



Mormon pioneers devised a "roadometer" at the suggestion of William Clayton, where it was first used is now known as the ODOMETER START. Previously Clayton had kept track of distance by tying a red cloth to a wheel and counting the revolutions.

The ELKHORN RIVER ferry was the first major crossing west of the Missouri. At a site later known as LIBERTY POLE CAMP, the 1847 Mormon emigrants organized themselves in a military manner to provide traveling effectiveness and safety.

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