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Wagon Roads 480, 481, & Telegraph Line

Oregon Trail variant

California Trail

Mormon Trail

U.S. Dragoon Trail

Mormon Battalion Trail

1857 Road north from 3 miles west of Mouth of Platte R Thru Laramie(?)

To Omaha passing north thru Omaha City Crossing over a small creek upon the bridge (of) the Military Road from Omaha

City... we run along 24th St in the city of Saratoga

to its terminus, thence north 23 1/2 degrees west to the

foot of and thru Main Street ,in Florence, over the

second bottom lands of the Missouri, perfectly

level,

crossing Spring and Mill Creeks, and reached the bluffs of the Missouri at a distance of five miles from the

Military Bridge. Here we crossed a high ridge and

passed down onto the valley of the Ponca Creek; crossing

Ponca and following the valley for one mile, we

again crossed a divide, somewhat rolling, over on

to the valley of Deer Creek, where we again come upon

the second bottom lands of the Missouri; crossing

Turkey Creek, we reached the town of Fort Calhoun at

a distance of 14 miles from Omaha City, 38 miles

from the Platte River. Passing thru 13th St. in Fort Calhoun, and changing our course to west of north, still