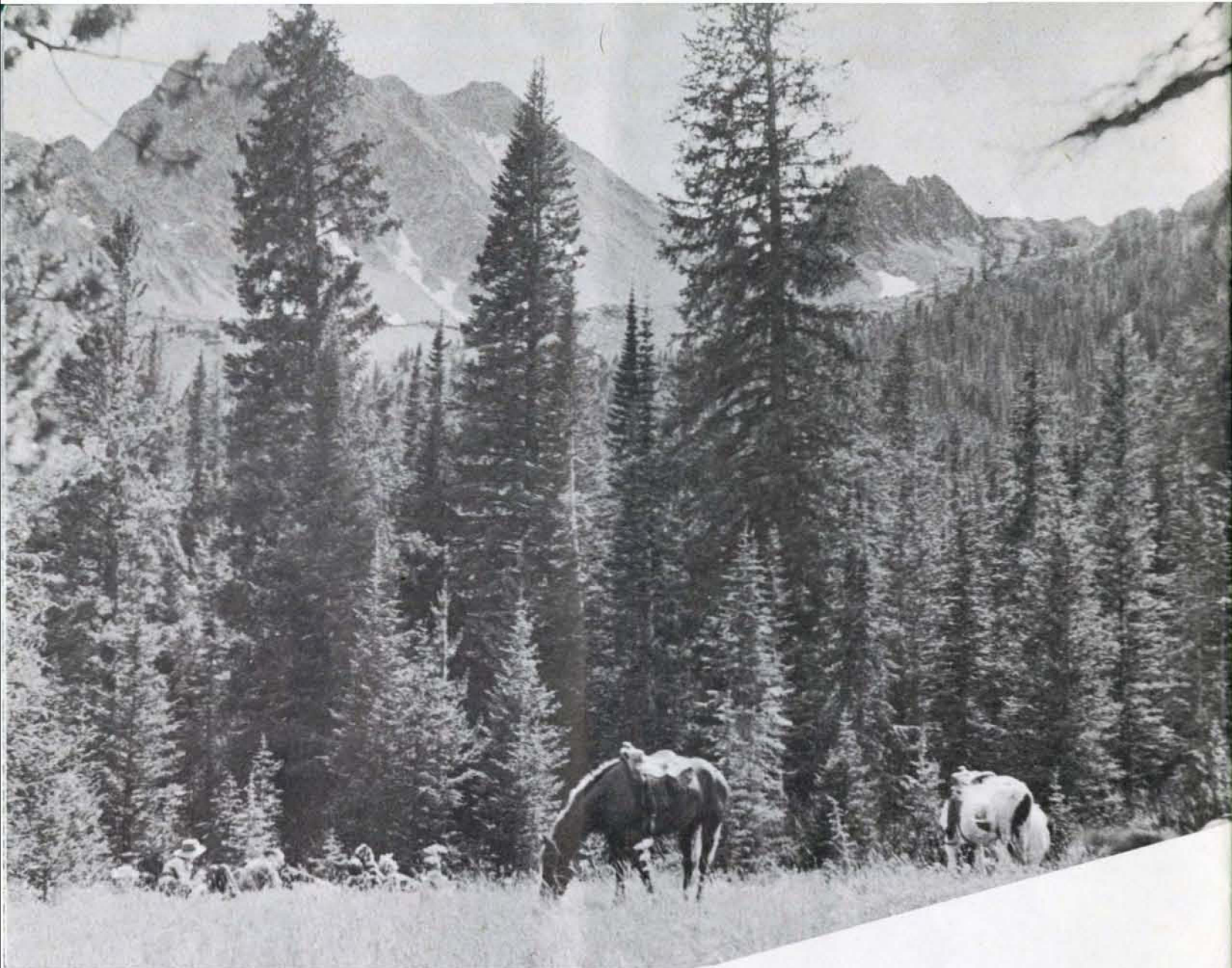
Some of the Western Saddles



Branding a Colt







**GUESTS UPON THEIR ARRIVAL** at the ranch are given their choice of a sure-footed mountain horse—one of 80 head. On saddle trips with one of the cowboy wranglers, guests will see the sunken forest, Taylor cascades, sugar bowl filled with colored sand, petrified forest, albino lake, lizard lakes, inspiration point, Wapiti beaver dams, carrot basin, and many other places of great interest. Then there are pack trips to the more primitive areas into wild game country extraordinary. On these expeditions covering two days or more, guests will see deer, elk, moose, bear, coyotes, and possibly mountain sheep and goats, and, an occasional bobcat and timber



PICTURE ABOVE shows ranch guest who just flew in and is being met by Blanche and Maddie. The ranch air-strip will be in full use by 1948.

PICTURE AT RIGHT shows dancers in the lodge at one of the weekly parties.

PICTURE BELOW shows the ranch barbecue pit where those luscious barbecues are held out-of-doors.



wolf. Incidentally, there are no snakes. While at the ranch you'll take part in mountain steak fries, fish fries, barbecues and moonlight marshmallow roasts. There are tennis courts, ping-pong tables, trap range, hammocks and sun bathing facilities, a good old swimming hole, motion pictures, photo contests, square dances weekly and old time tunes, bingo games and the excitement of the ranch air-strip. There's a place to relax in the unique rustic lounge. You'll find this life to be healthful, relaxing, and the restful—or full busy days, in a real Western atmosphere. Youth and informality is the essence of this ranch life.





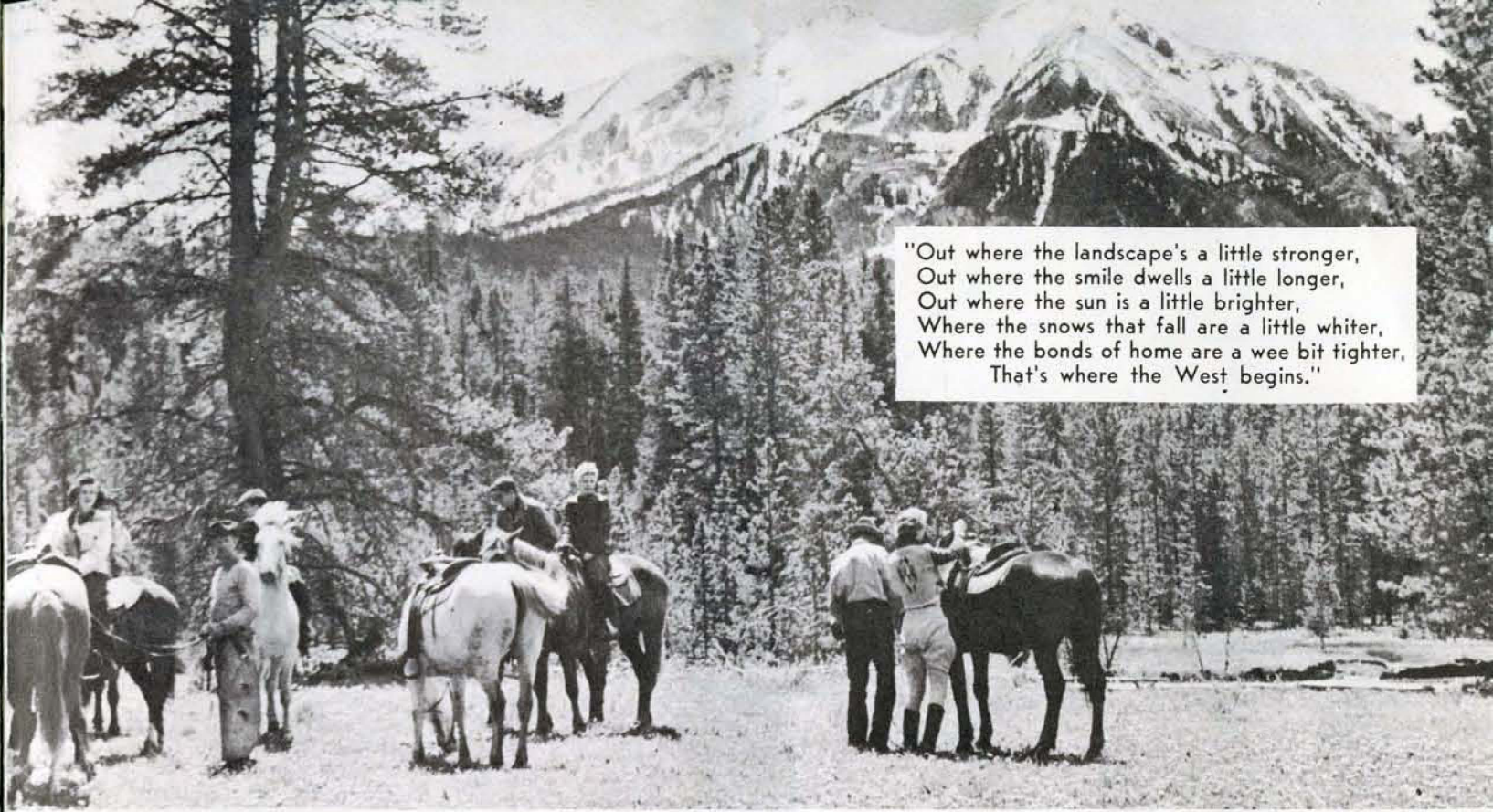
YOUR HOSTS, Jules and Margie Werness, Jack and Dot Riddell, and Howard and Madeline Kelsey, are all young Westerners. Their aim during your stay is to find out what you like to do best and then help you do it.



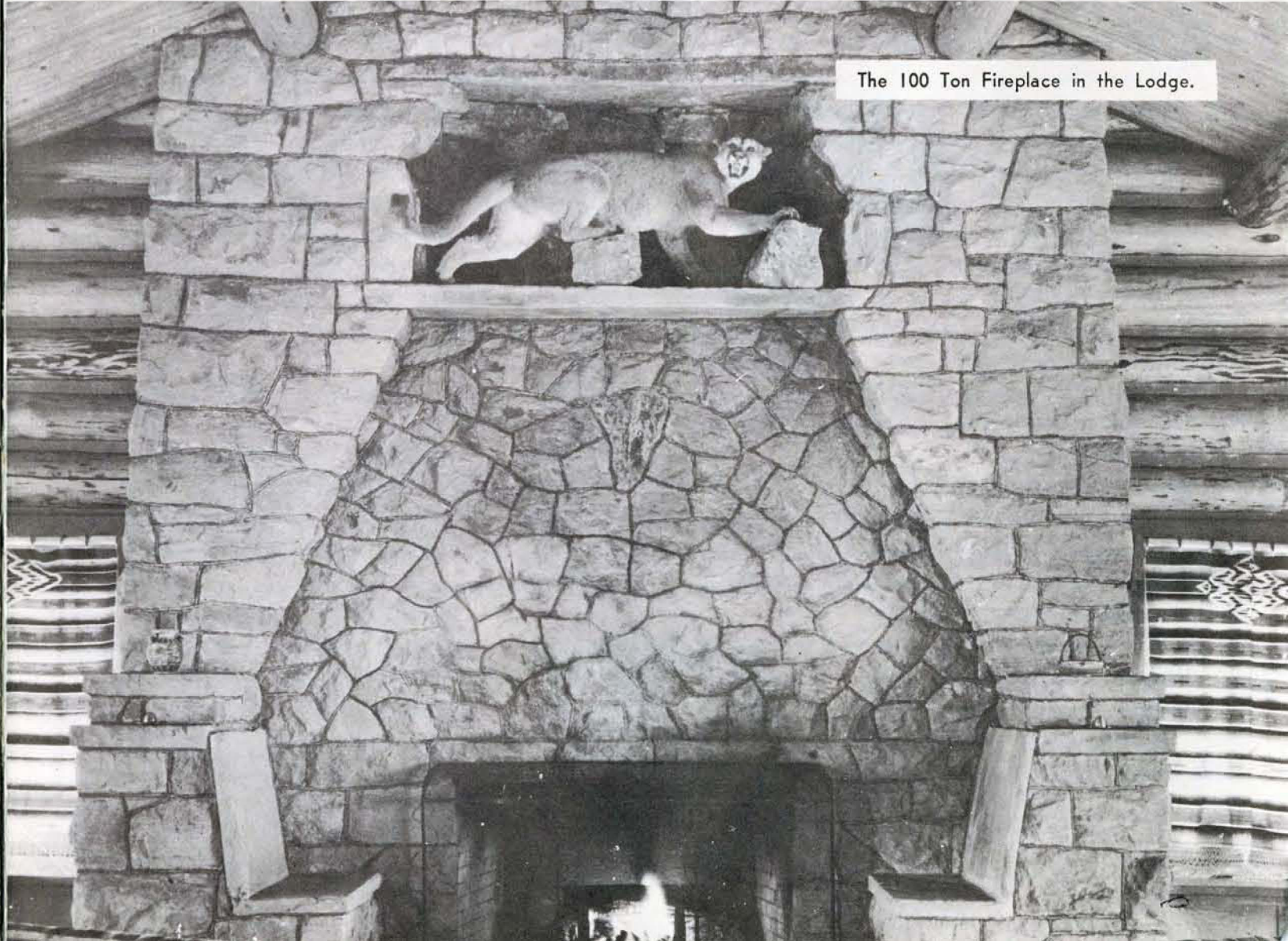
"Our stay with you was the one high spot of our delightful trip to the great Northwest."  
 "... each of you was so nice to us and the ranch so attractive—and your delicious food—mmm."  
 "... it was a grand and glorious experience and I want you to know how much I enjoyed every hour I was your guest."  
 "We feel that we not only saw some real country but for the first time met and know some real people, whom we miss very much. By comparison all other vacations in our lives seem pale and uninteresting. We can't thank you enough for the most wonderful holiday we've ever had."  
 "I must write and tell you how much I enjoyed your ranch. It was wonderful and one I shall never forget."  
 "It was everyone's opinion that they had the times of their lives and I'm sure you'll see more of us next summer."  
 "This is a very sincere thank you for the nicest vacation Margaret and I have ever had. The sizes and quantities of the fish which were caught have been greatly increased with the retelling."  
 "I'm not completely healed from those wonderful horseback rides—but oh, what a wonderful time! You were all so swell."  
 "... I certainly shall never forget those three heavenly weeks."  
 "We all just loved the ranch because of the country, the wild game, the food, and most of all the people. You made us feel so much at home. There were so many things to do and I believe we made the most of every minute except for those times when your mountain air overwhelmed us with sleepiness and laziness."



"I have the picture of the fish posted on the wall of my office and it has caused a lot of curiosity as to where I made such a catch. I immediately show them the location of the Nine Quarter Circle Ranch and explain what a lovely place you have and how much we enjoyed our stay."  
 "I miss my guess if your ranch will not be the outstanding one in the West—a summer vacation spot and hunting lodge that is second to none. You have the location and personnel to make it so. My best wishes and expectations are yours."  
 "I wish I could serve my family a dinner such as the one we had with you."  
 "Just a line to tell you what a lovely (if that can be the word) time we had with you ... and so goodbye to you and the Rockies for this summer—we'll head ourselves back at the very first occasion."  
 "I want to thank you and all of those wonderful people at the ranch for making my vacation one I shall ever remember."

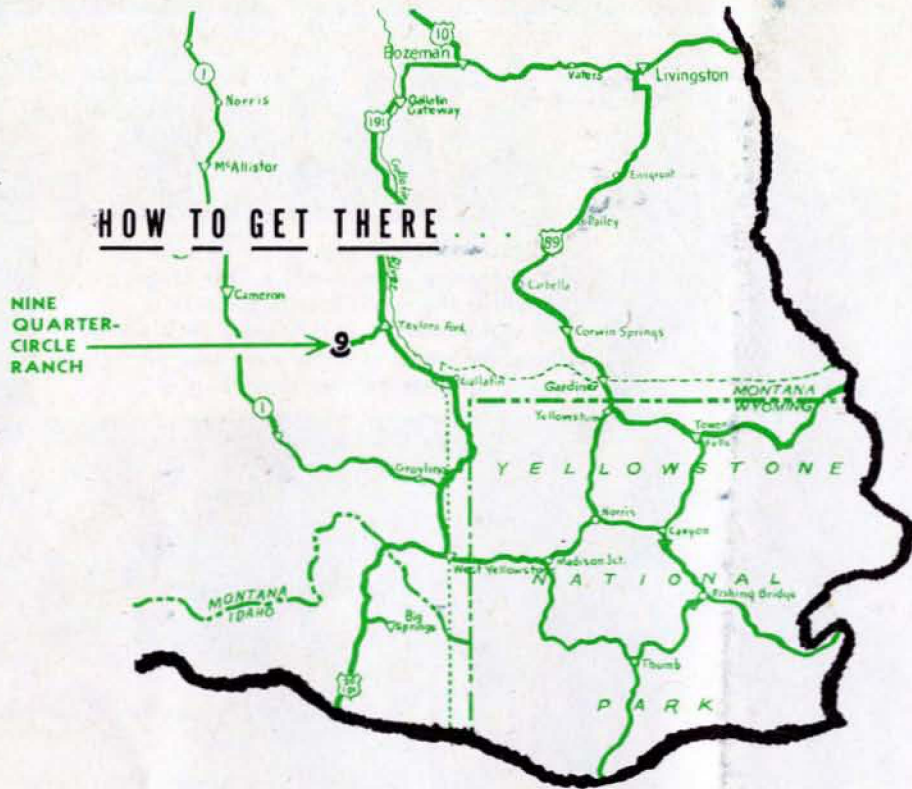


"Out where the landscape's a little stronger,  
 Out where the smile dwells a little longer,  
 Out where the sun is a little brighter,  
 Where the snows that fall are a little whiter,  
 Where the bonds of home are a wee bit tighter,  
 That's where the West begins."



The 100 Ton Fireplace in the Lodge.





**BY CAR . . .** From the East or West, No. 10 highway through Montana to Bozeman; Highway No. 191 from Bozeman south towards West Yellowstone—60 miles, turn right on Taylors Fork—five miles to ranch. From the south—to West Yellowstone, either through Yellowstone Park or Idaho Falls, Idaho—then Highway No. 191, 33 miles towards Bozeman—turn left on Taylors Fork—five miles to ranch.

**BY TRAIN . . .** Northern Pacific to Bozeman; Milwaukee Road to Gallatin Gateway; or Union Pacific to West Yellowstone.

**BY PLANE . . .** Northwest Airlines to Bozeman; Western Air Lines to West Yellowstone; or, those who fly their own plane please write for landing instructions, approaches, etc.

**NOTE . . .** Our station wagon will pick you up at Bozeman, Gallatin Gateway, or West Yellowstone upon request. Summer season—May 20th to October 1st. Big Game Hunting season—October 15th to December 1st.

**WHAT TO BRING.** For all-around mountain wear, loose-fitting clothes of wool or part wool are most suitable. Many guests—both men and women—favor blue denim, waist-high overalls, a wide brimmed hat, and a pair of stout, comfortable shoes or boots. Riding breeches are fine, too. A couple of sweaters and a windbreaker should also be in your wardrobe. Buckskin gloves and a bandana are advisable. For evenings, sports clothes, ordinary traveling clothes, or just "Western" clothes will do nicely. Some folks prefer the more dressier trouser called Frontier Pants. You'll see brightly colored shirts everywhere, but you won't see any men with coats on in the dining room. This life is strictly informal. If you're a trout fisherman, bring your own outfit by all means. If you're not, we recommend waiting until you get out here before purchasing the necessary equipment, especially flies. Firearms are permissible but may be used on game animals only in season. There's plenty of gophers for those who enjoy shooting a 22. The Western Stores will be able to take care of you on all of your special clothing needs. We also have a few things at the Ranch Trading Post.

**A FEW THINGS YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW** Rates are dependent upon number in party, length of stay, and type of accommodations. All rates include meals, cabins, horses, riding gear, and wrangler guide service. Pack trips of two or three days duration are also included. There is an extra charge for pick-up service at station or airport. If you don't have your own car, the ranch has facilities for trips to Yellowstone Park, Virginia City, and Morrison Cave.

There is a registered nurse on duty during the guest season.

Telephone service connects the ranch to the outside world.

Members of the "Dude Ranchers Ass'n." and the Bozeman Chamber of Commerce.

The climate is invigorating at this 7000 foot altitude. The daily temperatures range well up into the eighties and the evenings are always cool.

Most of the food served is ranch-raised with plenty of fresh vegetables, milk, and eggs. All meals are served family style and nobody leaves the table hungry. The cooks delight in preparing some special dish to your liking.

