

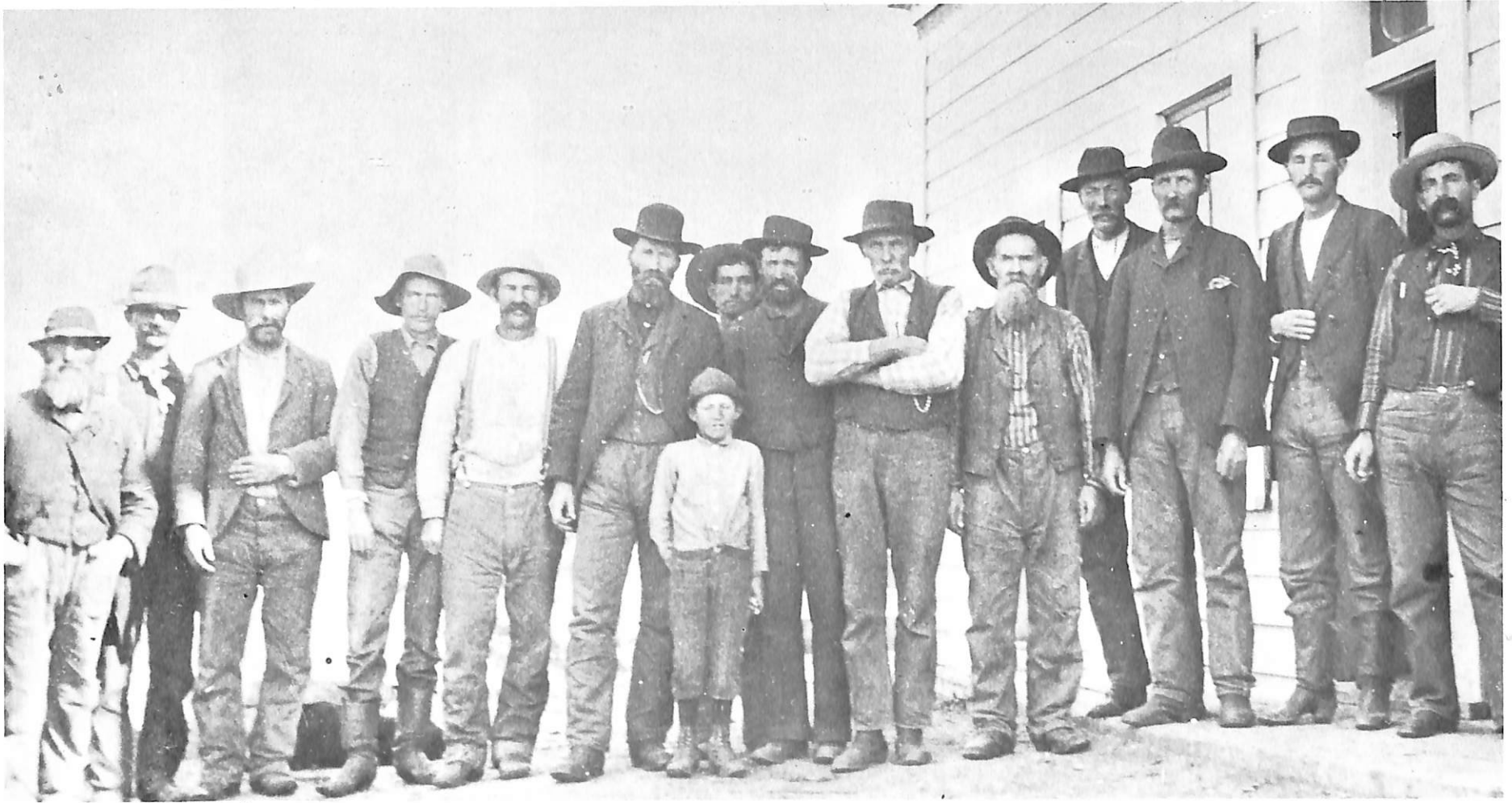
# 1986

## *Calendar of Star Valley History*



*The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints donated this almost 100-year-old rock church building to the Star Valley Historical Society in 1984. Plans for restoration are being made. (Historic sketch on the last page.)*

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*Residents of Auburn built the first rock church building in 1889. Men involved in the construction are (left to right) Seth Putnam, Mark Biglar, Joseph H. Walton, Morley Porter, Harmon Lindberg, Hyrum Clark, George Lemmon, Joseph Holbrook, Gentleman Jim, Samuel Walton, Heman Hyde, John Corbridge, Henry Harrison, William Ashdown. The boy is Willie Holbrook. (Photo contributed and identified by Ruby Kennington.)*

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			<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> It is never hard to measure up to life's tests when you make it a point to use the Golden Rule (1920)</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Sublette County organized (1923)</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Work began on the Snake River Bridge near Jackson Hole (1919)</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>The Town of Afton started using fire siren (1935)</p>
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Jack Kennedy, notorious train robber killed (1923)</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Word is received that Lincoln County road will be oiled from Forest Dell to Allred Flat (1938) Organization of Lincoln County (1913)</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>The Diamondville P.O. established (1895)</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>M.S. Kemmerer, after whom Kemmerer was named, died (1926)</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>The first sheriff in what is now Wyo. was Robert Foote, headquartered at Fort Saunders (1867) First Wyo. Legislature (1906)</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Cliff Thornton and his bride to be caught in a snow slide in snow slide canyon in Crow Creek on their way to be married (1912)</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>25 schools in Wyo closed, teachers unavailable (1918) 6 American Navy planes made non-stop flight from San Francisco to Honolulu (1934)</p>
<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Albert Barrus chosen for deputy sheriff (1923)</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Wyatt Earp died. (1929)</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>The few things that really count in life are all old fashioned. C.B</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>Camp Giveout on Crow Creek got its name (1879)</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>City of Afton installs new fire hydrants (1925)</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Wyo. ratified national prohibition (1919)</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Mrs. Lettie D. Campbell appointed chairman of Child Welfare Work for the state of Wyo. (1891)</p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>New Fords arrived at Barrus Brothers Motors Afton \$298.00 F.O.B. (1923) Total eclipse of the moon (1935)</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Since paying bounty began, 4000 coyotes and 4000 wolves have been brought in for claim in one year (1900)</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>34 Rocky Mountain Big Horn Sheep released on the top of Fish Creek Mountain at Big Piney by Game Warden Chuck Thornton &amp; Crew (1981)</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>The man who is afraid of asking is afraid of learning</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>Carl Robinson had the distinction of being speaker of the house in the 20th legislature at Cheyenne. (1925)</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>John Hay at this time President of the American Bank of Cheyenne, The First National of Laramie, The National of Rock Springs also sheepman and mine operator says 1929 looks like a great year.</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Maintenance crews instructed to keep road open to the Lower Valley (1934)</p>
<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Wyoming bootleggers soon to start wearing badges to keep from selling to each other (1923)</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Opal Wyo. largest shipping point(1919)</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>The Burton Creamery Co. made its first cheese at Smoot. (1920)</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	

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*Frank and Griff Roberts posing aboard a sleigh that was used to feed stock as well as a way to go to church on Sunday in the winter. Note the runners instead of wheels. Circa 1930's (Photo contributed by Frank Roberts)*

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						1  Texas leads the nation with 9½ million head of cattle (1861)
2  Wyo. 11th legislature created Lincoln Co.. at this time Uinta Co. occupied all of Wyoming's western border including Yellowstone Park (1911)	3  Partial eclipse of the moon (1935)	4  A payroll murder at Burgoyne Cafe in Montpelier (1922)	5  The first midwinter ski touring trip through Yellowstone Park (1887)	6  Afton South LDS Ward to purchase steel granary to hold 1,000 bu. of grain (1920)	7  Worst storm ever on the Red Desert, took 2 freighters 19 days from Rock Springs to Big Piney (1906)	8  Woodrow Wilson died (1924)
9  Alf Engen, Sverre Engen, Lars Hanzen entered "Top of the Rockies" carnival at Afton (1935)	10  Lester Bagley unanimously appointed State Game & Fish Commissioner (1938)	11  The Vail Mine on Deadman Creek blew, killing 5 men (1938)	12  Abe Lincoln born (1809) "The things I want to know are in books. My best friend is the man who will give me a book I ain't read." A. Lincoln	13  The town of Afton received Federal Allotment to build curbs, gutters, and sidewalks, reconstruct bridges and surface, water drains (1941)	14  VALENTINE'S DAY  First radio come to Afton (1923) Cheyenne became the first state in the nation to have a county library (1886)	15  Miles Murphy tipped his sleigh upside down in Snow Slide Canyon. Another man held his head up out of the water until they could get his load off and him out (1907)
16  Radio Carnival at Welch's Hall in Afton (1923)	17  WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY  Salt River Development & Trust started drilling an oil well on Willow Cr. (1923)	18  George Washington, the greatest of good men, the best of great men.	19  The Cheyenne Black Hills stagecoach left Cheyenne for the last time (1887)	20  45 sleighs & drivers caught in a blizzard on Crow Creek, after 4 days & nights they shoveled out, drifts were 20' high 40' long (1914)	21  A bill passed to give a free big game license to all residents over 65 who've been residents for 30 years (1935)	22  The Florida Treaty gave U.S. Spanish Claim to Oregon (1819)
23	24  Pinedale P.O. established (1898)	25  Oregon became first state to tax gasoline (1919)	26	27  Kemmerer Sportsmans Association officially opposes Fish Hatchery anywhere in Star Valley (1941)	28  The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. was incorporated and chartered to carry passengers and freight (1827)	

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*The Ashment family is delivering milk to the creamery in 1916. Helen, Kate and Clarence. Girls on horses are Mary Miller and Louise Parker. (Photo contributed by Mary Miller.)*

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						<b>1</b>  Colters Hell became Yellowstone National Park. President Grant set aside the worlds first National Park, Yellowstone (1872)
<b>2</b>  Sam Young Jr. rescued Bob Brown after plane crashed in Moose Creek on Greys while counting elk (1945)	<b>3</b>  Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone (1847) Idaho Territory was created	<b>4</b>  Scare about SV being dammed at the narrows and made into a lake (1920)	<b>5</b>  F.S. Supervisor Charles Beam states horses & cattle starving to death in the Green River County. No storm, no feed, no money (1920)	<b>6</b>  Sheridan became incorporated (1885)	<b>7</b>  Alexander Graham Bell receives patent for his telephone (1876)	<b>8</b>  The greatest understatement in history "War is Hell". U.S. President (1941)
<b>9</b>  Charles M. Grokan of NY granted a patent for artificial teeth (1882)	<b>10</b>  Alexander Graham Bell made first telephone call to his assistant, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you." (1876)	<b>11</b>  Brigham R. Gardner died (1911)	<b>12</b>  \$20,000 put up by Lincoln Co. for the Snake River bridge (1920)	<b>13</b>  Standard time adopted throughout U.S. (1884)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Luther Baldwin and Andrew Hokanson killed in snowslide (1912)
<b>16</b>  Earthquake in China kills thousands (1925)	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>  Schicks Inc. markets first electric razor (1931)	<b>19</b>  Ben Broadbent honored on his 63rd Birthday (1926)	<b>20</b>  Fron Becker in Germany gave birth to her 27th child (1925)	<b>21</b>  Bear Lake County to unite with FS in construction of Afton, Montpelier road (1919)	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Hundreds of cowboys begin moving 260,000 head of jittery cattle in the first long drive from Texas to Sedalin, Missouri (1866)	<b>26</b>  Engineers began surveying the Montpelier Afton Highway (1920)	<b>27</b>  The first Mormon Temple dedicated in Kirtland Ohio (1836)	<b>28</b>  U.S. Land office opened in Evanston (1876)	<b>29</b>
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*Mame Kimball washing her boots after milking in the barn. Griff Roberts is looking on. Circa early 1900's (Photo contributed by Frank Roberts.)*



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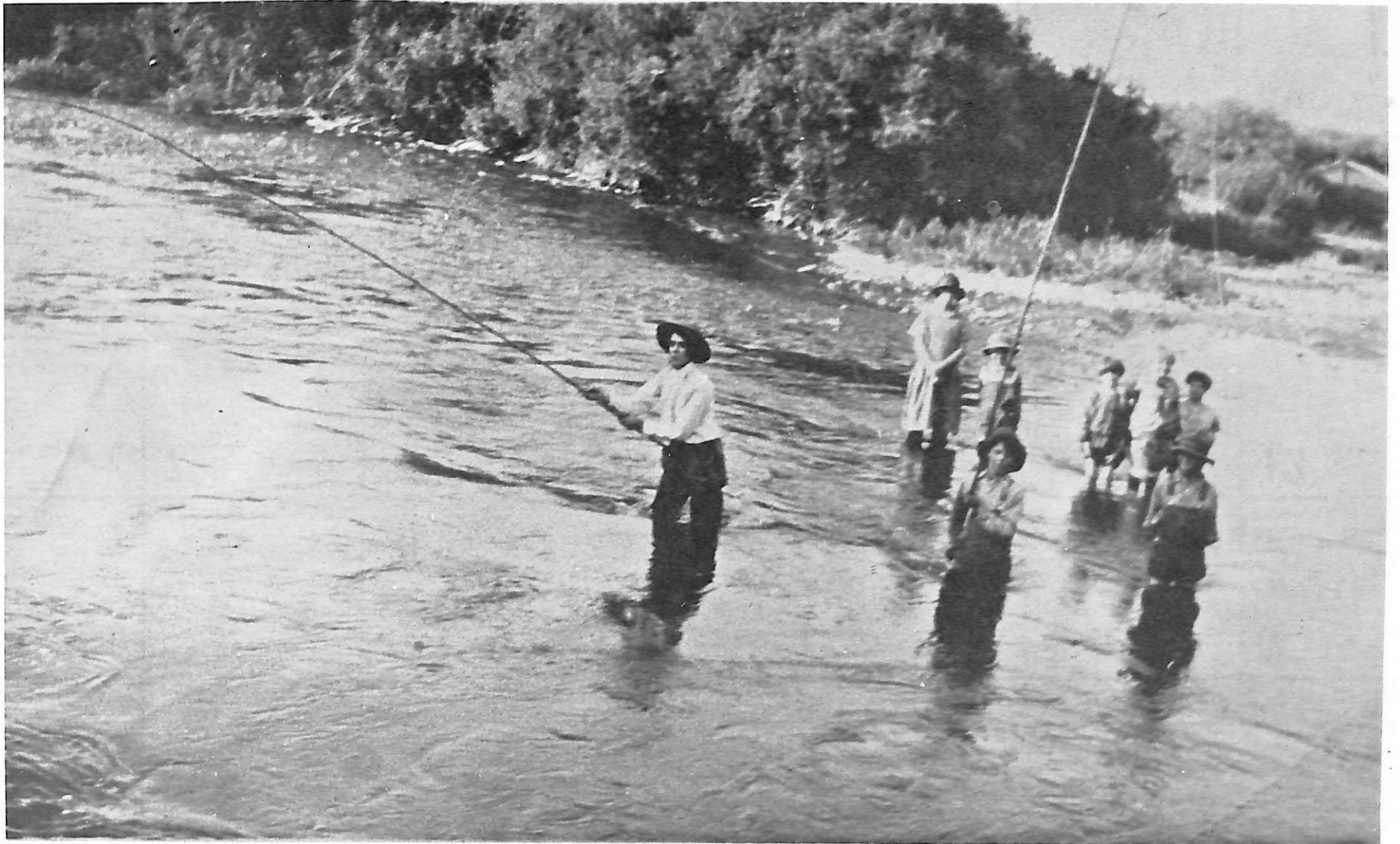
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		<b>1</b>  Jim Bridger helped Mrs. Pierce & her son Henry bring first piano into Wyo. (1925)	<b>2</b>  Forest Supervisor C.A. Beam reports 200,000 trees cut & floated down Green River (1920)	<b>3</b>  FS allocated \$14,000 for Afton to Montpelier roads (1925)	<b>4</b>  Cheyenne & Deadwood Black Hills Stagecoach established one of 3 (1876)	<b>5</b>  Plans are being made for railroad to come into SV (1918)
<b>6</b>  The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints organized (1830)	<b>7</b>  Game Warden Hanscrew brings in poachers from Fontenelle Dam (1938)	<b>8</b>  Forest Ranger Erv Smith & Perry Ashdon skied from Big Piney up North Cottonwood down Sheep Creek up Bear Canyon down Willow Creek to Turnerville and to Afton (1920)	<b>9</b>  Sacajawea died at 100 years old (1884)	<b>10</b>  The closings of all saloons (1910)	<b>11</b>  Butch Cassidy captured in Auburn along with partner Al Hayner, Bob Calverly sheriff (1892)	<b>12</b>  Kile Cooke became Forest Ranger (1918)
<b>13</b>  Bounty-on adult wolves \$15.00, pups \$10.00 (1917)	<b>14</b>  Abe Lincoln was shot (1865) Alf Eugen in SV to lay out ski slalom are at South End (1938)	<b>15</b>  John Green received contract to build road up Salt Canyon to Allred Flat (1871)	<b>16</b>  Afton to Cokeville road to be completely shaled (1920)	<b>17</b>  CCC Crews built a span over Snake River 4 mi. below the mouth of Hoback River (1941)	<b>18</b>  Highway Commissioner said SV road will be oiled this summer (1935)	<b>19</b>  JT Brown, pioneer of SV, died (1923)
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  Jim Jordans home destroyed by fire (1938)	<b>22</b>  Star Studs cut its first wood (1964)	<b>23</b>  Ed Allred & John Nield made their first trip to the halfway house and back on Crow Creek with a big road grader (1926).	<b>24</b>  War with Mexico began (1846)	<b>25</b>  Forest Service is making big improvements on roads and trails being built (1919)	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>  Alpine P.O. is now in Wyo. (1923)	<b>28</b>  Largest single sale ever made between Standard Timber Co. & Forest Service 2,154,390 hewn trees 39,614,200 board ft of new lumber 12,000,000 mine props to be floated down the Green River to Green River City (1919)	<b>29</b>  Can you remember way back when the rights of the individual were worth protecting.	<b>30</b>  Charlie Stoker's home burned (1920)			

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*Fishin' on the Salt River! Note the long poles and no fishing boots. Mollie Roberts, Alma Dana, Frank Roberts, Doris Roberts, Rhea Roberts, Anna Dana. The other two children are unidentified. (Photo contributed by Frank Roberts)*

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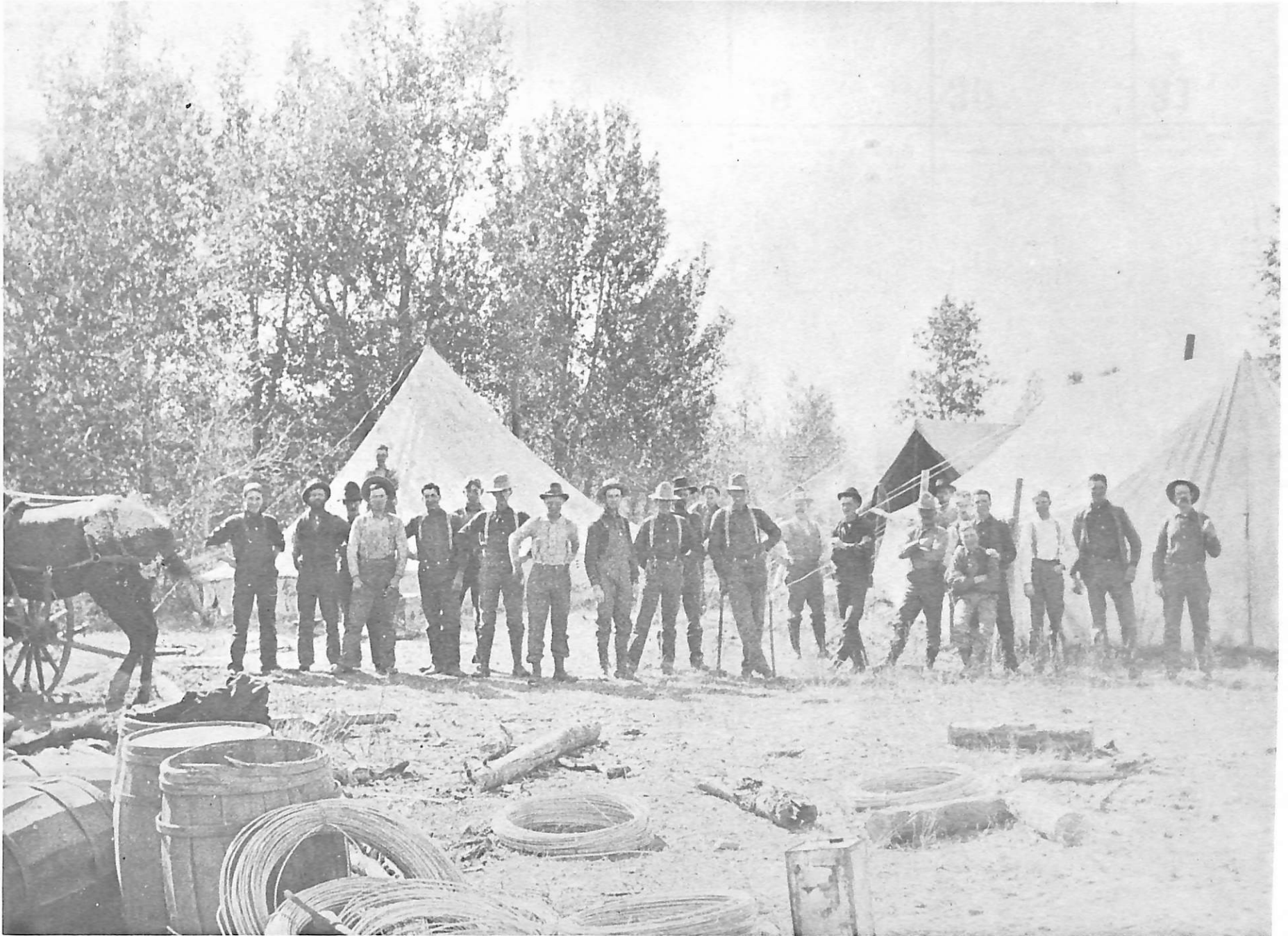
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				1	2 Sam Young Jr broke hibernation and walked from Young's ranch on Grey's River to Alpine (1935).	3
4 School board election for \$100,000 for district No. 19 to build 5 new schools in SV (1923)	5 Astronaut Allan B. Sheppard made first space flight (1961)	6 Apostle Charles C. Rich and Moses Thatcher appointed to supervise the founding of the settlement of SV (1879)	7 Stage driver from Lander perishes in blizzard. Work began on copper mine in Hobbie near Cokeville, (1920)	8 Afred G. Clayton, Rex A. Hyde, Paul C. Tyrell, James T. Sabort honored this day after losing their lives in a fire in Pike National Forest (1938)	9 SV & Jackson Hole featured on popular TV show (1919)	10 Railroad reached Laramie City (1868)
11 President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the REA act (1935)	12	13 13 scholars graduated from SV high school (1919)	14 Lewis & Clark began their first expedition (1804)	15	16 The old historial Gardner Bro's grist & flour mill burned (1958)	17 Sam Young Sr. & family arrived at the mouth of Greys River (1927)
18 Foreman George Mead with a group of convicts began the building of the Cokeville to SV road (1918)	19 Forest Service started to build a road & good trail up to the Geyser up Swift Creek (1917)	20 The Homestead Act passed, allowing 160 acres free land to each family head over 21 years of age, having lived in SV all their lives (1862)	21 40 head of elk killed in snow slide near squaw flat (1926)	22 The Yellowstone Park reserve created (1905)	23 An endurance horse race sponsored by the Denver Post began at Green River led through Rock Springs, Rawlins, Laramie, Cheyenne to Denver (1908)	24 Ole Hokanson arrived in SV to make his home (1886)
25 Major John Wesley Powell & group set out on their trek to survey & explore the Colorado & Green Rivers (1869)	26 Big Piney known as the "Ice Box of the Nation"	27	28 Total eclipse of the sun (1900)	29 One of the most valuable oil strikes in history of Wyo. in Big Piney (1900)	30 Work progressing on the "Old Oregon Trail" road at the South end (1935)	31 The Town of Cokeville incorporated (1910)

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*Crew that came to Star Valley to install telephone lines in 1902. It's not known if anyone in this picture is from Star Valley. (Photo contributed by Ted Heiner.)*

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<b>1</b> Afton is dry. The Linger Langer Bar closed (1917)	<b>2</b> Kid Curry, Butch Cassiuy, Sundance Kid pulled the Wilcox train robbery (1899)	<b>3</b> A cloud burst caused Swift Creek to go on a rampage (1925)	<b>4</b> Big Horn Co. was organized (1897)	<b>5</b> The Ferris Haggarty Mine boasts the world's longest aerial tramway in the world, 16 miles (1903)	<b>6</b> In 62 years the government has given away 208,000,000 acres of land through Homestead Act (1923)	<b>7</b> Buffalo Bill died (1917) Typhoid Fever raging (1918)
<b>8</b> Cairaessa Lode mine at South Pass discovered (1867)	<b>9</b> Ben & Al Welch went down Salt River hunting in a boat, went on down the Snake River, got 4 bears & 18 coyotes (1917)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Crews pushed the Oregon Shortline Railroad through Cokeville (1882)	<b>12</b> CCC Camp disbanded (1941) Lester Bagley became head game warden (1941)	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> FLAG DAY  Set aside for National Flag Day (1924)
<b>15</b> Kib Cooke started building a telephone line into Cottonwood Lake (1917)	<b>16</b> President Harding visited SV, Pocatello and Yellowstone National Park (1923)	<b>17</b> Completion of the Buffalo Bill Dam at Cody (1910)	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Contract let for 61 miles of Afton to Cokeville road (1941)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Halfway house on Crow Creek began (1888)
<b>22</b> Afton LDS Wards divided to North & South (1923)	<b>23</b> Contract let for Lower Valley Road. Contract let for last 4 mi. of Smoot to Cokeville road linking SV with the outside world (1938)	<b>24</b> Cassidy Warner & McCarty robbed San Miquiel Bank at Tilluride Colo. headed back up Greys River (1889)	<b>25</b> The Klu Klux Klan arrived in Montpelier (1924)	<b>26</b> Afton, money received and construction began on 5 new water facilities, 4 pipe lines & well drilling equipment (1941)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> NJ & Earl Christopherson has contract to carry mail Afton to Cokeville (1918)
<b>29</b> Bids out for the last 4 miles of Afton Cokeville highway (1923)	<b>30</b> Afton Fire Department organized (1903)					

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*A July 4th celebration in 1915 in Thayne. Note shelters made with boughs several days in advance and the United States flag flying high. Group gathered in the foreground (left to right) Hoka (Hoge) Hokanson, Jed Nelson, Omer Miller, Tom Rainey. One of the girls is Thelma Corsi. The boy is Newell Miller. (Photo contributed by Mary Miller.)*

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# July 1986

**AUGUST 1986**

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		<b>1</b>  Dr. Perkes started his practice in SV (1950)	<b>2</b>  Henry's Lake rendezvous, Ashleys first (1825)	<b>3</b>  Completion of the road in Snake River Canyon, SV to Jackson road (1939)	<b>4</b> <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>  Completion of road between SV & Jackson Hole (1939)	<b>5</b>  Afton decides to forever celebrate the nations greatest holiday July 4 (1901)
<b>6</b>  AA & RB Call put first shale on the streets of Afton (1917)	<b>7</b>  The first Mormon Wagon Train camped at Fort Bridger (1847)	<b>8</b>  The largest most picturesque rendezvous of all held at Pierre's Hole, Tetonia, Idaho (1832)	<b>9</b>  Bold robbery at Yellowstone Park, many homes lost jewelry no lives lost (1915)	<b>10</b>  Wyo. 44th state admitted to the union (1890)	<b>11</b>  LDS Apostle Brigham Young & others visit SV on their way to Yellowstone Park (1902)	<b>12</b>  The Bureau of Forestry came into existence (1901)
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Wyo. Territorial Penitentiary dedicated at Cheyenne (1872)	<b>16</b>  The first group of immigrants over the Crow Creek road to settle in SV (1879)	<b>17</b>  State Game & Fish Commissioners Lester Bagley & Assistant Charles Hanscum resign (1953)	<b>18</b>  Construction of Fort Hall began (1834)	<b>19</b>  Four million buffalo roamed the plains (1800)
<b>20</b>  A progressive group from Fairview, Wyo. buy their first threshing machine (1915)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>  President Brigham Young & his caravan first glimpsed the Great Salt Lake (1847)	<b>23</b>  Father De Smet held the first mass in Wyoming (1840)	<b>24</b> <b>PIONEER DAY</b>  Public anniversary celebration honoring the day the pioneers entered the valley (1849)	<b>25</b>  100 moose permits issued for the first time (1935)	<b>26</b>  The battle at Platte Bridge fought (1865)
<b>27</b>  Elizabeth Paul, wife of Thomas Paul died in childbirth along the Lander Trail at Labarge Creek (1872)	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  The bloody year along the Bozeman Trail began (1869)	<b>30</b>  Treaty of Fort Bridger which placed Bannock Indians along with Shoshoni at Fort Hall Reservation (1869)	<b>31</b>  Contract let for road oiling from Geneva to Forest Dell (1928)		

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*There were two ferries that run across Snake River in Alpine in the early days. This is believed to be the John Booth ferry with the passengers unidentified. The fare was 25¢ per man and \$1 for a team. (Photo contributed by Chas. Heiner collection.)*



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					<b>1</b>  CCC Camp F33 at Grover Park established (1935)	<b>2</b>  Alexander Graham Bell died (1923)
<b>3</b>  Fort Bridger was sold to the Mormons for \$4000 (1855)	<b>4</b>  Blind Bull coal mine installed new oiling machines (1938)	<b>5</b>  Afton new telephone switch board in operation (1938)	<b>6</b>  Wells Canyon cutoff began in Crow Creek (1909)	<b>7</b>  Governor Smith visited Star Valley (1914)	<b>8</b>  Dr. Beal died at SV Hospital (1935)	<b>9</b>  The best way to understand is to be understanding
<b>10</b>  The first election held in Cheyenne electing city officials (1867)	<b>11</b>  Hills Bro's Sheep Co. took a band of sheep through Poison Meadows head of Grey lost 500 head before they got across from Lupini (1891)	<b>12</b>  Lewis & Clark crossed the continental divide tasted the waters of Columbia River (1805)	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Workers rushed to build Cottonwood Road (1918)	<b>15</b>  One hundred cars of cattle every 24 hours by UP from Rock Creek station (1877)	<b>16</b>  Governor Millard Simpson turned the valve to release the first cubic ft. of gas after 8 years of being capped (1956)
<b>17</b>  The earthquake of Hebgen. Lake Montana felt in Wyo. & Idaho (1959)	<b>18</b>  Ernest Brog organized the Lower Valley Power & Light (1936)	<b>19</b>  Gratton Massacre (1854) Methodist Episcopal Church first to be constructed in Wyo. (1868)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  The road was pushed through the Mountain int. SV via Crow Creek (1858)	<b>22</b>  Ernest Brog opened first cheese factory in Freedom plant (1927)	<b>23</b>  Reverend Samuel Parker preached the first protestant sermon in Wyo. on the Green River and was broken up by a herd of buffalo (1835)
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Jim Moffat. 1 of the 2 ranchers on Greys River attended to important business and rode over the hill (1917)	<b>26</b>  National Park Service established (1916)	<b>27</b>  The Upper Bridge in the narrows collapsed (1902)	<b>28</b>  Dr. Beal opens LDS Hospital after being closed for 7 years (1925)	<b>29</b>  All telephone lines connected in SV (1902)	<b>30</b>  Brigham Young Jr. dedicated the valley by prayer (1878)
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*Freight train traveling the Crow Creek Road between Star Valley and Montpelier. Route was abandoned when the state of Idaho would not share in the upkeep of the road. The present South End Hiway was then constructed. The Star Valley Historical Society sponsored a trek to travel the road and visit the Halfway House during the summer of 1985. (Photo contributed by Ted Heiner.)*

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	1  The mine workers of Wyo. organize (1909)	2  The first territories election was held (1869)	3  Charles Dale Cazier chosen to preside over the Swift Creek Branch of the LDS Church (1880)	4  Osmond farmers began construction of pipeline (1941)	5  Afton telephone connected to Montpelier through Crow Creek (1902)	6  Volume 6 of SV Independent published (1907)
7  Compulsory education enforced (1911)	8  Greatest disaster in all history of Japan 300,000 killed most of several cities buried (1923)	9  Afton State bank opened (1907)	10  First SV Independent published (1904)	11  Charles Whiting, Hugh Whiting, Matt Warner robbed Cokeville bank (1911)	12  Afton P.O. robbed \$1500 taken cash & property (1902)	13  Mr. & Mrs. Charles D. Cazier have 5 sons in the service (1918)
14  First church organized at Big Piney (1907)	15	16  Barlow Call killed in mid air collision on the Red Desert (1968)	17  Nome Alaska destroyed by fire (1934)	18	19  Explosion in mine No. 5 at Kemmerer (1924)	20  Greys River road is completed to the end of Squaw Flat (1923)
21	22  Cheyenne Club incorporated (1880)	23  The first "Frontier Days" Celebration, "Granddaddy of em all" (1897)	24	25  First P.O. built in Sublette Co. (1879)	26  Paris, Idaho named & settled (1803) Wyo. Bankers Assn. organized (1906)	27  President proclaimed fire prevention week (1924)
28  Gardner Bro's installed new flour mill. will do 50 barrels a day (1917)	29  Brigham Young Jr. dedicated the valley by proxy (1878)	30				

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An antelope kill was photographed with residents of the area (left to right) Dr. L. C. Proctor, High Roos, Dr. George Washington West and his son Max West, sitting in front of the car. Dr. West served Star Valley residents for 43 years from 1903 until he retired in 1946. He delivered 4,000 babies during that time.

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			1	2  Lester Bagley appointed game warden (1925)	3  \$26,591 appropriated for Afton sewer (1938)	4  Sputnik I launched, ushered in spaceage (1957)
5	6	7  Beginning of Crow Creek road to be graded (1925)	8  Dr. O.L. Treloar began practice in SV (1929)	9	10  Dr. J.E. Ott located in Afton (1924)	11  Senator Francis E. Warren speaks to local citizens (1921)
12  Phosphate Mine at Cokeville (1906)	13 COLUMBUS DAY  First papers signed for the road up the Grand Canyon of The Snake River (1916)	14  Chuck Yeager first to break the sound barrier in the XI (1947)	15  Quaranteen for the whole valley for Spanish Flu (1918)	16	17  Rail service established between Casper & Lander (1906)	18  Frank Hoopes first death from Spanish Flu (1918)
19  Well spudded in on Little Greys Mid West Oil Co. (1928)	20  Three new mines beginning in Blind Bull area, Head of Little Greys, Smiths Fork (1938)	21  Dr. Fink to locate in Thayne (1916)	22	23  Fossil Butte National Monument established (1972)	24	25  Transcontinental telegraphs service inaugerated (1861)
26  Dr. Bryon Rees of Afton appointed school medical inspector (1917)	27	28  Sam O. Osmond died. He was well acquainted with Joseph Smith (1904)	29  The "Old Convict Road", Cokeville to SV completed (1890)	30  Final act of Indian warfare happened on lightening ridge in Weston Co. by the Sioux (1903)	31 HALLOWEEN	

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*The Findlay family pose in front of their cabin, typical of the homes in early Star Valley. Family is Merrill; mother, Gertrude; Douglas; father, Hugh; and Isabell (Hunsaker). (Photo contributed by Owen Hokanson.)*

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						1  Oz Low Jr. in bank holdup at Upton Wyo. escaped unhurt (1938)
2  Water is turned into the power canal SV (1938)	3	4  ELECTION DAY	5  The Mid-west Oil Co. was formed by a group of Colorado men. This group drilled in Little Greys (1910)	6	7  Lewis & Clark first saw the Pacific Ocean (1805)	8  Bishop Osborn Low purchased the Lowe Ranch on Crow Creek from Rees & Co. (1918)
9	10	11  VETERANS DAY  20 business houses in Idaho Falls burned (1904)	12  The Prohibition Act passed (1918)	13  The first UP engine puffed into Cheyenne (1867)	14  Earthquake at Casper, Wyo. (1847)	15  War ended & armistice signed (1918)
16  Overland telegraph line linked coast to coast (1861)	17	18  Life is a mystery to be lived, not a problem to be solved	19	20  New power plant installed in Afton by Afton Electric Co. (1926)	21  The Bear Town riot (1868)	22  Joseph F. Smith, 6th Mormon President died (1918)
23	24	25	26  First record of Mount St. Helens eruptions (1835)	27  THANKSGIVING	28  Crusade began to get a better road from SLC, Ogden, Logan, Brigham City, Montpelier, SV, up Snake River to Jackson & Yellowstone Park (1938)	29  Laramie Co. Stock Growers Assn. organized (1873)
30	Fort Davy Crockett was built between Rock Springs & Green River in Brouse Hole (1836)					

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*Owen Hokanson (last on the right) taught school in Smoot in 1923-24 in a three-room building. With him are students Orrin Walton and Harold and Kim Peterson. (Photo contributed by Owen Hokanson.)*



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	<b>1</b>  Territorial legislature created Uinta Co. (1869)	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>  Snake River bridge below the Hoback completed (1938)	<b>4</b>  The first load of anthracite coal left Cambria. "Queen of the Coal Mines" (1889)	<b>5</b>  Construction began on the Dry Creek Road so people could get out their winter wood (1917)	<b>6</b>  County seat changed from South Pass to Green River City (1873)
<b>7</b>  First State to ratify the constitution (1887)	<b>8</b>  Herder & 1000 sheep froze to death at Carlsbad, New Mexico (1906)	<b>9</b>  Wyo. Census reported 9118 residents in Wyoming (1870)	<b>10</b>  The equality bill passed (1869)	<b>11</b>  Forest Service & Bear Lake to go 50-50 on the new road to connect Afton & Montpelier (1917)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  Wyo. mob of 500 hung Negro who killed porter on UP train (1918)
<b>14</b>  Wyo. State income tax approved (1923)	<b>15</b>  The road to the Lower Valley impassable, travelers have to go through Turnerville & Bedford (1905)	<b>16</b>  Bishop Low's mother died at Smithfield (1905)	<b>17</b>  Orville Wrights first flight in a powered craft (1903)	<b>18</b>  Brick Bond alone killed 6000 buffalo in 60 days (1870)	<b>19</b>  60 below coldest in history (1924)	<b>20</b>  Only 5 counties in the state of Wyo. (1869)
<b>21</b>  John Colter entered Jackson Hole wearing snowshoes, first time (1807)	<b>22</b>  The highest rewards for a mans tact is not what he gets for it but what he becomes by it.	<b>23</b> (1918) Taken from the SV Independent "We taste the bitter, and then are more able to enjoy the sweet, see the bad and appreciate more the good, visit the rest of the world & become more satisfied with Star Valley"	<b>24</b>  Last wild buffalo killed at the Fork of New Fork & Green River by a half breed (1889)	<b>25</b>  CHRISTMAS	<b>26</b>  Burton & Sons store install high pressure gas lights (1902)	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>  Water is turned into the Osmond pipeline (1928)	<b>29</b>  Battle at Wounded Knee (1890)	<b>30</b>  John W. Stoner Cokeville, completed construction of the first bridge across Bear River (1887)	<b>31</b>			

## A MOMUMENT

The rock church building, constructed in 1889 by stalwart pioneers living in Auburn, Wyoming, is truly a monument to the people of Star Valley.

Auburn was the first settlement in Star Valley with August Lehmborg being the first permanent homesteader in 1879. Indians visited the area before the white man discovered the valley. They came to gather salt and bathe in the mineral waters, but it is said that they were smart enough to never spend the winter here.

Many of the settlers came to Star Valley to escape prosecution for polygamy in Utah, therefore, most who settled here were Mormons. With that, several families followed Lehmborg to Auburn. In 1888 it was decided to build a more sturdy and permanent church building to replace the log cabin being used at that time. This was the only rock building for many years in the valley and until 1891, it had the distinction of being the largest building, measuring 30 ft. x 50 ft.

The construction of the building was under the direction of Joseph Holbrook, assisted by Heber Smith and George Walton. Henry J. Harrison and his son, Henry H. and Will were masons and they helped lay the rock for the building. The structure was built in eight months by volunteer labor. The building has three windows on each side with the only entrance, which was at first double doors, on the east side. There is a rostrum on the west side of the room.

Rock for the building was quarried in Stump Creek Canyon and hauled to the site on wagons. The Lumber was hauled from Greys Lake—30 miles away. Lime for the mortar was burned at a kiln on Stump Creek.

After completion, the building was used as a church meeting house, a school and an entertainment center for dramas, ward parties and dances. People from miles around would come to dances held in this building because it had the best dance floor.

The rock building was used until 1929 when construction was completed for the amusement hall section of a new church building which stood adjacent to it. The congregation used the rock building in the winter until 1933 because it was easier to heat than the large amusement hall.

