

FISHERANCHO

Owners:

Charles G. Fisher, Red's father, and wife Sarah purchased 160 acres from Fred Selak estate on east side of the Colorado River for \$10/acre, and built a summer home - 1920s
Redwood and Helene Fisher - bought land from Mrs. Cairns on west side of the river, below present Shadow Mountain Dam - @1930. Did a lot of feeding neighbors and friends.

Began Fisherancho - 1941

Ranch closed in 1950s. Jackie and Jim Boyd then named it Double AA Bar Ranch, which for three years was a Boys Ranch. After that, the Boyds offered cabins for rent. Now part of Arapaho National Recreation Area.

Location:

West bank of the Colorado River, below Shadow Mountain Dam
(Redwood Fisher also had 600 acres of property on Stillwater Creek, off Hwy. 34 up County Road 42, which he purchased from a federal land bank. It had been owned in part by Tupper and Huddler, and is still owned by the family, 7V/ Ranch. He had an additional parcel along Hwy. 34, which he sold to Storsers.)



Charles and Helene's Ranch Home



Red, Charlie and Sally Fisher



General Ranch Information:

* "Rates - One week, per person. \$60.00 and up (when one room is occupied by two people). Rates include a horse for your use all the time you're here." American plan, so meals included. Helene did most of the cooking.



* Redwood first moved to Middle Park in @1928, and worked as a summer RMNP ranger. Soon he was ranching full-time, cattle, horses, and hay on father's (Charlie's) land. Red and Sarah had a summer home in Grand Lake. It's still there, the large house on the river next to the Rapids Lodge.

* "Redwood said the dude ranch business was at its peak in the fifties when the railroads, the Burlington and Union Pacific, were doing a lot of promotional work."

* When Fisherancho was bought by the Forest Service, the Red Fisher house, built in 1930, was bought and moved to a place above Ouray Ranch. The house had plumbing put in by Gus Spitzmiller, a fireplace made by Ralph Wescott, and the house itself was probably built by Al House. Cabins on the property were also purchased and moved. The Forest Service burned down a cabin located near the existing barn.



Files:

Fisher, Redwood

Pictures:

Postcards

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Ranch and family photos

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