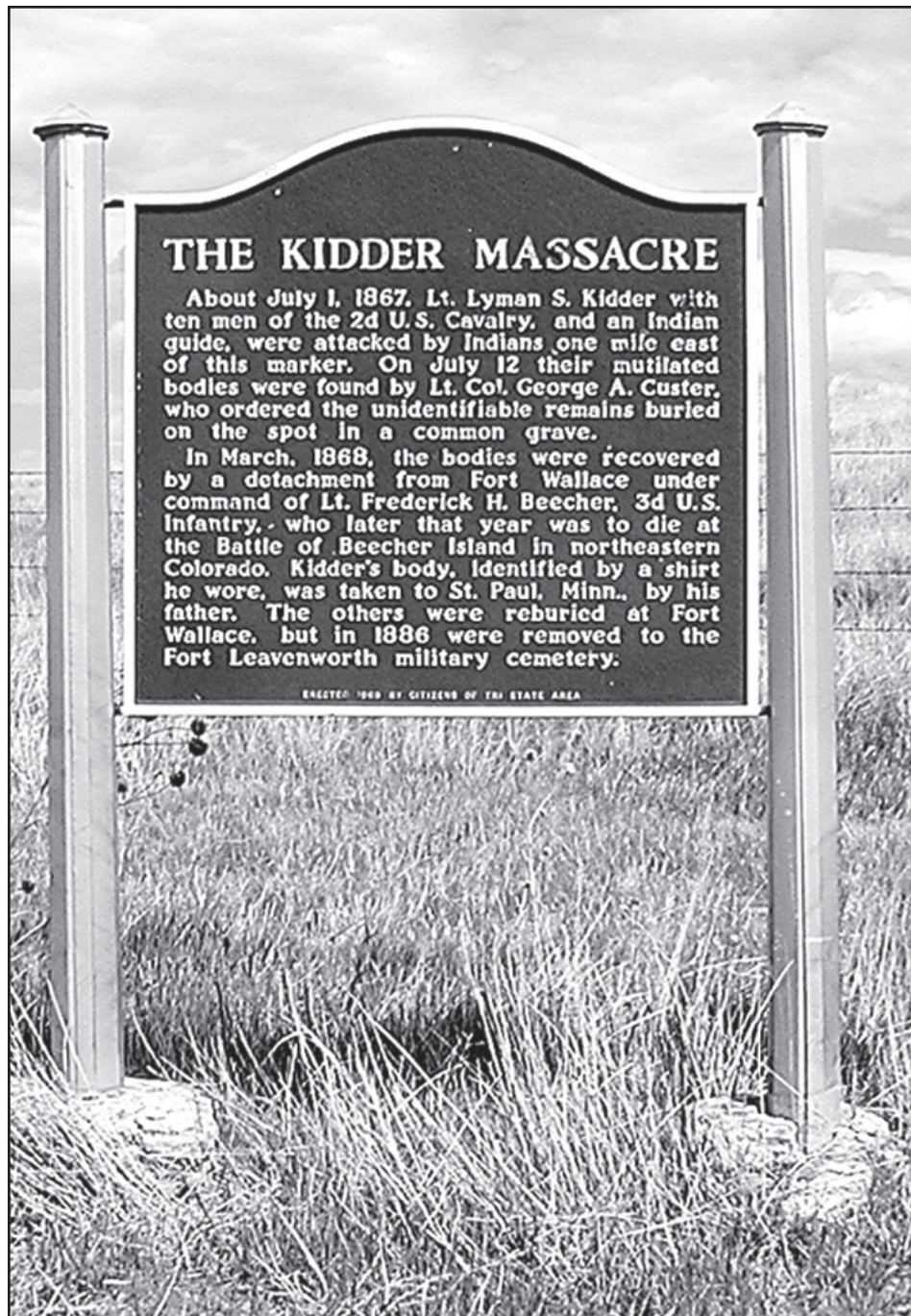


Historical marker



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A memorial marker flags drivers at the corner of County Road 28 and road 77 about 12 miles north of Edson. The site of the Kidder Massacre is about 1 1/2 miles east of the marker on the north side and is marked by metal silhouettes of a cavalryman with a gun and an Indian on a horse, which are best viewed with binoculars, since they are over 100 yards from the road.

New businesses drawn to I-70 area in Oakley

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Oakley, located on Interstate 70, intersects U.S. Highway 83 and 40 on the plains 70 miles east of the Colorado line.

The newest overnight stop located along I-70 is the 62-room Sleep Inn Suites, located at 3768 East U.S. 40, near the exit onto I-70. Phone number is (785) 671-6423. Locally owned, it offers free breakfast to guests with an overnight stay. There is a pool for guests' enjoyment and relaxation.

Travelers have a choice of six motels and two campgrounds when they stop in Oakley:

Annie Oakley Motel, 428 Center, (785) 672-3223; 1st Interstate Inn, U.S. 40 and I-70, (785) 672-3203; 1st Travel Inn, 708 Center, (785) 672-3226; Econo Lodge, U.S. 40 and U.S. 83, (785) 672-3254; Free Breakfast Inn, I-70 and U.S. 83, (785) 672-3117; Kansas Kountry Inn and Campground, U.S. 40 East, toll free (800) 211-6917, or (785) 672-3131; High Plains Camping, Junction of I-70 and U.S. 83/383, (785) 672-3538.

If you're hungry, choose from 14 eating establishments and convenience stores: Colonial Steakhouse, U.S. 83 and I-70, (785) 672-4720; Mitten's Buckhorn Cafe, U.S. 40 and I-70, (785) 672-3565; Pizza Hut, 514 South Freeman, (785) 672-3108; Dairy King, South

U.S. 83, (785) 672-4127; Kabredlo's, U.S. 40 and Smokyhill, (785) 672-4997; Daylight Donut Shop, 112 Center, (785) 672-4417; Don's Drive In, U.S. 40 and 83, (785) 672-3965; The Bluff, 210 South Freeman, (785) 672-8892; Our Place, 217 Center, (785) 672-0073; Oakley's Shurfine Foods, 127 Converse, (785) 672-3205; Subway, 1001 East Highway 40, (785) 672-8900; J&J Travel Plaza, 465 U.S. 83, (785) 672-0032; Oakley Country Club, West Second Street, (785) 672-3081.

The Logan County seat, Oakley covers 1.9 square miles. It is in the central time zone, with an elevation of 3,064 feet.

The town is supported by an agriculture economy of growing crops and Pioneer, Inc., a large cattle feed yard.

Median age is 42, with annual average family income of \$41,066.

There is one public school, grades kindergarten through senior high school, a Catholic grade school, a theater, and a weekly newspaper.

The town's motto is, "Come to Oakley where legends are born." Travelers can leave I-70 at the U.S. 83 exit to the west side of Oakley, where there is a life-sized bronze likeness of Buffalo Bill Cody on his horse, riding up to a life-sized buffalo with rifle in hand. Oakley's claim to fame is that it is the birthplace of the legendary man.

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