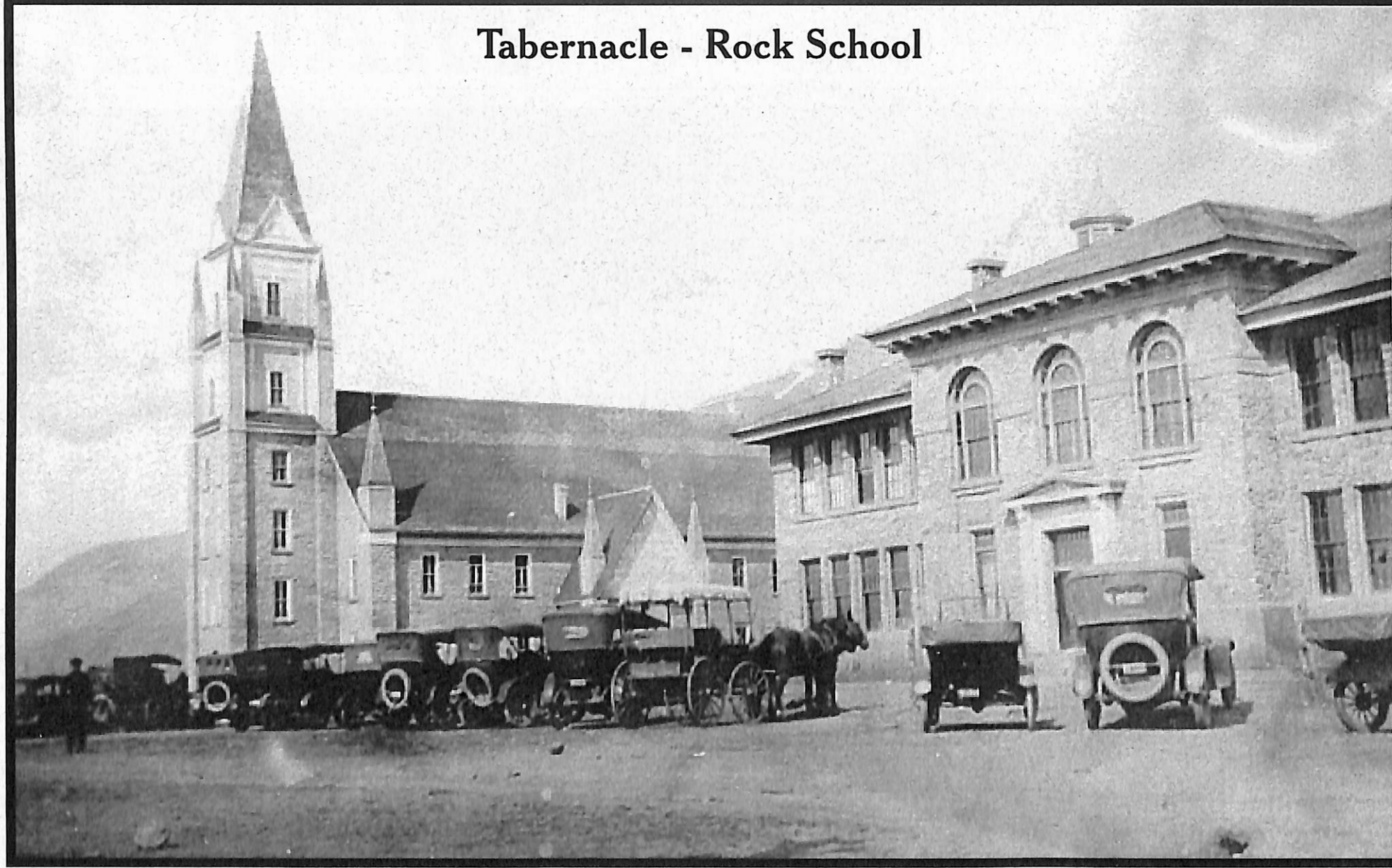


Tabernacle - Rock School



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*Afton Main Street Looking South*



# JANUARY

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> (1949) Thayne Swiss Cheese Factory began receiving milk - consolidation of Cheese Plant in Freedom & 2 other Brog plants. New Year Day	<b>2</b> (1892) Andrew Jensen, church historian, visited Star Valley.	<b>3</b> Logan Journal reported a drug store in Afton of unspecified ownership (1891)	<b>4</b> (1940) Jitterbug Dance craze hits Star Valley	<b>5</b> Star Valley Creamery Company is organized in Afton (1933)	<b>6</b> Lincoln County Commissioner first took office (1913)	<b>7</b> Joseph Reed of Auburn addressed letter to Deseret News stating "Auburn has a good day school" taught by Heber A. Holbrook (1890)
<b>8</b> -20 degrees F - 6 month old calf froze to death/cars won't start/people stay inside (1979)	<b>9</b> Ogden Standard reported so many complaints about condition of Star Valley-Montpelier Road (Crow Creek) had arisen - new Cokeville contemplated (1891)	<b>10</b> To act is easy; to think is hard	<b>11</b> Forty is the old age of youth; fifty is the youth of old age	<b>12</b> Stanley Bennion reported Thrifty Drug serving 6,750 at soda fountain in one month in 1944	<b>13</b> Wyoming Territorial Penitentiary in Laramie accepted its first prisoner in 1875	<b>14</b> (1951) Stove exploded the amusement hall and chapel of Bedford Church was destroyed
<b>15</b> Caribou Forest Reserve established by executive order of President Theodore Roosevelt in 1907	<b>16</b> (1890) Ogden Standard - prairie schooners sailed along Washington Ave. heading northward - "Star Valley or Bust" Martin Luther King Jr. Day	<b>17</b> Prohibition began in the U.S. (1920)	<b>18</b> First agricultural plane rolls off assembly line at IMCO (1963)	<b>19</b> Butch Cassidy pardoned from Wyoming State Penitentiary at Laramie for grand larceny (1896)	<b>20</b> (1859) Lander reported work completed on Lander Cut-Off Trail	<b>21</b> Strawberry Hydroelectric plant began service (1951)
<b>22</b> (1942) Exodus of Star Valley workers because of war jobs	<b>23</b> (1982) Snowed In! 76% of the USA is covered with snow - citrus all destroyed in Florida/-26 degrees F blizzard in Chicago	<b>24</b> (1908) Star Valley Independent reported "Star Valley will have a railroad" (later concluded business - Star Valley would not justify a railroad)	<b>25</b> In the Star Valley Independent an article claimed "enormous veins of gold, silver and copper-bearing ore" were traceable through mountains east of Star Valley (1907)	<b>26</b> (1903) A meeting was held in Fairview to discuss new school - the stove had burned a hole in the floor of the old school & the stove was sitting on the ground	<b>27</b> Fairview was organized as a branch of Afton Ward at first meeting at log church. (1889)	<b>28</b> Deseret News reported Rock Church "as a monument of their unity, which is proverbial" (1891)
<b>29</b> (1863) General P E Conner attacked the camp of Chief Bear Hunter on the Bear River	<b>30</b> Call Air built snow cars to meet increased demands in deep snow areas (1953)	<b>31</b> (1920) H.H. Harrison & Sons Co. store recently sold to Carl Haderlie burned to the ground				



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Cutter Racing - Thayne - Byron Titensor Photo



# FEBRUARY

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> The Bureau of Forestry became the Forest Service (1905)	<b>2</b> (1923) first radio in Star Valley put in High School	<b>3</b> Old Folks Social @ Afton "Feast and Interesting Program & Excercises" (1899)	<b>4</b> (1932) 200 rabbits killed in Fairview to save the haystacks because of drought
<b>5</b> Uinta County Commissioners approved petition for the incorporation of Afton (1902)	<b>6</b> (1920) coal was \$5 per ton at Will Ross Coal Mine in Salt Canyon	<b>7</b> Alpine became 97th incorporated town in Wyoming (1989)	<b>8</b> Be somebody who makes everybody feel like a somebody.	<b>9</b> Lester Barrus was voted the most ambitious Senator in the Wyoming State Senate (1939)	<b>10</b> Maud Ranzneburg was called to teach school at Merna, WY (1943)	<b>11</b> "Tragedy at Vail Mine" - explosion killing 5 men Deadman Creek on Greys River (1938)
<b>12</b> Abraham Lincoln's Birthday	<b>13</b> (1901) first issue of "Star Valley Pioneer" published - early Afton Newspaper	<b>14</b> High School first commenced in Star Valley - Wilford Gardner teacher - classes held in Afton Elementary School (1911) <b>Valentine's Day</b>	<b>15</b> Dr. Max Stock was killed in an avalanche above Afton (1962)	<b>16</b> (1892) Civil engineer, E.N. Austin recorded plat for Town of Afton at Uinta County Clerks Office	<b>17</b> 2nd Oil Well in Star Valley spudded in south of Willow Creek - one mile east of Salt River - Salt Creek West Partners (1923)	<b>18</b> (1987) Cutthroat Trout was adopted as State Fish/"Knightia" was adopted as State Fossil
<b>19</b> (1935) Wyoming Day, December 10 was adopted on this day.	<b>20</b> (1891) first grave at Fairview cemetary held the bodies of Caroline Campbell Sprague and infant child (died giving birth - Caroline's mother was the mid-wife) <b>President's Day</b>	<b>21</b> Lincoln County created by an Act of Wyoming Legislature (1911)	<b>22</b> Ole A Jense marreid Caroline Margareta Nielson in Endowment House in Salt Lake City (1883)	<b>23</b> (1985) The State Mammal, the bison, was adopted on this day	<b>24</b> E.W. "Skeeter" Astle brought the first bowling alley to Afton (1940)	<b>25</b> (1936) Freedom Creamery completely destroyed by fire - started in boiler room - including 500 wheels of Swiss Cheese.
<b>26</b> (1929) Grand Teton National Park was created	<b>27</b> (1942) Star Valley Creamery board met to consider establishment of 24-hour guard service during "period of emergency following attack on Pearl Harbor	<b>28</b> No one is good at everything but everyone is good at something				

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*"Linger Longer Bar" - Afton*



# MARCH

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> Star Valley Independent noted due to uncertainty, no celebration planned for beginning of electricity in Afton (1907)	<b>2</b> (1980) a special day in Church History - all meetings will be held on Sunday now	<b>3</b> Deseret News referred to Star Valley as "a poor mans paradise" (1900)	<b>4</b> (1909) Auburn town site U.S. Patent recorded
<b>5</b> Star Valley Independent headline "will the Upper Star Valley be converted into a lake?" (1920)	<b>6</b> (1925) four children of Sylvester Roberts of Etna die in a house fire	<b>7</b> 1781 rabbits were killed in Star Valley in contest to save hay (1935)	<b>8</b> (1889) Uinta County Commissioners approved Fairview town site	<b>9</b> (1886) Gov. Francis E Warren signed a bill authorizing construction of a Mental Hospital at Evanston.	<b>10</b> CCC's in Star Valley and Wyoming National Forest came to their respective ends. (1941)	<b>11</b> (1962) Rex and Louise Wirthin's plane reported missing.
<b>12</b> How immense appear to us the sins we have not committed.	<b>13</b> (1917) Afton town Council declined to renew liquor license of Linger Longer Saloon.	<b>14</b> Star Valley Independent - two men working at Rainbow Mine were buried and killed in an avalanche. (1912)	<b>15</b> (1994) stud mill in Afton closed for the last time	<b>16</b> Caroline Elizabeth Campbell wife of Grant Campbell was born at LaPere, Michigan (1843)	<b>17</b> (1905) Star Valley Co-op opened in Fairview - John Tolman & Emery Barrus 2 of the investors <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>	<b>18</b> (1984) Strange winter - 180% of snow on January 1, snowed every day from November 21 to Christmas - very little since.
<b>19</b> An ounce of morning is worth a pound in the afternoon.	<b>20</b> (1895) 60 miners killed at #5 mine, Almy Wyoming near Evanston.	<b>21</b> (1907) James H Bruce, small store owner in Smoot died from strychnine poisoning after 3 bites of dry plum pie made by wife and daughter (17)	<b>22</b> Flattery is warming yourself by an artificial fire.	<b>23</b> (1958) Town Council Meeting in Afton determined water line extension to Intermitten Springs.	<b>24</b> Freedom is never granted. It is earned by each generation.	<b>25</b> Star Valley Independent stated a Notice of Incorporation for Thrifty Drug - Harry Swenson, W.V. Hawkes, & Stanley Bennion as Directors, Bennion agent in charge. (1937)
<b>26</b> (1942) bucking horse copyrighted for Wyoming license plate	<b>27</b> (1889) 1st claim to water rights on Flat Creek near Thayne by Alma, James & Ammon Vail	<b>28</b> Unless you're the lead horse the view is always the same.	<b>29</b> Wyoming State Capital buildings were completed. (1888)	<b>30</b> (1891) Yellowstone Park Timberland Reserve was established.	<b>31</b> (1932) it was announced, highway to Geneva and Montpelier will be built soon	



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*"Spring is here!" Charlene Jensen Photo - (guy doing a handstand)*



# APRIL

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> (1926) B.F. Welch's residence was raided looking for illegal liquor - found 2 barrels of mash, 1 gal. and 6 pints of liquor.
<b>2</b> A monument was placed on Lander-Trail where it crosses Highway 89 through Star Valley. (1939)	<b>3</b> (1860) Pony Express began operation.	<b>4</b> (1886) Sarah Sophronia Phillips first child born in Grover (parents; John C & Sophronia Almira Phillips 1st married couple to settle there.	<b>5</b> (1911) Star Valley Petitioned Uinta County to build a bridge across Snake River on Idaho/Wyoming. border.	<b>6</b> (1980) 150th Birthday of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.	<b>7</b> William Henry Kennington died quietly in Afton - he probably signed more "historical" documents than any man to date. (1914)	<b>8</b> (1842) Elijah Nicholas Wilson aka "White Indian Boy"/"Uncle Nick" was born in Nauvoo Illinois.
<b>9</b> (1920) The cost of wintering horses in Nebraska - \$64,500 because of drought.	<b>10</b> Star Valley Independent announced a Chevrolet car expected to make journey from Montpelier - team of horses needed between Camp give-out and Halfway House. (1925)	<b>11</b> (1935) Dr. O L Treloar won whisker growing contest.	<b>12</b> (1987) Lower Valley Power and Light celebrated 50 years of service.	<b>13</b> Butch Cassidy was born on this day. (1866)	<b>14</b> (1922) Star Valley Independent - Deputy Sheriff reported "plenty of people are willing to inform him of bootleggers but are not willing to testify in court.	<b>15</b> Thomas Nield and P. Jensen filed for water - taking theirs from Burton Ditch #1. (1886)
<b>16</b> (1981) Farmers are plowing! early spring- only 30% of snow pack <b>Easter</b>	<b>17</b> (1902) The date for citizens to vote on incorporation of Afton - 66 voted for incorporation.	<b>18</b> Afton purchased 6 1/4 acres from William H. Kennington for \$125 for a cemetery. (1905)	<b>19</b> (1909) Afton commercial Club organized - first order of business was to encourage construction of a bridge across Snake River.	<b>20</b> The town site of Auburn was resurveyed. (1904)	<b>21</b> (1937) Gillette Call got creative and offered "Free Ice Cream at Afton Drug Store Co," in competition with new drug store.	<b>22</b> (1919) The citizens of Wyoming voted to authorize bonding for construction of roads.
<b>23</b> (1919) Roads for automobiles between Upper & Lower Valley opened- Billie Books, an Etna Blacksmith piloted his Ford from Etna to Afton and back.	<b>24</b> (1915) The first High School graduating class in Star Valley.	<b>25</b> The ground breaking for the Star Valley Temple was held. (2015)	<b>26</b> (1907) Star Valley Independent reported area north of Snake River, South of Swan Valley - "fast being taken up by settlers."	<b>27</b> (1933) Wyoming Highway Patrol was established.	<b>28</b> (1964) the first load of studs shipped by Star Valley Lumber Co.	<b>29</b> (1904) \$250 set aside for building a jail in Afton.
<b>30</b> (1902) 400 home-stead entries this month.						

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*“Life on an Auburn Cattle Ranch” This ranchers wife is Lizzie Johnson,  
wife of Art Johnson – Deanne Johnson Merritt photo*



# MAY

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> (1888) John U. Moser & Charles G. Heiner filed claims for water rights from Strawberry Creek through Beaver Dam Ditch.	<b>2</b> (1835) Trapper Osborne Russell described Star Valley as beautiful valley surrounded by mountains whilst 1000's of Buffalo feed in wild splendor.	<b>3</b> Margaret Jolly Jensen born in Clarkston Utah - parents Ole A Jensen and Margaret Anna Jolly. (1883)	<b>4</b>  (1923) School Bond Election for \$100,000 to build 5 grade school in Star Valley.	<b>5</b>  (1919) The organization of Lincoln County Farm Bureau.	<b>6</b>  Osborne Russell collected salt on Stump Creek. (1839)
<b>7</b> (1879) Mormon Apostles, Charles C. Rich & Moses Thatcher appointed to supervise the founding of L.D.S. settlements in Star Valley.	<b>8</b>  Thayne Post Office was established - name changed from Glenco. (1891)	<b>9</b>  Life is a dance, enjoy every step.	<b>10</b>  Fairview Brass Band was first in Star Valley - organized by Thomas Hood. (1897)	<b>11</b>  (1889) There were 50 families living in Star Valley by this date.	<b>12</b>  (1922) There were 21 graduates from Star Valley High School.	<b>13</b>  Burton Creamery in Freedom completely destroyed by fire. (1919)
<b>14</b> (1896) Freedom residents petitioned for establishment of county road and appropriation for a bridge - now Creamery Road. <b>Mother's Day</b>	<b>15</b>  (1968) death of Dr. Worthen after 25 years of dedicated service as a doctor.	<b>16</b> (1986) Cokeville School bombed by a man and wife demanding \$300,000, bomb exploded killing the wife, man shot himself after shooting music teacher (not serious).	<b>17</b> Dr. Perkes & John Haws went fishing on Jackson Lake - Mrs. Haws jumped in the lake after "the one that got away." (1961)	<b>18</b> (1901) Salt Lake Tribune reported Stephen Covey of Salt Lake had herd of 30,000 sheep in Star Valley area.	<b>19</b> (1922) Star Valley Independent announced "oil rigs were on the way to Star Valley" Salt River Wyoming-Idaho Development Trust of Pocatello.	<b>20</b> (1885) Apostle Moses Thatcher reported to (Logan) Utah Journal & Deseret News about Star Valley "no more desirable location for happy & prosperous homes can be found" & was open for settlement.
<b>21</b>  Keep clear of a man who does not value his own character.	<b>22</b> (1902) Five million acres added to Yellowstone Forest Reserve included Salt River & Wyoming mountain ranges.	<b>23</b> Forestry to study wolves to seek methods of elimination of them because of cattlemen complaints. (1906)	<b>24</b>  (1933) First CCC's arrive and camp at Sheep Creek on Greys River.	<b>25</b> 1886 - William and John Corbridge and Joseph Hyrum Holbrook and families arrived at present site of Auburn (at that time called Stump Creek)	<b>26</b>  (1981) - all time high - six inches of rain in May	<b>27</b>  (1888) James Jensen Sr. made president of Grover Branch of the church
<b>28</b>  (1900) - there was a total eclipse of the sun	<b>29</b>  We'll never know the value of water until the well runs dry.	<b>30</b>  He who is always up in the air harping, isn't necessarily an angel.	<b>31</b>  (1945) Dean Millward released as Prisoner of War.			



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*Etna School Class – no identification available*



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b>  (1885) Grant & Ezra Campbell filed water claims from Spring Creek.	<b>2</b>  (1889) Ole A Jensen freed from prison and polygamy charges.	<b>3</b>  Problems are only opportunities with thorns on them.
<b>4</b>  (1902) J C Penney opened first store in Kemmerer.	<b>5</b> (1934) Deputy Sheriff J.W. Nield made raids on a number of businesses in Afton confiscating ten slot machines. (one armed bandits) money and all	<b>6</b> (1911) Annie Bruce released from Colorado penitentiary after spending time for poisoning her father James H. Bruce with strychnine poison in pie (no women's facility At Rawlins)	<b>7</b>  (1973) Byron Titensor honored as "Brand Inspector of the Year"	<b>8</b> (1906) A P Anderson killed while operating sawmill at Grover, brought across the plains by Archibald Gardner with ox teams.	<b>9</b>  (1869) Railroad Station opened at Evanston	<b>10</b>  (1921) all autos must have license plates to drive - Sheriff Seymour
<b>11</b> (1907) Star Valley Independent announced great bodies of high grade coal located along Greys River.	<b>12</b>  (1922) Tygee site of 1st exploratory well for hydrocarbons in Star Valley area	<b>13</b> (1913) Star Valley Independent reported less than one year after 1st auto arrived in Star Valley an "Auto Road" was nearly finished to Cottonwood Lake	<b>14</b>  Annie Bruce was pardoned on this day - actually released June 6. (1911)	<b>15</b>  (1939) CCC's completed work on Snake River Canyon Road.	<b>16</b>  (1882) Railroad ties were cut and floated down Smith's Fork to railroad in Cokeville.	<b>17</b>  (1907) Afton Electric Co. incorporated.
<b>18</b> Glenco Ward organized - included Bedford and Turnerville. (1891) <b>Father's Day</b>	<b>19</b> (1930) Star Valley Independent reported income in Star Valley from dairying would soon exceed that from sheep raising	<b>20</b>  Two creameries open in Fairview, making 13 creameries in Star Valley. (1919)	<b>21</b> (1887) Andrew F. Hinck, Robert & James Mathie, and Lee Preston - priority dates for water rights from Strawberry Creek.	<b>22</b>  (1919) Afton Ward divided into Afton North and Afton South Wards.	<b>23</b> (1905) Star Valley Independent declares "Pugmire Drug Store has changed hands - Dr. G.W. West & E.A. Gardner bought all the stock and the business.	<b>24</b> Bank Robbery at Telluride Colorado brought 2 outlaws into Star Valley -Tom Smith (McCarty) and Matt Williard (Warner) (1889)
<b>25</b>  (1936) Harvey Allred contracted to build Fairview Church for \$16,797.	<b>26</b> (1933) Assets of Afton Electric Co. were sold to Star Valley Power & Light Co. - corporation formed by Christian J. Call and others.	<b>27</b>  Tommy Dorsey played at Valleon in Afton. (1945)	<b>28</b>  (1838) Osborne Russell, a trapper trapped the tributaries of Greys River.	<b>29</b>  (1939) Opening of Valleon Hotel & Ballroom, Evan P Call manager.	<b>30</b> Afton Ward divided - branches in both valleys were organized into Wards - those living on town site of Afton remain in Afton Ward. (1889)	



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*" Picnic in the Good Ole Days" – Mary Osmond, Dean Heap,  
Martha Titensor, Eliza Wright and Lucy Moser*



# JULY

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b>  Dr. O.D. Perkes arrived in Star Valley. (1956)
<b>2</b>  (1889) Fairview and Cottonwood Wards were organized.	<b>3</b>  (1901) during this week the Grover Creamery made 600 # of butter.	<b>4</b> (1905) Bedford Creamery and Mercantile Co. destroyed by fire - fire crackers thrown under loading platform. <b>Independence Day</b>	<b>5</b>  Annie Bruce married Arthur S. Smith, a miner in Idaho Falls. (1913)	<b>6</b>  (1836) Rendezvous at Green River, Mrs. Marcus Whitman, Mrs. Elizabeth Spaulding present.	<b>7</b> (1901) dispatch from Jackson Hole reported 2 large outfits from Star Valley passed through on their way to the Big Horn Basin.	<b>8</b>  (1927) a peculiar stone was unearthed at Bedford
<b>9</b> (1959) Dr. Perkes drove to Salt Lake City to assist an open-heart surgery with Russell Nelson M.D. & PhD (became an apostle)	<b>10</b>  1890) Wyoming gained statehood as 44th State in the Union.	<b>11</b>  Hospital sponsored 25 years of service party for Dr. Perkes. (1981).	<b>12</b>  Fairview graveyard surveyed by Civil Engineer William Carr. (1904)	<b>13</b>  The fewer the words the better the prayer. Martin Luther King.	<b>14</b> (1941) a new coal mine with Archie Neil as manager is in operation one mile east of Blind Bull Mine.	<b>15</b>  (1857) Lander and his party of engineers arrived at South Pass.
<b>16</b>  The first group of immigrants over the Crow Creek Road to settle Star Valley. (1879)	<b>17</b> (1908) Star Valley Independent noted that Gardner Brothers had been successful in floating timber down Swift Creek to the mill	<b>18</b>  Homecoming Celebration held for World War I soldiers, 4,000 attend. (1919)	<b>19</b>  (1947) Veterans acquire title for land for memorial building	<b>20</b>  (1924) lightning struck "Bell School" at Auburn burning it to the ground.	<b>21</b> (1915) The Globe Theatre, the first moving picture theatre in Afton, changes its programs to 3 times a week.	<b>22</b>  Wray Theatre opens in Afton, one of the best in the West. (1935)
<b>23</b> (1931) Sprague Canyon water piped by residents of Bitter Creek.	<b>24</b> 1st dance held in open-air dance pavilion at Cottonwood Lake (1926)	<b>25</b> Star Valley Independent - H.H. Harrison advertised that bathing in "The Sulphurs" cures rheumatism, gout, lumbago and all kinds of skin diseases. (1913)	<b>26</b>  (1951) T. Texas Tyler played at Valleon in Afton.	<b>27</b>  (1867) Martha Ann Tolman was born in Tooele Utah.	<b>28</b>  Site for Salt Lake Temple is chosen by Brigham Young. (1847)	<b>29</b>  (1891) Estelle Brown was buried along Lander Trail on headwaters of Hobble Creek/Wagner Pass
<b>30</b> It's one thing to itch for something and another to scratch for it.	<b>31</b> When I no longer thrill to the first snow of the season, I'll know I'm getting old.					

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*"Putting up Hay Way Back When in Star Valley"*



# AUGUST

# 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b>  (1938) Greys River Coal company incorporated.	<b>2</b> Fredrick W. Lander camped on Smith's Fork with 47 Mormon crew members building Lander Road. (1858)	<b>3</b>  Newell Gardner appointed Game Warden. (1939)	<b>4</b>  You can't have a rainbow without rain!	<b>5</b> (1885) Deseret News - Star Valley was recommended "to the consideration of a large class who are desirous of following an agricultural life"
<b>6</b> (1902) Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Co. obtained a right-a-way for phone line along Crow Creek from Bear Lake Co. into Star Valley	<b>7</b>  Lina Moser Walton born during Indian Scare of 1895.	<b>8</b>  (1935) Dr. Oral Beal died of pneumonia (early Star Valley doctor)	<b>9</b>  Absence makes the heart go wander.	<b>10</b> (1895) Strawberry Creek Branch organized including Bedford and Turnerville.	<b>11</b>  Star Valley Stake was organized. (1892)	<b>12</b> (1957) Dr. Perkes and Howard Draney went fishing on Lewis Lake in Yellowstone Park.
<b>13</b> Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid held up the bank in Montpelier for \$16,500. (1896)	<b>14</b>  (1892) all wards then in existence in Star Valley were part of Bear Lake Stake	<b>15</b>  (1909) Tabernacle dedicated	<b>16</b> Be brief, for words are like sunbeams, the more they are condensed, the deeper they burn.	<b>17</b> (1923) Ninety-eight miners killed at Frontier's Coal Mine. Alfred Walton was one of those killed.	<b>18</b> (1905) Star Valley Independent editor and publisher C.S. Vaterlaus complained about the lack of recognition of Afton or Star Valley. beyond its borders	<b>19</b>  A Temper is a valuable thing - spend it, but don't lose it.
<b>20</b>  A man who looks for easy work, goes to bed tired.	<b>21</b>  (1998) New Star Valley High School dedicated	<b>22</b> Schwab Sawmill at Cottonwood Lake mysteriously destroyed by fire. (1919)	<b>23</b> Marriage is like vitamins, we supplement each others' minimum daily requirements.	<b>24</b>  (1889) Post Office was established in Grover.	<b>25</b>  (1886) John Phillips harvested first grain ever harvested in Star Valley at Grover	<b>26</b>  (1937) Rex Hale died in forest fire near Cody.
<b>27</b> The Star Lumber & Mining Company at Cottonwood Lake is running full blast! (1920)	<b>28</b>  Burglars get \$24,000 in Star Valley Bank robbery. (1953)	<b>29</b>  (1900) Butch Cassidy strikes again - Union Pacific train near Upton WY	<b>30</b>  Even a family tree has to have some sap.	<b>31</b>  A kiss is the jumper cable of the heart.		



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*Men from Osmond – front: James Gomm, Ed Archer, Allen Hunsaker,  
Clarence Erickson, Sam Walton, Levon Henderson  
2nd row: Donald Olson, Lelan Nielson, Derell Olson, Ivan Thornton, Bill Swenson, Ammon Bassett  
3rd row: Wilton Lindberg, Darwin Peterson, Gray Hillstead, Virgil Olson*



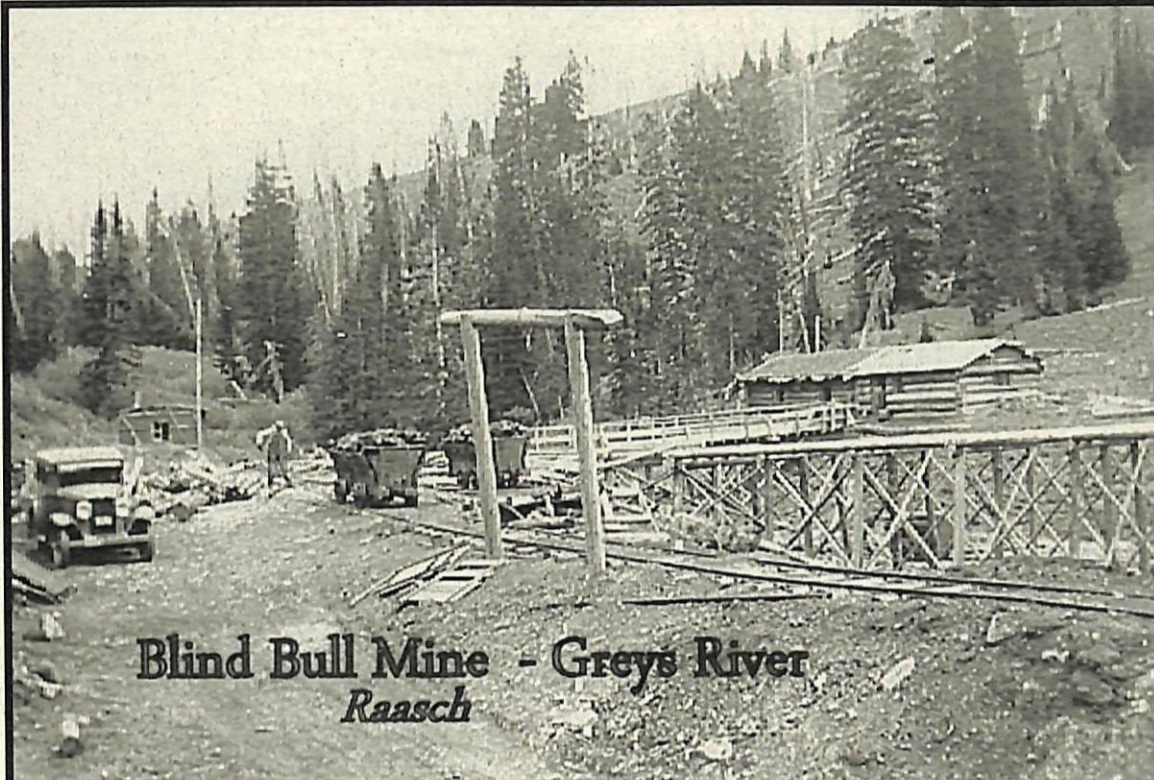
# SEPTEMBER

# 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> (1908) Fair Committee allowed to close off certain streets of Afton for 3 day Fair at Town Square (where Tabernacle now stands)	<b>2</b> (1874) Alonzo Richard Kennington born in Liberty Idaho (son of William Henry & Annie Rebecca Kennington)
<b>3</b> Meeting of Star Valley Saints Apostle Moses Thatcher remarked that the bench, mouth of Swift Creek Canyon would make a beautiful location for a temple. (1880)	<b>4</b>  (1979) Ground breaking for new hospital in Afton.  <b>Labor Day</b>	<b>5</b>  (1920) first airplane landed at Freedom - Star Valley Independent.	<b>6</b>  1870) first equal suffrage vote cast by Louisa Swain of Laramie	<b>7</b>  Elno Draney was appointed manager of the Lower Valley Power & Light Co. (1943)	<b>8</b>  (1877) Dr. LeRoy Rich Pugmire was born on this day (owned drug store in Afton).	<b>9</b>  (1907) Afton State Bank opened its doors for business.
<b>10</b>  Aaron Heap born to William & Sarah Ann Heap at Freedom. (1880)	<b>11</b>  (1890) First election held in Fairview.	<b>12</b>  (1902) Afton Robbery reported in newspaper - Afton P O and Roberts Store were burglarized	<b>13</b>  (2005) Wyoming residents of Star Valley Ranch approved incorporation by vote 471 to 115.	<b>14</b>  Robert Stuart Party camped on Crow Creek. (1812)	<b>15</b>  (1812) Stuart Party spent the day in the Valley near the mouth of Stump Creek	<b>16</b>  Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of - Benjamin Franklin.
<b>17</b>  Stuart's narrative accurately describes the confluences of Greys River and Salt River with the Snake River. (1812)	<b>18</b>  School constructed in Wyoming on north side of Snake River-teacher Sylvia Walton - Alpine. (1915)	<b>19</b>  (1900) Butch Cassidy wanted for robbery of First National Bank of Winnemucca Nevada	<b>20</b> (1888) Emery Freeman Barrus and Martha Ann Tolman were married in Salt Lake Temple continuing on their journey to Star Valley and a new life	<b>21</b>  Afton Ward was established - Charles D. Cazier as first Bishop (1887)	<b>22</b>  Sheep men forced to get permits for sheep grazing on the Forest (1904)	<b>23</b>  (1906) Etna named - previously known as "East Bench" of Freedom
<b>24</b>  Letting the cat out of the bag is a lot easier than putting it back in.	<b>25</b>  (1980) new 15 bed, 1.5 million dollar Star Valley Hospital was dedicated.	<b>26</b>  A government survey began to extend a new highway from Forest Dell to Snake River (1924)	<b>27</b>  1886) cornerstone of University of Wyoming's Old Main laid	<b>28</b> (1906) Star Valley Independent Freedom correspondent reported "The East Siders met, named a city (Etna), moved to have roads, a school and made things just hum!"	<b>29</b> (1880) Newspapers Logan Leader & Deseret News reported visit of Moses Thatch & William B Preston to Star Valley & Stump Creek settlement of 7 families	<b>30</b>  Ole A. Jensen arrived in Fairview. (1890)



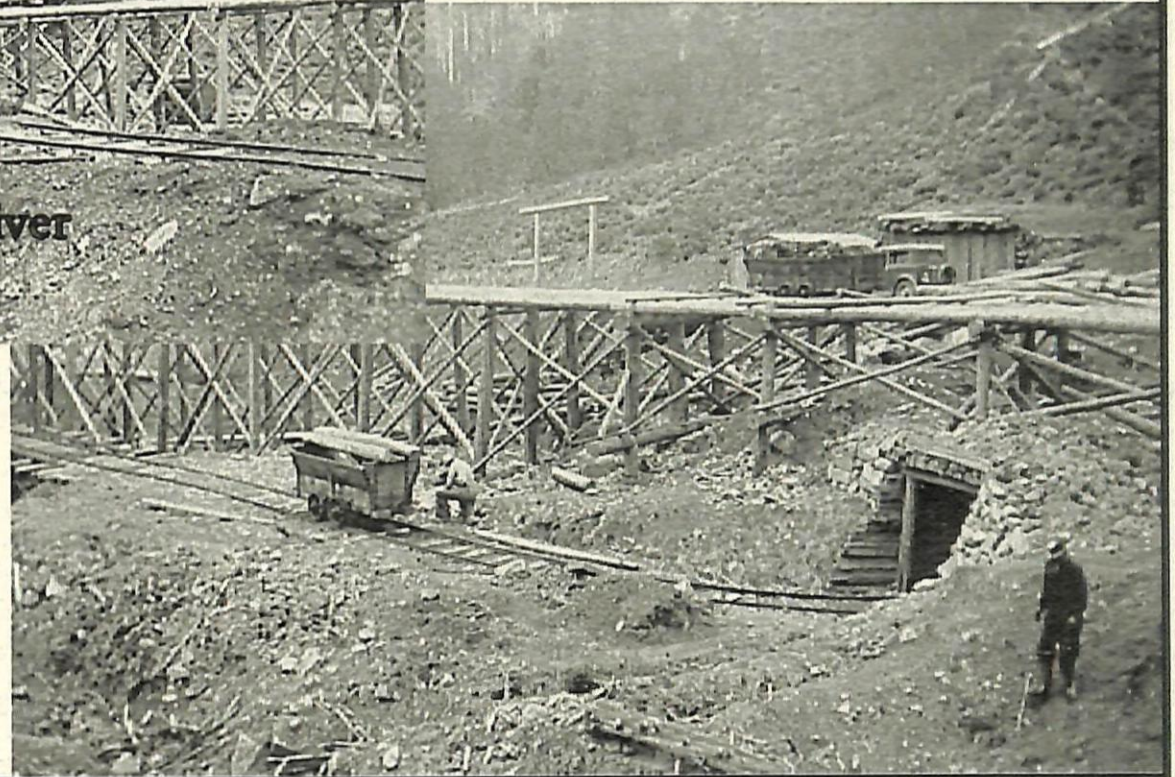
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**Blind Bull Mine - Greys River**  
*Raasch*

*In 1935 the main shaft was 2,000 feet into the mountain and numerous working rooms connected with the main shaft. Most of the coal was taken from these rooms which were 12 feet wide and 100 to 150 feet long and 60 feet apart. The coal vein was 8 1/2 feet thick. The main shaft was level and the coal was pulled out with a hordse pulling 9 to 12 tons per trip. 130 to 150 tons taken out per day, most of which was hauled by truck to Idaho Falls.*

*Blind Bull Coal Mine located 85 miles from Afton along scenic Greys River. Vein of coal discovered in 1931 by Archie Neil and Jim Moffat. By 1937 roads had been built and a small city had mushroomed - over 100 men were employed in the mine alone. Records show that 43,000 tons of coal were mined during one year.*



*Blind Bull Coal Mine - Greys River - Raasch photo*



# OCTOBER

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> (1915) the 2nd Annual County Fair took place as scheduled in Afton.	<b>2</b> Grant and Caroline Campbell and family arrived in Star Valley (4 adults - 11 children living in a 2 room cabin) (1884)	<b>3</b> (1963) U S orbited 3rd Astronaut into space at Cape Canaveral	<b>4</b> (1957) Space Age began - Soviets launched Sputnik.	<b>5</b> The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.	<b>6</b> Star Valley Independent carried a solicitation for bids to construct 2 cabins 12 feet by 11 feet at Smith's Fork and LaBarge as Guard Stations. (1911)	<b>7</b> (1889) Auburn P O Established George Dixon Post Master.
<b>8</b> (1891) McCarty Gang robbed a bank in Walla Walla, Wash.	<b>9</b> Stuart Party reached Hoback River. (1812) <b>Columbus Day</b>	<b>10</b> (1957) Call Air celebrated production of the 100th airplane built.	<b>11</b> (1920) ten flocks of sheep snowed in between Afton and Cokeville	<b>12</b> (1928) third oil well in Star Valley area - drilled by Mid-West Oil Corp. along Little Greys River	<b>13</b> (1916) Charles Henry Haderlie offered a reward leading to arrest & conviction of the party or parties vandalizing his sawmill by throwing tools, shaft and iron into turbine penstock	<b>14</b> (1937) a sturdy new building houses the power plant up Swift Creek
<b>15</b> (1885) George Alfred Dixon was first child born in Afton.	<b>16</b> (1891) Deseret News - Andrew Jensen described Star Valley as having a "somewhat naked & bleak appearance"	<b>17</b> (1929) first Mountain Star published by Star Valley High School	<b>18</b> Thomas A. Edison died at age of 84. (1931)	<b>19</b> (1933) Star Valley Independent - two dozer crews (one from Greys River and one from South End) had met and completed Greys River Road - "a splendid" one way road with turn outs	<b>20</b> (1969) the Vee Line of original clothes for children began in Afton	<b>21</b> "White Church" in Thayne was dedicated. (1951)
<b>22</b> (1976) Flying Saddle Lodge at Alpine was destroyed by fire	<b>23</b> J D Livingston was gored to death by a ferocious bull. (1925)	<b>24</b> (1861) the click of the completed transcontinental telegraph signaled the end of the Pony Express	<b>25</b> (1922) ground broken for new town of Parco (Sinclair)	<b>26</b> (1950) new brick Etna Church dedicated.	<b>27</b> (1974) rededication of extensively enlarged & remodeled Bedford church.	<b>28</b> (1879) Theodore Simmons was born on Stump Creek to Hyrum & Anna Sibbett Simmons
<b>29</b> Old Convict Road from Cokeville to Star Valley was completed (1890)	<b>30</b> (2016) Dedication of Star Valley Temple.	<b>31</b> (1935) Vail Coal Mine opened on Deadman Creek on Greys River. <b>Halloween</b>				

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*Tygee School – attended by school children from Tygee Valley many years ago*



# NOVEMBER

# 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> Dr. Perkes moved from old basement office to new Star Valley Hospital (24 1/2 years in basement office) (1980)	<b>2</b> (1933) two died of typhoid fever in Fairview - traced to well at creamery	<b>3</b> (1887) Allison Moffat Hale and family riding in a white top buggy arrived in Star Valley	<b>4</b> (1932) Reuel Call became a full-fledged pilot
<b>5</b> (1953) Lower Valley Power and Light Inc. purchased Star Valley Power and Light Co. & Jackson Power & Light Co.	<b>6</b> (1918) Will Ross's coal mine in Salt Canyon produced 5 tons of coal per day	<b>7</b> (1902) money was appropriated for building a bridge in the Narrows	<b>8</b> (1886) first death at Grover was a child of William Sant	<b>9</b> Abraham Lincoln gave his Gettysburg Address. (1863)	<b>10</b> Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not come yet. We only have today. <b>Veteran's Day</b>	<b>11</b> (1890) Deseret News - "quite a number of public spirited citizens" were at work on the road from Star Valley to Montpelier (Crow Creek) <b>Veterans Day</b>
<b>12</b> (1938) Freedom celebrated the power plant and lines being energized	<b>13</b> (1867) first train on the Union Pacific Railroad arrived at Cheyenne	<b>14</b> To belittle is to be little, so be grateful to be great.	<b>15</b> Congress created Jackson Hole Elk Refuge. (1912)	<b>16</b> (1952) Charles E. Gomm sawmill on West side of Highway near Osmond School was destroyed by fire	<b>17</b> Electric lights were turned on all over the valley, thanks to REA. (1938)	<b>18</b> (1921) Star Valley Independent reported four State and County enforcement officers made several raids in Star Valley that month
<b>19</b> (1936) first hot lunches to start in the valley at the schools	<b>20</b> (1926) new power plant installed in Swift Creek Canyon by Afton Electric Co.	<b>21</b> Bootlegging whiskey is still raided up Swift Creek Canyon. (1921)	<b>22</b> (1963) President Kennedy was assassinated in Texas by Lee Harvey Oswald - Jack Ruby in turn shot Oswald.	<b>23</b> (1918) Heber J. Grant sustained as 7th president of the LDS Church <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	<b>24</b> (1960) the Afton telephone office was made a toll station	<b>25</b> Wyoming purchased ten million dollars worth of Liberty bonds. (1918)
<b>26</b> (1936) first Fireman's Country Store was held at the Wray Theatre	<b>27</b> (1930) first mail came through the South End instead of Crow Creek	<b>28</b> The first step in making a dream come true is to wake up.	<b>29</b> (1984) Dr. O.L. Perkes at Star Valley Historical Society presentation reported "migration of the more progressive and more intelligent youth to Wasatch Front from less fortunate farm areas"	<b>30</b> (1869) first document in Wyoming acted upon to guarantee full equality for women		



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*E.R.A. School Lunch Project - Grover, Wyoming, January 24, 1935*



# DECEMBER

# 2017

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> (1869) Uinta County created - included present counties of Teton, Lincoln, Uinta and half of Sublette	<b>2</b>  (1948) beginning of Artificial Breeding Program for dairy cows
<b>3</b> Star Valley ranch became 99th municipality with Boyd Siddaway sworn in as mayor. (2005)	<b>4</b> 1877) Railroad connections between Cheyenne & Denver established	<b>5</b> (1902) Star Valley Pioneer stated "Dr. Pugmire now has his stock in and Afton has a 1st class Drug Store	<b>6</b>  Charles D. Cazier voted in as Presiding Elder in Star Valley. (1885)	<b>7</b>  (1941) Japanese attack on American fleet at Pearl Harbor	<b>8</b>  Johnson and Crook Counties were created (1875)	<b>9</b>  (1884) Vego Miller, first white child born in LaBarge, Wyoming
<b>10</b> (1942) development stage for Vanadium deposits in area between Swift Creek and Cottonwood Creek.	<b>11</b>  (1917) Forest Service & Bear Lake County go 50-50 to construct a new road	<b>12</b>  (1993) Morning Star Baptist Church dedicated as 1st church building in Alpine	<b>13</b>  (1927) B.F. Welch convicted of selling intoxicating liquor to minors.	<b>14</b>  (1935) ad in Independent: buy a Ford V-8 for \$510, Haderlie Motor Co. in Thayne	<b>15</b> (1876) Exploration party from Fort Ellis Montana Territory emerged from disastrous trip down South fork of Snake River - made their way up McCoy Creek - received aid from gold miners	<b>16</b> (1941) Consolidated Creameries of Freedom, Thayne and Osmond were incorporated as Star Valley Swiss Cheese Co.
<b>17</b>  Blessed are the flexible for they will not be bent out of shape.	<b>18</b>  Post Office established in Fairview. (1889)	<b>19</b>  (1879) LaBelle Sibbett born to James & Amanda Simmons Sibbett	<b>20</b> (1991) the Afton Sawmill now operated by Tricon Timber, a general partner in Longtree, LTD ceased operation	<b>21</b> (1883) Caren Marie Nielson a very rebellious and unhappy girl given to Ole A Jensen in marriage in Endowment House (sister of Caroline Margaretta Nielson, also a wife to Ole)	<b>22</b>  (1938) ad in Independent: rubber Betsy Wetsy dolls for \$1.49 - Brog & Hemmert	<b>23</b>  Auburn Rock church first occupied. (1889)
<b>24</b> (1886) Fred Brown Sr. broke a road through the deep snow to fetch Caroline Campbell (mid-wife) to help his wife Esther and their son Charles into the world	<b>25</b>  (1857) Grant and Caroline Campbell were married in N Ogden Utah  <b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>26</b>  (1882) Orson Elmer Harmon born at Clarkston Utah - moved to Star Valley with parents in 1885	<b>27</b>  Brigham Young was sustained as 2nd president of the LDS Church. (1847)	<b>28</b>  (1889) P O established in Fairview with Phoebe Irene Allred as Postmistress	<b>29</b>  (1890) John W. Stoner surveyed and plotted the town of Cokeville	<b>30</b>  Spencer W. Kimble sustained as president of the LDS Church. (1973)
<b>31</b> Gillette Joseph Call was born in Chesterfield ID- he was honored as 1st druggist in Star Valley who committed his entire life and business to people (1884) <b>New Year's Eve</b>						



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*Tithing House and cellar in Grover – still standing*



# Star Valley Historical Society

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### Membership

<i>Star Valley Chapter Dues.....</i>	<i>\$20.00 Single \$40.00 Couple</i>
<i>Annual State Dues.....</i>	<i>\$35.00 Single * \$45.00 Couple</i>

*\*(Includes membership for the Wyoming Historical Society, Two issues of the "Wyoming Annuals", and the state monthly newsletter.)*

**Chapter Organized December, 1982**

*A general meeting is held each month.*

