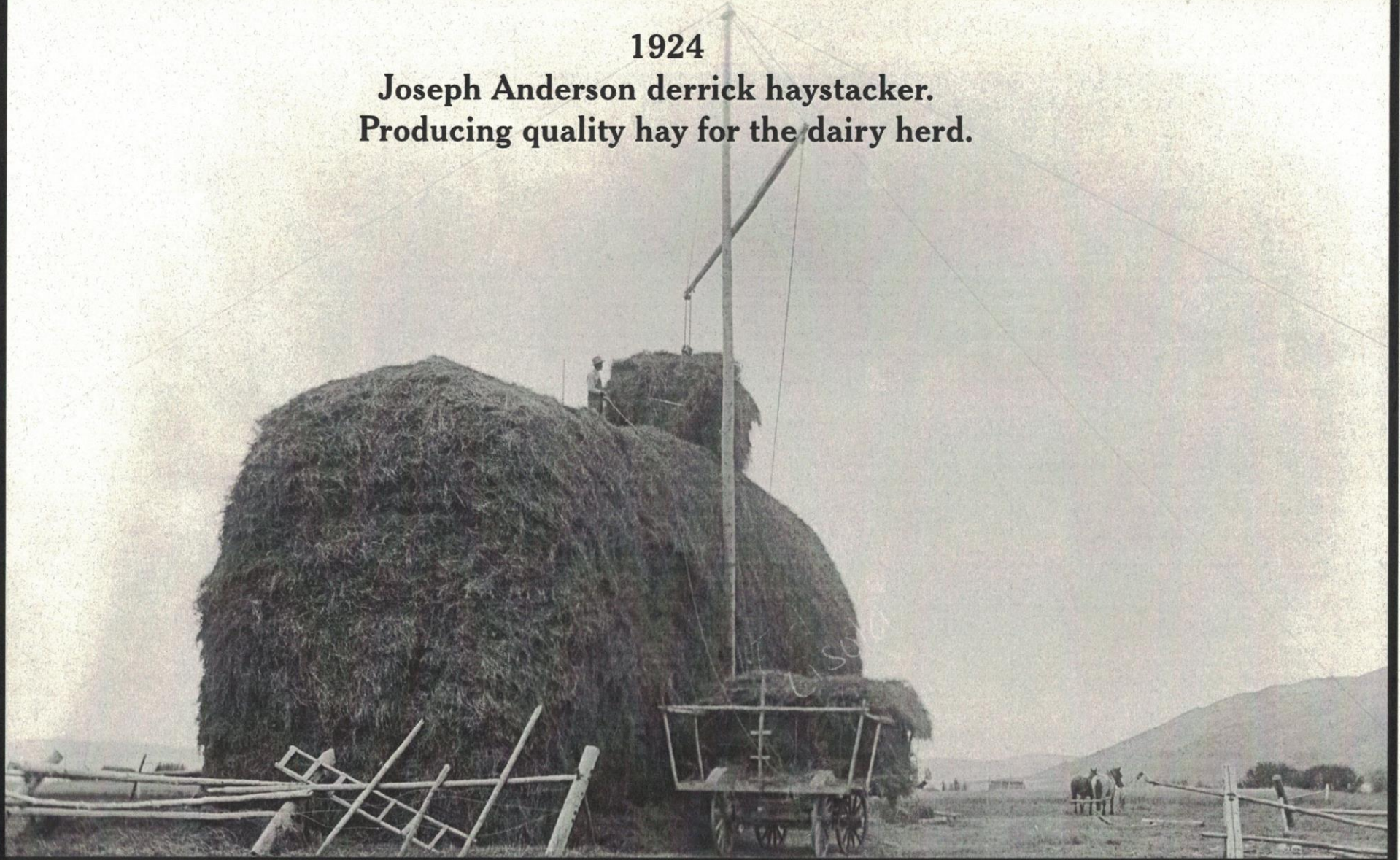


1924

Joseph Anderson derrick haystacker.  
Producing quality hay for the dairy herd.



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*Grover Creamery - Between Grover and Auburn*

# JANUARY

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<p><b>1</b> The fire siren was rung for the first time in Afton. (1937)</p> <p><b>New Year's Day</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> Albert Kennington appointed Sexton of Afton Cemetery. (1906)</p>	<p><b>3</b> Carter County organized. (1868)</p>	<p><b>4</b> First Wyoming radio broadcast at Casper. (1937)</p>
<p><b>5</b> Star Valley Creamery Company organized, had 177 patrons sending milk. (1932)</p>	<p><b>6</b> Lincoln County organized. (1913)</p>	<p><b>7</b> Fannie Farmer published her first cookbook. (1896)</p>	<p><b>8</b> Maybe no two snowflakes are alike but most snow jobs seem pretty much the same. (1890) Total of 18 feet of snow fell.</p>	<p><b>9</b> Caribou National Forest created. (1907)</p>	<p><b>10</b> The great Seal of the State of Wyoming was adopted.</p>	<p><b>11</b> Schools in Wyoming closed, teachers unavailable due to flue.</p>
<p><b>12</b> Milk was delivered in glass bottles for the first time. (1878)</p>	<p><b>13</b> Cokeville and Jackson citizens protest Star Valley new County of Lincoln.</p>	<p><b>14</b> Bedford Ward Church burned down. (1951)</p>	<p><b>15</b> Primary was organized in Fairview. (1908)</p>	<p><b>16</b> First airplane landed in Pinedale, Wyoming. (1924)</p>	<p><b>17</b> The silhouette of Cowboy on bucking horse first appeared on Wyoming license plates. (1936)</p>	<p><b>18</b> Thoughts become our attitude.</p>
<p><b>19</b> Big Piney bans cows on streets. (1937)</p>	<p><b>20</b> Mountain Man Jim Beckworth first saw the Rocky Mountains. (1825) <b>Martin Luther King Day</b></p>	<p><b>21</b> The chains of habit are to weak to be felt until they are to strong to be broken.</p>	<p><b>22</b> The Vietnam War officially ends. (1973)</p>	<p><b>23</b> Emery Barrus took over the Fairview Post Office. (1906)</p>	<p><b>24</b> First Laramie to Cheyenne telephone conversation. (1897)</p>	<p><b>25</b> Chief Washakie was baptized in LDS Church. (1897)</p>
<p><b>26</b> Wyoming bootleggers start wearing badges to keep from selling to each other. (1923)</p>	<p><b>27</b> Fairview was named by Jane Tolman, first meeting was held in new church. (1889)</p>	<p><b>28</b> A four day blizzard began, ruining may cattle kings. (1886)</p>	<p><b>29</b> On this date the north part of Allred Hotel was first class grocery store. (1920)</p>	<p><b>30</b> 1st Motion picture showing in Supreme Court Chambers. (1934)</p>	<p><b>31</b> The Indian Paint Brush adopted as State flower, and the Wyoming State Flag was adopted. (1917)</p>	

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*Etna Mutual Creamery  
Started in 1915*

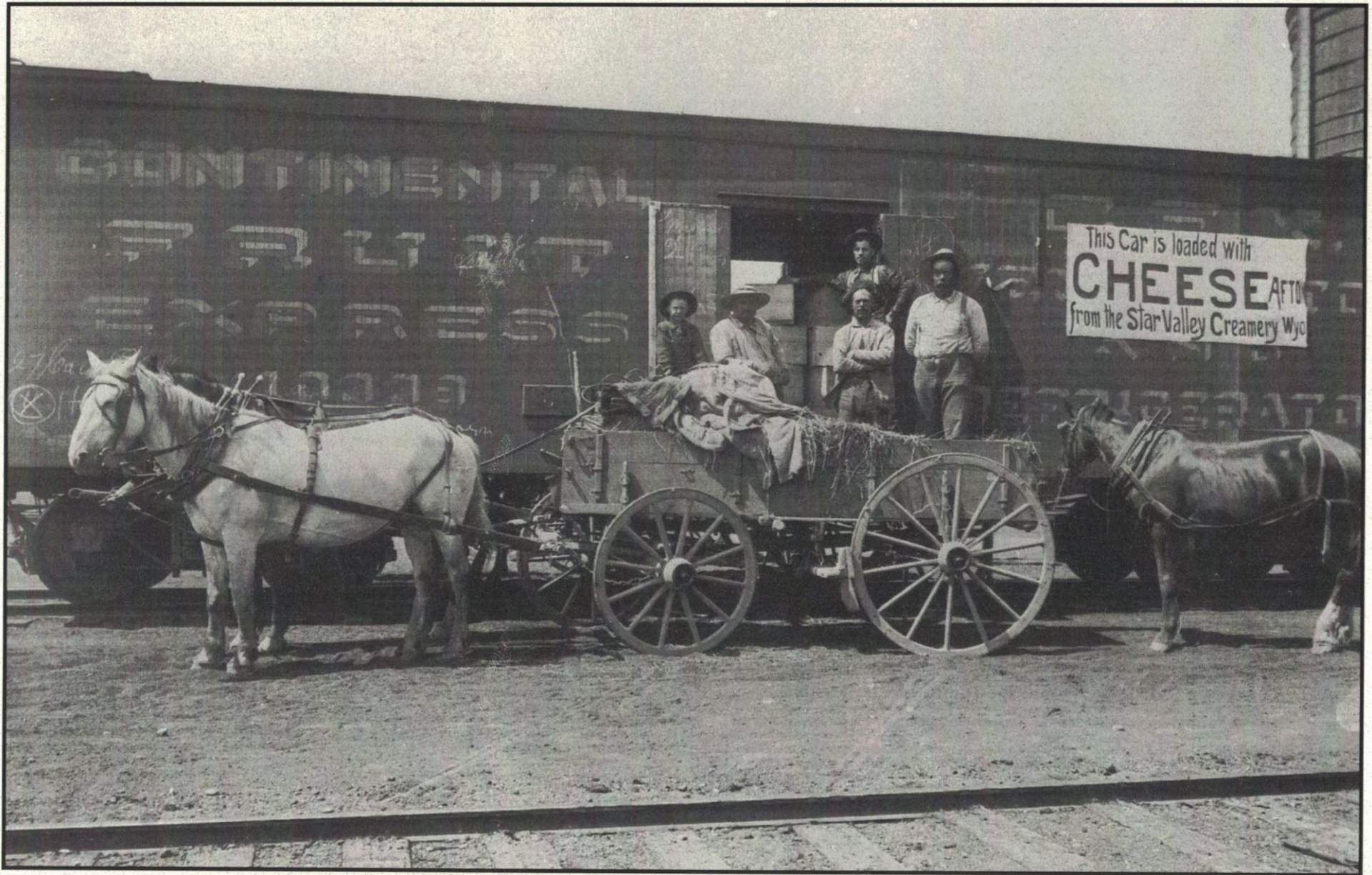
# FEBRUARY

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> (1972) Dr. O.L. Treloar retired after 42 years of service in Star Valley.
<b>2</b> You are what you are when nobody is looking.	<b>3</b> (1949) January weather in intermountain area worst in history of the state, 63 degrees below zero.	<b>4</b> The first wagons were ferried across Mississippi River to start on their trek across the Rocky Mountains.	<b>5</b> (1922) There was a payroll murder at Burgoyne Cafe in Montpelier.	<b>6</b> (1929) 59 Degrees below zero in Alpine.	<b>7</b> Worst storm ever on Red Desert, took 2 freighters 19 days from Rock Springs to Big Piney. (1906)	<b>8</b> Brog and Hemmert Store opens in Afton. (1930)
<b>9</b> (1933) Coldest day ever recorded in Moran Wyoming, 63 degrees below zero.	<b>10</b> (1880) Aaron Heap first baby born in Lower Valley.	<b>11</b> (1911) Lincoln County created from northern parts of Uinta County.	<b>12</b> (1938) County crews open Greys River Road to remove bodies after Vail Mine explosion.	<b>13</b> (1929) Wyatt Earp died.	<b>14</b> (1870) First Justice of the Peace in the world appointed at South Pass City. <b>Valentines Day</b>	<b>15</b> (1917) Wyoming passed the Primary Election Law.
<b>16</b> (1870) Esther H. Morris appointed first woman Justice of the Peace South Pass City.	<b>17</b> (1928) Teams left for Soda Springs with cheese from Ernst Brog Creamery at Freedom.	<b>18</b> (1919) Star Valley had it's first snow fall.	<b>19</b> (1901) Anti-gambling passed legislature.	<b>20</b> (1891) First grave in Fairview Cemetery was Caroline Campbell Sprague and baby.	<b>21</b> (1925) 2 1/2 Cent gasoline tax passed legislature.	<b>22</b> (1948) All American Cutter Racing Assoc. organized.
<b>23</b> (1954) First inoculation of children against Polio with the Salk vaccine began in Pittsburg.	<b>24</b> (1938) Charles Hanscum succeeded Lester Bagley as Game Commissioner.	<b>25</b> (1919) Oregon becomes first state to tax gasoline.	<b>26</b> (1846) William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) was born in Iowa.	<b>27</b> (1941) Kemmerer Sportsman Assoc. officially opposed fish hatcheries anywhere in Star Valley.	<b>28</b> (1919) Opal Wyoming largest shipping point by rail.	<b>29</b> Grandmas cookies didn't need any preservatives, they never lasted that long.

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*Team with freight wagon driven to Montpelier by 10 year old Ellis.  
Ellis Nield, Seymour Legrand Allred, John Edward Nield, Hyrum Rich, Edgar Roberts.*

# MARCH

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> Colter's Hell became Yellowstone National Park, President Grant set aside the Worlds 1st National Park - Yellowstone. (1872)	<b>2</b> Sam Young Jr. rescued Bob Brown after plane crash in Moose Creek on the Greys River while counting Elk. (1945)	<b>3</b> The U.S. Post Office began offering special delivery from first class mail. (1885)	<b>4</b> Governor approved building State Capital building and University of Wyoming at Laramie. (1886)	<b>5</b> Mail contract from Afton to Montpelier was let to John W. Nield.	<b>6</b> 20X100 ft. chicken coop and 1300 chickens burned up at the State Experiment Farm in Afton.	<b>7</b> Upper Valley people turned out in mass to welcome the soldiers home with Afton & Fairview bands. (1919)
<b>8</b> What do we live for if it is not to make life less difficult for each other. Daylight Savings Time Begins	<b>9</b> Star Valley Cagers shatter record by winning district tournament. (1945)	<b>10</b> Lander and his crew arrived at Smith's Fork to construct the Lander Cut-Off. (1858)	<b>11</b> Rex and Loise Wirthlin's plane missing. (1962)	<b>12</b> Scarlett Fever epidemic; breakers of the quarantine were prosecuted. (1926)	<b>13</b> Sublette Telephone Company of Cokeville was organized. (1915)	<b>14</b> President Warren G. Harding became the first chief executive to file an income tax report. (1923)
<b>15</b> Luther Balwin and Andrew Hokanson were killed in a snow slide at Rainbow Mine in Dry Creek Canyon. (1912)	<b>16</b> Those who talk by the yard and think by the inch should be moved by the foot.	<b>17</b> Greys River snow was deepest ever recorded, Gillis's Ranch (1936) 50.1 inches, (1949) 51 inches. <b>St. Patrick's Day</b>	<b>18</b> Bell Telephone Company receive the go ahead to install telephone lines in Afton. (1903)	<b>19</b> Congress approves Daylight Savings time. (1918)	<b>20</b> (1890) 40 Inches of snow fell - first day of Spring.	<b>21</b> Jedediah Smith and his crew of Ashley men made the first crossing of white men over South Pass. (1824)
<b>22</b> Public library opens, 400 people attended. (1934)	<b>23</b> 1st State High School Basketball Tournament held. (1919)	<b>24</b> Relief Society of the Afton Ward of the Bear Lake Stake was organized. (1887)	<b>25</b> Wyoming license plate bucking horse copyrighted. (1942)	<b>26</b> True contentment is the power of getting out of any situation all there is in it.	<b>27</b> Engineers began surveying the Montpelier/Afton highway. (1920)	<b>28</b> Merger of Star Valley Creamery and Swiss Cheese Creamery. (1970)
<b>29</b> All horned stock and horses wintered out on the west hills of Star Valley. (1895)	<b>30</b> Cassidy Warner and McCarty robbed the First National Bank of Denver and headed for Greys River. (1889)	<b>31</b> Geneva Road up Montpelier Canyon as far as Thomas Fork Crossing opened. (1933)				

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*Burton Creamery at Creamery Springs, Northwest of Afton, Wyoming  
Cheesemaker John Wollenzien with wife and twins, September 1905*



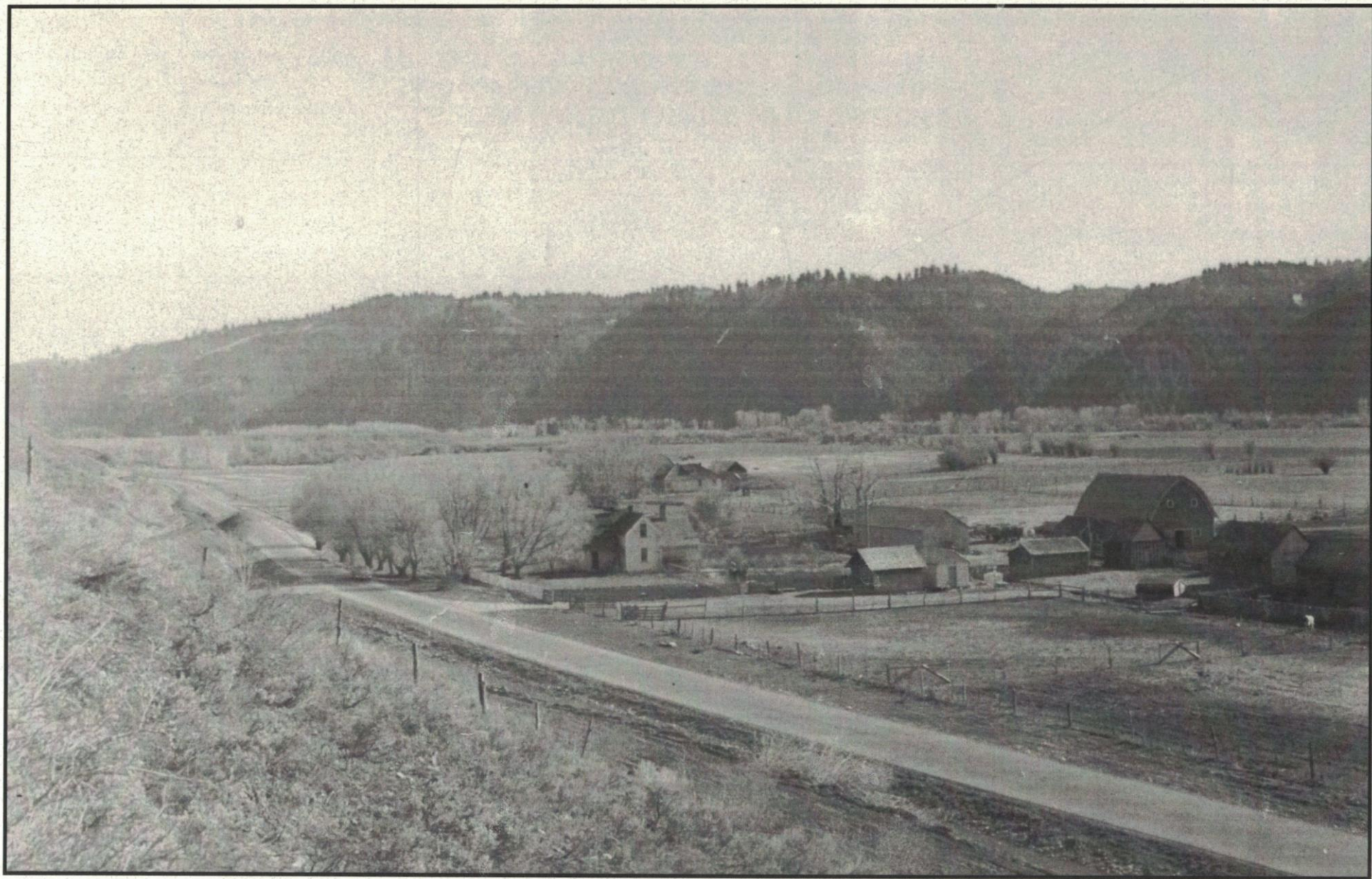
# APRIL

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> Prohibition repeal went into effect. (1935)  April Fool's Day	<b>2</b> United States declared war on Germany. (1917)	<b>3</b> The Forest Service allocated \$14,000 for Afton to Montpelier road. (1925)	<b>4</b> Star Valley School District adopted Kindergarten Program. (1956)
<b>5</b> Clyde E. Settle owner and publisher of Star Valley Pioneer installed new linotype machine. (1918)	<b>6</b> Senator John B Kendrick received a 200lb brick of Star Valley Swiss cheese. (1933)	<b>7</b> Territorial offices give to the State. (1869)	<b>8</b> Casper declared County Seat of Wyoming. (1890)	<b>9</b> Feilding Peterson appointed Sheriff of Lincoln County (1942)	<b>10</b> Airplane built by Ruel Call passed certified test. (1940)	<b>11</b> Butch Cassidy captured in Auburn, Wyoming along with partner Al Haynes. Bob Calverly was sheriff. (1892)
<b>12</b> Lower Valley Power and Light was organized. (1937)  Easter	<b>13</b> There was a bounty on wolves adults \$15 and pups \$10. (1917)	<b>14</b> The first JC Penny Store opened in Kemmerer. (1902)	<b>15</b> Cheyenne designated as territorial Capital. (1920)	<b>16</b> Afton to Cokeville road to be completely shaled. (1920)	<b>17</b> CCC Crews built a span over the Snake River 4 miles below the mouth of Hoback River. (1941)	<b>18</b> Eugene Johnson is busy erecting a new dam on Swift Creek for Afton Electric Company. (1919)
<b>19</b> The oldest Welsh Dance Hall burned, largest fire in the history of Afton. (1945)	<b>20</b> I have had more trouble with myself than with any other person I've ever met.	<b>21</b> Jim Jordan's home was destroyed by fire. (1938)	<b>22</b> Fairview organized their baseball team. (1920)	<b>23</b> If opportunity doesn't knock build a door.	<b>24</b> 1915 Was the first year to have high school graduation in Star Valley.	<b>25</b> Star Valley Historical Society received there charter as members of the State Historical Society. (1983)
<b>26</b> If you find s path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere.	<b>27</b> Wyoming Highway Patrol was established. (1933)	<b>28</b> The old Charley Stoker home burned. (1920)	<b>29</b> Chris Call took over the Studebaker Holdings in Montpelier. (1919)	<b>30</b> S. Edwin Cazier retired from the Forest Service. (1958)		

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*Joe Hart's Dairy Farm, Thayne, Wyoming*

# MAY

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> Gardner Brothers installed new planing mill. (1935)	<b>2</b> First meeting of School Board. (1915)
<b>3</b> Star Valley Creamery Company in Afton started making cheese. (1932)	<b>4</b> Country Singer Texas Tyler appeared at the Valleon Hotel. (1956)	<b>5</b> First Forest Army CCC's arrived in Star Valley. (1933)	<b>6</b> Apostle Charles C Rich & Moses Thatcher appointed to supervise the founding of the settlement of Star Valley. (1879)	<b>7</b> Stage driver from Lander perished in a blizzard. (1920)	<b>8</b> Clarence Gardner was elected Mayor of Afton. (1905)	<b>9</b> Work began on the Copper Mine on Hobble Creek at Cokeville. (1879)
<b>10</b> Whether we will it or not we cannot journey through life without leaving footprints. <b>Mother's Day</b>	<b>11</b> Women were elected to all town Council seats in Jackson. (1920)	<b>12</b> Seven hospitals in Wyoming were chosen for penicillin distribution, Afton included. (1944)	<b>13</b> Thirteen scholars graduated from Star Valley High School. (1919)	<b>14</b> The Bridger National Forest was added to the Wyoming National Forest by forest officials. (1923)	<b>15</b> The trouble with stretching the truth is that it's apt to snap back.	<b>16</b> Burton Creamery burned. (1919)
<b>17</b> Buick Roadster was first auto over Crow Creek Road. (1918)	<b>18</b> Kelly Dam broke flooding Jackson and Wilson, washing out one bridge on the Snake River. (1927)	<b>19</b> Wyoming became an active territory. (1869)	<b>20</b> 40 Head of elk were killed in a snow slide near Squaw Flat. (1926)	<b>21</b> A hole is nothing at all but you can break your neck in it.	<b>22</b> Clara Burton became the 1st President of the American Red Cross. (1881)	<b>23</b> Welchman and Call given the contract to build a three room school in Auburn. (1925)
<b>24</b> Ole Hokanson arrived in Star Valley to make his home. (1886)	<b>25</b> The Old Historical Gardner Brothers Grish and Flour Mill burned down. (1958) <b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>26</b> CCC Camp F12 established in head of Salt River. (1933)	<b>27</b> James Jensen Sr. made President of the Grover Latter Day Saints branch. (1888)	<b>28</b> Everyone makes something, some make good, some make trouble and some make excuses.	<b>29</b> President Abraham Lincoln signed the Homestead Act opening thousands of acres of western land to settlements. (1862)	<b>30</b> Carl Cook contracted with the trustees to build a new school in Etna. (1902)
<b>31</b> Frustration is not having anyone to blame but yourself.						

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## GROVER HERD IS BEST DURING MONTH OF JULY

Individual and Herd Record Goes  
to Joseph Anderson of  
Grover

There were 349 cows on the test with an average production of 25.82 pounds of butter-fat for the month.

The highest producing cow was a high grade Holstein owned by Joseph Anderson of Grover. She produced in the 31 days 1426 lbs. of milk with a 4.7 per cent test making a butter-fat yield of 74.4 pounds.

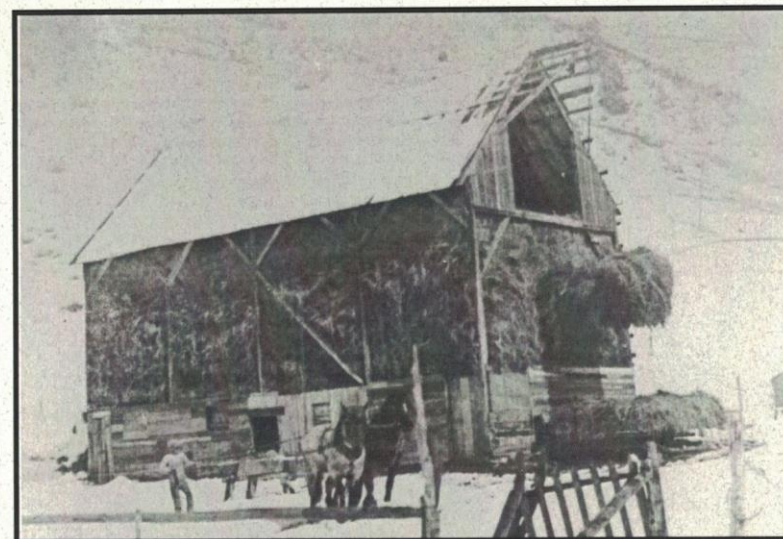
The high herd was also owned by Mr. Anderson, as his entire herd averaged 43.0 pounds of fat to the cow for the month, which is by far the highest average reached by any herd since the establishment of the association. This high production is due, to a large extent, to Mr. Anderson's system of herd management. He keeps his cows on meadow pasture during the night and in the morning they are brought up to the barn and fed rye hay. The combination of hay and pasture makes an excellent feed and the protection against the horse-flies which is afforded by day stableing is something that no dairyman can afford to neglect even though it takes a little extra time.

The high grade Jersey which was high cow for June was recently sold to N. P. Lee for \$150, which is by far the highest price ever paid for a grade cow in the valley. This sale is proof of the fact that records pay and that people are beginning to realize the difference between the good and the average cow.

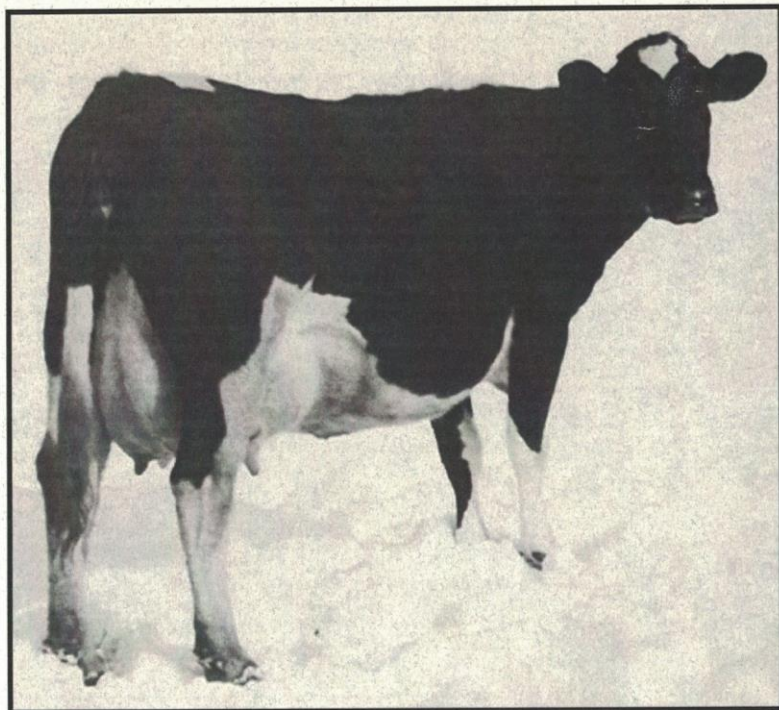
—C. A. HARDER, Tester



*Joseph Anderson pitching hay*



*Putting hay in Joseph Anderson's barn 1929*



*Joseph Anderson's record producing cow*

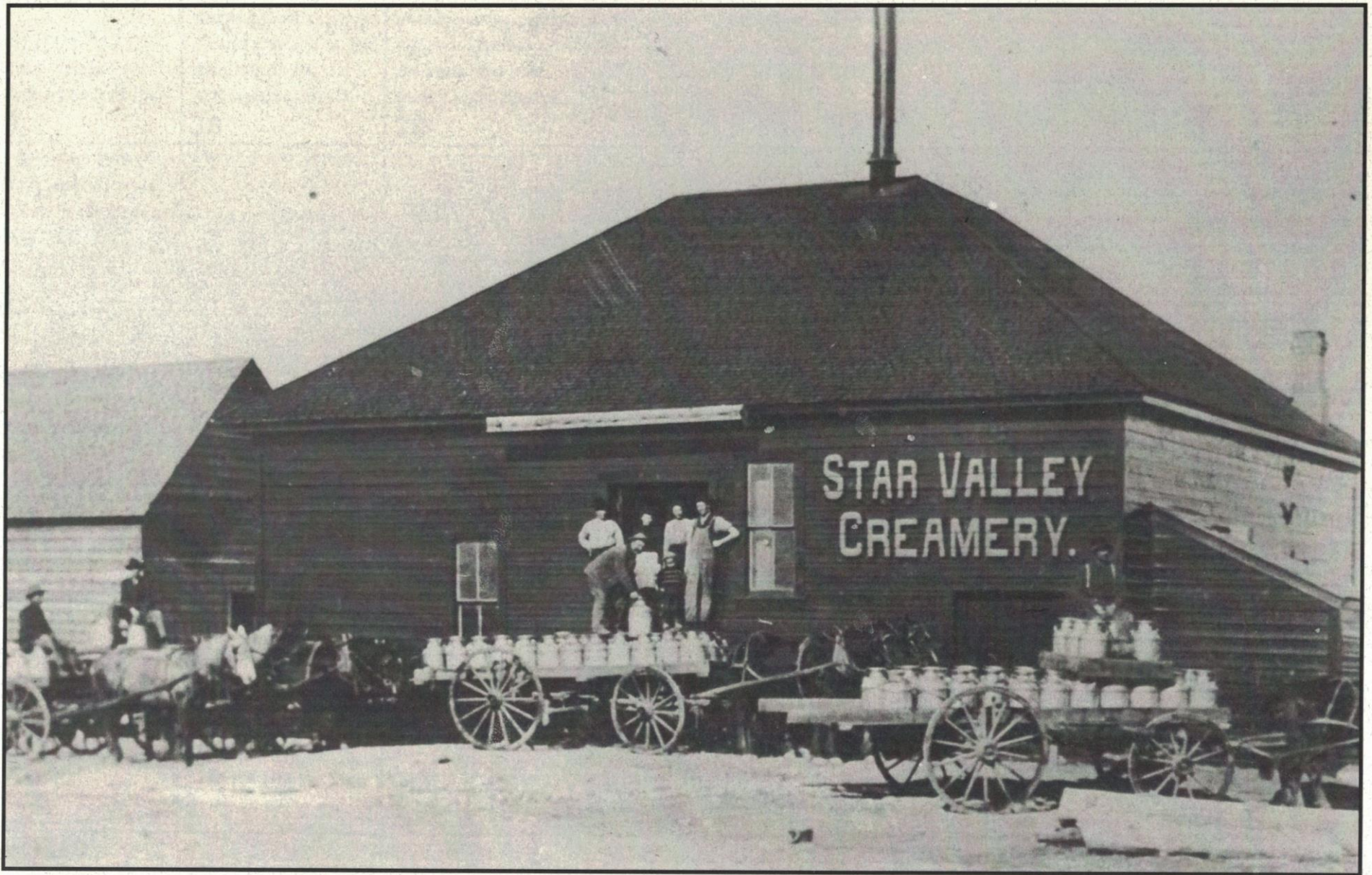
# JUNE

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> First log laid for Fort Laramie. (1834)	<b>2</b> Dr. S. H. Worthen is now Supervisor of Star Valley Hospital.	<b>3</b> A cloud burst caused Swift Creek to go on a rampage. (1925)	<b>4</b> Salt River overflowed at the Silver Stream Lodge flooding was really bad. (1971)	<b>5</b> About 10 million men began registering for the draft in World War I. (1917)	<b>6</b> Afton merchants agreed to close on Sundays. (1902)
<b>7</b> Contract made to build Tin Cup Road. (1902)	<b>8</b> Blind Bull Coal Mine was classed as the highest coal mine in the world. (1942)	<b>9</b> Isaac R. Robbins Ferry broke loose and went down the Snake River with Grandma Hincks aboard. (1913)	<b>10</b> C J Call purchased the Afton Electric Company. (1933)	<b>11</b> A railroad station opened in Evanston. (1869)	<b>12</b> Deputy Assessor Louie Jensen completed the 1915 census, 2535 people in the upper valley.	<b>13</b> The best thing to do with a wet blanket is to let it drip dry.
<b>14</b> Cottonwood Lake Reservoir Dam washed out. (1918)	<b>15</b> Work began on the telephone lines in the valley. (1902)	<b>16</b> Fort Laramie established garrison with 232 men. (1849)	<b>17</b> Battle of the Rosebud in Montana. (1879)	<b>18</b> School District established in Grover. (1888)	<b>19</b> The United States declared war on Britain. (1812)	<b>20</b> Slavery was outlawed in the U.S. Territories. (1862)  <b>First Day of Summer</b>
<b>21</b> Jack Wilson was found guilty of robbing Star Valley State Bank. (1925) <b>Father's Day</b>	<b>22</b> Establishment of half-way house on Crow Creek. (1888)	<b>23</b> Red Cloud released from Natrona County Jail. (1894)	<b>24</b> Panco man was tarred and feathered for refusing to salute the flag. (1940)	<b>25</b> U.S. Supreme Court rules against official prayer in public school. (1963)	<b>26</b> It's one thing to itch for something and another to scratch for it.	<b>27</b> Pete Olson of Cokeville sold his wool; 100,000 lbs. for 58 1/2 cents a pound. (1919)
<b>28</b> Congress passed the Taylor Grazing Act. (1934)	<b>29</b> Men started surveying road up the Grand Canyon of the Snake River. (1931)	<b>30</b> Jennie Rees bought the store and post office in Alpine, honey was \$2.00 per 5 gallons. (1918)				

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*Star Valley Creamery on Nield String, west of Afton  
Edgar Roberts and George Osmond Managers*

# JULY

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> Teton National Forest created. (1908)	<b>2</b> The State of Wyoming prohibited alcohol. (1919)	<b>3</b> The general opening of the Valleon Ballroom was held in 1939 it had 35 rooms, and was 4 stories high.	<b>4</b> First Independence Day celebration held at Independence Rock. (1851) Independence Day
<b>5</b> Blind Bull Mine on Greys River sold 30,000 tons of coal; Lucille Jensen was the cook. (1942)	<b>6</b> Wind River Reservation was created. (1868)	<b>7</b> The town of Bennington, Idaho was established. (1866)	<b>8</b> Bold robbery at Yellowstone Park, many homes lost jewelry, no lives were lost. (1915)	<b>9</b> J. W. Lane died in Salt River Valley on the Lander Cutoff of the Oregon Trail. (1859)	<b>10</b> Davis/Merrill gunfight at Christopherson's Hotel in Afton. (1903)	<b>11</b> Hundreds of thousands of acres burned in wildfires in Yellowstone National Park. (1988)
<b>12</b> Hottest temperature ever recorded in Wyoming, 114 degrees at Basin. (1900)	<b>13</b> A sense of humor puts everyone at ease.	<b>14</b> A new coal mine in operation one mile east of Blind Bull Mine; Archie Neil Manager. (1941)	<b>15</b> Butch Cassidy began his only stay in prison. (1894)	<b>16</b> First wagon train reached the Rocky Mountains. (1830)	<b>17</b> The first train arrived in Evanston. (1868)	<b>18</b> Capt. Benjamin L. E. Bonneville made the first wheel ruts up the Steelwater over South Pass to the Valley of Green. (1832)
<b>19</b> More ground purchased for fairgrounds in Afton. (1947)	<b>20</b> It has been recorded that 3200 tons of hay were put up on the old B.A. Ranch in Cokeville. (1871)	<b>21</b> Globe Theatre in Afton, first moving picture theatre played Monday and Tuesday, admission was 10 and 15 cents. (1915)	<b>22</b> Worry is interest paid on trouble before it comes.	<b>23</b> Sheriff found prisoners making moonshine in the County Jail cells in Bingham County. (1927)	<b>24</b> Airplane plant opened in Afton, building 2-seat Call Air Cabinships Model A. (1941)	<b>25</b> 100 Moose permits issued for the first time. (1935)
<b>26</b> Cattle Kate and Jim Averel lynched on Sweetwater. (1889)	<b>27</b> Elizabeth Paul, wife of Thomas Paul, died in childbirth along the Lander Trail at Labarge Creek. (1872)	<b>28</b> Four million buffalo roamed the plains. (1800)	<b>29</b> The government trapper is spending much time in Spring Creek Canyon hunting sheep killing bear. (1948)	<b>30</b> First meeting of Wyoming Historical Society held. (1895)	<b>31</b> Wyoming soldiers landed at Manila Bay, Philippines. (1898)	

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*Muddy String Creamery*



# AUGUST

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						<b>1</b> Snake River Canyon Road started by CCC. (1935)
<b>2</b> Germany declared war on Russia at the onset of World War I. (1914)	<b>3</b> Wilson Price Hunt and his Historians crossed the northern boundary of Wyoming. (1811)	<b>4</b> Sioux surrounded Capt. James Powell & 32 men near Big Piney Creek in a desperate battle known as Wagon Box Fight. (1867)	<b>5</b> The United States Flag was raised over Fort Hall. (1834)	<b>6</b> Wells Canyon Cutoff began in Crow Creek. (1909)	<b>7</b> 40,000 Fish were planted in Murphy Creek and Murphy Lake on Greys River. (1942)	<b>8</b> The U.S. Army sent Negroes to the Narrows in Star Valley. (1895)
<b>9</b> The United States dropped a second bomb on Japan, 74,000 people died. (1945)	<b>10</b> Lander and crew arrived at Smith's Fork to construct the Lander Cutoff. (1858)	<b>11</b> The "Frontier Index" a traveling press reached Green River. (1868)	<b>12</b> Dr. Whitman extracted 1 of 2 arrows from Jim Bridgers back with surgery. (1835)	<b>13</b> A pleasant companion reduces the length of the journey.	<b>14</b> James H. Walton was killed in Frontier Mine explosion, 97 others were also killed. (1918)	<b>15</b> Fort D. A. Russell was built near Cheyenne to protect the coming railroad. (1867)
<b>16</b> Many cattle and horses were shipped to Nebraska - no hay in Star Valley. (1919)	<b>17</b> Afton sewer pipes were all laid by this time. (1939)	<b>18</b> The first person arrived in Bloomington, Idaho. (1864)	<b>19</b> The bond passed to build the Lincoln County Courthouse at Kemmerer \$100 (1924)	<b>20</b> Rocky Mountain Rendezvous at the Popo Agie. (1839)	<b>21</b> The site for the half-way house between Cokeville and Afton on the mail route was decided. (1915)	<b>22</b> The worth of a thing is best known by the want of it.
<b>23</b> John C. Fremont carved his name on Independence Rock. (1842)	<b>24</b> Governor refused to pardon woman convicted of rustling.	<b>25</b> Burglars robbed Star Valley State Bank of \$24,000. (1953)	<b>26</b> Deputy Sheriff had a warrant to remove all slot machines from Star Valley. (1941)	<b>27</b> The first well north west of Casper was drilled. (1887)	<b>28</b> John Phillips harvested first grain in Star Valley. (1886)	<b>29</b> The first airplane landed in Star Valley at the fairgrounds. (1915)
<b>30</b> Velma Linford was Democratic Candidate for U.S. Representative. (1968)	<b>31</b> Kib Clark repaired phone line; Reeses Snake River - McCain Meadows, Daniel, Big Piney					

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*N.P. Lee milking corral  
Milkers installed by Linford Hardware - 1931*

# SEPTEMBER

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b>		<b>1</b> Burt Linford replaced Roy Call as head Postmaster in Afton. (1934)	<b>2</b> Beginning of All American Indian Days at Lander and Riverton. (1907)	<b>3</b> New Star Valley High School building dedicated by President E. Francis Winters. (1953)	<b>4</b> Matt Warner and Rosa Rummel were married. (1889)	<b>5</b> Afton telephone was connected to Montpelier by way of Crow Creek. (1902)
<b>6</b> Captain Stansbury and Jim Bridger unknowingly discovered the coal field near Rock Springs. (1852)	<b>7</b> Eliza Swain Cash first woman vote in Wyoming. (1870)  Labor Day	<b>8</b> The first airplane carrying west bound mail ended at Cheyenne. (1920)	<b>9</b> The first State Bank of Star Valley was established. (1907)	<b>10</b> Citizens of Wyoming are allowed to hunt wild game by buying a \$2.50 license, each allowed to kill 2 elk, birds and fish. (1911)	<b>11</b> The first recorded mail to the Bear Lake area; delivered by horseback. (1819)	<b>12</b> First election for State Officers ever held in Wyoming. (1890)
<b>13</b> William Creek Mining Company incorporated. (1920)	<b>14</b> High school started in Afton with 6 teachers, 80 students, Jack Majors was Principal. (1914)	<b>15</b> New resort north of Auburn, at The Great Sulphur Springs, built by H. H. Harrison.	<b>16</b> Barlow Call was killed in a mid-air collision on the Red Desert. (1968)	<b>17</b> The Sioux, Cheyenne and Arapaho signed a treaty at Fort Laramie allowing wagon trains to cross their land. (1851)	<b>18</b> Wardell Clinger accepted the position of Instructor and Athletic Director and moved to Afton. (1920)	<b>19</b> The United States conducted the first underground nuclear test in the Nevada Desert.
<b>20</b> Charles D. Cazier sustained a bishop of Afton. (1887)	<b>21</b> Greys River Road was completed to end of Squaw Flat. (1923)	<b>22</b> Look for the best, prepare for the worst, and take what comes.	<b>23</b> Hunting accident fatal to George L. Bruce. (1932)	<b>24</b> John and Jess Bell discover hundreds of fossils in an area later set aside as Fossil Butte National Monument. (1897)	<b>25</b> Devils Tower is the first National Monument. (1906)	<b>26</b> Thomas Jefferson was appointed America's first Secretary of State. (1789)
<b>27</b> Forest Service appointed \$90,000 for the Salt Creek Road. (1938)	<b>28</b> Gardner brothers installed a new flour mill - will do 50 barrels of flour a day. (1917)	<b>29</b> He that has no cross will have no crown.	<b>30</b> Ranchers in Crow Creek are now receiving electricity in homes. (1948)			

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*Ole Peterson's Dairy Farm  
Grover Wyoming in the background.*

# OCTOBER

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1</b> Road oiling completed from Mariner Nelson's Lane to Fairgrounds in Afton. (1936)	<b>2</b> The 2nd Annual Lincoln County Fair took place as scheduled in Afton. (1915)	<b>3</b> Learn to accept situations you cannot change.
<b>4</b> A bridge was started across the Snake River where the old Robbins Ferry was located. (1913)	<b>5</b> Loose yourself in nature and find peace.	<b>6</b> Kemmerer put out first shipment of coal. (1897)	<b>7</b> The new Star Valley Hospital is now in use. (1934)	<b>8</b> Let go of the past, life is a series of new experiences.	<b>9</b> Shoshone Chief Washaki approved treaty at Fort Bridger permitting town & railroad on Indian land. (1863)	<b>10</b> Call Air celebrated production of 100th Call Airplane built here. (1967)
<b>11</b> Ten flock of sheep snowed in between Afton and Cokeville. (1920)	<b>12</b> Stop worrying about the potholes in the road and enjoy the journey. <b>Columbus Day</b>	<b>13</b> Joe Welch who was a handcart pioneer passed away. (1916)	<b>14</b> Shoshone and Bannock Warriors attacked telegraph stations along the Oregon Trail. (1862)	<b>15</b> Life is what happens to you when your planning other things.	<b>16</b> John Wilkes appointed Special Police in Afton. (1909)	<b>17</b> The Soda Springs Treaty was signed by Bannock Indians. (1863)
<b>18</b> First man to enter Sublette County over Union Pass was Wilson Price Hunt. (1811)	<b>19</b> Well spudded in on Little Greys River Mid-West Oil Company. (1928)	<b>20</b> Salt Lake man robbed bank of (15) 100 dollar bills. (1916)	<b>21</b> Humility is a state caused by suddenly shrinking to one's normal proportions.	<b>22</b> Fire hydrant ordered to be placed at the corner of Washington and 4th Avenue. (1913)	<b>23</b> The last wild buffalo in Wyoming was shot near Gillette. (1899)	<b>24</b> Change your thoughts and you change your world.
<b>25</b> Ground broken for new town of Parco (Sinclair). (1922)	<b>26</b> Afton and Freedom State Banks consolidated forming Star Valley State Bank. (1926)	<b>27</b> A halo has to slip only a few inches to become a noose.	<b>28</b> Martin Handcart Company found on Wyoming plains south of Devil's Gate. (1856)	<b>29</b> "The Old Convict Road" Cokeville to Star Valley completed. (1890)	<b>30</b> The last Indian battle in Wyoming took place at Lightening Creek. (1903)	<b>31</b> Love may not make the world go round but it sure makes it worthwhile. Happy Halloween

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*Burton Creamery Freedom Wyoming - 1924*

# NOVEMBER

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> We do not need recipes for happiness so much as sense to appreciate what we have.	<b>2</b> Ole A. Jensen arrived in Fairview. (1883)	<b>3</b> The McCarty Gang held up the Denver and the Rio Grand Railroad. (1887)	<b>4</b> The first cash register was patented by James and John Ritty of Dayton, Ohio. (1880)	<b>5</b> The entrance to King Tuts Tomb was discovered. (1922)	<b>6</b> Rex Brown was killed in a truck accident. (1933)	<b>7</b> Money was appropriated for building a bridge in the narrows. (1902)
<b>8</b> Cheyenne's Prosecuting Attorney warned all gambling in the city must stop. (1911)	<b>9</b> Johnny Woodward pilot of the first air mail plane lost his life when he flew into hump at Cheyenne. (1920)	<b>10</b> Strawberry Canal Company incorporated. (1936)	<b>11</b> Armistice signed. (1918)  <b>Veteran's Day</b>	<b>12</b> Electric service supplied for 287 Lower Valley Power and Light members. (1938)	<b>13</b> New Star Valley Fish Hatchery was completed, the largest in the state. (1924)	<b>14</b> All Star Valley people are urged to file water rights in Star Valley or lose all rights to Idaho. (1932)
<b>15</b> Congress created the Jackson Hole Elk Refuge to protect the elk herds in the region. (1912)	<b>16</b> Wealth is not only what you have but what you are.	<b>17</b> Ad from Star Valley Independent reads: Allred Hotel Rooms 25¢, with bath \$1, meals 40¢. (1932)	<b>18</b> The U.S. established 4 time zones: Eastern, Central, Mountain and Pacific. (1883)	<b>19</b> Life is a mystery to be believed not a problem to be solved.	<b>20</b> New power plant installed in Afton by Afton Electric Company. (1926)	<b>21</b> Johnson Army camped at Fort Bridger. (1857)
<b>22</b> Life is like a ten speed bike, most of us have gears we never use.	<b>23</b> J.D. Noblitt became president of the Wool Growers Association. (1919)	<b>24</b> Fort Davey Crockett was built between Rock Springs and Green River at Brown's Hole. (1836)	<b>25</b> The easiest person to deceive is ones own self.	<b>26</b> The first Fireman's Country Store was held. (1936)  <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	<b>27</b> Nothing will happen until you take the first step.	<b>28</b> Halfway Hotel on Afton/Cokeville Road is now completed and open for business. (1915)
<b>29</b> A problem is a chance for you to do your best.	<b>30</b> Swiss Cheese Company opened the Cheese Factory in Osmond. (1930)					

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*Mary, Levon,  
Rex and Ward Jensen*

*Burton Creamery Bedford, Wyoming  
1920's Levon Jensen - Manager*



# DECEMBER

# 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> My interest is in the future because I'm going to spend the rest of my life in it.	<b>2</b> Diamondville blew, 19 men were killed. (1905)	<b>3</b> The Creator gave the Coyote more than a brain and lightening quickness - he put a song in his heart and a grin on his face.	<b>4</b> Over abundance begets indifference.	<b>5</b> Teton County organized. (1922)
<b>6</b> Uinta County established, including all present counties of Uinta, Lincoln and Yellowstone National Park. (1869)	<b>7</b> Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. (1941)	<b>8</b> Wyoming version of Bucking Broncs license plate became available, made of pressed wood. (1943)	<b>9</b> Wyoming Census reported there to be 9,118 residents in Wyoming. (1870)	<b>10</b> The Equality Bill passed. (1869)	<b>11</b> Telephone connection established in Turnerville. (1928)	<b>12</b> Work done with little effort may yield little fruit.
<b>13</b> Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile.	<b>14</b> The equalizer winter began, thousands of cattle and sheep died of starvation. (1888)	<b>15</b> Grover meeting house was the 3rd meeting house in Star Valley. (1888)	<b>16</b> Grace Raymond Hebard became the first woman admitted to the State Bar. (1914)	<b>17</b> The Wright brothers staged the first successful powered airplane flight. (1903)	<b>18</b> New road made from Books Ranch on Crow Creek to Georgetown, ID, 10 miles closer. (1909)	<b>19</b> Make the least of the worst and most of the best.
<b>20</b> 1st Sheridan war casualty, hurt nose while running into wall at Fort McKenzie. (1841)	<b>21</b> John Colter entered Jackson Hole for the first time wearing snowshoes. (1807) <b>First Day of Winter</b>	<b>22</b> LaBelle Sibbett, cousin of Theodore, first girl born and second child born in Star Valley. (1879)	<b>23</b> First airplane hanger and administration building dedicated in Cheyenne. (1925)	<b>24</b> A man who is afraid of asking is afraid of learning.  <b>Christmas Eve</b>	<b>25</b> Wyoming Territory created in act passed by Congress. (1868)  <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>26</b> The late George Washington was eulogized by Col. Henry Lee as "first in war, first in peace and first in heart of his country." (1799)
<b>27</b> Carter County was created. (1867)	<b>28</b> Robbers carry away complete stock from store at Elk in Jackson. (1932)	<b>29</b> Camp Brown was changed to Fort Washakie. (1878)	<b>30</b> Stepping stones to success usually start as stumbling blocks.	<b>31</b> Worry is like a rocking chair, it gives you something to do, but doesn't get you anywhere.		

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## OFFICIAL Uinta County VISITS STAR VALLEY

By John C. Hamm

At the first State election held under the Enabling Act on September 11, 1890, I. C. Winslow, John Sims and Edward Blacker were elected commissioners of Uinta County, Wyoming. John R. Arnold, present veteran jurist of the Third Judicial District, was elected county clerk, and the writer, John C. Hamm, was elected county and prosecuting attorney.

Historically thirty-nine years is a very brief space. To the youth looking forward, it is an interminable wilderness of time. When it is behind, we wonder at the swiftness of its passage.

In those early days, Star Valley was an isolated frontier settlement of Uinta County in the first stages of subjugation by the hardy Mormon pioneers. No telegraph or telephone line had yet penetrated the primeval precincts of the lovely vale of Afton and Auburn to apprise those quiet pastoral regions of the restless wagging of the outside world. No automobile had as yet gotten beyond the fantastic vision of the early dreamers. The slow transport of the work team and the farm wagon was the vehicle of necessity. A spring wagon or a buckboard a luxury.

No wonder those early settlers clamored for the improvement of their roads and bridges. Their butter and cheese and occasional meat products had to be brought to market over the mountain to Montpelier, then to Evanston, Almy and Red Canyon,—appalling distances when the means of transportation then in vogue are considered. There were no coal camps at Kemmerer and Diamondville, and the long hard drives over roads none too smooth and fords sometimes dangerous were tasks of real hardship.

So it was determined in the summer of 1891 that an official trip of investigation by the Board of Commissioners was necessary, and John Sims and Edward Blacker were designated to make the inspection with the co-operation of their clerk, Mr. Arnold.

There had arisen some dispute over the ownership of a calf in the vicinity of Afton, and the prosecuting attorney was called upon to investigate the affair in the local justice's court to see if a felony had been committed. Hence the all around utility and economy of the official visit.

This august representation of the dignity of official Uinta County, the first of its kind in the history of the Valley, drove a team of cayuses to a spring wagon, and were

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piloted by Archie Moffatt, a noble son of that virgin land, who was returning to his home in the Valley after having delivered a load of butter and cheeses to residents of Evanston, Almy and Red Canyon who had become acquainted with the excellence of those products of the early Valley days. On the trip Official Uinta County camped in the open, slept under the wagon or elsewhere as suited convenience or necessity.

On the way out, the route chosen was up the Thomas Fork to determine whether this were the more feasible site for a county road into the valley. This route brought us out on the ridge at the southern extremity of Star Valley where we intersected the old Lander Trail at what was early called Sublette Pass.

Here we were on historic ground. Mr. Arnold and I especially felt the spell of the spirit of the old pioneers who long before had gone that way. Over this trail some of the best blood of New England, the middle states and the eastern part of the Mississippi Valley had braved the hardships of the desert and the hatred and revenge of ill treated aborigenes to do their part in confirming title of the United States to the Territory of Oregon and the great Northwest. Along this trail an occasional pile of boulders, a rude cross or rough hewn slab marked the spot where some tired mother or frail child was laid at what for them was the long journey's end.

We sensed all this the more because the very trees spoke of the passing throng. In this one's trunk were carved the initials of J. H. W. who had passed that way in 1859. On another and still another until all the aspens of the forest seemed to shout the tidings of a resistless throng surging on and on with its face ever to the West, determined not to stop until its feet were firmly planted on the shores of the far Pacific. Some had earlier gone that way and had carved their names on aspen trees so long ago that growth had so distorted or nearly obliterated the carving as to render them entirely illegible.

But illegibility only added zest to our interest and gave fuller play to our imagination. Mr. Arnold and I spoke but little and thought much as we stood in this sacred presence of a passing pageant whose spirit forms swept by in silence, ever onward toward the setting sun.

In our mind's eye we could see the crude covered wagon, the tired horses foot-sore and jaded by the long trek over the untracked desert; the lowing oxen, swaying under the burden of the yoke, yet always goaded to greater effort by their hard but well-meaning taskmasters; the sallow,

*Archie Moffat first exporter of dairy products.  
1891-Searches for a new route to South Uinta County.*

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