

Fort Kearny=1st Stop w/bandits) | Chimney Rock=about 1 mile after 1st stop | Fort Laramie=Lunch Stop (near Tee Pee) | Pony Express=Top of Thursday's Hill | Red Butte= corral | Rock Creek-Sweet Water-6th Crossing-Rocky Ridge=1 mile after Women's Pull | South Pass= 4 way | Fort Bridger=going down the hill | Echo Canyon= bottom of 425

Ellsworth=Vernon quail, McArthur=Bracken ss, Bunker=Fife middleton, Willie=Hafen gs, Martin=Allen ss, Evans=Young sc, Christiansen=Harding gs, Robinson=Leavitt, Rowley=Cotton Mill, Stoddard=Tandy rl

Trail Experiences In Order Of Progression (not chronologically). Companies will trek in the order they crossed the plains.



Fort Kearney – Ellsworth Company.

A baby is born on the trail to a member of your company. A member of your company must carry the infant the rest of the trek. Members of the company may take turns carrying the infant.

Fort Kearney – Stoddard Company – Trail Excerpt (handcart rollover)

Fort Kearney – Rowley Company -

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Chimney Rock – Evans Company

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Chimney Rock – Stoddard Company

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Chimney Rock – Christiansen Company – Johnson's Army *miracle* of the Ox – Jerky & Trail Excerpt

Chimney Rock – Rowley journal



Fort Laramie – Bunker Company – no journal – just experience explanation & instructions

Sister Giles and her infant, wife of Thomas Giles (the blind harpist) die during childbirth. The company must now stop to hold a trailside burial for the mother and child. One of the young women in your company must now wear a black ribbon on her arm, representing the loss, and that young woman shall not pull or push the handcart for the rest of the day... only walk along with the family. Once in camp, the young woman may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.

Because of Thomas's blindness, your company sends his 2 young sons, Hyrum and Joseph back to travel with the Martin Company with which some Welsh immigrants are traveling. Hannah Evans Bowen (immigrating with her daughter, Ann) will care for Joseph and Hyrum. Thomas will ride in your cart.

Members of your company take the Giles children to the Martin Company, requesting that they continue with journey with them, explaining what happened.

Fort Laramie – McArthur Company – snake trail excerpt

Fort Laramie – Martin Company – receive the 2 Giles children.

Fort Laramie – Evans Company – Sister Harriet a member of your company is run over by a handcart and must ride in your handcart.

Fort Laramie – Robinson Company – trail excerpt and birth

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Pony Express delivers letters of support, love and encouragement from the valley



Red Butte – Ellsworth Company

Henry Ellsworth, a member of your company is struck and killed by lightning. The company must now carry the dead body of Ellsworth in handcart ¼ mile to camp, then near camp, stop to hold a trailside burial for him. One of the men in your company must now wear a black ribbon on his arm, representing the loss, and that man shall not pull or push the handcart or speak until after dinner... After dinner, the man may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.

Red Butte – Martin Company – trail excerpt and burial

Your company has been bogged down in heavy snow and forced to camp for 9 days. During that time, 56 members of your company die due to the extreme conditions and lack of food. Your company holds a trail side burial (a single grave for all). One of the men and one of the women in your company must now each wear a black ribbon on their arm, representing the loss, and they shall not pull or push the handcart for the rest of the day... only walk along with the family. Once in camp, they may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.

Red Butte – Evans Company – trail excerpt – potatoes arrive



Rock Creek/6th Crossing/Martin's Cove/Rocky Ridge – Willie Company - @ trail excerpt 1 & 2

During the time your company travels through these locations, 29 members of your company die due to the extreme conditions and lack of food. Your company holds a trail side burial (a single grave for all). One of the men and one of the women in your company must now each wear a black ribbon on their arm, representing the loss, and they shall not pull or push the handcart for the rest of the day... only walk along with the family. Once in camp, they may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.



South Pass (4 way) – Christiansen – Trail Excerpt and Rawhide shoes



Fort Bridger (near bottom Cattle guard) – Bunker Company – Trail Excerpt

Fort Bridger – Martin Company – give Bunker Trail Excerpt



Echo Canyon (bottom of 425) - McArthur Company

9 month old William Heaton dies en route. The company now must stop to hold trailside burial for the child. One of the young men in your company must now wear a black ribbon on his arm, representing the loss, and that young man shall not pull or push the handcart the rest of the day... only walk along with the family. Once in camp, the young man may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.

Echo Canyon – Willie Company

Maria Jorgen and William Empy Jr., members of your company die before reaching the valley. The company must now stop to hold a trailside burial for them. One of the young men in your company and one of the young women in your company must now wear a black ribbon on their arms, representing the loss, and they shall not pull or push the handcart for the rest of the day... only walk along with the family. Once in camp, they may remove the ribbon and resume normal activity.