

1989

Calendar of Star Valley History



Parade on the Town Square

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Corral Creek Ranger Station on Greys River built in 1912 by Phil Walker.

DECEMBER 1988

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January 1989

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1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Star Valley Chamber of Commerce immerges from Star Valley Commercial Club (1931)	2 3-day blizzard began in Southeastern Wyoming, many animals and people died. (1949)	3	4 An immense effort is being made to keep Montpelier-Afton road open this winter (1929)	5	6 Star Valley Creamery Company organized (1933)	7 First Presidential Election held in U.S.(1789)
8	9 Butch Cassidy released from Jail (1896)	10 John D. Rockefeller incorporated Standard Oil (1870)	11 Crow Creek Road open to Half-Way House. Montpelier. motorgrade nearly halfway. (1929)	12 Albert Barrus appointed Deputy Sheriff (1923)	13 The first advertisements of radios appeared in Scientific America (1906)	14 "Trust everybody, but cut the cards."
15 First time Democratic Party represented as donkey (1870)	16 Uncle Tom's Cabin directed by W.J. Cassity played in Osmond (1933)	17 "Don't brood over your troubles, you'll only hatch them out."	18	19 Gus Portela and Charles Berg built a "Safety-chic brooder." Are having many orders (1933)	20	21 "Those who take no chances have to take what's left by those who do."
22	23 'Tis looking downward, makes one dizzy.	24	25 Alexander Graham Bell inaugurated transcontinental phone service in United States (1915)	26	27	28 Lester Bagley and C.W. Sheffner made assistant game wardens (1932)
29 The Massacre of Bear River Annialating the Northwestern Shoshone Tribe (1863)	30 Spanish Flu invades homes of Star Valley again, many deaths occur (1920)	31 Indian Paint Brush adopted as State Flower State Flag adopted (1917)				

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This store was located on the Idaho side of the road in Freedom, Wyoming. Post office boxes can be seen on the right hand side of this photo taken about 1911.

PICTURED IN THE CENTER
GEORGE KENNINGTON, MANAGER

JANUARY 1989

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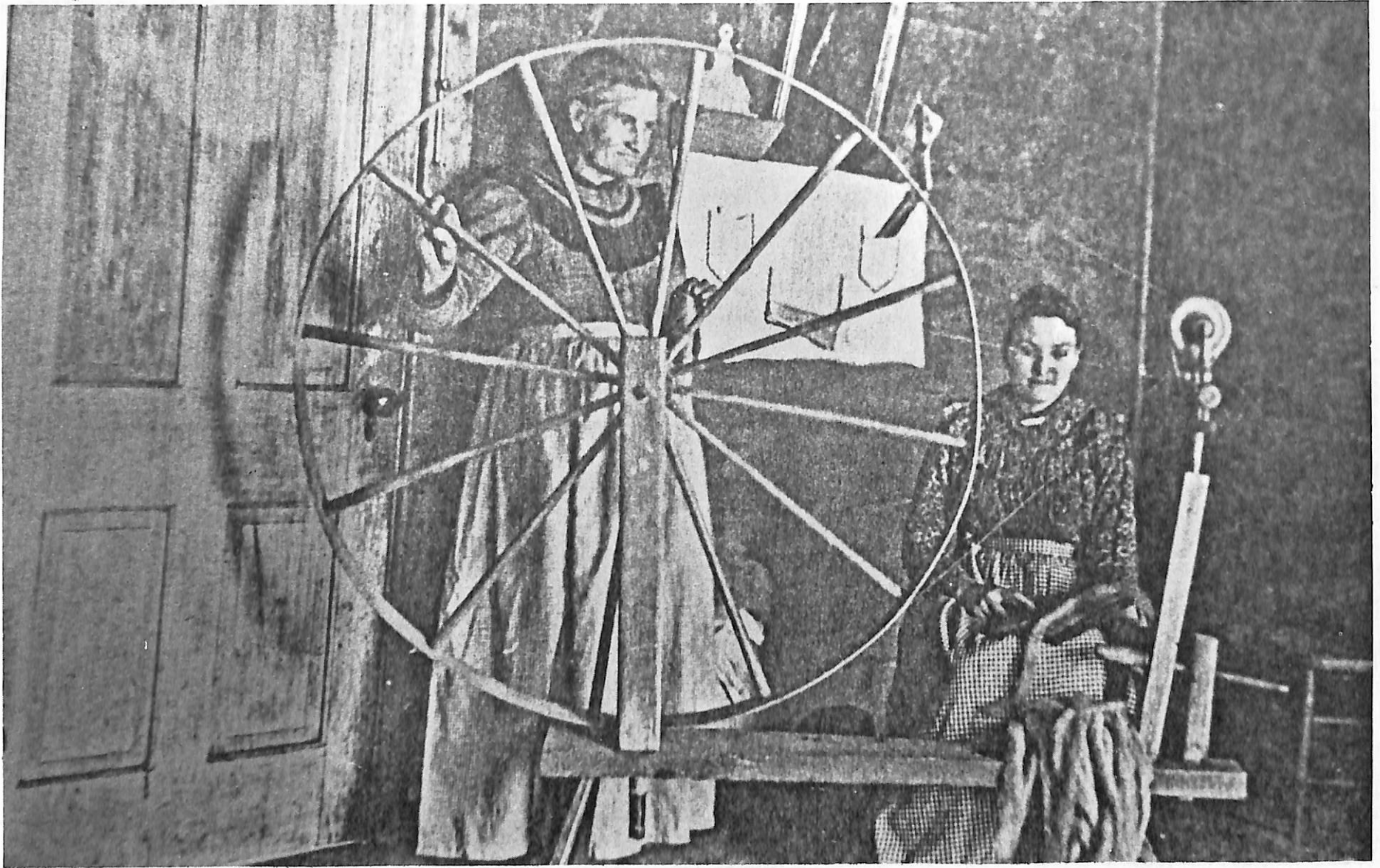
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			1 First session of U.S. Supreme Court held in New York (1790)	2	3 I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday and I love today.	4
5 A man isn't poor if he can still laugh.	6 Short words are best, and the old words, when short, are best of all.	7 People who fly into a rage, always make a bad landing.	8	9 Weather Bureau came into being (1870)	10	11 If you add only a little to a litt and do this often, soon that w become great.
12 Cabin used by the county road workers burned down (1926)	13	14 Kindness in ourselves is the honey that blunts the sting of unkindness in others.	15 Wyoming passed Primary Election Law (1911)	16 First County Library established in Cheyenne (1899)	17 Wyoming Legislature closed beaver trapping in all of Wyoming for 10 years (1899)	18
19 State Highway Act created (1917)	20 Caroline Campbell Sprague and baby girl were first to be burried in Fairview Cemetery (1891)	21	22 A man without decision can never be said to belong to himself.	23	24 Charles Hanscum succeeds Lester Bagley as Game Commissioner (1938)	25
26 Pete Olson and son Les of Cokeville sold their wool crop, 100,000 lbs. for 58½¢ a pound (1919)	27 Freedom Swiss Cheese plant destroyed by fire	28				

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Mary Ann Turner and her daughter at their spinning wheel.

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			1 Act establishing the Wyoming Industrial Institute (1911)	2 Nothing is so strong as gentleness. nothing so gentle as real strength."	3 Department of Interior created (1840)	4
5 Mail contract from Afton to Montpelier was let to John W. Nield (1926)	6 Four children die in flames in Etna (1925)	7 What do we live for if it is not to make life less difficult for each other.	8	9 Star Valley Cagers shattered record in winning district tournament (1945)	10 Dr. G.W. West received his Oakland Six auto. for which he has the Agency (1917)	11
12 Success or failure in business is caused more by mental attitude even than by mental capacities.	13	14 Andrew Hokanson, Luther Baldwin killed in snowslide near Rainbow Mine in Dry Creek (1912)	15	16 Children have more need of models than of critics.	17 ST. PATRICKS DAY Relief Society Organized (1842)	18 We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then is not an act, but a habit.
19	20 National Guard left for Kemmer - 30 boys (1917)	21 Kindness is the golden chain by which society is bound together.	22	23 Sweet are the uses of adversity	24 True contentment is the power of getting out of any situation, all there is in it.	25
26 EASTER Cokeville. Star Valley Roads from now on to be maintained by County Commissioners.	27 Self interest is but the survival of the animal in us.	28	29	30 Major Neil Eddins from Afton elected to command U.S.A.F. Thunderbirds (1967)	31 We have committed the Golden Rule to memory. Let us now commit it to life.	

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John V. Moser Family of Bedford in 1904. L to R, Charlie on horse, Jack, John V, father, August, Martha, Otto, Elizabeth, mother, Mary, Lena, Eliza, Francis, children Ed Merritt, Sr, Eliza Merritt.

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						1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY John C. Dewey moved into Fairview
2	3 Pony express began its operation (1860)	4 Star Valley School district adopted the kingergarten program (1956)	5	6 Cornerstones for Salt Lake L.D.S. Temple laid (1853)	7 Critical food situation in Star Valley. Red Cross issued wheat (1932)	8 ... Casper declared county seat of Wyoming (1890)
9 The things taught in schools and colleges are not an education, but the means of an education.	10	11 Traders Licenses granted to William H. Ashley (1822)	12 L.V.P. & L. Incorporated (1937)	13 He that can have patience can have what he will.	14 Afton passes Zoning Ordinance (1949)	15 Cheyenne designated as Territorial Capital (1869)
16 Mrs. S.A. Welchmann, mother of 10, pioneer and resident of Grover since 1889 died (1926)	17 Citizens contribute money to keep Afton-Montpelier road open (1925)	18 Anyone who stops learning is old, whether this happens at 20 or 80, anyone who keeps on learning not only remains young, but also becomes more valuable.	19 Children are likely to live up to whatever you believe of them	20 I have had more trouble with myself than with any other person I've ever met.	21 It is only imperfection that complains of what is imperfect.	22
23 Thayne completed plans for an independent telephone system (1920)	24 If you think you can, or you think you can't, you're right.	25	26 If you find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere.	27 Wyoming Highway Patrol established (1933)	28	29 Mine at Cumberland blew, 62 died (1914) Star Valley Seminary dedicated (1943)
30 George Washington inaugurated as the nations first President (1789)						

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Carl Erickson and wife Beata seated in buggy in front of log house in Freedom.

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	1 First School election held at Afton (1884)	2 Kemmerer Gazette began publication (1924)	3 After all is said and done, more is said than done.	4	5 Lester Bagley became Wyoming Game and Fish Commissioner (1954)	6 Smoot highway finished (1927)
7 MOTHER'S DAY Electric lights turned on in Afton (1907)	8 Thayne Post office began service (1891) Texaco Oil and Gas Company plane stopped over-night in Afton with passengers (1925)	9 Afton airstrip given the name of Call Air (1941)	10 The Famous Free Silver Band of Fairview organized (1897) A.V. Call elected Mayor (1904)	11 Osborne Low elected Mayor of Afton (1906)	12 Cottonwood branch of the Afton Ward organized (1887)	13 First Territorial Teachers Institute organized (1874)
14 KOA Denver started broadcasting Wyoming Weather (1925)	15 Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own.	16	17 A.E. Kennington appointed Special Police. (1956)	18 Selective Service system a law (1912)	19 Wyoming became an active territory (1869)	20 Homestead Law passed (1862)
21 Kib Cook promoted to assistant Division Road Engineer in Ogden (1920)	22 A hole is nothing at all, but you can break your neck in it.	23	24 First of the CCC's arrive and make their camp at Sheep Creek on Greys River (1933)	25 William Corbridge, John and Joseph Holbrook settled in Auburn (1886)	26 CCC Camp F12 established in head of Salt River (1933)	27 The times are not as bad as they seem, they couldn't be.
28	29 It's a strange world of language in which skating on thin ice, can get you in hot water.	30 Pony Express ended (1860)	31 MEMORIAL DAY The only happy man is one who thinks he is.			

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Covey's sheep shearing crew on Strawberry Creek in the narrows about 1900. They sheared their sheep in Star Valley for years.

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				1 Carl Cook took up a homestead in Etna (1900)	2 Congress granted citizenship to American Indians (1924)	3 National Defense Act passes (1916)
4	5 Charley Pringle drowned in Snake River (1947)	6 Afton Business Houses Licensed (1905)	7	8 C.J. Call purchased the Afton Electric Company (1933)	9 Top of the Rockies winter carnival (1935)	10
11 Dr. S.H. Worthen reports to War Department (1942)	12	13 Alpine CCC Camp disbanded. Built Snake River road (1941)	14 FLAG DAY U.S. Army founded (1775)	15 Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits.	16	17 There were match-makers thousands of years before matches were invented.
18 Glenco Ward (now Thayne) organized (1891)	19	20 Two new creameries being built in Fairview (Burton and Mutual) making a total of 13 in the Valley (1919)	21 U.S. Constitution in effect (1788)	22 Legal holiday devoted to repairing highways declared (1920)	23 The whole course of things goes to teach us faith.	24
25 Custer's Last Stand (1876)	26 Bishop Cazier organized Sunday School in Fairview (1889)	27 Jane Tolman submitted the name for Fairview (1889)	28 Francis A. Brown from Osmond passed away after being run over by a load of lumber (1902)	29 Opening of the Valleon Hotel and Ballroom, Evan P. Call, manager (1939)	30 Bridger National Forest created at Kemmerer (1911)	

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Charles and Mary Peterson family. (L to R) Myrtle Peterson Wilde, Feilding Peterson, Reah Peterson, Harold Peterson, Kimball Peterson, Rula Peterson Crook, Gertrude Peterson Findlay, Eliza Peterson Crook, Newell Peterson, Berneice Peterson Schwab.

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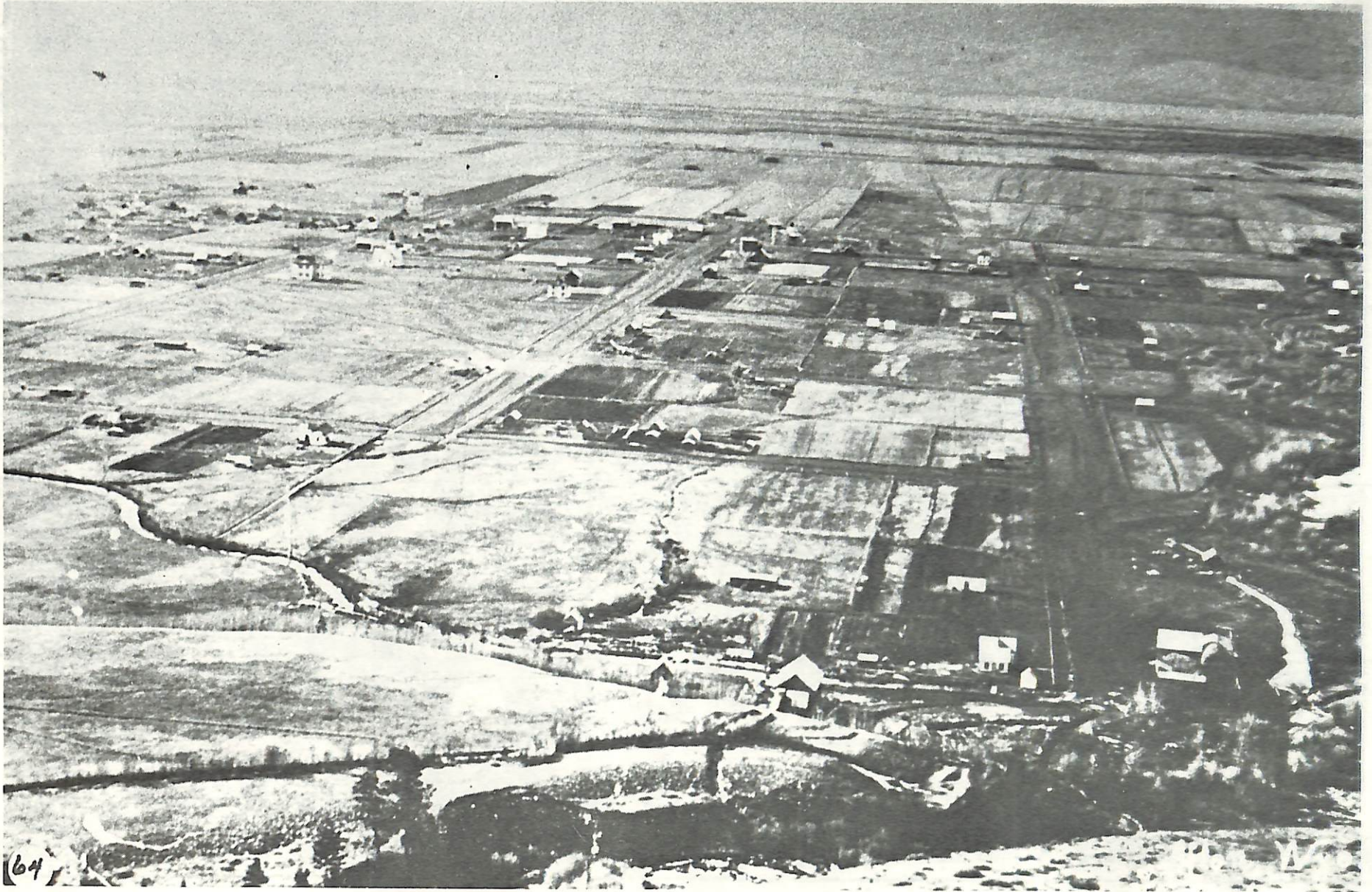
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AUGUST 1989

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						1 Auburn was organized as a branch (1889)
2 A.V. Call appointed chairman of the Building Committee for the Stake Tabernacle (1904) Osmond Ward Organized (1889)	3 Wind River Indian Reservation created (1868)	4 FOURTH OF JULY First independence Day celebrated at Independence Rock (1851)	5 There is no thrill quite like doing something you didn't know you could.	6	7 Don't be afraid to be friendly, you'll be helping somebody else as well as yourself.	8 A peculiar polished stone unearthed at Bedford (1927)
9 Battle is being raged against grasshoppers in Star Valley - 2,350 hoppers to one square foot (1920)	10 Davis Merrill gunfight at Christophersons' Hotel in Afton (1903)	11 There is more power in the open hand than in the closed fist.	12	13 It's one thing to itch for something and another to scratch for it.	14	15 A curved line is one that is bent but not broken.
16	17 Make the most of yourself, for that is all there is of you.	18 Road completed over the Southend (1902)	19 Decision made by school board to build a school in Alpine (1915)	20	21	22 Wiley Post completed first solo flight around the world, 7 days 18 1/4 hours (1933)
23 A Burton girl and a Hale girl drowned in Swift Creek (1892)	24 PIONEER DAY	25	26	27 Salt River Camp F-12 and Greys River Camp 11 quota filled—200 men working on roads and trails (1933)	28	29 Now 6 families located in Afton (1885)
30	31 Two oil gushers at LaBarge, Wytah Oil Co. at 490 feet (1925)	Wyoming territory created in act passed by congress (1868)				

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Afton, Wyoming looking west from Star Hill about 1900.

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		1 Greys River Coal Company Incorporated (1938) Snake River canyon started by CCC's. One permanent camp at each end (1935)	2 Work began on bridge across the Hoback River by CCC's (1935)	3 A pleasant companion reduces the length of the journey.	4	5 Franchise guarenteed to Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company for constructing and maintaining telephone system in Afton (1902)
6 Cokeville and Kemmerer to be connected by telephone (1920)	7 Indian scare in Star Valley (1895)	8 Contract let for oiling all Star Valley Roads (1940)	9	10 Harvey Dixon and Family and Henry Martin Harmon arrive in Star Valley. Settled at the mouth of Swift Creek (1885)	11	12 Osborne Russell Finished his trapping in the Salt River area (1834)
13 Butch Cassidy, Elza Loy, and Bob Meeker robbed the Montpelier Bank and headed for Star Valley	14 Social Security Law first passed by Congress (1935)	15 Many cattle and horses shipped to Nebraska - no hay in Star Valley (1919)	16 Ordinance passed, all business houses must close by 12 p.m. (1919)	17 Afton sewer pipes all laid (1939)	18	19 John C. Fremont and party discovered coal at Cumberland Gap (1943)
20	21	22 Ernst Brogs' Mother Plant ready for swiss cheese production (1927)	23 First church building erected at Cheyenne. Episcapalian (1868)	24 Eight foot coal mine opened on Greys River (1833)	25	26 Afton Elementary dedicated (1964)
27 Penitentiary of Laramie destroyed by fire (1837)	28 Star Valley MIA Historical Pageant presented in Afton, compiled and directed by Adelbert Wilde, Maude Burton and Josephine Burton (1915)	29 Mary Osmond first person from Star Valley to graduate from University of Wyoming (1919)	30	31		

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Mrs. John (May) Heap of Thayne about 1920. Her husband died leaving her four small children to raise and a farm to run.

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					1 Terrible cloud-burst in Grover Canyon, a lot of animals completely buried (1922)	2 Treasury Department created (1789)
3 Star Valley Independent, the only newspaper between Kemmerer and St. Anthony (1907)	4 LABOR DAY Afton Post Office broken into. \$1500 taken (1902)	5	6 James Miller came to Star Valley (1886)	7	8 Walt Brandon issues the first copy of the Pinedale Round-Up (1904)	9 Star Valley Power and Light installed a new diesel emergency plant in Swift Creek. Now lights all over Star Valley (1937)
10 Funeral Services held for one of our older residents, Mrs. Celia Robbins, lower valley (1931)	11 First election held in Fairview (1890)	12	13 Willow Creek Mining company, Incorporated (1920)	14	15	16 Robert Stuart and party camped on Salt River in the Narrows (1812)
17	18 We cannot advance without experiments in living, but no wise man tries everyday what he has proved wrong the day before.	19 Afton Curfew Law first enforced (1924)	20	21	22 Sheepmen were forced to get permits for sheep grazing on the forest (1904)	23
24	25	26 Thomas Jefferson appointed America's first Secretary of State (1789)	27	28 Afton Electric Company building new 27 foot high dam in swift Creek (1928)	29	30

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*Bottom L to R, Will Gardner, Ern Roberts, Pat Yeamon,
Tom Yeamon, Charles Leavitt, Edwin Clark,
Charley Anderson, Oz Gardner, Jim Brown, Bruce Gardner*

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October 1989

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<p>1</p> <p>National Guard called to active duty in Washington, D.C. (1961)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Learn to accept situations you cannot change.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Let go of the past, life is a series of new experiences.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>The first shipment of coal from Kemmerer (1897)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>The new Star Valley Hospital now in use, is owned by the Stake (1943)</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Dr. Treloar began practice (1929)</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 COLUMBUS DAY</p> <p>Dr. J.C. Ott, M.D., located in Afton (1924)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Greys River CCC Camp disbanded (1933)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Orson Tolman, 2nd to be buried in Fairview. Died of diphtheria (1891)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Joe Welch who was a handcart pioneer passed away at age 96 (1919)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Be optimistic; this is constructive.</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Game Department approved an Elk Feed Ground at the mouth of Greys River (1941)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Creighton Telegraph and California State Telephone lines met in Salt Lake City (1869)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Wilson Price Hunt was at the mouth of Greys River (1811)</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>If you are willing to admit you are wrong, when you are wrong, you are alright.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Fire hydrants ordered to be placed at the corner of Washington and 4th Ave. (1913) First baby born at Fairview (1885)</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>A bill to permit bona fide settlers to marry without impairing homestead rights (1919)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>John Martin Schwab, who came to Smoot in 1888, died (1923)</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Enjoy the little things for one day you may look back and realize they were big things.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Forest Service adopted a standard scheme for painting all Forest Service buildings - green roof, brown body, white trim (1916)</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Cokeville-Star Valley road declared a county road (1890)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>April's the month when the green returns to the lawn, the lilacs and the I.R.S.</p>	<p>31 HALLOWEEN</p> <p>Wallace C. Vail of Bonnaville Co. started Vail Mining Company in Deadman Creek on Greys River (1935)</p>				

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This car to haul the mail in was owned by Christophersons. In the background is the Old ^{Hub} ~~Hale~~ Hotel located in Afton, Wyoming.

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			1 First weather observation made (1870)	2 Ole A. Jensen brought his first wife Margaret to Fairview (1893)	3 Wyoming ranks 5th in Swiss Cheese production (1938)	4 Tact is the art of convincing people that they know more than you do.
5 Every car owner must register for gas rationing (1902)	6	7 Money appropriated for building a bridge in the Narrows (1902)	8	9 Federal Aid Act (1921)	10 Strawberry Canal Company Incorporated (1936)	11 ARMISTICE DAY Armistice signed (1918)
12 Harold Papworth chosen Patriarch for Star Valley Stake (1969)	13 New Star Valley fish hatchery completed, largest in the state (1924)	14 Joseph Hyrum Kennington appointed Ranger on Caribou National Forest (1907)	15	16 Dr. George W. West born (1882)	17	18 Germany surrendered, ending war (1918)
19	20 The Wyoming Tribune began at Cheyenne (1969)	21 Life is like a ten speed bike. Most of us have gears we never use.	22	23 THANKSGIVING Be glad for life, because it gives you the chance to love, and work and play and to look at the stars.	24	25 There can be no living together without understanding, and understanding means compromise. Compromise is the cornerstone of civilization.
26 First Fireman's Country Store (1936)	27 If we could sell our experiences for what they cost us, we'd all be millionaires.	28 Change your thoughts and you change your world.	29	30 First document acted upon to guarantee full equality to women (1869)		

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W.W. Burton Family

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December 1989

JANUARY 1990

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					1 D.C. Nowlin appointed State Game Warden (1902) Railroad reached Evanston (1868)	2 Star Valley Swiss Cheese factory at Osmond (1933)
3	4 Speaking of money, it's the husband's job to make it first, and the wife's job to make it last.	5	6 Carbon and Albany Counties established, dividing Laramie and Carter (1868)	7	8	9 20 miles of oiled road completed in Star Valley (1937)
10 Carter County changed to Sweetwater County. Uintah County organized (1869)	11	12 Burrell and Theil Store in Montpelier robbed	13	14	15 Charles Johns home destroyed by fire (1932)	16 First meeting held in new meeting house at Grover (1887)
17	18	19	20 Wyoming Day (1869)	21	22	23 Mrs. Fred Brown Sr. died (1919)
24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26	27	28 Forest Service and Bear Lake County Split cost of Montpelier-Afton road (1917)	29 John W. Stoner surveyed and plotted the town of Cokeville (1890)	30 Mountain Bell Microwave system into service (1972)
31 58 degrees below zero recorded at Auburn (1978)	25 CHRISTMAS DAY Silent Night sung for the first time (1818)					

STAR VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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