

WEEK 2

JULY 10TH TO 16TH



WYOMING SUPPORTS WOMEN

On the 10th in 1890 Wyoming (#44) becomes a State. Women should be grateful for the leadership displayed here, because 21 years earlier, the territory of Wyoming granted women the right to vote. Other trivia, **84.9% of the land in Wyoming** is controlled by the Federal Government. The questions should be asked, **“why does the Federal Government own any of the land within a State?”** The Constitution allows for the Federal Government to own limited amounts of land. *If a State had full control of their resources, and could manage as they see fit, is it possible that great things could happen, much the same as when Wyoming as a territory saw fit to empower their women to vote? Where has the Federal Government received any authorization by the states to control a state’s resources once the State is admitted into the United States of America?*

A BALANCE OF REPRESENTATION

On the 16th in 1787, **Roger Sherman** proposes **“The Great Compromise”** in Connecticut. Aka the “Sherman Compromise” ensured that a **“Bicameral”** body would be used to make sure that there is a balance of representation between the larger and smaller states. The lower chamber or House of Representatives would balance based on proportional population sizes and the upper chamber of the US Senate would be allocated 2 representatives for each state. Today, this means that such states as Wyoming have only 1 representative and 2 Senators.

Initially the Representatives were to be elected by the people from the districts that would be represented, while the Senate members would be chosen by the Legislatures of each state. This was to ensure that the voice of the people could be heard, by changing out Representatives every two years. The needs of a State could be recognized through Senate representation as State legislative bodies picked their Senate representatives every 6 years on staggered terms.

Remember this changed with passage of the 17th Amendment in 1913

80.1%

OF NEVADA IS FEDERALLY OWNED.

27%

OF ALL STATES ARE FEDERALLY OWNED

0.3%

OF IOWA IS FEDERALLY OWNED



IN GOD WE TRUST?

On the 11th in 1955 President Eisenhower signs a bill (H.R. 619) requiring **“In God We Trust”** to be printed on national currency. Charles E. Bennet of Florida, is quoted as saying *“Nothing can be more certain than that our country was founded in a spiritual atmosphere and with a firm trust in God,”* along with *“while the sentiment of trust in God is universal and timeless, these particular four words ‘In God We Trust’ are indigenous to our country.”* As reported in [Historical Highlights](#), Bennett believed that by adding “In God We Trust” to currency that this would serve as a constant reminder that the nation’s political and economic fortunes were tied to its spiritual faith.