《经济学家》读译参考:健康产业飞速发展-引领健康生活 潮流 PDF转换可能丢失图片或格式,建议阅读原文 https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/254/2021_2022__E3_80_8A_ E7_BB_8F_E6_B5_8E_E5_c67_254540.htm The wellness boom健 康产业飞速发展Helping consumers to lead healthy lifestyles is becoming a big business引导消费者健康生活潮流的行业越做越 大。BACK in 1979, a fat, unhealthy property developer, Mel Zuckerman, and his exercise-fanatic wife, Enid, opened Canyon Ranch, "Americas first total vacation/fitness resort", on an old dude[1]ranch in Tucson, Arizona. At the time, their outdoorsy, new age-ish venture seemed highly eccentric. Today Canyon Ranch is arguably the premium health-spa brand of choice for the super-rich. It is growing fast and now operates in several places, including the Queen Mary 2. It is also one of the leading lights in "wellness", an increasingly mainstreamand profitablebusiness.事情要追溯到1979 年,身胖体虚的房地产开发商梅尔#8226.凯利热情洋溢地说。 (扎克尔曼仍是董事长,78岁的他现在身体状况良好,精力 充沛。) 凯利接着说,这一新型市场领域内容广泛,"包罗 万象",其中包括温泉疗养、传统和新型医疗、行为疗法、 精神疗法、健身、营养以及美容。由于越来越多的消费者讲 求整体健康,因此对于那些至今仍然局限于以上一两项内容 的公司而言,扩大业务的市场压力日益增大,难以回避。凯 利说:"健身也好, 医疗也好, 温泉疗养也罢, 单靠哪一个 都不再能够满足消费者。 " Canyon Ranchs strategy reflects this belief. It is expanding a brand built on \$1,000-a-night retreats for the rich and famous in several different directions. This year in Miami

Beach it will open the first of what it expects to be many upmarket housing estates built around a spa, called Canyon Ranch Living. Together with the Cleveland Clinic, one of the worlds leading private providers of traditional medicine, it is launching an "executive health " product which combines diagnosis, treatment and, above all, prevention. It also has plans to produce food and skin-care products, a range of clothes and healthy-living educational materials. 凯利的这一观念在Canyon Ranch的战略中得到了印证。该公 司以为富人名流提供每晚1000美金的休养服务为基础,正朝 数个不同方向拓展自己的品牌。今年,它将在迈阿密海滩开 发首批有望成为众多上流人士居住地的房地产项目。这些房 地产位于一个名叫"峡谷农场生活空间"的温泉周围。它还 会同提供传统医疗服务的全球私营医疗先驱克利弗兰医疗中 心,正在开发一个集诊断、治疗和预防于一体的"健康管理 "产品。它还计划生产食品、护肤品、各种服装以及健康生 活教育资料。Already, the new world of wellness is becoming fiercely competitive. Canyon Ranchs rivals include several big, established firms. Sir Richard Bransons Virgin group operates Virgin Life Care kiosks[3] in which people can earn spendable HealthMiles. Insurers such as WellPoint and Britains PruHealth are rewarding people who take part in health-improvement programmes with lower premiums or bigger deductibles. Wal-Mart is selling organic food, and even Coca-Cola is launching a wellness drink.健康产业 这一新领域的竞争已经越来越激烈。Canyon Ranch的对手包 括数家根基已经十分牢固的大型公司。理查德#8226.凯泽 于2005年建立的Revolution公司。凯泽是互联网公司AOL(美

国在线)的创始人之一。他正向数个领域发起冲击,大都是 通过收购小公司的可控股并帮助它们加快发展速度来进行。 这些公司虽然小,但抱负大,其商业模式也具有较强的可行 性。Miraval-Life In Balance就是其中之一,类似于Canyon Ranch,但规模要小得多。它的温泉疗养中心可以提供包括瑜 伽、有机烹饪在内的130种不同的服务。凯泽希望拓展这个温 泉疗养中心,使其成为"健康产业的耐克品牌"。先期采取 的措施包括开发Miraval Living住宅用房产(有一家即将在曼哈 顿开盘)以及生产护肤液和食品。Revolution旗下还有健康产 业广播公司Lime.com和提供豪华度假服务的Exclusive Resorts In addition, Mr Case is rolling out Revolution Health, a consumer health-care business. (3) It will offer online health information, insurance policies and new forms of health care, including walk-in treatment and screening in shops such as Wal-Mart, through its investment in a firm called RediClinic. Mr Cases partners in the venture include Colin Powell, a former secretary of state. Carly Fiorina, the ex-boss of Hewlett-Packard. and Jim Barksdale, a former head of Netscape.此外,凯泽还准备开展一项名为"健康革命 "的消费者保健业务。业务通过投资于RediClinic公司进行, 服务内容包括在线健康信息、保险单以及新式保健如随到随 治(无需预约)、在沃尔玛等商场进行(食品安全?健康?)检测等。凯泽的投资合作伙伴包括美前国务卿科林#8226.菲 奥里纳以及Netscape前董事长吉姆#8226.德诺瓦说,越来越多 的公司老板现在都鼓励健康工作,这样既可以降低成本,也 可以减轻员工压力,减少因病旷工现象。德诺瓦一直以来都 在帮助摩托车制造商Harley Davidson研究制定一个面向工人的 健康计划。(4) The desire to reduce health-care costs is one force behind the rise of the wellness industry. the other is the growing demand from consumers for things that make them feel healthier. Surveys find that three out of four adult Americans now feel that their lives are "out of balance", says Mr Kelly. So there is a huge opportunity to offer them products and services that make them feel more "balanced". This represents a big change in consumer psychology, claims Mr Kelly, and one that is likely to deepen over time: market research suggests that 35-year-olds have a much stronger desire to lead healthy lifestyles than 65-year-olds.健康产业 的推动力之一来自于人们对降低医疗成本的期望,另一个推 动力则是消费者对那些有益健康的事物日益增长的需求。凯 利说,调查发现,如今3/4的美国成年人认为他们的生活"失 衡"。于是为他们提供让他们感觉更加"平衡"的产品和服 务就成了一个巨大的市场机遇。凯利认为,这体现了消费者 心理上的巨变,并且随着时间的推移,这种变化有可能进一 步加剧市场研究表明,35岁的人对健康生活方式的愿望比65 岁的人更为强烈。(5) One difficulty for wellness firms will be acquiring the expertise to operate in several different areas of the market. Another will be to maintain credibility in (and for) an industry that combines serious science with snake oil. One problemor is it an opportunity?in selling wellness products to consumers is that some of the things they demand may be faddish[5] or nonsensical. Easy fixes, such as new-age therapies, may appeal to them more than harder but proven ways to improve health. And there is much debate about the health benefits of vitamin

supplements, organic food and alternative medicines, let alone different forms of spirituality. 对于经营健康产业的公司而言,要 同时拥有经营几个不同市场领域的专门技术是他们面临的难 题之一。此外,在严肃科学和伪科学(比如所谓能包治百病 的万灵油)混为一体的行业中,要自觉保持诚信并赢得公众 的信任也都是一件难事。向消费者销售健康产品还存在一个 问题(抑或是一种机遇?),那就是消费者的需求有的是赶 时髦,有的则莫名其妙。相比那些操作难度大但已经证实能 有效改善健康的方法,简便易行的方法如新时代治疗技术对 他们要更具有吸引力。而且,关于维生素补品、有机食品和 新型医学对健康的益处的争论也颇多,更不用说形形色色的 精神疗法了。One of Canyon Ranchs answers to this problem has been to hire Richard Carmona, who was Americas surgeon-general until last summer. In that role, he moved prevention and wellness nearer to the centre of public-health policy. (6) The last time a surgeon-general ventured into business, it ended disastrously: during the internet bubble, Everett Koop launched DrKoop.com, a medical-information site that went bust[6] shortly after going public and achieving a market capitalisation of over \$1 billion. This time around, the wellness boom seems unlikely to suffer such a nasty turn for the worse. 去年夏天,Canyon Ranch把美国国家卫生总监 (Surgeon-general)理查德#8226.库普发起了DrKoop.com医疗信 息网站,但在公开募股并得到了超过10亿美元的市场资本之 后不久便关门大吉了。不过这一次,健康产业的繁荣似乎不 可能再像当年那样遭遇悲惨结局。[NOTES]1. dude n. (US) city person, esp sb spending a holiday on a ranch 城里人(尤指在农场

度假者): [attrib 作定语] a dude ranch, ie one used as a holiday centre 度假农场.2. sprightly adj. (-ier, -iest) lively and full of energy 活泼的. 精力充沛的: Hes surprisingly sprightly for an old man. 他 这把年纪了,还这麽精神,真了不起.3. kiosk n. 1 small open structure where newspapers, refreshments, etc are sold (出售报纸 饮料等的) 小摊棚,售货亭.2 (dated I日 Brit) public telephone box or booth 公用电话亭.4. nascent adj. (fml 文) beginning to exist. not yet well developed 新生的. 初生的. 尚未成熟的. 尚不发 达的: a nascent industry, talent, suspicion 新兴的工业、新人才、 新发现的疑点.5. faddish adj. (derog 贬) having peculiar likes and dislikes 有乖僻好恶的. 赶时髦的6. bust adj. [pred 作表语] (infml 口)1 broken. not working 毁坏. 不能操作: My watch is bust. 我的 表坏了.2 bankrupt 破产. 倒闭. 3 (idm 习语) go bust (of a person or a business) become bankrupt. fail financially (指人或企业)破 产. 100Test 下载频道开通, 各类考试题目直接下载。详细请 访问 www.100test.com