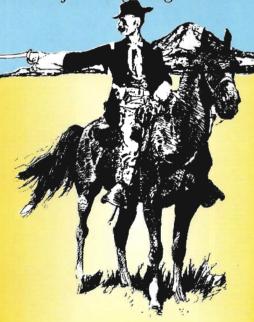


The Peace Keeper Frontier Post Home of the Fighting 4th Cavalry



The "Laying Out" of the Fort Meade Military Post

## One Mile East of Sturgis on Highway 34

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## OPEN DAILY FROM: MAY 15 THRU SEPTEMBER 15

9 am-5 pm from May 15 8 am - 6 pm Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day 9 am - 5 pm to September 15



## Learn about ...

• Col. Samuel D. Sturgis, a Union general during the Civil War, was commander of the 7th Cavalry and the first permanent post commander at Fort Meade. He was a member of the company that founded the nearby town that bears his name.

•The colorful military career of the controversial. Major Marcus A. Reno came to an igno-

minious end at Fort Meade.

•The buckskin horse, "Comanche," found on the battlefield after the disastrous Little Big Horn fight with the Sioux and Cheyenne, was retired with military honors at Fort Meade.









•Cpl. Ross Hallon's death certificate reported he died a natural death, but maybe lynching was natural in the early days of the Black Hills boom.

•It was at Fort Meade that The Star Spangled Banner was first ordered to be a part of the evening military retreat ceremony, long before it became the National Anthem.

\*See the monument to two of the hardest drinkers in Troop D, 8th Cavalry.

